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Incentive-based grants to benefit tots, labs, more

Five OKCCC programs receive \$8558

By **Melissa Guice**
Editor

Five programs ranging from biotechnology to child development are the latest recipients of OKCCC economic development grants.

The money, \$8558, came from OKCCC's Economic Development Priority Strategic Plan, an incentive-based program.

Peggy Tampkins, child development professor, received a grant for \$1,425

project in May and June.

Ted Lemser, OKCCC programmer analyst, received \$2,000 for an economic development database.

The new program would keep OKCCC in contact with area businesses and corporations, Lemser said.

"It's like an online Rolodex, but with more capabilities," Lemser said. "We're hoping to integrate an area that will allow students the chance to send résumés to contact persons."

Lemser said work on the program will begin in late June and will take about six to nine months to implement.

Anita Williams, business and administrative office technology professor, received two grants totaling \$3,425 for the promotion and development of business courses.

"We'll have \$2,000 for the advertising and target mailing for the certificate of mastery in financial services," Williams said. "And we'll have \$1,425 to contract with someone to develop a securities and insurance licensing course."

The certificate of mastery is for those students who intend to go into banking, securities or insurance-based careers, Williams said.

Charlotte Mulvihill, OKCCC biology-biotechnol-

The money is being provided through OKCCC's Economic Development Strategic Plan — an incentive-based program.

for the development of courses for level II child development directors.

The new course will provide students with the necessary child development supervisor background for the next millennium, Tampkins said.

"The Oklahoma Department of Human Services is committed to requiring a degree with a level II course background for all child development center directors by 2002," she said.

The level II course will cover six hours of child development credit, six hours of early childhood credits and three capstone credits which are the overall synthesis of the program.

Tampkins said she will begin coursework for the

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Photo by John Thomas

A Warm Welcome: An OKCCC student enjoys a hot cup of java, served by Rachel Perrin of the Oklahoma Blood Institute and courtesy of Student Life. The coffee, hot cocoa and muffins were offered as a way of saying "welcome." Mike Jones, coordinator of Student Life, said the decision to have coffee instead of the usual fare of ice cream sundaes was a result of the latest cold spell. "Who knew it would be in the 60s when we served this?" Jones said.

Fair offers students chance to become part of campus life

By **Darcey Ralls**
Staff Writer

Interested in being a bigger part of campus life?

OKCCC offers a wide variety of activities, events, clubs and organizations on campus.

Students will have the opportunity to learn all about them at the Student Organization Fair which will be held Jan. 27 and 28 in the lobby of the main building.

Each club or organization will set up a table at the fair containing information about the organization's activities and meetings.

Students will be able to sign up for the various

clubs and organizations during the course of the fair.

Students will also have the opportunity to pick up club materials and talk with organization officers, members and sponsors.

One club that will be represented is Phi Theta Kappa.

"The Student Organization Fair is a great tool that spreads awareness and sparks interest of Phi Theta Kappa on campus," said Stacia Roybal, president of the Alpha Theta Alpha chapter of Phi Theta Kappa.

The student clubs also work each semester with the Office of Student Life to provide a wide variety of activities on campus each semester.

Those include welcome week with a complimentary coffee and cocoa bar, "Casino Night," and the student organization fair.

Students are encouraged to get involved.

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Editorial and Opinion

Editorial**OKCCC should take financial aid lessons from OU**

Scenario. A student is unable to afford college tuition so he or she submits an application and qualifies for financial aid.

However, tuition comes due before the financial aid disbursement date rolls around.

How much sense does it make to have to pay all of your tuition before you can even get your hands on the money that is earmarked just for that purpose?

Not much.

But that is exactly what happens every semester at OKCCC.

At the University of Oklahoma and many other universities, students receive all of their financial aid, as well as any loan money coming their way, the week before classes start.

But OKCCC makes its students wait for financial aid and loan checks for what seems like an eternity.

I know of two students who are ready to go postal.

Both had to get student loans to go to school but are expected to pay tuition now, long before they receive the money.

It's not as if either of them were sitting around one day thinking, "Hey, I might need some extra money this semester so I better apply for a loan."

It was more along the lines of, "Hey, if I don't get this loan, I won't be going to school this semester."

