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Oklahoma City Community College

College compiles numbers, shows school diversity

By Richard Hall **Editor**

hen jobs are plentiful, more women than men go to college, said OKCCC's Acting Director of Institutional Effectiveness Annmarie Shirazi.

Women make up 58 percent of the student body with 6,493 currently enrolled this semester, a difference of 6.8 percent compared to last spring when women accounted for a little more than 6,000 enrolled students, Sharazi said.

This is just some of the information contained in demographic numbers compiled by the college's Office of Research. Demographics are statistical information showing characteristics of a particular population such as age, gender and ethnicity.

Shirazi said the percentage of males versus females is cyclical, with more women enrolling in college when unemployment is low.

"In the 1980s the percent was similar to what it is now," Shirazi said. "But in the 1990s it became a 50/50 split."

Shirazi said the increase in female enrollment also may be attributed to men working more than one job when the job market is doing well.

Male enrollment numbers have increased as well, from 4,421 last spring to 4,627 this spring. Although it is an increased difference of 4.7 percent, the total percentage of men currently enrolled has gone down due to the percentage increase of current female students.

The study looked at where first-time students come from as well. It shows which area high schools are contributing the most students to OKCCC, Shirazi said.

Those are Moore, Westmoore, Mustang and Norman North high schools she said.

Westmoore has 162 graduates currently enrolled, while Moore has 102, Norman North has 95, and 92 are from Mustang.

Shirazi said the college has always had a close relationship with surrounding high schools, especially Moore and Westmoore.

"[The college] is closer to Moore than to some parts of... Oklahoma City," she said, "and the proximity certainly plays a part."

She said more students are likely coming to OKCCC because the cost of higher education is increasing.

"Students who would otherwise go to the University of Oklahoma due to its proximity are choosing OKCCC for the first two years because the cost is less.'

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Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Brainiac: Paige Mosley, nursing student, studies a sheep's brain in the science lab during a brain lab for an anatomy and physiology class. The class uses sheep brains to observe texture and uses the 3-D human brain models to compare the differences. "The students look at a list and use the sheep brain to get an impression of texture of the tissue and how subtle the differences are in the real brain and how it may be exaggerated in plastics," said Dr. Jim Biggs, anatomy/physiology professor.

Workshop offers interviewing tips

By Richard Hall **Editor**

n order for students to L be successful in interviews, they should think about the interview from the employer's point of view, said Employment Services Coordinator Linda

About 20 OKCCC students learned interviewing strategies at the Interviewing to Win workshop Fay hosted April 7.

The seminar was part of Student Life's Brown Bag Lunch Series.

Fay discussed interviewing tips and educated the audience on ways to be successful in an interview.

"Most people, and usually both parties, come into the interview with the WIIFM mentality," Fay said.

That's the 'What's-In-It-For-Me'? mindset."

She said students looking to land career-entry jobs later in life should remember that quality, abilities and enthusiasm play a large part with employers.

"Employers want someone that works hard and well with others," she said.

Fay told students to be prepared for the generic questions employers often have such as "Why are you interested in this position?, How do you handle pressure? and What are your strengths and weaknesses"?

She said having already prepared and memorized answers is beneficial.

"Employers ask standard questions," she said. "As a potential employee, students must be prepared for those questions.'

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-Linda Fay **Employment Services** Coordinator

builds confidence and takes stress off of the situation.

"Employers like to see potential employees walk in confident and enthused."

As a possible employee, Fay said, it is important for students to know their strengths as well as their weaknesses.

She said when students

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Editorial and Opinion _____

Editorial

Raise age for driver's license

In Oklahoma, a 16-year-old may receive a driver's license. The age should be at least 18.

Drivers ages 15 to 20 are statistically more likely to be involved in fatal automobile accidents than drivers more than 20 years old, according to the Insurance Information Institute.

Oklahoma state representatives Danny Morgan (D-Prague) and Debbe Leftwich (D-Oklahoma City) have proposed a bill to limit driving for younger

The new measure would add restrictions to Oklahoma's graduated license.

The current Oklahoma graduated license sets different driving guidelines for 15- and 16-year-old teenagers, according to the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety.

The guidelines are determined by whether the applicant has completed a driver's education course (and by which tests they have taken written, vision and driving.)

One restriction would include disallowing teenagers less than 18 years old to drive between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. unless there is a licensed driver 21 years or older in the passenger seat but would include exceptions for work, school and church.

This law would be too complicated for parents and teen drivers to deal with.

Even if people could understand the law, many would still drive during the restricted hours.

Having the restricted drivers on the road would only use up more of the state's law enforcers' time, possibly preventing them from being where they are needed more.

While the police officer is ticketing 17-year-old Sally for driving at 11:30 p.m., a drunk driver may be getting away with breaking the law because the officer was distracted.

The proposed bill also includes a provision to increase the age from 16 to 18 in which parents have control whether or not their child receives a driver's

Ah, here they go... now they are on the right track. If Oklahoma lawmakers were to raise the legal age to receive a driver's license from 16 to at least 18, that would be more effective than simply placing limits on a liberty they are already allowed.

Many 16-year-olds have jobs they need to get to. That's fine. Their parents can take them or they can help lower pollution by using public transit.

Most churches will provide rides to service.

Public schools do provide transportation for students to and from school and many events.

For the safety of the public, raise the age of legal driving to at least 18.

—Christiana Kostura **Staff Writer**

Student clarifies facts in story

It is not uncommon to be misunderstood or misinterpreted during an interviewwhich could give a different picture from the factual one.

Therefore, I would like to make a few corrections to the article "Iraq national sees hope for homeland" which was published in the Feb. 21 issue.

The story stated that I was arrested by the Iraqi military. I was arrested by the secret service.

I left Iraq to go to Iran, then to Syria and Lebanon with two objectives in mind.

The first reason [I left] was to escape execution because Saddam Hussein's regime was issuing death to anyone belonging to the Aldawa Islamic party.

I also left to reveal to international organizations, particularly the United Nations, the oppression of

Some of the terrorist groups took advantage of the southern borders Iraq shared with its neighboring countries such as Iran, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Jordan and Turkey.

These terrorist groups went into surrounding countries without those nations knowing.

They did this in order to terrorize the Iraqi people by planting explosives and killing innocent people, trying to create animosity between the Sunnah and the Shia.

This had a very serious consequence. The Iraqi people also favor multiple federal democratic systems.

Another clarification I'd like to make is that the holy month of Ramadan is the ninth month of the Muslim year, known as Hejri.

Muslims fast during this month every year, from

dawn to sunset every day. I'm not the only one who fasts during the month -Muslims around the world do the same.

Also, I would like to clarify that the first month of the Muslim year is Muharram. Incidentally, this year is the Muslim year of 1426 H.

> —Bashir Allamy **OKCCC Student**

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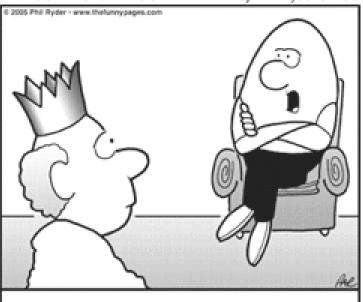
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Comments and Reviews

'Doom 3' hellishly good

It has been several years since id software put out a game from their famed "Doom" series, but they're back now and scarier than ever.

"Doom III" originally came out for the PC and ran with lightning speed and stunning graphics.

When I learned this title would be coming to the Xbox, I had doubts that it would look and play as well as the PC version. Playing it changed my tune.

The Xbox version is an excellent crossover. Graphically, this game runs smoothly and shows nice shading and lighting effects as they should be seen.

There are several gaming modes besides the oneplayer campaign which pits you, as a space Marine trapped in Mars City, against the evil that has taken over the planet and its inhabitants.

Another game mode is coop which, through Xbox Live or by system linking two systems together, allows players to battle the



evils of hell together at the same time. The other mode is player vs. player, which offers just what the name says.

This game has health kits and various weaponry to help battle your way past the hordes of Hell-spawned zombies and demons.

Although the campaign mode is the meat and potatoes of this game, the real kicker is the co-op mode.

The only disappointment is player vs. player.

This mode is plagued

with choppy animation and other lagging issues.

If you are into in-depth player vs. player first-person shooters, then stick with "Halo 2," "Counterstrike" or "Rainbow Six" games.

Overall, I enjoyed this game. The playability was simple and responsive, the graphics were mind blowing, and the sound was intense and scary. I rate this game a 4.75 out of 5.

—John Savage Staff Writer

YOU Asked FOR IT

Q: What is the significance of the college logo?

A: The seal of the college consists of a circle of symbols. One of the symbols is the international sign for mankind. Two of the symbols interlocked represent friendship. A circle of the figures represents the community.

—Janice Phillips Executive Administrative Assistant to the President

Q: Are receipts kept in the bookstore?

A: We don't keep receipts like the ones we give customers. We have a journal record that runs at the same time as transactions take place.

—Kim White Bookstore Assistant Director

Q: How soon might we see benches around the pond?

