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Acting out



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First, second and third graders throw their hats in the air during the finale of the College for Kids Musical Theater Camp production "Hats." The play explores what hats people wear in their different everyday lives and careers. For more on College for Kids, turn to pages 6 and 7.

Students who volunteer tend to excel

Multiple studies show those who give of their time benefit greatly

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Volunteering increases skills and improves job prospects, said Student Employment and Career Services Director Debra Vaughn.

Vaughn said employers look a little more closely at those who have volunteer work on their résumés.

"Employers appreciate the fact that prospective employees have community volunteer experi-

ence," Vaughn said. "I think it shows that the prospective employee cares what is happening in their community and that they are a contributor, they want to be positive."

A study posted at www.givingandvolunteering.ca supports Vaughn's claim.

Almost one quarter of volunteers listed "acquiring job-related skills and improving job opportunities" as reasons they choose to volunteer.

"Perhaps the most compelling finding is regarding the effectiveness of volunteer activity in helping people to obtain employment," the study states. "... 28 percent of unemployed volunteers (and 16 percent

of employed volunteers) said volunteering had helped them obtain a job in the past."

Www.scholarships.com, a website that provides scholarship information to students,

states there are many benefits to volunteering — one of them being that volunteering will beef up a resume and make it

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Volunteer opportunities available on, off campus

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OCCC students wanting to volunteer their time can find numerous volunteer options both on and off campus.

Some off-campus opportunities are:

- **Best Friends of Pets:** There are adoption outreaches on every second and fourth Saturday of the month said Best Friends Execu-

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OPINION

EDITORIAL | Social networking site needs to stop mimicking others

Facebook no place for hashtags

Many people who use social media sites such as Twitter and Instagram may be familiar with the infamous hashtag (formerly known as the pound sign).

For those who are not familiar, the hashtag is defined as a word or phrase prefixed with the # symbol. The idea is when you create a hashtag, you are emphasizing key words in your post and creating a way for people to click on your hashtag to see what others around the world are saying about the same topic.



ERIN PEDEN

For example, if you send out a tweet saying “I am loving the beach,” followed by “#Summer2013,” people who read your tweet will then be able to click the “#Summer2013” and be re-directed to the latest tweets from everyone else on Twitter tweeting about Summer 2013.

While it can be a hard concept to grasp at first, hashtags are a good way to find others who are interested in the same topics or to simply create an interesting discussion.

Hashtags aren’t limited to Twitter, however. Facebook announced in a blog June 12 it is now offering clickable hashtags.

Facebook said the point is “to add context to a post

or indicate that it is part of a larger discussion.” Just add your hashtag and when you click, “you’ll see a feed of what other people and Pages are saying about that event or topic.”

As a person who uses both Facebook and Twitter, I have seen this feature coming for a long time. Everyone has that friend who will link their Twitter profile to their Facebook, therefore blowing up your newsfeed with a face full of hashtag-filled dumb posts. Or, better yet, there’s the friend who doesn’t care they are using Facebook instead of Twitter and posts a hashtag after all their status updates.

My personal opinion is, hashtags belong on Twitter. I am tired of Facebook constantly making updates mimicking others social media sites, in an attempt to keep their appeal.

Back in the early days of Facebook, when someone wanted to talk about a topic on a wider scale, they created a Facebook group. Those days are on their way out. Why make a group when you can talk about it now with a hashtag? I understand it is fun to talk with others about a hot topic but no one wants to see all your hashtag posts on Facebook about the latest football game.

We need to remember why Facebook was created: to connect and keep up with friends, not annoy them to death with pointless posts. That’s why we have Twitter.

Another thing I wonder is how this affects our privacy.



If we are adding hashtags to our status updates, we are linking our status to the rest of the world of others posting about the same thing and therefore, allowing people we don’t even know access to our status updates.

In the age of social media, it is easy to get caught up in what’s new or trendy in technology. My advice to those who use social media: be careful what you post; think about where your posts are going before you try a new feature and, for the love of all things good, save your hashtags for Twitter.

—ERIN PEDEN
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR | Foodborne illness kills about 3,000 a year

Safety tips given for keeping food safe during summer

To the Editor:

Each year, an estimated 48 million cases of foodborne disease occur in the U.S. Most are mild and cause symptoms for only a day or two. However, some are more serious, resulting in approximately 128,000 hospitalizations and 3,000 deaths. The OSDH recommends the following safety tips:

- Wash your hands with hot, soapy water before touching food and after using the bathroom, changing diapers or touching pets.
- Wash cutting boards, counters, dishes and utensils with hot, soapy water after each food item.
- When eating away from home, find out if there’s a source of clean water. If not, bring water for preparation and cleaning, or pack clean cloths and wet towelettes for cleaning surfaces and hands.

- Keep raw meat, poultry, seafood, and their juices away from ready-to-eat foods such as fruits and vegetables. When transporting raw meat or poultry, double wrap or place the packages in plastic bags to prevent juices from dripping on other foods.
- Use a separate cutting board for raw meat products and ready-to-eat foods such as fresh fruits and vegetables and a void using utensils that have touched raw meat to cut up raw vegetables or other uncooked foods. Raw meat juices can contain bacteria that could cross-contaminate safely cooked foods.
- Never place cooked food on a plate that previously held raw meat, poultry or seafood.
- Set your refrigerator to 40°F or colder. The freezer should be kept at 0°F.
- If cooking foods beforehand — such as turkey, ham,

chicken, and vegetable or pasta salads for an outdoor gathering — prepare them in plenty of time to thoroughly chill in the refrigerator. Divide large amounts of food into small containers for fast chilling and easier use.