Maybe they won't anyway.

Unless that already financially-strapped student can fork over the \$20, non-refundable 'holding fee,' his classes will be dropped while he waits for the tuition money to come in.

I do understand that the financial aid office has to meet the needs of thousands of students.

But, at the same time, OU's financial aid department has to meet the needs of many more students.

Those students seem to be able to get the money they need and qualified for with a lot less hassle and without having to do some very clever and creative hot check writing in the meantime.

If OU's financial aid department can work things out in such a way that more than 10,000 students can receive financial aid one week prior to classes beginning, I see no reason why OKCCC can't manage to do the same with fewer students.

In the long run, it would mean less hassle for both the employees and the students.

I propose that OKCCC's financial aid department could take a few lessons from its big sister in Norman.

—**Jamie Johnson**
Assistant Editor

Start new year off right**Health department gives tips for maintaining healthy lifestyle****To the Editor:**

Now that the new year is here, the Oklahoma State Department of Health offers these resolutions to help prevent infectious diseases for a healthier 1999.

Keep immunizations up-to-date. Follow recommended immunizations for children and adults. Don't forget your pets, too!

Wash your hands often, especially during cold and flu season. Be sure to wash hands after using the bathroom, changing a diaper, blowing your nose or sneezing or coughing, caring for a sick person, or playing with a pet.

Be aware of what you eat and be careful of how you prepare food. Keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold until eaten or cooked. Be sure temperature controls in refrigerators and freezers are working properly. Wash counters, cutting board and utensils frequently with soap and hot water, especially after preparing poultry or other meats. Wash fresh fruits and vegetables before eating. Cook ground beef un-

til you can no longer see any pink.

Use antibiotics exactly as prescribed. Take them for the full course prescribed by your doctor, but not for colds or other nonbacterial illnesses.

Report to your doctor any infection that does not get better after you take a prescribed antibiotic.

Be cautious around all wild animals and domestic animals that are not familiar to you. After any animal bite, clean the skin with soap and water and seek medical care immediately.

Avoid areas of insect infestation. Use insect repellents on skin and clothing when in areas where ticks or mosquitoes are common. If you become ill after visiting wooded or wilderness areas, call your doctor.

Avoid unsafe, unprotected sex and injected drug use.

Stay alert to disease threats when you travel or visit undeveloped areas. Get all recommended immunizations, and use protective medications for travel. Don't drink un-

treated water while hiking or camping. If you become ill when you return home, tell your doctor where you've been.

When sick, allow time to heal and recover. Be courteous to others wash your hands frequently and cover your mouth when you sneeze or cough.

— **Oklahoma State Department of Health**

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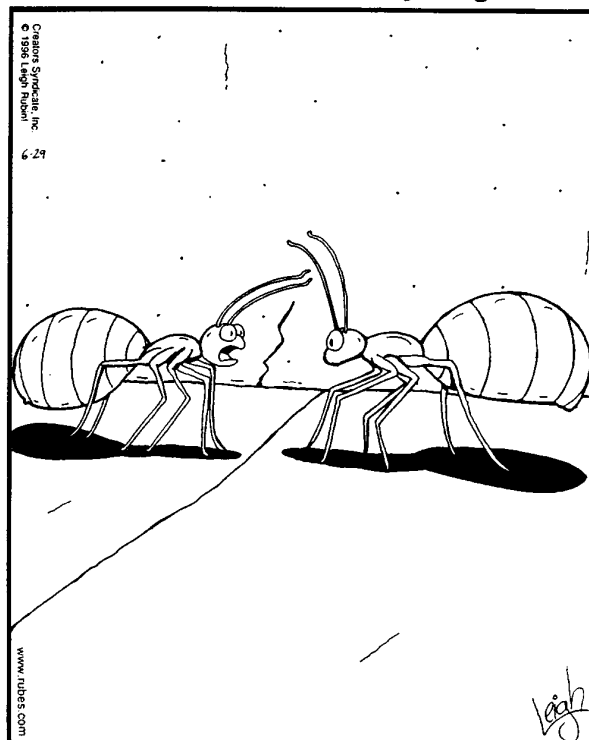
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RUBES®

By Leigh Rubin



"I've got the same problem, Nora. Everything I eat goes straight to my abdomen!"



