

PIONEER

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Time nears to spring clocks one hour ahead

By Melissa Guice
Editor

Put a little spring in your step and in your clock.

A spring forward in your clock, that is.

Yes, it is that time again.

Daylight saving time will officially begin on Sunday April 4.

All Americans will have to set their clocks forward one hour to stay up with the times, literally.

For students at OKCCC the new time change means losing an hour of sleep.

Lisa Woods, OKCCC sociology major, said it takes her a while to adjust.

"For the first couple of days it is hard," she said. "But after that, it is just a matter of whether it is dark or light outside when I wake up."

For others though, it means gaining a new excuse.

Susan Domer, OKCCC student, is one who knows that is short-lived however.

"It might work for the first week or so to blame being late to class on the time change," she said.

She added, "I think I should get something in return for losing my hour of sleep."

Others are unaffected either way.

"It doesn't really matter to me," said Ryan Nesbitt, OKCCC psychology major.

"I have to get up early for classes no matter what."

And that is pretty much how OKCCC staff members see it as well.

"They can use (daylight saving time) as an excuse

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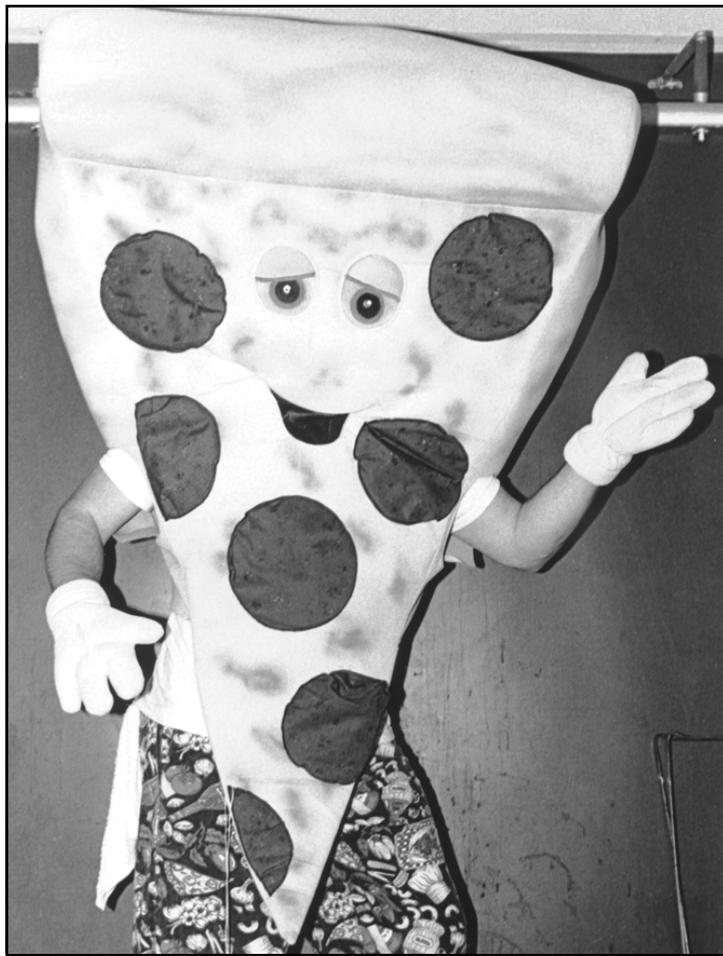


Photo by John Thomas

The Pizza Dude cometh: Run for your life! OKCCC was invaded by a giant walking Pizza Hut pizza slice last week. For related story, see page 9.

Student to receive top national honor

By Jamie Johnson
Staff Writer



Anita Franks

OKCCC Student Anita Franks said she still can't believe her recent good fortune.

The American Physical Therapy Association's Student Assembly named Franks Physical Therapy Student of the Year.

Because of the honor, Franks will receive a one-week expense-paid trip to Washington D.C. to attend the National Physical Therapy Conference in June.

She will also receive \$500 in cash to spend while she is in Washington.

The conference will last four days and will incorporate learning workshops as well as expert speakers.

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Theater major enjoys success

Spencer Francis already familiar with bright lights of Hollywood

By Darcey Ralls
Staff Writer

Spencer Francis was confident that his name would be on the cast list recently posted on an Arts and Humanities bulletin board.

After seeing that he had been cast as a lead in the upcoming production, the OKCCC theater major exchanged congratulations and condolences with the other anxious thespians who were gathered around.

"They are also using one of my plays," he said.

The sweet smell of success is nothing new to Francis.

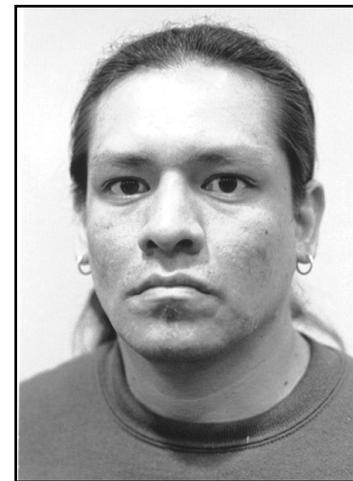
He has been in many productions and has been nominated for an Irene Ryan award by Cameron University. It's the most prestigious award given to collegiate actors.

In addition, he acted in the major motion picture, "Last of the Mohicans," which has been described as one of the greatest period pieces of all times.

Dressed in a black windsuit with his long, black hair pulled back in a ponytail, Francis is comfortable, relaxed, calm and confident. Confident, but not conceited.

Francis, a Native American with Creek, Caddo and Pawnee ancestry, was born on Jan. 20, 1967, in Nebraska. Shortly after he was born his family relocated to Oklahoma.

He said he is family-oriented. He speaks fondly of his siblings and said his brother-in-law is his best



Spencer Francis

friend.

He's close to his father as well. He describes him as, "the strongest man I've ever known."

Francis said, when his father was born, he was mistaken for dead and placed in a bucket. But Francis's grandmother retrieved him and began stroking her little son's skin. His father eventually bellowed out a much-welcomed cry.