- Pack an insulated cooler with sufficient ice or gel packs to keep the food at 40°F. Pack food right from the refrigerator or freezer into the cooler. Except when served, the food should be stored in a cooler.
- Chill any leftovers promptly in shallow containers. Discard any food left out more than two hours (or one hour if temperatures are above 90°F).

For questions about food safety or foodborne illnesses, contact the county health department in your area, or visit <http://ads.health.ok.gov> and click on “Disease Information,” then “Food Safety and Foodborne Diseases.”

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COMMENTS AND REVIEWS

MUSIC REVIEW | 'Time' a story of 68 years of living life

Rod Stewart back in the game

Rod Stewart shows a reminiscent side in his newest album, "Time," Stewart's first original work in 20 years.

The British artist, who has spent the last couple decades recording cover albums such as the "Great American Songbook" volumes and most recently, "Merry Christmas Baby," said he felt now was the right time to get back into recording new material.

"I must admit, I've been a bit lazy," Stewart said in an interview on the Today show. "But I finally got over my writer's block and decided it was time to write new songs again."

Stewart's album does not disappoint.

"She Makes Me Happy," the first track on the CD, is a tune Stewart said he wrote about his current wife, Penny Lancaster.

"Can't Stop Me Now," a flashback to Stewart's long journey to success, keeps the momentum of the album going with positive, upbeat lyrics and a catchy melody.

Stewart is sentimental in songs such as "Time," "Picture in a Frame," and "Brighton Beach," in which he references his childhood as well as reminisces days gone by.

The songs provide peaceful melodies and are placed



strategically throughout the CD.

Not all songs carry such joyful messages, though. Stewart throws in "It's Over," a song he wrote about his divorce with second wife Rachel Hunter.

"She's the only woman who really broke my heart," Stewart said about the song.

Stewart manages to throw in songs such as "Finest Woman" and "Make Love to Me Tonight," which

mimic the subject of songs you would easily find on any other Stewart album.

Musically speaking, "Time" is the follow-up album fans have been wanting for years.

Stewart's iconic, gravelly voice is as strong as ever and his lyrics show a personal side one would not expect to see from "Rod the Mod."

To top things off, Stewart has even recorded videos for a few album tracks.

Those who like Rod Stewart will enjoy the fact this album tells the story of Stewart's life and would agree: there's no stopping this 68-year-old singer any time soon.

Rating: A

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PRODUCT REVIEW | EP 24-105 mm highly recommended by reviewer

Canon lens a wishlist favorite

I've recently had the privilege of taking Canon's EF 24-105 mm f4L IS USM standard zoom lens out for a few test drives on my Canon 7D DSLR and have to say, it's one fantastic piece of glass.

I have been considering purchasing the 24-105 mm for awhile now, but after buying a Canon EF 35 mm f1.4L, the \$1,150 price tag for a new lens is a little out of my range for the moment.

Still, I was desperately needing to get this lens off of my wish list and into my gear bag when I found out being an intern with a major news company has its perks — one of them being access to company equipment.

Canon's website said about the lens: "Constructed with one Super-UD glass element and three aspherical lenses, this lens minimizes chromatic aberration and distortion. The result is excellent picture quality, even at wide apertures."

After using it, I have to agree.



The sharpness of the video and images I capture with this lens is remarkable. The image quality is far superior when compared to the quality of those captured by any other zoom lens in its class and range.

The 24-105's zoom range has been absolutely perfect for almost every video I've shot for The Oklahoman and NewsOK.com.

The lens has a maximum aperture setting of f/4. I've found this is usually a great depth of field to use for video interviews because subjects

will generally stay in focus even if they move around while they talk.

I highly recommend this Canon L series lens to anyone looking to add a new go-to standard zoom lens to your DSLR kit.

Rating: A+

—CHRIS JAMES
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Financial Aid FACT\$

Aid changes explained

Growing awareness and a consensus that colleges, universities and other types of institutions must find ways to improve degree completion rates has resulted in expectations for improved performance by students seeking financial assistance. Recent changes in rules financial aid offices must apply when assessing student eligibility for assistance demonstrate this trend.

- Satisfactory Academic Progress criteria changed with the beginning of the 2011-'12 academic year. These changes limit the amount of flexibility a financial aid office has to maintain for a student in an eligible status such as probation. These standards apply to all financial aid offices. Previously, each office could build their own Satisfactory Academic Progress within broader parameters. Those standards are listed at: www.occc.edu/FinancialAid/pdf/SAP.pdf

- Effective with the 2012-'13 academic year, students who are Pell Grant eligible are now limited to the equivalent of six academic years of full-time equivalent eligibility. This includes all semesters of Pell Grant previously received. This change caused students to lose Pell Grant eligibility immediately with the 2012-'13 academic year, and others were only eligible for one or two remaining semesters of eligibility. This is a lifetime eligibility limit and cannot be reinstated. Once a student loses Pell Grant eligibility, they lose eligibility for the State Grant (OTAG).