Comments and Reviews

Even cowgirls like Sugar Ray

OK, so maybe I'm not the most qualified person to do a music review over Sugar Ray, in light of the fact that my closet is filled with a variety of ropers instead of Docs.

But I do know what I like and I do believe I have good taste. I have to admit, I like Sugar Ray's new CD, "14:59."

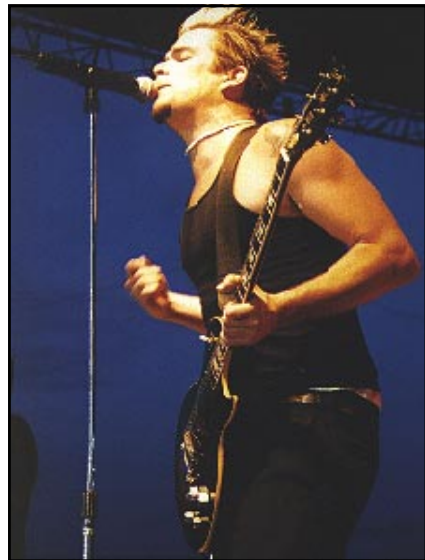
The CD contains 13 new songs, one of which is "Every Morning," a happy, mellow song that makes you feel all warm and fuzzy inside.

I will be the first one to admit that I don't like heavy metal music or rap and, to be quite honest, alternative has a tendency to get on my last nerve. But Sugar Ray's newest venture is not like that.

The first song on the CD is a bit misleading. "New Direction" sounds like a battle cry from Satan but because it's only 48 seconds long I can overlook that.

The remaining 12 songs

on the CD are what I'd deem happy songs, even though one deals with a lost love. The music just seems to have a happy am-



Mark McGrath, lead singer for the band Sugar Ray

biance to it which makes listening to "14:59" very enjoyable.

I'd recommend this CD to anyone who likes music, be it country, rap, heavy metal or punk.

"14:59" is multi-faceted, so it fits just about anyone's style.

**- Jamie Johnson
Assistant Editor**

'Ringmaster' no knockout

As if the Jerry Springer talk show were not enough, "Ringmaster," a movie which is even sleazier and raunchier than the television show, is now showing in area theaters.

The movie is rated R for strong sexual content and language, and is almost too hot for the movie screen.

Not only do we get the unbleeped version of the story from Jerry's inbred redneck guests, we also get to witness firsthand the sinful sex acts which landed them on the show.

Before you join the stampede of people rushing from the trailer parks to watch this movie, let me warn you by quoting a line from one of my favorite Saturday Night Live episodes, "I've seen better acting in fast-acting Tinactin."

Jerry Springer deliv-

ers an unimaginative, unfunny, and disappointingly accurate performance of himself as the all-knowing talk show host.

He does, however, have a

Troy, played by William McNamara, is sleeping with her 19-year-old daughter, Angel (Jamie Pressly), who is nothing like her name. Angel propositions almost everyone she comes in contact with, including Springer.

Wendy Raquel Robinson stars as Starletta, a spurned lover who wants to confront her boyfriend and her former best friend on the show.

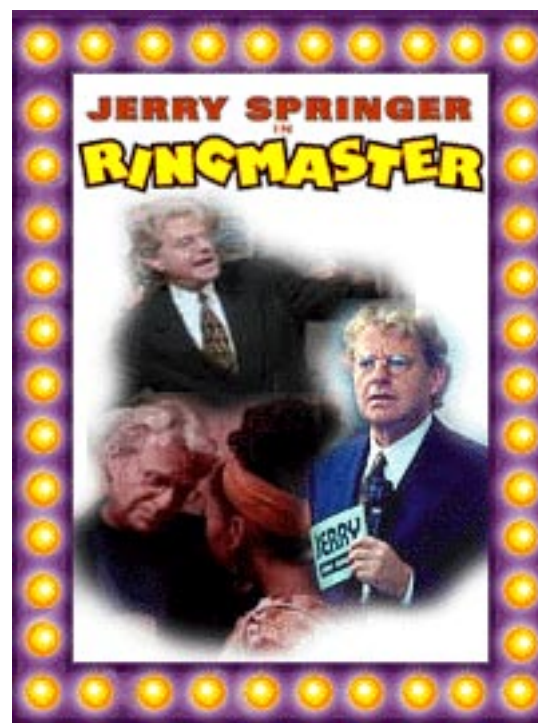
When this bunch of misfits appear on the Springer show and the rowdy crowd starts chanting, "Jerry, Jerry, Jerry," you are

ready for anything to happen.