A: The Physical Plant and administration is currently planning to add benches, trash containers and typical accessories for the pond area. These items are not currently budgeted for, but will be presented as a future project.

—J.B. Messer Physical Plant Director

9: Soap dispensers and toilet tissue holders in the women's bathroom on the second floor of the main building are being held together with duct tape. When will they be replaced?

A: [The Physical Plant] hasn't gotten a complaint but we will investigate and make a work order to have it fixed.

—Gary Phillips Building and Campus Services Supervisor

'Fever Pitch' is one heck of a catch

At first glance, "Fever Pitch," directed by Bobby and Peter Farrelly, appears to be a total whiff. However, after viewing the film, it is at least worthy of a base hit.

This film centers on a diehard Red Sox fan (played by Jimmy Fallon), who would rather watch baseball than lay in bed with Drew Barrymore.

Men generally don't seem to enjoy romantic comedies nearly as much as the ladies.

The fact that "Fever Pitch" involves sports may help



 $overcome\ this\ factor.$

Viewers don't see much actual baseball action because most footage at the ballpark concerns what is going on in the stands.

Still, having something to do with sports gives "Fever

Quote of the Week:

"Take care of all your memories. For you cannot relive them."

—Bob Dylan

Pitch" a chance to attract certain males that would have otherwise overlooked the film entirely.

I, being one of them, was surprised at the fact that it wasn't the baseball action that caused me to enjoy this film, but the dialogue.

Conversations between Fallon and Barrymore are the highlight of this film.

Fallon and Barrymore both display hilarious examples of physical comedy, but it was the dialogue that held this film above water.

The story that these two

are involved in appears genuine on screen.

This is surprising, because the trailers promote the comedic side of the story much more than the romantic side.

So much so that I wasn't expecting it to be such a deep part of the story.

I was pleasantly surprised at how much I enjoyed this film. If you ladies are able to drag your guys to the theaters, I suspect they will be too.

> —Shawn Bryant Staff Writer

Comments and Reviews_____

Come to the Lego side with new game

The Bill Gates of scifi, George Lucas, has expanded his Star Wars franchise once again.

Presenting "Lego Star Wars: The Video Game" for Xbox.

This new take on two old favorites combines the stackable Lego toys with the dynamic characters from "Star Wars" Episodes I, II and III.

The result can be summed up in two words: freakin' adorable.

Characters in this game are short and blocky, yet play very nimble and quick.

Players can journey through the first three episodes of "Star Wars" either alone or co-op with a friend as some of their favorite characters from the series.

There are dozens of characters to unlock or purchase with studs, which the player collects along the way.

Players also collect

pieces to vehicles in each level.

If all of the parts are collected, the player gets a prize and can view the completed vehicle.

It is reminiscent of childhood and collecting Legos to make that perfect model, except in the game you don't have to worry about anyone stepping on the pieces.



T h e charac-

ters do not actually speak, which saves many an ear from Jar Jar Binks' annoying dialect. However, they do mime the conversascore by John Williams could fool any passerby into thinking the movie was on.

And the graphics look like Legos come to life.

Qui-Gon Jinn features facial hair and Padme Amidala comes

> complete with big, headdresses and decorative robes.

I dare you not to find Yoda

even cuter than he was in the movies.

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Lucas's standards.

The sound effects

The sounds of the

are a testament to

"Lego Star Wars: The Video Game" does have some spoilers since it covers "Episode III: Revenge of the Sith."

However, that can be

avoided by not going through the door marked III until after you see the movie.

A third person view limits the camera angles, making it hard to see some areas, but that just makes it more fun to search for hidden items.

The game is for people of all ages, so it is pretty easy.

The humor characters display as they trip over blocks and make funny faces draws everyone in.

I am not sure if this game will hold my attention longer than a few weeks, but it is a great novelty piece for the "Star Wars" fan or the Lego enthusiast.

—Shanna Larson Staff Writer

Graphic novel movie 'Sin City' confusing as sin

If there is a movie that blurs the line between hero and villain, it is Frank Miller's "Sin City."

The famed comic book writer and artist Miller co-directed the film with the wildly-independent director Robert Rodriguez.

Based on Miller's famous graphic novel series, "Sin City" gleams with his distinctive visual style which translates well to the silver screen.

It's an understatement to say the visual effects are top notch.

The quality falls between Oscar winner and special achievement Oscar. Visually, this movie leaps over the bar.

"Sin City" is a lively, three-dimensional comic book on screen.

However, despite all that plus solid performances from actors like Bruce Willis, Mickey Rourke, Benicio Del Toro and Jessica Alba, and the stunning visual effects, "Sin City" commits the ultimate sin by offering a confusing plot.

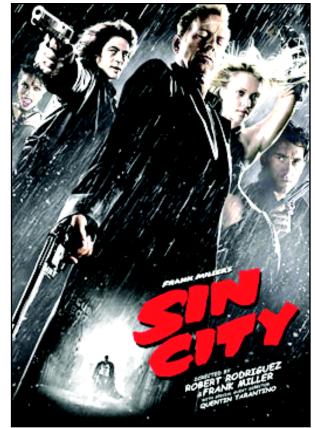
A major and important piece of any film is the plot. The one in "Sin City" just doesn't.

This movie contains three main plots revolving around the characters portrayed by Clive Owen, Willis and Rourke as they save the girl, seek revenge and help out long-time friends.

The thing that throws off the plot is timing — it's bad and the film jumps around a lot.

For example, one character spends eight years in jail, gets out and kills his enemy, a senator.

However, this enemy



is in league with another person, a Catholic cardinal, who dies two years later, but their deaths seem unrelated. Although a war between those on the street and those in power can be great, it has to make sense.

For this dark and

unique action film, Rodriguez, of "Desperado" and "Spy Kids" fame, was able to get friend and fellow director Quentin Tarantino to direct one scene in the film.

Tarantino, who's known for "Kill Bill" and "Pulp Fiction," directed a scene that involved, according to www.imdb.com, Dwight (Owen) talking to the corpse sitting in his front seat, Jackie Boy (Del Toro), a ruthless and crooked cop.

As disgusting as this sounds — and was on screen — it was done in hilarious fashion, even including a routine traffic stop.

This creative scene asked the question, "What is crazy," in a fun way.

I really liked this movie — until it left me scratching my head.

If a movie leaves me confused, it vacates its possible spot in my DVD collection.

The shifts and time lapses made this movie move a lot slower than it should have.

It's not that it was a long film, but it ended up seeming like it.

I expected this comic book movie to be steeped in quick action, not long pauses.

Another gripe is that there was an overabundance of skin in this movie.

The amount of cleavage in this film almost outweighs the bullets shot by the violent characters.

If you like special effects, new ways to kill people on screen and the occasional naked female, you may like the dark, damp alley that is "Sin City."

—Matthew Caban Staff Writer

Test anxiety tips given to students

By Justin Billings News Writing Student

Tips and tricks for taking exams were presented to students Tuesday, April 12 at the "Getting Ready for Finals" seminar, a Brown Bag lecture sponsored by Student Life.

Mary Turner, Student Development counselor, offered insight into the world of final examinations. Turner shed light on several aspects of test taking, including how to prepare for an exam the night before, to what to do after the exam.

Turner focused on becoming a strategic test taker and sharpening testtaking skills.

The first thing to do is realize that one exam will not make or break a student,

Turner said.

"Tests are just an opportunity to show what you can do at a given moment," she said.

After downplaying the fears of the anxious examtaker, Turner discussed the different types of exams students may take at the college. Exam types include the most popular multiple-choice tests, but other types were discussed as well, including the fill-inthe-blank and the essay test.

A few tips to help students ace their multiplechoice exams include eliminating all the options that one is positive are wrong, Turner said. Narrowing down answers creates a much better chance of answering the question correctly. Students may also try leaning towards answers that have qualifiers "It's much easier to dig the hole than to get out of the hole."

—Mary Turner Student Development Counselor

such as "occasionally" or "sometimes," she said.

Several study strategies also were discussed.

"Putting information into your own words helps make the information yours," Turner said.

At OKCCC, students have several helpful resources at their disposal like the Communication and Learning Labs, she said.

The best way to perform well on an exam is to stay current with class material and objectives, Turner said. "It's much easier to dig the hole than to get out of the hole."



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Mary Turner, Student Development counselor, explains tips and techniques to prepare for upcoming finals as part of Student Life's Brown Bag Lunch Series on April 12 in the college union. The Moscow Quartet will perform at the next Brown Bag Lunch, scheduled at 12:30 p.m., April 19, in CU1.

Registration for summer, fall available immediately

By Gregory Coleman News Writing Student

Students can now begin registration online for fall and summer classes.

Early registration gives students a couple of different advantages, said Mary Turner, Student Development counselor. Students who come early will not have to wait in long lines. Also, students will have a better chance of getting the classes they need.

"Preregistration is available to every student," Turner said.

Some students have yet to take advantage of this opportunity.

LaDon Lonsdale, business major, has not yet enrolled because she's not sure what clases she wants to take.

