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# OCCC cautious as H1N1 virus hits campus

Administrators say threat is being taken 'very serious'

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The H1N1 virus has struck on campus and college officials are working to contain what could become a serious outbreak.

An OCCC student has been confirmed to have the H1N1 flu virus, initially known as "swine flu," said OCCC President Paul Sechrist in an e-mail sent to students Wednesday, Sept. 9.

College administrators are alerting faculty, staff and students about precautions to minimize the spread of the virus.

Faculty are being urged to encourage anyone sick with the flu to remain at home.

"We do encourage anyone who is running a fever or feels sick to stay home," said Marion Paden, Enrollment and Student Services vice president.

"This includes asking supervisors and faculty to be lenient with employee and student absences."

Academic Vice President Felix Aquino suggested in a memo that faculty adjust their policies on missed classes, examinations and late assignments so that students' academic concerns do not pre-

### Facing the arts



Marcella Craiger/Pionee

Christina Gifford, Arts Festival Oklahoma volunteer, paints 8-year-old Jada Giod's face as spiderman. Jada said she wanted her spiderman mask to be pink and purple instead the of red and black.

vent them from staying home when ill or prompt them to return to class while still symptomatic and potentially infectious to others.

Additionally, Aquino asked faculty will not to require a doctor's note

for students to validate their illness, as doctors' offices and other medical facilities may be extremely busy and therefore unable to provide such documentation in a timely fashion.

Aquino said students

who develop flu-like symptoms should notify their professors via telephone or e-mail.

Among the most common symptoms are

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### FIRST CULTURAL ART SERIES CONCERT PLANNED

# Concert goers to be treated to an authentic silent film experience, says arts director

**JUSTIN COMBS**Editor

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A nostalgic return to the era of silent films accompanied by orchestral music will entertain patrons at the first concert of this year's Cultural Arts Series

Patrons are in for an "authentic experience" as the series kicks off at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, in the Bruce Owens Theatre with a performance by Paragon Ragtime Orchestra, said Lemuel Bardequez, Cultural Arts director.

Bardequez said this is the first time OCCC has hosted the Paragon Ragtime Orchestra or anything like it.

"The program is billed as 'Clown Princes' and will feature three short comedy films by Charlie The program is billed as 'Clown Princes' and will feature three short comedy films by Charlie Chaplin, Buster Keaton and Harold Lloyd."

—LEMUEL BARDEQUEZ
CULTURAL ARTS DIRECTOR

Chaplin, Buster Keaton and Harold Lloyd," Bardequez said.

"The orchestra will be performing the original film scores that originally accompanied those films."

The Paragon Ragtime Orchestra also is the only one of its kind that performs the music year around, said Scott Tigert, Cultural Programs assistant.

"The Walt Disney Company also uses recordings of the orchestra for the outdoor theme music," Tigert said.

"Their recordings can be heard in Main Street and U.S.A. at Dis-

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### DPINION

EDITORIAL I Community colleges offer more for your buck

# Jnderestimated, yet highly sought

Community colleges provide a smooth transition to college for many students who have just graduated from high school. Class sizes are a good reason for this. Classes usually range from 20 to 30 students per instructor and this allows the student to be placed into comfortable surroundings.

Having a small class allows the student an op-



LANDA **MCCLURE** 

portunity to get to know their professors and classmates. Also, students stand a higher chance at being able to receive one-on-one time with their professors.

By comparison, freshman classes at large universities often will contain hundreds of students in a theater-style setting.

Two-year college tuition is a major savings for students. OCCC tuition and fees add up to about half the cost of the

same class at the University of Oklahoma.

The savings can keep students from taking out student loans, the only form of financial aid many middle class students qualify for. Student loans can build up and many students are still paying them back years after they have graduated.

Students are able to receive their associate degree in two years before they continue on to study for their bachelor's degree. While students who attend a community college are getting their basic courses out of the way, they also are able to take some courses during the first two years that are focused in their

However, at a four-year university, some majors don't allow access to specialized courses until students are in their sophomore or junior year.

These facts have caught the attention of President Barack Obama, who applauds the role of community

"Jobs requiring at least an associate degree are projected to grow twice as fast as jobs requiring no college experience," Obama said.

The economy is in a recession and finding jobs has turned into a race. Employers are looking for employees who are willing to work at their fastest pace.

The president has acknowledged that two-year colleges need more money, rather than just a pat on the back. Obama has brought about the American Graduation Initiative, a 10-year \$12 billion plan to be invested into community colleges. The program has been set up to encourage people to go to college and receive a degree.

YOUR VOICE I OCCC rated in top 15 percent for embracing student veterans

# College named as military friendly

To the editor:

Recently selected by G.I. Jobs magazine, OCCC has been named as a Military Friendly School for the year

This honor ranks OCCC in the top 15% of all colleges, universities and trade schools nationwide for doing the most to embrace America's veterans as students.

During Prep and Planning week, our faculty had the opportunity to attend a presentation by Rob Braese from the Veterans' Administration who shared information about the challenges faced by many of the returning service personnel as they readjust to civilian life and to college.