Francis's father, born a

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Editorial

Cockfighting, bird-brained sporting event

Oklahoma is one of only three states where the cruel, violent and inhumane practice of cockfighting is still legal. Citizens Halting Inhumane Cockfighting (CHIC), a grass-roots organization, plans to initiate the citizen ballot process which would bring the issue to a vote in November 2000.

Bird (brained) breeders are cocked and ready to defend their so-called sport. They claim that these birds are "natural fighters" and that they would do it anyway if they were in the wild. This is absurd! While it is true that wild animals will often fight over food, territory or mates, such fights generally take place only to establish dominance and seldom result in serious injury.

In staged cockfights, two roosters, usually injected with drugs to make them more aggressive, are placed in a pit to fight.

Their natural spurs are sawed off and replaced by razor-sharp steel blades or by gaffs, which resemble 3-inch long, curved ice picks. These artificial spurs are designed to puncture and mutilate. The roosters are forced to fight until one is severely injured or dead. Winners as well as losers suffer severe injuries including broken wings, punctured lungs and gouged eyes.

When I lived in Durant, cockfighting was considered a "family event." The presence of young children at cockfights is especially disturbing. Cockfighting is a vicious and brutal activity that breeds violence against all animals including humans. Exposure to such brutality can promote an insensitivity to animal suffering and an enthusiasm for violence.

A statewide survey sponsored by the Tulsa World indicates that 65 percent of Oklahomans would vote to outlaw cockfighting if the issue were put to a vote. Almost 54 percent of the respondents said they didn't know cockfighting was legal in Oklahoma.

After filing the petition, CHIC will have 90 days to gather at least 69,887 valid signatures, 8 percent of the voters who cast ballots in the governor's race last November. The group will shoot for 150,000 signatures, because many of them inevitably will be thrown out as invalid.

I strongly encourage everyone to sign the petition which will allow this issue to be brought to a vote. Then, in November 2000, vote to abolish the violent and blood-thirsty practice of cockfighting.

For more information or to help with this campaign, contact CHIC at P.O. Box 581014, Tulsa, OK 74158-1014 or e-mail me at: DarceyMaysey@excite.com

—Darcey Ralls
Staff Writer

CPAs provide free tax advice

To the Editor:

As April 15 rapidly approaches, Oklahoma taxpayers may be searching for answers to difficult and often confusing tax questions.

To relieve some of the stress associated with filing tax returns, the Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Accountants (OSCPA) will provide free tax advice during "TAXWISE '99," a live, one-hour, statewide televised program. The broadcast will air from 8 to 9 p.m. on Monday, April 5, on OETA, Oklahoma's Public Broadcast Station.

The annual program, hosted by Oklahoma Businessman Vince Orza features a panel of five Oklahoma CPAs who discuss common questions associated with filing both state and federal tax returns.

The volunteer CPAs include Edmond CPA Karen

Allen, a shareholder with Peters and Chandler in Oklahoma City; Ken Ames, a shareholder with John M. Arledge and Associates in Edmond; Norman CPA Robert Castleberry of Castleberry and Associates; Ron Emmons, managing partner of Emmons Hartlog and Swarthout; and Clinton CPA Gay Minnix, a partner with Minnix Phillips and Minnix.

In addition, a volunteer phone bank of more than 20 CPAs will be available to answer viewer call-in questions.

The program shows taxpayers how to work through their tax forms and provides tips to help minimize tax liability.

If the phone bank is unable to answer the call during the program, callers will be directed to a free CPA referral service that will help locate qualified CPAs in

their area.

The statewide, toll-free number for the program is 1-800-288-4829.

Telephone lines will be open only on April 5, from 8 to 9:30 p.m.

—Oklahoma Society of
Certified Public
Accountants

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Comments and Reviews

Mad for 'Mod Squad'

The Brat Pack meets Mission: Impossible

Here's the introduction of the century: The Brat Pack meets "Mission: Impossible."

What is it? "The Mod Squad."

This movie rocks.

OK, you've got Claire Danes (My So-Called Life, The Rainmaker) who plays an updated version of Julie, a girl arrested for assault turned undercover cop wanna-be.

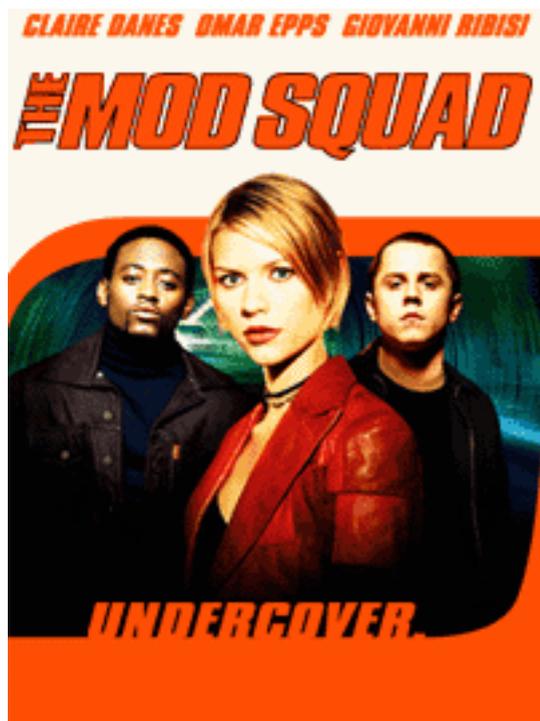
Then there's Omar Epps (ER, Higher Learning). He's Linc. He had a flare for fires, he

was arrested for arson and also turned into a police officer.

Finally, Giovanni Ribisi (Friends, The Other Sister) is Pete. The comic relief in the movie was originally arrested for robbery and turned into an updated version of 21 Jump Street Johnny Depp.

Eddie Griffin (Malcolm and Eddie) makes a brief but memorable cameo appearance in the movie.

The story goes along the



substance in some places. All right, all right, it lacks substance in most places but I still liked it, actually I loved it.

It has everything that makes a good movie. It has suspense, drama, comedy, and exactly what the mod squad was based on: style. It is a fashionable movie. Danes looks awesome the entire time. And the guys, well, oh, yes, they look great, too.

The movie, which is based on the short lived 60s show of the same name, has res-

urrected an almost obsolete relic.

I had never seen the Mod Squad let alone heard of it before this movie hit.