Turner said students

"Preregistration is available to every student."

—Mary Turner Student Development Counselor

would benefit greatly from coming by the counselors' offices and settling on a major so they do not take unnecessary classes.

Benny Stevenson, undecided major, has enrolled already. He said he wanted to stay away from long lines.

"The percentage of students taking advantage of preregistration versus last fall should be greater," Turner said.

A major change for the upcoming sessions is, students will not be dropped from classes for nonpayment, Turner said. Therefore students need to make

sure they drop classes in time if they do not want to lose out on any money, she said.

Payments for summer classes are due by May 27, said Ed Williams, Student Development counselor. Payments for fall classes are due by Aug. 12.

The longer students wait to enroll, the more likely they will find themselves frustrated in a long line, Turner said. For students who do not have patience, preregistration is the ticket.



College to host blood drive

By Lindsay Fournier News Writing Student

OKCCC will host a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 20 and 21 in room CU2.

Students and faculity are encouraged to donate

The Oklahoma Blood Institute will be giving away free T-shirts to anyone who donates, said Liz Largent, Student Life director. She said free snacks and drinks will be available after donating.

Sophomore Natalie Huggins said she is planning to donate blood. She said she began donating blood in high school because one of her classmates had a stroke.

"It is the only thing I feel I can do to help," Huggins said.

Mary Turner, Student Development counselor, said before she was on insulin she gave blood. She said she is going to try to give blood at the upcoming drive

"It feels good to do something that directly effects a person," Turner said.

Freshman Daniel Hatherley said he might give blood this time.

"I donate blood to help people and support a good cause," Hatherley said.

Between 50 and 60 students are expected to give blood at the upcoming blood drive, Largent said.

Students planning to donate blood are not required to sign up in advance. They can just walk in the day of the drive, Largent said.

To donate blood you must be 17 years or older and weigh at least 105 pounds.

For a list of all guidelines, visit www.obi2.org.

Security officers catch campus skaters

By Richard Hall **Editor**

Two young men were taken into custody for criminal trespassing on campus April 1.

Chris Phariss, 18, and Roy Ford, 16, were caught skateboarding.

When they were con-

fronted by a security officer, weapons, the report stated. they fled on foot, according to an incident report filed by the office of Safety and Security.

Security Officers John Hughes Jr., James Cobble and Rick Irwin saw the pair and chased after them as they fled.

The two were caught behind the Aquatics Center and were searched for any Neither one was a student of the college.

They admitted they had been told to never come back on the property.

"Although there are no signs on the college grounds prohibiting skateboarding, people found doing so near the buildings are asked to stay in the parking lot," said Keith

"Although there are no signs on the college grounds prohibiting skateboarding, people found doing so near the buildings are asked to stay in the parking lot."

-Keith Bourque Safety and Seccurity Coordinator

Bourque, Safety and Security coordinator.

Upon completion of the weapons search, Pharris and Ford were handcuffed.

This was done for officer safety, said Bourque. The two were taken into the security office and photographed.

Their parents were called to pick them up, the report stated Ford was picked up by his father later that evening.

Phariss's father also was contacted but was argumentative.

His actions prompted officers to call the Oklahoma City Police Department.

After the police arrived Phariss recieved a citation and was released to his parents.

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'Talking to the Media' tips given

By Shawn Bryant **Staff Writer**

The stress of talking to journalists can pay off in the form of publicity for a project or program, Marketing and Public Affairs Director Paula Gower said during "Tips for Talking to the Media" held April 6.

Gower organized the Faculty and Staff Development workshop in hopes of helping faculty and staff deal with the media when they call.

Gower said talking to the media can be beneficial so faculty and staff should take advantage.

She went over some of the benefits of working with the

Increased public awareness, credibility and support are a few examples.

Gower also covered the most appropriate way to behave when the media

The media can be intimidating to talk to at times, Gower said.

Gower said people should always ask questions during an interview.

"You are interviewing [reporters] just as much as they are interviewing you," she said.

She also said those being interviewed should prepare their message beforehand. She said to always be respectful of the reporter's deadline.

recommends Gower think-ing in sound bites "You are interviewing [the reporter] just as much as they are interviewing you."

> —Paula Gower Marketing and Public Affairs Director

when preparing for an interview.

Sound bites are short, striking, quotable statements that are well suited to a television news program, according to www.dic tionary.com.

This will make it easier for the reporter to find quotable material, she said.

Gower stressed being honest when being interviewed.

"The truth can hurt sometimes, but lies are deadly," Gower said.

Gower also had a few recommendations of what not to do during an interview.

She advised against fanning controversy.

Watch for questions that

are deliberately designed to bring out the conflict in a story," she said.

Gower also counsels against using phrases such as "no comment" and "off the record."

"No comment' suggests you are hiding something or trying to evade the question," Gower said.

"Nothing is ever 'off the record' with a reporter," she said.

Gower instructs those who are being interviewed to watch their words when being interviewed because what they say may end up in print for everyone to see.

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OKCCC security officers must be straight shooters

By Heather Cannon **News Writing Student**

OKCCC Safety and Security Officers proved they are capable of aiming their weapons.

The officers went to the Security Officer Requalification Range in Moore on March 26 for firearms recertification.

Safety and Security Coordinator Keith Bourque said all of the campus security officers were required to attend the course.

The state requires the officers shoot 70 percent or better to qualify for firearm recertification.

OKCCC requires that the officers shoot 80 percent or better.

"All our officers qualified," Bourque said. "Our lowest score was an 85 percent."

Firearm certification is required by the security department at OKCCC.

All campus security officers must be recertified every two years.

The department also requires night fire recertifications once a year, which will be required next.

Night fire is firearm shooting in the dark or at

Bourque said he was not sure of the exact date for the next event.

Bourque said no one has ever been forced to fire a weapon while on duty, but he agrees that certification should be necessary.

Students write scripts, perform plays

By Richard Hall **Editor**

Two short plays, "Potion Commotion" and "A Murder To Live," will be performed by OKCCC students at the One Act Festival at 7 p.m. April 29, in the college the-

The Society of Performing

Artists will host the hourlong event. Students wrote the plays.

Club member Ryan Bell will direct "Potion Commotion," a comedy surrounding an interesting love triangle set in 1700s England, written by SPA President Ace Burke.

Bell, freshman theater major, said he's had fun working with Burke.

Found cell phones turned over to security office lost

By Christiana Kostura and Ana Rodriguez **Staff Writers**

Two cell phones were stolen from the lost and found area in the safety and security office March 23.

Ruth Hunter, OKCCC security officer, filed an incident report on March 24.

She stated the cell phones were turned in on March 23 around 4:30 p.m. The phones were logged in and placed in a tray, she said.

On March 24, Tonya Young, OKCCC student, arrived at the office around 8:30 p.m. to retrieve her phone.

The phone was no longer in the tray, according to the report. Security officers Hunter and Rod Harden searched the office and office safe for the two phones, but could not locate either phone.

According to Rick Irwin, security officer, the cell phones were still in the tray at 12:33 a.m. March 24. The incident report stated that is the last time the items were seen.

Keith Bourque, Safety and Security coordinator, said he contacted both cell phone owners and, as of press time, no calls had been placed using the phones.

"Safety and Security has now changed the way items come in," Bourque said. "Items now immediately go into lock up.'

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and knows what he's doing," Bell said.

Burke said English farce inspired the play.

He said he's excited to work with Bell. He said he's always wanted to see someone else's vision put in his work, and is pleased Bell is in the director chair.

Sharin Tucker, SPA club secretary, wrote and will direct alongside club public relations officer Valerie Jobe, "A Murder To Live."

The drama revolves around a man and his new wife as they struggle with the risks of pregnancy and

Jobe, sophomore journalism major, said she is proud that SPA has come together and is putting on the festival.

She said the club hopes

"[Burke] is a good writer to make this an annual

"I'm really excited that the festival has the opportunity to become something the college is recognized for," Jobe said. "I'm just really happy we're able to put this on for the students."

Burke said this is one of SPA's biggest events of the year and is glad the club hosts it

'This event will allow students to showcase their talents." Burke said. "Whether it's in writing, acting or directing, students will be able to show what they're made of."

Bell agrees with Burke and said this gives actors a chance to express themselves, directors a chance to show their capabilities and writers to expose their

Bell said it benefits him since he hopes to have a theater career one day.

"Things like the festival help me prepare for my future," he said. "It gives me a chance to show my ideas and creativity, and to learn from others and the overall experience."

Bell said he hopes the festival is a success that goes on for many years to come.

"A lot of people are working hard," he said. "I hope people come out and enjoy themselves."

The cost of admission has not yet been determined, Burke said.

For more information about the event, contact Burke at 826-0512.

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Domestic dispute violation of Student Conduct Code

By Christiana Kostura and Ana Rodriguez **Staff Writers**

OKCCC security officers were called to the scene of a dispute in the campus parking lot outside the Health Technologies Building on March 24, and saw what appeared to be a man hitting a woman in the back of her head.

