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PIONEER

Acquaintance rape common

College students most vulnerable

By **Richard Hall**
Staff Writer
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Contributing Writer

Two years ago, then 18-year-old Amy* wasn't licensed to drive and needed a ride home from work. A long-time friend of the family offered her a ride. Soon after getting in the car, Amy wished she hadn't.

Amy was raped.

Now 20-years-old and an OKCCC student, Amy looks back on that day and thinks to herself, if she were to relive it, she would do things differently.

"If that day were to start all over again," she said, "I would not have gotten into his car with him."

Amy became a victim of acquaintance rape, an all-too-common form of rape in which a close friend turns into an attacker.

Of her rapist, Amy said, "I've known him since I was 8 years old. We were just friends; there was nothing romantic at all."

Oklahoma City Police Department Sex Crimes Detec-

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Life on a small scale

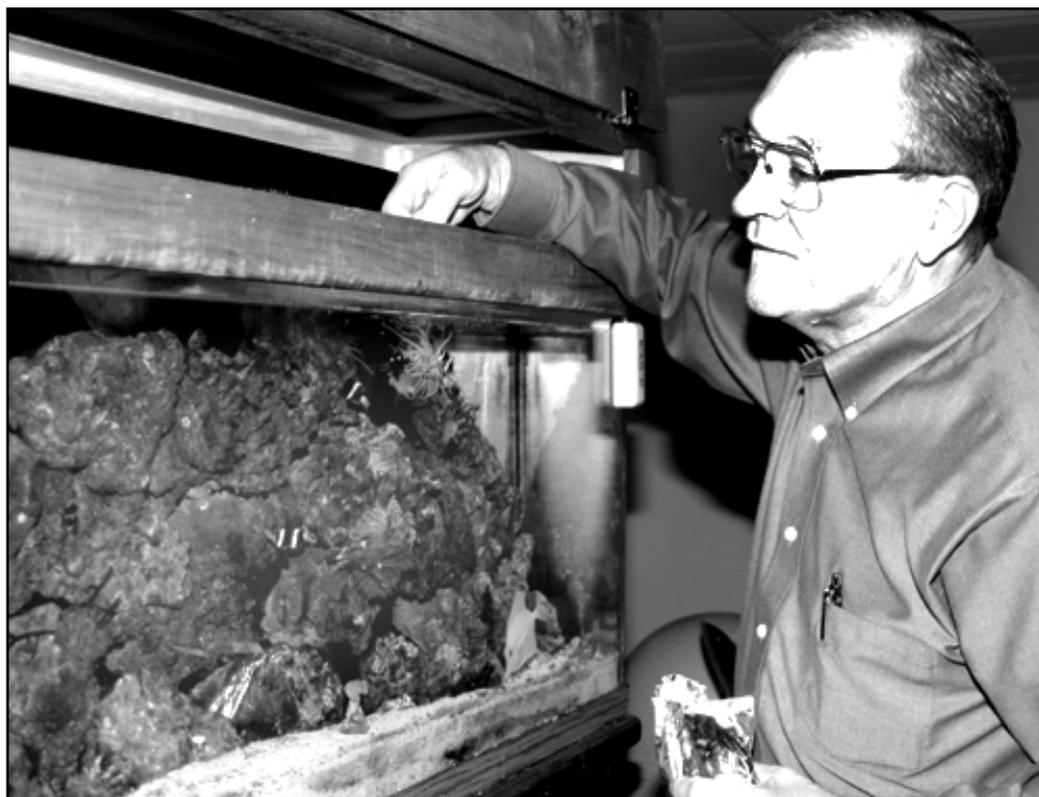


Photo by Holly Jones

Donald Bell, Bioinformatics/Biotechnology Discovery Project Coordinator, feeds this 55-gallon tank's fish usually once a week. Bell said the key to having a saltwater tank is not to over feed it because there are living things in the tank the fish can survive on. "Inside this tank is a working environment," Bell said. "The clown fish feed and cleanse the sea anemones; the sea urchins use live coral to camouflage themselves and the white stripe on the shrimp is an indicator to other sea creatures to not eat him because he is a cleaner, meaning he can help cleanse other sea creatures."

Remember to set clocks back one hour

By **Christiana Kostura**
Editor

Ah, an extra hour of sleep is on its way.

At 2 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, Americans around the nation will turn back their clocks one hour.

Current daylight-saving time dates began the first Sunday in April and ends the last Sunday in October — this year anyway.

In 2007, the dates will change.

Next year, daylight-saving time will begin the second Sunday of March and end the first Sunday of November, adding several weeks to the current timeframe.

The change comes after President George W. Bush signed the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

OKCCC Business Professor Gyanendra Baral said Bush extended the date in an effort to save energy.

However, Baral believes the new daylight-saving time dates will be more costly than beneficial.

"If benefit is higher than cost, then go for it," Baral said. "In this case, it may not be so."

He believes the change might mean Americans are sacrificing convenience for saving some energy.

However, he said, in the end, changing the dates may not help save energy, just create the need to use

different sources of energy.

He said changing the time forward at an earlier date would cause daylight hours to be longer at the end of the day.

The government is hoping longer days will prevent people from going home earlier, and using energy by turning on lights and appliances, Baral said.

"That is saving energy for sure," he said. "Household energy use will decrease."

However, he said, people still have to be somewhere.

He said people would be more likely to stay out later shopping, visiting friends and participating in other events.

More gas would be consumed by vehicles trans-

porting people from place to place rather than just to their homes after work.

Baral predicts people also would use more gasoline by driving places later in the day.

"The government is going to do research in this matter," he said.

Yet, Baral said, he is concerned the government's research may not be comprehensive enough to consider direct and indirect benefits.

"Benefit may be offset by cost," he said.

Student Suzanne Koe-neke said folks won't change their habits that



much.

"People are going to turn their lights on regardless of when it gets dark," the undeclared freshman said.

Baral said gov-

ernment studies also may not take citizens' inconvenience into consideration. He said economists are concerned about happiness too.

Causing disruption of sleeping patterns and routines affects many of the people who participate in daylight-saving time, Baral said.

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Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

Ironic protesters have rights

Some Oklahomans have received unwanted time in the headlines in recent weeks.

They are not politicians, elected officials, criminals or athletes. They are everyday citizens caught in the middle of a Constitutional battle.

On one side is a group of church members from Topeka, Kan., who have made it their practice to protest homosexuality by picketing at the funerals of fallen soldiers.

Opposing them is a group that includes mourning families and an Oklahoma state representative.

After the Kansas group, from Westboro Baptist Church, picketed the funeral of Army Specialist Jared D. Hartley on July 23, a Moore lawmaker responded boldly.

Rep. Paul Wesselhoft pushed emergency legislation making it illegal to protest at a funeral. He named it "The Oklahoma Funeral Protection Act."

The Kansas group held another protest in Oklahoma on Oct. 5, and outside of Wesselhoft's church, First Southern Baptist Del City on Oct. 16.

The group is not picketing the funerals because they are against the war, but instead they are picketing against America.

The WBC website says America is getting what it deserves in Iraq because of the country's support of homosexuality. This includes the U.S. military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy.

Before getting up in arms either way consider this: the U.S. constitution protects free speech and the freedom peaceably to assemble.

Therefore, legally Wesselhoft is not in the position to decide where the group is able to protest.

Former Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas once said common sense often makes good law. It is not wise to pass an unconstitutional law. Nor are the actions of the members of Westboro Baptist Church wise.

They are protesting against the very people who are fighting to protect their freedoms. Even if you do not agree with the current war, the fact is the military's purpose is protecting America. Secondly, the group calls their pickets "Love Crusades" and describes them as peaceful.

Why then is the church's official website www.godhatesfags.com? This paradox hurts the church's credibility and thus, their argument.

It is true we cannot legislate what a person can say, but there is a solution.

First, we should understand the right way to look at free speech. A wise person once said free speech is like throwing a punch at someone and stopping just before you hit them in the nose.

Just because these two groups disagree does not give them the right to step on each other's toes.

Instead, they should hug it out.

—Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

Understand before writing

To the editor:

This letter is in response to three [other letters]: Ware (racism), Anonymous (racism) and Stichka (offensive offender).

It may seem like two totally separate issues being discussed here.

With equally separate viewpoints it is hard to find the common denominator in some of the world's most upsetting topics. Each and every person is entitled to their opinion but has anyone really been listening anymore?

Everyone has been party to an act of discrimination in their life whether it is being chosen last for the team because they weren't that great a player or perhaps they were denied the right to an equal education.

In a world of individuality, I feel as if we are so completely tied with the arguments of our life, they become a part of our identity. When our identity and our ways of life and our feelings are in jeopardy of possible change then we all become a little nervous. No one is accustomed to change but change is not an option. We change when we age, we change when we witness a catastrophe, and we change for a multitude of reasons.

Perhaps it is hard to see a racial issue from either side when both are not listening to the other. Could it possibly be hard for someone that has had little to no experience of racism in their life to completely agree with someone that sees racism as alive and well in the United States?

It's possible but it is not easy. There is never a defi-

nite line and there is never a question of who is right and who is wrong. As for the comment of walking a mile in someone else's shoes and speaking of enslavement and the beating of others, why rest in the past instead of focusing on the future?

