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## Summer, fall enrollment March 28

**Returning students can enroll this month while new students can enroll April 4**

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It's that time of year again — when students will flock to OCCC to enroll for school.

Barbara Gowdy, Graduation Services Director, said in an e-mail, open enrollment for returning students begins on March 28 while new students may enroll beginning April 4.

Several offices can help a student with the enrollment process, Gowdy said.

The Recruitment and Admissions office is the first stop a student needs to make in the process, she said.

"When the student is admitted, the Office of Recruitment and Admissions provides valuable information," Gowdy said.

The next step is Academic Advising.

"Academic Advising is an excellent source for information for students with regards to prerequisites, testing, classes needed for individual degrees, etc," she said.

She said all students need to meet with an adviser.

"The student's faculty [adviser] is another excellent resource," Gowdy said.

"Student will also find assistance and information about enrolling in the office of Records and Graduation services."

All of these offices are located on the first floor of the Main Building.

Those needing to file for financial assistance will want to note the deadlines for that as well.

Gowdy said students applying for summer should fill out the 2010/2011 FASFA and those applying for Fall should fill out the 2011/2012 FASFA. All should apply now for both semesters, she said.

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## Lunchtime tunes



RACHEL MORRISON/PIONEER

Local singers Shane Henry and Maggie McClure perform songs from their new music CDs in the college Union as part of a nationwide campus tour March 8. Henry's album is entitled "Beauty in the Struggle," while McClure's album is called "Good Morning and Good Night." Both may be found on the singers' websites at [www.shanehenry.com](http://www.shanehenry.com) and [www.maggiemcclure.com](http://www.maggiemcclure.com).

## Nursing graduates score high

JILL SODOWSKY  
News Writing Student

Almost 93 percent of OCCC nursing graduates passed their license exam on the first try last year.

This surpassed the national and the state average pass rate for the 2010 National Council Licensure Exam, said Rosemary Klepper, nursing program director for OCCC.

OCCC students exceeded the national average by 5.15 percent and the state average by 5.8 percent.

The NCLEX-RN is an exam that is required nationwide for nursing students to become registered nurses.

This test is the same for all nursing graduates, whether they are from two-year colleges such as OCCC or from four-year programs such as Yale University, Klepper said.

Of the 202 OCCC graduates who took the exam last year, 187 passed the first time, Klepper said. The pass-rate is figured on first-time exam takers, even though most of the remaining students will pass the second time they take the test, she said.

Nursing students at OCCC say they are satisfied with the way they were prepared to take the exam and become certified registered nurses.

Dolce Molina, a spring 2010 graduate, said she had professors with high expectations who encouraged students to come in and discuss test questions with them.

"They were always available," she said. "The instructors helped us raise our own standards."

Molina said she believes her professors truly wanted her to understand the in-

formation she was learning, rather than simply memorize it.

She said she also appreciated that the teachers would update their own tests to reflect the style of the NCLEX exam, to better prepare the students.

Since graduating from the OCCC nursing program, Molina has taken a position in the Emergency Department of the St. Anthony Hospital.

Tammy Jackson, also a spring 2010 graduate, said she believes the nursing program gave her "a lot of on-the-job training."

"The tests in class were very similar to the ones that were on the NCLEX exam," she said.

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# OPINION

**EDITORIAL** | Students paying for education should be allowed access to social networking

## Facebook has no place in classrooms

Social networking is a common aspect of our academic, personal and professional lives.

Facebook is a very helpful tool for keeping in touch with friends, family, colleagues and more.



Holly Davis Walker

Facebook can be a valuable tool for reaching out and meeting new students, as well as for arranging study groups or exchanging information about class assignments.

The Pioneer has a Facebook page, as does OCCC, the Bursar's office, most campus clubs, and other departments.

It can be an excellent tool and is sometimes more up-to-date than the college website.

But does it have a place in the classroom?

Facebook also can be a major distraction during class hours.

The application is easily accessible on cell phones and laptops, courtesy of the wireless network available to students anywhere on campus, not to mention

the classroom and lab computers.

Students who spend time on the website during lectures and other class activities are distracting themselves and also are at risk of distracting other students around them.

In turn, these students might rely on fellow classmates far too often for missed information on class assignments and notes from lectures that they should be taking for themselves.

This is not fair to the students who do pay attention.

However, as college students, we are all adults and therefore capable of making our own decisions and facing the consequences for our actions.

If this means we get a bad grade in class because we couldn't wait an hour to find out what happened to Susie at the bar last night or felt it necessary to broadcast to the world how bored we are right then, that's our problem.

If this means we fail because the professor specifically and publicly bans the use of Facebook during his or her class, whose fault is that?

I'm an adult, I'm paying for my education and I want to pass.



MARK PARISI/OFFTHEMARK.COM

I don't personally care if you use Facebook or MySpace during class.

Just don't ask me for my notes because class was cutting into your playtime.

—**HOLLY DAVIS WALKER**  
COMMUNITY WRITER

**YOUR VOICE** | Student says concealed weapons on college campus necessary

## Student says concealed firearm is like a cell phone

**To the Editor:**

Most Americans see a cell phone as a lifeline; we don't go anywhere without it and some of us feel lost if we don't have a cell phone within arm's reach.

Having a concealed firearm on campus is like a phone to some of us.

I don't go anywhere without at least one gun on my person, sometimes even two, depending on what side of town

I am going to and what time of day it is.

I don't go out looking for trouble and the majority of conceal carry holders don't go out and play police officer.

If an incident were to happen on campus, there are too many students and school officials who are scared that police officers won't be able to distinguish who is "friend" and who is "foe."

If the lockdown system

works like it should, then the "friends" should not be running around the campus trying to find the "shooter."

That's the job of the armed security guards the college pays good money for and who are in appropriate uniform.