When officers Larry Lundy and Rod Harden arrived on the scene they first witnessed a man, later identified as OKCCC student Brent Rhodes, picking up items from the ground around his vehicle, according to an OKCCC incident

Officers reported Rhodes then got into his vehicle and appeared to hit a woman in the back of her

Officers approached the car and detained Rhodes. The woman was identified as OKCCC student Rhianna Rhodes, Brent's wife.

According to the report, Rhianna Rhodes said her husband was not hitting her, that he was throwing his items into the back of the car.

Both parties denied any physical confrontation took place, said Keith Bourque, Safety and Security coordinator.

"They denied anything happened," Bourque said.

The campus security office filed misconduct reports on both students for student conduct code violations and advised the couple to seek counseling.

Domestic disputes are a violation of OKCCC's Student Conduct Code.

As of press time, neither of the Rhodeses could be reached for comment.

Further information about the Student Conduct Code and disciplinary actions may be found in the OKCCC Student Hand-

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Need an escort to your car? Call campus security 682-1611, ext. 7691

May graduates ready to take on world

The following students applied for May graduation. Diplomas will be granted after credentials are completed and degree requirements are met. Students who have fulfilled degree requirements can participate in the May 14 commencement ceremony at Cox Convention Center in downtown Oklahoma City.

(The Pioneer listed December graduates in its Dec. 6 issue.)

ASSOCIATE in ARTS

Child Development: Donna Burruss, Ashley Hall, Shanna Harrington, Teresa Lewis, Charise Mathy, Tammy Shoun, Deidre Taucer.

Diversified Studies: Raquel Franco, Leighann Castle, Jason Chaplin, Lindsey Dodson, James Forgue, Michelle Hidrogo, Rashida Hobbs, Jessica Jones, Alaina Myrick, Shirley Qualls, Steven Roberts, Mary Shea, Samuel Stoller, Ruth Terronez, Dara Thomas, Kevin Wilhite, Cheronda Williams, Janet Wilson.

Film And Video Production: Marika Cope, Shaun Early, Justina Ee, Brian Lough, Eaijah Muhammad, Ginny Murphy.

History: Ty Beasley, Daniel Dumbleton, Garry Johnson, Kimberly Noyes, Dianna Schoech, Kevin Woodruff.

Humanities: Duane Beck, Noble Diven, John Franklin, Matthew Halcomb, Seth Murphy.

Journalism And Broadcasting: Stacy Becker, Michael Craig, Jacqueline Dake, Cynthia Davis, John Foresee, Heatherlyn Gasper, Camilla Gillespie, Nona Jones, Shanna Larson, Stacey LeGrange, Ann Lushbough, Deanna Packhorse, Deana Perry, Teresa Robinson, Ana Rodriguez, Justin Waganer, Brandie Weaver, Tracy Wolfe, Meika Yates.

Liberal Studies: Trent Anderson, Dustin Andrews, Melissa Brawdy, Robin Burris, Jedidiah Chappell, Malaka Elyazgi, Jason Gilmore, Jessica Justus, Miklyn Martin.

Modern Language: Jessica Akers, Francisco Alejo, Nathalie Cyr, Beth Keith.

Music: Casey McCarty, Cheryl Morgan, Jennifer Paulley.

Political Science: Audra Beasley, Eric Clayton, Ryan Meyer, Jonathan Nimo, Tony Oliver, Harley Rhynes, Kristy Roberts, Meridith Warren, James Williamson.

Psychology: Bashir Abdullah, Amanda Adams, Lakeitha Affentrnger, Angelita Asher, Amy Brock, April Campbell, Margaret Carney, Jeremy Christner, Kristin Dunlap, Jared Edgin, Dawn Evans, Raquel Franco, Markisha Gates, Malinda Gibson, Michelle Gronski, Stefanie Harrington, Mitchell Hubbard, Darah Hudson, Carey Lang, Amber Leach, Bridget Lohn, Lisa McLain, David Melton, Elizabeth Metcalf, Robert Miracle, Melinda Mitchell, Dulce Molina, Monica

Moreno, Conrad Mueller, Chanel Peel, Elizabeth Pendergraft, Jeremy Pickens, Megan Richardson, Jerimiah Riggins, Mirna Rivera, Rogerio Salinas, Denise Smith, Joyce Swink, Tiffany Swyden, Charlie Tarver, Blake Taylor, Jeremy Davenport, Kaylean Thomas, Chris Treadway, Joshua Walker, Jason Waugh, India Wilson, Justin Witte, Brandy Wood, Nicholas Zanger.

Sociology: Caryn Deere, Lisa Harrison, William Hetherington III, Susan Prieto, Cindy Saffle, Sarisa Shaw, India Wilson, Mary Wood.

Theater Arts: Tristina Demartra, Tracey Lesley, Courtney Myer, Lisa Padilla, James Sturgill, Sharin Tucker.

Visual Arts: Amber Dubuc, Krista Duggan, Dylan Oaks, Julie Wright.

ASSOCIATE in SCIENCE

Aviation Maintenance Technology: Matthew Beatty, David Dixon, Christopher Rowe.

Business: Arthur Starrett. Sheldon Barger, Thea Black, Joshua Booth, Lance Brooks, Kala Buerger, Jinwon Choi, Brian Connell, Duane Crumbacher, Derrick Cummings, Tuyen Dang, Melissa Day, Liz Doty, Nubia Fiesel, Allison Foster, Brittney Hallford Roseann Hamblin, Kasey Hearn, Angie Heartsill, Michael Henson, Devereaux Hines, Steven Irvin, Marvis Irwin, Cody Jacobs, Mechell Janes, Michael Jaroszewicz, Melissa Jones, Leslie Kanakembizi, Mohammad Khatib, Shiloh Kilgore, Vincent Kilgore, Kristine Kirkendoll, Elizabeth Kniffen, Shota Kurihara, Jamie Larson, Christina Lindstrom, Christina Long, Jeffrey Mathis, David Mc-Gowan, Michael McLoughlin, Darla McMillan, Ajoa Milton, Raina Minson, Sandy Moreno, Wade Morgan, Amanda Neely, Joseph Nielsen, Antonia Noblet, Laverne Parker, Mobisher Rabbani, Jessica Rodriguez, Michael Runnels, Courtney Sanders, Kerry Sanders Sr., Keri Stevens, Jena Storm, Stacy Tac, Danell Taeibirahni, Aaron Tanner, Michael Tetzlaff, Grant Thomas, Casie Tomlin, Michael Tsadi, Nikola Valoy, Aaron Wallace, Krystal Webb, Stephanie Webster, Micaela Williams.

Business Management:Dwayne Bevers, Stephen Dearman, Melissa Redwine, Kristie
Thompson, Jennifer Tucker, Stefanie Paliotta.

Computer-Aided Design: Aaron Smith.

Computer Science: Abraham Almonte, Long Le, Christopher Morrow, Kwee Ong, Mohamed Ouardi, Joshua Pugsley, Steven Sheriff, Bryan Sherman, Adam Smith, Kashif Zaman.

Diversified Studies: Jay Cheek, Michaela Anders, Daniel Archer, Audrey Barnes, Amy Boettler, Shekinah Boulos, Jennifer Brown, Jordan Buettner, Susan Callen, Valerie Carlson, Melisa Coats, Desiree Dare, Angela Dodd, Kristin Dunning, Julie Eskew,

George, Gwen George, Lauren Hakim, Paula Hannah, Christopher Howell, Anh Huynh, Jonathan Kelly, Andrew Kirby, Ramona Kloss, Christopher Ledford, Maranda Long, Julie Mc-Caul, Robert McCawley, Kimberly McCutcheon, Megan McKee, Azine Mohammadi, Jeanie Ngo, Minhhong Nguyen, Kenneth Ogden, Sudha Pandey, Denessa Panek, Kimberly Parrish, Laura Paul, Rebekah Perkins, Jamie Ramos, Chace Ramsey, Lori Reynolds, Jessica Rice, Ryan Ritter, Martha Rubio, Billie Sachaffler, Scott Sanders, Fredoon Serai, Amanda Sexton, Deborah Skelly, Davon Stephens, Derek Stevens, Ruth Terronez, Ryna Tishyor, Harvey Vaughn, Michael Watson, Kevin Win-stead, Stephanie Woods.

Engineering: Jason Culp, Emmanuel Adjei, Daniel Anderson Jr., Faouad Bennani, Brandon Birch, Ty Bouse, Oussama Debbaj, Theresa Dinh, Shelby Hart, Chris Hickman, Phuc Hoang, Billy McCoy, Blake McJunkin, Randy Tymchuk.

Math: Teresa Lewis, Jeremy Noble, Barbara Tracey.

Math/Science: Toussaint Towa.

Network Technology: Brandy
Coker

Pre-education: Karen Boyd, Sandra Brantley, Beverly Dusold, Christy Garrison, Teresa Lewis, Sarah Mehan, Summer Moore, Sheila Turner, Amy Williams, Candelaria Nunez.

