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PIONEER

Student values family tradition of volunteerism

Meals on Wheels recipients can count on Casey Nelson

By Ana Rodriguez
Staff Writer

Right and early every Wednesday morning Casey Nelson heads out to the houses of strangers who depend on her.

Nelson, 21, doesn't think twice about spending her valuable time on the roads of Norman. The OKCCC journalism student and part-time bank teller is a volunteer driver for Meals on Wheels of Norman. She takes food to Meals on Wheels recipients one day a week.

Nelson recently received her own route after a brief training period.

Volunteer drivers are trained to deliver the meals and to be observant of the recipients, said Caroline Roslik, director of Mobile Meals of Oklahoma City.

"On a regular route you can notice if something isn't quite right [with the recipient] and we will then notify their emergency contact or 911," Roslik said. People can volunteer in several areas including grocery shopping and food preparation, in addition to delivery driving.

Nelson picks up her meals at Norman Regional Hospital. The hospital prepares the food with the recipients' specific health in mind and even cuts the meat for those who don't have the ability to do it themselves. After picking up the meals, each volunteer driver delivers to an average of 12 to 15 recipients.

Lynn Haynes, a director at the Meals On Wheels in Norman, described Nelson as a wonderful and enthusiastic person.

"She is exactly the type of volunteer these people like to see. She is bright, smiley and brightens everyone's day."

Many area Meals on Wheels and Mobile Meals deliver an average of 240 noontime meals per day. the meals come in insulated meal carriers and can easily fit in passenger seats, said Haynes.

"Many times, the volunteers are the only outside contact for that day," she said. Haynes described a situation where an elderly woman was

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Photo by Ana Rodriguez

It's only human: Gerald Dixon, physical therapy assistant sophomore, studies a human torso model in the science lab. The science lab located in the main building is open 9 to 9:30 a.m., Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and is closed on Sundays.

Degree opportunities increase

By Richard Hall
Editor

Two new business degrees with an emphasis in automotive technology will be available beginning this fall semester.

The first degree, an associate in science in Automotive Management, will focus on the business aspect of the field.

The second degree, an associate in applied science in Automotive Service Management, will focus on service

management such as finance and customer relations.

Gary Tucker, automotive technology professor, said the new degree programs were designed to help students who are interested in the management aspects of the automotive field.

"Not only does it give someone a degree in business," Tucker said, "but it gives someone the opportunity to learn about management in the industry."

"It offers the student tools to understand

and deal with management situations which occur on a daily basis."

Tucker said the Automotive Service Management option was developed for students who enjoy the hands-on aspect of the automotive field but also want a little bit more to do with the service side of the business.

The Automotive Service Management degree will supply students with the skills to manage the automotive service depart-

"Accredited programs can offer a greater flexibility to the student."

—Gary Tucker
OKCCC
Automotive
Technology
Professor

ment by means of more business-oriented courses, Tucker said.

Chair for Transpor-

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Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

U.N. is part of the problem

Imagine sending your 14-year-old daughter to the store to buy a soda, only to discover upon her return she had been raped by a soldier sent on a peace keeping mission.

That is what's happening to Congolese children, male and female.

In 2000, the United Nations launched a peace-keeping mission in order to deter the fuming border war in the Congo. Less than a year later, reports of exploitation and sexual abuse began to surface.

In spite of the fact the United Nations has a zero tolerance policy concerning sexual misconduct, allegations of such behavior are becoming quite common in the Congo.

On Feb. 11, report featured on ABC's "20/20" found 150 allegations against U.N. employees in the Congo. One of the more common violations taking place has been coined "survival sex."

This is a case in which women, or, in some instances men, trade sex for small amounts of money or food.

Picture living in a place where food is so scarce you would be willing to sell yourself sexually so you could eat.

These prostitutes were said to have been paid as little as \$2, a loaf of bread or a jar of peanut butter.

The "20/20" report had video confirmation of numerous instances where U.N. officials were loading company vehicles full of known prostitutes and leaving with them.

Those women, who were paid, no matter how little, are still the lucky ones.

Those less fortunate receive nothing but pain from their experiences with the soldiers.

On her way to get water from the village well, a 14-year-old girl from Burnia was cornered by two U.N. troops from Morocco. One of them raped her.

The next day the U.N. Moroccan commander added insult to injury by offering money to the family in exchange for the case being dropped.

Not only was the child stripped of her innocence, the higher-ups tried to fix the situation by turning the young woman into a prostitute.

Children are raped often in the Congo, and younger ones are targeted because they are less likely to have a sexually-transmitted disease.

Since these soldiers are exempt from prosecution by Congolese authorities, there are basically no repercussions.

It is despicable for an entity charged with the welfare of a nation to exploit those they are supposed to protect.

The United Nations is one of the most powerful entities in the world. Someone has to be able to keep them in check, even if it is just a journalist.

—Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

Spring job fair coming up

To the editor:

With the OKCCC Spring Job Fair only a week away, I feel it is important to let students know how to get the most from their contact with potential employers.

Some employers will have immediate job openings and others will be looking for good candidates for future openings.

If you make a good impression, you may be interviewed that day or will increase the probability of being called first for interviews.

Following are some pointers to making a good impression:

- Dress professionally, be well groomed and be enthusiastic.

- Bring several copies of your resumé as well as writing materials to take notes. If you're searching in more than one version of your resumé, each highlighting different aspects of your experience and education.

- Know what you're going to say to each employer. If

they're busy, you may only have a minute to present your qualifications, so think carefully about what you want to cover and the best way to say it, varying it depending on individual recruiting needs.

- While waiting, look at the literature and information at the tables. There may be details on specific job openings or important information about the company.

- Develop a few questions to ask employers. You can't anticipate how much time you'll have with each employer. If you have several minutes, you may be asked if you have any questions. It pays to have one or two good questions ready.

- Learn what you should do to follow up on your best contacts, particularly the name and title of the person with whom you may communicate and write the information down.

First impressions count with employers, so be prepared to make a good one. For assistance with your

resumé, come by Employment Services located in the Office of Student Life or call 682-7519 by the end of February.

Remember the job fair is March 2, in the College Union, so mark your calendars now.

—Linda Fay
Coordinator
of Employment Services

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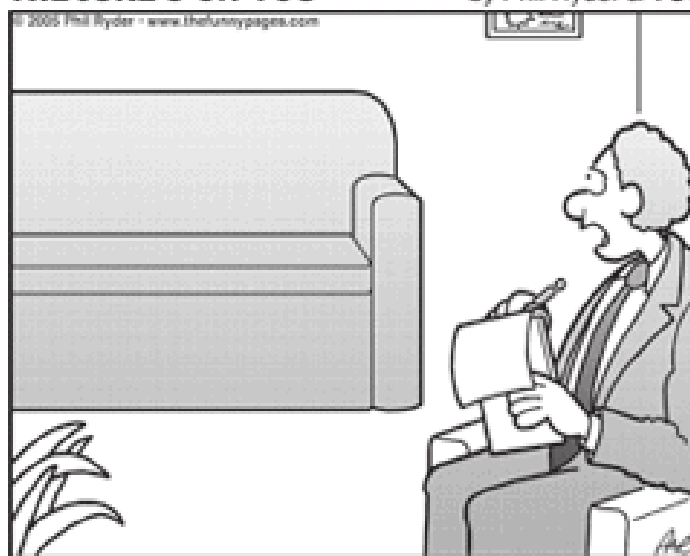
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THE JOKE'S ON YOU

by Phil Ryder & YOU



"Before you blame others for your feelings of inadequacy, I suggest you take a look at yourself."