Students with their conceal carry firearm should be locked in a classroom like the rest of the students on campus.

The only difference

now is that, if a shooter did get to a classroom on campus, any student that has a conceal carry firearm in the classroom could at least [fend] off the shooter until help arrived.

Would that student start shooting at the suspect? No, because in a lockdown situation you are supposed to remain quiet so that no one knows that you are there.

The active shooter will

just move on. Crisis diverted.

In this situation people are correct; it will be hard for law enforcement to tell who is "friend" or who is "foe."

I would rather have local law enforcement subdue both parties, put them both in handcuffs, and take control of the situation.

The law enforcement officers will then have a chance to work out the

details and release the students who were defending themselves.

I would rather have our local law enforcement officers work for their pay and have to do some detective work than to have a fellow student be killed because some deranged student is mad he got a B when he thought he deserved an A.

—**DANIEL COX**  
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# COMMENTS AND REVIEWS

**YOUR VOICE** | Professor lists course changes for Fall 2011 and Spring 2012 schedule

## Biology course changes made

### To the Editor:

The Biology Department would like to inform you of some changes for Fall 2011. See the course descriptions below for details.

BIO 1114, General Biology:

This course is for non-biology / non-health science students. It is for students who need a science course with lab.

Previously, this was a pre-requisite for some biology courses and was taught to serve those students.

Now, it's more suitable for a non-biology / non-health science student. As of Fall 2011, this course will not serve as a pre-requisite re-

quirement for BIO 2215 General Zoology and BIO 2203 Cell Biology.

Students who took BIO 1114 prior to Fall 2011 may use BIO 1114 as a pre-requisite requirement in place of BIO 1124.

BIO 1124, General Biology I (Majors):

This course is geared towards students pursuing careers in the health professions and biological sciences.

BIO 1124 will be required for Biology, Pre-Baccalaureate Nursing, and Pre-Baccalaureate Allied Health majors. As of Fall 2011, BIO 1124 will be a pre-requisite for the following courses:

BIO 1134 General Bi-

ology II (Majors)

BIO 2215 General Zoology

BIO 2203 Cell Biology

BIO 2214 General Botany

BIO 2224 Invertebrate Zoology

BIO 2234 Human Physiology

BIO 2255 Human Anatomy

Students who took BIO 1114 prior to Fall 2011 may use BIO 1114 as a pre-requisite requirement in place of BIO 1124.

After Fall 2011, students must take BIO 1124 if they are in the above degree programs.

BIO 1134, General Biology II (Majors):

This course is a contin-

uation of BIO 1124 and is for students interested in pursuing careers in the biological sciences.

It will be required for biology majors.

The pre-requisite for this class is BIO 1124 or BIO 1114 — if taken before Fall 2011.

NOTE: Students transferring to a four-year biology program will need to have taken both General Biology I and General Biology II at the same institution.

If you have any questions, contact your academic adviser or the Division of Science and Mathematics.

—GEORGE RISINGER  
OCCC BIOLOGY  
PROFESSOR

**YOUR VOICE** | Student says Carson's responsibility should be students, not bottom line

## Writer questions food service hours

### To the Editor:

What is the point to have a food service open on campus until 6 p.m. when you can't order fresh hot food near the closing time.

You go to any fast food restaurant one minute from closings and they will fix whatever you order.

The students and faculty and staff of OCCC that work evenings already have to get to the food service before 6 p.m. to eat or take the time to go off campus in between classes or during a break to get something to eat.

A person can only eat Taco Bell so many times before it becomes nasty to eat.

If Carson's won't serve fresh hot food until the moment they close, then

“... If Carson's won't serve fresh hot food until the moment they close then there is no reason to be open ...”

—JEFF PORTER  
STUDENT

there is no reason to be open at all. Carson's needs to be more customer friendly and less worried about the profits they hide from OCCC.

Carson's seems to be catering everyone else whenever they want, but won't bend over backwards for the people on campus [who] come straight from work to class and don't have time to eat.

The College says it costs too much to have Carson's stay open any longer than they do every day, but if Carson's

would run like any other business and look at their labor cost, they wouldn't have so many employees standing around not doing anything.

Less labor will let Carson's stay open longer to serve the evening students.

Carson's doesn't care about how much money they spend because in the end, if they are in the red at the end of the year, OCCC will take care of the bill.

OCCC should have food service open until at least 8 p.m. nightly to

make the evening students feel the same as the day students.

Students at night feel like the College doesn't care enough about the students to provide fresh hot food for evening students.

There is no reason to have a cafeteria to serve food if it's not open to the College as a whole, no matter what time they attend class or work.

—JEFF PORTER  
OCCC STUDENT

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## ADVISER'S 411

### Opportunities available at OCCC

Students! Are you interested in an Information Technology/Computer Science career field?

If so, you need to attend one of the upcoming recruitment opportunities.

Learn about their corporate mission; career avenues; job application processes; promotional possibilities and many other details for this field of professional employment.

Are you interested in an internship with Disney? Disney is a Fortune 100 corporation with thousands of employees worldwide.

From noon until 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 29, in the Oklahoma Room of the Student Union, Disney recruiters will be providing details for application to the Disney College Internship Program.

Students are paid a salary and have the option to also earn college credit while completing the internship in Florida at Disney World or in California at Disney Land.

Put this event on your calendar ... “OCCC Career Day with Disney!”

Every wondered about the vast array of college educational options through U.S. Military service?

Please attend the “OCCC Military Career Day” from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30, in the Greater Dining Area of the College Union.

All military branches will be represented.

For additional information about these upcoming career and employment events visit the OCCC Student Employment & Career Services Office in the Main Building Room 1G7 or phone 405-682-7519.