Science: Javier Alonzo, Emi Anita, Lawrence Attebery, Joshua Bailey, Tina Barnes, Theresa Besta, Rahi Bigdely, Michelle Bilbrey, Kristall Bright, Amy Brock, Christina Burch, Sokaina Castro, Renah Charboneau, Dustan Conway, James Darby. Alicia Davis, Justin Feese, Jennifer Fischer, Bonnie Garrett, Jennifer Gonzalez, Thomas Ha, Nasim Haiyavi, Kimberly Hammock, Michael Harper, Mary Hendrick, Phong Hoang, Chi Huynh, Badr Imejjane, Cindy Johnson, Wanda Jones, Lance Keel, Kimberly Kelley, Alana Killman, Tiffany Lahyani, Stephanie Leng, Shawn Lyles, Damon Madison, Matthew Martincevic, Robert Montova Jr., Chen Ngan, Zuzana Novakova, Patricia Parrish, Lupita Perez, Natalie Pham, Chi Pham, Quynh Pham, Tray Reynolds, Riley Ring, Tera Rose-Yates, Karstern Smith, Lakesha Stokely, Joseph Swink, Thinh Tran, Huong Tran, Christine Tucker. Marcus Williams. Amanda Williams, Donnie Winkle, Laura Presgrove-White

ASSOCIATE in APPLIED SCIENCE

Accounting: Jennifer Blake, Annette Cavendar, Srieredjeki Daulay-Erisman, Starla Priest, Dana Rico, Adriana Travino.

Automated Office Technology: Angel Armstrong, Stephanie Bradley, Lacey Courtney, Linda Crank, Melissa Foreman, Peggy Hampton, Alecia Taylor, Anita

Wood, Thomas Ellis Jr., Eddie Flores, Jesse Hamilton, Anthony Littleton, Cory Lytle, Timothy Martin, Justin Palmer, Jerry Potter, Michael Powell Sr., Roger Schlotthauer, Christopher Sherrill, Henry Vijayan, Tyler Walker.

Aviation Maintenance Technology: Harry Belless, Tommy Brinkley, Chad Daugherty, Minh Nguyen, Quang Pham.

Banking and Finance: April Brown, Lananh Cao, Cheryl Goldsmith, Sonya Hollock, Mohammed Hossain, Amanda Skaggs, Richard Smith, Tiara Solomon, Jamie Zachary.

Biotechnology: Harve Stokes, Travis Wright.

Business Management: Caleb Brown, Heather Cobble, Jason Turner.

Child Development: Emily Authorlee, Myrna McKee, Mary Schlittler.

Computer Science: Latonya Collins, Bryan Denham, Heather Hatton, Sharron Kennon, Jeremy Kilgore, Ricky Lawson, Karena Mars, Willie Napoleon, Brandon Nesbitt, Carlos Rivera, Amir Saatian, Robert Shinaman, John Van Dyke, Deborah Wickware, Chadrik Wiggins.

Computer-Aided Design: John Brady, Jedidiah Chappel, Derrik Finkel, Lance Grant, Tim Haack, Michael Keller, Julia Lockett, Patrisha Perry, Edward St. John, Gregory Stevens, Fatemeh Taghavi.

Cyber Information Security: Mark Jennings.

Electronics: Kenneth Sowers, Cedrick Weatherspoon.

Emergency Medical Science: David Alderman, Angeleigh Beard, Rebecca Bradley, Brandy Gragg, John Hicks, Skip Kreymborg, Kendra Nelson, Justin Tuck.

Film and Video Production: Jacqueline DeBose, Anthony Mount Jr., Ben Pendleton, Isaiah Powers, William Scovill, Steven Shelton

Graphic Communications: Lauren Bradley, Denise Canon, Michael Cline, Nicholas Davis, Jennifer Delise, Joey Garrett, Kendall James, Kandi Melton, Joanne Prati, Rush Prigmore, Christina Schmidt.

Manufacturing Technology: Robert Beardain, William Simpson.

Medical Assistant: Andrea Carothers, Jenna Dill, Angela Giddens, Pamela Kinney, Jenny McGuire, Laura Mitchell, Susan Thayer, Kathy Ury, Lori Winters-Davis, Kristin Woodruff, Jessica Zuza.

Nursing: Penny Albers, Lorrie Allen, Meagen Attebery, Michelle Baldridge, You Bang, Sarah Barnes, Shelly Barnett, Meagan Bell, Justin Bell, Kristin Bessinger, Monica Blumenthal, Susan Bolz, Susan Booth, Ivy Bowden, Crystal Burdine, Paula Christensen, Lauren Clayton, Deanna Cline, Nancy Crawford, Debra Deweese, Angela Digsby, Charlotte Dyer, Robin Endsley, Glory Gituma, Marla Gonzalez, Laura Gramling,

Angela Hayworth, Todd Hendricks, Betty Henson, Monica Hudson, Brian Hughes, Ifran Hussein, Jennifer Jagd, Lanie Johnson, Melissa Johnson, Sherree Johnson, Brandy Karr, Jennifer Kehler, Shelia Kinney, Lavnie Kuttie, Tommy Leopard, Michelle Leppke, Lesley Lewis, Lori Lowe, Diann Mackey, Samatha Manes, Teri McClure, Tonya McDonald, Eva Melrose, Daniel Miller, Ivonna Mims-Gage, Scott Naismith, Dale Orth, Lisa Overstreet, Susan Parks, Teresa Peek, Jana Quattlebaum, Linda Roberts, Diane Roberts, Natalvia Scheoder, Susan Shebester, Michele Shephard, Tena Simmons, Tracie Singletary, Ana Sirbu, Rebecca Toomey, Carrie Vermillion Kellie Ward, Danielle Weber, Kathy Weidman, Micah Welchel, Linda Whitt, Timothy Williams, Gordon Wilson, Heidi

Occupational Therapy Assistant: Christinai Aaron, Amanda Abshure, Teah Ausmus, Monica Baskin, Louise Blount, Randi Brandt, Tara Cole, Terri Collins, Candice Cox, Deidre Dawson, An'drea El-amin, Mary Evans, Linda Fowler, Terri Hull, Jennie Leird, Steven McGaha, Brian Mitchell, Sara Monaco, Mindi Porter, Stacy Rendon, Adam Salafia, Carloyn Terrell, Jennifer Thorpe, Trina Whipkey, Lori Wyssmann.

Orthotics and Prosthetics: Susanna Lloyd.

Respiratory Care Therapist: Jimmy Berry, Stephen Boyd, Faylene Byrd, Jim Clark, Kimberly DeBord, Michelle Ferguson, Orin Griffith, Robert Gulickson, Emilee Hedrick, Haley Hunter, Yuniati Liman, Scott Perrin, Cliff Petillo, Annamma Philip, Jane Scepanski, Bridgette Scroggins, Kizzi Smith, Julie Sudik, Nicole Terry, Modana Terry, Jennifer Thompson, Declesha Turner, Sandi Turner, Sandi Vaughn, Mary Voss.

Surgical Technology: Joshua Clement, Thomas Flesher IV, Lezley Idleman, Stacy Springman.

Technology: Steve Bowers, James Forgue, Reuben Fredricks, Joshua Matanane, Clifford Phelps, Reginald Williams.

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Prof urges people to save Earth by consuming less

By Christiana Kostura Staff Writer

As Earth Day approaches on April 22, Gary Houlette, Physical Science professor, has a number of ideas for people to help the world's environment.

"The reality is, we are all part of the planet," Houlette said.

"If we're not conscious of the planet we live on, then eventually I personally be-

The United States is the largest consumer of everything from refrigerators to automobiles worldwide, he said. "We are the consuming nation.'

"Consume less, waste less," he said. "We could all do with

Smaller packaging of grocery items contributes to more trash, he said.

"Buy cereal [and other grocery items] in large quantities instead of small boxes."

Houlette said reus-

able containers can be used to keep food when it is purchased in larger quantities.

The increase in driving and size of vehicles also contributes to the world's problems, he

Houlette said people should consider driving less, using mass transit more and, if they must drive, use smaller vehicles and carpool.

"It's all about change of lifestyle," Houlette said. "Drive less, drive smaller vehicles.'

Drive-up windows also are a great source of wasting energy, Houlette said.

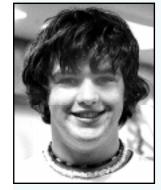
Some people have a need for the service, he said, but those who are mobile should go

"If we could get 10,000 students to recycle just \$1 [worth] of products this year, it would save \$10,000,' Houlette said.

"We can make a change worldwide.'

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why is Earth Day important?



"It keeps Oklahoma clean."

-Aaron Culwell **Undecided Freshman**



"We have to live here and [future] generations have to live here."

-Michelle Johnston **Nursing Freshman**



"To help the air... with all the pollution..."

-Kaci Holderman Undecided Freshman



"It helps make a better living environment." -Randi Burris Psychology Freshman



"To teach people the importance of it. People take [the environment] for

granted..." -Raechal Crowley Accounting Freshman



"We can't live here if it is all junked up. Awareness is good." -Sonya Beilhartz Nursing Freshman

Photos by Ana Rodriguez



"It's good for the environment. It lets all people know about the environment."