Unfortunately, nothing extremely noteworthy ever does.

So until next time, take care of yourselves, and each other...

**-Darcey Ralls
Staff Writer**



'The Globe Sessions' something to crow about

She's not a diva, she's not another Jagger, she's just what the world needs — Sheryl Crow.

Hallelujah! Crow's newest "The Globe Sessions," is a CD that turns the listeners around, bites 'em in the hiney, and makes 'em come back begging for more.

Especially, especially for everyone's favorite, "My Favorite Mistake." It's great. It has even been compared to having a Stones-esque quality. Hey, I said she wasn't Jagger, not that that's a discouraging suggestion.

I swear that I can also actually hear a bit of an Eagles influence throughout the album.

This girl writes her own music, too.

Frey? Henley? Eat your hearts out, guys.

The overall sound of the tunes is bluesy, hip, kinda cool.

"There Goes the Neighborhood" is the cool, funky kind of tune that you can see a girl who wears flared-jeans and yellow sunglasses listening to. That's really the only way to put

it. "Riverwide" is one of the slower songs on the CD.

You don't really have to wear any particular style of jeans to listen to this one.

"It Don't Hurt" is one of my favorites. It's got that funk sound and, yeah, some Stones quality to it. Somehow, a harmonica sneaks in. It's cool, though.

I also highly recommend this one to those who have CD-ROM on their computers, because of all the computer features offered.

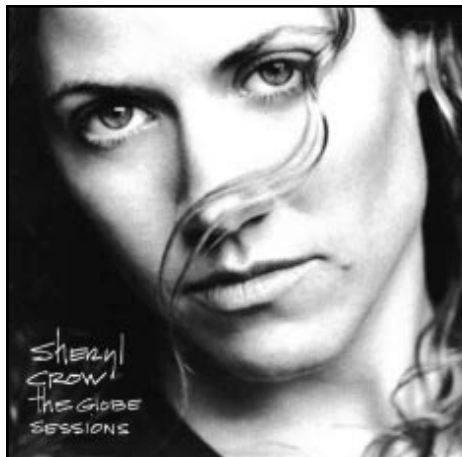
There's a Sheryl

Crow screen saver, a list of the songs and lyrics and a direct link to the album's website.

You can even watch her video for "My Favorite Mistake."

Like I said, it's pretty cool. Buy it. You know you'll like it.

**-Melissa Guice
Editor**



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OKCCC employee remains hospitalized

By Melissa Guice
Editor

Test Center Assistant Diana Hulseberg is still in the hospital after an auto accident almost killed her nearly two weeks ago.

Hulseberg is doing well now, said her husband, Charles.

"She gets better every day," Charles said. "Especially after everything she's already been through."

However, he said, Hulseberg has much more ahead of her.

"She'll have to learn basic things over again," he said.

"She'll have to learn how to get in and out of a car, out of bed, even how to get to the bathroom."

Charles said the family will have to learn basic care for Hulseberg, too.

"We're going to have to learn things over as well — we'll have to learn how to pick her up and carry her to minimize pain on her part."

For the time being, Hulseberg is still in bed and has only been in a wheelchair a handful of times, he said.

No one knows how long Hulseberg may be in a

wheelchair.

For now, Hulseberg is expected to be moved to the Jim Thorpe Rehabilitation Center in South Oklahoma City to undergo extensive physical therapy.

"She'll be in physical therapy for a while," Charles said. "She has a long, hard road ahead of her, but I think, with prayer, we're ready for it."

The 42-year-old mother of four was on her way to pick up her oldest son from his job when her van was struck by a police cruiser.



Diana Hulseberg

Investigators for the Oklahoma City Police Department concluded the accident oc-

curred when on-duty officer, Sgt. Eric Thompson, failed to yield at a stop sign.

Hulseberg's injuries included a broken collarbone, a broken hip, a broken shoulder and arm. Several of her fingers were also broken.