—DEBRA VAUGHN  
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# COMMENTS AND REVIEWS

**YOUR VOICE |** Reader encourages voters to reach out to lawmakers

## Campus no place for John Wayne mentality

**To the Editor:**

I saw a truck covered with right-wing stickers.

Next to the NRA sticker was one proclaiming, "GOD BLESS JOHN WAYNE!"

Although the sticker didn't elaborate, I suspect someone loves the Duke for "wading on in" with guns blazing, rescuing the innocent and dispatching the guilty.

Unfortunately, the gun play in films bears little relation to reality.

The armed citizen is, and always has been, more likely to shoot himself or a passerby than to prevent crime.

Yet, certain Oklahoma

state legislators persist in pushing bills that would allow civilians to carry firearms on college campuses.

Presumably, campus shootings would be less likely if people on campuses had more guns.

This is absurd.

As someone who has faced a pistol, I can tell you that (1) a crazy man is rarely deterred by the possibility that you might have a gun and (2) by the time the crazy man shows his gun, it's too late to draw yours.

Here's a thought: why don't legislators encourage citizens to carry firearms into government

buildings?

The truth is that campus gun bills represent nothing more than political pandering to right-wing constituents and gun lobbyists.

Safety is not a consideration and if one of the bills should pass, your safety on campus will be compromised.

Discourage this John Wayne nonsense by writing or calling your state legislators.

Tell them you don't want guns on campus. Don't forget to mention that you vote.

—**JOHN EHRHARDT**  
OCCC HISTORY  
PROFESSOR

**YOUR VOICE |** Reader says promotional poster vandalized

## Differences should breed discussion, not hatred

**To The Editor:**

On March 8, the college hosted a lecture on "Communicating with the Opposite Sex."

The promotional posters depicted a heterosexual "couple" and addressed improving communications between the two individuals.

Someone apparently took exception to this depiction.

That opposition could have led to a healthy discussion about how we define relationships and why only heterosexual communications were being addressed.

Instead, someone chose to vandalize one of the posters in order to point out that there

are many ways to define "a couple" and to suggest that he/she expected more from a college. Perhaps the perpetrator should also expect more from himself/herself.

People are complex, multi-dimensional beings. We are also somewhat egocentric in that we assume and expect everyone else is like us.

We often quickly slide down the ladder of reason and begin employing stereotypes in order to classify ourselves as a part of the correct in-group and others as a part of the flawed out-group.

We try to force people

“Taking the low road is certainly easier and safer than taking a more mature approach to issues of diversity and acceptance, but that road never leads us out of the abyss.

—**MARY TURNER**

LEARNING SUPPORT SPECIALIST/GSA SPONSOR

into neatly labeled boxes and put them on a shelf, but those labels typically say more about us than about the group whom we've labeled.

As I said, we're much too complex to be shoved into a tiny box. However, relying on stereotypes is faster and easier than taking the time to learn about someone.

Taking the low road is

**YOUR VOICE |** Prof says bill evolves Oklahoma back to Dark Ages

## Writer says proposed bill legislates 'incompetence'

**To the Editor:**

State Sen. Breechen wrote a defense of his SB 554 (the "teaching evolution controversy" bill) in which he defended the bill as constitutional.

Let us, for the moment, stipulate that the intent of the bill really is to give a voice to those criticisms of evolution that are both under-represented and scientific.

As an example, he offers "the fossil record lacking phylum-level transitional forms". This is an old creationist argument that has been refuted for years. It is false.

It has been shown to be false to those making the argument, but they ignore the evidence and keep making the claim anyway. There are, in fact, many "transitional" fossils representing the early splits of modern phyla, as even a cursory internet search or a quick read of a biological history text would reveal.

Really, what bothers me most about Sen. Breechen's approach is that this is really a bill designed to legislate incompetence.

A biology instructor would be negligent in the extreme to simply bring up the question without answering it with known science.

In this example, the most interesting aspect is that during this Cambrian "explosion" the evolution of hard marine shells began, which greatly increased the chance that an individual organism would be fossilized in the first place.

So we would actually "expect" the fossil record to be rather poor for their common ancestors, though many examples have, in fact, been found.

To use this as a tool of innuendo to imply there's something wrong with the entire framework of evolution is to simply encourage ignorance.

One might not find that public-school biology teachers are well-versed in modern research enough to counter the false assertions of creationists, so it is all the more important that legislators who are themselves not scientists in the field do not fancy themselves to be content and curriculum experts.

—**TAD THURSTON**

OCCC PHYSICS PROFESSOR

own, and which may never become our own. Learning about others isn't about abandoning one's self in order to become the other person. It's about learning about the other person.

That's a process that requires time, a willingness to communicate, and a desire to share information.

The lecture on learning how to communicate with the opposite sex could have led to the question regarding why relationships were being addressed in this very historically narrow context.

Important dialogue

certainly easier and safer than taking a more mature approach to issues of diversity and acceptance, but that road never leads us out of the abyss.

College is a place where we experience many cultural differences, sometimes for the first time in our lives.

It is here where we encounter ideas and behaviors that are not our

could have taken place, not only about sexual orientation and why all types of couple relationships are not addressed, but also about the stereotypical assumption that men and women represent alien species capable of co-existing only with professional help.

Vandalism enlightens no one. It inhibits growth and change and understanding rather than advancing them. Have the courage to find your voice and question those things that seem unfair.

Be the change you want to see in others.

—**MARY TURNER**  
LEARNING SUPPORT  
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## COMMENTS AND REVIEWS

# 'Mercy' works too hard, fails to satisfy

"Darkest Mercy" is the fifth and final book of the faery series written by Melissa Marr. It brings to a conclusion all the plots Marr wove throughout her books of faery intrigue.

Marr's writing is eloquent and detailed. She offers many different viewpoints throughout the book to allow readers to experience all the action from all sides.

The characters are well developed, especially if the audience has read the previous books of the series.