-Shana Lancaster Pathways Freshman

cans, Phillips said. By Christiana Kostura He said the college wasn't making money on Staff Writer

College recycles paper products

OKCCC does its part for Earth Day every day by recycling said Gary Phillips, Building and Campus Services supervisor.

Many office areas and labs contain paper recycling bins, he said.

Phillips said the containers are emptied nightly by the college's janitorial staff and put into a paper-only dumpster on campus.

The state of Oklahoma contracts with many recycling companies, Phillips said. One picks up OKCCC's paper for free. Money made from the paper goes to the state.

Physical Science professor Gary Houlette said the college used to have aluminum can recycling bins throughout the campus.

Permanent aluminum can recyling containers were removed from campus when the soda machines started carrying more bottles than

the cans. In fact, he said, the college actually lost money by having the containers.

J.B. Messer, Physical Plant director, said recycling is good, but many times is impractical for large institutions. "We would, in many instances, have to pay to recycle," Messer said.

That is the case with plastic bottles, Phillips said. He said he has looked into having the bottles recycled, but cannot find a company willing to pick them up in the quantity the college would produce.

Jon Horinek, Community Engagement coordinator, would like to see more campus recycling. He said he hopes students and clubs will come to him with recycling ideas and ideas for celebrating Earth Day.

'We are more than happy to explore the option of future events surrounding Earth Day,' Horinek said.

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🛂 John McConnell designed the Earth flag in 1969, the same year he introduced the idea of a global holiday called Earth Day.

🛂 Earth Day was organized in 1970 to promote the ideas of ecology, encourage respect for life on Earth, and highlight growing concern over pollution of the soil, air and water.

🔼 The first Earth Day had participants and celebrants in 2,000 colleges and universities, roughly 10,000 primary and secondary schools, and hundreds of U.S. communities.

> In 1975 the U.S. Congress and President Gerald Ford proclaimed and urged observance of Earth Day on the March Equinox.

🥌 Earth Day is now observed in 140 nations and celebrates its 35th birthday this year.

Fulbright Scholar shares views of America

By Jared McDuffey News Writing Student

OKCCC's Fulbright Scholar from Sweden, Georgen Edenhagen said he is enjoying his experience at OKCCC.

"It's been very nice," the business professor said.

The Fulbright Scholar program provides small er colleges the chance to have an international instructor.

Edenhagen and his family came to OKCCC in January from Murray State College in Tishomingo where he taught his first semester in the United States.

Edenhagen said he and his family didn't receive much of a culture shock when they first moved to Oklahoma.

Like most Americans, the Edenhagens have had fun going to movies, shopping, bowling, playing billiards and catching a few musicals. These hobbies, Edenhagen said, are what the family does for fun in Sweden as well. Although the Edenhagens have absorbed American entertainment fairly easily, the family did have to adjust to the food.

"It's a lot," Edenhagen said. "The selection is so wide... most American [food] has either cheese or peanut butter [in it]."

Another change for the Edenhagens has been the weather.

"The weather is much more dramatic," said Edenhagen. "It really rains and thunders [here]."

Edenhagen said the weather doesn't change through the day in Sweden.

"If it is raining when you wake up, it will be raining the rest of the day," Edenhagen explained.

The same principle applies to the temperature, which remains the same throughout the day, he said.

For a more youthful perspective on the Eden-

hagens experience here, Edenhagen's son Alfred, 8, shared his views.

"[It's] kinda good. Mostly, it's very, very good."

Alfred attends Sky Ranch Elementary School in Moore, his father said.

Alfred said he enjoys going to school and the things his family does for fun, but admits he misses his friends in Sweden.

Despite the acceptance of America within the family, Sweden is their home.

"I think the United States is great, but Sweden is amazing," said Edenhagen. "[Americans] have a lot of good things here and there. In the long run, Sweden has a lot of good things."

Because of this experience the family is noticing things they took for granted in Sweden.

"We would never consider buying water at home [in Sweden]," Edenhagen said.

Throughout the whole experience, Edenhagen has enjoyed many things, but none more than his chance



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Georgen Edenhagen, OKCCC's Fulbright Scholar from Sweden, teaches Introduction to Business.

to teach students.

"Knowing they like the way I teach and are com-

fortable and work with me is what I enjoy the most," Edenhagen said.

Oklahomans battle heart disease by taking a walk

By Chelsea Scott News Writing Student

Oklahomans will gather to fight against heart-related diseases at 10 a.m., April 30, in downtown Oklahoma City. The American Heart Walk is a 5K (3.1 miles) walk or run to help raise money to prevent heart-related diseases.

It is even more important this year for students and faculty of OKCCC to participate in this event because of President Bob Todd's recent heart surgery, said Becky Graves, OKCCC Financial Aid Systems specialist. In January, Todd had a single arterial bypass surgery and also had his mitral valve replaced.

"We need to rally behind our president and help raise money against heart diseases," Graves said.

Activities for the Ameri-

can Heart Walk begin at 8 a.m. and will be followed by the opening ceremony at 9:15 a.m. A "survivor" rally and warm up take place at 9:30 a.m. just before the walk begins at 10 a.m.

The walk starts and finishes at the Bricktown Ballpark.

According to www.heart walk.kinetra.org, it goes through downtown past the bombing memorial.

OKCCC has been involved with this walk for many years, Graves said. To register, participants should go to the www. heartwalk.kinetra.org website. Part of the registration fee is considered a donation.

Participants are all ages. Many people enter the walk to honor a loved one who died from a heart disease. Other participants are "survivors," people who have survived a heart attack, stroke or any other

cardiovascular disease, according to www.heart walk.kinetra.org.

Graves has been involved with the walk for the past several years.

"I am surprised at how many children are survivors." She likes to be involved because she has had loved ones lose their lives to heart diseases.

Survivors wear red baseball caps so they stand out.

They also are honored with a special one-mile walk.

The fund-raising goal for

this year is to raise \$1.2 million. According to the website, the diseases for which funds are raised kill nearly 950,000 people per year.

Walkers must raise at least \$100 to receive the Heart Walk T-shirt.

Download music the easy way

By Shawn Bryant Staff Writer

In order to ease the pain that comes with downloading music, the Training Center decided to offer Digital Music Transfer classes, said Bud Elder, Workforce Development training consultant.

Activities in the class will include the transfer and burning of CDs, MP3 files and players, legal downloading and analog transfer, which will include the

transfer of LPs and cassettes.

There are three different four-hour sessions of this class scheduled, Elder said.

The first two classes are scheduled for April 28 at the John Massey Center, 11919 South Interstate 44 Service Road.

The early class runs from 1 to 5 p.m. The late class runs from 6 to 10 p.m.

The third and final session of this class is scheduled for May 5 at the college's northside training center at 11919 north Penn, and lasts from 1 to 5

p.m., Elder said.

He said the only cost of the class is the \$30 entry fee.

Students will not be required to purchase a text-book.

This is a non-credit class. Elder said he is excited about the class and hopes students enjoy themselves.

"This training is just for fun," he said.

For more information or to enroll, call the Training Center at 682-7562.

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Student newspaper wins highest award

By Kari Manchev News Writing Student

OKCCC's student newspaper, the Pioneer, brought home a record-breaking 14 awards from the Oklahoma Collegiate Press Association conference April 8, hosted by Oklahoma State University in Stillwater.

The awards included first place for overall excellence among two-year college newspapers.

Members of the Pioneer staff who received awards include: Editor Richard Hall, Senior Writer Shawn Bryant, Staff Writer Christiana Kostura, Sports Writer Matt Caban, former Editor Caroline Ting, former Staff Writer Lacey Lett, former Photographer Ann Lushbough and former Photographer Billy Adams.

The Pioneer submitted a total of 17 entries. Kostura attended the event and accepted the awards.

"The most important and exciting part about the competition was receiving first place for the award of excellence," Kostura said.

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> —Christiana Kostura OKCCC Pioneer Staff Writer

OKCCC has received this award for the last three years. It is given to the school with most outstanding overall newspaper.

"It is very encouraging to win awards like that," Kostura said. "It's very exciting to know you are getting somewhere."

The Pioneer received four first places, three of those in the categories of News Writing, Editorial Writing and Feature Writing.

Judges made comments on each entry.

"[Articles written by Ting reflect] outstanding reporting and news writing," one judge wrote about Ting's first-place win in news writing. "Many professionals would be proud of these articles."

Sue Hinton, Journalism professor and newspaper adviser, said "The Pioneer did great this year."

"We not only won the

most awards ever, but we won the best awards.

"The only thing we could consider changing for next year is to update the design of the newspaper, maybe giving it more of a tabloid magazine feel, which seems to be the trend of newspaper design."

The competition was among 16 colleges throughout Oklahoma including Oklahoma Baptist University, Cameron University, Northwestern State University, University of Tulsa, East Central University, Oklahoma City University and University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma.

