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Photo by Ryan Johnson

Music to the ears: Dustin Jordon, left, and Kevin Webb blow mean horns in the OKCCC Jazz Combo. The band, six members strong, practices from 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Security officers report for duty OKCCC's newest security staff bring lots of experience with them

By Michaela Marx
Staff Writer

Two officers with a world of experience between them have joined OKCCC's safety and security staff.

Officers B.J. Boyd, 29, and James Springer, 35, came on duty Aug. 17.

Both have police force backgrounds. Before becoming college security officers, they worked for a contract security company



Photo by Ryan Johnson
James Springer

which provided safety services to the college.

Before working at OKCCC, Boyd said, he worked for the Blanchard Police Department.

He also served in the U.S. Army for 10 years. A leg injury forced him to retire two years ago.

He said he spent nine months in Desert Storm activities and as an army ranger, he said, he went to Europe, Korea many other places in the world.

Springer served for the Tuttle Police Department as a reserve officer and emergency medical dispatcher. The native Oklahoman said he has worked as a security officer before.

"Most of the time our job is helping unlock doors, jump-starting cars and opening classrooms."

Both said the college provides a safe and quiet environment for students, faculty and staff to work and study.

As security officers they



Photo by Ryan Johnson
B.J. Boyd

are also responsible for the college's traffic program. Writing tickets for parking and traffic violations is a part of their job.

"Usually the people deserve the tickets, when they park in fire lanes for example," Boyd said. "We too have to show up 30 minutes before work to find a parking spot."

"The Community College is a great place to work. There are a lot of good people around," he said.

Former OKCCC student receives 1999 EMT award

By Vickie Southard
Newswriting I Student

Towana Smith said she is proud to have been a participant in the EMT program at OKCCC.

Smith, a former OKCCC student, received the Oklahoma Emergency Medical Technicians Associations award for the 1999 EMT Director of the Year.

Smith has served as Director for the Tuttle Emergency Medical Service since 1992.

The mother of an active daughter said she wanted to raise her awareness of basic first aid.

So, in the spring of 1990 she took a First Responder course. During the course, she said the "bug bit" and she continued taking courses to become a Basic EMT.

"OKCCC set the standard for EMT training in Oklahoma," Smith said.

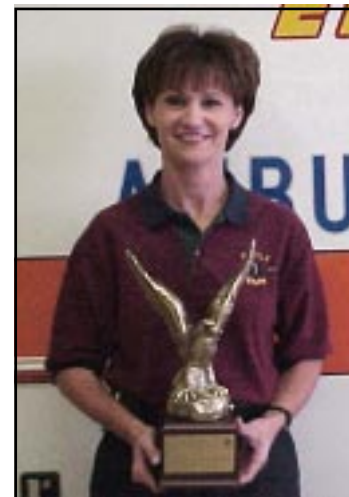
She said OKCCC's willingness to schedule classes around the working adults made it easy for her to participate.

"Everyone goes into the Emergency Medical Service for different reasons," she said. "Initially the biggest reason is for the excitement"

Smith said having basic EMT training is not enough anymore because the EMT market in Oklahoma is flooded with licensed EMTs and they are staying in their jobs.

"OKCCC set the standard for EMT training in Oklahoma."

—Towana Smith



Towana Smith

In most Emergency Services, basic EMT's are drivers and gofers she said. Most services now require their technicians to carry credentials of the Intermediate level or higher.

Tuttle Intermediate EMT Gerald Cook said every EMT, no matter what level of certification, must be re-certified every two years and every service has to be licensed.

To re-certify, one must attend and complete refresher courses and take a required number of CEU's (Continuing Education Units) per year, depending on their level of certification.

Smith said being an EMT requires that your level of compassion be the same whether you know the patient or not

She said she enjoys working in the community where she lives, because when someone needs help it feels good to be there.

Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

Machine or man — Who's in charge?