If a tornado had wiped out a community of poor Caucasian families and the government didn't respond quick enough (how fast is a fast enough response?) would it be because they are white or poor?

As for the offender [letter] I have to agree with the writer. We don't always know what is going on until we sit back and ask ourselves that age-old question so very much related to the Golden Rule: What would we do?

What if mental health did play a role in the offender? Is it safe for us to assume someone that is different from us is insane with whatever crime they commit?

I'm not attacking the ways of punishment against offenders, I'm just asking for more understanding as I would ask those commenting on racism to do the same.

In closing all I ask is that everyone continue to remember to practice what they preach. The white man may not know why he is a racist merely because his ancestors committed horrendous and terrible crimes. He's being attacked for his race as well.

The black man may not know why the white man cannot see the pain received in the past. None of us chooses our skin color or gender, our parents, our lin-

eage, or our mental health status.

Come together and focus on the future and the problems surrounding it, but let us not live in a past that only brought cruelty, pain, hatred, angst and insane asylums with lobotomies.

—OKCCC Graduate
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Comments and Reviews

OKCCC ignores ethics

To the editor:

It's sickening to know that illegal students in Oklahoma can go to college, pay in-state tuition and apply for state financial aid. They're here illegally, and yet they get to take advantage of the benefits many others who are legal, are not qualified for.

I am an international student. Although I can't speak for all of us on the issue, I can tell you how we feel about being treated differently than illegal students, especially that we're here attending colleges under legal status.

International students are only allowed to work 20 hours per week during a regular 16-week semester on the campus they're enrolled at. We are not qualified for any kind of financial aid.

In the Oct. 10 issue of the

Pioneer, OKCCC Financial Aid Dean Harold Case said, "Exchange students are here to study, get their degree and go home. They're supposed to support themselves and shouldn't have to work."

Most of us would love to work more than 20 hours a week to have extra income to lessen the financial burden for our families overseas. It's true many of us are wealthy, because otherwise, how can any of us afford a plane ticket plus out-of-state tuition and all other living expenses? That doesn't mean our families don't have to work harder than usual to support us.

We are here to study, and that is our primary focus. But, it certainly doesn't have anything to do with us making future plans such as staying here after com-

pleting our studies. If Case doesn't understand what international students have to go through to survive in this country, please don't try to speak on our behalf with his personal beliefs.

Rules and regulations are made for a reason. They may not seem fair, but they're meant to be followed.

International students choose to attend colleges in the United States of America because it has one of the best education systems in the world.

Here, your schools teach students about ethics, but how are we supposed to learn to do the right thing when there are those who are already violating the law by being illegal students in a college environment?

—Name withheld
by request

Aetna prescription-filling woes

To the editor:

I'm writing this to see if there is anyone out there who has as much trouble with the new Rx mail order system we've been subjected to as I am.

I am very conscientious about calling my Rx in a couple of weeks before I run out, I take six medications — two for respiratory problems, two for blood pressure and two blood thinners — all are related to the stroke I had five years ago and help prevent another one.

I have had nothing but fits with the new system, I have received the wrong meds, the wrong strengths and now, this time I was informed that I didn't have refills on two of them, so I asked if they would send the ones that had refills.

[I told them] I would call the doctor and have him fax the Rx to Aetna, which he did on Oct. 3. Today is Oct. 11 and Aetna told me their fax had been acting up and they didn't get the Rx, but no one called to tell me this.

So, I called this morning and they informed me they didn't get it or ship it. I asked them what I was supposed to do and they said I could call my doctor and

get a 30-day Rx called in locally and pay the extra co-pay for it.

I did this once before when I ran out; it cost me \$40 for four pills and then when I went to renew the 90 day Rx by mail they refused because they had just paid for the two-day Rx.

They then said they would call my doctor and get the refills from him. I asked them to ship them overnight and they informed me I would have to pay extra for that, to which I reminded them, "It was your fax machine that caused this, so you should pay for it!"

I'm not sure if I will get the Rx or not, but rest assured I will make it quite clear next time I spend 30 minutes on the phone trying to refill my next batch that I get everyone's names and record the conversations.

Isn't it horrible that one has to do this just to get their meds? It is wonderful to have insurance, don't get me wrong, but does it have to be such a pain? Stress caused my stroke in the first place. Sure hope the cure don't kill me.

—Lloyd Kingsbury
Health Lab Coordinator

F.Y.I.

For Your Information

Come by and meet our new Employment Services Adviser, Mari-Ann Fenn, who has recently joined us from Rogue Community College in Oregon.

In addition to assisting students and employers, she will be in charge of activities for the Student Temporary Employment Program. Mari-Ann will begin with Student Worker Appreciation Week, Oct. 31 to Nov. 4 and a Student Worker Training Session on Customer Service from noon to 1 p.m. on Nov. 9 in CU1 and 2. Watch for upcoming information.

Are you considering a career with the government or a nonprofit organization? When education and government are included, the nonprofit sector will offer the greatest number of jobs in Oklahoma between now and 2012.

The federal government hires graduates in many fields, pays well, and offers generous benefits and retirement packages. Some average national salaries (late 2004) are attorney, \$104,890; air traffic controller, \$99,710; chemist, \$80,065; computer specialist, \$74,229; customs' inspector, \$48,356; and medical technician, \$32,230. Average of all occupations is \$58,282.

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management operates a website, www.usajobs.opm.gov, with information on current job listings. Also useful is the Red, White and Blue site, www.calltoserve.org, which lists general information on federal government careers and how to apply.

For those who are more gratified by helping people and worthy causes than in earning big bucks with private corporations, the nonprofit organizations are appealing. Nonprofits include charities, foundations, private schools, churches, professional and trade associations, many scientific institutions and more than half the U.S. hospitals. Salaries vary widely; but, in general, tend to be lower than comparable jobs in private industry.

Here are some websites specializing in jobs with nonprofit organizations:

- www.idealists.org — Jobs listed with 50,000 organizations in more than 160 countries
- www.intercristo.searchease.com — Postings for positions with Christian organizations in several countries
- www.nonprofitoyster.com — Easy to use, carries approximately 250 jobs and will send information on new openings as they are received
- www.nonprofitjobs.org — Easy to use and lists approximately 350 jobs
- www.philanthropy.com — Tied in with the Chronicle of Philanthropy. Lists approximately 700 jobs and has useful articles on nonprofit careers

For full descriptions of government and nonprofit social service agencies in Central Oklahoma, go to www.docsearch.org. For a small fee, United Way of Oklahoma City sponsors this extensive list.

—Linda Fay
Employment Services Coordinator

Read the Pioneer next week for more letters to the editor about current issues.

Comments and Reviews

Flick or treat this season with eight greats

Now that most college students are grown up, trick or treating is out of the question.

Who says you have to get out in order to have fun?

Celebrate Halloween this year from the comfort of your living room.

Grab some friends, the following movies and have a howling good time.

In the Japanese film **"Audition"** we meet a widower who is seeking a new wife by auditioning various girls for the position, and ends up getting more than he bargains for.

"Audition" has become a pinnacle Japanese horror film and took the saying "needle-in-the-eye" literally.

What Halloween movie list isn't complete without a zombie flick? The 1978 classic **"Dawn of the Dead"** was Director George A. Romero's jewel in the rough.

A sequel to "Night of the Living Dead," "Dawn of the Dead" pits a handful of heroic denizens against an army of undead in, what else, a shopping mall.

The film spawned a remake in 2004 that did little justice to the original's uniqueness and lacked the social-political angle the '70s version took.

Before "Lord of the Rings" and after "Meet the Feebles" there was **"The Frighteners,"** a comedy/horror film by Director Peter Jackson.

Starring Michael J. Fox, "The Frighteners" reveals the scary side of parapsychology as psychic detective Frank Bannister (Fox) helps hunt down a killer ghost.

Humorous, memorable and fun, "The Frighteners" serves as a good buffer to the other scarier films on the list.

This next movie offered the world a tagline we still haven't forgotten: Who you gonna call?

"Ghostbusters" was Ivan Reitman's way to bring a great cast to the table and

dish up a fun concept foreign to the '80s horror craze.

Stars like Bill Murray and Dan Aykroyd brought their "Saturday Night Live" hijinks to the big screen and teamed with other ghost-busting buddies to fight evil in the Big Apple.

Clowns are inherently scary and never more-so than in the 1988 film **"Killer Klowns from Outer Space."**

Imagine being captured by alien clowns and put in cotton candy cocoons only to have your blood sucked out via crazy straw.

The movie is really bad, but one that can't be overlooked for the world.

"The Goonies" meets "Ghostbusters" in the 1987 cult-classic **"The Monster Squad,"** where a group of preteen friends battle Dracula and his goons, who plan to take over the world.

Although the film was made for kids with quite the imagination, "The Monster Squad" is fun for all ages.

What more can be said about a film that reveals Wolfman does, in fact, have nards?

"Shaun of the Dead" takes elements of horror from the infamous zombie films of the past, bundles



them with English humor and packages it nicely as a feel-good comedy/horror treat.

Quirkiness as only the Brits can do, "Shaun of the Dead" follows Shaun (Simon Pegg) as he and friends find refuge from a city torn apart by zombies.

