



INSTITUTIONAL NEWS

Alan Jackson to headline September Orange Peel

Grammy Award winning country singer, songwriter and performer Alan Jackson will headline the 2006 Orange Peel on Sept. 30 at Boone Pickens Stadium. Orange Peel, now in its eleventh year, is one of the largest student-produced concerts in the nation, according to executive director and Edmond music business senior Chris Carrington. For tickets or information, visit the Orange Peel Web site at www.osupeel.com or call 1-877-OSU-PEEL.



Strathe Elected to Commission

Dr. Marlene Strathe, provost and senior vice president, has been elected to the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Higher Learning Commission. The commission is part of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, a regional institutional accreditor in the U.S. She also was recently appointed to the Intercollegiate Athletics Committee of the NASULGC Council on Academic Affairs.



Approximately 450 freshmen took part in one of five Camp Cowboy weekends this year at Camp Redlands. Just one of the many activities was the Ropes Course.

Elizabeth Catlos Named 2006 Top Young Scientist in Geology

The Geological Society of America has named Dr. Elizabeth Catlos, assistant professor of geology, the 2006 Top Young Scientist. Catlos will receive the prestigious award known as the Donath Medal at the society's annual meeting in Philadelphia in October. The award recognizes young scientists for outstanding achievement in geology through research that advances the earth sciences. She will receive a gold medal and a \$20,000 cash award. This award

marks a milestone for Catlos and OSU as she joins an elite group of past medalists from top research universities.



Dr. Elizabeth Catlos

Kathy Elliott Named NACUBCO Rising Star

Kathy Elliott, associate vice president and controller, OSU and OSU System, received



Kathy Elliott, right, received the NACUBO Rising Star Award from Robert Flanigan Jr.

a National Association of College and University Business Officers' Rising Star Award from Robert D. Flanigan Jr., Spelman College vice president, at the 2006 NACUBO annual meeting held in Hawaii this month. The NACUBO Rising Star Award identifies future leaders in higher education who possess high potential to advance to leadership roles in positions of greater authority and responsibility in the field of higher education business, finance and administration. Elliott was recognized as one of two Rising Stars from among its 2,500 member institutions.

Sister Cities Elects Hromas

Dr. James Hromas, International Education and Outreach director, was elected to the Sister Cities International Board of Directors this month at its 50th anniversary conference held in Washington, D.C. Sister Cities has more than 700 U.S. cities affiliated with 1,700 international cities in 134 countries. A total of 1,200 delegates representing 39 countries were in attendance.

ALL CAMPUS NEWS

OSU-CHS assisted Eugene Field Elementary School second graders to grow, harvest and taste a variety of vegetables. **Elizabeth Nokes** led the effort to teach students lessons in agronomy on how food is grown.

The Association for Research Libraries ranked the **OSU library** among the top 60 of the largest academic libraries in the U.S. and Canada.

The National League for Nursing and Accrediting Commission, Inc., has recommended **OSU-Okmulgee's nursing program** for accreditation, according to Dr. Pam Price-Hoskins, program administrator.

More than 150 Tulsa children participated in the Children's Defense Fund **"Freedom Schools"** Program this summer at OSU-Tulsa.

OSU-Okmulgee hosted a **Manufacturing Technology Showcase** for prospective students to showcase opportunities for engineering technology graduates.



Dr. Glenn Brown, biosystems and agricultural engineering professor, led 7th-12th grade students in a food processing workshop in OSU's Biosystems Lab where they learned about fluid mechanics in the inaugural Retired Educators for Youth Agricultural Program (REYAP) Agriculture Science and Technology Institute. The program, co-hosted by OSU and Langston, introduces agricultural degree and career options and emphasizes the importance of science and math study to minority students.

Nine GEAR UP spring high school graduates successfully completed the **OSU-OKC Certified Nurse Aide course** in May, June and July and passed the Oklahoma Nurse Aide Competency Certification Exam.