Recently a friend clicked onto an Internet service page at her home computer. Instead of the expected page, displaying links to search engines, e-mail weather and news, porn-pictures popped up on her screen. She was not able to exit this page, her mouse froze. Finally she unplugged the computer and re-installed her Internet service.

As the tasks we can perform with computers broaden, the more one question is asked: Is the Internet the best invention since sliced bread or is this amazing technology a threat to society?

At first it sounded great. Students researching term-papers within hours on a PC. People banking online from home. Online purchases with the touch of a mouse button and, of course, a credit card.

Companies all over the world are connected. Some people don't even have to get up and dress for work. They do their work from home and e-mail the results quickly to the central server.

Society would never have realized how deeply woven we are into the world wide web if the millennium bug had not crawled out of its hole and thrown humanity into a worldwide Y2K panic.

But yes, everything is connected. Therefore, everyone is also connected.

A halfway talented 15-year-old computer nerd is able to bypass security codes, passwords and get in computer files. Hackers have even made it into the systems of the Pentagon.

Reports tell of people whose credit card information was stolen online and young kids who typed a keyword into a search engine only to end up on porno site. These stories now scare our fully computerized society.

When those issues first stirred up the public, voices were raised to regulate the Internet.

In 1996 President Clinton signed the Telecommunication Act into law. It contained a provision designed to stop pornography from reaching people under 18 through radio, television, phones and computers.

Critics said the bill went too far and violated freedom of speech. Three months after the bill became law, a federal court ruled that the ban of indecent material from the Internet could not be enforced because it was "unconstitutionally vague and violated free speech protections."

Current laws against obscenity and child pornography still apply to the Internet, but the federal court called the Internet "a never-ending worldwide conversation." In their opinion, government had no right to interrupt this conversation.

I, a student journalist with an opinion about almost everything, am far from wanting to compromise on freedom of speech. But I am aware that tomorrow somebody could mess with my files — especially at OKCCC where so many computers are available to the public and are hooked to the same server. There is no way to protect your privacy or intellectual property once you're logged onto a computer that is part of the global network.

Is it possible this amazing communication technology has outgrown our control?

—**Michaela Marx**
Staff Writer

The '50s not that wonderful

To the Editor:

It seems, in her editorial, "Fear Controls Our Society," Becky Gerred is proposing that we could 'improve' our society if we just went back to those 'good old days' of the fifties. Her memory is a bit faulty.

Perhaps she has forgotten that our black citizens had to go all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court simply to gain the right to send their children to public schools.

Minority citizens were deprived of their most basic human rights, including the right to vote, to purchase and live in a resi-

"Many of our fears today are based more on media hype and misperception than on reality."

—**Ellen Kazmeirczak**
OKCCC Student

dence of their choice and to be served equally in places of public accommodation.

Ms. Gerred does mention the fear of communism that was so rampant in the fifties.

Does she also remember Sen. Joseph McCarthy and the mockery he made of our Congress with his wild and baseless accusations? Or the many lives and careers he destroyed?

Far from the sugar-coated view of Ms. Gerred, the fifties were a time during which rampant racism and intolerance...made a mockery of those principles of freedom which are the foundation of our country.

I admit to being somewhat younger than Ms. Gerred is. I was born in the mid-fifties.

Some of my earliest memories include the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, daily body counts on the nightly news during the Vietnam War, the assassination of

Martin Luther King Jr. and the riots that followed, and National Guard troops killing peaceful student demonstrators at Kent State University.

I do not recognize the world she describes.

Daily family dinners are something I have never experienced; we had too many people on conflicting schedules.

Reading was voluntary, but since my parents were likely to be watching something like Lawrence Welk, I learned to love reading.

Our doors were always locked at night.

As for the schools, they taught me that because I was female I could not be a doctor or scientist, that my main role was a child bearer and housewife, that 'acceptable' careers were primarily limited to nursing, teaching or secretarial work.

I very much prefer the world of today to the rigid, conformist society of the fifties.