Later this month a second learning opportunity will be offered as we ing opportunity. welcome Steve Scruggs from the Veterans Administration to present information important to helping our veteran students readjust to college life.

The session will be open to all faculty, staff and interested students.

The session will be from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in Library 407 A&B. Please plan to attend this learn-

Quarterly safety training credit will be given to attending faculty and

For more information, please contact Penny Hampton, Professional Development director, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7827.

> —PENNY HAMPTON **PROFESSIONAL DEVOLPMENT** DIRECTOR



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YOUR VOICE I Buckle them up

# Child car safety

To the editor:

- 1. For the best possible protection, keep infants in rear-facing child safety seats until they reach the height or weight limit specified on the safety seat. Infants should remain rear-facing until they are at least 1 year old and weigh at least 20 pounds. Rear-facing child safety seats should be installed in the back seat of the vehicle.
- 2. When children outgrow their rear-facing seats they should ride in forward-facing child safety seats in the back seat of the vehicle until they reach the height or weight limit specified on the safety seat.
- 3. Once children outgrow their forwardfacing seats, they should ride in booster seats in the back seat of the vehicle until the vehicle seat belts fit properly. Seat belts fit properly when the lap belt lays across the upper thighs and the shoulder belt lays across the chest.
- 4. When children outgrow their booster seats, usually at age 8 or when they are 4'9" tall, they can use the adult seat belt in the back seat, if it fits properly.

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# COMMENTS AND REVIEWS

FILM REVIEW I Action movie lacks storyline, but enjoyable

# 'Fighting' a winning DVD knockout

Some dreams are crats bet on disposable worth the fight, but not the price.

Released in theaters April 24, "Fighting" kicked and punched its way onto DVD Aug. 25.

The drama revolves around Shawn Mac-Arthur, played Channing Tatum, a small-town boy from Alabama who is struggling to make a living on the rugged streets of New York City by selling counterfeit goods.

When Shawn catches the attention of con man Harvey Boarden, played by Terrence Howard, he is lured into the shady realm of street fighting: a gritty underworld where wealthy aristopawns for their entertainment.

overnight, Almost Shawn becomes a top brawler, easily taking down the best of the best in a series of increasingly brutal — and profitable — fights.

But as every knockout brings him that much closer to the successful life he's always dreamed of, Shawn finds himself tangled in a dark, dangerous web from which he can't escape.

Fighting is the latest product of a growing trend of films that combine entertainment with the fascinating world of mixed martial arts.

It is comparable to the

more successful "Never Back Down," released in 2008, though "Fighting" lacks the compelling storyline and acting talent that made its predecessor such a success.

That is not to say, however, that "Fighting" is a total loss.

While the dramatic plot never truly comes to fruition, it is enough to make the film enjoyable.

The love story that blossoms between Shawn and single mom Zulay, played by Zulay Henao, is genuine and touching.

And, most importantly, the fight sequences, while few in number, are exceptionally well

choreographed.

The DVD itself is not so stunning.

Special features on the one-disc set include a sparse offering of deleted scenes and an unrated version of the film that adds three minutes' worth of fight scenes. They add to the movie's graphic quality, but not by much.

While the "Fighting" DVD may not be worth its \$19.99 price tag, I suggest at least giving the movie a fighting chance via your local video store.

You may be sur-

Rating: A

-WHITNEY KNIGHT STAFF WRITER

FILM REVIEW I Thrilling series concludes in mild form

# 'The Final Destination' delivers what the viewer would expect from series

Starting with a scene depicting a fun-filled day at the race track, "The Final Destination" quickly shifts gears and exhibits exciting action from right through the end of the movie.

Nick O'Bannon has a horrific premonition in which a bizarre sequence of events causes multiple race cars to crash, sending flaming debris into the stands, brutally killing his friends and causing the upper deck of the stands to collapse on him

After Nick comes out of his vision, he panics.

He persuades his girlfriend and two of their friends to leave the race.

Cars and car parts fly into the stands and, of course, it doesn't help



that the track's structure starts to collapse and many more die.

Thinking they've cheated death, the group has a new lease on life, but unfortunately for Nick and Lori, it is only the beginning.

Nick must figure out

how to cheat death once and for all before he, too, reaches his final destina-

The film marks the latest in the highly popular "The Final Destination" series, and its first 3D installment, giving horror fans an exciting thrill

Even though it is claimed the "The Final Destination," fans have to hope there is a more exciting way for the series to end.

Rating: C+

—Daniel Thompson STAFF WRITER



The OCCC Job Fair and Health Job Fair is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 7, in the College Union. General Employers will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the general dining area and Health Employers from noon to 6 p.m. in CU1 and 2. Students, alumni and community members are invited to attend. More than 100 employers are expected, including:

- Federal Aviation Administration
- Oklahoma Department of Transportation
- Association of Oklahoma General Contractors
  - Bank of Oklahoma
- Oklahoma Employment Security Com-
- Metropolitan Library System
- Deaconess Hospital
- Duncan Region Hospital

The Student Employment and Career Services office is ready to assist OCCC students interested in attending and securing a job. A workshop focusing on Job Fair Success Strategies will be offered from 12:30 to 1:00 pm. Wednesday, Sept. 30. Topics to be discussed include:

- Prepare in advance for the Job Fair event
- Create or update your job-search résumé
- Practice your 5-second introductory "Who I am" speech
- Be prepared to share "why" you are interested in the employer's organization
- Share with the employment recruiter what you can do for their company
- Wear a professional interview outfit
- Carry a portfolio-leave the book bag and/ or large fashion purse in the car
  - Don't over-stay your welcome
- Gather employer business cards and send emails expressing your hiring interest
- Smile, and practice a firm, not crushing, handshake
  - Say "Thank You"

And, perhaps the number one step to take in preparing to be successful at the upcoming Job Fair is to visit the Student Employment and Career Services office to discuss additional strategies.