- Also, new students beginning college on or after July 1, 2012, must now have a high school diploma or equivalent such as a GED to be eligible for federal and state grant financial assistance. Prior to this change, students who had not earned a diploma or GED could qualify for financial assistance by meeting certain minimum scores on assessment tests approved by the U.S. Department of Education.

- Students enrolled in Oklahoma's Promise program (OHLAP) now have the same satisfactory academic progress standards each semester as students receiving federal financial assistance. In addition, once students have earned 60 credit hours, they must have a 2.00 cumulative grade point average or their eligibility ends and cannot be regained.

- Beginning 2013-'14, students who borrow a Direct Subsidized student loan will have a lifetime limit tied to the length of the academic program. The limit is 150 percent of the length of the program. A two-year associate degree program has a limit of three years. After that point the student is no longer eligible for a subsidized loan for a two-year program. They will be eligible for unsubsidized loans.

The recent changes have limited the number of students eligible for significant amounts of financial assistance. This tendency to restrict continued access to higher education may limit enrollment and may impact the number of completers in subsequent years.

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COMMENTS AND REVIEWS

MOVIE REVIEW | Reviewer says Brad Pitt gives best performance since 2009

‘World War Z’ full of surprises, entertaining

Typically, horror movies aren’t my standard theater fare. Not only am I extremely squeamish and easily scared (not a good combination when heading into a scary movie), but I also find most horror movies really predictable and in the end, really boring.

Recently released zombie movie “World War Z” took me by surprise.

Although the story seemed a bit typical and was run-of-the-mill zombie movie fodder, it was written well enough and the acting was engaging enough to keep me interested without overdoing it.

“World War Z” tells one family’s story in the wake of a global pandemic outbreak of rabies that leaves the dead



walking the earth, terrorizing survivors.

Society begins to fall apart and the search for safety — and a cure — begins. Former United Nations employee Gary Lane (played by Brad Pitt) is recruited to accompany a doctor on a trip to find the origin of the virus, and hopefully discover a cure.

“World War Z” is a movie that feels less like your typical zombie story and

more like a compelling and interesting drama. The direction by Marc Forster lends to the more human aspects of a zombie movie.

The movie isn’t just about cheap thrills and scares, and it isn’t overloaded with gore the way most movies in the genre are.

It’s an interest-

ing take — a monster movie that is more about the people left untouched by the pandemic than about the monsters themselves.

While there are exciting parts of the movie that made me jump, I didn’t find that the film was scary

just for the sake of it. It seems rare that you find a truly character-driven horror story, but “World War Z” definitely delivers on that front.

Pitt gives what I think is probably his most impressive performance since 2009, and I find that both interesting and extremely exceptional given the subject matter of the film.

Although I’m not exactly a horror-film fanatic, “World War Z” left a definite impression on me, and seemed to be a feat of outstanding entertainment in a genre that so often winds up being humdrum and repetitive.

Rating: B

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BUSINESS REVIEW | Open 24 hours Monday through Friday,

10Gym affordable, better than most

I recently changed gyms to 10Gym, formerly known as All American Fitness. I switched gyms because I knew more people who went to 10Gym and they have more opportunities than the gym I was at.

What really interested me after I decided to change gyms was they have structured classes.

I do better when there is a class at a certain time that lasts a set amount of time, than I do when I know I am going to walk on a treadmill for 30 minutes or, if I’m in the mood, longer.

10Gym also is much larger than the gym I was at and the people are extremely friendly. So much so, I had a full conversation with a guy at the front desk about a mutual interest and I had never seen him before.

I attended a Zumba class on a Saturday morning. The teacher



made it enjoyable and everyone else seemed to be having fun.

It was nice to work out with other people and not feel like they’re all staring at you or if you couldn’t keep up, that you were the outcast.

It costs \$10 to use certain equipment but it costs \$20 to have access to everything in the facility.

The sign-up fee is an additional \$10. Two months after you join, there also is a \$39 upkeep charge that comes out to about \$42 after taxes.

The prices aren’t bad in my opinion. I’ve paid \$20 per class or \$99 for a month at other places.

Other perks to this gym: they

have child care. members get to use tanning beds at all of the 10 Gyms, not just the location you’re a member at, and you get to bring a friend for free every day.

They also are open 24 hours except on weekends when they open at 6 a.m. Saturdays and 8 a.m. Sunday.

On both days, 10 Gym closes at 8 p.m.

Overall, so far, I am very happy with the change of gyms. I feel will use this gym a lot more than I used my previous membership.

Rating: A

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TOP 20 MOVIES

Weekend of June 28 through June 30
www.newyorktimes.com

1. *Monsters University*
2. *The Heat*
3. *World War Z*
4. *White House Down*
5. *Man of Steel*
6. *This is the End*
7. *Now You See Me*
8. *Fast & Furious 6*
9. *Star Trek Into Darkness*
10. *The Internship*
11. *Iron Man 3*
12. *The Purge*
13. *The Bling Ring*
14. *Epic*
15. *Before Midnight*
16. *The Croods*
17. *The East*
18. *20 Feet From Stardom*
19. *Fill the Void*
20. 45

Rehearsals set to start for 'Willy Wonka' play

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College for Kids musical theater camp is set to start rehearsing the junior production of "Willy Wonka," said Community Education Coordinator Brannon Dresel.

The play tells the tale of five lucky children who find golden tickets in candy bars and are awarded passage into the world's greatest chocolate factory.