We are more diverse and more open than ever, and I celebrate that diversity for the multitude of options it offers.

Life was never as black and white as it was portrayed in the fifties, it was simply more restrictive than it is now.

Right and wrong still exist and are still relevant, but our definitions are becoming more complex in order to deal with issues that were unheard of a generation ago.

Many of our fears today are based more on media hype and misperception than on reality.

Violent crime is actually on a decreasing trend but sensationalism in reporting makes it seem to be the opposite.

Parents fear their children being molested by strangers while statistics indicate the real danger lies

with family and friends.

Fear can rule us only if we allow it to. Ignoring the realities of a complex society in favor of nostalgic memories of a simpler past is a sure way to guarantee you will be ruled by fear.

Face what you fear, look it in the eye, understand it and in doing so you will free yourself.

—**Ellen Kazmeirczak**
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Comments and Reviews

Stephen King series gets five-star rating

The story starts with a middle aged man in the desert. He has a donkey and carries two six shooters. Sounds like a typical western.

This is how Stephen King's "The Gunslinger" starts. It is the first in a series of books called the Dark Tower series, and believe me, they're anything but typical westerns.

The story slowly progresses into a scene with our hero Roland of Gilead and an old man in the desert.

Roland tells the old man of his recent journey through a town where the townsfolk wanted to kill Roland so they gathered in a mob to hunt him down.

Roland, armed with only his two six-shooters and his 20+ years of gunslinging experience, killed all 38 townsfolk. Roland was trained in the art of gunslinging from the age of 6 to age 15.

The story quickly gets into Roland's reason for his journey. He is on a quest to find the Dark Tower. The tower holds immense power, but Roland doesn't know where to find it. He seems to have an instinctive urge to travel across the desert to find a special wizard. The wizard is supposed to tell Roland where to find the tower.

Along the way, Roland finds a new companion, Jake. He is an 11-year-old boy from another time. He is from 1970. We are not told if he is from the past or the future because time is on the blitz in Roland's world. The two of them talk and discover that Jake was killed and, consequently, sent to Roland's time.

The two of them travel together and Roland comes to love Jake as his own son. They eventually find the wizard and he tells them something that will change Roland's life forever.

To find out how it ends, you're going to have to read the rest. There are three more books to follow up "The Gunslinger." They are, "The Drawing of the Three," "The Waste Lands," and the latest, "Wizard and Glass."

I suggest that you read all four. They get a five on a five-star rating in my Books o' Greatness chart.

—**Ryan Johnson**
Staff Writer

'Yellow Submarine' good for the soul

I am writing in reply to the review of the Beatles "Yellow Submarine."

It's about time someone writes a good review. The movie did a lot for my soul.

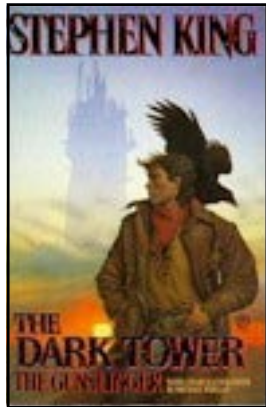
Also, the first time I saw this movie I was feeling the effects of some good mind-altering products. I do have to say my life has changed

since.

I am so glad the movie has been remastered. I know it's going to be on my Christmas list this year.

I give praise to you, man (John Thomas, who wrote the review). Keep up the good reviews.

—**Frank Forter**
OKCCC Student



Fly away with Lenny Kravitz

For more than a decade, singer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist, producer and sexiest man on earth, Lenny Kravitz, has been recording hit albums.

His music sounds as if it comes from a past time, but never sounds dated.

Kravitz's latest CD, simply titled "5," has been around for more than a year now.

After the huge success of "American Woman" from the Austin Power's soundtrack, a revised version featuring two bonus tracks — "Without you" and "American Woman" has been released.

"5" has captured a permanent spot on the charts since its first release in spring 1998. Kravitz won his first Grammy award with the single "Fly Away" for Best Male Rock Vocal. He was the first African-American to win in this category.