Thompson, is still employed with the OCPD, pending an investigation and a review board's ruling.

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College strives to be above average in retention rates

By Jamie Johnson
Assistant Editor

While the national average for retention shows OKCCC is right on the mark, the college is attempting to pull that "C" average up to an "A."

According to John Barker, director of research, retention refers to everything a college does to promote a student's success.

Retention rates are based on the number of first-time, full-time, degree-seeking students who enroll one semester and return the next.

Barker said OKCCC's retention rate is 51.4 percent, about even with the national average of 51 percent.

Myron Mayberry, coordinator of college retention programs, said, while those numbers are all right, he sees no reason why they can't be improved upon.

"The goal of the college is to improve the overall learning environment for the students," Mayberry said. "When the overall learning environment and support services are improved, then retention rates will pull themselves up."

At the moment, Mayberry said, the college is in the evaluation process.

"The college has been

around a quarter of a century.

"Now we are looking at all the data, determining what type of students we have had in the past and what kind of students we have attending the college now," Mayberry said.

"This will help us determine some of the best ways to improve the learning environment for students."

Mayberry explained that many factors determine retention rates.

He said when a student doesn't receive a degree from OKCCC, that does not mean the college has failed the student in any way.

For instance, many students come to OKCCC from

rates and numbers, and more on improving the quality of the learning for students.

One way the college is trying to improve the quality of the learning and the learning environment is to implement more active learning.

"In the past students and professors both have taken a passive route to education," Mayberry said. "The student would walk into a room, be lectured for 50 out of 55 minutes and then leave."

"We are trying to get both professors and students more involved, through projects or some other means," Mayberry said.

He said it is also important to improve the quality of student services.

"That is part of the college experience."

"The financial aid center can't help a student if it doesn't

know that [student] exists," Mayberry said.

He said the construction of the library was one step toward improving learning facilities.

"The science center is being improved now and, eventually, it will be the entire main building," Mayberry said.

"It is important to understand that, to improve a student's overall education, both Student Services and Academic Affairs work together."

"When the overall learning environment and support services are improved, then retention rates will pull themselves up."

—Myron Mayberry
Coordinator of College Retention Programs

the University of Oklahoma or from the University of Central Oklahoma, simply to take a class.

The choice may be made either for economic reasons or some other reason, but they never plan on receiving a degree from OKCCC.

Mayberry said even if these students don't receive a degree from OKCCC, the college has still been successful in doing its job to teach them.

Currently, Mayberry said, the college has begun to focus less on retention

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Artwork encourages viewer interpretation



Left: Photography student June Baldwin examines John Brandenburg's artwork which will hang in the library through Feb. 14. The works pictured, from left to right, are "Face With Eyes Closed," "Interactive Figure," "Red Stripe Figure" and "Liberty II."



Right: A close-up view of the painting "Face With Eyes Closed." Brandenburg works with acrylic paints to create his newest collection of 17 paintings entitled "Simplified Figures."

John Brandenburg, art reviewer for The Daily Oklahoman, has currently changed sides of the picture.

Brandenburg is being featured though Feb. 12, in his newest exhibit in the lobby of the library.

Brandenburg will be hosting a reception, slide presentation and lecture at 7 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 2, in the library.

"I consider my work to be a celebration of the human body and nature," Brandenburg said, "but one or more times removed and recycled by the imagination."

Brandenburg's "Simplified Figures" is his newest collection. It consists of 17 acrylic paintings which, he said, reflect his interest in the human figure, combined objects and landscapes.

