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Student-made music video gains popularity

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When Film and Video Production students Jesse High, Nik Harper, and Nicholas Owen produced a music video for the Oklahoma techno band Crocodile during the spring semester, it brought them more than a good grade. It also brought them recognition in the way of a Twitter comment from legendary Oklahoma band, the Flaming Lips.

The video, "Head Over Heels" was produced as a Cinematography II project using the FVP studio at the college. High, who directed the music video,

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Smile for the camera



RACHEL MORRISON/PIONEER

Film and video production major Jason Gwynn uses a Hollywood industry standard Red brand camera in OCCC's studio. Gwynn said he moved to Oklahoma from West Virginia after finding out about OCCC's best kept secret — the film program. The program was brought to fruition by award-winning producer and Oklahoma native Gray Frederickson.

NEWS, EVENTS, GPS NAVIGATION AND MORE OFFERED

iPhone app links students to OCCC campus

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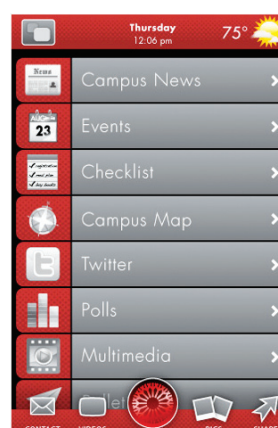
If you were lost on campus or wondering whether class was canceled, what would you do?

For those with iPhones, there's now the option of using a new application aptly named "OCCC."

Online Marketing Coordinator John Richardson said the app was created to help students with those issues and more.

The application provides users with real time GPS navigation of the campus, OCCC news and events, polls, links, and the OCCC Twitter feed.

"The coolest feature is the campus maps," Richardson said. "The



app uses GPS location and Google Maps to help the user navigate around campus."

Testing has shown this feature to work well, Richardson said.

Early tests involved walking around campus, trying the capabilities of the GPS locator.

Richardson said the signal locates users on all floors and in all build-

ings.

"We want to communicate with students using the technologies students want to use," he said.

"The information has to be fresh. If we don't change regularly, users won't want to use the app."

Richardson said the newsfeed would be updated regularly, giving students up-to-date information.

Psychology major Dekota Rhodes said the map portion of the app will be helpful.

"It's easy to get lost around campus," Rhodes said.

Business major Xander Stover echoed that senti-

"We want to communicate with students using the technologies students want to use."

—JOHN RICHARDSON

ONLINE MARKETING COORDINATOR

ment.

"If I were a new student, I'd definitely use the navigation feature."

Easy access is what impresses Chelsea Myers, graphic design major.

"I think it's great because if I could just get my phone out and have access to all that information, I would," she said.

The application was developed by Straxis Technology, a Tulsa-based company that has developed apps for West Point and the University of Kansas, among others.

"I think it's good when

you get a great product from an Oklahoma-based company," Richardson said.

He said OCCC is the first Oklahoma community college to have an app.

Some of the application's other features include OCCC YouTube videos, weather, and a directory of departments and labs across campus.

Richardson said although the app is only available for iPhones

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OPINION

EDITORIAL | Clubs should do more to recruit new members on campus

Clubs haven't reached full potential, should be more active on campus

There is no denying that student clubs and organizations are a vital facet of the college experience.

Club involvement promotes leadership, teamwork and interpersonal communication skills.

According to a study conducted by the Public Education Network, participation in clubs also can lead to better academic performance and better psychological well-being.



Whitney Knight

This is especially true in a community college setting such as ours. As students constantly come and go, clubs should provide a sanctuary for those of like interests to come together, build friendships and better themselves as well as the community.

Unfortunately, many OCCC clubs seem to be dying on the vine due to lack of interest and participation.

Fewer than 2 percent of the nearly 14,000 students currently enrolled at OCCC are involved in any of the college's 37 student clubs and organizations.

Indifference on the students' behalf could be one

reason for such low numbers, but lack of promotion certainly isn't helping.

For students who do not regularly check the website CampusGroups.com, which Student Life uses almost exclusively to promote OCCC organizations, it would be nearly impossible to know what clubs exist — much less what activities and events they might be hosting.

The OCCC campus is spotted with a handful of Student Life bulletin boards, though very few organizations actually use them.

Usually, these boards are all but empty, though it is not unheard of to see month-old fliers still hanging beneath a club's name.

It is this sort of neglect that prevents clubs from reaching their full potential. Every semester it seems the campus organization roster changes as more clubs fade away due to lack of interest. New clubs are rarely formed.

To reach success, clubs must be more proactive in their efforts to advertise and recruit new members, especially since many students are gone within two years.