"The program helps students work on social skills and teamwork as well as developing confidence," Dresel said.

The camp lasts for two weeks. Thirty-two sixth through eighth grade students are enrolled this year.

Performances will be at 6 p.m. Thursday, July 25 and 3 p.m. Friday, July 26 at the OCCC Bruce Owen Theater. Admission for both performances is free.

Dresel said junior productions typically run an hour to an hour and 20 minutes.

Earlier in the summer, he said, first through third graders performed "Hats," while fourth and fifth graders performed "The Emperor's New Clothes."

In order to produce a high-quality production each year, Dresel said, the number of students is limited to 30. Because of the camp's popularity, this year an exception was made, with two students added.

Dresel said children from all over the metro race to enroll in this highly popular camp.

"Within three weeks, the musical theater camp filled its enrollment," he said.

He said the program does not rely too much on advertising. Instead, they rely more on word of mouth and returning students.

Dresel said the students vary in experience and come from all different backgrounds.

All students audition for the roles, he said, with some returning students more polished than others.

The students have four instructors who help them throughout rehearsals. They also have a voice coach and a green screen at their disposal, Dresel said.

"Two weeks is more than enough time for high quality-performances," he said.

Dresel said students learn lines, set design and even make their own costumes.



"Making their costumes at home fosters family time," he said.

The students rehearse from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day.

"This is convenient for parents," Dresel said.

"They can drop them off before they go to work and pick them up after they get off."

Dresel said this is the third and last musical production the camp will produce through College for Kids this summer.

For more information, call 405-682-1611, ext. 7205 or email Dresel at bdresel@occc.edu.

“The program helps students work on social skills and teamwork as well as developing confidence.”

—BRANNON DRESEL

COMMUNITY EDUCATION COORDINATOR



Kids camps help keep children active in summer

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The Family and Community Education Center is helping keep local children mentally and physically active over the summer with its College for Kids program, said Community Education Coordinator Brennan Dressel.

Dressel said College for Kids is a program designed for children entering first through eighth grade that serves much of the metro area.

"We have people from Oklahoma City, Moore, Tuttle, Edmond, [and] Mustang," he said. "They come from all over."

In the classes, Dressel said, children learn about subjects such as osteology, computers, art, music, theater and science and can even engage in physical activities through sports camps and Camp Rec Youth.

Dressel said camp leaders must be doing something right because enrollment numbers have once again increased this year.

"Our total enrollment is up from last year," he said.

"So far this summer, we have 4,215 [class] enrollments. Last year's enrollment was just over 3,500.

"If one child is here all day, that counts as four enrollments. Usually we have about 150 kids per day."

Dressel said the formula used for the camps has stayed the same.

"The prices stay the same, we've retained our instructors and it's basically just been word-of-mouth that has increased the enrollment," Dressel said.

"It's cheaper than daycare but with an educational component."

Four different College for Kids classes are offered each day for each age group and change each week as the summer progresses.

Prices are \$39 per week-long class or \$99 for the entire day.

For more information on College for Kids, contact Dressel at bdressel@occc.edu or call 405-686-6222 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Camp Rec Youth focuses on a variety of physical activities. Those camps run through Aug. 2.

For more information on Camp Rec Youth, call 405-682-7860.

RIGHT: Camp Rec-Youth participants prepare for a game of capture the flag, Friday July 3. Camp Rec Youth focuses on a variety of physical activities. Those camps run through Aug. 2.



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ABOVE: Brooklyn, 8, watches the reaction that occurs when an Alka-Seltzer is placed in a bottle of Diet Coke on June 28 at the Family and Community Education Center. This experiment was part of the Bubbles & Blastoff camp, a camp that focused on bubbles — what makes them stay together or pop.



PHOTO BY ERIN PEDEN/PIONEER

OCCC offers a variety of learning, sports activities



LEFT: In Beginning Guitar, Russell, 10, gets some pointers on finger placement on the guitar from College for Kids Instructor Deborah Goodhead. The class is being held at the Family and Community Education Center. Goodhead said beginning Guitar focuses on the fundamentals of guitar playing.



ABOVE: Sierra discusses a game plan with teammates Spencer and Katie during a game of Capture the Flag. For more information about any of the camps, contact Recreation and Fitness at 405-682-7860.

RIGHT: Dalton Tiller, 9, catches a dodgeball during Camp Rec Youth on June 19 in the OCCC Recreation and Fitness Center's gymnasium. Camp Rec Youth focuses on a variety of physical activities. Kid's Camps run through Aug. 2. For more information, call 405-682-7860.