If anything, there are too many characters for the brief series to do most of them justice. Readers are left yearning for more details of the history brought up between some of the characters.

Marr spends too much time during the first part of the book fixing her characters' relationships. It gives the book a slow start, particularly when compared to the earlier, better books.

The action, when she gets to it, is well written. There's just not enough of it.

Aislinn, the main character throughout most of the series and a major player in this book, has been forced to make some tough decisions during her

tenure as Summer Queen.

Keenan, the Summer King, is left pining for his true love Donia, the Winter Queen, throughout much of the book.

Marr manages to close the book on a "happily ever after" note.

Unfortunately, the ending is not very believable. It seems too easy.

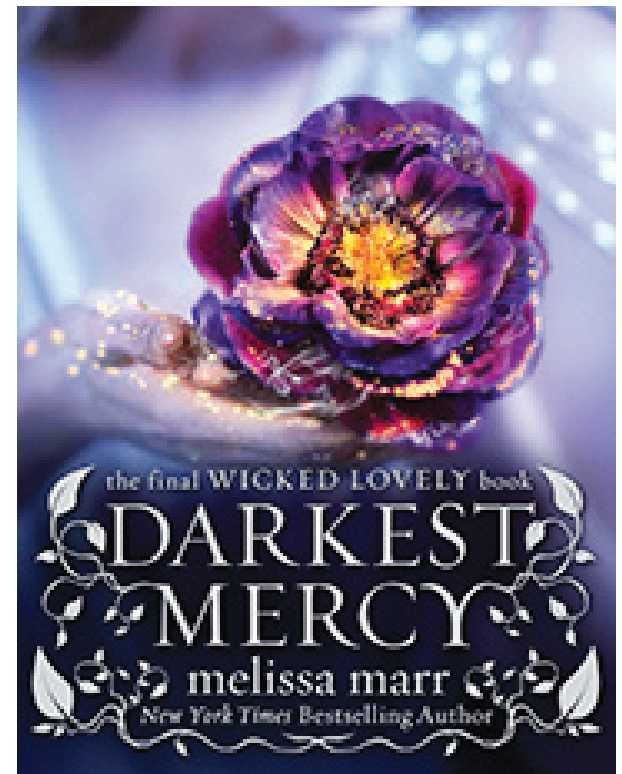
Marr spent too much time earlier in the series vilifying faeries in general, including Aislinn's disdain toward the species despite her transformation into one.

Darkest Mercy closes all the plots left open, answers all questions. For someone who has followed the series, it's worth reading.

For newcomers, it's not worth the trip to the library unless they really like faery tales.

**Rating: C**

—HOLLY DAVIS WALKER  
Staff Writer



# 'Beastly' tale becomes on-screen beauty

Take a fairy tale, place it in the modern world, add a touch of Gothic glamour, and the result is "Beastly," the newest re-imagining of the classic tale "Beauty and the Beast."

Released March 4, the movie is a sweeping critique of the modern view of beauty and popularity, wrapped in the trappings of fantasy and romance.

Kyle (Alex Pettyfer) is a popular, handsome

young man who believes looks and looks alone are the most important quality to possess.

This point of view brings him into conflict with Kendra (Mary-Kate Olsen), a Goth student rumored to be witch.

Claiming he wants to make it up to her, he invites her to a reception at the club.

At the reception, he meets Lindy (Vanessa Hudgens) a young

scholarship student at his school who had declined to run for president of the environmental club after seeing Kyle's popularity would overshadow her dedication to the post.

When Kendra arrives, Kyle leaves Lindy at the side of the dance floor, then publicly humiliates Kendra.

Kendra curses him, causing him to appear scarred, tattooed, and

overall unpleasant. She tells him he has a year to find someone to love him for who he is, not what he looks like, or remain ugly forever.

Nearly four months later, Kyle runs into Lindy, realizes that he has feeling for her, and begins a race against time to get her to return his feelings.

The cast of "Beastly" works seamlessly to bring the script to

life, and nowhere in the film is there a bad or weak performance to be found.

The special effects are understated and used only when necessary to the plot, though they do provide some moments of humor.

The pacing and story are stunningly well developed.

If there is any problem with this movie, it's how closely the script follows

the original fairy tale.

At times, the need to follow the original can feel forced, as the writers struggle to make a modern tale using the rationales of a very old one.

Still, "Beastly" is one of the better fairy tale remakes, and definitely worth seeing.

**Rating: A-**

—JEREMY CLOUD  
Senior Writer

# 'M.I.A.' story a nuclear waste of readers' time

"M.I.A" is the 9<sup>th</sup> volume of Brian Wood's DMZ graphic novel series about photojournalist Matty Roth covering the America's second Civil War being fought in New York City in the near future.

"M.I.A" could be referring to the suspension of belief after Wood had a nuclear explosion go off

in Manhattan in Vol. 8.

Anytime a nuclear explosion is dealt with in fiction, it causes the reader to ponder if the series has jumped the shark, or in this case, "nuke the fridge."

The fallout from those events cause Roth to take a good hard look at himself and his involvement since he started covering

the DMZ.

Wood's story for "M.I.A" sort of plods along as it gears toward its climactic conclusion later this year.

Regular readers might wonder if Wood would have been best served exploring the political undercurrent of the DMZ a little more like he had in previous volumes.

Regular series artist Riccardo Burchielli's art is fantastic and the 50<sup>th</sup> issue collected in the volume features guest art from creators Jim Lee (Batman, X-Men) and Dave Gibbons (Watchmen), and other frequent collaborators of Brian Wood.

Wood is one of the most talented creators

working in comics currently, but one wonders if he didn't misfire in the latest volume while covering the war in the DMZ.

DMZ Vol. 9 "M.I.A" published by DC/Vertigo Comics retails for \$14.99.