Organizations should branch out and use resources other than CampusGroups as a means of advertis-



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ing their group. Use of the campus bulletin boards would be a great place to start, as would large posters, leaflets, and small promotional items like buttons.

Just a little more effort could result not only in increased club and student success, but also a more connected campus.

—WHITNEY KNIGHT
ONLINE EDITOR

YOUR VOICE | State Question 744 should consider more than money

Fall elections to hold key to education financial future

To the editor:

State Question 744 is poised to be one of the larger issues on the Nov 2 ballot.

Considering the ramifications of its potential passage, I would argue that SQ 744 is one of the most important state votes in our lifetime.

SQ 744 is a proposed Oklahoma Constitutional amendment that would dictate we spend at

least the regional average on K-12 education.

While that may sound like a good idea on the surface, the devil is in the details.

SQ 744 dictates that our educational budget will be determined by surrounding states who are obviously not considering our budget when setting theirs.

In the event the regional average does go down,

we will still be bound to spend at least what we did the year before.

Cost estimates suggest this will be an additional \$850 million, to \$1.7 billion more per year than what we currently spend.

SQ 744 is solely a money issue.

There is no language regarding standards to increase education.

It simply states that we spend more money on

the same status quo.

SQ 744 has no funding mechanism.

Since our state constitution demands a balanced budget, that means the \$850 million to \$1.7 billion would require a income tax increase, state budget cuts, or some combination of the two to pay the increase costs.

Without a tax increase, every state funded agency would require a 20

percent reduction in its budget to cover the costs incurred by SQ 744.

OCCC and many of the four-year schools we will transfer to would be hit hard with SQ 744 passage.

Tuition would go up, and state financial aid would go down

Faculty and services may be reduced as a result of such a massive budget cut.

Department of Human Services, transportation, highway patrol, prisons, and senior meal programs would all be required to take the same budget cuts.

SQ 744 is simply a bad idea for Oklahoma that attempts to fix one problem at the expense of hundreds of others.

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COMMENTS AND REVIEWS

FILM REVIEW | Machete cuts dull

Robert Rodriguez new film flops

The most recent Ethan Maniquis and Robert Rodriguez slasher-flick, "Machete," opened in theaters Sept. 3. In comparison to the credibility and success of other Rodriguez films such as "Sin City" and "Kill Bill," this creation is disastrous.

The lead role of "Machete," an ex-agent out for blood, is played by Danny Trejo, who maintains the same rough appearance he has in every other film.

Being type cast has finally led Trejo to a starring role, yet the acting is almost as gruesome as the gory brawls.

Robert De Niro plays Senator McLaughlin, up for re-election on the platform of immigration reform with a spin. This is his funniest role since "Meet the Parents," and he is the



only cast member who shows any talent in the film.

Cheech Marin, who plays a priest who operates the church for money and is Machete's padre, makes a small appearance. However, as usual, Marin makes at least one drug reference, and contributes many one-liners.

Lindsay Lohan, fresh out of rehab, plays the role of a drug addict's

rich daughter vying for sexual attention, which is a real stretch of her acting abilities. Yet, it seems she cannot have a successful performance unless she is acting as a high school 'Mean Girl' wearing pumps and a bright shade of lipstick.

Steven Seagal plays Torrez, the villain enemy of Machete. With his 20 lines of dialogue, he manages to be more relevant than Lohan

and Marin combined.

Jessica Alba plays Sartana, a border agent who monitors Luz, played by Michelle Rodriguez. Yet they come together to battle Lt. Stillman, played by Don Johnson.

Alba, Rodriguez and Johnson all give a mild performance, but offer nothing else.

"Machete" was created as an action film, but the unbearable plot, cast and cinematography made the movie quite comical.

There is something to be said about an action film that is so awful it's laughable. Do not spend money to see it.

Racial slurs, nude women and lack of substance do not translate into entertainment.

Rating: D

—**BONNIE CAMPO**
STAFF WRITER

FILM REVIEW | From the Vault

'The Conformist' a classic Italian film

Italians have a tradition of beautiful and cerebral films.

Bernardo Bertolucci's "The Conformist" is a film that is visually striking while teaching a lesson of morality and society at the same time.

It is a film in the vein of De Sica's "The Bicycle Thief."

At the end of the film viewers feel they have learned a lesson while being entertained.

"The Conformist" was made in 1970 but is set in 1930s fascist Italy.

Its protagonist, Marcelo Clerici, is a government employee in the fascist regime who is charged with killing his mentor and friend from college.

The film explores his life and what influences his decisions and the results of these decisions.

The film is stunningly and artistically shot with



bright, striking colors.

The viewer really understands why European cinema is so highly regarded from this era.

The cinematography is noticeably good.