On July 29, **OSU-OKC Vet Tech Student Association** will hold a pet first aid class for Hounds of the Heartland Greyhound rescue organization.

OSU-Tulsa plans a **"Cowboy Idol"** themed Staff Appreciation Day on Aug. 1 to recognize the staff's dedication.

The College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology's **contract to produce conventional weapons manuals** for the Department of Defense was renewed for \$34 million over five years.

The Governor Henry Bellmon/Tulsa Press Club **President's Distinguished Scholarship** at OSU-Tulsa has been established. The \$55,000 endowed scholarship will be its first President's Distinguished

Scholarship, the most prestigious OSU undergraduate scholarship.

OSU-OKC is the only school in Oklahoma to offer an associate degree program in **"Technical Spanish: Translation and Interpretation."**

Fifteen OSU students participated in the **Cambridge summer program in England**. Also taking part were OSU System CEO and President David Schmidly, who presented a lecture and also took part in a panel on leadership and public service with Louis Blair, former executive secretary of the Truman Foundation, and Bryan Begley, former OSU Truman Scholar. Dr. Peter Sherwood, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, lectured and led a tour, and OSU English professor Dr. Edward Jones led a course on 17th century British newsbooks. OSU alumni also participated in the activities at the first-ever alumni event held in the United Kingdom.

OSU has established an on-campus housing area for students recovering from drug and/or alcohol dependence. The discreet **Recovery House** program is not a treatment program but does provide programs and structure to support their efforts to live in a substance free environment.

OSU wins **Oklahoma College Public Relations Association Awards**: OSU-Tulsa, radio advertisement/PSA, class schedule and events promotion/campaigns, second place; OSU-Oklahoma City, a bright idea, honorable mention, Gayle Berry, Teresa Hull and Elaine Coleman; and OSU-Stillwater, traditional photography, first and honorable mention, and digitally enhanced photo-



Dr. David Schmidly, OSU System CEO and President, greeted the first Libyan students to be admitted to an American university in 26 years, and presented them with OSU T-shirts. All seven students are studying in the areas of engineering or business. **Dr. Yousif Sherif**, OSU research associate in biochemistry and molecular biology, a native of Libya, is sponsoring the students.

graphy, honorable mention, Phil Shockley; print advertising, second, Kim Houston; short features, third, and magazines, second, Eileen Mustain; cover design, first, and magazines, second, Paul Fleming; magazines, honorable mention, Janet Varnum; before and after, third, and cover design, honorable mention, Mark Pennie; and events promotion/campaigns, honorable mention, University Marketing.

The annual **Lights On Stillwater** is set for Aug. 23 from 8-10 p.m. on the OSU Library lawn to give businesses and organizations the opportunity to connect with more than 10,000 OSU students, faculty and staff.

Dr. Kenneth Bartels, professor and chair of laser surgery in veterinary clinical services, recently hosted Dr. Jiafa Hou, dean and head of a graduate veterinary program in China, and Guofeng Gao and San Long, both CEOs of biotech programs in China.

STUDENT NEWS

Fifteen undergraduate **athletic training students** attended the National Athletic Trainers' Association National Convention in Atlanta in June.

OSU's **FMA Chapter** earned the Financial Management Association Superior Chapter Designation for 2005-06, an award given to fewer than five percent of the chapters.

School of Hotel and Restaurant Administration students took part in a **study abroad program** this summer in Switzerland, France and Italy in a program offered jointly with Pennsylvania State University and coordinated at OSU by Dr. Bill Ryan. Dr. Woody Kim was on the faculty.

Candice Foster, a Canton agribusiness junior, represented OSU at the Collegiate National Finals Rodeo in barrel racing competition in Casper, Wyo., placing in the top 15 with just hundredths of a second separating most contestants.

Cathy Manga, Tulsa child and family services senior, will be a grant reviewer for the Administration for Children and Families Healthy Marriage Initiative Demonstration grants.