- Sher Surratt • Cleveland, OH

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Comments and Reviews

Medicaid to help women

A new breast and cervical cancer diagnosis and treatment program has the potential to save the lives of Oklahoma women who might otherwise not have their cancers diagnosed or treated.

Women between the ages of 19 and 65, who are low income and uninsured, may now be eligible for the Oklahoma Cares Medicaid Program, which will cover the costs for diagnosis and treatment of breast and cervical cancer for women who meet eligibility criteria.

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority, the Oklahoma State Department of health, the Oklahoma Department of Human Services, the Kaw Nation of Oklahoma and the Cherokee Nation have all collaborated to develop and refine the program.

Under a previously established program, the Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, eligible women were screened for breast or cervical cancer through certified screeners offered through the Oklahoma State Department of Health's "Take Charge" program.

However, resources were not in place to help women seek other treatment services that were recommended as a result of their screening.

Once an eligible woman is screened by a certified provider and found to be in need of treatment, she will then complete an application for the treatment program.

The Oklahoma Department of Human Services will determine if the appli-

cant is eligible for basic Medicaid.

If she is not eligible, her application will be processed through the Oklahoma Cares program.

The new Oklahoma Cares program helps ensure that women who are found in need of treatment through the screening process can then receive further diagnosis and treatment services that will be paid by Medicaid.

Women who are found not to have cancer or precancerous conditions will lose their eligibility.

If a woman does receive a diagnosis of cancer or a precancerous condition, she will be enrolled in SoonerCare, the state's managed care Medicaid program.

She then will choose a primary provider and receive needed specialty referrals through that provider.

Additional services will include care management, transportation through SoonerRide and access to the SoonerCare Helpline and the Nurse Advice Line. Eligible women will continue to receive services through SoonerCare until their provider determines they no longer need treatment for their cancer.

Women who already have had an abnormal screening result for breast or cervical cancer, or who have already been diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer, or who have a precancerous condition should call this toll-free number, 866-550-5585, to see if they qualify for the Oklahoma Cares program.

"If a woman does receive a diagnosis of cancer or a precancerous condition, she will be enrolled in SoonerCare, the state's managed care Medicaid program."

—Oklahoma Department of Health

They also can call the Cherokee Nation toll free at 877-458-4491, or 918-458-4491, or the Kaw Nation of Oklahoma at 580-362-1039, ext. 228, to get information about applying for the program.

To help expand the certified screening program, The Oklahoma State Department of Health's "Take Charge" program is seeking providers (such as physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners and nurse midwives) to join the network of certified screeners.

Providers interested in more information about joining this network should contact Cheryl M. (Charlie) Jones, Take Charge Program Manager, by calling toll-free 866-550-5585, or e-mail charlieJ@health.state.ok.us.

Providers who are interested in signing a Medicaid contract to provide breast and cervical cancer diagnosis and treatment services can contact the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Provider Enrollment at 405-522-6205 or 800-522-0114, select option 5.

—Oklahoma State Department of Health



Q: *Is the college still planning to build the Performing Arts Center despite President Todd's absence?*

A: It only will be built if financing is available. [Financing] is not available at this time. Funding will come from wherever the administration deems necessary. There have been no drawings made or a timetable for construction. Part of the funding would include paying an architect to design it.

—Chris Snow

Assistant Director of the Physical Plant

Q: *What does the Automotive Center do with the vehicles once students are done working on them?*

A: The vehicles are donated to other career technology centers around the state after about two years of use. They're designated for training only and are not streetworthy.

—Larry Grummer

Automotive Technology Professor

Q: *Why does the Pioneer office still have shag carpets on its walls?*

A: The college still has certain areas that have carpeted walls. We are in the process of phasing them out.

—Chris Snow

Assistant Director of the Physical Plant

Q: *Can you use credit cards to buy anything at the bookstore?*

A: The bookstore accepts cash, checks or credit cards to purchase everything from candy and soda to books. The bookstore accepts Visa, Mastercard, American Express and Discover credit cards.

—Brenda Reinke

Bookstore Director

Q: *What's the difference between Student Life and Student Development?*

A: Student Life is primarily responsible for employment services, leadership programs and co-curricular activities. Student Development is the office responsible for personal and academic related counseling and testing services.

—Liz Largent

Director of Student Life

**Is a question itching your brain?
Let the Pioneer scratch it.**

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Quote of the Week:

"Asking a working writer what he thinks about critics is like asking a lamppost how it feels about dogs."

—Christopher Hampton

Comments and Reviews

The Mask should have used birth control

The "Son of The Mask," directed by Lawrence Guterman, definitely should have been the victim of an abortion.

This is quite possibly the worst sequel in existence.

Without Jim Carrey, there is no point in making a sequel.

Jamie Kennedy, from "Malibu's Most Wanted," needs to take what is left of his unsalvageable career back to the WB.

Alan Cumming, from "X2: X-Men United," should have known better.

I had hoped after finally being cast in a real movie, Cumming would be a little more selective in the roles he takes. Apparently not.



Normally, movie reviews will give a quick summary of the plot. However, this film doesn't even have one. So I will use this time to blast this excuse for a film straight into oblivion.

Most scenes are present simply to fill space or set up the next over-the-top special effects shot.

This movie is overloaded with computer-generated images that are highly

cartoonish and, after a while, annoying.

Children in the audience, under the age of 5, may have laughed occasionally, but that is only because they are young and didn't know any better.

This movie had a poor beginning, a bad middle, and an even worse ending.

The best part would have to be the credits because that is what lets you know that it is time to wake up and stop slobbering in your popcorn.

This project was without

question the biggest waste of time and money, ever.

I would recommend getting a root canal with a hot poker before I would send even my worst enemy to see this film.

Anyone involved in the production of "The Son of the Mask" deserves to be shot with a rusty bullet.

Unless you feel the need to spend \$7 to take a nap in a chair that doesn't recline, run far away from this disaster.

—Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

News is what matters

To the editor:

After reading the Feb. 14 issue of the Pioneer, I questioned the purpose of a "news" paper in general and the newsworthiness of the lead story on page one in particular.

In my opinion, an above-the-fold story on the front page should be the most important story in the paper.

The lead above-the-fold story in said issue was about the proliferation of "blogs" which, by the way, were never defined as an abbreviation of "web logs."

This story was a feature, not news. It had all of the news value as "some dogs have fleas."

Pages five and six contained five stories that had more newsworthiness than the blogs piece.

An upcoming blood drive, a women's leadership institute, and the performances of two plays (one a premiere of a work by an OKCCC professor) each carried more importance than a story about people who foist their private lives upon others.

The story about OKCCC being ranked as the sixth fastest growing community college in the nation certainly warranted better placement.

Page one above the fold seems appropriate to me.

In an era when mainstream "news" has mostly degenerated into vapid entertainment, I think it is imperative that higher education uphold the sanctity of news values and not allow our journalism standards to sink to the level where fluff is considered acceptable.

One of the goals of all media is to educate the population, and part of that is to educate them regarding what is news, and what isn't. There is a place for the Blogs story; just not on page one.

—Rick Allen Lippert
Adjunct Professor

'Winn Dixie' is just doggone good

Even if you read the book, you'll agree the movie is even better.

"Because of Winn Dixie," based on the book by Kate DiCamillo, is set in a small town in Florida.