The film stars Jean-Louis Trintignant as Clerici and Enzo Tarascio as Professor Quadri, his mentor.

The acting is adequate and convincing but not stellar.

The film's cinematography distracts the viewer from any flaws in the acting or dialogue.

"The Conformist" is a foreign film well worth your time.

Rating: A-

—**CHRISTIAN KOSTED**
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ADVISER'S 411

Transfer help available

Are you thinking about transferring to a four-year institution? Did you know there is an office on campus to help you with your transition?

The Transfer Center offers many services to get you headed in the right direction.

One of those is campus tours where the Transfer Center takes groups of students to college campuses to meet with staff, students and advisers, and tour the campus. The dates for tours during the fall semester are:

University of Oklahoma –

Sept. 21 and Nov. 10

University of Central Oklahoma –

Oct. 5 and Nov. 3

Oklahoma City University –

Nov. 9

Also, every semester, the Transfer Center brings in more than 30 four-year institutions to recruit students.

This semester, the Transfer Fair will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wed, Sept. 29, in the Main Building.

Also helpful to students is the Transfer Guide, a resource has a lot of great information about transferring.

The guide, available in the Office of Academic Advising, lists questions to ask when considering where to transfer, scholarship information and university contact information.

For those who prefer online resources, the Transfer Center offers a website.

The website www.occc.edu/TransferCenter has many links that you will find useful in your research on transferring, including the Transfer Equivalency Guides and the Transfer Calendar.

The Equivalency Guides allow you to look up classes you have taken at OCCC and see how they will transfer to various institutions.

The Transfer Calendar has the days and times of all of the campus visits from four-year institution representatives.

Campus visits are encouraged.

Most days you will find a four-year representative on our campus ready to answer your questions.

The days and times of their visits are listed on the Transfer Center website and are posted outside of the Office of Academic Advising.

For questions or to sign up for Campus Tours, please contact Sara McElroy at smcelroy@occc.edu or 682-7567.

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DISPLAY INCLUDES ARCHITECTURAL, LANDSCAPE, PORTRAIT PICTURES

Photo students featured in campus exhibit

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The works of advanced photography students will be on display in the college art gallery through Wednesday, Sept. 22.

The gallery, located in room 136 near the main doors of the Visual and Performing Arts Center, is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Digital Photography II students have put together the collection based primarily on their course work from the spring semester, said Professor Randy Anderson, who taught the class.

The photos include architecture, landscape and por-

trait themes.

One unique image is composed of a stack of paper clips photographed by Stephanie Woodward, which captures the cartoon-like essence of paper clips set against a vibrant white background.

A piece by Michael McMillan shows the fountain located outside of the Keith Leftwich Memorial Library from an upward angle, making the it look almost abstract.

Portraits also make up part of this exhibit.

Julie Bragg, photography major, has both architectural and portrait shots featured in the show.

In the architecture photo, Bragg stood beneath the angled corner of a building and

shot upward, creating a spire effect.

The portrait shows a bride clad in her wedding dress, gazing at a bouquet of flowers.

"Photography has always been a passion of mine," Bragg said.

"People always say it's not art, but to me, it's visual art," she said.

She said she makes a good profit from photographing families, weddings and senior portraits.

The main inspiration for her career choice, Bragg said, is her mother, who also was a photographer.

Other photography students featured are Chris Brown, Ivan Caro, Courtney Dubois, Leslie Goble, Nata-



RACHEL MORRISON/PIONEER

Student Bryce Zachary observes a photograph by Courtney Debois in the Visual and Performing Arts Center gallery. The pictures were taken by photography students last year.

sha Harlan, Cesar Hernandez, Kristina Hunter, Ashlee Jackson, Aubrey Lewis, Jennifer Lippoldt, Angella

Lopez, Kyle Madden, Amiee Pinkerton, Janet Reznicek, Jill Robertson, Alan Rowe, and Adrienne Sarcoxie.



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Asbestos removal will soon begin at Capitol Hill Center

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Federal stimulus dollars will provide a \$200,000 grant to remove asbestos from the college's recently-acquired Capitol Hill Center at 325 SW 25 St., said Chris Varga, project coordinator with Oklahoma City.

Varga said the funding is coming from the Brownfields Program, which provides federal funding and grants to help clean up buildings and properties that have environmental issues.

"The Brownfields Program helps in identifying and removing hazardous environmental situations in buildings," he said.

"The Brownfields Program helped OCCC receive a \$200,000 clean up grant through stimulus money from

“The removal of the asbestos will help insure the health and safety of the students and staff at the center.”

—KIMBERLY KYKER

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the federal government.”

Vargas said the OCCC Capitol Hill Center, currently being housed at the Latino Community Development Agency located at 420 SW 10th, will move into the new building when the project is completed.