Nevertheless, it is a good movie, it's a lot like my worn-out tape of Tom Cruise in "Mission: Impossible." I'd watch it again and again and again...

—Melissa Guice
Editor

same lines as any Lethal Weapon movie would. The kids find out some bad cops are dealing drugs and making deals.

Before anything can become of their findings though, their undercover operation is halted while internal affairs investigates the mystery surrounding the squad's boss. And so the story ensues.

Of course, with most action movies, I have to admit, the story does lack

OSU transfer days '99 coming in April

To the Editor:

The Center for Student Development has just received information from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater concerning their spring transfer workshop.

OSU Transfer Days '99 will be held on Thursday, April 1 and Friday, April 2 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Interested students should submit an application for admission, an official college transcript in addition to the \$40 ad-

vanced fee payment to OSU's Office of Admissions before April 1.

Students wanting more information should contact the Center for Student Development at 682-7535.

—Mary Turner
Student Development
Counselor

You could advertise here for \$8 a week. Call Becky at 682-1611, ext. 7674.

Is there something you want to see here? Call Melissa at: 682-1611, ext. 7675

On Melissa's mind

I've pretty much come to the conclusion that it is human nature to lie.

I'm used to it. I'm a journalism student. I've been lied to more times than you could shake the official libel handbook at.

Knowing that, is it too difficult to ask people to at least 'fess up when caught in a lie?

My little brother, who is only 4 years old, is a perfect example.

The little brat decided to relieve himself upon an entire roll of toilet tissue and just leave it hanging there on the dispenser roll.

This makes no sense because the toilet is literally inches away from the roll. He probably had to stand up on the stool in order to fully saturate the tissue anyway.

Nevertheless, I, being the ever-fervent sister and more so, the roving reporter, drew a few conclusions before I actually blamed the male version of a walking Betsy-Wetsy.

I figure someone had dropped it in the toilet and just didn't want to get caught.

OK, now that is pretty good, but who would have the audacity to pick a full roll of toilet paper out of the water and place it onto a roller but wouldn't have the guts to tell someone they accidentally (or even, purposely) dropped it in the toilet?

So by then, I'm even thinking, maybe our dog decided to relieve himself upon the roll.

Seriously, this is a Chihuahua with a brain about the size of a small walnut.

Surely, he could not balance himself on top of a toilet seat while hiking his leg and fully saturating an entire roll of two-ply, extra soft, quilted toilet paper.

So I asked the child if he perhaps missed the can and soaked the paper.

He replied with a pretty convincing no.

I believed him and figured it was a freak accident or some type of divine blessing in the form of urine I had failed to see.

So, I let it go and waited.

Let's just say I didn't have to wait very long.

The very next day, the replacement roll was soaked too.

There's no way this could've happened by accident. And I have heard the Lord may work in mysterious ways but — these were just sick.

I confronted him again and he came clean.

And, for that matter, in my family, where corporal punishment pretty much rules the household, he was spanked and sent to the corner.

Why not just tell the truth the first time?

Why not just come out and say it?

Here's the only bit of advice our family could gather from the whole experience: Might as well tell the truth now, it'll leak out sooner or later anyhow.

—Melissa Guice
Editor

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Journalism job fair provides opportunities

By Jan Gilbreath
Newswriting I Student

Novice journalists gathered in the Oklahoma Memorial Union on the University of Oklahoma campus recently to meet news pros.

The opportunity came about as part of the Job and Internship Fair held by the Oklahoma Pro Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists.

A panel discussion on "Workplace Realities," moderated by OKCCC professor Sue Hinton, was first on the agenda. Editors Mike McCormick of the Shawnee News-Star, Joe Hight of the Daily Oklahoman and Mike Kellogg of the Stillwater NewsPress

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—Sean Stephens
Cameron University

shared advice on writing, networking, interviewing and getting that first, second or fifth job. Writers Kim Morava of the Shawnee News-Star, Kelly Crow of Oklahoma Today magazine, Nick Jungman of the Wichita Eagle and photographer Chris Smith of the Enid News & Eagle rounded out the panel, contributing helpful hints for surviving college and job-hunting. Most panel members suggested internships as the best way to learn the craft.

As in any field, persistence, professionalism, and preparedness were mentioned as ways to get that foot in the door and make an impression.

Ziva Branstetter, assistant city editor for the Tulsa World, addressed the group as the keynote speaker.

With a flavor of "what it's really like out there," Branstetter presented personal anecdotes of her life as a reporter in Guthrie, Tulsa, and Philadelphia as well as insight into what makes a good reporter.

"Don't go to an editor and say you want to write a column," she warned.

She said being willing to start wherever needed is a plus in getting a job. Honesty, ability to navigate the Internet and being familiar with various types of publications also put an applicant at the top of the list.

Students had the opportunity to meet the panel members and other news representatives later in the afternoon. Several students brought portfolios and résumés to share with editors.

Stacie Gorman, an OU student majoring in political science and advertising, attended the job fair with hopes of getting a paid internship this summer.

Sean Stephens, editor of the Cameron Collegian, Cameron University in Lawton, attended also.

"It's an excellent way to get face-to-face interaction with the people who hire," he said.

Of the approximately 50 students in attendance, most were there looking for jobs. That was not the only attraction, however.

Aaron Cooper, journalism major from OU, said he is interested in working as a reporter after graduation and was getting bonus points from his journalism professor for attending the fair.

Computer mastery certificates added to OKCCC curriculum

By Casey Felty
Newswriting I Student

Students now have an even greater selection of classes to choose from.

On Feb. 16 the OKCCC Board of Regents authorized the administration to request approval by the Oklahoma State Regents for the college to offer two new certificates of mastries.

As a result, OKCCC students may now obtain a Certificate of Mastery in Computer Science-Microcomputer Technician and a Certificate of Mastery in Computer Science-Network Technician.

Daylight Saving Time nears

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but it doesn't matter," Trish Bilcik, OKCCC professor of psychology, said with a chuckle.

"I'm certainly sympathetic when it comes to oversleeping but an absence is still an absence."