And last, we have **"The Witches,"** a Nicolas Roeg film based off Roald Dahl's children's book of the same name.

Looked over when it re-

leased in 1990, "The Witches" follows Miss Eva Ernst, the Grand High Witch, as she and her band of witches plan to take over the world.

Played by Anjelica Huston, the Grand High Witch puts a speed bump in the plot of Luke (Jasen Fisher), a young boy who discovers the witches' plans and tries to thwart them before being turned into a mouse.

Besides being charming as only a Roald Dahl adap-

tation can be, "The Witches" has a lot going for itself.

There's great make-up and costume work, a fun script and plenty of childish laughs.

Whether you choose to be spooked, thrilled or roll on the floor laughing, these eight movies will help supply good times this Halloween.

—Richard Hall
and Matthew Caban
Staff Writers

'Doom' worse than bad; it's downright awful

Movies and video games are two entities in life which should never intersect. "Doom," the latest video game gone big screen, is a perfect example of why.

Worst than both "Resident Evil" films, "Doom" has little in common with the game.

Starring Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson as Sarge, "Doom" puts the audience in a Mars research facility where a group of Marines hope to discover why people are being murdered.

Anyone aware of the video game will know "Doom" is about killing and more killing. The movie is essentially the same as the video

game in that sense, but surprisingly with less depth.

There isn't much to say about the movie: you've got big guns, monsters and the frequent F-bomb.

To clearly say how bad this movie is, I'll mention I found myself biting my nails half way through, nervous "Doom" would never end.

The acting isn't great, the script is worse than the acting (and that's saying a lot when the biggest draw is The Rock) and the special effects are offensive.

Fans of the game will be appalled, if not at the acting then at the lack of truthfulness to the game.

There are only four kinds of monsters in the movie, all of which are boring and lack intrigue like the ones found in the game.

Then you have the story. In the video game, a portal to hell is opened by archeologists, which invite creatures onto Mars.

The film lacks a hell and instead develops a story where an extra chromosome determines whether you become a super human or a monster, depending on how crazy you are.

Also, there's a scene entirely in first-person view, which made the video game a hit. Too bad it doesn't work for the film.

The scene feels cheap, like something you'd see in a Sci-Fi Channel original.

To boot, there's the anti-climatic final scene—a last man standing... fist fight? Yes, the final "boss" is taken out via fisticuffs.

The only thing fun about the movie is the obscure references it makes to the video game.

Very few people will catch the references, but to a "Doom" nut, it's a trip down nostalgia lane.

Instead of forking over \$8 to see "Doom," rent the game.

Rating: F

—Richard Hall
Staff Writer

OKCCC to host Halloween Carnival

**By John Savage
Staff Writer**

An invasion of vampires, witches, and ghosts will overtake the college union from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 28.

OKCCC will host its annual Halloween Carnival, a tradition that has lasted several years. Hundreds of parents and children attend.

"The carnival has been going on for as long as most people can remember," said Liz Largent, Student Life director.

There are several reasons parents would want to bring their children to the carnival. "I think it's a lot of fun and a good opportunity to invite the community into the campus and it's safe," Largent said. The carnival is held at

night so the community is able to come and enjoy what the school offers.

This year's Halloween Carnival will have more than 12 booths set up to supply fun activities for the attendees.

The biotech club will have a mad scientist booth. Baptist Collegiate Ministries will host a beanbag toss.

Pass with Class will provide temporary tattoos. The Black Student Association will have buttons and cotton candy.

Student Oklahoma Education Association will provide balloons. The Health Professions Club will be applying fake wounds and bandages to those who wish to look scary.

Upward Bound is participating by hosting the haunted house. HOPE is sponsoring a coloring book station.

The Photography Club will be back snapping keepsake photos. The Society of Performing Artists will return with another face painting booth.

Psi Beta will give out fun bags. Psychology and Sociology Club will sponsor a pumpkin pick.

There are no requirements to run the booths, Largent said. Each organization is given the freedom to run its own booths. Student Life provides clubs with funding.

"Along with the clubs' booths, Farmers Insurance will be there to do a child ID kit and there will also be a live [disc jockey]," she said.

Entry cost is \$1 per child. Parents are allowed to enter free.

Although booth sign up for this year's carnival is closed, students wanting to

help with the festivities next year, may contact Largent at (405) 682-7596.

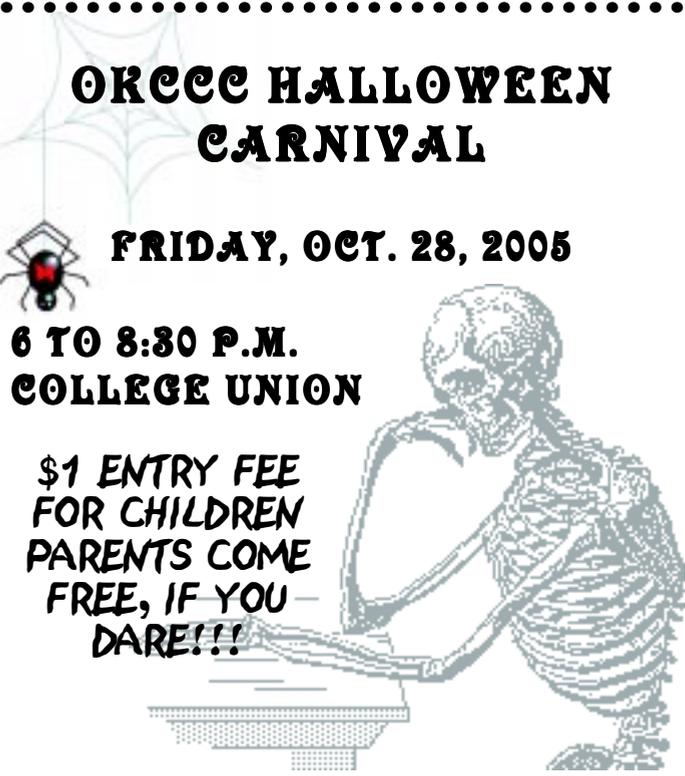
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Play auditions to be held

**By Charli Weir
News Writing Student**

Auditions will be held for the fall play "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. and again on Saturday, Oct. 29 from 1 to 4 p.m. in the theater.

Auditions are open to all OKCCC students, faculty and staff.

Everyone also is encouraged to bring any school-age children to participate in auditions.

There are 10 adult roles available — six male and four female roles — and 20 roles for school age children — 10 boy and 10 girl roles.

Try-outs do not require a résumé, picture, or a monologue to be memorized. All participants need to do is show up.

Excerpts from "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" will be available to read over prior to reading for an audition.

The auditions are first come, first serve. No appointment time is needed.

"The play is funny, light, and all about the holiday season," said Professor Ruth Charnay, director of the play.

2007 daylight-saving time extended

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Tu Nguyen, Physical Therapy major and Wellness Center attendant doesn't think the effect will be anything but positive.

"I think [extending daylight-saving time is] awesome," he said.

"It will give more time for people to do things. People are always saying there's not enough time in the day to do things."

Thomas Jones, OKCCC psychology professor, agrees. He said people will adapt easily to the change, like they do most other changes.

"We adjust to time change in about three days," he

said.

"Most people don't even take three days.

Jones did admit not everyone will be pleased with the extended time.

"No matter what you do, it's going to make some people mad and some people glad."

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New furniture, look found in library

By Keith Mooney
News Writing Student

New carpeting, oversized chairs and a new seating layout are among the latest improvements at OKCCC's library.

Library Coordinator Jay Ramanjulu said the improvements have been made to give the library a different perspective.

"The concept has been really working," Ramanjulu said. "The softer chairs and reconfigured seating makes the library more user-friendly."

The reconfigured seating area is adjacent to the large, south-facing windows on the first floor, he said.

The new layout provides

for a relaxing view of the fountain and of the landscape outside.

Students are noticing the improvements and they are singing the library's praises.

"I like the chairs," said OKCCC student Jason Driver. "They're fluffy and big. It's a great place to read."

Other students said they like the lighting and the quiet atmosphere of the library.

"It is my home away from home on Tuesday," said student Cara Hendrix. "I like the look of the library and I like the quietness."

Ramanjulu said the carpeting and chairs were all brought and installed over the summer.

He added that the new carpet replaced the original



Photo by Holly Jones

Premed major Rosa Olivo sits in comfort in the library sitting area. "I have a gap between my classes so I come here to relax in a comfy chair and work on homework," she said.

carpet from when the library was first built.

Student Christopher

Belew said the library's new look is nice.

"It's pretty cool," he said.

"I think they did pretty well. Now I just wish they'd upgrade the computers."

Muslim holiday Ramadan up, up and away

By Karen Gonzalez
News Writing Student

The Muslim holiday, Ramadan, began Oct. 4 and is in full swing for some at OKCCC.

Tannaz Tajbakhsh said Ramadan is the fasting month.

"This is the best time to feed your spirit, when you do not eat or drink anything from sunrise to sunset," Tajbakhsh said.

During the month of Ramadan, Muslims must pray and do their practices five times per day — once in the morning, twice in the afternoon and twice at night.

She said breakfast may be the only meal they have all day and it is usually spent with family.