Spears School of Business will have **two living/learning communities** in the Residential Life suites this fall. So far, 38 students, including 19 new freshmen, will live together and take two courses together.

Three OSU students hold state offices in Phi Beta Lambda. **Mary Oliver**, Battiest accounting junior, is president; **Jessica Reid**, Edmond hotel and restaurant administration junior, is reporter; and **Emilee Lehenbauer**, Stillwater international business junior, is secretary.



OSU aerospace engineering undergraduates Thomas Hays, left, and Dustin Gamble have set two aviation world records with the Dragonfly, an experimental aircraft they designed. They plan to go after additional records this summer. Dr. Andy Arena, center, is their faculty adviser.

Dragonfly Sets Another Record

Aerospace engineering undergraduates **Dustin Gamble** and **Thomas Hays** set another world record, this time for flight endurance for their remote-controlled experimental plane "Dragonfly,"

flying for more than 12 hours and beating Switzerland's old record by almost two hours. Both new records have been sanctioned by the International Aeronautics Federation.

Sharla Birch of Fairview, Mont., vet med '08, received a \$2,000 Robberson Summer 2006 Research Fellowship for a graduate student involved in thesis or dissertation research.

U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association named OSU a Division I all-academic team and recognized individual performers **David Jankowski**, Idaho Falls, Idaho; **Ryan Vail**, Gresham, Ore.; and **David Pomies**, Lyon, France.

Design, housing and merchandising senior **Malea Moore**, Muskogee, is an intern at CBS TV network in Los Angeles. She will be an extra on the soap opera "The Young and the Restless" on Aug. 7 and 9.

Softball player **Kim Kaye** and former player **Shannon Sullivan** were selected to represent the British National Team to play in the World Cup this month at the Oklahoma City ASA Hall of Fame Stadium.

Zack Robinson, Fort Worth M.B.A. student and OSU golfer, was one of 58 students, including three from Oklahoma universities, awarded \$7,500 post-graduate NCAA scholarships.



Members of OSU's Indonesian Overseas Student Association presented a check for \$2,400 to Jake Peters, far right, assistant director of the Payne County chapter of the American Red Cross, for the Indonesian Earthquake Relief Project. The funds were raised by the students in one night through a special dinner. Presenting the check were, front row, students Diana, Fitrianti Pakiding, Yuyun Sejati and Fred Keating, and back row, Kent Sampson, Campus Life director, and Tim Huff, International Students and Scholars manager.

Biosystems and agricultural engineering students took honors at the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers annual international meeting in Portland: Joe Biggerstaff, Ryan Haar, Matt Kilker and Taylor Miller, first place, AGCO National Student Design Competition for their design of a manual cattle chute; David Bevill, second place, K.K. Barnes Student Paper Competition; Rachel Cancienne, Elizabeth Casey and Clay Turney, second place, AEM Trophy Awards Competition to recognize outstanding initiative and accomplishment in a branch's overall activities; Michael Matousek, Matt Lemmons and Zath Marable, fourth place, Fountain Wars Environmental Design Competition; David Bevill was elected chair of the ASABE's International Preprofessional Council Advisory Board; and OSU won the Student-Mile Award for sending the most students the greatest distance to the meeting.

FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS



Campus Life director Kent Sampson, left, congratulates Ival Gregory, manager of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, on receiving the Campus Administrator of the Year Award for Chi Phi, the nation's oldest college fraternity.

Dr. Dorothy Turetsky, OSU-CHS biochemistry assistant professor, received a three-year, \$135,000 OCAST grant to study a novel splice variant of the AMPA-type glutamate receptor.

Dr. Chris Cashel, leisure studies professor who retired after 21 years, was honored by her mother, Marie Grant, who endowed a \$250,000 Dr. Christine Cashel Professorship in Leisure Studies. Colleagues and former students are endowing a \$20,000 scholarship, the Christine Cashel Endowed Professional Scholarship.