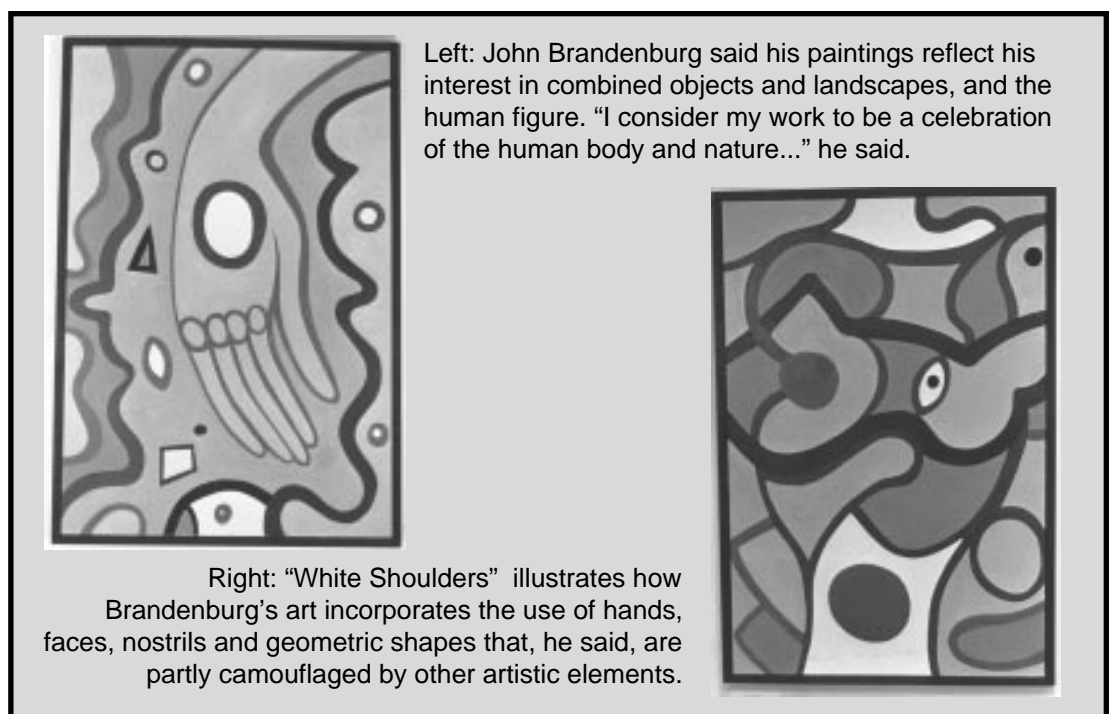
These paintings incorporate hands, faces, nostrils, and geometric shapes, that are partly camouflaged by other artistic elements.

"The paintings are handled in a semi-abstract style that leaves some room for fantasy and creates enough ambiguity for viewers to project their own interpretations of them," Brandenburg said.

Compared to earlier works these paintings are larger and less expressionistic than some of his other paintings, he explained.

"I have attempted to simplify compositional elements as much as possible in order to place more emphasis on line, color contrasts, and surface structure — achieved by mixing a textual medium with my paints," Brandenburg said.

Brandenburg's work can be viewed during library operating hours of 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday through Feb. 14.



Left: John Brandenburg said his paintings reflect his interest in combined objects and landscapes, and the human figure. "I consider my work to be a celebration of the human body and nature..." he said.



Right: "White Shoulders" illustrates how Brandenburg's art incorporates the use of hands, faces, nostrils and geometric shapes that, he said, are partly camouflaged by other artistic elements.



•TEXT BY JAMIE JOHNSON•
•PHOTOS BY JOHN THOMAS•

Highlights

Production a combination of fabulous musicals

Get your tickets early for the theater production of "This Fabulous Century," a compilation of songs and dances from the most fabulous musicals of the 1900s. A special Valentine's Dinner Theater is scheduled for the production, which will be held Feb. 11 through Feb. 14. Conductor Gwyn Williams, with his chamber choir, the Jazz Ensemble and Drama Professor Patrick Daugherty teamed up to produce this event.

Officer elections to be held at drama club meeting

Elections for archivist, vice-president, and public relations officer will take place during the drama club meeting at noon on Wednesday, Jan. 28 in 1F5. The drama club's involvement in the upcoming musical, "This Fabulous Century," will also be discussed. For more information contact the publicity officer, Alice Onco, at 329-8270.

It's a family thing at OKCCC

A focus on the family is being featured during a new series offered by the Office of Recreation and Community Services at OKCCC. Courses in the series are designed to help parents and children understand one another by providing information about personality differences, discipline, self-esteem and more. A four-week seminar, "Sandwich Generation," is designed to help participants deal with the demands of working all day and taking care of parents at night. Class members will also examine the different stages of aging and the types of stress experienced by caregivers. This class costs \$20 and meets from 7 to 8 p.m. on Thursdays beginning Jan. 28. For more information or to enroll in any of the classes in the family and parenting series, call the College's Office of Recreation and Community Services at 682-7560.