**Rating: C-**

—JOEY STIPEK  
Editor



# Security office stores items lost, found on campus

ELYSABETH CASIANO  
News Writing Student

That favorite sweater of yours might not be gone after all or maybe that notebook you forgot in the cafeteria isn't actually stolen.

Before giving up hope of finding missing items, students should check with Lost and Found, said campus Police Chief Jim Fitzpatrick.

Lost and Found is located in the Safety and Security Department located right behind the coffee shop on the first floor of the Main building. Many people are unaware that Lost and Found is located there.

Only four out of the 15 students interviewed were aware that OCCC had a Lost and Found. Two of the four students who did know had actually lost something.

One of those students was Tiffany McDonald, who remembers the circumstances of learning about Lost and Found. She said she had spent her lunch period at the coffee shop tables early in the afternoon in December.

When she got to her car, she realized she had forgotten her keys. When she returned to the table at which she had just been sitting to look for them, she saw her keys were missing.

Coffee shop employees told her to check Lost

Listed are a few of the items waiting to be identified and claimed from Lost and Found in the Safety and Security office. The Pioneer will run a list each week.:

- **Silver charm received for a birthday. charm has some engraving.**
- **12.1 Mega Pixel Camera. Holiday pictures at many local churches including Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Temple. (January 22, 2011)**
- **10 Mega Pixel digital movie camera with case and accessories. (April 2010)**
- **Large plastic watch with rubber wrist band (February 2011)**
- **Wireless Mouse (February 2011)**
- **(2) Computer Power cords (2010)**

and Found to calculators, notebooks to clothing, flash drives to driver's licenses, and sometimes money.

To retrieve an item, the owner will have to identify himself or herself, describe the lost item, and tell when and where it was lost, Fitzpatrick said.

After an extended period of time, unclaimed items must be disposed of.

The security department sends unclaimed cell phones to domestic violence victims who can't afford to buy one on their own, Fitzpatrick said.

Also, if money or jewelry has been deserted, it is given to the state treasury.

If your item isn't recovered at the Lost and Found on the first visit, it may be there on the second, Fitzpatrick said. Students and faculty bring in lost possessions on a daily basis.

"(Workers in Lost and Found) can even take your information to contact you if someone brings it in,"

and Found in the Safety and Security Department. This was when she learned about the service and reclaimed her car keys, McDonald said.

Fitzpatrick said he wishes more students knew where to check for lost and missing items.

"It's a pretty significant problem for us for how much stuff comes in here," Fitzpatrick said.

Recovered items range from shavers to cameras, phones to wallets, jew-



RACHEL MORRISON/PIONEER

The lost and found closet in the Safety and Security office located just inside Entry 11 on the first floor of the Main Building, holds a number of items waiting to be identified and claimed.

Fitzpatrick said. "It would be wonderful to get these things back to people."

For more information, come by the Safety and Security Department or call 405-682-1611, ext. 7691.

## BROWN BAG LUNCHEON TEACHES 'ENROLLMENT 101'

# Students learn valuable enrollment information

ROBERT BOLTON  
Staff Writer  
onlinewriter@occc.edu

OCCC Academic Adviser Tennent Emmons showed students how to get enrolled for summer and fall classes during a Brown Bag luncheon March 9.

"This is enrollment 101, and it is to discuss how a person sets about enrolling in the (general) education classes for their beginning courses that they need for their degree." He said students need to

start scheduling summer and fall classes now.

"The summer and fall schedules are not out on hard copy," he said, "but they are on MineOnline so students can look at

“**The summer and fall schedules ... are on MineOnline ...**”

—TENNENT EMMONS  
ACADEMIC ADVISER

that to make up their schedule for this summer and fall schedule.”

Barbara Gowdy, Graduation Services director, said in an e-mail, open

enrollment for returning students begins on March 28 while new students can enroll beginning April 4.

OCCC student Jarmila Jayden attended.

"It's very educational to attend the Brown Bag with 'Enrollment 101,' because it gives you an inside view on the best times to enroll, how to go about enrolling, and how to look at the catalogue as to what classes you need to pick."

For more information, visit MineOnline through [www.occc.edu](http://www.occc.edu).



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TICKETS LIMITED FOR CLASSICAL PERFORMANCE

# Internationally-acclaimed trio to perform

**LAURA HULS**

News Writing Student

Few tickets remain for the performance of Trio Cavatina, a classical music group whose instruments include the violin, cello and piano, said Lemuel Bardeguez, director of Cultural Arts.

They will perform at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, at the Bruce Owen Theater on campus.

"We have just a handful of tickets, but if students are interested, we'll make tickets available," Bardeguez said.

Trio Cavatina consists of three artists: Harami Rhodes, violin; Priscilla Lee, cello; and Ieva Jokubaviciute, piano. They originated in 2005 at the Marlboro Music Festival in Vermont and made their Carnegie Hall debut in 2010.

Trio Cavatina won the Naumburg Chamber Music competition in 2009. Bardeguez said this prestigious competition, held in New York City, recognizes young performers every year and gives awards in both solo and group performances, composer recordings, conducting and commissions.

The group's Feb. 8 performance was cancelled due to snow storms. That show was sold out, Bardeguez said.

Admission for students is \$12.50 and general admission is \$24.50. To purchase tickets, please visit [occc.edu/CAS/tickets](http://occc.edu/CAS/tickets).

For more information, contact the Cultural Arts Program office at 405-682-7576 or e-mail at [culturalprograms@occc.edu](mailto:culturalprograms@occc.edu).

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From left to right: Trio Cavatina members Priscilla Lee, cello; Ieva Jokubaviciute, piano; and Harami Rhodes, violin, will perform at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, in the Bruce Owen Theater. For ticket information, call 405-682-7576, or visit [www.occc.edu/cas](http://www.occc.edu/cas).