We are located in the Main Building, room 1G7, or you may phone 405-682-7519.

—Debra Vaughn STUDENT EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER **SERVICES DIRECTOR** 

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# **OMMENTS AND REVIEWS**

FILM REVIEW I Sixth Harry Potter book makes for an entertaining movie

# 'Harry Potter' magical movie for young and old

and movies have excited childern and adult alike for years.

For those who dream of unicorns, dragons, magical adventures and stories with meanings, "Half Blood Prince" will leave those people satisfied.

"The Half Blood Prince" continues to

Harry Potter books hold true to the magical excitement of the series. In this sixth installment of the series, Harry Potter must learn how to live with the loss of a good friend and mentor.

> Once again, Potter, a young wizard in training, finds himself saving the wizard community while trying to live a normal teenage life.

Magical duels, mystical travels, and blossoming romances are just a taste of what this movie has to offer.

While fighting the forces of evil, Potter embraces a new love and cultivates old friend-

Author J. K. Rowling wands together believable fantasy and possible

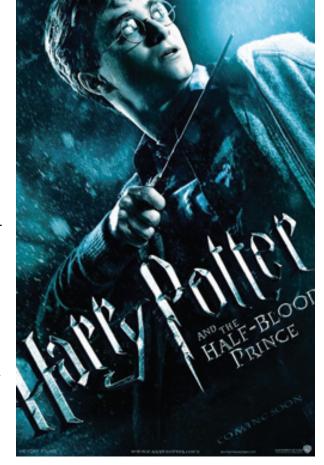
high school scenarios

Even though the film "Half Blood Prince" falls short of the book, diehard Potter fans will find it appealing.

Dreams of magic and adventure? "Half Blood Prince" is sure to stimulate the wizard within.

Rating: ????

-Mark Smith STAFF WRITER



FILM REVIEW I Movie follows double life of child star

# Miley Cyrus' identity revealed in 'Hannah Montana: The Movie'

The cast from the ever-so-popular Disney television show "Hannah Montana" brings to life the struggle Miley Cyrus endures as she tries to decide which life she wants to keep - Miley Cyrus, the normal girl or Hannah Montana, the popular singer.

"Hannah Montana: The Movie" has captured the interest not only of young girls, but also an older audience. The movie is directed by Peter Chelsom, who has also directed movies such as "Shall We Dance" and "Serendipity."

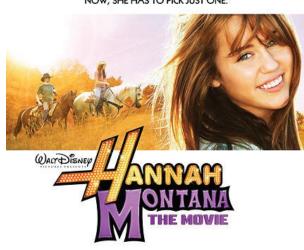
The movie begins with crazed fans rushing to purchase Hannah Montana concert tickets.

Miley Cyrus and her best friend Lilly Truscott forget their passes and devise a plan to sneak into the backstage area, so Miley can transform into the pop singer.

The concert goes as planned, after which Miley is able to go back to her normal teenage life.



SHE HAS THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS... NOW, SHE HAS TO PICK JUST ONE.



Miley's life starts to become full of turmoil when a reporter, Oswald Granger (played by Peter Gunn) who works for an unethical magazine, starts snooping into her personal life.

Miley promises Lilly she will make it to her 16th birthday party; however Miley's public

relations worker, Vita (played by Vanessa Williams) informs her she is needed in New York to fill a music spot.

Miley is in her Hannah Montana persona and is trying to pick out a costume for the show, but she still has not found a present for Lilly and it is looking like she may not make it to the party. As Miley and Vita head to Lilly's party, they are followed by Granger.

Miley realizes she can not get out of the limo looking like herself or Granger would know her secret nor can she step out as Hannah Montana because the people attending Lilly's birthday party will go

Miley chooses to stay as Hannah Montana to go to the party and everyone seems to forget about Lilly.

From there, Miley's life becomes even more rocky as she is forced to attend her grandmother's birthday party instead of going to New York.

As a further complication, Miley's hometown is battling against expansion and is in desperate need of money. Miley is not happy about being in Tennessee for two weeks; however she soon rekindles a friendship with the farm help Travis Brody (played by Lucas Till).

Miley slips up and tells Travis she is best friends with Hannah Montana. Throughout their friendship, Travis teaches Miley that life is a climb and the view is great.