Downtown college offers international study tours

Whether for necessity or for fun, classes offered at the five-school Oklahoma City Downtown College Consortium are attracting students in droves. The consortium consists of faculty from the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, OKCCC, Oklahoma State University-Oklahoma City, Redlands Community College in El Reno and Rose State College in Midwest City. The Downtown College Consortium is offering two very special international study tours planned for Spring Break '99. The first will tour England and Southern Scotland and can be taken for credit or as a one hour audit course. The second will tour Southern Ireland and is not offered for credit. For more information about the tours, call Jay Parmley at 232-3382 or Big Sky Tours at 255-2131.

Free aerobics class for students

Beginning Feb. 1, an aerobics class will be offered free of charge for any OKCCC student who wants to have fun while burning calories. It is a great chance to get in shape and meet new friends. The fun and challenging classes will meet at 4 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays in the aquatic center, room 1C4. The class will start with a combination of low impact and step aerobics with some kick boxing. Each class will end with toning and stretching exercises. If you are interested in attending any of these aerobics classes please sign up at the wellness desk in the aquatic center. The aerobics classes are limited to the first 30 people. You must be in the registration book and have your student ID to participate in the class. For more information call 682-1611 ext. 7363.



Photo by Stephanie Goad

Phi Theta Kappa stuffs the bus: The Alpha Theta Alpha chapter of Phi Theta Kappa recently sponsored the "stuff the bus" project. They positioned collection boxes in many areas around the OKCCC campus. Students were encouraged to donate new toys for needy Oklahoma children. The donations were collected by club members at the end of the project and taken to the Christmas Connection.

Phi Theta Kappa members are pictured here on the bus with all the toys that were collected. Pictured are Kathy Bates and her twin children; Stacia Roybal, Phi Theta Kappa president; Jamie Winders, corresponding secretary; Cherlei Bustos, member; Chris Malcolm, public relations; Malinda Elliott, vice-president; and Richard Rouillard, Phi Theta Kappa adviser; and Dana Glencross, adviser.

Program helps deaf students understand English grammar

By Darcey Ralls
Staff Writer

OKCCC has been bridging the gap between the hearing and non-hearing worlds since the fall of 1997 by offering a class that teaches English to deaf and hard of hearing students.

Now, the bridge has expanded to include non-hearing students at other colleges as well.

Thanks to a OneNet link, students at the University of Science and Arts in Chickasha have access to an OKCCC course, ASL Vocabulary II. The course teaches English to those who use American Sign

Language.

Students are linked via a camera in the classroom. The instructor, Anna Harman, who is also deaf, can communicate with the students at the remote lo-

camera to zoom in on them.

Stowe said American Sign Language is different in grammar and syntax from conventional English language.

"To these students, English is a second language," she said.

"We were the first school to offer English courses taught by a deaf instructor to deaf students."

Stowe said that if the pilot program works well, other colleges with deaf

populations could be included.

For more information about programs for the deaf and hard of hearing at OKCCC, call Services to Students with Disabilities at 682-1611, ext. 7471.

"We were the first school to offer English courses taught by a deaf instructor to deaf students."

—Pat Stowe

OKCCC Director of Services to Students with Disabilities

cation by using sign language.

Pat Stowe, director of Services to Students with Disabilities at OKCCC, said students interact by touching a microphone at their seat, which causes the