On this CD he introduces a new sound.



For the first time he mixes his trademark organic sound with high-tech tunes.

It features rocking songs like "Fly Away" as well as ballads like "I belong to you." One of my favorite songs is "Little Girl's Eyes," a present for his daughter's ninth birthday and "Thinking of You," a tribute to his dead mother.

Kravitz's lyrics are what captured me and made me take notice of his music. They are emotionally, passionate and powerful. It is modern poetry. I do not simply listen, I can feel his music and not just on this CD.

All his recordings are unique. They document where Kravitz stands in his

life at this point.

First achieving public recognition in 1989 with "Let Love Rule," he followed up with the tougher "Mama Said" in 1991.

He dedicated this album to his wife Lisa Bonet, formerly of the Cosby Show, after their break-up.

The rocking "Are You Gonna Go My Way" (1993) and the kaleidoscopic "Circus" (1995) produced a string of hit singles.

Critics used to attack Kravitz because of the obvious strong influences in his music from his musical idols like Jimi Hendrix.

"5" documents Kravitz's artistic rebirth, free from all influences — good and bad. He has found a unique style.

The CD demonstrates that, 10 years after the beginning of his recording career, Kravitz has set his sight on a new exciting sound blending the best of the old and the new for the years ahead.

—**Michaela Marx**
Staff Writer

Bad Co. still bad after all these years

Can't get enough — of Bad Company, that is.

The boys have released yet another record.

The Original Bad Company Anthology is a collection of their best and very best works together.

The double-CD is packed with 33 Bad Co. songs and four that are brand-spankin' new. The other 29 are the oldie-but-goodies.

Lead singer Paul Rodgers has been described as having the best British Blues voice in the biz.

OK, so it sounds corny, but oh yeah, the man can wail.

He lets loose, with the other boys in the band, on the classics "Rock Steady," "Feel Like Makin' Love,"

and "Burnin' Sky."

Oh, better than that, the old ones — the ones you never ever hear anymore — are all over the CD.

Remember the acoustic "Seagull"? The heavy "Honey Child"? Who can forget that really sweet one, "Silver, Blue and Gold"?

The band and their music are timeless.

There's no way it could be duplicated. Just think of the band's anthem, "Bad Company." It's like, who on today's music scene has the cahónas to sing a song and name it after themselves?

Then, there's the song everyone knows — it is like Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven" and Skynyrd's

"Freebird." Of course, I am talking about the one, the only, "Shooting Star."

The fact is, I have seen the band in concert, I have the old albums and even the more updated cassette tapes. But, nothing compares to this CD set.

I know it sounds like I'm trying to sell a new space-age polymer carry-all thingy on the Home Shopping Network, but it is true — everything is right there in one handy case and retailing for only \$29.95.

So, shell out the bucks, take a little trip back in the day to when music was good and bands had really big cahónas.

—**Melissa Guice**
Contributing Writer

Prof finds home at OKCCC

By Reagan Jett
Newswriting I Student

Computer Science Professor Albert Heitkamper has finally found his home at OKCCC after serving in the military for 21 years and teaching a multitude of students in junior high, vo-tech and at another community college.

Having first been introduced to a computer in 1968 while attending high school in Louisville, Ky., Heitkamper said he has never worked outside the computer industry.

Starting out with punch cards and evolving to palm pilots, he said, he has seen the evolution of technology first hand.

"The Internet amazes me constantly. The ever-changing aspect of technology itself keeps me interested," Heitkamper said.

Whether it is through teaching or taking a class



Photo by Ronna Austin

Albert Heitkamper

himself, he said, he plans to be around technology for a long time.

"I love teaching, especially at this institution."

Heitkamper voiced his pride in the fact that OKCCC puts the accomplishments of the students above all else.

"A lot of colleges don't seem so focused on technology and how it, in turn, relates to the success of the student."