Vargas said the grant was necessary because removing the hazardous asbestos materials that will be costly and the building can't be occupied until that's done.

Kimberly Kyker, Science professor, said the asbestos removal is vital.

"The removal of the asbestos will help insure the health and safety of the students and staff

at the center," she said.

Varga said removal of the asbestos materials is set to take place in mid-September and should be finished by the end of December, he said.

The Capitol Hill center opened its doors in 2000 with the help of a grant from the U.S. Department of Education grant.

Some of the courses being offered at the OCCC Capitol Hill Center are Basic Computer Skills, Professional Development and English as a Second Language, and computer courses in Korean.

For more information on the center, call 405-272-5140.



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The Capitol Hill Building, located on 325 SW 25, sits unoccupied until hazardous asbestos is removed. Chris Varga, project coordinator, said \$200,000 is coming from the Brownfields Program, which provides federal funding and grants to help clean up buildings and properties that have environmental issues. The project is scheduled to begin in mid-September and end sometime around December, he said.

Student handcuffed after scuffle

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An OCCC student was taken away in handcuffs by campus security officers Thursday, Sept. 16, following an alleged altercation in the classroom where onlookers said he attempted to attack a female student.

Cinnammon Prather, child development major, said she was in the Vocabulary and Spelling classroom, located in room 3E4 on the third floor of Arts and Humanities, when an incident involving OCCC student Seth Settle took place.

"The young lady who was sitting in the class said something to Seth that he didn't like," Prather said.

"The next thing you know he jumps up out of the chair, jumps in her face, told her what he was going to do to her, called

her a b-i-t-c-h, the c-word and everything else."

Prather said Settle then left the classroom only to return moments later.

"We go back to our work and the next thing you know he comes back up the stairs, back in to the classroom and shoved her, pushed her, told her that 'you are gonna respect me,'" Prather said.

"Then another dude who was sitting in between him and the female ... just automatically grabs him and wrestles him to the ground because Seth was coming back to fight her."

Tyler Paschall, the student

who pushed the female student out of the way, said his actions were instinctual.

"He looked like he was going to hit her," Paschall said. "I don't like guys treating girls that way."

Prather said Settle is often teased in class. "People make fun of him, make remarks to him, belittle him because he's special," she said. "Today was just the wrong day."

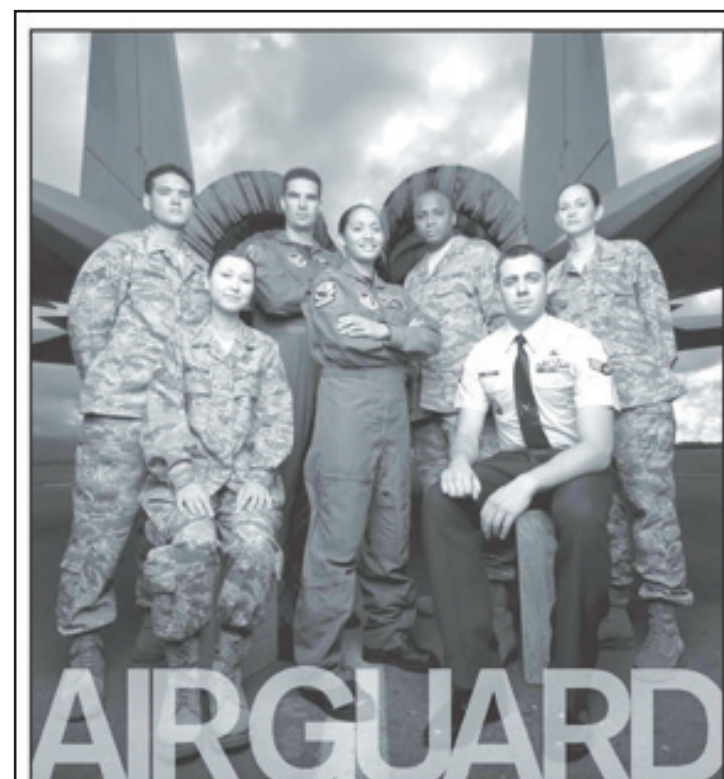
OCCC Safety and Security Sgt. Larry Lundy declined comment.

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STUDENTS COMBINE CULTURE WITH TRENDY STYLES

Campus fashion showcases diversity



Nursing major Wendy Dawson shows her fall fashion wardrobe pick. Wearing a soft knit hat and flowy vest. The self-described fashionista tops off her look with a colorful collection of beaded necklaces and body bling.

"I love my knit hats and backpack," Dawson said.

OCCC's diversity can be seen all across campus as students from many different countries stay within their traditional dress guidelines while also enjoying the latest trends.