Daylight Saving Time was instituted in the United States during World War I in order to save energy for war production by taking advantage of the later hours of daylight between April and October. During World War II the federal government again required the states to observe the time change. Between the wars and after World War II, states and communities chose whether to observe Daylight Saving Time. In 1966, Congress passed the Uniform Time Act which standardized the length of Daylight Saving Time. Arizona, Hawaii, parts of Indiana, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have chosen not to observe DST.

Professor of Computer Science Pete Weaver composed the new certificates.

"I wanted to give the students that I was advising a chance to be successful as well as reach their goals," he said.

Students must complete six courses to obtain a mastery in Computer Science-Microcomputer Technician.

Those are Intro to Computers, Beginning Programming, Micro Operating Systems, Micro Computer Technology, Micro Computer Internet and Multimedia

A student working toward a mastery in Com-

puter Science-Network Technician must complete the above courses as well as Windows Support, Local Area Networking and Network Administration.

For additional information, call Pete Weaver at 682-1611, ext. 7371.

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—Pete Weaver

OKCCC Professor of
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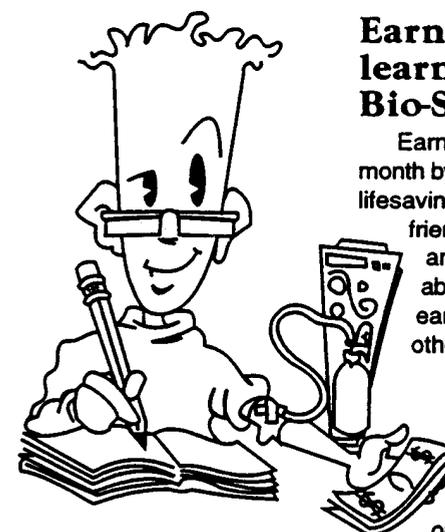
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Student development counselor can help students beat phobias

**By Nicole Winfrey
Newswriting I Student**

Phobias for today's college students center around academics and success.

Students need not face their fears alone but should look for professional help in the counseling center.

Amy Thornton, business student, said the phobias college students face are life choices.

"We all have so many fears but for our age group we are thinking more long

term," she said.

"Subconsciously, we have a deep phobia of not making a decent living.

"We all have a fear of where we will end up," Thornton said.

Nursing Student Tara Cossey said she believes phobias are a fact of life.

"I don't think, during the course of one's life, you totally resolve phobias," she said.

"We always have a need and fear to keep succeeding, especially in this fast-paced society we live in," Cossey said.

She said she believes college students all have one phobia in common.

"Test anxiety is an issue we have all experienced," Cossey said.

Ed Williams,

OKCCC student development counselor, said there are ways to beat test anxiety and other phobias.

He said a good way to abate test anxiety is to be prepared.

Williams offers a 45-minute power point workshop at the beginning of the semester that offers students an insight on test phobias.

Study ahead of time, take notes and listen carefully are some suggestions Williams gives in the seminar.

Williams also stressed that students should get away from the habit of cramming right before a test. He said that should ease the phobia.

For more information or to obtain brochures on phobias contact Ed Williams at 682-1611, ext. 7613.

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—Tara Cossey
OKCCC Nursing Student

Hooray for Hollywood...

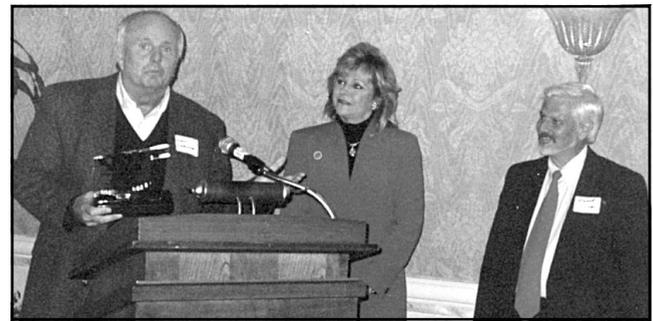


Photo courtesy of Scott Tigert

Dr. Manuel Prestamo in Los Angeles with the Oklahoma delegation led by Lt. Governor Mary Fallin for the purpose of recruiting film projects to Oklahoma. As part of that effort, Prestamo presented Gray Fredrickson, academy award winning producer of films such as The Godfather, an award in recognition of his support and assistance in launching the Oklahoma Film Institute. Fredrickson was very moved by the award, presented to him during a special reception for leading Hollywood personalities and film industry leaders with ties to Oklahoma, and voiced his continuing interest and support for the development and expansion of Oklahoma Film Institute activities.



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Class of 65+ pay rapt attention at health seminar

By Susan Brown
Staff Writer

The faces of the students may have shown a little more maturity than the norm, but the students of the class of 65+ exhibited at least as much energy as their younger counterparts.

About 75 people attended the class of 65+ seminar on Tuesday, March 23 at OKCCC.

"The seminars are a cooperative effort between the college and BlueCross and BlueShield of Oklahoma," said Kathy Goss of the OKCCC recreation department.

The seminars, which are

held on alternate months, cover topics of interest to seniors.

March's schedule included sessions on "Long-Term Care 101," "How to Enhance Your Fixed Income," and "How to Write Down Your Family's Past."

The Twilight Stars, a senior tap dance group from the senior center at Will Rogers Park, entertained an appreciative crowd at a luncheon in the Student Union after the classes.

Patty McDoulett, recreation director at the senior center, also performed.

The group meets bi-monthly. Anyone interested in attending the May class of 65+ may register by calling 1-800-522-9266.

Right: Hettie Lane admires the Twilight Stars, (pictured below) a dance troupe that performed at a recent luncheon sponsored by BlueCross and BlueShield.

Photos by John Thomas



'Tales of Tofu Terror' recounts instructor's close brush with health



Joe Jackson, author of "Tales of Tofu Terror."

By Melissa Guice
Editor

Tofu scares a lot of people.

One person in particular has taught College Writing and GED classes at OKCCC for more than nine years.

Joe Jackson, OKCCC adjunct professor, is a runner, a writer and a well-

known hater of tofu.

The author of "Tales of Tofu Terror" was recently published in The Oklahoma Runner, a magazine that caters to marathon running.

"The story is about my brush with tofu in a health foods store," he said. "I was trying to eat healthy but

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Job searching involves more than filling out applications

How important are good grades, club membership?