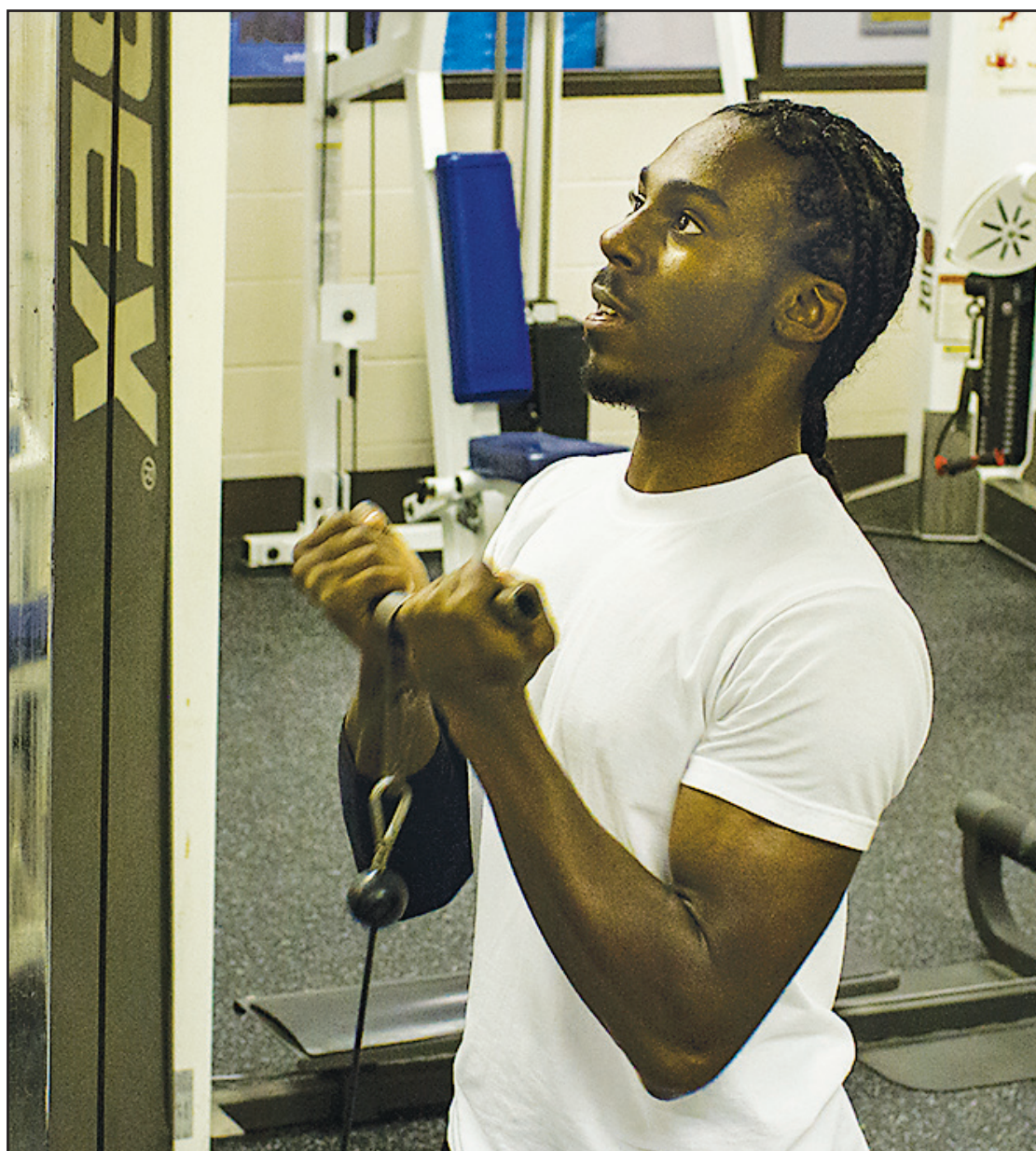


ABOVE: Nine-year-old Allison learns how to play "Hound Dog" on an electric guitar during Beginning Guitar camp. Allison will be eligible for Intermediate Guitar camp if she returns next summer.

SPORTS

Fitness
time

OCCC student Ronnell Jeffers lifts weights June 2 in the Recreational and Fitness Department's weight room. After closing for flood repairs, the department reopened the gymnasium and weight room Monday, July 1.



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UPCOMING
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• **Through Aug. 2: OCCC Summer Camps:** Campers enrolled in morning and afternoon camps will have a supervised lunch from noon to 1 p.m. They may bring their own lunch or purchase a lunch ticket from the cafeteria for \$5.25 per day. Camps offered are:

• **Children's Sports Camps:** Campers, age 6 through 12, meet from 8 a.m. to noon weekly on the OCCC campus. Sport camps focus on teaching basic fundamentals, and building the skills and confidence of young athletes in a fun and safe environment.

• **Recreational Children's Camp:** Meets from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. weekly. Campers, age 6 through 11, will participate in health and wellness activities such as indoor/outdoor group games, swim time and field trips that promote an active lifestyle.

All-Day Fit Kids Camps: Campers age 6 through 14 will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for a fun-packed week of swimming, indoor/outdoor games, and major field trips.

Teen Camp: For ages 12 through 14, teens will explore careers and focus on character development such as leadership and responsibility as they interact with people and services within their community. Participants will receive volunteer/community hours and letters.

For more information about any of the camps, contact Recreation and Fitness at 405-682-7860.

SPORTS | Extreme 5 Meet scheduled for July 12 and 13

Aquatic Center hosts new meet

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OCCC will host an event new to the college when the Extreme 5 Meet is held at the Aquatic Center on July 12 and 13.

"This is a new meet for the Extreme Aquatic Team (EAT) and also for OCCC," said Fitness and Recreation Director Roxanna Butler.

The Extreme 5 Meet is a new swimming competition for the program, open to all USA-Swimming registered athletes, she said.

The Extreme Aquatic Team is a swim team that facilitates competitive swimming skills and meets for children and adults in the midwestern U.S., according to the group's website.

The site shows the meet was "developed to encourage swimmers to acquire or improve upon an official USA swimming ... score."