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The style around campus lately is very expressive with a variety of trends being seen.

This year's fall fashion trends include a number of past fashions such as skinny jeans and leggings for women, and sweater vests for men.

With OCCC's diverse population, students can be seen wearing those fashions coupled with traditional dress.

Jesse Robbins, undeclared major and a member of the Choctaw tribe, said he likes wearing a native beaded medallion that reads "red eagle" with an argyle sweater.

"My style is embraced by the Choctaw tribe and my ancestors," Robbins said.

He said he likes to put a twist on his native style by dressing traditional, but in a modern way.

Liberal arts majors Sabreen Alshebli and Hadeer Ali said they enjoy embracing their culture by wearing hijabs to cover their heads as a show of respect for their Islamic culture.

While their headscarves fall gracefully over their shoulders, the students stay current by pairing them with in-style skinny jeans and jeweled shoes.

"We feel very comfortable in our modest style, but acceptable," Alshebli said.

Nursing student Mary Ndungu, from Kenya, said she embraces her culture with braids, coupled with skinny jeans and boots.

Nursing student Wendy Dawson expresses herself with fun accessories in her hair along with body jewelry.

"I love my knit hats and backpack," Dawson said.

It also appears baggy and oversized clothes are a thing of the past. Male students around campus look more put together with fitted jeans and colorful shirts.



Nursing major Mary Ndungu shows off her fall fashion from knee-high brown, suede boots to her plaid, woolen, soft-brim newsboy style cap. Ndungu, originally from Kenya, said she loves being a student at OCCC.

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Fall must-haves include return of past styles



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Above: Friends Sabreen Alshebli and Hadeer Ali stay true to their modest roots but spice it up a little with jewel-encrusted sandals, brightly colored designer scarfs, and shimmery jeans.

Left: OCCC Student Jesse Robbins from the Choctaw Nation, shows off his Native American cultural style. Robbins, Humanities major, plans to transfer to the University of Oklahoma and persue a bachelor's degree in Native American Studies.



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SPORTS



Music major Alex Savage gets a jump shot on Dez Bryant, computer design major.

OCCC students participate in a game of pickup basketball in the OCCC basketball gym.

Students are welcome to visit the gym Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Basketballs are provided at the Wellness Center desk and admission is free with a valid student ID.

RACHEL MORRISON/PIONEER

UPCOMING INTRAMURALS EVENTS

• **Sept. 17:** Week one intramural flag football begins. The Smash Brothers play the Thunder at 1 p.m. on the OCCC main soccer field. For more information, contact Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness specialist, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

• **Sept. 17:** Week one intramural flag football begins. The Crew play the OCCC Dream Team at 2 p.m. on the OCCC main soccer field. For more information, contact Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness specialist, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

• **Sept. 17:** Week one intramural flag football begins. The Spartans play You Know at 3 p.m. on the OCCC main soccer field. For more information, contact Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness specialist, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

• **Sept. 24:** Week two intramural flag football begins. The Crew play the Smash Brothers at 1 p.m. on the OCCC main soccer field. For more information, contact Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness specialist, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

• **Sept. 24:** Week two intramural flag football begins. The Thunder play the Spartans at 2 p.m. on the OCCC main soccer field. For more information, contact Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness specialist, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

• **Sept. 24:** Week two intramural flag football begins. The OCCC Dream Team play You Know at 3 p.m. on the OCCC main soccer field. For more information, contact Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness specialist, at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

• **Oct. 1:** Week three of intramural flag football begins. For more information, contact Eric Watson at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

RECREATION | CLASSES GEARED TOWARD YOUTH TO TEACH FUNDAMENTALS

Youth sports programs offered

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Future college students, not just those already on campus, are targeted for activities by OCCC's athletic programs.

Head-start basketball is just one of the programs available. For children ages 4 to 9, both boys and girls will be introduced to the sport of basketball, said Eric Watson, Recreation and Fitness specialist.

Children will start by learning proper stretching and warm up techniques that will get them ready to compete.

They also will be taught correct stances and routines to aid in the development of defensive and offensive competency, Watson said.

Various offensive drills such as dribbling, passing, and shooting will be given throughout the program, he said.

Watson said the head-start program is based on building up a child's confidence by offering 5-on-5 league

play after the key fundamentals are introduced.

Registration for head-start basketball ends on Oct. 1. There is a \$45 fee per person. The league starts Oct. 2 and ends Nov. 20. Programs will meet at 9 a.m. until noon each Saturday, Watson said.

For the little ones, he said, OCCC offers Fitness Programs for Tiny Tots, for kids ages 3 to 5.

Parents looking to introduce their kids to ballet can enroll them in Tiny Tot Ballet to learn the basics of classical ballet.