The town hosts a singing fundraiser to keep the town as is and Travis ends up telling the whole town and the expansion dealer Miley knows Hannah Montana and could get her to do a concert. Miley

It's time for the concert and Miley has realized that it's not only her life she is hurting by keeping her secret, but also it's her family's too. Hannah Montana begins to perform but she stops and lets the town

of Crowley know just who she is.

Miley must choose whether to stay as Hannah Montana or not.

This is a wonderful movie for the whole family. It features country singers Taylor Swift and Rascall Flatts, plus Tyra Banks has an appearance.

The performance of the actors will bring to life their struggles and have the audience interested till the very last

It is a funny movie, but it does have its touching moments. It will truly show the audience what lengths a family will go to for their loved ones. **Rating:** A

—LANDA McClure STAFF WRITER

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# SQ3R effective for reading textbooks

**MARK SMITH** 

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Students who want to improve their grades can benefit by actively studying and changing their study habits, said Connie Martin, adjunct professor of study skills.

Martin said students can benefit first from figuring out what their personal leaning styles are, she said.

Every student learns differently, she said.

"Some students learn better by seeing the material," said Martin.

"Other students learn better by hearing the lesson," she said.

Students can figure out their learning styles by determining which method is easier for them, she said.

For example, if a student has an easier time gathering information from a lecture then their learning style is audial, she said.

If a student can learn easier by reading the material, but can't keep up with lectures then they are visual learners, she said

In addition, there are dif-

ferent tests students can take that can help them in determining their learning style, said Martin.

Once students are aware of their learning styles, they can develop techniques that help them retain the information easier, she said.

Time management is also an important factor in studying, said Ashlee Hogan, 19, pre-allied health student at OCCC.

Don't procrastinate, said Hogan.

"If a student keeps putting off work until the last moment then it becomes rushed work," she said.

Tara Charlson, 20, an OCCC student said, in addition to the class deadlines, she places deadlines on herself.

This prevents her from putting things off until the last minute, she said.

"When I place deadlines on myself, it prevents me from rushing my work and getting a lower grade," she said.

Another useful study technique is learning how to read a textbook.

Martin said not knowing how to read a textbook is a common challenge for firstvear students.

Martin said students should not simply open the text and start reading.

Instead they should follow a planned reading method called SQ3R which is taught in Study Skills, she said.

SQ3R stands for surveying the titles and subtitles, turning the surveyed material into questions, read the chapter while answering the questions, reciting what has been read, and reviewing what has been learned, she said.

Another common challenge for first-year students is preparing for class, said Martin

Martin said students can prepare for lectures by reading the chapter before class.

"By looking more closely at main concepts and unfamiliar vocabulary, students can understand the lecture better," said Martin.

Martin said students can also study more effectively if they learn to take proper notes.

Don't try to write down everything the professor says. Instead listen for main ideas, she said.

It is also a good idea to take

notes of ideas the professor writes on the board and any PowerPoint slides, Martin said.

While taking notes and preparing for class may be important, an appropriate study area is just as important, said Martin.

"Get rid of distractions and make sure you have all the materials needed for your assignments," said Martin.

Martin said attitude should come first though.

"In order for any study plan to work, students must first want to learn," she said.

Having a planned study time is also important, she said.

Students could benefit by planning out the time, place,

and area in advance.

Studying in the same place and at the same time each day can make it easier to get into the habit of studying, she said.

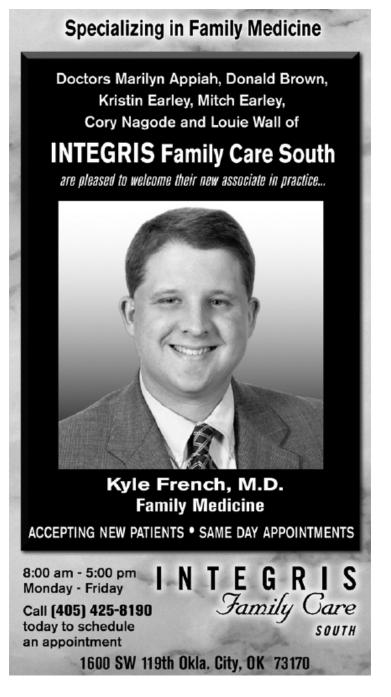
Part of this study plan should include two hours for every hour in the classroom, she said.

OCCC provides a Study Skills class for students who want to learn effective ways to improve their study habits. For more information on this class, contact Academic Advising.

Students can learn more about effective study skills by contacting the Learning Skills Program in the Arts and Humanities Division at 405-682-7558.



Ever Get Somebody Totally Wasted?



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# **FLU**: VP has asked profs to adjust attendance policies to keep potentially ill students home

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fever of 100 degrees or higher, headache, extreme tiredness, dry cough, runny or stuffy nose, muscle aches, sore throat, vomiting, and sometimes diarrhea, as listed by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

Paden said the college is working closely with the Oklahoma State Department of Health and the Oklahoma County Health Department to monitor flu conditions and make decisions about the best steps to take concerning the safety of college students, employees, and their families.

The virus was first detected in people in the United States in April 2009, according to the OCCC pandemic website.

Before that many cases, and several fatalities, occurred in Mexico, according to the CDC.