An innocent young girl named Opal, played by newcomer Annasophia Robb, stars in this heartwarming tale of small-town drama.

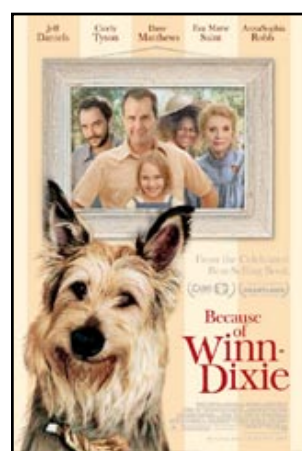
The plot begins as Opal struggles to find her place in a new town.

On an errand to the grocery store, Opal claims a rambunctious dog running loose in the Winn Dixie gro-

cery store as her own.

The dog then leads Opal through a magical summer of discovery. The story touches deep topics of divorce, alcoholism and incarceration while keeping a tone light enough for even a third grader to follow very easily.

Kids will appreciate the humor and interesting characters while parents



will appreciate the story with a simple end.

The movie's special effects were included appropriately and were not overdone.

"Because of Winn Dixie" is definitely worth a view and will, at the very least,

make any parent hug their children a little more every day.

—Ana Rodriguez
Staff Writer

New Smith film is a surprise hit

"Hitch" is a lovable romantic comedy written by Kevin Bisch and directed by Andy Tennant. It's set in New York, as the story revolves around a date doctor named Alex "Hitch" Hitchens, played by Will Smith.

Hitch is a cool character, who helps shy men boost their confidence so they can win the hearts of the ladies. Actor Kevin James plays Albert, a laughable character who, I felt, stole the show.

Some of the funniest scenes involve Albert and Hitch working on their game plan to woo Allegra Cole, played by Amber Valletta. Albert is the perfect lovable loser and displays some nice physical comedy. One such scene involves Hitch teaching Albert some dance moves.

Hitch gets himself into some unbelievable situations and loses his charm, and even his shirt, as he falls for up-and-coming

journalist Sara, played by Eve Mendes.

The plot is not as thick as one would hope, but it still delivered a few laughs and some touching moments.

Overall, I thought this movie was a good watch. This is a movie anyone can enjoy.

It had just enough funny moments not to be classified as a chick flick. I rate this movie a B.

—John Savage
Staff Writer

Have a story idea?
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Journalists to gather at job fair

By Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

Omar Gallaga, editor with the Austin American Statesman, will be featured as a keynote speaker at the Society of Professional Journalists' 12th annual journalism job and internship fair.

The fair starts at noon, Feb. 25, and will take place at the University of Oklahoma's Frontier Room, located at Oklahoma Memorial Union, 900 Asp Ave.

There also will be a panel discussion with current editors and recent journalism graduates.

OKCCC journalism professor and active member of SPJ for the last 20 years, Sue Hinton, said anyone who wants to be a professional journalist needs to attend.

"Every contact you make contributes to your network. When you are in the job market, it is good to have that network to fall back on," Hinton said.

While this conference is specifically geared toward newspapers, that shouldn't discourage those in related fields from coming, she said.

"Anyone in any media field will learn something that will help them with their job search."

Hinton said she knows how difficult finding a job just out of college can be.

"We know getting hired can take time," she said.

The goal of this conference is simple.

"We want to be a bridge between people looking for jobs and people who are hiring."

Hinton said she knows of anywhere from six to 20 students who have benefited from attending past fairs.

Senior Writer Shawn Bryant can be reached at SeniorWriter@okccc.edu.

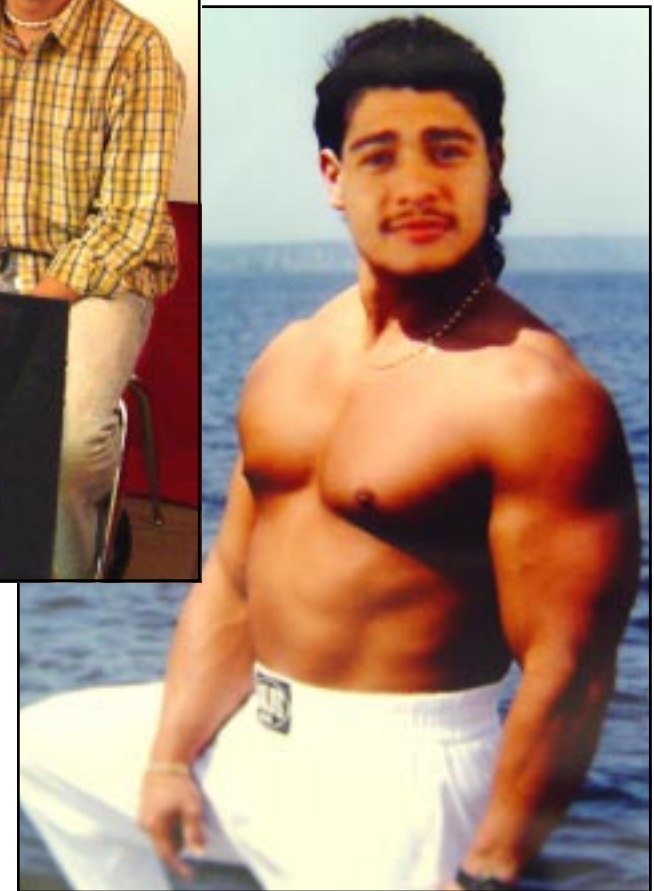
Before and after



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Kramer Entertainment took pictures of students, then superimposed their faces onto many body choices. Here you see what Omar Castillo might look like if he decided to take up body building. Students had a choice between putting their photo in a keychain or in a snowglobe. The photo to the right is what one finished product looked like. Kramer Entertainment produced the photos as part of the sponsored programs offered by the campus activities board.

Omar Castillo poses for a digital portrait Feb. 10 in the main building. The event was sponsored by the office of Student Life. The pictures were free to students.



Pioneer recognized by SPJ

By Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

Caroline Ting, OKCCC sophomore and former editor of the Pioneer, received first place honors in two different categories at the Society of Professional Journalists' annual contest in late January.

First place in the general news reporting category was given for Ting's story, "Credit Card Companies Target Students."

Ting said, to gather information for that story, she talked to several credit card companies, spoke to students and found the average debt of those attending college.

Ting also won first place in the criminal justice category for "Student charged with campaign embezzlement," about a former

OKCCC student who was caught embezzling money from Ernest Istook's campaign.

Ting said she was very proud of the recognition she received from SPJ.

"I entered last year but didn't win. It was nice to see [other] professionals in my field," Ting said.

Half of the Pioneer entries sent in to the contest won awards in Division C.

Division C is any newspaper with a circulation of less than 7,000, said Kim Morava, Shawnee News-Star reporter.

Ting was not alone in her first place efforts.

Keah Roggow, former Pioneer photographer, won a first place award in the general photography category for a single photo from the photo spread "Preschoolers Explore the Idea of Friends."

Roggow said she was

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—Caroline Ting

Sophomore and former Editor of the Pioneer

both pleased and surprised when she found out she had won first place.

"I was very excited, she said. The judges were really hard this year."

The Pioneer also produced a second place finish by Lacey Lett, broadcasting junior at the University of Oklahoma.

Lett's article, "File sharing," won an award in the category Moving to In-Depth Enterprise/Individual reporting.

"I thought I would just get an honorable mention, but I was pleasantly surprised when I found out I won second place," Lett said.