The focus of the class will be on beginning ballet positions for hands and feet. Positioning of the body and a focus on balance are other integral parts of the program. Ballet shoes are required and the course is \$45 per person. This program will meet at 10 a.m. every Saturday between Sept. 11 and Oct. 9, Watson said.

There also is a Tiny Tot Tumbling program for kids with extra energy to

burn, he said. This class will provide kids ages 3 to 5 with the appropriate skills to jump and tumble safely.

Kids will start with somersaults and make their way to walkovers and hand-springs. Tiny Tot Tumbling will meet at 11 a.m. every Saturday between Sept. 11 and Oct. 9, Watson said.

Also being offered is the Kid Fit program.

This class will include heart rate, walking for fitness, and strength training for kids ages 6 to 10.

The program is offered at 10 a.m. every Saturday from Sept. 11 to Oct. 9. A \$35 fee will be required for entry, Watson said.

If that isn't enough, Watson said, OCCC also is offering a beginning karate class for kids ages 6 to 12. Kids will be given a variety of engaging activities involving coordination, balance, and strength.

For more information regarding registration and program location, contact Eric Watson at 405-682-1611, ext. 7786.

Have sports news?

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Car accident, stolen wallet top weekly incidents

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An injury automobile accident and a stolen wallet kept campus security officers busy during the second week of September.

At about 3:47 p.m. on Sept. 8, a Yukon man called campus security and reported he had been involved in an accident at the intersection of SW 74 Street and Drexel Avenue, according to a report filed by Safety and Security Officer Tanya Vroenen.

Vroenen said she, along with Officer Jeff Porter and Sgt. Kevin Tipton, responded to the call.

“When we arrived on the scene, we immediately diverted traffic exiting and entering the campus to one lane,” she said in a report.

Kenneth Aaron, a worker contracted by the college, said he was leaving campus to go westbound on SW 74 St. when his 2002 Dodge coupe was struck by a 1990 Dodge Shadow driven by Anthony Vasquez, OCCC student.

Vasquez was driving eastbound when he drove through the red light at Regents and Drexel, striking Aaron’s car in the driver side rear tire and back fender, according to the report.

Vasquez said when he was approaching the light, it was yellow, and he decided to go through.

Because the accident happened on a city street, Vroenen said, Oklahoma City Police Department officers and Emergency Medical Services Authority paramedics were dispatched to the scene, where Aaron was treated for an injured elbow.

Vroenen said both drivers exchanged information and a tow truck was called to tow Aaron’s vehicle.

Later that week, Safety and Security Officer Tim Densmore was called to the Wellness Center to investigate a stolen wallet.

According to the report filed by Densmore, student Maurice Massey said his wallet had been stolen from his locker.

Massey said his locker had been secured with a Master Lock padlock, which appeared to have been twisted off. Items in the wallet included a driver’s license, two debit cards, a Shell gasoline card, a Social Security card, a voter identification card and \$200 cash.

Massey said his wallet had been in his pants pocket and nothing else, including loose cash, had been disturbed.

Due to the amount of patrons seen on video surveillance going in and out of the men’s locker room, Densmore said, Safety and Security officers were unable to identify a suspect.

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Come join the Pioneer staff for cake and punch in our new office, located in room 1F2 in the Arts and Humanities building.

OCCC faculty and staff members will be on hand to provide tours of our all-new newsroom, audio lab, classrooms and more.

Time: 2 to 5 p.m.

Date: Monday, Sept. 21

Place: Arts and Humanities

Application: iPhone app helps students navigate campus

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now, a version which can be used on Androids and Blackberrys would be available soon.

“These versions will have most of the features that are available in the iPhone version,” Richardson said.

The application is now available free on iTunes and can be found by searching “OCCC.”

The new iPhone app, named OCCC, is free for download. Online Marketing Coordinator John Richardson said the app provides users with real time GPS navigation of the campus, OCCC news and events, polls, links, and the OCCC Twitter feed.



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CAMPUS COMMUNITY

Club carnival



RACHEL MORRISON/PIONEER

Misty Red Elk, Native American Student Association member, attracts interest in her club during the bi-annual OCCC Club Fair Thursday, Sept. 2. Many of OCCC's 38 clubs participated during the two-day event, which allowed students an opportunity to learn about campus clubs and organizations.

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Fair offers chance to volunteer

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Whether it's sorting cans at a food bank, walking dogs for the animal shelter, or simply answering phones, volunteers make a difference in the community.

For students who want to serve others, OCCC is hosting a Volunteer Fair on campus from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21, in the General Dining Area, said Katie Treadwell, Student Life program coordinator.

The fair offers a venue where community agencies come together in one place to help promote volunteering at their agency, she said.