Heitkamper and his wife of 27 years make their home in the Little Axe community, where he is a member of the Little Axe school board, a member of the American Legion and part of the Little Axe Chamber of Commerce.

"I like to contribute to society in a positive way and I do that through these organizations."

When he isn't working, Heitkamper said, he enjoys restoring old cars and eating Mexican food.

On his perfect day off, he said, he loves to go hiking or just spending some time with his wife, enjoying nature.

"Of course, I would bring my cell phone and my laptop," Heitkamper joked.

This semester Heitkamper is teaching the classes Local Area Networking, Systems Analysis and Design, Microcomputer Operating Systems, and Intro to Computer Applications.

Record enrollment in auto program

By Erik Jackson
Newswriting I Student

The Auto Service Education Program is celebrating its 20th anniversary with a record enrollment that has branched the automotive course into two classes.

The program shows the successful partnership between General Motors, its dealerships and OKCCC. By donating needed materials, GM allows students to receive training that certifies them in all automotive fields.

"The goal of the program is to train the Mr. Goodwrenches of tomorrow," said ASEP instructor Larry Grummer.

Students not only complete the program with an associate degree, but also become GM certified which ensures them 100 percent placement upon graduation.

The result is an initial hourly pay of \$18, as any GM dealership is willing to hire these certified technicians.

"Most of my students are still working at dealerships," Grummer said.

"They like what they do and the service departments know they can count on our graduates."

The course has proven so successful that Ford, Chrysler and Toyota have created similar programs.

However, Grummer said, GM's ASEP continues as the model by which success is measured.

English professor has taught variety of students

By Katherine Etherton
Newswriting I Student

From prison cells to the classroom, Mary Punches has taught them all.

For the last three years, Punches has taught as an OKCCC adjunct instructor and this fall changed her status to full time.

Punches has had an extensive background in teaching, having taught for the last 10 years.

However, she is unlike most professors. She was a warden in a correction facility for three years and taught in a prison.

"I taught everything," she said, "I taught people to read for the first time."

"I thought I was going to teach English," Punches said, "but I ended up teaching everything in the GED area and then teaching non-readers.



Photo by Ryan Johnson

Mary Punches

"That is probably some of the most rewarding teaching I have ever done."

Punches also taught at the University of Oklahoma while she was getting her master's degree. Before that, she taught high school English in Kansas.

The last three years, she said, she has dedicated her time to OKCCC's English department.

She has also taken on the role of adviser for all the English education majors and is a sponsor for the Future Teachers Organization.

Linda Thornton, OKCCC honors adviser and teacher, said Punches once taught a Women in Literature class for her.

"We both have a mutual love for women's issues and especially women in literature."

"I think that is how we became such good friends," Thornton said. "I have such high regard for her and how she is able to make connections with students."

"She's had a reputation wherever she goes for being an excellent problem solver and for being able to deal with difficult situations."

Punches said making a difference in students lives is what it is all about.

"It is the same thing that

led me into corrections work," she said.

"I like to deal with my students as individuals as much as possible and that means teaching the whole student."

As a warden, Punches was the CEO of the facility. She supervised 150 employees and 900 inmates.

She said she almost always felt safe, but said there was one moment when she was unsure.

"Only one time, and probably because I felt too safe," she said. "I was close to physical danger, but another employee heard."

"It was a man who was mentally ill. He wasn't angry but he was dilusional. I got a little too comfortable and you never should."

Punches said, in that prison situation she had to rely on her ability to communicate.

"The bad times were far fewer than the good," she

said.

Punches and her husband Michael, who is also a full-time faculty member in the OKCCC English department, have two cats and two "grandchildren."

"We have a niece and she has two children and last summer I was in the delivery room when her son was born."

"We feel as if they are our grandchildren. We have grandchildren, but no kids," she said.

In her free time, Punches said, she enjoys writing poetry, working in her yard and around the house, and reading.

"I love antiques so I am frequently out antiqueing. I collect too many things," she said.