PHOTO COURTESY OF TRIO CAVATINA

## Prof recognized for groundbreaking work

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One OCCC professor is being honored in recognition of her groundbreaking work in computer gaming and computer animation.

The DaVinci Institute has named Akram Taghavi-Burris, Computer-Aided Technology professor, a 2011 DaVinci Fellow.

A new fellow is named each

year, and each fellowship runs for two years.

"I was nominated by the President of Academic Affairs (Dr. Felix Aquino)," Taghavi-Burris said.

"I was very excited and kind of shocked," she said.

"I'm still like really? I won."

Taghavi-Burris will graduate from the University of Central Oklahoma with a master's degree this spring but has been a part of OCCC faculty for 10 years.

"I started working as a lab tutor in 2001, she said. "I became a professor in 2007."

She teaches video game and multimedia design, along with computer animation.

"I developed the computer animation program," she said.

"OCCC didn't offer that before.

"We've totally revamped both curriculums."

Taghavi-Burris said she mixes classic and new elements in the classroom.

"In the animation program we start students with traditional hand-drawn animation and then we move into computer animation," she said.

She said she also has been able to obtain grants for the department.

"We got a couple of Success grants for actual animator desks and Wacom tablets for the 2D animation," Taghavi-Burris said.

She said she has high hopes for the future of the Computer-

Aided Technology department.

"My plan is to just build on this program.

Overall, I'd like to see it progress to our students producing animations to send off to the festivals and competitions," Taghavi-Burris said.

For more information on the classes Taghavi-Burris teaches, go online to [www.occc.edu](http://www.occc.edu) and look at the course catalogue or e-mail [ataghaviburris@occc.edu](mailto:ataghaviburris@occc.edu).

## SPORTS

## OCCC night at the Thunder game



MORGAN BEARD/PIONEER

OCCC night at the Thunder game was a success with the Thunder defeat the Indiana Pacers by 24 points. From left to right, Rocky Lee, Garrett Bennett, and Sean Tolbert, get loud during the second quarter of the March 2 Thunder game. The Thunder rumbled past the Indiana Pacers 113 to 89. OCCC Purchased sections 315 and 316, then sold the tickets to students at half the purchase price.

SPORTS | THUNDER DO THEIR PART BY GETTING A BIG WIN WHILE OCCC STUDENTS ARE IN ATTENDANCE

## OCCC students cheer on Thunder

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Student Life recently made it possible for OCCC students to attend the March 2 Oklahoma City Thunder basketball game for \$5.

Several students took advantage of the affordable price and watched the OKC Thunder play against the Indiana Pacers.

Sean Tolbert said he was just walking across campus when he happened to pass a sign that read, "OKC Thunder basketball game tickets for \$5."

He said he couldn't pass up the offer. Tolbert, who had never attended a Thunder game, said he figured, what better time than the present?

"You're missing out if you don't come," Tolbert said.

"You should make it a hobby as well as a yearly routine."

“ You're missing out if you don't come, you should make it a hobby ... ”

—SEAN TOLBERT  
OCCC STUDENT

Seth Crowder said he bought three tickets for him and family. “

If OCCC does this again I will definitely come back,” Crowder said. “I love the Thunder.”

Jordan Barltln said she had a blast with her girlfriends. They bought tickets for a girl's night out.

“I think it is absolutely wonderful that OCCC does this for students,” Barltln said.

The Thunder pleased the home town crowd with a romping over the Pacers, winning 113 to 89.

The Thunder are smack dab in the middle of the western conference

playoff race.

Since the Thunder arrived in Oklahoma City, Student Life has been doing philanthropic promotions such as this one, Katie Treadwell, Student Life program coordinator said.

The Student Life office is considering having the same opportunity for students during playoff games, if the Thunder can keep on truckin' throughout the remainder of the season.

For more information about Student Life and their planned activities, visit [www.occc.edu/studentlife](http://www.occc.edu/studentlife).

Have sports news?  
Contact Jacob at  
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ext. 7676.

UPCOMING  
INTRAMURALS  
EVENTS

• **March 7-27:** Lane markers in the OCCC Aquatic Center will be replaced, and the facility will be closed. For more information contact the Wellness Center at 405-682-1611, ext. 7310.

• **March 21:** Intermediate Guitar lessons on Mondays 7 to 8 p.m. in the OCCC Family and Community Education Center. the six-week course is \$40. For more information contact the Wellness Center at 405-682-1611, ext. 7310.

• **March 23:** Softball CoRec team meeting at noon in the OCCC Gym. Games will be held at the Oklahoma City University starting April 9. Register online at [www.imleagues.com/Schools/OCCC/Registration](http://www.imleagues.com/Schools/OCCC/Registration). For more information contact the Wellness Center at 405-682-1611, ext. 7310.

• **March 26:** World Instructor Training School. Six week course starting on March 26 and running through May 7 in the OCCC Wellness Center room 002. Course fee \$499 and a \$79.97 text book fee. For more information contact the Wellness Center at 405-682-1611, ext. 7310.

• **March 30:** Circuit Training Level 3 meeting at noon in the OCCC Gym. Classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays starting April 5 through April 28. Register online at [www.imleagues.com/Schools/OCCC/Registration](http://www.imleagues.com/Schools/OCCC/Registration). For more information call the Wellness Center at 405-682-1611, ext. 7310.

• **April 7:** American Red Cross Lifeguard Training in the OCCC Aquatic Center room. For more information call the Wellness Center at 405-682-1611, ext. 7310.

• For more sports information, visit [www.occc.edu/rcs](http://www.occc.edu/rcs).



# Trespassing, pornography viewing top crime

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Trespassers and a library user viewing pornography were the major problems OCCC Security had to deal with over the last few weeks.