By Jamie Johnson
Assistant Editor

Now that you've graduated or are about to, it's time to get a job.

You've always heard about this infamous college transcript that follows you around for all to look at, but it is true? Do employers really care what you made in that physics class that you slept through?

According to David Haskins, staffing coordinator for IBM, they care.

"When I hire someone for a professional position, I look at all their grades. The more boring the class, the closer I look at it," Haskins

said.

It's a good indication about how the person will handle a boring job that they are given. Not every job is the most fun in the world, but they all have to be done.

Mike Gordy, human resources director of Xerox, did not seem to have the same opinion about the effects of grades on being hired.

"Personally when I'm looking to hire someone I look at grades, yes, but they don't mean as much."

Some people are just not made to sit in a classroom for hours on end, it's not an indication that they cannot perform a job, Gordy said.

Roger Miller, human resources adviser for Compaq

Computers, feels that extracurricular activities are just as important as grades in getting a job.

"To know that someone can balance school, a part-time job, and then a sport or a club or an honor society says a lot about that person," Miller said.

Gordy said, "I think it says a lot about a person that can handle not only school but an involvement in an activity."

All the companies agree that while grades are important and so are extracurricular activities, that's not all that companies look at.

It is a combination of the way you carry yourself and the overall impression that you leave with a company.

Dressing for job interviews requires advance planning

By Stacey Bartmann
Newswriting I Student

Job interviews are about more than skills in today's job market.

"Sixty percent of a job interview is based on body language and appearance," said Staci McPhearson, OKCCC Coordinator of Graduate Employment Services.

"You want your appearance to match your message."

She said interviewees should stay conservative with their dress and avoid clothing or accessories that may be distracting.

By doing so, she said, the interviewer can concentrate

on your message and what you have to offer.

A pamphlet from OKCCC student life implores students to remember, "Interviewing is a skill. No matter what the job or your age level of experience, you can learn to interview with confidence."

According to the brochure, dressing for success will increase the chances for success.

Similarly, it advises that looking your best creates confidence and may help you become more relaxed.

Regarding job interviewing skills, the brochure states, dressing properly means dressing nicely.

However, it recommends against wearing "trendy clothing, flashy jewelry,

strong perfume or shaving lotion."

Oklahoma State Adviser of Marketing Education Lettie Dilbeck also offered a few tips on appropriate dress for interviewing.

•Applicants should never wear more than one ring on each finger and no more than one earring in each ear.

•Shoes should have a closed heel and toe.

•Hair should be drawn away from the face so that it is not a distraction to the applicant or the interviewer."

Staci McPhearson said, when choosing colors, black and navy are always good choices.

OKCCC secondary education major Chris Mallory

Will your résumé pass inspection?

Accuracy is a must for job-seekers

By Melissa Guice
Editor

You've made your contacts, you've set up your interviews, you're even sitting in front of the computer right now and are intending to type it up — the résumé.

EEK! EEK! EEK! EEK!

If even the thought of typing up your résumé makes you want to scream like Janet Leigh in the shower scene in "Psycho," don't worry. Below are a few tips to calm your fears.

Linda Hallman, a staffing manager at Genie Staffing Services, said objectives were the most important part of a résumé.

"Listing your objectives lets potential employers know that you have goals and that you do want to climb up in the working world," Hallman said.

Accuracy, correct spelling and grammar, attention to details and zero typographical errors are also important.

"Check and recheck your résumé to make sure everything is correctly spelled and presented," Hallman said. "Have someone else check it if you can. They can usually detect errors you miss."

Also important is whether you have a degree or whether experience is more important.

"If you have a degree in a field, then make sure that is placed first underneath your objectives," Hallman said. "If experience is your strong suit, list it right after your objectives."

When it comes to references, never type them directly on your résumé.

"References should always be on a separate page," Hallman said.

"If every résumé you hand out contains all of your references, they'll all be exhausted before you even decide if a certain position is worth it."

Be sure include two to three professional references and two to three personal references on your reference page. It should be kept handy during all interviews just in case you become certain on a position.

said he has a rule of thumb he goes by when preparing for a job interview.

"When in Rome do as the Romans do," he said.

Mallory said he bases his dress according to the po-

sition he is applying for.

He summed up his take on the importance of professional appearance with one important line.

"The first impression is the lasting impression."

Students to participate in mock disaster drill

By Portland Jones
Newswriting I Student

With help from Romeo Opichka, OKCCC's emergency medical technology program director, Southern Nazarene University in Bethany will stage its first mock disaster drill April 28.

The drill will be part of a workshop scheduled for the same day.

Working along with Opichka will be SNU's Kathy Kirk and Mary Hubbert, assistant professors of nursing.

Opichka, who has headed mock disasters before, came up with the case scenario for this one.

He said the drill will simulate the aftermath of a tornado that has struck a dorm on SNU's campus.

The SNU nursing staff is hopeful the drill will help teach nursing students several things — to understand the role of a nurse in a disaster, disaster preparedness, and understanding the psychological aspects during and after a disaster and triage.

SNU and OKCCC students will play the part of 55 victims. Opichka said about 10 students will have major injuries. There will also be some lacerations and panic-stricken individuals, he said.

Seven SNU nursing students and 10 OKCCC students will gain insight into the victim's perspective as they play the parts. The remaining nursing students will get no information about the disaster.

Opichka said the nurses will be required to triage and divert the victims to Integris Bethany Hospital.

One or two ambulances will transport the critically injured. The rest will be bused.

The hospital staff, led by Clinical Educator Carol Young, will then have to organize how they will handle the influx of patients.

"The mock disaster will take about a half day from start to finish," Opichka said.

That morning, there will be a discussion lecture format. When everything is wrapped up, SNU's counseling service will assist in the debriefing of victims and health care providers.

Professors honored with national awards

Editor's note: Six OKCCC professors will receive the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development award May 26 in Austin, Texas. Three of those professors are highlighted below. The other three will be highlighted April 5.

By Charay Johnson
Newswriting I Student

OKCCC Professors Kayla Fessler, Anita Philipp and Rick Vollmer will be honored May 26 in Austin, Texas, when they receive the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development award.