Southwestern University, St. Gregory's University, Southern Nazarene University, Bascone College, Rose State College, Northern Oklahoma College, Eastern Oklahoma State College and Oral Roberts University also participated.

OK Share Card offers students library choice

By Nic Dion News Writing Student

Edmond resident and OKCCC student Kyle Bertholf has found a way to keep up with his studies despite his busy schedule by taking advantage of the OK Share Card.

The OK Share Card has been around for five years now, said Linda Boatright, circulation librarian at OKCCC. The card may be used by college students at university libraries across the metro and at area public libraries.

These include the University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University, University of Central Oklahoma, Southern Nazarene University, Rose State College, and select public libraries in Oklahoma City, Edmond and Norman.

"I have had my card for the whole year and it has been a huge help with my hectic schedule," Bertholf said.

"I live in Norman during school and my parents live in Edmond. When I go home to do laundry on the weekend, now I can go to UCO's library and do some homework.

"I think this is a wonderful idea for students to take advantage of."

All students are eligible to receive the Share Card as long as they are a current student with a student ID. The cards are good for one semester. Students have to

Student, prof set teaching example

By Lindsey Oswalt News Writing Student

In November, a student and a math professor will talk about the benefits of student assistants with other professors nationwide. Connecting better with



Photo by Ana Rodriguez
Teresa Lewis

students is one of those benefits said Teresa Lewis, student supplemental instructor for Contemporary Math.

Lewis was chosen to attend a national math conference in San Diego, with her professor Jay Malmstrom.

"Being a supplemental instructor as well as a student, I feel I can connect better with the other students," Lewis said. "I can help communicate the professor's ideas to them in a way that

they might better understand."

Lewis and Malmstrom have been working together for two years.

"The students swear by her," Malmstrom said. He said it is an honor to be chosen to speak at a national conference.

"To have a student give a major presentation at the conference is not a common thing," Malmstrom said. "She is helpful to the students and knowledgeable. This will be a great experience for her."

Lewis said she is a single mother of three as well as a grandmother. She said she took a few college courses right out of high school but this is the first time she has concentrated on obtaining a degree. She said she will graduate in May with three associate degrees — Child Development, Pre-education and Math.

She said she has received enough scholarships to pay for all of her books and tuition costs.

"There is money out there if you just go look for it," Lewis said.

Lewis received numerous awards at OKCCC including being named an All College Scholar. She will be presented an award at the OKCCC Student Awards Ceremony on April 22.

come back to renew the card for the next semester.

"Students used to have to pay \$50 per semester to use other universities' libraries," Boatright said.

Students are allowed to check out two books at a time and, depending on the library, may be allowed to use reference materials or databases, Boatright said.

Unlike Bertholf, some students have never been

informed of the Share Card.

"I have never heard of the OK Share Card," said Daniel Fleischer, OKCCC student. "I think this card will be beneficial to me since I live in Norman and take classes at OKCCC."

To receive an OK Share Card, students can go to the OKCCC Library circulation desk, show their student ID, and will be presented a card free of charge.

Sports____

UPCOMING

CLUB SOCCER

•April 23: Club soccer playoffs begin. The University of Oklahoma plays the University of Central Oklahoma at 11 a.m. OKCCC faces off against Oklahoma State University at 1:30 p.m. OU will host both games. OKCCC's opponent and game time were determined by the final regular season standings.

•April 30: Spring club soccer championship. Participating teams are the winners of April 23 games. The team with the most points will host the game at noon.

INTRAMURALS

- •April 19: Badminton games continue at 2 p.m. in the gym. Students can play badminton on Tuesdays and Thursdays in April.
- •April 22: Lazer Tag competition at 2 p.m. at LazerXtreme at 700 City Ave. in Moore. Cost is \$5. For more information, call LazerXtreme at 799-0700.
- •April 25: Intramural swimming competition at 2 p.m. in the Aquatic Center. Visit the Wellness Center for more information or contact Community and Education and Health Specialist Eric Watson at 682-1611, ext. 7786.
- •April 29: If you are a gym rat and like to lift weights, the 1 Center will host a bench press contest at 2 p.m. Participants need to weigh-in prior to the event. For more information, contact Community Health and Education Specialist Eric Watson at 682-1611, ext. 7786.

Back from defeat and into the playoffs

Club soccer team beats University of Oklahoma and Rose State College

By John Savage Staff Writer

Dynamite came in small packages during the April 9 club soccer game in which OKCCC defeated the University of Oklahoma 2-1. OKCCC hosted the game on the south lawn.

Wind gusts of 33 mph blew the corner kick flags so hard they touched the ground at times.

The game started slow with the teams feeling each other out. Early shots on goal by OKCCC had little power and gave OU's goalie few problems.

However, OKCCC tried to make up for the lack of scoring by controlling the flow of the game. This strategy met with some success.

This gave them an opportunity at the 12-minute mark. OKCCC forwards passed to Charles Burrows, but the wind caused the ball to sail just out of the charging forward's reach.

"This wind is horrible, and it's affecting everybody's shots and passes," Burrows said.

OKCCC out-shot the Sooners 16 to 9 in the first half, and dominated the midfield and possessions of the ball.

Many of the players on OU's squad had a size advantage on OKCCC players.

"They're good and have size but we can take them," Burrows said.

The second half started with the Sooners being awarded an early corner kick. The corner kick crossed but was well defended by OKCCC.

At the 53-minute mark, an OU forward slipped by his defender and had a good look at the goal, but his shot ended up hitting the crossbar and sailing out of bounds.

This led to a goal kick by

OKCCC goalie Miguel Antonio.

In the 80th minute of play OKCCC forward and coach K.B. Yeboah made a good move to beat his defender to score the game's first goal.

Four minutes later, forward Eric Attakorah received a long pass and kicked the ball into the back of the net for OKCCC's second goal of the game.

With a few moments left in the game, OKCCC was up 2-0 over the Sooners.

Mere seconds after OKCCC's second goal, OU advanced past the defense and made it a 2-1 game.

Near the end of the game, OU advanced for a potential game-tying goal, but the OU player slammed into Antonio.

The OU player received a red card [a penalty] for running into the goalie.

After two tough games to start the season, including a 2-2 tie with the University of Central Oklahoma on Feb. 26, and a 2-0 loss to Oklahoma State University on March 26, OKCCC gained its first win of the season.

Later in the day, OKCCC played a make-up game with Rose State College.

OKCCC again smelled the sweet aroma of success with a 3-2 win.

The victories secured OKCCC's spot in the playoffs.

As the third-place qualifier, OKCCC will face second-place OSU at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 23 at OU.

At 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 23, OU and UCO play in the other playoff game.

RSC did not qualify for the playoffs.

For more information, contact College League Coordinator Jalal Daneshfar at 974-2377.

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Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Fantastic footwork: Christian Leclercq, sophomore psychology major, practices his soccer moves on the south lawn. The soccer field, open to all students wanting to practice, is located on the southeast corner of campus near May Avenue.

Club Soccer Standings

	Win	Loss	Tie	Pts.
University of Oklahoma	3	1	0	28
Oklahoma State University	2	1	1	24
OKCCC	2	1	1	22
University of Central Okla.	1	2	1	20
Rose State College	0	4	0	6

Have sports news? Give Matt a call at 682-1611, ext. 7440 or e-mail StaffWriter2@okccc.edu.

Christian club hosts talent show, plans fund-raiser

By John Savage **Staff Writer**

Recently, a handful of students watched and listened as Alpha Omega club members put on a talent show in the college union, performing more than six skits.

Some skits involved singing and piano playing while others showcased more personal skills.

Mark Fuller, off-campus sponsor for the club, performed a routine called "Voices," in which, at times, he made it seem as if more than one voice was speaking into the microphone.

Another skit involved club member Lucas Johnson displaying his Tae Kwon Do training.

Door prizes were given throughout the talent show.

Valerie Estes, club secretary and treasurer, joined the Alpha Omega club this semester. She said the club hasn't penciled in any more activities for this semester; however, she said, members are working to put together a charity fund-raiser for next semester.

In the meantime, the club is looking to increase membership, she said. The current number of members is 10 to 15 members.

"The club lost some key members last semester due to graduation," Estes said. "We are always looking for new members."

The Alpha Omega club meets each week at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in CU7.

"When new members join they can expect to have fun and hear the message of Christ," Estes said. "There are several religious organizations but the thing I enjoy about this one is that it's small, it's like a family."

A second talent show is a possibility, Estes said. "I want to get more clubs involved and put on another talent show."

Students who are interested in joining this club do not have to be any particular denomination, Estes said. "This club is non-denominational," Estes said.

"We all have out separate religions but anybody can

For more information contact Estes at 694-9354 or contact Fuller by e-mail at markfuller@sbc global.net.

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Day of prayer

The Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship will be holding a day of prayer in remembrance of the Oklahoma City bombing of the Murrah Building from noon to 1 p.m., April 19, in CU7, for anyone in need. For more information, contact Jessica Jones at 229-3452 or Ruth Hudson at 672-2985.