Melissa Guice, Pioneer online editor, won third

place for her design of the Pioneer's website.

Guice said the website has been operational since January of 2001.

"This is our third year to enter and our second to win an award," Guice said.

Guice said she previously won an honorable mention in the same category.

"Next year we hope to keep moving up," she said.

Guice said she was very happy to have won.

"It's really an honor because we were the only college [newspaper] that placed [in the website category]," Guice said.

Senior Writer Shawn Bryant can be reached at SeniorWriter@okccc.edu.

Old dogs learn new tricks

By Chris Allen
News Writing Student

A dog-training seminar for new pet owners was held Feb. 8 in CU3. The session was hosted by Student Life as a part of the Brown Bag Lunch Series.

During the seminar, Teresa Randall, an adjunct biology professor and dog enthusiast taught the 25 students who attended some of the basic commands every dog should know.

She was able to show students the "sit" command with the aid of Shutzie, her 10-year-old wire fox terrier.

"The first thing you want to do is to get a treat and hold it in front of your dog's head," she said.

"Then bring the treat slowly up over the dog's head and let gravity pull its rear end down, telling [the dog] to 'Sit.'"

Randall stressed the importance of complimenting the dog after it performs a command.

"Always remember to praise your dog when

he is behaving the way you want him to," she said.

Randall emphasized repetition when teaching a dog a command.

"Remember, dogs are like little kids," she said. "They have very short attention spans. When you are teaching them something new, you must go over it again and again."

Randall said her favorite part of dog training is seeing the relationship develop between dog and owner.

"Watching the connection the dog makes with people is very rewarding."

Randall said dog training should be play, not work.

"Let your dog have fun when you are working with him. A happy dog will want to make you happy."

Randall also taught the "come," "stay" and "down" commands during the class.

She left the students with a bit of wisdom.

"Above all, remember the more you put in to something, the more you'll get out of it, and that is definitely true for dog training."

For more information about dog training, contact Randall at trandall@okccc.edu.



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Dog trainer Teresa Randall uses her wire fox terrier "Shatzie" to demonstrate various training techniques.

Have a question, comment or concern you want to get off your chest? e-mail the Pioneer and tell us about it!
editor@okccc.edu

OU transfer deadline looms sooner than later

By Mark McDewitt
News Writing Student

The new deadline for admission to the University of Oklahoma will come sooner than you think.

The admission transfer liaison at OU, Christie Upchurch, said OU has moved the date for applications to be accepted up to April 1 for the fall semester. The previous deadline was June 1.

"An earlier deadline will allow more time for the student's application to go through for advising and en-

rollment," Upchurch said.

"The new deadline shouldn't affect that many students since most get their paperwork in on time anyway."

Joel Drury, University of Central Oklahoma representative, said UCO uses a "rolling deadline."

A rolling deadline means students may apply for admission up to the Friday of the first week of class, Drury said.

However, he said he strongly encourages students to apply early so they will have a chance to meet with their advisers and discuss their class sched-

ules.

Some OKCCC students are concerned about the change.

Amy Sullivan, an advertising major, will be transferring to OU in the spring of 2006.

"The earlier deadline will make students feel rushed, since there is a lot of stuff to take care of before you transfer," she said.

Blake Taylor, psychology major, said he was unaware of the change.

"It will make me get on the ball," he said.

Both OU and UCO have a scholarship deadline for transfer students of March 1, for the fall semester.



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Free money offered to future teachers

By Nick Bolton
News Writing Student

Free money can be a reality for many OKCCC students taking coursework to become a teacher, said Mary Punches, OKCCC professor and faculty adviser to the campus's Student Oklahoma Education Association.

A grant from the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, called the Program for Academic Achievement, provides \$25,000 for this purpose.

"This is the biggest grant we have ever received," Punches said.

Under the grant any OKCCC student who is studying to become a teacher in either elementary or high schools can apply to have tuition and fees paid.

Students will have to go through an interview process and must have a minimum 2.5 grade point average to be considered, Punches said.

"There has never been an overabundance of students that apply for this grant," she said.

Along with coursework, the recipient of grant money will have to complete 18 hours of community service per semester.

"This grant is a great idea for students in the teaching programs on campus," Punches said.

"It offers a very cheap way for students to make their dreams a reality," she said.

Interested students can fill out an application that can be obtained from Punches in the Arts and Humanities building.

The deadline for applications is March 1.

For more information, call Punches at 682-1611, ext. 7634, or e-mail at mcpunches@okccc.edu.

"This grant is a great idea for students in the teaching programs on campus. It offers a very cheap way for students to make their dreams a reality."

—Mary Punches
Faculty Adviser
SOEA

Acoustic sounds



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Guitarist David Burgess performs for an audience in the OKCCC theater as part of the Cultural Arts Series. The next performance is the play "Steel Magnolias," scheduled for 7 p.m. March 1, also in the theater. For more information and ticket prices, call 682-7579 or visit www.okccc.edu/globaled/culturalevents.html.

Student taken into custody by city police after family dispute on campus

By Christiana Kostura & John Savage
Staff Writers

A student attempted to barricade himself inside an empty office located in the Services to Students with Disabilities area at OKCCC, on the afternoon of Feb. 17, said Keith Bourque, Safety and Security coordinator.

Disabilities office staff notified the Safety and Security department of the situation, Bourque said.

After assessing the situation and requesting backup, Bourque said, he called the Oklahoma City police.

Bourque said he continued efforts to calm down the upset student.

"He was in an extremely agitated condition," he said.

The distraught student was verbally threatening to harm security officers, Bourque said.

"Upon arrival, Oklahoma City Police officers removed the man from the office and took him into custody," according to a statement issued by OKCCC's Public Relations department.

The student's wife was on the scene. She indicated the man had become distraught after she upset him.

"Considering the fact he was throwing chairs, [police] handled him very well," she said.

One police car began to drive away but had to return after the student became even more distraught. The cuffed man continued to scream and yell at officers.

In total, five police cars responded to the call. At 3:25 p.m., city police transported the man away from campus after calming him down.

Employees in the Services to Students with Disabilities office refused comment.



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Campus Security Officer Rod Harden looks on as Oklahoma City police officers take custody of an OKCCC student who attempted to barricade himself in a room on campus after a dispute with a family member.

At press time, there was no official word if the man had been charged with anything.

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Iraqi national sees hope for homeland

By Milton Paddlety
News Writing Student

Twenty-five years after he was arrested and thrown in jail, Bashir Allamy dreams of someday helping his fellow Iraqis.

As Allamy sat patiently in his central Oklahoma home, watching the Iraqi election results, he recalled how, as a young man, he had worked to change the course of his country's history.

In August 1979, Allamy helped the Aldaw Islamic Party, a political party opposed to Saddam Hussein. As a result, he was arrested and blindfolded by Iraqi soldiers, and spent 22 days in jail.

While in jail, he said, Iraqi military handcuffed him, extended his hands over his head, and dangled him from a ceiling fan for more than an hour.

He still has vivid memories of those times. They help inspire him.

Allamy bears scars on his wrists from being handcuffed. He pushes his nose to one side, showing how an Iraqi soldier had broken his nose after grabbing him by his hair and slamming his face into a concrete wall.

Allamy is from the Misan area of southern Iraq. An educated and religious Shia Muslim, he graduated in petroleum engineering from Baghdad University in 1979 and worked for the state-run Iraq Petroleum.

His goal now is to attend the University of Oklahoma Graduate College of Petroleum Engineering, but first he must improve his English. To reach that goal, he studies English as a Second Language at OKCCC.