Muslims believe that in the 19th day of Ramadan, Ali, one of their holy prophets, was killed.

Every participant is to act according to the tradition,

"This is the best time to feed your spirit, when you do not eat or drink anything from sunrise to sunset."

—Tannaz Tajbakhsh
OKCCC Student

which means they should wear black, should not listen to music and should not hold or attend celebrations.

From the 19th day of to the 21st day, Muslims offer a special dedication to their God.

"There are several important events in the Islamic calendar but Ramadan is the most important month for me because I can bless poor people," said Architecture major, Narges Amin.

On the 30th day of Ramadan, Tajbakhsh said, Muslim families with average household income must donate one-fifth of everything they own to those

in need.

For example, Tajbakhsh said, many Muslim families who are currently living in the United States may collect donations and send them to the earthquake victims in Asia, amongst other things.

On the last day of Ramadan, Muslims end their fasting and gather with family and friends to break the fasting month, Tajbakhsh said.

The last day of Ramadan this year is Nov. 5.

Pathways Middle College breaks all-time enrollment record

By John Cloud
News Writing Student

Pathways Middle College High School is having a record year in 2005.

More students are enrolled this year than ever before.

Eighty-five students are enrolled this year, spanning from eighth through twelfth grade.

Giving up normal high school activities like sports, the prom and so on, students are choosing Pathways for an alternative education path, said Pathways Principal Carol Brogan.

"Kids are choosing Pathways because of the challenges, opportunities and the chance to get into college classes earlier," Brogan said.

To be considered for enrollment at Pathways, stu-

dents have to meet the admission and ACT requirements to get into the college, he said.

Future students must also apply and participate in an interview process.

Brogan said students also have to complete 32 hours of volunteer service each year.

Fifty-five students applied this year but only 22 new students enrolled.

Brogan said Pathways is

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—Carol Brogan
Pathways Principal

a cooperative venture between Oklahoma City Public Schools and OKCCC to prepare students for college and their futures.

She said Pathways was put into place to assist high

school students with concurrent enrollment college courses.

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Health officials say 'get vaccinated'

**By Richard Hall
and John Savage
Staff Writers**

Flu season is around the corner, the new Asian bird flu is all the talk and health officials are urging people to flock to vaccination sites.

The Asian bird flu, OKCCC Biology Professor Brenda Breeding said, is a strain of flu found in birds that can be transmitted via bird feces and saliva to humans.

She said for years scientists have warned of the severity of the bird flu for good reason.

"The threat is very real," Breeding said. "The question is: when is it going to actually hit the United States?"

As of the middle of October, Breeding said, the bird flu has moved from Asia to Eastern Europe.

"[The spread of the flu] has been hypothesized since the 1950s, but now it's come into reality that it is really happening in the last three to four years."

Lisa Littrell, Oklahoma City County Health Department Supervisor of Acute Disease Investigation and Epidemiology Services,

doesn't agree the bird flu poses an immediate threat.

"Anything is possible," Littrell said, "but it's just now hitting Eastern Europe and it's moving slow."

Littrell said the bird flu isn't spread person to person and that the cases found in Europe aren't related to humans.

She said the only humans to have contracted the flu are in southern Asia, where the bird flu originated.

"Humans can only get it by breathing in the virus from bird droppings and saliva," Littrell said. "The human cases in Asia are those of who have come in close contact with chickens."

With flu season coming up and the nation's history of vaccine shortages, OKCCC Political Science Professor Randy Hopkins said he's interested in seeing how the government reacts to the possible bird flu threat.

"President Bush has talked about it and promised to do some things to step up the effort to battle a possible pandemic," Hopkins said.

He said, on Oct. 7 Bush met with national health officials on the matter and

promised to release a detailed plan on how to deal with it.

Hopkins said, so far, he has yet to see a plan.

"The bird flu is on the administration's radar screen," he said. "They're trying to prepare a plan, but there haven't been details on what they're going to do."

Breeding said she feels the government needs to step it up.

"The United States should start providing government funding to get a vaccine researched and made in large quantities," Breeding said. "We need to prepare our public health departments."

She said the government needs to begin to step up vaccination production and fears this flu season might turn into a deadly epidemic.

The Oklahoma City County Health Department is as ready as they can be, said Phillip Parker, program administrator for Immunization and Child Health.

"We have enough flu vaccinations this year," Parker said. "And while we don't have a vaccine specific for the bird flu, the general vaccine might help a little."

Parker said the state has had no vaccine production problems this year and is ready for the demand.

He also said the public needs to be aware of who needs the vaccination the most, which include people of high risk to the flu.

"Senior citizens, children, pregnant women and persons with chronic health

conditions need to be the first to get the vaccination," Parker said.

He said vaccinations for the general public will be available Oct. 24.

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Flu Facts

- The bird flu was first recognized in China in February 1957, then spread to America in June 1957 and caused close to 70,000 deaths among humans
- Since 2003, the bird flu has killed 60 people in Asia
- The bird flu occurs naturally among birds and does not usually infect humans
- The risk of contracting bird flu is low because it isn't spread human to human
- Symptoms of the bird flu include flu-like symptoms, from fever and cough to pneumonia and eye infections
- There are no vaccines to protect against the bird flu
- Nearly 36,000 Americans die of the basic flu every year; 400 to 500 are Oklahomans
- There are two common ways to receive the basic flu vaccination: one is by injection and the other is with FluMist, a nasal-spray intended for healthy persons ages five to 49 who are not pregnant

—Oklahoma State Health Department and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Students give two cents on bird flu and possible pandemic



"I'm kind of worried [about the bird flu]. I don't know how we are going to handle it if there is no vaccine available for the bird flu."

—Juliana Escovar
Nursing Major

"I hope [the bird flu] doesn't spread. I don't think the government is prepared to handle quarantines, not after Hurricane Katrina. It also would be economically costly."

—Mussie Mebrahtu
Pre-Pharmacy Major



"I'm not worried about any bird flu and I'm not taking any precautions. I already had the other flu once this year and I'm not getting the vaccine. Plus, I heard [getting vaccinated] makes you more prone to get the flu."

—Miranda Noakes
Psychology Major

"I haven't heard anything about the bird flu and I don't think I will [get vaccinated]. I really haven't been sick with anything in 10 years. I'm going to see if I can keep that track going."

—David Nguyen
Accounting Major

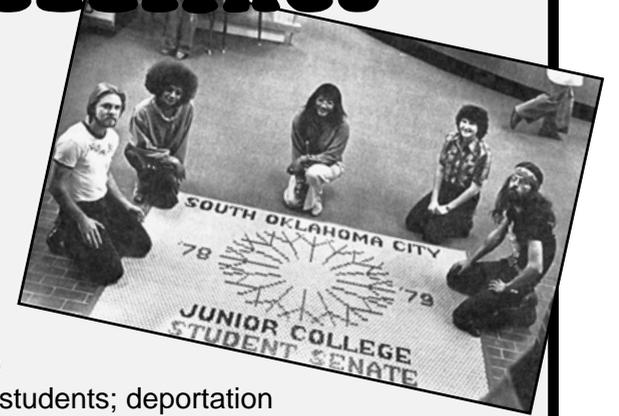


Pioneer celebrates three decades of news

1970s

South Oklahoma City Junior College Top Headlines

- *Saturday classes scheduled (8.28.78)
- *Disco fever has struck SOCJC (8.28.78)
- *Chain cutting opens CLC (8.28.78)
- *Electric car 'real gas' to drive (9.18.78)
- *Regents question competency-based grading system (9.25.78)
- *College reviewing security system following abduction, rape attempt (11.6.78)
- *Fall graduating class numbers 68 (12.18.78)
- *Absolute on sale in student bookstore for fifty cents (12.18.78)
- *SOCJC President Dale Gibson rehired (1.22.79)
- *Prison students seek campus ties (4.16.79)
- *Student in Miss USA pageant (4.30.79)
- *Handicapped ruling probably won't affect current students (6.18.79)
- *You're kidding, College for Kids? (6.18.79)
- *Affirmative action plan outlined (8.13.79)
- *6,000th student enrolls at SOCJC (9.10.79)
- *Theater, arts labs in building's plans (9.24.79)
- *Arts Festival draws 100 exhibitors (11.5.79)
- *U.S. authorities interview SOCJC's Iranian students; deportation possible if visa requirements not met (12.3.79)