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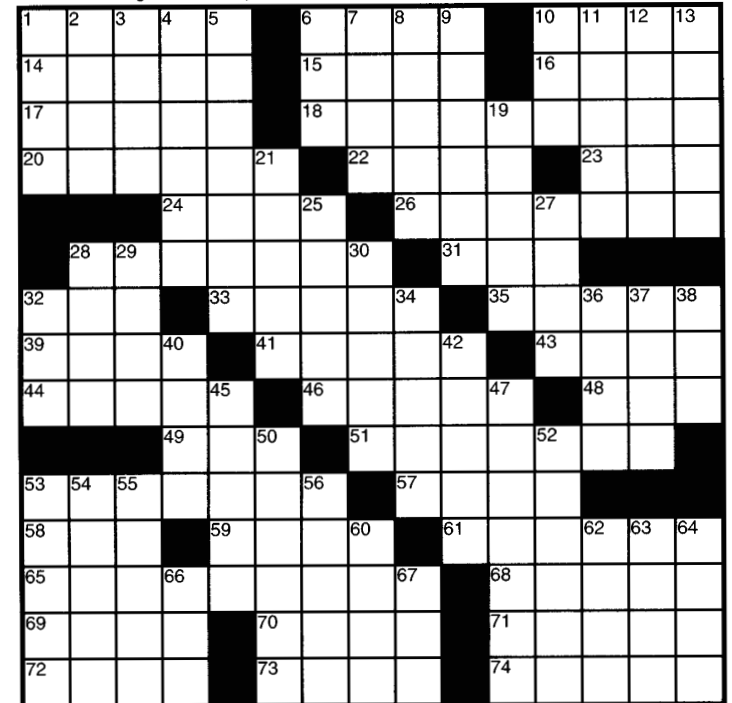
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OKCCC prof elected to state education post

**By Darcey Ralls
Staff Writer**

Sharon Stevens, OKCCC professor of learning skills, was recently elected to the position of president-elect of the Oklahoma Association for the Improvement of Developmental Education.

OK-AIDE is a new state developmental studies organization which allows developmental learning educators from across the state to share different teaching techniques with one another.

Stevens said developmental education teachers



Sharon Stevens

help students who are usually considered under-prepared for college-level work.

"We can share ideas about what works. I am also anxious to show off our college's technology and equipment," she said.

OKCCC offers developmental courses in writing, reading, spelling, vocabulary, study skills and mathematics.

Stevens said the college has been instrumental in the program's success.

"We have a multimedia room with lots of teaching tools to help students learn in the way that they learn best," she said.



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Former Olympian makes a splash, sets American record at OKCCC

**By John Thomas
Staff Writer**

Jenny Thompson, five-time gold medalist, and the 1998 swimmer of the year, set a new American Record in the 100-yard Butterfly Dec. 18 at the 7th annual Kerr McGee Elite Pro-Am meet.

The old record of 51:75, set by Crissy Ahmann in 1992, was smashed with Thompson's time of 51:07.

The event was held at OKCCC's aquatic center.

This is the first American record for the OKCCC Aquatic Center. It has to its name one U.S. Open record.

Thompson's name may spark memories of the 1996 Olympic Games where she was a

triple gold medalist.

With five gold medals, she tied speed skater Bonnie Blair for the most Olympic gold medals won by any woman in U.S. history.

She has a total of six Olympic medals — five are gold — tying her for second place on the all-time U.S. list.

Thompson has amassed an impressive array of awards during her career.



ning five U.S. titles, a record six gold medals at 1993 Pan Pacs, 4th-fastest woman ever in 100-meter freestyle, 7th-

fastest American ever in the 200-meter freestyle, nine-time individual international gold medalist, and 14-time U.S. national champion.

Television channels 4 and 5 were on hand to film Thompson's record-breaking swim, which many say will stand for a number of years.

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Those include: 1992 Olympic double gold medalist, former world record-holder in the 100-meter freestyle, world-record-setting 400-meter freestyle and 400-medley relays at the 1992 Olympics, American record holder in the 100-meter and 100-yard freestyle, USS swimmer of the Year in 1993 after win-

Programs will be updated with help of grant

"Grant,"

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ogy professor, received \$941 for biotechnology program initiatives.

The money will go towards a lab technician's salary for OKCCC's summer biotechnology workshop in 1999 Mulvihill said.

It will also fund Mulvihill's three-day job-shadowing project at a biotechnology company.

John Barker, OKCCC director of research, received \$767 for new survey analysis software.

The program will essentially determine what the school is doing right and what can be improved upon through the analysis of public surveys about OKCCC, Barker said.

"My plans are to start learning the software this spring and begin importing data from the current study by the end of the fiscal

year."

Those who qualified for the grant money had to follow about a dozen criteria before being selected. Among the requirements for selection were that an individual had to be a full time faculty or staff member and had to create a project that addressed the goals of the Economic Development Strategies Plan.

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