Allamy also has a passion to become a magazine writer for Iraqi people living in the United States.

But, for now, he needs to improve his chances of passing the TOEFL (Test of



Photo by Milton Paddlety

Iraq native Bashir Allamy practices his English with ESL teacher Abra Figueroa. Allamy was once a prisoner in Iraq, but is now determined to become a magazine writer.

English as a Foreign Language) and the GRE (Graduate Record Examination).

Allamy said he traveled a long way to get where he is now — across the Middle East, to Syria, Iran, Lebanon and finally to the United States in 2000.

"Because I look for freedom, look for the human, good people," he said.

So, he intently watched the Iraq election, wondering who would be victorious.

And he remembered his past jail time.

Allamy told of how a soldier would walk with a container of HNO-3 liquid acid and throw it onto the prisoners. "Maybe throw some at his face or back," he said.

He isn't the only one who paid the price in Iraq. Allamy had two brothers, both of whom died there.

In 1970, his 20-year-old brother, a soldier, was killed fighting in northern Iraq against the Kurds.

In 1983, his 30-year-old brother, a middle school teacher in Iraq, was hanged

at the jail while being held prisoner.

Allamy hesitates when talking about his two brothers. The pleasant times growing up there are quickly overshadowed by the bad memories.

"Saddam, not human, same as Hitler," he said. "Now Saddam in the jail, Allah Akbar (God is great)!" shouted Allamy.

Allamy has hope for his

country. But he knows it will be a hard road.

He stressed that political parties in his country need to work together. He said without the U.S. military to help, events like the elections would be impossible.

Education of the young, obtaining food, building training centers and helping the police in his country are all positive for his

country's future, Allamy believes.

He also believes it is quite possible a civil war could break out among the Iraq population.

"Iraqis need some time after the vote, maybe five years or more," Allamy said.

He pointed out that many different voices are trying to influence his country.

Groups like the Al-Sudri-Arabia and other terrorist organizations coming into his country from Syria, Saudi Arabia and Iran are hindering the shift to democracy, Allamy said.

Yet, he believes there is hope for his country.

And, he said, he appreciates the United States for intervening in his homeland. "It is better 100 percent," he said.

Allamy said he believes the Iraqi people like America.

He has been fasting this month, from sunrise to sunset, observing Ramadan.

He does not eat or drink during the daylight hours. He is only one man among a billion other Muslims around the world who observe this practice.

His tone of voice gave some insight into his hope of a positive future for Iraq.



Bashir Allamy is from the Misan area of southern Iraq. Allamy said he traveled a long way to get where he is now — across the Middle East, to Syria, Iran, Lebanon and finally to the United States in 2000.

GM offers three scholarships

The deadline for General Motors automotive program scholarships is fast approaching.

General Motors is offering three scholarships for students in the automotive field, said Larry Grummer, chair for Transportation Programs.

The general GM scholarship is valued at \$3,500. The company also is offering an Hispanic Scholarship and an African-American scholarship, each valued at \$2,500.

The application deadline for all three scholarships is March 31. Applications can be picked up in the automotive department or downloaded online at www.gmasepbsep.com.

OKCCC's Automotive Department offers several programs including some specifically aimed at a future with the General Motors and Firestone companies, said Gary Tucker, automotive technology professor.

The General Motors Automotive Service Educational Program is a two-year associate program with a curriculum set by General Motors.

The Technical Service Educational Program is an AC Delco training program for those students who want to work with independent automotive repair companies.

Students receive classroom and hands-on experience.

"The instructors keep it simple and [the program] will increase my chances for better pay," said William Chesney freshman automotive student.

For more information on any of the automotive programs or scholarships, contact Larry Grummer at 682-7581 or visit www.okccc.edu/business/autotech.



The automotive technical lab is filled with vehicles donated by General Motors and other car manufacturers.

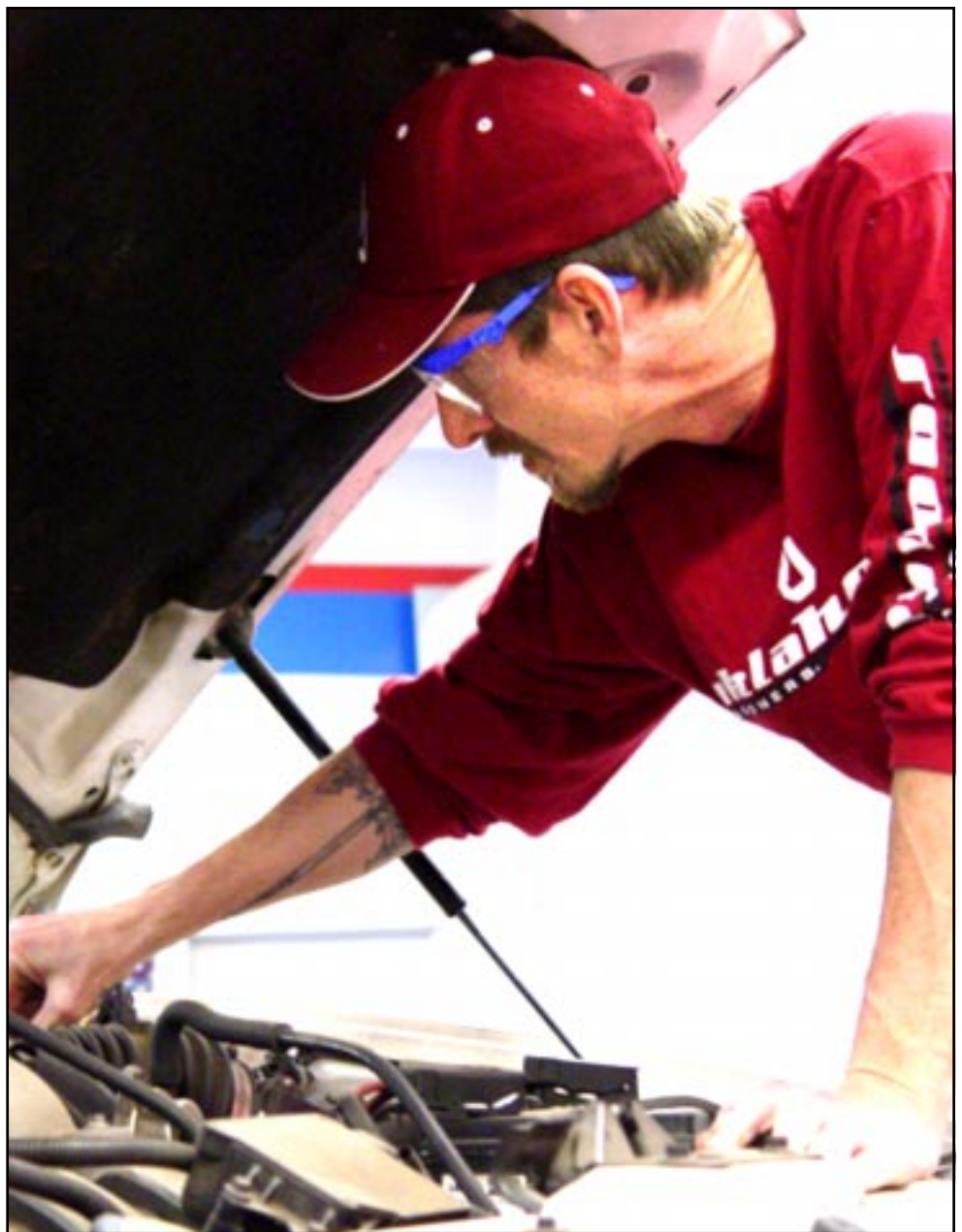
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Ana Rodriguez**



Freshman Jaime Alonzo receives a lesson on proper alignment on a Ford Taurus in the automotive lab from Richard Steere, professor of automotive technology.