1980s

SOUTH OKLAHOMA CITY JUNIOR COLLEGE TOP HEADLINES

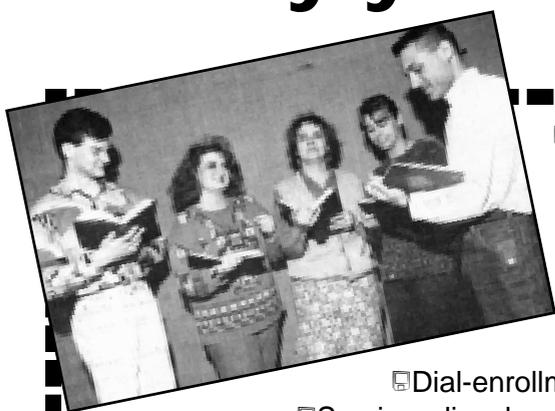
- ☞ Responses to draft registration vary (2.4.80)
- ☞ Enrollment reaches all-time high (6,819) (2.4.80)
- ☞ Five student clubs active at SOCJC (2.25.80)
- ☞ Soviet defector warns Americans against trusting U.S.S.R.'s leaders (4.7.80)
- ☞ SOCJC students helping hook-up cable TV system (4.28.80)
- ☞ 350 students to receive diplomas (5.5.80)
- ☞ College adds community courses (10.20.80)
- ☞ Profs still oppose 9 month contract (12.8.80)
- ☞ Wheelchairs assure mobility, not access (2.9.81)
- ☞ Dungeons and Dragons latest fantasy craze (3.2.81)
- ☞ Students in orbit with new satellite tracker (3.23.81)
- ☞ Regents okay final theatre extras (3.30.81)
- ☞ Game room computers offer cheap thrills (3.30.81)
- ☞ Reagan shooting draws mixed reactions (4.6.81)
- ☞ College complies with affirmative action (6.22.81)
- ☞ Cable TV classes arrive at SOCJC (8.24.81)
- ☞ Class teaches dance, country style (8.28.81)
- ☞ General says combat no place for women (2.8.82)
- ☞ Raising beer-drinking age proposed (3.1.82)
- ☞ SOCJC name change turned down (3.22.82)
- ☞ Gibson resigns as SOCJC president (3.29.82)
- ☞ A.L. Taylor named interim president (7.6.82)
- ☞ Donald Newport named as new president (8.23.82)
- ☞ Data processing club to open membership (8.30.82)
- ☞ Learning Resources Center catalog goes to microfiche (1.17.83)
- ☞ Students, faculty combine talents to create mosaics (4.25.83)
- ☞ SOCJC becomes OKCCC (7.1.83)
- ☞ 100,000th student enrolls (1.23.84)
- ☞ More grads, fewer jobs in '80s (7.16.84)
- ☞ Photos taken for new student IDs (9.24.84)
- ☞ Oil bust decreases welding enrollment (10.15.84)
- ☞ Passenger elevator installed in main building almost ready (11.26.84)
- ☞ Drawings approved for child care center (4.1.85)
- ☞ Construction starts on festival stages (7.29.85)
- ☞ Apartheid: OKCCC reacts to sanctions on South Africa (9.16.85)
- ☞ Legislation opens state records (11.18.85)
- ☞ Students mourn Challenger crew (2.3.86)
- ☞ Amateur radio club to transmit worldwide (3.24.86)
- ☞ GM, college unveil new model (4.14.86)
- ☞ Opinions vary on Libya raid (4.21.86)
- ☞ Giant crane hoists air conditioners to high tech roof (7.21.86)
- ☞ Terrorism hits close to home (9.15.86)
- ☞ Olympic panel tours campus (11.17.86)
- ☞ Math students predict AIDS increase (1.19.87)
- ☞ 'Buckle up' says new Oklahoma law (2.9.87)
- ☞ Newport resigns as president (7.6.87)
- ☞ A.L. Taylor named interim president (7.20.87)
- ☞ College ranks near top in book costs (8.24.87)
- ☞ Typewriters endangered by computers (9.28.87)
- ☞ Students concerned about Gulf shelling (10.26.87)
- ☞ New law to limit smokers (11.16.87)
- ☞ International student population getting smaller (11.16.87)
- ☞ New science labs in use (12.7.87)
- ☞ Democrats choose Dukakis, Republicans pick Bush, in poll (3.7.88)
- ☞ Kenneth Walker chosen as OKCCC president (4.4.88)
- ☞ Enrollment a phone call away (4.11.88)
- ☞ T-top theft common (10.17.88)
- ☞ Saturday classes get ax (11.14.88)
- ☞ Voice mail to get word to faculty (2.13.89)
- ☞ Music student likes to soar on skateboard (3.6.89)
- ☞ Health department cautions students about measles (3.13.89)
- ☞ Students warned: Drugs can lead to ineligibility (5.1.89)
- ☞ Dignitaries invade campus at aquatic center opening (7.24.89)
- ☞ College needs opinions on p.m. child care (11.27.89)



Thirty years of stories, photos, headlines

1990s

Oklahoma City Community College TOP HEADLINES



- ☐ State board approves nursing program (2.5.90)
- ☐ Walker, Gaines victorious in professor's federal lawsuit (6.4.90)
- ☐ Public access goes 'online' in resource center (9.3.90)
- ☐ Dial-enrollment easiest method (10.15.90)
- ☐ Seminar dispels myths about how AIDS is spread (12.3.90)
- ☐ Campus reacts to Mideast war (1.21.91)
- ☐ Enrollment rise constant, goals exceed 10K plus (4.8.91)
- ☐ Board backs Dr. Gaines for president (5.6.91)
- ☐ Computer thefts top campus crime (5.6.91)
- ☐ Gaines inaugurated (10.7.91)
- ☐ Honor roll system in place for fall semester (11.4.91)
- ☐ College cleared in [discrimination] suit (3.23.92)
- ☐ OKCCC's largest class graduates 560 (6.8.92)
- ☐ Where's Waldo, my class? (8.31.92)
- ☐ College moves toward disabilities act compliance (9.21.92)
- ☐ OKCCC regents authorize touch-tone registration (10.26.92)
- ☐ Campus play canceled after visit by Catholic priest (11.9.92)
- ☐ Education Dept. drops \$172,000 fine against college (1.10.93)
- ☐ Victims' definition of harassment sets tone for discrimination cases (1.18.93)
- ☐ Students protest at Anita Hill event (2.15.93)
- ☐ Weekend college unique asset (4.19.93)
- ☐ Library project under way, building design approved (6.14.93)
- ☐ 112-foot tall clock tower approved (4.11.94)
- ☐ Construction in progress on college's library (9.19.94)
- ☐ College to join forces to build retention pond (10.17.94)
- ☐ Boiler room explosion sends man to hospital (10.24.94)
- ☐ Open-heart surgery sidelines president (11.7.94)
- ☐ College president suffers stroke (11.14.94)
- ☐ Former editor's death linked to depression (1.16.95)
- ☐ Todd takes reins during president's extended leave (1.16.95)
- ☐ Witnesses recall "horrific" scene [of OKC bombing] (4.24.95)
- ☐ President Gaines resigns (6.26.95)
- ☐ Regents name Todd president (7.3.95)
- ☐ Credit-card like ID's coming soon (7.24.95)
- ☐ Campus reacts to Simpson verdict (10.9.95)
- ☐ Pioneer first [2-year newspaper] to go online (3.11.96)
- ☐ Clinton visits the state (4.6.96)
- ☐ Math students must have calculators (9.3.96)
- ☐ Telephone enrollment within earshot (12.2.96)
- ☐ Intersession classes added to schedule (1.27.97)
- ☐ Electronic filing available for financial aid students (2.10.97)
- ☐ 'Tin Drum' controversy hits OKCCC (7.7.97)
- ☐ Former OKCCC student caught in Cambodian war (7.14.97)
- ☐ Students can surf the 'net for enrollment info (9.1.97)
- ☐ Spring lineup includes online Internet class (12.8.97)
- ☐ Add or drop classes through InfoLinks site (12.15.97)
- ☐ OKCCC's first intersession rated a success (1.26.98)
- ☐ Mini-hospital opens students' eyes (2.9.98)
- ☐ OKCCC top pick for Hispanic students (3.2.98)
- ☐ Man injured by lightning on OKCCC campus (6.8.98)
- ☐ Campus computers to get Y2K updates (11.9.98)
- ☐ College sues computer firm (3.22.99)
- ☐ College professor survives twister (5.10.99)
- ☐ OKCCC opens doors to area high schoolers (6.7.99)
- ☐ Professor faces felony charges in pornography case (10.18.99)
- ☐ Playboy puts former student in spotlight (10.18.99)
- ☐ Students find man in women's restroom (12.13.99)

2000s

OKLAHOMA CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE TOP HEADLINES



- ⊗ Students admit to grade tampering (5.8.00)
- ⊗ Distant turmoil close to home for Yugoslavia students (10.9.00)
- ⊗ Brain Gain 2010 designed to help state rise to top (10.30.00)
- ⊗ Student missing; family in Japan fears for daughter's safety (9.3.01)
- ⊗ Africans reap hope from OKCCC grad (9.3.01)
- ⊗ Students react to New York, D.C. attacks (9.17.01)
- ⊗ Abducted student escapes attacker (2.18.02)
- ⊗ Sex offenders act amended to include campuses (7.29.02)
- ⊗ Miss Oklahoma prefers OKCCC (9.16.02)
- ⊗ Smoking laws interpreted in different ways (10.7.02)
- ⊗ International students face changes in law (2.17.03)
- ⊗ Students rate OKCCC professors online (3.3.03)
- ⊗ Dog walks its way into showbiz fame (6.30.03)
- ⊗ Retention pond construction started (9.1.03)
- ⊗ File sharing a costly pastime for hundreds (10.6.03)
- ⊗ College regents approve resolution to rename library (10.20.03)
- ⊗ Student charged with campaign embezzlement (11.3.03)
- ⊗ Flu virus hitting state full force (12.15.03)
- ⊗ Super Dummy: It breathes, it blinks, it talks (2.23.04)
- ⊗ Artwork evokes mixed reactions (3.22.04)
- ⊗ Students walk in U.S. history's biggest march (5.3.04)
- ⊗ Student e-mail given facelift (6.14.04)
- ⊗ Bush will serve second term as country's leader (11.8.04)
- ⊗ Heart surgery sidelines college leader Bob Todd (1.17.05)
- ⊗ Online journal writings reveal personal lives (2.14.05)
- ⊗ Iraqi national sees hope for homeland (2.21.05)
- ⊗ Nursing, journalism degrees among top in nation (7.18.05)
- ⊗ SEM Center construction begins (8.22.05)
- ⊗ Students respond to call for help in South (9.12.05)
- ⊗ President Bob Todd announces March retirement (9.19.05)
- ⊗ Smoking law a drag to some; to others, fair (10.3.05)
- ⊗ Controversy arises in illegal student issue (10.10.05)

Students spend Saturday serving community

**By Laura Simmons
News Writing Student**

OKCCC students banded together for a good cause Oct. 15.