Punches received her Bachelor of Arts in English education from Northwestern Oklahoma State University and her Master of Arts in English from OU.

Hearing stories best part of job

**By Emily David
Newswriting I Student**

New professor of English, Dr. David Charlson said his favorite part of teaching English is being able to hear everyone's story.

From students to philosophers, Charlson said, he likes to see how these stories "become a part of writing that goes beyond storytelling."

He said he is especially interested in his students' stories and seeing what has happened to them and what they want to do with their lives.

But this professor has his own story to tell. Charlson is a self-proclaimed rock-and-roll trivia champ.

Charlson said he has been immersed in the subject so long that the facts have just become second nature.

He has an album collection of more than 2000, ranging from artists such as the Beatles to the Smashing Pumpkins.

He said he used to play rhythm and bass guitar for several bands, the last one in 1980 after receiving his undergraduate degree.

This family man of two children and an herbalist wife came to OKCCC after a stint as professor of English in Iowa City, Iowa.

Charlson holds a philosophy doctorate in English from the University of Kansas in Lawrence, a master's in English and a bachelor's in journalism from Iowa State University in Ames.

Charlson said he was initially a computer science major but changed his mind because he wanted to teach something he loved the arts, literature and English. Some subjects he has taught are Introduction to Literature, Introduction



Photo by Ryan Johnson

David Charlson

to the Novel, Developmental Writing and Studies in Literary Theme.

Charlson's suggested reading list would include Sylvia Plath's "The Bell Jar" and J.D. Salinger's "The Catcher in the Rye."

Charlson said he is "delighted" to be at OKCCC.

"I like the democratic mission of the community college," he said. "We take all kinds and serve them well.

"The college is big enough to have some real clout around town. It has equipment to do a twenty-first century job at educating students.

"As far as I can see, Oklahoma students can easily compete with the rest of the world."

Bomb shelter band to perform

**Che' Loessberg
Newswriting I Student**

Music is a universal language. While America has garage bands, Tel Aviv has bomb shelter bands and one of them will be performing at 7 p.m. Oct. 12 in the OKCCC theater.

During peacetime 1983 in Tel Aviv, Amir Gwirtzman, Ori Binshtock Shlomo Deshet and Bentzi Gafni practiced music in a government loaned bomb shelter.

This was the beginning of Esta, a multicultural, instrumental group.

They have since moved to New York, established a following, and have moved back to Israel.

The House Of Blues in Los Angeles, Calif. was one of the venues in which they performed while staying in America.

The House of Blues Manager stated in a press release "it's not only the first show of an Israeli band, but it's also one of the best shows in the history of the place."

The variety of instruments used by this multicultural quartet ranges from pots and pans to eight-string guitars and bagpipes.

Gwirtzman said in a press release, "What we want to do is turn our concerts into a kind of Middle Eastern party.

"We want to break down the wall between audience and performer."

General admission is \$5 and admission for students and seniors is \$4. Financial support is provided by the OK Arts Council, National Endowment for Arts and OKCCC. For additional information visit <http://www.okc.cc.ok.us/global> or call 405-682-7579.

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Highlights

Indian Taco Sale

The Native American Cultural Awareness Organization is sponsoring an Indian Taco Sale from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 6, in the Student Union. \$4 for Indian Taco and \$1.50 for frybread and honey. Music and dancers of the Native American culture will be performing from noon to 12:30 p.m. Proceeds will go towards the Nov. 6 Benefit Pow Wow.

Busy semester being planned

Native American Cultural Awareness Organization plans to meet from noon to 1 p.m. every Wednesday and also every other Monday. Watch the bulletin board for locations of each meeting. For more information call Jennifer Kowena at 793-7886.

Gay, Lesbian & Friends club meeting

GLF meeting will be held at 8:05 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 7, in College Union room 7.

2000 OTA class openings

There are openings in the Spring 2000 Occupational therapy Assistant class. Interested students should apply before noon, Nov. 12. Applications are available in the Office of Admissions and Records. For further information call Barbara Gowdy at 682-1611, ext. 7528.