According to the State Health Department, the first case of H1N1 in Oklahoma was confirmed May 5 after a Pontotoc County woman returned from a trip to Mexico.

While its origins are murky, the H1N1 virus is spreading from person-to-person worldwide in what is thought to be the same way that regular seasonal influenza viruses spread, according to the pandemic website.

The virus has mostly affected people under age 25, according to the pandemic website.

That's why OCCC is exercising such great caution in order to protect its students and staff, said Lisa Vaughan, risk management coordinator.

"OCCC is taking this very seriously," said Lisa Vaughan, risk management coordinator. "The health and welfare of students, staff and visitors is of the upmost importance."

Paden said OCCC has requested the physical

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—Marion Paden
Enrollment and Student Services Vice
President

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—Lisa Vaughan

RISK MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

plant ask the janitorial staff to disinfect door knobs, handles, and other hard surfaces where students and employees might gather.

The pandemic website encourages all members of the OCCC community to practice good hygiene by washing their hands thoroughly with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing.

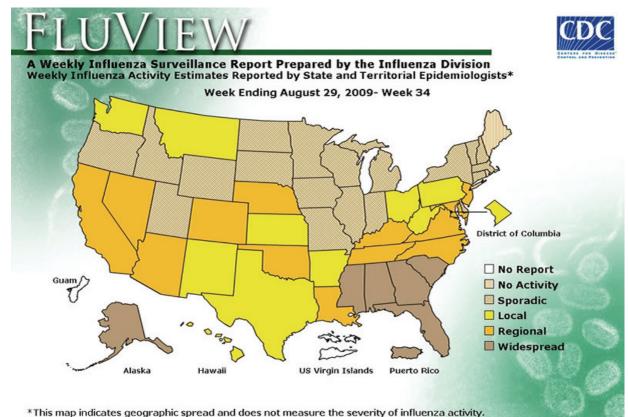
In the event of an H1N1 epidemic at OCCC, Paden said antiviral medications will be made available.

"The State Health Department is making about 35,000 doses available to us," she said.

"As soon as the vaccine is available, students and employees aged 24 and younger will be able to receive it free of charge on campus."

For more information, visit OCCC's pandemic website at www.occc.edu/pandemic.

Updates to this story will be posted online at www.occc.edu/pioneer as they become available.



# Vaccines available around the metro

### **Cleveland County Health Department**

224 S. Chestnut Ave Moore, OK 73160 (405) 794-1591 Free

### **Immediate Care of Oklahoma**

11808 S. May Oklahoma City, OK 73170 (405) 735-2370 \$35

### **Minute Clinic**

CVS Pharmacy 1040 S.W. 19th Street Moore, OK 73160 (405) 794-3001 \$30

### **CVS Pharmacy**

201 S. Mustang Road Yukon, OK 73099 (405) 324-8170 \$30

### **Oklahoma County Health Department**

921 N.E. 23rd Street Oklahoma City, OK 73105 (405) 427-8651 Free

### St. Anthony YourCARE Clinic

Homeland Supermarket 10700 S. Pennsylvania Oklahoma City, OK 73170 (405) 378-7600 \$30

### **Target**

800 S.W. 44th Street Oklahoma City, OK 73109 (405) 632-4964 \$25

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# Arts festival draws record crowd

# 25,000 turn out for music, food and art

bout 25,000 people turned out for Arts Festival Oklahoma this Labor Day weekend.

Jessica Martinez-Brooks, acting vice president for Community Development, said this year was a record breaker for the number of people in attendence.

With 12 food vendors and more than 100 art exhibits, Oklahomans from across the state found plenty to like.

Artists from around the country and around the globe proudly displayed leather goods, pottery, jewelry, paintings, and other arts and crafts.

"The festival offers us the chance to offer others the joy we experience through our works," said Nicaraguan pottery artist Luis Enrique Gutierrez. He won an Excellence Award for his artwork

"My family passed the craft down from generation to generation, and I am glad to have the opportunity to share it with the festival," Gutierrez said.

Adults were not the only ones who enjoyed the event. A special tent for children's art gave young people an outlet to express themselves.

"I love to make crafts," said Madison Moore, 9. Madison, who proudly displayed the flower vase she was painting, said her favorite subject was painting nature pictures.

"Art is a way that I can have fun and make pretty things," she said.

Arts and crafts were not the only thing to be found at the festival. Animals made an appearance too. Guests were surprised to see lemur monkeys and a kangaroo in the food vendor area. Extreme Animals in Oklahoma City brought the animals for people to pet. Those who stopped were offered a short lesson in wildlife preservation.