Recreation and Fitness Coordinator Khari Huff said the Extreme Aquatic Team has hosted events similar to the Extreme 5 Meet at the OCCC Aquatic Center for the past few years but this particular meet is new.

Butler said three sessions will span the two days — one taking place on Friday, July 12, and the other two on Saturday, July 13.

Huff said the meet is open to spectators.

Butler said those who attend this or any other meet might see records set or a future star.

"A lot of talent and opportunity comes through this school," Butler said.

Organizers said spectator concessions will be available and merchandise, including event apparel and a full supply of swim merchandise, will be available for purchase.

For more information on the Extreme 5 Meet, visit www.extremeaquatic.org.

For the daily event schedule, visit the Oklahoma Swimming website at www.oks.org.



Scan the QR code with your smart phone to be directed to a list of OCCC Intramural events, complete with the most current updates.

(Free QR code reader apps can be found online or in app stores on smart phones. Follow the directions for the app you download.)

All event news is due Monday by 5 p.m. for inclusion in the next issue. Email your news to sportswriter@occc.edu.

Police respond to hit-and-run, make arrest

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A hit-and-run accident and a traffic stop top police reports.

At around 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 14, Officer Patrick Martino took a report from Mary Nguyen, 20, who said her parked car had been hit and damaged.

Martino said Nguyen had parked her Honda Civic in Lot A east of the faculty parking the day before, between 5:30 p.m. and 8 p.m.

When Nguyen returned to her car, she said it had

been struck by another vehicle. Damage was done to the rear tire well on the driver's side. There was no estimate of the damage.

Dispatch could not find the incident on the surveillance camera footage.

The following week, Officer Daniel Piazza pulled over a Mazda Miata, driven by Sunday Omopariola, 29, after the OCCC student illegally drove through a construction zone on campus.

The report shows Omopariola exited parking lot D going northbound on Faculty Circle at 8:45 p.m. Wednesday, June 19. He then traveled through the construction zone with a posted "no entry" sign.

When Piazza made contact with Omopariola, it was discovered his license was suspended.

Piazza said he then ran a license and registration check which also showed Omopariola had no car insurance.

The report shows Piazza arrested Omopariola. An inventory was taken of the contents in Omopariola's vehicle and the car impounded.

Omopariola was then transported to the Oklahoma County Jail.

To contact campus police, call 405-682-7872. For an emergency, use one of the call boxes located inside and outside on campus or call 405-682-1611, ext. 7747.

Volunteer: Students who give of their time benefit

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stand out.

"Employers like seeing that you volunteer your time, and are able to manage your time well enough to take on an unpaid position," according to www.scholarships.com.

"Volunteerism also suggests that you're a team player, a quality many employers will look for in potential hires."

Vaughn agrees with the sentiment. She said while it's hard to measure how much influence volunteering experience will have in the job market, she thinks that it's definitely a high priority that employers look for.

"Everyone is impressed with certain areas," Vaughn said. "When I see things like Habitat for Humanity or the American Cancer Society or the Regional Food Bank, that impresses me because that tells me this person likes to join in, likes to get things done, and make things better, and I like that."

Vaughn said, as an employer,

she pays special attention to the amount of volunteering a student has done.

"It makes me want to meet that person," she said.

There also are other benefits to volunteering, according to the Giving and Caring website study.

"More than three-quarters of volunteers said their volunteer activities helped them with their interpersonal skills, such as understanding people better, motivating others and dealing with difficult situations," the study shows.

More than two-thirds of volunteers said the work they had done helped them develop better communication skills while 63 percent said volunteering helped increase their knowledge about a variety of issues related to volunteering.

The website www.scholarships.com notes that volunteering also provides individuals with the opportunity to meet new people and build a network — especially for those who choose to volunteer

in areas where they may be looking for a placement post-graduation.

"Not only will a volunteer likely meet people who may be looking for someone to work for them after their service is over, but volunteers also will have the chance to do more social networking by meet-

ing individuals who are like-minded and passionate about the same things."

Finally, volunteering can help an individual grow as a person.

"The work you do will be rewarding and beneficial to segments of the population and areas of the community that

need volunteers to thrive," according to www.scholarships.com. "In a volunteer situation, one person can make a real difference."

For more information on student volunteering, contact the Student Life office at 405-682-7596 or email dvaughn@occc.edu.

Opportunities: There are many ways to volunteer on, off campus

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tive Assistant Katie Boren. "It is about five hours of time total. The outreach is from noon to 4 p.m. so volunteers will work from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m."

Volunteers can find out more and fill out an application online at www.bestfriendsokc.org or contact BFoP at 405-418-8511.

• **Habitat for Humanity:** Students will work for one full day either building a house or repairing an existing house for low income families.

"We build homes all year round. We are set to have close to 45 homes built this year," said Chris Hearn, Volunteer Coordinator for Critical Care at Habitat for Humanity.

Students can go to the website www.habitat.org and fill out an app to volunteer for critical care [home repairs] or new construction homes.

For more information on critical care, contact Chris

Hearn at chris.hearn@cohfh.org or 405-409-5557. For more information on new construction contact Rick Lorg at rick.lorg@cohfh.org.

• **AmeriCorps:** An after-school program for Putnam City Schools. The program impacts the lives of elementary and middle-school students through extracurricular activities. For more information about volunteering, visit www.okamericorps.com or call Amy Wright at 405-495-5200, ext. 1225.