Students spent their entire Saturday doing community service as part of Habitat Build Day.

Habitat Build Day is part of Student Life's ongoing service program.

"There are four or five Saturdays dedicated each semester for community service," said Liz Largent, Student Life director. She said these workdays are called Service Saturdays.

Oct. 15 was the most recent Super Saturday.

"The most recent Service Saturday was a great success," said Jon Horinek Community Engagement coordinator.

"The turnout for the event totaled 25 student volunteers," Horinek said.

The students worked with Habitat for Humanity, a

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—Jon Horinek

Community Engagement Coordinator

program that provides families with low incomes a place to live, Horinek said.

The homes are not given to families for free, but are traded for service within the Habitat for Humanity community, he said.

He also said all recipients of a home must meet the program's requirements.

Another group of college students joined the OKCCC bunch during Habitat Build Day.

A group from the University of Central Oklahoma joined OKCCC in getting their hands dirty.

The groups split build sites for the day.

Half of them worked in southeast Oklahoma City and the other half worked

in Moore.

"In southeast Oklahoma City, students did external painting and touch ups on all of the already existing houses," Horinek said.

"For students in Moore, caulking brick and sheet-rock was the task at hand," he said.

Although the day was long and strenuous, it was a huge success.

"Habitat Build Day was a positive experience everyone enjoyed and we are looking forward to holding another one in the spring," Horinek said.

Student Life is gearing up for the next Service Saturday is Adopt-a-Street on Nov 5.

Volunteers will pick up trash along SW 74 Street and May Avenue.

Those interested in volunteering have until Nov. 30 to sign up, Horinek said.

For more information, contact Horinek at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7697.

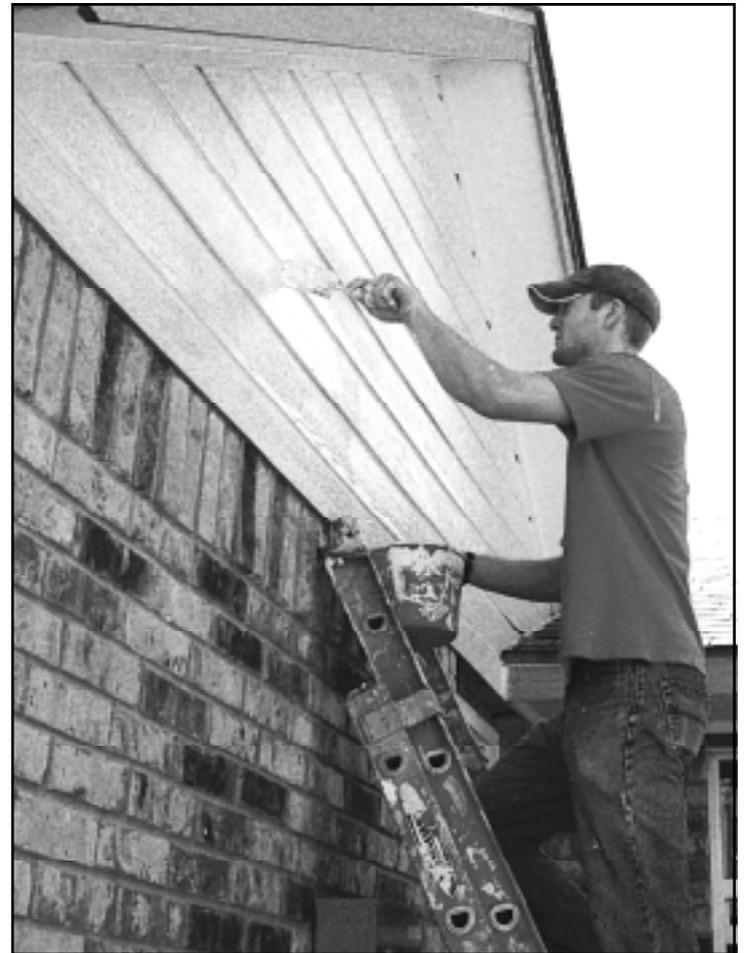


Photo by Jon Horinek

OKCCC student Paul Jones paints the siding on a Habitat for Humanity home in Southeast Oklahoma City during the Oct. 15 Service Saturday.

Twenty-five students from OKCCC teamed up with University of Central Oklahoma students to participate in the event, painting and installing drywall at two homes.

For more information about Service Saturday events, contact Student Life Community Engagement Coordinator Jon Horinek in the Student Life office at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7697.

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Kids learn all about fire safety



Above: Luke Lopez, 3, listens to Oklahoma City firefighters talk about fire safety.

Four Oklahoma City firefighters drove their fire engine from station 25 to the Child Development Center and Lab School Oct. 11.

Firefighters Spike Speicher, Mike Fletcher, Dean Mitcheltree and Richard Scroggins came to teach the children about safety and fire awareness.

Their mission in the visit was to teach the children what to do in case of a fire.

Spike Speicher dressed in the fireproof uniform and oxygen mask that firefighters wear when they attend to a fire.

The uniform is designed to protect them from catching on fire and the mask helps them breathe.

"That is a crazy mask," said Preschool B student Luke Lopez, 3.

As Speicher was putting on his firefighter suit, he was telling the children not to fear him and that his suit wasn't that scary.

Speicher asked the children if they knew what to do if they found lighters or matches.

All the children responded that you should stay away and don't mess with them.

"That is a crazy mask."
 —Luke Lopez
 Preschool B
 student

Another question from the firefighter was if the children knew if they had fire alarms in their house and if they knew what fire alarms looked like.

The fireman pointed to a fire alarm and said they should have them in their homes.

The firefighters took the children outside to show them the fire truck.

The children were able to sit in the truck and see what firefighters keep in it.

Toddler A'mya Lindsey, 2, jumped into the driver's seat of the fire truck and pretended she was driving it, while most of the toddlers kept their distance from the giant red vehicle.

Teacher Constance Pidgeon's Preschool B classroom, ages 3 to 5 years, is learning about community workers and what their job is.

The firefighters came as part of that lesson to show the children how they help the community. Preschool A and the Infant/Toddler class were invited to join in on the activity.



A'mya Lindsay, 2, gets a front-seat lesson in a fire engine. Oklahoma City Fire Department firefighters visited the Child Development Center and Lab School Oct. 11 to demonstrate fire safety.



Preschoolers from the Child Development Center and Lab School get to feel the equipment Oklahoma City Firefighter Spike Speicher wears.



Text by Ashley Yaffe • Photos by Richard Hall

Sports

UPCOMING

OKCCC INTRAMURALS SCHEDULE

•**Oct. 29:** Oklahoma College Club Soccer League playoffs begin. The top four teams from the regular season qualify for the playoffs. Semifinal games will be played at 12:30 and 3 p.m. The top ranked team will host both semifinal games. For more information, contact OCCSL Coordinator Jalal Daneshfar at (405) 974-2377.

•**Oct. 30:** Recreation and Community Services will host the annual intramural flag football tournament. Teams and game times will be announced at a later date. For more information, contact Community Education and Health Specialist Eric Watson at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7786.

•**Nov. 4:** Sign-up ends for 2006 youth basketball. Free basketball clinics will be held Oct. 21 to 22. For more information, contact Community Education and Health Specialist Eric Watson at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7786.

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Photo by Holly Jones

OKCCC soccer player Roberto Hernandez dribbles the ball past a University of Oklahoma defender, while teammate Javier Carreron follows the play. Hernandez and his teammates hosted OU Oct. 16. After gaining an early lead, OKCCC failed to claim a victory. They lost to OU 3-2.

Soccer team loses heartbreaker

By Quincy Robinson
News Writing Student

The OKCCC soccer team came up short Sunday against the University of Oklahoma Oct. 16. OU beat OKCCC 3-2, but not without a dogfight.

Although OU took the first shot of the game, OKCCC controlled the tempo in the first half.

OKCCC hosted the game and rolled out tough play rather than the red carpet.

OKCCC's Charles Burrows blasted the ball by OU goalie Mike Sulfito five minutes into the game, giving OKCCC a 1-0 lead.

OU tried to take the aggressive OKCCC play down a notch, as OU's Dan Poup was yellow carded for a pushing foul on Ruben Martinez.