Renee Faulk, freshman automotive student, takes her turn practicing techniques in the automotive lab.



Freshman William Chesney learns how to align a car in the auto center lab.

OKCCC celebrates Chinese New Year

Student Life organized a number of events for International Week

By Ivo Lupov
Contributing Writer

The OKCCC Department of Student Life organized a celebration for the Chinese New Year on Feb. 9 in the college union.

The Chinese holiday was the main event, but the celebration was just one part of International Week of Asia, said Coordinator of Community Engagement Jon Horinek.

"It was a celebration of cultures," said Horinek.

The two largest international student populations are from Asia, Horinek said.

The first year it was a small celebration, but from that it has become a regular event," said Horinek.

Bangladesh dancing, tea and snacks from different parts of Asia and a display in the main building were the components of this year's celebrations, Hori-nek said.

A Chinese movie was shown Feb.

"It was a celebration of cultures."

—Jon Horinek
Community Engagement Coordinator

10 in CU8, said E.J. Johnson, president of the International Student Association.

The movie "To Live" depicts the Cultural Revolution in China, Johnson said.

The second part of the ISA schedule for Asian week was a big "get together" in Norman, organized by the University of Oklahoma Chinese Organization, Johnson said.

Every other Thursday this semester, OKCCC's International Student Association is hosting an international movie festival, Johnson said.

OKCCC's Black Student Association and ISA will combine efforts to present "Lumumba," a movie about black history in the United States, Johnson said.

Time to pay the piper



Photo by LaWanda LaVarnway

Gary Wallace, Admissions and Records transcript assistant, was invited to demonstrate the bagpipes for Michael Panches' World Music class Feb. 3.

OKCCC to host Mountain West Diving Championship

By Justen Brown
News Writing Student

Swim and dive teams from across the country will converge on the OKCCC campus when the college hosts the 2005 Mountain West Swimming and Diving Conference Championships Wednesday, Feb. 23, through Saturday, Feb. 26.

"OKCCC has the best aquatics facility in the state to host such a prestigious event," said Traci Wheeler, Recreation and Community Services director.

"This will be the fifth year in a row that OKCCC has hosted the Mountain West championships," Wheeler said.

Teams from Brigham Young University, Colorado State University, San Diego

State University, University of New Mexico, University of Utah, University of Wyoming and Texas Christian University will compete for the conference championships and the opportunity to attend the NCAA finals.

Roxanna Butler, coordinator of Aquatics, talked about this year's competition.

"BYU is definitely the team to beat, having won the men's and women's competitions here the last four years," Butler said.

Butler said the one-meter springboard competition will begin Wednesday, Feb. 23, while the three-meter competition will begin Thursday, Feb. 24.

The three platforms, which are the toughest

dives, will begin on Saturday.

Swimming events will be mixed into the competition throughout the contest.

OKCCC has picked up many sponsors for the event.

"The competition will have sponsors such as Charleston's, Jason's Deli, Krispy Kreme, Olive Garden and Pepsi to help with the event," Wheeler said.

"Participants will lodge at



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—Traci Wheeler
Recreation and Community Services Director

the Embassy Suites, Residence Inn, Quality Inn and also the Courtyard by Marriot."

Tickets for the competition are \$4 for one preliminary session and \$6 for one final session.

Students with a valid ID

and all children will be admitted for half price. All-session passes are \$30.

For more information, contact Stephanie Scott, Aquatics Specialist, at 682-1611, ext. 7662 or Coordinator of Aquatics Roxanna Butler at ext. 7425.

Have a story idea? Have a complaint? Want to share your opinion? e-mail the editor:

editor@okccc.edu



All art, work, fun and play

By Molly McMurry
News Writing Student

Art students took a day off from class to stage a presentation on the first floor of the main building on Feb. 9.

They carried with them bundles of white and black fabric, and an eagerness to create artwork.

Art professors Shawn Meyers and Carolyn Farris assisted the 3-Dimensional-Design students in creating a commemoration of the artist Christo, whom they have been studying for the past couple of weeks.

Christo is a world-renowned artist, famous for artwork involving fabric that is hung or wrapped in beautiful ways. He is currently working on a project in New York City titled, "The Gates."

Farris said, much like Christo's work, their projects' purity lay partly in being impractical and short-lived.

The students gathered in the center of the main building on campus and began wrapping various objects. They began with a table and chair and proceeded to wrap classmates, too.

Student Celeste Davis was wrapped in white fabric while sitting in a chair atop a table, also encapsulated in white fabric.

Another student, Lauren Neel, was wrapped in white fabric in a chair on the floor.

Student Moe Wise stood out in black fabric while wrapped to a chair on the floor.

Other Students gathered around between classes to observe what was going on.

"It's interesting," said student Matt Danuser. "I've never seen anything like it before."

Danuser passed by the presentation on his way to class.

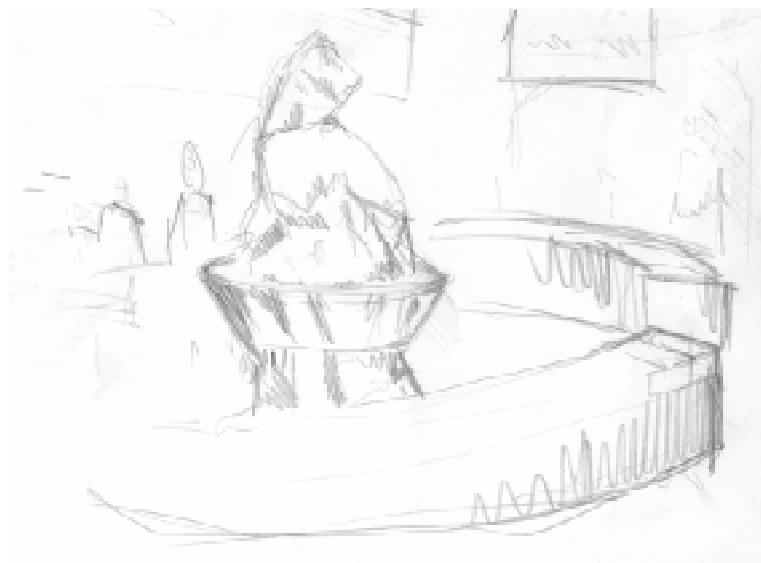
The three art students stayed wrapped until all their classmates had completed a quick drawing of what they saw in their creation. After being wrapped up for close to 30 minutes, Davis said she felt like she had been trapped in an oven bag.

Davis, Wise and Neel said even though they couldn't see the finished product of their work, they got excited about all of the comments observers were making.

The observers who gathered around seemed impressed with the students' work.

The project turned out a success, Meyers said. The art was an end in itself just like Christo's work.

All wrapped up with nowhere to go, art student Celeste Davis sits patiently as fellow art students concentrate on completing their drawings of her. The art students also wrapped other students and various objects in fabric and put their appearance to paper.



Andrew Goett sketched this depiction of Celeste Davis wrapped in white. Two other art students also were wrapped in fabric while their peers took notes in the form of artwork. The entire presentation took about 30 minutes.