Dr. W. Steve Eddy, M.P.H., family medicine, received the Girl Scouts of the Magic Empire Council Celia and Ed Archer Award, the highest award to a non-Girl Scout, for conducting free physicals for 10 years for girls attending camps who could not afford the physicals.

Dr. Jennifer Paustenbaugh, OSU Libraries associate dean, was elected chair of the Oklahoma Commission on the Status of Women.

Dr. Barbara Walker, teaching and curriculum leadership pro-

fessor, is vice president-elect of the International Reading Association.

The College of Education received three State Regents Minority Teacher Recruitment Center awards for projects to recruit, retain and place teachers in Oklahoma K-12 schools. Receiving the awards are **Drs. Gayla Hudson, Nadine Olson and Pam Montemurro-Reding.**

The USDA awarded a \$375,000 grant for 2006-09 to co-principal investigators **Drs. Anthony Confer**, Regents Professor in veterinary pathobiology, and **Sahlu Ayalew**, assistant research professional, for "Immunoproteomic Approach to Identify and Characterize Immunologically Important Mannheimia Haemolytica Outer Membrane Proteins."

Dr. Roy Kelsey, advertising assistant professor, received the Oklahoma City Ad Club Silver Medal Award on June 14.

Shannon Caseltine, virology laboratory manager at the Oklahoma Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, attended and presented a paper at the Annual Conference of the International Association for Aquatic Animal Medicine held in Nassau, Bahamas. OADDL is responsible for a considerable amount of the viral serology done on marine mammals in the United States.

Dr. Katherine Williamson, physiological sciences research associate, is one of five finalists for the Young Investigator Award associated with the Merck-Merial Scholar Symposium.

Gale A. Mills, Washington County family and consumer science educator, received a \$2,450 grant from the American Heart Association – Heart and Stroke Community Development Fund, to develop a community program to benefit the cardiovascular health of residents.

Clem Ward, extension livestock marketing specialist, received the Western Agricultural Economics Association's Distinguished Scholar Award in Anchorage last month.

Dr. Joey Senat, journalism associate professor, spoke on teaching investigative reporting to students at the Investigative Reporters and Editors Conference in Fort Worth in June.

Dr. Terry Stinnett, professor of educational and school psychology, successfully led the doctoral program's accreditation site visit by the American Psychological Association.

Dr. Judy Oehler-Stinnett, associate professor of educational and school psychology, will attend the convention of the American Psychological Association in New Orleans in her capacity as vice president for Education, Training and Scientific Affairs (school psychology).

Dr. Jeff Spittler, Leonard Professor of mechanical and aerospace engineering, received two paper awards at the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers annual meeting in Quebec.

Dr. Eric Mesmer, assistant professor of applied health and educational psychology, will be the new president of

the Oklahoma School Psychologists Association.

Design, Housing and Merchandising's **Regents Professor Donna Branson** has been selected as a semi-finalist for the 2006 Homeland Security Award, sponsored by the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation and presented by Augusta-Westland, based on her efforts to design and create life-saving body armor for the military.

Dr. Gary Oberlender, civil and environmental engineering professor, has been named a fellow by the National Society of Professional Engineers. He is one of 15 engineers nationwide to receive the distinction this year.

Dr. Steven Harrist, associate professor of applied health and educational psychology, and **Dr. Shelia Kennison**, associate professor of psychology, spoke on "the psychology of the child" at the Oxford Round Table at the University of Oxford, England.

Dr. Toni Graham, English associate professor, won the John Gardner Book Award for 2006 for her work "Waiting for Elvis."

Dana Call, Dr. Scott Mason, and Officer Cody Palmer of OSU-OKC are organizing a three-day advanced academy for handlers of search and rescue dogs and service dogs.

Dr. Amy Halliburton, human development and family science assistant professor, was recognized by OSU's Volunteer Center for Outstanding Work by a Service-Learning faculty member.