Disney World College Program

All OKCCC students interested in spending a semester in Florida working for Disney World are invited to an informational presentation at 1 p.m., Tuesday, April 19, in the University of Oklahoma Student Union/Presidents Room. For more information, call Linda Fay, Student Employment adviser, at 682-1611, ext. 7683.

Career night at Crabtown

The Public Relations Society of America, Oklahoma City chapter, invites students to join them for career night from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, April 20 Crabtown in Bricktown at 303 East Sheridan Ave. The cost is \$15 for students and \$20 for non students. There will be networking, career information and good food. For more information, call Tara Lokey at 350-3366 or e-mail academics@prsaokc.com.

Jack Cain Memorial Scholarship

To honor former Math professor Jack Cain, a memorial scholarship of \$300 will be awarded in his name at 6 p.m., April 22, in the college union. Students must meet the following eligibility criteria: Must have completed 12 hours at OKCCC, be enrolled or completed Math 2103 Calculus or Analytic Geometry I, have a 3.5 GPA and must complete their associate degree at OKCCC. For information, contact Mike Turegun at 682-1611, ext. 7340, or e-mail mturegun@okccc.edu.

Aluminum can drive

Abilities Galore is hosting a can drive through April 22. Three drop boxes have been placed on the campus. Proceeds from will help Chickasha High School special needs students attend the Special Olympics. For more information, contact Robert Smith by calling 681-7981, or e-mail thegardner@po.okccc.edu.

Spring concert

A spring concert featuring Symphonic and Concert Choirs and the Chamber Singers will perform at 7 p.m. April 28 in the OKCCC theater. Works by the following composers will be performed: "The Homecoming" by Joseph Martin, "Phantom of the Opera Medley," by Andrew Lloyd Webber, "Once Upon A Time," from the broadway musical, "All American," by Audrey Snyder, "Choose Something Like a Star," by Randall Thompson and "Festival Sanctus" by John Leavitt. Other composers' works will be performed also. Admission is free for all. For more information, contact Ron Staton at 682-1611, ext. 7149.

Cinco De Mayo Celebration

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., May 5 in the college union, the H.O.P.E. club will host a Cinco De Mayo celebration. The club will be selling nachos and have folkloric dancers and piñatas stuffed with prizes. For more information, contact Julieta Davila at 921-2924 or Jessica Brooks at 682-1611, ext. 7248.

The deadline for all Highlights is Tuesday by 5 p.m.



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Serving culture: Toby Billy, psychology sophomore, and Cina Coon, premed freshman, members of the Native American Student Association, prepare Indian tacos to sell as part of American Indian Week on April 12.

Writing Club offers \$50 awards

By John Savage Staff Writer

April 27, will bring a chance for aspiring writers to showcase their abilities, while being payed.

Noon to 1 p.m. in the college union the Writing Club will be awarding three cash prizes of \$50 to the most talented writers.

April is National Poetry Month and to celebrate, the writing club will host a poetry and open-mic contest.

The poetry winner will receive a \$50 award that will be presented at the time of the open mic contest.

André Love, English professor and club co-sponsor, has been a part of the Writing Club since 2001.

"I felt a need for a writing club, there wasn't a club so I started this one," Love said.

Although the title of the club is called Writing Club, Love said members do more than that.

"We help students that

like to free write, help create resumés and teach job skills as well," Love said.

Students are welcome to attend meetings and join the club.

The club has meetings every Thursdays at 11:15 and Fridays at 12:15 in the lounge area by the Arts and Humanities office.

Students also can sign up for the club in the Arts and Humanities office.

The Writing Club members and faculty members will be the judges for the poetry contest winner.

The open-mic contest will involve point cards and will need audience members to help judge the open mic contest.

"This will be our first poetry contest and our second open mic contest," Love said.

Submissions for the poetry contest need to be in the Arts and Humanities drop box by April 25. During the open-mic contest the poetry winner will be announced.

Submissions for the po-

etry can be turned into the Arts and Humanities office where they have a drop box located in the office. All poetry submissions must include a first and last name, and a phone number.

The poetry must be three lines minimum and 25 lines maximum.

The skits for the open mic contest need to be no longer than five minutes in length.

Participation has been good, Love said.

"The club did a great job with the food and clothing drive and the group adopted a family."

"We continue to host events that are interesting and appeal to the students and keep the club open," he said.

"My goal for the club is to be ambassadors of the written and spoken word.

For more information, contact Love at 863-5951 or 685-3776, ext. 3534, or by e-mail at Allove@po. okccc.edu.

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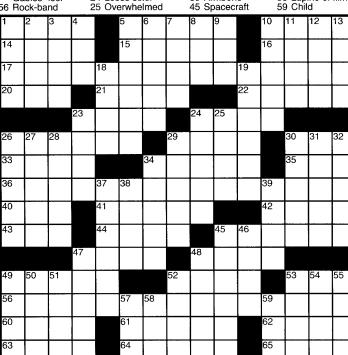
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Numbers show breakdown of race, gender and more

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The numbers also reflect the breakdown of returning students, Sharazi said.

The largest numbers reflect the following: Of the 11,143 students enrolled in credit classes, 9,273 are returning. Of those, 6,959 are Caucasian and 5,399 are ages 18 to 22

Shirazi said the 18 to 22 age population is high because the college has worked to increase the number of recent high school graduates who come to OKCCC.

African-Americans make up 8.4 percent of the student body with 931 students, and Asians account for 6.6 percent with 741.

There also is an increase in Hispanic students enrolled this spring. Hispanic students make up 6.2 percent, an increase from 5.5 percent last spring when the college saw 577 Hispanics compared to this spring's 691.

Shirazi said the increase in Hispanic enrollment was a planned move on OKCCC's part with the college increasing its recruitment efforts of minorities — especially Hispanics — over the past few years.

Shirazi said the Asian population in Oklahoma is steadily rising. It rose 5 percent from the 1990 to 2000 state census. She said that would explain the increase in Asian enrollment at the college.

Age groups also saw a shift in numbers. Student ages 17 and younger increased 61.9 percent from last spring. While the total number only rose from 105 to 170, it shows a significant impact concurrent high school students have on the total enrollment number, Sharazi said.

The second largest age group at the college are students ages 23 to 27, with 2,427 students compared to last spring's 2,274, an increase of 6.7 percent.

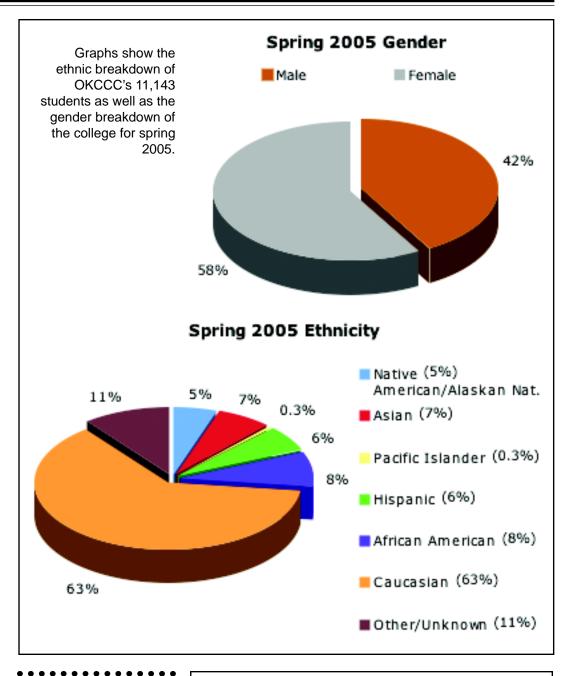
The age group of 38- to 47-year-olds dropped from 968 to 818, a difference of 15.5 percent.

Shirazi said the college's enrollment numbers are among the highest in the state.

"In the past, the college has been fifth in state in enrollment," she said.

"Only the University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University, the University of Central Oklahoma and Tulsa Community College having a higher enrollment."

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Interviewing techniques and styles discussed at noontime workshop

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go into an interview they should prepare for the "tell-me-about-yourself" question.

"It's important to know what you want to say," she said. "Employers want to know about skills, education and why you're best for the position."

Fay said babbling about yourself isn't encouraged but delivering a smooth answer is.

After telling students the dos and don'ts of interviewing, Fay introduced them to the different styles of interviews. She discussed behavioral and group interviews among others.

"Behavioral interviews usually involve the employer asking certain questions to see how you would handle a situation.

Fay said students should prepare for those types of interviews by having past examples ready to present.

Group interviews, however, work well with large companies, she said.

"Usually three to five people do the interviewing," she said.

"First, it starts with a screening interview, then a panel interview and, in the end, a meeting with the CEO or vice president of the company."

Fay said students can keep their heads level when going into an interview by giving themselves pep-talks beforehand and remembering to expose their strengths during the interview

Fay said she hopes to make the Interviewing to Win workshop a bi-yearly event because she feels it's necessary that people know interview strategies.

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