J. D., a 3 Dimensional Design art student, drew this interpretation of Celeste Davis as she sat calmly while wrapped in white fabric.



Art student Sarah Caldwell participates in the art presentation on Feb. 9. Art professors Shawn Meyers and Carolyn Farris accompanied the students. The students have been studying renowned artist Christo, who is famous for using fabric as an intricate piece of his artwork.

Photos by LaWanda LaVarnway

Sports

UPCOMING

INTRAMURALS

•**Feb. 21 and 25:** An intramural table tennis tournament will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on court 3 of the gym. It is open to all OKCCC students with a valid ID card. For more information, call 682-1611, ext. 7786.

•**Feb. 22:** The intramural basketball season continues with games at 2 p.m. in the gym. The Suns face the Bulldogs on court 2, and the Black Assassins take on the Bulls on court 3. At 3 p.m. the Spurs play the Vultures.

•**Feb. 25:** Intramural basketball games at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. in the gym. The Vultures play the Black Assassins on court 2 and the Bulls face the Spurs on court 3, both games are at 2 p.m. At 3 p.m. the Suns take on the Bulldogs.

OTHER SPORTS

•**Feb. 23 to 26:** The Mountain West Conference Swimming and Diving Championships will take place in the Aquatic Center. Teams from Brigham Young, Colorado State, New Mexico, San Diego State, University of Nevada-Las Vegas, Utah and Wyoming will compete.

The platform diving competition is set for Saturday at 1 p.m. for the women and 3 p.m. for the men. Finals are at 6 p.m. on Saturday.

Tickets are \$4 for one preliminary session and \$6 for one final session. Students and children are half price. An all-session pass is available for \$30.

For more information, contact Stephanie Scott at 682-1611, ext. 7662.

Vultures hold off Bulldogs for 48-40 win in season opener

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

Tempers flared and words flew as one team lost its first game of the Intramural 5-on-5 basketball season on Friday, Feb. 11, in the gym.

The Vultures beat the Bulldogs by a score of 48-40.

The game was close with the Vultures leading by 6 points at halftime and then by only 2 points with 6:15 left in the second half.

However, the Bulldogs hurt themselves when player Garry Johnson was called for a technical foul.

Scorekeeper Brandon Harrison said the technical foul was a result of Johnson getting angry and cursing after he disputed a referee's call.

Johnson's teammate on the Bulldogs, Charlie Tarver, said the game should be for fun.

"It would be more enjoyable if attitudes would disperse," Tarver said.

A Vultures player sympathized with Johnson. Ben Martin said the referee's call was incorrect and worked in his team's favor.

Martin said he does not feel Johnson overreacted because the Bulldogs were

already losing and upset about it.

Despite an impressive 20-point effort by Adam Brown, the Bulldogs could not catch up to the Vultures.

No other consistent scoring threat emerged for the Bulldogs, who only had one player with more than 10 points.

Four players scored four points for the Bulldogs. These players were Johnson, Tarver, Orville Whitley and Richie Williams.

The Vultures had two players with more than 10 points.

Caleb Steele led the team with 13 points and Anthony Easterling had 12 points.

Martin said the Bulldogs provided good competition, but his team won due to teamwork.

"We played more as a team and some of their guys were playing for themselves," Martin said.

"Most of us have been playing together for two or three years."

Martin acknowledged his team's talent, but stopped short of a championship prediction.

Martin said his team won the intramural basketball tournament last year.

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Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Sharpshooters: DeAngelo Polin takes his best shot during the Feb. 8 Hot Shots basketball contest in the gym. Polin won the free throw contest by making 18 of 20 shots. Other winners on Feb. 8 were Steve Ellis for the three-point contest and Garry Johnson for the spot-shooting contest. The Hot Shot contest continued on Feb. 11 with Richie Williams winning the free-throw contest. Sports Assistant Charlie Tarver said the other contests were postponed due to the Feb. 11 intramural basketball games. Tarver said both the three-point and spot shooting contests would be made up as soon as possible. To sign up, contact Eric Watson at 682-1611, ext. 7786.

Black Assassins clamp down the Spurs

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

In a late intramural basketball game, the Black Assassins started their season right with a convincing 68-49 win over the Spurs on Friday, Feb. 11, in the gym.

Their opponents, the

Spurs, did not have a chance, Black Assassins player Jerry Sadler said.

The Black Assassins built a large lead early on with stout defense and precise shooting.

Brandon Harrison played the role of defensive star with a number of stunning blocks.

One of his highlight reel blocks came as he slapped

one of the Spurs' shots out of bounds.

Harrison said he warns anyone from shooting the ball near the basket.

"I'm a beast in there," he said.

The Black Assassins complemented their defense with flashes of brilliance on offense.

One such glimmer came when Black Assassins play-

er Carlos Robinson used a teammate as a decoy.

After a fake pass caught a Spurs player off-guard, Robinson dribbled to the basket for an easy layup.

Sadler said he is sure of his team's chemistry and future success over last season's champions.

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Campus officers at ready

By Heather Cannon
News Writing Student

Visitors, staff, faculty and students can feel safe on campus knowing the OKCCC security officers are well trained.

OKCCC security officers are required to have many qualifications prior to being considered for a job at the college.

The officers are required to have three years campus law enforcement or security experience, valid CLEET arms security officer licenses and valid American Red Cross certification in CPR and first aid, said Coordinator of Safety and Security Keith Bourque.

The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training or CLEET, has a mission to enhance public safety by providing education and training.

Some of the training required for CLEET certification is firearms training, law enforcement driver training and custody control.

There currently are 11 security officers employed at OKCCC. Bourque has been at OKCCC the longest with a total of 13 years.

"The turnover rate is low," Bourque said.

All the officers are armed. There currently are more officers on patrol during the nighttime.

"The desire is to keep the shifts equal," said Bourque.

In addition to the security officers, OKCCC also has 32 security cameras spread throughout the inside of the college.

Students, visitors or faculty members who need assistance from an officer may use a call box (located throughout the campus parking lots) or dial ext. 7747 from any campus phone.

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Highlights

Inspirational speakers celebrate Black History Month

Oklahoma Supreme Court Justice Tom Colbert will speak at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22, in CU3. Following Colbert, storyteller and songwriter Al Bostic will share his collection of African stories and songs at noon, Wednesday, Feb. 23, in CU1. The third speaker will be activist and Oklahoma Civil Rights Pioneer Clara Luper at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, in CU8. For more information, contact Jon Horinek at 682-1611, ext. 7679.

Spring volunteer opportunities available

Stock the Shelves will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma. Students can help stock shelves and organize donations. For more information about this and other volunteer opportunities contact Jon Horinek at 682-7523.

Transfer student scholarship deadline

The University of Oklahoma and University of Central Oklahoma have a scholarship deadline for transfer students of March 1, for the fall 2005 semester.

Free money for education majors

OKCCC has received a grant that provides \$25,000 to help students studying to become elementary or high school teachers. The deadline for applications is March 1. Applicants must go through an interview and have a 2.5 grade point average. Interested education majors can obtain an application from Mary Panches in the Arts and Humanities building or call 682-1611, ext. 7634.

Employment Services Job Fair in March

Students and alumni should mark their calendars for the OKCCC Spring Job Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 2, in the college union.

Plant Biotech Workshop offered to students

A workshop discussing the future of agricultural biotechnology will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 26 in 1C7. Preregister by e-mailing dbell@okccc.edu and indicating your interest in attending the Plant Biotech Workshop.