OCCC students helped by volunteering with several of the activities and services offered at the fair. Sanaya Jeffery, who volunteered in the children's tent, said she loves to work with children

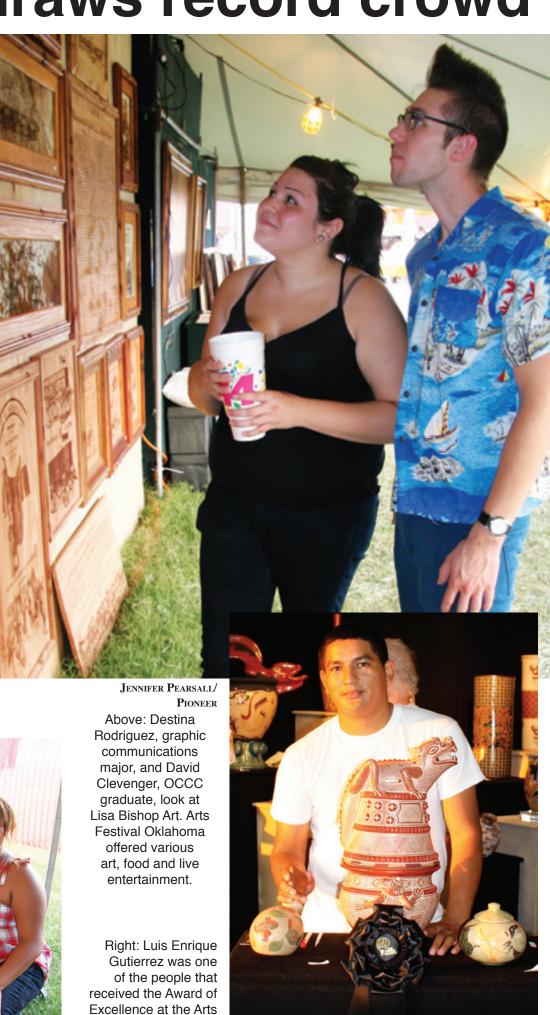
"I think the festival is a positive way to introduce children to the love of art," she said.

—MARK SMITH

Senior Writer seniorwriter@occc.edu

Right: Jubari Graves,
5, and Aubree Goodgion,
12, take a picture with
the festival's mascot
Seemore Art. The 31st
Annual Arts Festival
Oklahoma was held Labor
Day weekend at OCCC.
Jennifer Pearsall/
Pioneer





Festival Oklahoma.

Gutierrez makes nicoya stone polishd ceramic sculptures. Marcella Craiger/

## **SPORTS**

**SPORTS I** Intramural sports ready for action

# Sports Bash draws crowd

LANDA MCCLURE Sports Writer staffwriter2@occc.edu

After the Sports Bash on campus Sept. 2, most of the physical fitness classes for September are filled, said Charlie Tarver, Recreation and Community Service sports assistant.

Besides registering for fitness classes, Tarver said, many students signed up to participate in intramural sports and for the sport clubs.

The different intramural teams will compete against one another this semester while the sport clubs will compete against other Oklahoma City area schools, he said.

Tarver said the deadline for signing up for a team sport was Thursday, Sept. 10., but he will still accept registration up until the first game.

Flag football is scheduled to have their first game on Friday, Sept. 18. However, flag football is still looking for players, Tarver said.

Kickball's first game also is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 18.

The main purpose for the Sports Bash was to get students signed up for the intramural sports or the fitness programs, Tarver said.

The event allowed students to see a demonstration of the new Latin dance fitness program, Zumba. The instructor also explained what the Zumba class will consist of.

The Circuit Training instructor also was on hand to explain the different workouts participants will be participating in. Students enjoyed free finger foods, music and playing basketball.

"It was a good day," Tarver said "We had a good crowd turnout today."

About 60 students showed up for the event and those who signed up at the Club Rec table received a free water bottle, he said.

The next event will be Saturday Sept. 26 when the Recreation and Fitness Center will host a free Flag Football Clinic for young children at the OCCC campus.

Student volunteers are needed, Tarver said.

"I encourage students to volunteer and help with this event," he said.

Tarver said he will have faculty



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Joshua Vanover, business major, shoots a jump shot during the Sports Bash while Brenton Dick, aviation major, and Casilo Hughes, pre-engineering major, get set for the rebound. The Sports Bash was held Sept. 2 in the Recreation and Fitness Center's gym and saw a crowd of about 60 students, said Charlie Tarver, Recreation and Community Service sports assistant.

helping; however, having student volunteers would be appreciated since the event is for young children.

Students interested in volunteering need to speak to Tarver in the Recreation and Fitness Center. The clinic will start at 9 a.m. and continue till 2 p.m.

Also, at another section of the OCCC campus Sept. 26, the center will host the NFL Pepsi-Pass, Punt and Kick competition.

The competition is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. and last till around 2 p.m. The competition is a national competition for girls and boys between the ages of 8 to 15.

Girls and boys are divided into four age groups (8-9, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15) and will compete against each

other. The competition will consist of three football skills: passing, punting and place kicking.

Registration requirements include parent names, contact numbers, participants name, address, the participants birth date and age and participants will need to bring a copy of their birth certificate Sept. 26.

Registration is free. Parents interested in signing up their kids can do so by e-mailing the above information to Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness coordinator, at ewatson@occc.edu.

For more information concerning the NFL Pepsi-Pass, Punt and Kick Competition, the Flag Football Clinic or enrollment for an intramural team contact the Recreation and Fitness Center at 405-682-7860.