• **Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma:** Volunteers will pack boxes of food, distribute bags of food to seniors living on fixed incomes or tend to gardens. For more information, contact Denise Hurlbut at 405-600-3160 or visit www.regionalfoodbank.org.

• **City Rescue Mission:** Volunteers will help as life skills tutors, assisting women with GED studies and general tutoring. Volunteers also can work

in the nursery or help with meal assistance and many more opportunities. Call 405-232-2709 or visit <http://cityrescue.org> to sign up.

Some campus volunteer opportunities are:

• **OCCC Tutor:** Help fellow students with homework. Earn civic hours and receive a completion certificate after completing all four trainings. Offered this fall and again in spring of 2014. For more information, contact TRiO SSS at 405-682-7865.

• **Student Life Service Trips:** Student Life offers eight service days a semester in which OCCC students may participate in a staff-supervised service trip to one of OCCC's partner agencies. Service trip locations in the past have included the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, Christmas Connection, Habitat for Humanity and the YWCA. For more information, contact Student Life at 405-682-7523.

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CAMPUS COMMUNITY

Helping hand



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Student Life Program Assistant Janelle Hanson gives film major A. J. Killgore a New Student Orientation goodie bag on June 27 in the College Union. Killgore said the orientation was helpful. "I think it's has shown me how to get around and all the things I need to get done before school starts to be kinda prepared for it."

COMMUNITY | Hug Day one of summer activities while group readies for next semester

Advocates of Peace making fall plans

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The Advocates of Peace club members are active this summer — a time when many clubs take some time off, said club President Nicolette Bradford.

Bradford said the club has a few things planned for the summer but is mainly preparing for fall activities.

Bradford said the idea behind the club is "to educate our college students and other people in our college issues concerning peace and justice."

"Just think, if everyone did a part, we can make a difference.

"For this summer, we are getting ready to order shirts for club members and to sell to raise money for different fundraisers we have in mind," Bradford said.

"We do plan to have a Hug Day this summer — probably within the next month."

Bradford said hopes are high that advance planning will make for a more successful club.

"We are trying to get prepared for fall so that this year we can have a much better outcome," she said.

"Last year, most of us involved now didn't get involved until the spring semester.

"We have high hopes of some future fundraiser and events for our students here at OCCC," she said.

Bradford said the club, sponsored by English Professor Stephen Morrow, has been beneficial to its members.

"... Since we have been active in this club, Professor Morrow has opened our eyes to how we can use our voices and our hands to do good in our community," she said.

Morrow said the club is made up of students who are interested in current social issues having to do with peace and justice, or students who are interested in the finding out what can be done to create a better community.

"We like to be a safe place for students who see the world with a critical eye but don't quite know what to do about it," Morrow said.

He said some possible fundraising activities being looked at are to show contemporary films throughout the year.

"We can sell popcorn and our T-shirts and things like that."

Morrow said Advocates of Peace takes part in activities outside of school as well.

"We do keep our eyes open to try to find a current protest that students can go to and get that experience," he said.

"We should have a good year this year."

Bradford said the club meets at least once every

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

Summer Kids Camps offered at OCCC

OCCC Recreation and Fitness offers camps for children ages 6 to 15 for half-day or whole-day fun. Children can participate in sports camps including basketball, baseball, flag football, multi-sports, cheer, dance, tennis and more. All enrollments are due by 5 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the Monday start date of that class. To enroll a child or for more information, stop by the OCCC Recreation and Fitness office or call 405-682-7860.

Summer College for Kids

OCCC Community Outreach and Education will offer a wide variety of classes this summer at the FACE Center through the College for Kids program. College for Kids is designed for students entering first through eighth grades. For more information, call Brannon Dresel at 405-682-1611, ext. 7205.

Aquatic Center Reopens for Business

The Aquatic Center is fully functional again after being closed for a short time to recover from storm damage. All classes, summer camps, swimming lessons and lifeguard classes are being held, and all public and membership swim times are available again. For more information, contact Recreation and Fitness at 405-682-7860.

Summer payment plan due date

Summer tuition and fees are due Monday, July 8. For more information, contact the Bursar's office at 405-682-7825.

Greater Grads Information

Student Employment and Career Services will share information with students about the Greater Grads program at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, July 11. For more information, contact Student Employment and Career Services Director Debra Vaughn at dvaughn@occc.edu.

All Highlights are due Monday by noon for inclusion in the next issue. Email your event to communitywriter@occc.edu.

two weeks at noon on Thursdays in room 126 in the VPAC.

Morrow said there also is an Advocates of Peace class.

"In that class, we start off with a conversation or discussion about something called the tragic gap," he said.

The Tragic Gap is a place where you see the bad in the world, but you also see all the good.

"As Advocates of Peace, we try to find a combination of understand of both of those things in the world and how we can push the side toward the good a little bit more."

To get involved in the Advocates of Peace club or for more information, email Morrow at smorrow@occc.edu or visit the Advocates of Peace booth at the Organizations Fair in the fall, Morrow said.

