

**JUNE 1, 2006**

### **Ulrich memorial service set for tomorrow**

A memorial service to celebrate the life of Dr. John Alan Ulrich, 56, who passed away May 15 at his home in Stillwater, will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday at the Bennett Chapel. John was a highly-respected employee of the NASA Aerospace Education Services Program at OSU. He dedicated his professional and personal life to education, and served as the director of the Aerospace Professional Development Center for AESP for more than 20 years, a job he loved. He used his expertise of NASA missions and education materials to enhance the educational impact of teachers throughout Oklahoma and the nation. John was a graduate of Upper Sandusky (Ohio) High School and earned his B.S. degree at Bowling Green University, and his master's degree and Ed.D. in aviation science at Oklahoma State University.

### **Eaton home from long hospital stay**

OSU pom squad member Timber Eaton has been featured recently in newspaper and television stories after returning home following treatment. The 21-year-old Eaton also suffered from acute blood poisoning. While at the hospital, Eaton had six surgeries and she was also on kidney dialysis for about a month. Eaton is quoted as saying she is "just happy to be alive," and has plans to return to OSU in the fall.

### **OSU researcher on trail of mysterious disease**

An OSU researcher studying a mysterious skin illness is assuring people with the disease that they are not delusional, as some have accused. Dr. Randy S. Wymore, assistant professor of pharmacology and physiology at the Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences and College of Osteopathic Medicine, says the strange skin lesions that appear with Morgellons disease are also not environmental contaminants. The symptoms included strange white or red "fibers" sprouting from skin lesions, sores that would not heal and "white granules and black specks" appearing on patients' skin. Sufferers also reported chronic fatigue, insomnia, night sweats and constant itching. Wymore confirms there are also nervous system effects that include behavioral changes, cognitive changes and (pain and numbness in extremities)."

### **OSU alum writes book to help people through death of child**

Jewel Sample, master's of science in Family Relations and Child Development from OSU, has written a book on grief and children, entitled "Flying Hugs and Kisses." The book features five children who creatively take on roles of support toward each other while showing their individual feelings about the death of their baby brother. Sample's publisher calls it a "great resource for parents to use to help their children understand and affirm their experience in the loss of a brother or sister." Sample is donating a copy of the book to the College of Human Environmental Sciences. For more information about the book, click here .

### **OSU alum on "Treasure Hunters" team**

OSU alum Keith Brown will be a featured member of one of the teams on NBC's new Treasure Hunters reality series. Brown, 43, is originally from Midland, Texas, and now works in Oregon. Treasure Hunters is an unscripted "quest" series that will feature teams of treasure-hunting competitors who will use folklore, fantasy and actual history as clues to solve a complex puzzle.

### **Free skin cancer screening**

The Seretean Wellness Center will host a FREE Skin Cancer Screening on Friday, June 23, from noon – 3 p.m. Kenda Baker, physician assistant in the Employee Health Clinic, will be available to check out those pesky sun spots and identify anything that may look suspicious. All patients will be seen on a first-come, first-serve basis only – no appointments will be taken. The screening should take approximately 10-15 minutes (not including possible wait time). If a spot of concern is found, you will be scheduled for a follow-up appointment. For questions, contact the Employee Health Clinic at 744-7556.

### **Consider a visit to Philbrook**

Oklahoma State University has an institutional membership at the Philbrook Museum of Art in Tulsa, and faculty, staff and students can visit the museum free of charge just by showing OSU identification. Visitors 18 and under are free. The museum is located at 2727 S. Rockford Road, and is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with Thursdays open until 8 p.m. The museum is closed Mondays and major holidays. The museum also offers summer camps for children 5-15, Saturday programs, adult classes and teacher workshops. For more information, click here or go to [www.philbrook.org](http://www.philbrook.org) .

### **"Citizen of the Year" among surprises set for awards banquet**

The Stillwater Chamber of Commerce will present its coveted "Citizen of the Year" award at its annual Meeting and Hall of Fame Banquet June 29 at the Conoco Phillips Alumni Center. Find out more by going to the Stillwater Chamber of Commerce website at [www.stillwaterchamber.org](http://www.stillwaterchamber.org) and clicking on the June newsletter.