### UPCOMING INTRAMURALS EVENTS

- **Sept. 18:** Flag Football game from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the soccer field, by the Aquatic Center.
- **Sept. 26:** Free flag football clinic for young children from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **Sept. 26:** NFL Pepsi-Pass, Punt and Kick competition for 8 to 15 year olds from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Active: Total Body Workout class from 6:30 p.m. to 7:25 p.m. Thursdays, in the Wellness Center.
- Active: Body Sculpting class from 5:30 p.m. to 6:25 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, in the Wellness Center.
- Active: Cardio Boot Camp class from 5:30 p.m. to 6:25 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, in the Wellness Center.
- Active: Combo Aerobics class from noon to 12:55 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, in the Wellness Center.
- Active: Pilates class from noon to 12:55 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, in the Wellness Center.
- Active: Hatha yoga class from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, in the Wellness Center Gym.
- Active: Zumba class from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, in the Wellness Center. Also from 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Fridays.
- Active: Spinning class from 5:30 p.m. to 6:25 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, in the Wellness Center. Also from 5:30 p.m. to 6:25 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information, contact Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness coordinator, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

Have a sports story idea? E-mail Landa at

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# Former OCCC student drowns while swimming

# Drowning caused by jumping from bridge into lake

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Former OCCC student Lauren Ashleigh Taylor Schlegel, 21, died Saturday, Aug. 29 as a result of a swimming accident.

At around 7:05 p.m. Schlegel and two other people jumped into Lake Tenkiller from a bridge on State Highway 82 near Tahlequah, according to an article in The Oklahoman.

"Lauren was holding her friends hand when they dove feet first into the lake," said James Richardson, Schlegel's father.

After the other two people resurfaced, it was soon discovered that Schlegel had not resurfaced, he said.

Oklahoma Highway Patrol told The Oklahoman newspaper that they had to use radar in order to find the body.

Schlegel was very close to her mother and father, Richardson said.

"We would either text or call her several times a day," Richardson said.

She also had a strong love for animals.

Schlegel was on a horse judging team that came in third place in the state, said Jeff Evans agriculture education director for Dibble High School.

Schlegel has also showed



Lauren Ashleigh Taylor Schlegel

several animals and livestock, Evans said.

Evans said he would always remember her for her smile.

"Every time you saw Lauren she had a large smile," Evans said.

Every time you saw Lauren, she had a large smile.

—Jeff Evans

DIBBLE HIGH SCHOOL AGRICULTURE EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Schlegel was last enrolled at OCCC in Spring 2008, according to student records.

At the time of her death Schlegel was planning on moving back home with her parents and reenroll in college, Richardson said.

"She was coming back home the day after the accident," he said.

Evans said Schlegel graduated from Dibble High School.

While in high school, Schlegel was a member of several organizations including, National Honors Society, Future Farmers of America, and Family Career and Community Leaders of America.

Her father said in addition to her memberships, Schlegel was on the Superintendent's Honor Roll list and held leadership positions in may of the organizations.

Services were held for Schlegel at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 3 in Dibble, Oklahoma at Midway Baptist Church.

Her parents, James and Lesia Richardson, her grandparents, aunts, and uncles will remember Schlegel as a gentle, kind person, said Richardson.

# **ARTS**: Workshop focusing on cinema music will be held before performance

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ney Land, Disney World and Euro Disney."

Rick Benjamin, the director and founder of the orchestra, will hold a free workshop discussing the invention if cinema music and its evolution as an art form at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, in room 1x5 in the Main Building, Tigert said.

Tickets prices for the concert are \$24.50 for the public, \$19.50 for faculty, staff, OCCC Alumni Association Member and \$12.50 for students and children under 17, Bardequez said.

Tickets may be purchased at the OCCC Bookstore, Cultural Programs Office located



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in the Main Building in room 1G1-A, online at www.occc. edu/cas, or at the door on the evening of the performance,

Bardequez said.

For more information, contact the Cultural Arts office at 405-682-7576.

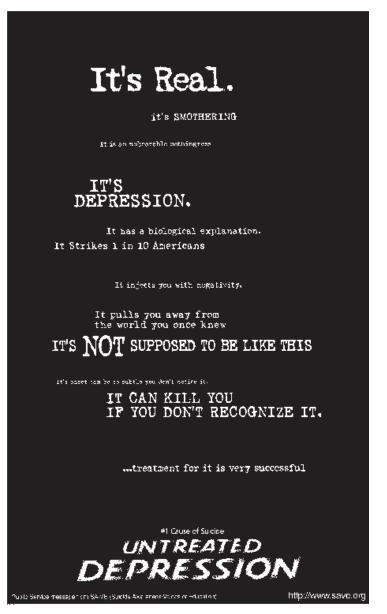
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# STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

STUDENT LIFE I Nursing Student Association kicks off first meeting



Kandice Edwards, and Christain Kotoucek, begin the first Nursing Student Association meeting. Edwards and Kotoucek made sure every members' questions were answered and everyone was up to speed on coming events.

# Nurses sponsor inaugural run

Life Saver run benefits students. participants

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The Nursing Student Association will hold a 5-kilometer competitive race and a 1-mile fun run at 8 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, on campus.

Deborah Myers, nursing program associate director, said proceeds from the first annual Life Saver run will go towards funding scholarships and other forms of financial aid for nursing students.