The different organizations also educate students on the importance of volunteering and helping the community, Treadwell said.

"Many of these agencies run with the help of volunteers," she said. "Many of these agencies would not survive if not for the help from volunteers."

"Many students want to help with volunteering but they don't know where or how to get started."

Among the agencies that will be recruiting on campus are Habitat for Humanity, the Regional Food Bank and Second Chance animal shelter. Interested volunteers can get important information and education about a prospective volunteer site all in one place, Treadwell said.

"It makes it much easier for prospective volunteers to figure out where and when they would like to spend their time giving back to others," she said.

Treadwell said they come together to give students information on their agency and how to volunteer.

The fair offers many varieties of places in need of help. A volunteer can choose to work with animals, arts and history, disability services, education and tutoring, as well as health services and mentoring youth, Treadwell said.

Volunteering does not have to be time consuming, Treadwell said.

"We want to let students to know that if they can volunteer at least one hour of their time, the difference would be significant."

Precious Thompson said that she plans to attend the Volunteer Fair.

"I have been thinking about volunteering for some time and believe in helping others, and this would be a good place for me to start learning about the different community oriented organizations," she said.

For more information contact Student Life at 405-682-7523.

If you have community news and you would like it to be heard, contact Christy Johnson at staffwriter1@occc.edu or call 405-682-1611 ext. 7676.

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

OCCC 38th Birthday Party

Come spend time with fellow students in celebration of OCCC turning 38 years old at 12:30 p.m. Sept. 23 in the Main Building general dining area by the cafeteria. All students and faculty are welcomed. For more information, contact Student Life at 405-682-7523.

Health Professions Club luncheon

The Health Professions Club will hold a luncheon 12:30 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. Sept. 23 in room 2A7. The guest speaker is Susan Tucker of OU Health and Science Center College of Allied Health. There will be free food. All students are welcome. For more information, visit www.occc.edu/healthpr/.

OCCC Spirit Day

Show support of your college by wearing your favorite OCCC shirt Sept. 24

Annual Life Saver run to be held

Participants can enter and help support Nursing Education in Oklahoma in the 5K or one-mile race Sept. 25. Runners can register Sept. 24 in the lobby of the Health Professions building, or Sept. 25 from 6:45 to 7:45 a.m. outside the Health Professions building. Registration varies from \$12 to \$30. The race is for all ages and split into different age groups. Entries are taken until the day of the race but after Sept. 23 will incur a late charge. For more information or to register online, visit www.dgroadracing.com or www.occc.edu/lifesaver.

Baptist club offers free lunch

Baptist Collegiate Ministries is offering free lunch and Christian fellowship to all students, faculty and staff members during their meetings this semester. Lunches will be held from noon to 12:50 p.m. Mondays in the Bruce Owen Theater, and from 12:30 to 1:20 p.m. Thursdays in room 3N0 of the Main Building. For more information, contact Mark Barnett at 405-323-0583 or e-mail Chris Verschage at cverschage@occc.edu.

Job Fair 2010

More than 100 employers will be hiring for full and part-time positions. General employers will be in attendance from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and health professionals from noon to 6 p.m. Oct. 6 in Main Building in the College Union. The public is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Judi McGee, coordinator of Employment Services at 405-682-1611, ext 7369, 405-682-7519 or jmcgee@occc.edu.

All Highlights are due Monday by 5 p.m. for inclusion in the next issue.

Highlight forms can be picked up in the Pioneer office, located in 1F2 of the Arts and Humanities Building, just inside Entry 2.

CLASSIFIEDS

Pioneer classified advertising is free to all enrolled OCCC students and employees for any personal classified ad. Ad applications must be submitted with IDs supplied by 5 p.m. Mondays prior to the publication date. For more information, call the Ad Manager at 405-682-1611, ext. 7674, or e-mail adman@occc.edu.

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**PIONEER
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Search the
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Correctly answer four Treasure Hunt Questions to be entered in our final drawing of the semester:

1: How many students are enrolled at OCCC for fall 2010?
2: When is the Communication Lab holding a free MLA style workshop?
3: What lab is OCCC about to open to improve students' public speaking skills?
4: What are the three different dance classes OCCC is offering for the fall semester?

Read the Sept. 10 Pioneer issue for the answers. Send your answers to: adman@occc.edu.

Correct Answer for last week:
1: Eid ul-Fitr, 2: Sept. 25, OCCC Campus, 3: Oct. 6, College Union, 4: Sept. 13, College Union.

Video: OCCC-produced music video grabs public's attention

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said the video has gained some popularity since its completion during the summer.

"It actually ended up on a lot of Oklahoma music sites and blogs after we released it," High said.