NISOD is an award for excellence in teaching and learning.

Dean of Business Joel Kinnamon nominated Accounting Professor Kayla Fessler for the award.

Kinnamon said Fessler deserves the award for being so helpful in the business division.

"She is student-focused," he said.

Lou Wood, an accounting II student, agrees.

"Fessler is the best teacher in this school," he said.

Wood said Fessler keeps the class interesting and fun.

Fessler has taught at the college for 19 years and said she plans to stay another 15 or 16.

"Teaching is very rewarding," she said.

When asked what it means to her to receive the award, she said, "It's special. I am so appreciative."

Mary Williams, dean of business and computer technology, nominated Computer Science Professor Anita Philipp for the award.

Philipp said she feels one reason she was nominated for the award is because she developed the college's first online course.

Williams said it is that and more.

"Anita goes above and beyond. Students make heart-warming comments on her evaluation forms."

Philipp has taught at OKCCC for 14 years. She said she is surprised to be nominated for the award.

"I am honored that I

have been recognized and appreciated for my hard work, time and effort."

Rick Vollmer, OKCCC political science professor, is described by a fellow professor as "student-centered."

That attribute may be a factor that contributed to Vollmer receiving a NISOD award.

John Hughes, dean of health, social science and human services, nominated Vollmer.

"Vollmer is an excellent teacher," Hughes said.

Vollmer has taught at OKCCC for 18 years. He said he will continue teaching as long as it is challenging to him.

Vollmer said, in receiving the NISOD award, he is also receiving recognition that he is helping students.

"It gives me a little encouragement," he said.

Student Tanya Bohm said Vollmer deserves the award.

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Pizza Hut makes it, Sellers bakes it, students devour it

By **Jamie Johnson**
Assistant Editor

Pizza Hut makes it, OKCCC bakes it and now you can eat it.

As of March 22, Sellers Catering has begun selling personal pan pizzas from Pizza Hut.

Bill Coffey, coordinator of risk management and service contracts, said he thinks the addition of the pizza to the Sellers menu is a great idea.

The idea came about when owner of Seller's Catering Jim Sellers, chef Eddie Hardwick and Coffey were thinking about how to bring pizza back on the menu.

"Once the cafeteria did serve pizza," Coffey said. "It was on a rotation but it was served."

A Pepsi representative had the idea to involve Pizza Hut.

Coffey said the decision to use Pizza Hut also had a lot to do with a branded concept. He said people know the name Pizza Hut and they identify with the brand name.

"There are three choices of personal pan pizzas," said Coffey.



"Students have the choice of cheese, pepperoni or supreme."

The pizzas are made by Pizza Hut and brought to OKCCC refrigerated. Then, Coffey said, the Sellers Catering staff cooks it.

Pizza Hut has also included a timed, conveyor pizza oven as part of the deal, Coffey said.

It takes an average of eight minutes for a pizza to run through the conveyor belt from start to stop so no student should have to wait very long for a pizza, Coffey said.

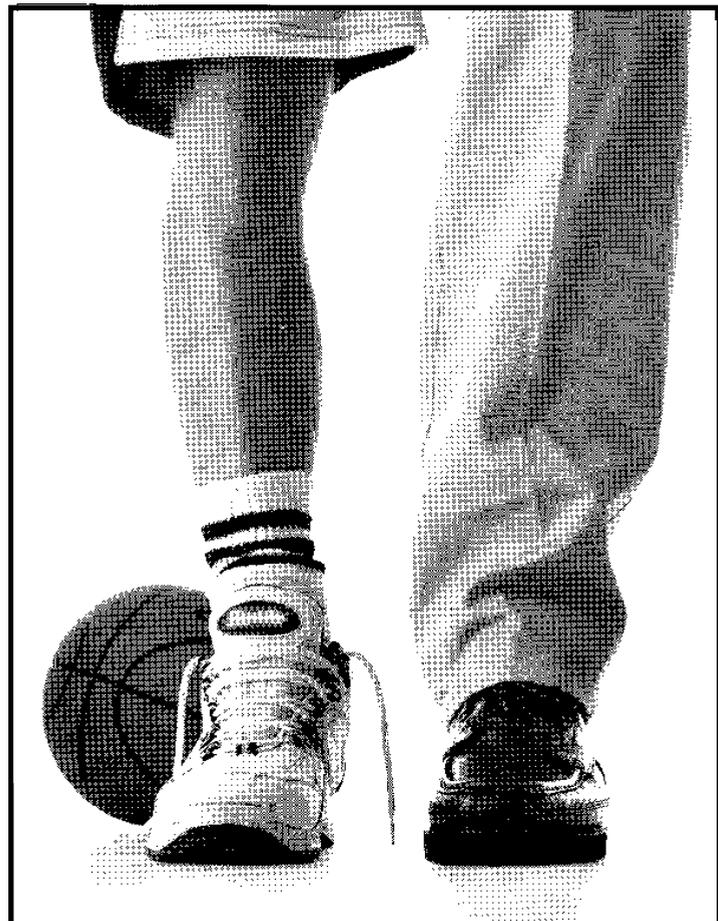
"It's really a win-win situation."

"This ensures that we make a quality product, which ensures that we sell more pizza, which in turn means they sell more pizzas."

A single, personal pan pizza sells for \$2.99.

However, for the really hungry, Sellers is now offering Pizza Hut meal deals:

- A personal pan pizza, 3 breadsticks and a drink for \$3.99.
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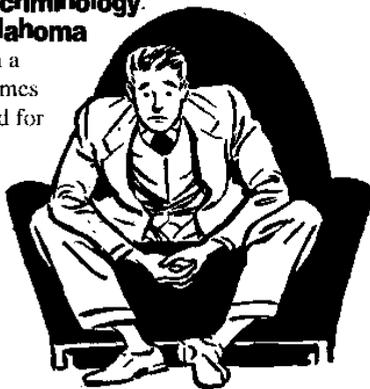
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**Enrollment begins for returning students
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Highlights

Baptist Collegiate Ministries to provide speaker, lunch

The Baptist Collegiate Ministries is sponsoring speaker Stephen Black, of First Stone Ministries. Black will deliver his lecture, "Dealing with homosexuality," at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, April 1 in room 3N0 of the main building. Lunch will be provided. Prior to the lecture, BCM will have a table set up in the lobby of the main building so that students, faculty and staff can meet and speak with Black.