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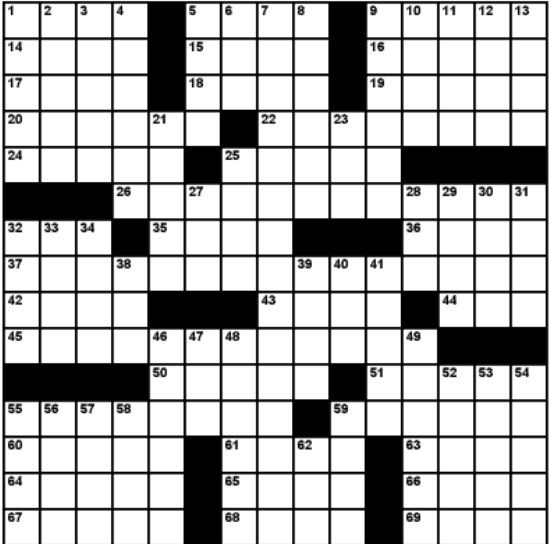
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THIS WEEK'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE

'What A Spineless Moron!' Crossword
by Dave Fisher

- Across**
- 1. Trail
 - 5. Places for night crawlers?
 - 9. Candle holders, often
 - 14. Brainchild
 - 15. Big lake
 - 16. Tolerate
 - 17. Ritzy
 - 18. Paul ____
 - 19. More recent
 - 20. Manhattan Project products
 - 22. Line on a map
 - 24. Niño's elder
 - 25. Nosey noise
 - 26. Applicants' woes
 - 32. "____ House" (CS&N hit)
 - 35. Vittles
 - 36. See 31 down
 - 37. ____ pants
 - 42. Wild one south of the border
 - 43. Nobelist Desmond
 - 44. Energy
 - 45. No oncoming traffic here
 - 50. Drop a hint
 - 51. Correct
 - 55. Reporter's quest
 - 59. 10-4, at sea
 - 60. Info on a rap sheet
 - 61. Level
 - 63. Applications
 - 64. Brando did last one in Paris
 - 65. Not recorded
 - 66. Kick
 - 67. Of long ago
 - 68. Make like a volcano
 - 69. Neuter

- Down**
- 1. Edible pockets



- 2. House block
- 3. Half a joint
- 4. Stock pile?
- 5. Pod contents
- 6. Ash can?
- 7. 37 across, e.g.
- 8. Part of a cycle
- 9. Wipe out
- 10. Cain's bane
- 11. Big gooseberry
- 12. Ancestral home of 10 down
- 13. Withered
- 21. Fort ____ (NC army base)
- 23. End of some URLs
- 25. Ticket taker's rebate
- 27. Anger
- 28. Promissory note
- 29. One of a trio on a cereal box
- 30. It may be radial
- 31. With 36 across, Hurry up!
- 32. European capital
- 33. Over
- 34. "The ____" (Burton movie)
- 38. Pronto!
- 39. Get too much sun
- 40. French holy one, abbrev.
- 41. Enter a search term
- 46. Country star Krauss
- 47. Still
- 48. Fortifies
- 49. Snags
- 52. Stop at a pump
- 53. One of the nasties in "Lion King"
- 54. Irritable
- 55. Western alliance since 1949
- 56. Mideast airline
- 57. Scirocco, for example
- 58. Common herb
- 59. Once again
- 62. Mourner of 10 down



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Officials say cost to repair entry still unknown

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OCCC officials say there is still no official estimate on what it is costing the college to repair the main entry into the Main Building.

Damage occurred Friday, June 20, when business major David Ratliff, 24, drove his Ford Mustang into the entry.

A college spokesperson said at the time no one — including the driver — was injured in the incident. A cause for the wreck also has not yet been given.

The Pioneer was unable to contact Ratliff for comment at a number he provided to the campus police.

Marketing and Public Relations Assistant Director Deirdre Steiner said the structure of the foyer is sound so repairs will consist only of replacing doors and glass.



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A wrecker removes a Ford Mustang from OCCC's Main Building Entry 1 on June 20. The vehicle was driven by 24-year-old David Ratliff. Marketing and Public Relations Director Cordell Jordan said that there were no injuries but Ratliff was taken to a local hospital for medical evaluation.

Welcome Center temporarily relocated

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OCCC has temporarily moved the Welcome Center from Main Building entry 1 to SEM entry 1 after a June 20 car crash which caused the main entry to be closed off.

Student ambassador Desirae Peyton said the decision to move the Welcome Desk came from Recruitment and Admissions Director Jon Horinek.

"Since the main entrance is closed, he wanted us to move [where] students could still be helped ... finding their way around campus."

Peyton said the center is expected to remain in the SEM Center for about a month.

Horinek was unavailable for comment by press time.

Buy a glass of lemonade; help cure cancer

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Summer Kid's Camp participants will learn the value of helping others as well as raise money for cancer awareness by hosting Alex's Lemonade Stand July on 11.

The stand is part of the "Giving Back" class, which teaches students aspects of fundraising, promoting, and planning an event.

"It was such a popular class last year, and the cause is so great, we couldn't help but organize Alex's Lemonade Stand again this summer," said OCCC Community Outreach Coordinator Paul Burkhardt in an email.

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation was founded in 2000 after 4-year-old cancer patient Alex Scott wanted to help raise money for cancer research. The foundation has since become national.

OCCC students raised \$845 for the stand last

summer.

The stand will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Family and Community Education (FACE) Center at 6500 S Land Ave. in Oklahoma City.

Burkhardt said everyone is encouraged to stop by, purchase a cup of lemonade and help support the fight against childhood cancer.