He said the local recognition comes as a reward for the countless hours put into the production of the video.

Harper, co-creator, said they used every chance they could to work on the video during the semester.

"It was like we lived in the studio," he said.

"Every time I'd get off work, I'd head over there. It was an all-day process for the whole semester."

The most time-consuming aspect, he said, was the production of the set.

The video, which gives a view of the band, includes a colorful cubist backdrop to the pop-electronic music.

The trio of students incorporated 265 standard cardboard boxes as a medium on which to project the video and colors.

Each box was painted and glued together by hand, one by one, High said.

The students bought them cheaply.

"At work there was a whole cart full of cardboard gift boxes ... I thought, 'These things look cool, we could use them for something,'" Harper said.

"Then they went down to about 10 cents a box, so we bought 265 of them."

The video was filmed in real time without computer enhancements.

"What you see in the video is in the moment, no CGI (computer generated images) or anything fake ... it was all real," Harper said.

The handmade set was built within the FVP studio on OCCC's campus, one of the many resources that make the film and video production program at the college one of the region's best.

Greg Mellott, film and video

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—JESSE HIGH
OCCC STUDENT



Members of Crocodile, an Indie-Pop band from Oklahoma City, are the subjects of a music video made by Film and Video Production students Jesse High, Nik Harper, and Nicholas Owen last spring. Left to right: Derek Brown, Raechel Brown and Dusty Nelson came to OCCC's campus to film for two full Sundays.

production professor, as well as an award-winning director, said OCCC harbors a film program that is second to none.

"OCCC has the best filmmaking program in the state," Mellott said.

"No one has a studio or equipment like us. No one can touch us in that department."

Mellott said 10 years ago, OCCC had one working camera for the entire film and video production program.

Since then, the college has upped its inventory to 12 Panasonic HVX200 cameras and two RED cameras. Mellott said the RED camera is changing Hollywood and the film industry because of the innovative technology.

The resources offered at OCCC can be credited in part to Gray Frederickson, artist in residence and studio coordinator, Mellott said.

Frederickson is the producer of all three "Godfather" films and "Apocalypse Now," a Vietnam War film loosely based on Joseph Conrad's 19th-century novel "Heart of Darkness."

Frederickson, born in Okla-

homa City, decided to give back to the community by starting the film and video production program at OCCC, Mellott said.

High said the resources available at OCCC are what allowed him, Harper, and Owen to produce the video at the level they did.

"The equipment is what made it all possible," he said.

"This school has a bunch of awesome stuff to work with, especially the cameras and studio."

Mellott said the film program's success is partly due to the partnership with the college.

"The college has been real supportive of the program fiscally," he said.

"There is a real partnership between the college and students, and we work hard every year to justify the money being given to us."

Crocodile's music video "Head Over Heels," produced by High, Harper, and Owen, is posted on YouTube and also can be seen at the Pioneer Online www.occ.edu/pioneer.

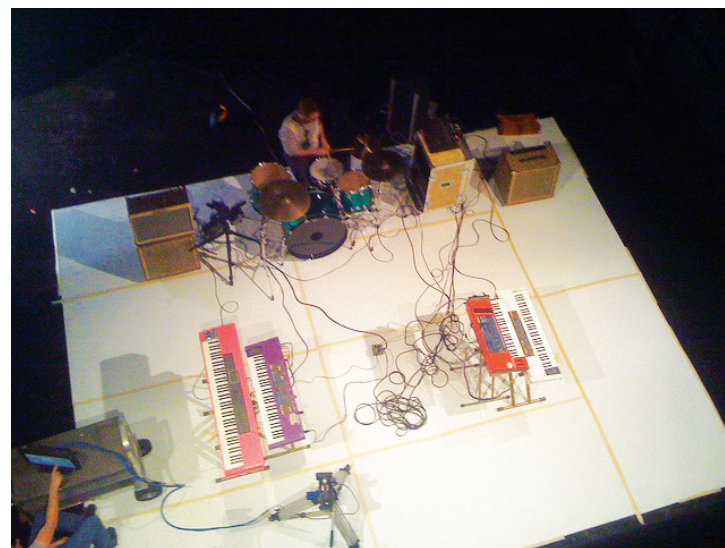


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A behind-the-scenes look at the college's studio used for the music video featuring Indie-Pop band Crocodile.



Film and Video Production students Jesse High and Nik Harper gathered 265 cardboard boxes and a roll of paper as the medium to project the video on. High said each box was painted and glued together by hand, one by one. Filmed images were then projected onto the boxes for the video.



The stage is set up for the a music video shot in the college's studio for the band Crocodile. Keyboards, guitars, and a drum set were assembled in the studio while the band was recorded playing their original "Head Over Heels."

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