Schmidly discusses OSU on Oklahoma Forum TV program Sunday

OSU System CEO and President David Schmidly discusses funding for higher education, campus growth, sensor research and other topics pertaining to OSU on OETA's weekly "Oklahoma Forum" television program, which airs Sunday at 1 p.m. Schmidly visits with "Oklahoma Forum" host Dick Pryor on the 30-minute program, which is broadcast statewide and covers "the topics and discussions that shape our state."

Your chance to answer the question: Can a concrete canoe float?

See for yourself tomorrow at Boomer Lake as Oklahoma State University hosts the 19th Annual National Concrete Canoe Competition. Twenty-three teams including the best and brightest engineering students from OSU and across the country will compete for \$9,000 in scholarships as they put their canoes through various categories of competition that range from aesthetics to racing. The teams weighed their canoes yesterday, each will give an academic presentation on their creation today, and tomorrow they'll put them to the test. The races start at 8 a.m. and conclude with some special challenge races about 3:30 p.m. For more details, click here.

OSU gives unique breed a better chance for survival

OSU veterinarians have given a herd of endangered donkeys a better chance for survival. After treatment for an infection, they've returned a breeding jack from an endangered Poitou donkey herd to his owners in Kansas. The Poitou donkey is the largest, hairiest and most endangered breed of donkey in the world. In 1977, only 44 animals existed worldwide. A few dedicated breeders have worked to save the breed. For more information, contact Derinda Lowe at (405) 744-6740.

March of Dimes silent auction today

You're invited to the March of Dimes silent auction today in Student Union Case Studies 1 and 2 (4th floor) from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. If you can't help today, consider eating at The Hideaway on Tuesday when a percentage of each sale will be earmarked for the March of Dimes or get involved in WalkAmerica 2006, which will start on Friday at 6 p.m. on the Willard lawn. For more information, contact Gianna Bell-Eunice at (405) 744-4384.

Wellness tip: Raw sugar

Have you seen packets of the sweetener 'raw' sugar? This sugar, which may be coarse and tan in color, is semi-refined. Our registered dietitian reports that it provides no added health benefits over regular table sugar in either nutrients or calories. Wellness tips are brought to you by the OSU Seretean Wellness Center, dedicated to making OSU the Healthiest Campus in America. For more information about services for students, faculty and staff, call 744-WELL (9355).