"We have students from every walk of life," she said. "Getting in [to nursing school] is not the only part. Many students are hit with unexpected expenses."

Myers said this run is the first to be sponsored by a student organiza-

"It is the inaugural," she said.

"The first year is very important. If we don't put out a quality product, people won't want to come back next vear."

To help better prepare for the event, the NSA is offering a discount for any athlete who signs up before Oct. 1.

The cost of early admission is \$20 for the 5k run and \$12 for the fun run.

Participants also may opt to register from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Oct. 2 or healthy lifestyle." from 6:45 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. on race day, in the run will include two lobby of the Health Professions Building.

The cost for late registration will be \$22 for the 5k run and \$15 for the fun run.

The price includes a T-shirt, food, drinksand entertainment.

"We will have a live band that will be performing," Myers said.

There are no age restrictions to participate, though partakers in the 5k race must be able to walk or run on their

Myers said it doesn't matter if participants run, walk or crawl the fun run.

"Everyone in the community is encouraged to join," she said.

"It will be loads of fun and a great way to be an advocate for living a

The course of the 5k laps around Faculty Circle Drive.

There will be medals awarded for the top three finishers in each age group, as well as the top overall male and female finisher, according to the event website.

Myers said come rain, snow or even the University of Oklahoma football, the race will go

"The Oklahoma Sooners have an away game against the Miami Hurricanes that Saturday," Myers said.

She assured runners that the race should be over by kickoff.

For more information, visit the Life Saver website at www.occc. edu/lifesaver or contact Myers at dkmeyers@ occc.edu.

## **CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS**

### Faculty garage sale to be held

The Faculty Association Garage sale will be held Oct. 28 and 29 in CU 1, 2, and 3. All proceeds from the garage sale will go towards student scholarships. For more information, contact Linda Boatright at 405-682-1611, ext. 7468 or e-mail lboatright@occc.edu.

### Auditions to be held

Auditions for Moliere's "Tartuffe" will be held at 8 p.m. Sept. 16 and 17, in the Bruce Owen Theater. Auditions are open to all students. No experience is necessary. For more information, call Brent Noel at 405-682-1611, ext. 7246, or e-mail bnoel@occc.edu.

### Club to offer free lunch

Baptist Collegiate Ministries will offer free lunches to all students, faculty and staff this semester. Meetings will be held at noon Mondays,in the Bruce Owen Theater, and at 12:20 p.m. Thursdays, in room 3NO of the Main Building. For more information, contact Mark Barnett at 405-323-0583 or e-mail Chris Verschage at cverschage@occc.edu.

### Having trouble with research citing?

The Communications Lab will hold a workshop on MLA style at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, in room CU2. For more information, contact Nick Webb, Communications Lab assistant, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7678.

### What websites are credible?

The Communications Lab will host a workshop to help students determine what websites are credible with a Power Point presentation and activities. The workshop will be held at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28, in room CU2. For more information, contact Nick Webb, Communications Lab assistant, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7678.

### Nurses sponsor run

The nursing faculty and Nursing Students Association will sponsor a 5-kilometer race and a 1-mile fun run Saturday, Oct. 3. The event's proceeds will go to help fund nursing scholarships at OCCC. For more information, contact Debbie Myers, assistant program director, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7138, or visit the event website at www.occc.edu/lifesaver.

### Personal trainer certification offered

OCCC is joining forces with World Instructor Training Schools to offer students the opportunity to obtain their certification as a personal fitness trainer. The six-week course will be offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 19 through Oct. 24. No experience necessary. For more information, contact Recreation and Fitness at 405-682-7860.

All Highlights are due Monday by 5 p.m. for inclusion in the next issue. Highlights can be e-mailed to staffwriter1@occc.edu.

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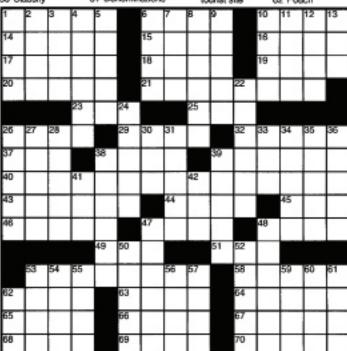
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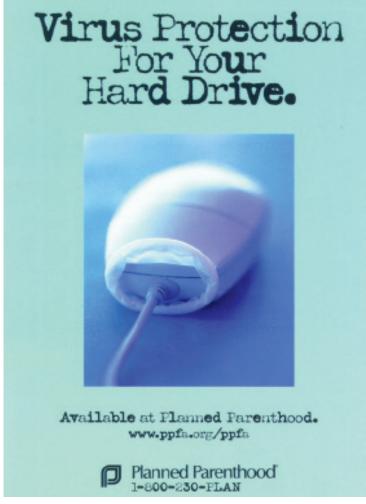


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the Oklahoma Insurance Department, in collaboration with the University of Oklahoma, is putting together a **focus group** made up of uninsured Oklahomans between the ages of **19 and 34**.

it'll just take about **90 minutes**; it's just a few questions that we're asking to identify barriers to insurance coverage.

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Craig Knutson, 405.522.4968 or craig.knutson@oid.ok.gov

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