Come and Play

Psychology/Sociology Club is planning Play Day/Stress Management Day at noon on Wednesday, Oct. 6, in the gym. Dress for volleyball and games.

It's party time

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship is having a gym and pizza party at 7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 9, at Crossroads Cathedral gym. For more information contact Casey Satterlee at 659-7107.

Leadership scholarship available

The George and Donna Nigh Scholarship for \$1000 is available for students with leadership abilities and plans of entering public service. Application requirements and qualifications can be picked up in the office of Prospective Student Services, located across from Student Organizations Office in the main building. The deadline is Nov. 1.

Various scholarships available

Check the rack in Prospective Student Services in the main building for the scholarships that are available. Do not wait too long as they have various deadlines.

Seminar for mental health care professionals

Dr. Curtis Nigh, Ph.D., a licensed professional counselor and marriage and family therapist will be holding a Mental Health seminar titled "Being an Optimistic Therapist and Teaching Optimism to Our Clients." The seminar for therapists and other mental health care professionals will be from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m., Friday, Oct. 8, by the Training Center at OKCCC. Cost is \$55. For more information or to enroll, call The Training Center at OKCCC at 682-7562.



Photo by Ryan Johnson

Relaxing during play rehearsal: Students (l-r) Jeremie Cook and John West IV find time to relax during play practice. Both students are part of the cast of 'Our Town.'

Chi Alpha is not a sorority

It is a Christian fellowship

By Becky Gerred
Staff Writer

Chi Alpha Christian fellowship spreads and receives messages of hope.

Ruth Hudson is the off-campus sponsor and she is excited about the music and devotions.

"We have a great time of singing and that is always very special," Hudson said.

"Our campus pastor, Edgar Ayala comes in every week. He is usually our speaker."

Hudson said Ayala brought an empty tube of toothpaste one week. He asked the students if they sometimes feel like the world has just squeezed the life out of them like the tube of toothpaste.

Then he proceeded to

apply that spiritually. He then challenged the students to let the Lord fill them back up.

"He is very good applying spiritual truths to everyday life," Hudson said.

Students are not only ministered to, but they also minister.

"We select a poor family each year and take an entire Thanksgiving dinner to them," Hudson said.

Students are also allowed to bring devotions from time to time.

"Anytime we can get one of the students to speak that is always very effective," Hudson said.

Chi Alpha is sponsored by the Assembly of God Churches and is international.

"We are on the internet also, at www.okc.cc.ok.us/

chialpha," Hudson said.

All beliefs are welcome to attend.

"I belong to a non-denominational church," Hudson said.

"We also have Assemblies, Baptists, Lutherans and many more."

The meetings are designed to leave students lifted up and refreshed by the time they leave.

"We have a little time to visit and get to know each other. Then we have a time of singing," Hudson said.

"We have two praise and worship leaders. One plays the guitar and one plays the keyboard. J.R. Webster and Sara Kelley are the praise and worship leaders.

"The purpose of the club is to promote spiritual growth, fun, fellowship and study of God's Word."

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- 10 Ankles' sites
- 14 Toast topper
- 15 Tolerate
- 16 Miss Cinders, of the comics
- 17 Soon
- 18 Airline employee
- 19 Glass bottle
- 20 Gets some sun
- 21 — Forest
- 23 Suffix meaning "sort of"
- 25 Dried-up
- 26 Praise
- 30 Delete
- 34 Cow sound
- 35 Nocturnal "movie"
- 38 Cancels
- 40 Spheres
- 42 Follow
- 44 Great achievement
- 45 Gold weight
- 47 Likewise
- 49 Airport info
- 50 Basketball shot
- 52 Fur dealer
- 54 Encircle
- 57 E.T.'s transport
- 58 Old-fashioned documentaries
- 62 "Mask" star