Humorous evangelist to speak at Chi Alpha

Ziggy Sanchez, an inspirational speaker, will be speaking at the Chi Alpha lunch hour meeting at noon on Wednesday, March 31 in 2N7 of the main building.

Tuition fee waiver applications available

Summer tuition fee waiver applications are now available in the student financial aid center. Completed applications should be returned to the financial aid center no later than April 23. No applications will be accepted after 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23. Academic tuition fee waiver awards will be posted in the student financial aid center on May 7.

Volunteers needed to help with middle school tours

J. P. Johnson, coordinator of College Club, needs volunteers to help with the middle school tours. Roosevelt Middle School students will be visiting OKCCC on April 5 through 7 from 9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Webster Middle School students will be touring the OKCCC campus on April 12 through 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. For information about volunteering, contact J. P. Johnson at 682-1611 ext. 7533.

College staff to make and bake for scholarships

OKCCC's second annual Make It! Bake It! And Sell It! spring fund raiser will be held on Wednesday, March 31, in the main building commons area. Craft items and baked goods will be sold during the event with all proceeds going directly to the Faculty Association Scholarship Fund.

Excellence in teaching award deadline approaching

The last day to turn in nominations for the President's Award for Excellence in Teaching award is Friday, April 2. Nomination forms should be returned to Dr. Paul Sechrist, vice president of academic affairs. The President's Award is bestowed during spring commencement ceremonies upon a full-time faculty member who demonstrates exemplary skill and finesse inside and outside the classroom. The recipient of this prestigious award will be presented with a plaque and a cash award of \$1,000. To review the criteria for the award or to receive a nomination form, contact Kay Morrow at 682-1611 ext. 7661.

OKCCC to offer self-defense course

The Office of Recreation and Community Services at OKCCC will present Fit to Fight, a progressive, primary response self-defense system designed specifically to provide the most effective methods possible to avoid, diffuse and neutralize a hostile situation. The course will be taught by Jeff Jefferson, an instructor of martial arts with experience as a police officer and U.S. Army Ranger. The first class, held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 6, will be offered free to the public as a demonstration of the importance of self-defense. Regular class will meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for four weeks beginning April 8. Cost is \$30. For more information or to enroll, call Jonie Welle at 682-1611 ext. 7205.



Photo by Darcey Ralls

Speaker gives tips for job hunting: The Office of Student Life at OKCCC provides a wide variety of activities on campus each year including leadership and job placement speakers. Bradley Richardson, author of *Jobsmarts for Twentysomethings*, spoke to an audience on Feb. 23 about how to look for and find the perfect job. Pictured (front row) is OKCCC student Samantha Hopkins. Also pictured (second row l to r) are Cathy Wardlow, an RN Instructor at Francis Tuttle Vo-Tech, and Christina Hendricks, Jennifer Venters and Amy Baker, Francis Tuttle students.

Enthusiastic organization meets to praise, worship

By Susan Brown
Staff Writer

A small but enthusiastic religious club meets every Wednesday at noon for an hour of praise, worship and Bible study in room 2N7 of the main building.

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship is the local group of an international student association which is sponsored by the Assembly of God churches.

"Usually about 10 to 20 students attend our meet-

ings" said Ruth Hudson, staff.

"All students are invited to attend regardless of their religious affiliation," Hudson said.

About 15 people attended the March 10 meeting to hear pianist and speaker Debbie Prom lead the worship and Bible study.

"She's the praise and worship leader at my church," said Chi Alpha president Casey Satterlee, an education major at OKCCC.

"I really enjoyed the worship, because any time to

get alone with God is precious."

Many students joined in as Prom played the keyboard and sang before teaching the Bible study.

Ziggy Sanchez will be the special speaker at the March 31 meeting.

Students interested in Chi Alpha may visit the club's new web site at: www.okc.cc.ok.us/chialpha



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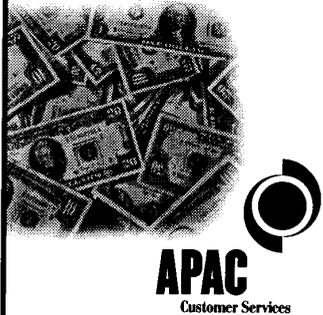
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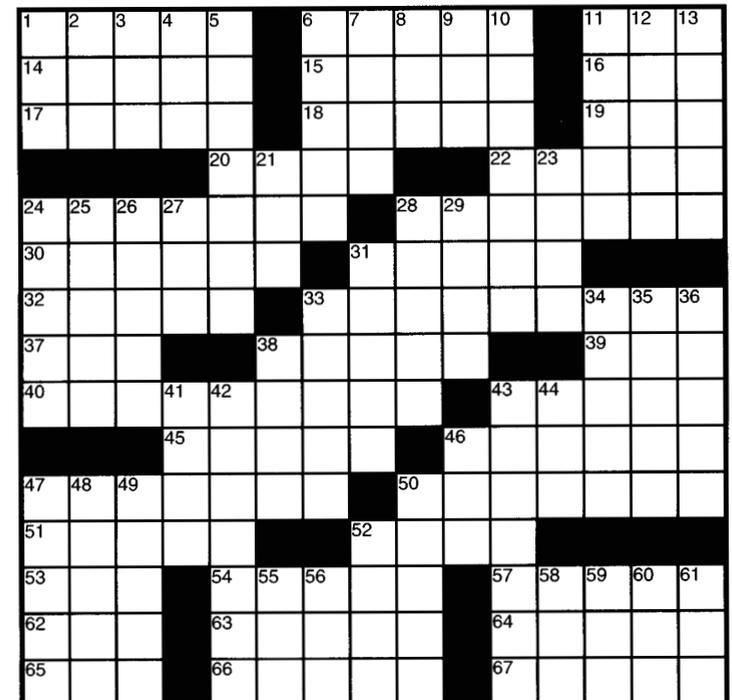
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Instructor's literary work published

"Tofu,"

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after the tofu hot dog caught on fire on the grill, it was so awful, even the dog wouldn't eat it."