The trespassers, Jesse Hearon, 46, and Jackie Hearon, 47, were seen digging through a dumpster on campus by Officer Austin Plackemeier as

he was driving in to work on March 2.

Plackemeier checked with officers on duty, who said they were unaware of the men, then went to confront them as they prepared to leave the campus in a flatbed truck, which was loaded with trash and scrap metal.

Both men stated that they were hunting for scrap metal, and produced state IDs.

Plackemeier requested a

warrant check on both men from the dispatcher.

Jesse Hearon had an outstanding warrant in Cleveland County for failing to appear in court.

Jackie Hearon had a warrant in Oklahoma City for failing to show proof of insurance when pulled over.

Both men were detained and the Oklahoma City Police Department was contacted.

While waiting for the police

to arrive, Jesse Hearon "stated that he had a syringe and some other drug paraphernalia in a 'Crown Royal' bag located in the driver's side door, and that there might be a pipe somewhere in the truck."

OCPD Sgt. R. Kirby arrived on the scene, was briefed on the situation and the drug paraphernalia, and took both suspects into custody.

On Feb. 14, Officer William

Meyer and Officer Brandon Wheeler responded to a report of an individual viewing pornography in the Keith Leftwich Memorial Library.

Wheeler detained the suspect, aged 17, and determined that he had been viewing pornographic material and contacted the teen's mother.

The suspect's mother signed a trespass warning, and escorted the suspect off the campus.

## Enroll: Students should enroll early

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"Both forms are available online.

"If you need further information, please contact that office," she said.

Gowdy said it pays to enroll early to ensure the classes and times you want are available.

Erin Yeo, political science major, said she plans to enroll as soon as possible for the sum-

mer and fall semesters.

"It is beneficial to enroll early because you have a better chance of getting into the classes you want and it increases your chances of getting a good schedule to fit your life," Yeo said.

Ashley Bernal, art major, enrolled late for the spring and applied late for financial aid.

"I enrolled at the last minute for spring semester, so I am re-

ceiving my funds late," she said.

However, she said, she made it work in her favor.

"Some students get their financial aid money earlier in the semester and they are broke by the middle of the term.

"I am kind of lucky to have them come when they are."

For more information on enrollment, visit [www.occc.edu](http://www.occc.edu) or call Recruitment and Admissions at 405-682-7580.

## Nursing: OCCC's pass rate high

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Jackson believes this is one way the OCCC nursing program helped prepare her for the NCLEX.

Jackson said she did a lot of her own personal studying for the exam, completing more than 5,000 practice questions.

As in years past, the OCCC nursing program has had more students pass the NCLEX-RN exam than any other program in the state.

In 2009 OCCC had 206 students pass the exam, which surpassed even the University of Oklahoma Health Science Center which had only 202 students pass the exam.

Most other nursing schools in Oklahoma had less than half of the number of students attempting the test, ranging from three students at Northwestern

Oklahoma State University in Woodward, to 129 students at Oklahoma State University in Oklahoma City. These numbers reflect the growing size of OCCC's already large nursing program, Klepper said.

The OCCC nursing program has grown significantly in the past few years, thanks to the greater demand for nurses, she said.

"We take the need for qualified nurses in our metro area very seriously."

The program's size may fool some into thinking it would be easy to get into, but that is certainly not true, Klepper said.

Last year, the traditional program, which has the largest numbers, had a total of 530 qualified applicants, but only 216 were accepted.

Having acceptance into the program that can be so com-

petitive helps ensure students are willing to put in the work to do well when they take the NCLEX exam and then enter the workforce, Klepper said.

Klepper said professors in the nursing program are very satisfied with the standards of acceptance, given that the program produces a high pass rate on the licensure exam. In addition, she said, employers report being satisfied with graduates from the program.

For more information about OCCC's nursing program, contact Klepper at [rklepper@occc.edu](mailto:rklepper@occc.edu).

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### CORRECTION

In the March 4 story "Students to vote on eco-friendly resolution" the Pioneer incorrectly reported Lawrence Cagle as being with Phi Beta Kappa. That should have read Phi Theta Kappa. We apologize for the mistake.

Do you have news to share? Maybe you know of an OCCC student worthy of a mention. If so, contact Joey at [editor@occc.edu](mailto:editor@occc.edu) or call 405-682-1611, ext. 7409.

# CAMPUS COMMUNITY

## CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

### Job fair connects job-seekers to employers



RACHEL MORRISON/PIONEER

Tracy Ortiz gets employment information from Hobby Lobby Personnel Manager Mike Riebe at the OCCC job fair March 2. Ortiz said she heard about the job fair from a friend.

#### Auditions for student plays

Students who would like to perform in student-directed one-act plays can audition at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 21, and Tuesday, March 22, at the Bruce Owen Theater. Auditioners should have a one-minute monologue prepared to perform.

#### Recognizing Rhetoric workshop

Students can join presenter Brandon Isaak while he covers strategies and tips for analyzing arguments using rhetorical appeals. The workshop will be held at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Monday, March 21, in CU2 in the College Union. Workshops last about an hour. For more information, contact Nick Webb at 405-682-1611, ext. 7678, or e-mail [nwebb@occc.edu](mailto:nwebb@occc.edu).

#### Trio Cavatina

Trio Cavatina, winner of the 2009 Naumburg Chamber music competition, will play at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, in the OCCC Bruce Owen Theater. Tickets are available for 24.50 for general admission, \$19.50 for seniors, faculty, staff and members of OCCC Alumni Association, and \$12.50 for OCCC students and children. For more information, contact the Cultural Art Series office at 405-682-7576.

#### Free Parenting workshop

Jennifer Quillian, MS Ed., will conduct a free workshop on "Learning to Read Through the Environment" from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday, March 24, at OCCC's FACE building, room 17, located at 6500 S. Land Ave. Participants will discover the elements of a print-rich environment and learn how to incorporate them into children's daily lives. For more information, contact CDCLS at 405-682-7561.