OKCCC didn't let up with the offensive pressure. Lorenzo Antiveros lofted a whirling pass to Charles Burrows whose header shot went just wide right of the OU goal.

"Push up," OKCCC coach K.B. Yeboah yelled with urgency. The team did not move fast enough on offense to Yeboah's liking.

Just before halftime, OU forward Dan Poup scored with a quick header tying the game at 1-1.

The second half of the game was a mirror image of the first. OKCCC started again with the offensive pressure.

That pressure soon paid off as Roberto Hernandez assisted Burrows's second goal of the game.

With the score 2-1 in OKCCC's favor, it didn't take long for OU's Poup to knot things up at 2-2.

OU began to slow the game down in the latter part of the second half.

The momentum shifted after OU's second goal.

OKCCC players started to play defensive soccer instead of the aggressive offensive play they displayed in the first half.

From the sidelines Yeboah told his team to step up and take control of the game.

Yeboah's frustrations were realized when OU's patience turned into OKCCC mistakes.

In the closing minutes of the game, OKCCC played not to lose.

The OKCCC defense allowed shots to get near goalie Caesar Rodriguez in bundles. The barrage of shots allowed OU an opportunity to go home victorious.

With a few minutes left on the game clock, OU scored their third goal.

They held OKCCC in check for the rest of the game.

The loss was especially tough for

OKCCC as they held a lead for much of the game.

It also comes on the heels of OKCCC's only wins of the season.

OKCCC beat Redlands Community College 4-2 on Oct. 8, at Rose State College.

The winning streak continued as OKCCC beat RSC 8-1 in a game hosted by East Central University in Ada.

The team had hoped to defeat OU as part of their push to the state playoffs. However, a win was not in the cards and the team now sits in sixth place behind OU-Columbia and OSU-Japan for the final playoff spot.

The top four teams qualify for the state playoffs, said Oklahoma College Club Soccer League Coordinator Jalal Daneshfar.

OKCCC was scheduled to play ECU following their clash with OU. However, that game was postponed and will be made up before the playoffs, Daneshfar said.

The state playoffs will be held Saturday, Oct. 29 and Saturday, Nov. 5. The semifinals will be hosted by the team who finishes first during the regular season.

The state championship will be hosted by the finalist with the highest number of points.

For more information, contact Daneshfar at (405) 974-2377.

Prof offers insight into author Bukowski

By **Lizzie Byrd**
Staff Writer

English Professor David Charlson has recently published his dissertation on American author Charles Bukowski.

Charlson is in his 21st year of teaching and has been at OKCCC for seven years.

The dissertation titled "Charles Bukowski; Autobiographer, Gender Critic, Iconoclast" was written in 1995. Charlson received his doctorate from the University of Kansas the same year.

There are four chapters to

the book each providing background, insight and a critique of some of Bukowski's most famous works.

Bukowski was born to an American father and German mother in August of 1920.

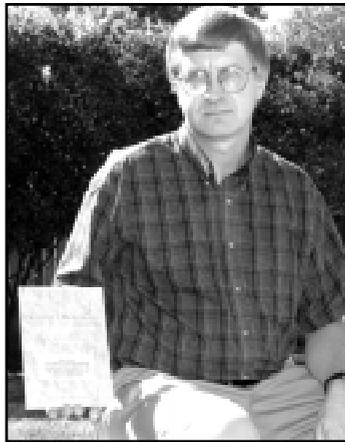
He passed away from leukemia in 1994. He began to write poems in his twenties.

Bukowski's work can best be described as raw, real and honest, Charlson said.

"Bukowski is not a writer for those who are easily offended.

"He wrote about the spirit killing things very well," he said.

One of Charlson's favor-



David Charlson

ite works by Bukowski is "Ham On Rye," a personal biography through the eyes of a character named Henry Chinaski.

The novel centers around Bukowski's early child-

hood.

Charlson said his book took three years to finish.

He only recently sought to have it published due to an increasing demand for information on Bukowski.

Charlson entertained the idea of publishing through a university before deciding on Trafford Publishing.

"I shopped around at the presses of a university in California and a university in southern Illinois, but I couldn't feasibly publish it and break even," he said.

Charlson chose Trafford Publishing, as it is a "print on demand" outlet.

He was required to put money up front but expects to break even and possibly

gain a small profit.

Charlson has published one poem in the newsletter for Teaching English in the Two-Year College, as well as a publication titled "Introductory Advice to Incoming Freshman English Teaching Assistants," a project done for his master's degree.

Those interested can get more information and order the book at www.trafford.com/05-0867.

Charlson's book also will be available through Barnes and Noble and Borders stores in the near future.

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Acting bug bites again for theater professor Charnay

By **Valerie A. Carter**
News Writing Student

The stars continue to shine on and off campus.

Theater Arts Program Director Ruth Charnay shone brightly in her role as Blanche in the Neil Simon classic "Brighton Beach Memoirs."

The play is a look into a boy's nostalgic memories of baseball and growing up in Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1937.

This was the first time in 12 years that Charnay has performed or acted on stage.

Her colleagues were impressed by the level of her performance.

"I see Ruth everyday," Learning Skills Professor Mark Schneberger said. "I did not see Ruth on that stage at all.

"I saw her amazing character and the manifestation of that character.

Schneberger said the transformation by Charnay was amazing.

"Ruth needs to be on stage," he said.



Ruth Charnay

"It was fantastic."

The stage was set at the City Space Theater, located downstairs in the Civic Center Music Hall in downtown Oklahoma City.

The intimacy of the theater gave the audience the feeling of being right in the room with the actors.

"I think it really forces you as an actor to create a character that can interact more intimately with the audience," Charnay said of the small theater.

Charnay has other talents in addition to acting and teaching.

Four years ago, she helped found Oklahoma City Repertory Theatre.

She said Oklahoma City

Repertory Theatre, or City Rep as she calls it, brings professional theater to Oklahoma City audiences.

She said it also gives young actors the opportunity to experience professional theater locally without having to go to a big city like New York.

City Rep will bring three other plays to life this season.

"Meshuggah-Nuns" by Dan Goggins, rated G, will be performed Dec. 2 through 18 in the Freede Little Theater located in the Civic Center Music Hall in downtown Oklahoma City.

"The Big Bang," book and lyrics by Boyd Grahman, music by Jed Feuer, rated PG, will be performed March 24 through April 9, also in the Freede Little Theater.

"Tuesdays With Morrie" by Jeffrey Hatcher and Mitch Albom, rated PG, will be performed May 19 through June 4, in the City Space Theater.

For more information on City Rep Theatre, contact Charnay at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7246.

Student Development offers depression screening Oct. 26

By **Magen Long**
News Writing Student

A depression screening will be held on Oct. 26 in the Student Development Center, the sponsor of the event.

John Hockett, Student Development dean, said each individual who is interested in the screening may come to the Student Development Center and speak to a trained counselor one-on-one.

Students must fill out a self-assessment form when they check in for the screening.

Each student will then meet with a professional OKCCC counselor.

Based on the information gathered, the counselor will help the individual as much as possible. If a referral for more attention is needed, that will be given as well.

OKCCC student Brian Jones said the screening could be a good idea for students who need it.

Student Sherwin Johnson agreed with Jones.

"It could be helpful for students who take advantage of it," he said.

All interested OKCCC students should go to the Student Development Center between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26, for the screening.

Pamphlets and educational reading are available at the depression screening display in front of Student Development, in the main building.

For more information, contact Student Development at (405) 682-7535.

Read the Pioneer online at
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Highlights

Biotech/Bioinformatics speaker

Rick Guidotti of Positive Exposure will speak at the Celebration of Genetic Diversity from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 26 in the college union. There will be panel discussions by people living with genetic disorders and other educational exhibits. For more information, contact Bioinformatics/Biotechnology Discovery Project Coordinator Donald Bell at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7685.

Health Professions Club fund-raiser

The Health Professions Club is having a bake sale from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 25 in the main building near the stairs. Cotton candy, popcorn and baked goods will be sold in an attempt to raise \$1,000 for the Children's Center in Bethany.

Post a résumé, win a Wal-Mart gift certificate

Through the end of October, OKCCC students have a chance to win a \$50 Wal-Mart gift certificate. To be eligible for the contest, students need to upload their résumés to the Student Life Employment Services job board at www.collegecentral.com/okccc. For more information, contact Employment Services Coordinator Linda Fay at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7683.

Psychology/Sociology Club meeting

The Psychology/Sociology Club will have a meeting about upcoming fund-raisers from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 27 in the Student Life conference room. Psi Beta members are welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Club Sponsor Peggy Jordan at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7157.

Poetry and Open Mic Contest

The Writing Club will host a Poetry and Open Mic Contest. Submissions may be turned in to the Arts and Humanities office and must include contact information. Dates for the contest will be announced. Cash prizes will be awarded for both contests. For more information about the contest or club, contact Club Sponsor Andre Love at (405) 863-5951.

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation scholarship

The Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship will award up to \$30,000 annually per recipient to help low- and moderate-income students from two-year institutions pursue four-year degrees. All candidates must be nominated by a faculty representative at their college. The deadline is Feb. 1. For more information, call (800) 498-6478 or visit www.jackkentcookefoundation.org.