Jackson's tofu trauma story is just one of the many he has had published.

"I also had one about this runner that I called 'Jean Guy.'

"He always wore a button down shirt and jeans when he ran because he didn't want anyone to see his skinny legs."

Jackson, himself, is a runner. He has participated in about nine marathons

including ones in New York, Chicago and Las Vegas.

Jackson and his wife, who is also a runner, plan vacations according to races.

They pick a destination that has a race going on during the last day of a weekend like a Sunday or even a Monday.

The family spends the days prior to the race sight seeing and doing typical vacation activities until the day of the race.

"That way you can just die on the plane after the race is over," Jackson joked. "Never race on the first day of the vacation. You'll be too sore to enjoy the rest of it."

Jackson still encourages everyone to run a marathon someday.

"Running is the healthiest thing anyone can do," he said.

"After you finish your first marathon, you are just overcome with this unique, life-changing feeling. It's unexplainable."

Jackson also mentioned the various running clubs in Oklahoma City, Edmond and Norman.

"These (running clubs) are full of a bunch of good guys who are just dedicated to running.

"We don't go out late and pick up women at bars or anything. We're too tired."

Student fulfilled through film, music

"Francis,"

Cont. from page 1

fighter, joined the Air Force and served in Vietnam. His mother, Chairman, was the first woman leader of the Caddo tribe.

Frances said his parents try to attend all of his productions.

He also said he has never played a part that he would be ashamed for his parents to see.

"If my character has to cuss," he said, "I'll warn my mom ahead of time."

The son of a Southern Baptist minister, Frances has been involved with the church his whole life.

"I'm a preacher's kid," he said proudly. "I'm a Christian."

The church also provided Francis with his first outlet for one of his many talents — singing.

"I've been singing in church since I was this high," he said.

"I really just got up there to sing because one of my uncles gave me \$5 to lead the singing every time I got up there. It was a payin' job!"

As a seven-year-old lead singer in church, Frances said, he learned a lot of different songs including

Native American hymns in Caddo, Creek and Kiowa.

In school, Frances cultivated his singing and acting skills by participating in the choir and drama.

At 18 he followed in his father's military footsteps by joining the Air National Guard. He was a second lieutenant by the time he was 20.

It was the summer of 1991 when Frances's uncle told him about a movie that was being filmed, "Last of the Mohicans."

They were looking for Native Americans to be cast as extras in the movie.

Frances soon set out for Asheville, N.C., where he was transformed with costumes and make-up into a Huron Indian.

He received \$100 to cut his hair, \$110 per day plus room and board, and he also made an extra \$50 per scene each time he performed a "stunt bump" which meant he died during the scene.

Once, during the filming, a friend standing next to him was injured when his musket backfired.

Bleeding real blood, he fell to the ground. No one realized he was hurt until the scene was over and he didn't get up.

"I just thought he was a good actor," Francis said.

He said he enjoyed his experience filming the movie and rubbing elbows with actors Daniel Day Lewis and Bill Murray.

In September, before the film was finished, he returned to Oklahoma to go to school.

Even though this is Frances's first semester at OKCCC he is no stranger to college life.

He has attended Oklahoma Baptist University on scholarship, received a music scholarship to Oklahoma City University, studied music theater at Cameron and attended Rose State College.

"I'll go anywhere they'll give me money," he laughed.

Frances said he plans to go on to the University of Oklahoma and major in education.

"I love to sing so much and performing is such a drug," he said.

"It's just something I've done my whole life.

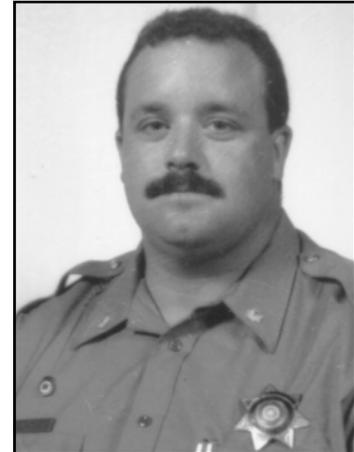
"But, honestly, I'd love to teach."

Twenty years from now, Frances said, he plans to be teaching English at the college level.

"Of course," he said, "I'll never quit performing."

Security officer enjoys job, life

By Mike Colley
Newswriting I Student



Keith Bourque

Those who frequent the OKCCC campus are in good hands — those of the OKCCC Campus Safety and Security officers.

They are the ones in the blue uniforms who patrol the entire school, helping make sure everyone is safe.

The man who heads up the team is Interim Head of Safety and Security Keith Bourque.

Among other things, Bourque said, he is the man who sees to it that everyone's car is safe while in the parking lot and takes care of any emergencies that might arise on campus.

He was one of the original officers hired at OKCCC in 1992, but said he has been working on campus in some capacity since 1989.

Originally from Louisiana, Bourque also lived in California before coming to Oklahoma in 1983.

After living both places, Keith said, he appreciates the slower pace of life in Oklahoma.

Bourque said he enjoys working around students and wants them to feel

comfortable approaching any of the security officers.

"Students do not seem to view [us] as human beings at times," he said.

Student Brent Buchheit said he has a higher regard for Bourque after experiencing an accident while on campus.

He said while playing basketball in the gym, a friend hurt his knee. Bourque was the responding officer, Buchheit said.

In addition to seeing his friend being treated nicely, Buchheit said "he seemed to know the paramedic procedure very well."

Bourque said he is an all-around happy man. He likes his job at OKCCC.

"I like the atmosphere and people I work with here."

Franks credits instructor, classmates for honor

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"This is such a big honor for me," she said.

"I'm still in awe. It's just so astonishing that I was competing not only against students in Oklahoma, but students from all over the nation and I won."

Franks has been a student at OKCCC for three and a half years.

She worked as an administrative assistant for 20 years but slowly got burnt out. Deciding to

make a change she went back to school to pursue her degree.

"Several things made me choose Physical Therapy as my major. The main reason was because when my son had a form of polio and needed physical therapy I watched how much that helped him," she said.

Franks credits her classmates and her instructor, Peggy Newman, with helping achieve this goal.

"I could not have done this without the help and support of my classmates and my clinical Instructor."