#### Ambassadorial Scholarship Applications

Applications for the 2012-2013 Ambassadorial Scholarship are due Friday, April 1. The scholarship provides \$26,000 for one academic year of study in another country. Criteria and applications can be found at [www.Rotary.org](http://www.Rotary.org). For more information, contact Donna Lawrence at 405-476-3455 or [donna@successredesign.com](mailto:donna@successredesign.com).

#### Tuition Fee Waiver Information

Tuition Fee Waiver applications for the summer semester are now available in the Financial Aid Office. Completed applications must be submitted before 5 p.m. April 20. For more information, call Student Financial Support Services at 682-7524.

**All Highlights are due Monday by 5 p.m. for inclusion in the next issue.**

**Highlight forms can be picked up in the Pioneer office, located in 1F2 of the Arts and Humanities building, just inside Entry 2.**

COMMUNITY | Transfer Days March 23 through 25

## Get ahead of the transfer game

JESSE HIGH  
News Writing Student



**Transfer Days is an early enrollment opportunity for incoming transfer students."**

—MICHAEL HOGGATT

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

PROSPECTIVE STUDENT SERVICES ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Students who have already been admitted to the University of Oklahoma for summer or fall can move to the front of the enrollment line by attending Transfer Days at OU from March 23 through 25.

"Transfer Days is an early enrollment opportunity for incoming transfer students," said Michael Hoggatt, associate director of OU Prospective Student Services.

"It gives you the opportunity to come to campus, meet with an academic adviser, and enroll before the rest of the student body."

Hoggatt addressed students planning to transfer after graduation at an OCCC luncheon Feb. 24, hosted by the Engineering Club.

Enrolling earlier than current students gives transfer students a heads-up on picking class schedules and choosing the classes they want before the classes are filled, he said.

Students must have applied and have been accepted to OU by March 4 to be able to attend transfer days.

Students also should take advantage of the many scholarships offered both at OU and OCCC, Hoggatt said.

"There are many scholarships that people just do not apply for."

Often the people who receive the scholarships are the people who simply fill out the forms, Houlette said.

"If more people would apply, more scholarships would be gained because there would be a need for them."

Scholarships are accessible to everyone and all it takes is a little bit of research to find them, Hoggatt said.

Representatives from OU Student Life provide campus tours for prospective students and help them meet with an adviser to plan their college education, Hoggatt said.

Aside from tours, OU Student Life is a vital connection between the students and the events happening around campus.

For more information about transferring, scholarships, and OU Student Life contact Hoggatt at [mhoggatt@ou.edu](mailto:mhoggatt@ou.edu).

That message was echoed by OCCC physical science Professor Gary Houlette.

"Participation is key," Houlette said.

# CLASSIFIEDS

Pioneer classified advertising is free to all enrolled OCCC students and employees for any personal classified ad. Ad applications must be submitted with IDs supplied by 5 p.m. Mondays prior to the publication date. For more information, call the Ad Manager at 405-682-1611, ext. 7674, or e-mail [adman@occc.edu](mailto:adman@occc.edu).

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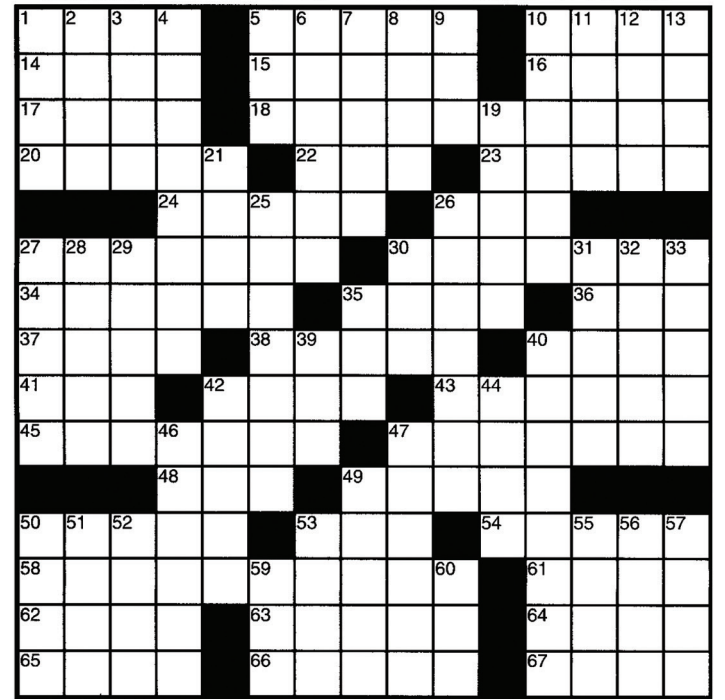
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## CLUB DISCUSSING PARADE FLOAT IDEAS

# Gay straight club raising funds for gay pride festival

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The Gay Straight Alliance hosted a bake sale over several days before spring break.

Chris Hanna, GSA member, said the sale was held to raise club funds.

"We've deposited \$250 so far.

"We're raising money so we can try to build a float for the gay pride festival in June. It's after we get out of school but we are trying to represent

OCCC," Hanna said.

"We have one group that is providing the truck and the trailer, and we are going to build the float.

"That's the goal, anyway, if we get the money," he said.

Hanna said he is unsure about how much more money the GSA needs to meet their needs.

"We just know that we are going to need quite a bit of seed money.

"We're in the process of gathering information for float ideas."

The GSA also helped support the College Democrats club on their petition for the anti-conceal carry on campus petition.

For more information about the GSA, visit <http://occc.campusgroups.com/gsa>.

Communications Lab Assistant Nick Webb talks to a representative of the Gay Straight Alliance during a recent bake sale.

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