March 11 deadline for Merz scholarship

The Mary Ann Merz Memorial Scholarship is a scholarship awarded annually to students who have a learning skills background or are currently majoring in literature, pre-education, liberal studies or diversified studies. Applicants must be U.S. citizens. Applications for the \$250 scholarship are available at the OKCCC financial aid office and the Division of Arts and Humanities office. Application deadline is March 11. For more information call Linda Robinett at 682-1611, ext. 7386.

SPJ Journalism Job and Internship Fair at OU

The Society of Professional Journalists will host the 12th annual Journalism Job and Internship Fair from noon to 4 p.m. Friday, February 25, in the Frontier Room, Oklahoma Memorial Union, 900 Asp Ave. at The University of Oklahoma. This year's keynote speaker will be Omar Gallaga, OU alumnus and editor of *lahora si!*, an all-Spanish-language weekly published by The Austin American-Statesman. There also will be a panel discussion, "Workplace Realities," with editors and recent journalism graduates.



Photo courtesy of Joyce Mauldin

Singing for Love: OKCCC chamber singers traveled to several cities in Oklahoma delivering love songs and roses as a fund-raiser for the music department on Valentine's Day. Left to right are singers Katie Moore, James Herider, Daisy Hicks, Jonathan Hicks, Lisa Barsaleau, Casey McCarty and Zuzana Novakova.

OKCCC students needed to document history of vets

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

There is more to history than what is written in a textbook. It is also about the people who lived it.

Student Life has joined the U.S. Library of Congress for its ongoing Veteran's History Project.

This project documents the first-hand accounts of U.S. Veterans who served during a number of 20th Century wars, the Library of Congress's website said.

Student Life Director Liz Largent said OKCCC's participation could begin as early as Monday, Feb. 21, but the timing depends on student participation.

"We're looking for 10 to 15 student veterans," she said.

Largent said a student would interview each veteran over a two-hour period.

"I will do a 30-minute training [session] with students on how to use the video camera and ask basic questions."

Student participation is vital for the interviews to

proceed, Largent said.

She said 20 to 30 students are needed to do the interviews.

The Library of Congress's website reported, "The Veteran's History Project relies on volunteers to interview, record, compile and donate materials."

It reported the Library of Congress will "preserve, catalog and share the collections now and in the future."

Vietnam War veteran Dr. John Hughes, was open to the idea of sharing his military experience.

Hughes is a history professor and veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps.

"I didn't face the same question others in my generation faced: whether or not to support the [Vietnam] War.

"I won't criticize those who chose not to serve, although I may not praise them."

Hughes said being in the military gave him a chance to see the world, even if the accommodations were not first class.

"You learn about the world and more about

"For those being interviewed, it's a way to keep their story. For interviewers, it is a great way to learn about history and their fellow students."

—Liz Largent
Director of Student Life

yourself.

"You have to learn to deal with the circumstances you find yourself in."

Hughes said although he did not do anything heroic, he has more to tell than can fit in a short article.

Largent said the project is a nice way to be a part of preserving history.

"For those being interviewed, it's a way to keep their story. For interviewers, it is a great way to learn about history and their fellow students."

For more information on the U.S. Library of Congress Veteran's History Project, contact Student Life at 682-7523.

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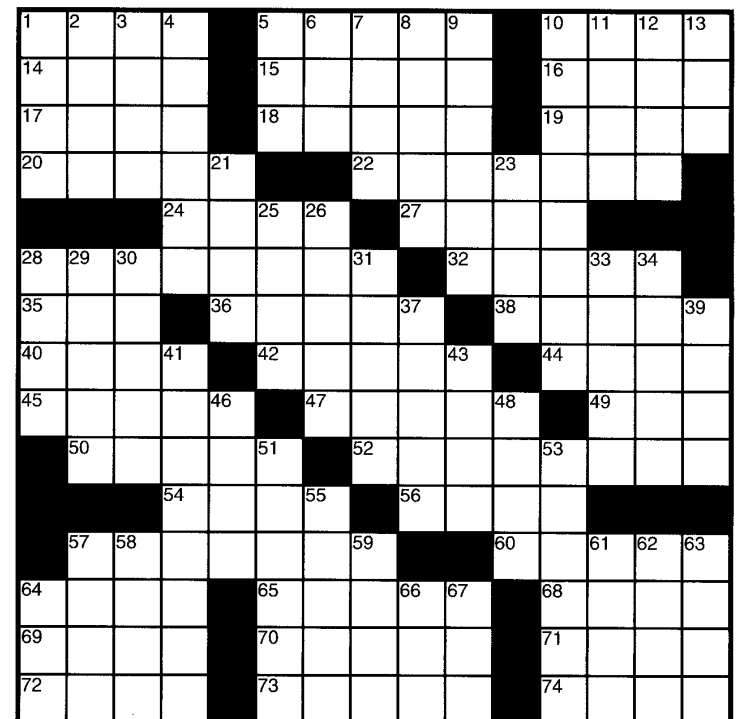
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OKCCC student voluntarily follows her father's lead of helping others

"Meals,"

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in need of medical attention.

"I [once] had to crawl through a window and found her lying on the floor because she had broken her hip," Haynes said.

Nelson agrees that the program involves a commitment and advises anyone considering volunteering for the Meals on Wheels program to do so only if they really have the time.

"You really want to be the sunshine of their day and you get what you give," said Nelson.

Nelson said she learned about Meals on Wheels through her father Keith Nelson who has helped the Norman volunteer chapter for the past 10 years.

She accompanied him on his delivery route for years before venturing on her own route so it seemed almost natural that the firefighter's daughter with a beautiful smile and sparkling eyes would follow her family's giving example.

"It is such a blessing to interact with someone for five minutes and know that it touches their whole week," the younger Nelson said.

Nelson recalled a day she delivered with her father and met a woman who smiled the whole time and already knew all about her.

"The people were all so nice and so grateful." Keith Nelson said many of the Meals on Wheels recipients are bedridden and handicapped elderly people.

"For many, it is their one hot meal that day. This is right up her alley," he said.

Haynes said she believes the Meals on Wheels program is important because it brings the entire community to the meal recipient.

"This is their connection to the community and a way for them not to feel so isolated," Haynes said.

Nelson's father is proud that she has followed his lead.

"She has a big heart for helping people," he said. "She's always been that way."

For more information on volunteering call the following organizations or visit www.mowaa.org.

- Mobile Meals of OKC
943-0015, Carolyn Roslik
- Edmond Mobile Meals
341-3111, Teresa Hoehner
- Meals on Wheels of Norman
321-7272, Lynn Haynes
- Aging Services of Cleveland County Nutrition Site Meals
793-9069, George Henschel

Two automotive degree programs added

"Auto,"

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student to do a lot of things, including the ability to find an out-of-state job relevant to their field."

Grummer said the OKCCC Automotive Management programs will be the only ones offered in the state.

He said the only way someone could become acquainted with automotive management in the past was to travel out of state.

Tucker said the automotive industry in

Oklahoma brings in \$1.5 billion annually in sales and that it's the state's largest industry and employer.

"The industry hasn't had any representation in the state with degree programs," Tucker said. "Many businesses had to send managers out of state for training."

Both professors said they anticipate a large amount of support from the community in response to the degree plans.

Tucker said the Automotive Center has gained the support of many business partners and organizations such as General Motors, AC Delco, Firestone, the Metropolitan Dealers Association and the Oklahoma Dealers Association.

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