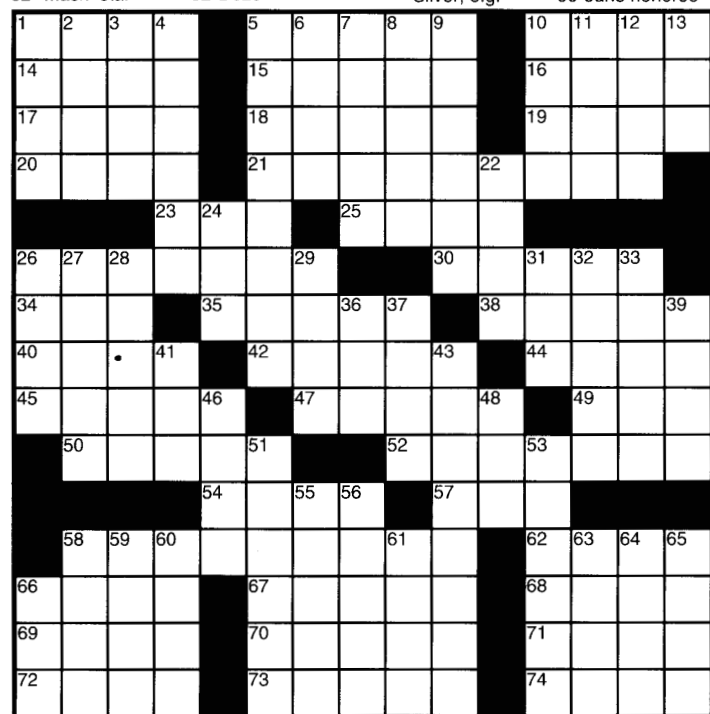
DOWN

- 1 Gravy dish
- 2 Arm bone
- 3 Gas for signs
- 4 Mass of lymphoid tissue
- 5 Blue gemstone
- 6 Emmy's relative
- 7 Swingy tunes
- 8 Cherish
- 9 Hit the hay
- 10 Clothier Strauss
- 11 Writer Wiesel
- 12 Happy
- 13 Actor Mineo
- 22 Houseplant
- 24 Gloomy
- 26 One way to run?
- 27 Reef sight
- 28 Hooded snake
- 29 Heal
- 31 — Wiedersehen
- 32 Doze

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OKCCC's Downtown Consortium expands

Celina Abernathy
Newswriting I Student

A more visible space is expected to be the key to growth for the Downtown College Consortium.

The consortium celebrated the grand opening of its new administrative offices and computer center, Sept. 9, in the Arcade level of the First National Center.

The consortium has 7,000 square feet of space on the fifth floor for classrooms, in addition to the 1,300 square feet of office space in the Arcade level.

The administrative offices and computer center moved from the fifth floor to the newly-leased Arcade

space for two primary reasons.

"We felt the first-floor space would give us more visibility," said Jay Parmley, Downtown College Consortium administrator.

"The second reason is that last semester we were booked during the noon classes.

"Moving the computer center downstairs freed up space for a sixth classroom upstairs."

The expanded computer center offers non-credit computer training classes to students or companies who wish to train employees.

"We've always had a computer lab, but now the computers are newer and the space is better.

"We have more updated

technology that we couldn't offer before," said Parmley.

The consortium is currently serving about 25 businesses downtown, and expects to increase its client base.

"Companies are a huge target for us. We're the only computer-training facility located downtown," Parmley said.

An increase in students is also expected due to the relocation to the Arcade level. There are currently 171 students at the Consortium, 25 of whom are new students.

A portion of the funds used to acquire the new space came from the Oklahoma City Community Foundation and the Kirkpatrick Family Fund.

The foundations were recognized at a special ceremony during the grand opening celebration.

Presidents representing the five colleges in the Downtown College Consortium were also on hand for the event.

OKCCC president Bob Todd thanked the other

presidents for their cooperation.

"It's through our collaborative efforts that students win and the community wins. Everyone wins when we all work together."

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