International Student Association

The International Student Association invites students to come celebrate monthly birthdays with the group. There will be free food, fun and games from 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Oct. 25 in room 1C8. For more information, contact Computer Science Professor Haifeng Ji at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7381.

Fourth Avenue to perform

The Cultural Art Series at OKCCC invites you to an evening of contemporary a capella music presented by Fourth Avenue at 7 p.m. Oct. 25 in the college theatre. For more information, contact Cultural Programs Community Development Assistant Scott Tigert at (405) 682-7579.

Bagging sweets



Photo by Holly Jones

President of the International Student Association, Yu Da Kim, teams up with member Azfar Gul to bag cotton candy. The ISA concession stand is in the main building almost every week to raise money for future trips.

Running and gunning at OKCCC

By John Savage
Staff Writer

Paintballs whiz past players' heads at incredible speeds and a paintball team must use their communication skills and wits to win the match. This action is what the OKCCC Paintball Club encounters when they play one of the more popular games, paintball.

"Our club has been together for a year and a half," said sophomore Justin Warnock. "We have 10 active players but about 30 in reserves."

The team practices from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays at least two times a month.

"We practice at the paintball club in Choctaw," Warnock said. "The place has seven different courses to practice on."

Most sports have an off-season and paintball is no exception.

"The collegiate competitions are usually not active [in the summer] because many students go home for the summer," Warnock said.

Although the competitions were on hold for the summer, the Paintball Club scrimmaged teams like Kansas University and Oklahoma State University this summer.

The Paintball Club has big plans in the works for OKCCC.

"Hopefully we will be hosting a tournament here [at OKCCC] in February," Warnock said. "So far, we have had about 18 teams show interest including WestPoint and Louisiana State University."

"If we can't have it here then we will have it at the paintball club in Choctaw."

Warnock said the club

always is looking for new members to play and help organize the team. Warnock and club member Brad Collins said commitment is a must.

All students regardless of skill who are interested in playing paintball can join the club.

"Everything [skills and rules] can be taught in paintball," Collins said.

Warnock and Collins said there is a need for a graphic designer to create a new emblem for the team.

"We are trying to design a logo," Warnock said. "All the other schools have a mascot so we are trying to come up with some new ideas."

"If we do get one made, the designer will get a jersey free of charge."

For more information, call Collins (405) 306-8510.

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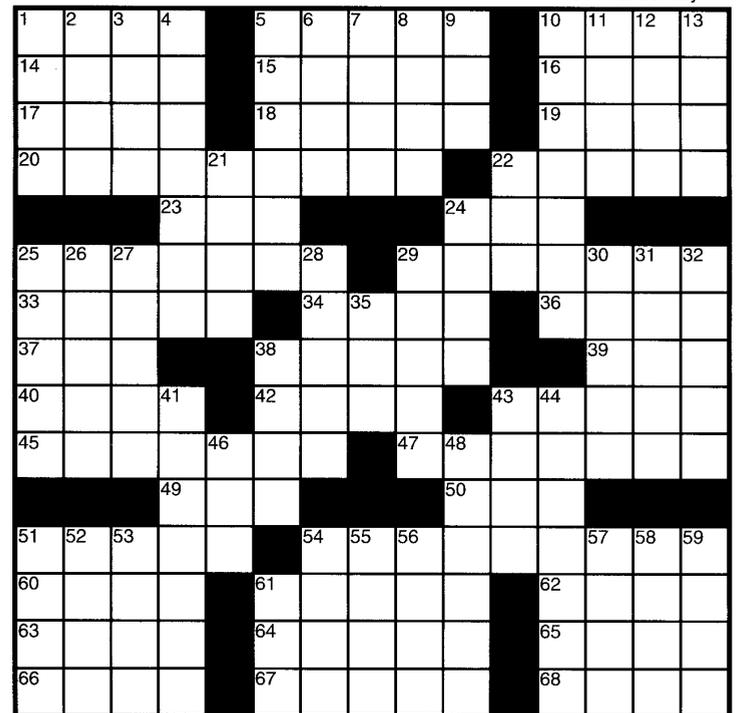
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Acquaintance rapes often go unreported because of guilt

"Rape,"

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tive Kim Davis said she sees a lot of acquaintance rapes, mostly on area campuses.

"Acquaintance rape is the most common rape among college-age kids," Davis said.

She said people on the college scene are more vulnerable because they're introduced to parties and alcohol, and sometimes lack inhibition.

"Everyone goes out together, parties and drinks," Davis said.

"In 90 percent of the cases I've seen, the rape can be traced back to alcohol."

In Amy's case, there was no alcohol involved, just what she thought was an innocent ride home from work. But, she said, it quickly turned into more.

"All of a sudden, he was touching me," she said. "It was really weird. He was not himself."

Amy described the once family friend as flirtatious, but figured it was just part of his personality. She said he had never tried touching her inappropriately before the rape.

During the rape, Amy said, she tried to busy her mind with other thoughts, and tried to figure out a way to get him to stop.

"I kept thinking, 'I can't believe this is happening,' 'What can I do to make it stop?'" Amy said.

And, she said, although she repeatedly said 'no,' that did nothing to help her situation.

After the incident, Amy said, she was confused and didn't tell anyone what happened. Several days later, her older

sister, realizing Amy was hiding something, forced out the truth.

"My sister was the first person I told," she said. "I didn't want to tell anybody because I was afraid people would think [he and I] had something going on."

OKCCC Psychology Professor Peggy Jordan said many acquaintance rapes

go unreported because victims often feel like it's their fault.

"There's usually a strong sense of guilt and denial rape victims put themselves through after

being raped," Jordan said. She said some victims might not recognize acquaintance rape as a rape because the victim feels it's his or her fault.

Jordan said acquaintance rape is much more common in campus communities because of the social environment.

"Rapists have easier access to victims if they know them," she said. "Rapists build a trustful relationship with the person before making them a victim."

Jordan said many acquaintance rapists do what they do because they have trouble interpreting social signals.

"Rapists are egotistical and only see from their own perspective," Jordan said. "Even though the victim says 'no,' rapists often hear it as 'yes.'"

She said rapists also rape because of various personal issues.

More than 50 percent of all acquaintance rapes occur in the victim's home

"Rapists don't rape for the sex," Jordan said. "The rape is seen as a power or anger issue. They do it because they feel they can."

Student Development Counselor Mary Turner said rape victims shouldn't suffer in silence. The first step to rape recovery is to talk about it, she said.

"It's important to talk about the rape and for victims to understand it isn't their fault.

"Rape is a very dehumanizing crime and people need to recognize that 'no' means 'no.'"

Davis said people should practice more caution when in active social situations.

"If you drink, be responsible," Davis said. "Have a friend who watches over you, your drink and so on."

Davis said if people plan to drink, it's important for them to follow caution to avoid drink tampering.

"Watch your drink being made, or make your own drinks," she said.

"If you leave your drink to use the restroom and no one's keeping an eye on it for you, order a new one when you come back."

Turner said victims who are seeking help could begin their search at OKCCC.

"The college offers connections to appropriate resources off-campus," Turner said.

"Student Development has counselors on campus who are here to help with the situation and will help encourage victims in seeking help with legal counseling."

Davis, who's been a sex crimes detective for the past four and a half years,

Less than 20 percent of all rapes are committed by a stranger

Eighty-five percent of rape victims know their attackers

Showering, eating or smoking can destroy evidence of a rape

CAMPUS RAPE FACTS:

•Campuses with an average of 10,000 female students have approximately 350 rapes an academic year

•Of university campuses, between 20 and 25 percent of female students are raped over a five-year college career

—U. S. Department of Justice and Women Organized Against Rape

said most of the acquaintance rape cases she sees are where women are the victims.

"Ninety-nine percent of the cases are women," Davis said.

However, she said, men also are victims of acquaintance rape but very few report it. "Those men who do report being raped are often

very embarrassed about the ordeal, so very few men come forward."

Davis said a high percentage of rapes go unreported. She said she feels better awareness of victim support centers near campuses would be helpful.

Two years older and more vigilant, Amy said she's moved on and put the tragedy behind her.

"There is life after [being raped], but you have to have some strong friends and supportive family,"

Amy said. "If it happens to you, tell someone immediately."

Amy said she learned her advice the hard way when prosecutors told her that too much time had passed from the date of the rape to the time she reported it to successfully bring charges.

The prosecution didn't have enough evidence against her rapist, she said.

Amy said the final word of advice she has is to not let the rape take over your life or cause you to shut others out.

"Don't lose your trust in people and don't shut people out who may try to help you," she said.

For more information on crisis services for sexual assault victims, contact Student Development at (405) 682-7535.

*Amy is an alias. The female student wishes to remain anonymous.

Staff Writer Richard Hall can be reached at Senior Writer@okccc.edu.

Where to go...

Sexual assault victims can find help in the Oklahoma City metro area by contacting the following organizations:

—The Oklahoma Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
at (405) 524-0700 or www.ocadvsa.org;

—The Oklahoma City YWCA Rape Crisis Hotline at
(405) 943-7273 or www.ywca.org

—The University of Oklahoma Women's Outreach Center at (405) 325-4929 or www.ou.edu/womensoc