## "Lights on Stillwater" tonight

"Lights on Stillwater" will be held tonight from 8 - 10 p.m. on the lawn south of the OSU Library. The annual event gives businesses and organizations in the community the opportunity to connect with more than 10,000 students, faculty and staff at OSU. It is hosted by the OSU Student Government Association.

## OSU bid for national bio and agro-defense facility advances

The Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Directorate recently announced that Oklahoma is among 18 sites in 11 states that have advanced to the next phase in a competitive process to host a proposed \$450 million National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility. OSU is taking the lead role in the effort, working closely with the Oklahoma Department of Cmmerce and others from across the state. The facility would bring research opportunities and economic growth. A selection is expected to be announced in 2008.

## OSU involved in national "Read for the Record" attempt

The OSU Child Development Lab will participate in a nationwide attempt to set the world record for the largest shared reading experience ever tomorrow from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Early childhood students and faculty in the College of Human Environmental Sciences are inviting parents of the children at the lab to show up and read "The Little Engine that Could" to their child. Readers of all ages are encouraged to register at www.readfortherecord.org .

## Alum appointed Air Force general

Congratulations to Theresa M. Casey on her appointment to brigadier general in the Air Force Biomedical Sciences Corps. Casey, a 1982 graduate of the OSU Center for Veterinary and Health Sciences, is the first general in the Air Force to represent the Biomedical Sciences Corps. Casey will serve as director of medical modernization and chief information officer at Air Force headquarters in Falls Church, Va. As a colonel, Casey served as deputy command surgeon in the Air Combat Command at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia. The BSC is the third largest branch of the Air Force Medical Service.

#### OSU Alumni Association student group places for second year in a row

For the second year in a row, an OSU student group has walked away with top programming honors awarded at the Association of Student Advancement Programs International Network Convention. The OSU Student Alumni Board was awarded the Silver Award for its high school Leadership Conference and Legacy Day 2006 titled "Big Hair, Guitars and Leadership." In 2005, the Homecoming Steering Committee was awarded the Gold Award for the Homecoming philanthropy "Cowboys for the Cure." Student Alumni Board and the Homecoming Steering Committee are leadership organizations sponsored by the OSU Alumni Association.

## New on-hold messages greet callers to OSU

If you've recently been put on hold through the Oklahoma State University phone system, you may have noticed some new voices. Broadcast journalism students Katie Lamerton, Brandon Hart, Katherin Ratliff, and Sharone Malone recorded the messages that give OSU information, history and important facts in an effort to tell callers about all the great things OSU has to offer. The messages will be updated throughout the Fall and Spring semesters to promote upcoming events. The students' work is under the direction of the Office of Communications and Journalism professor Dr. John McGuire.

#### ECO film project set for next week

ECO-OSU will host an ECO Film Project "The End of Suburbia" in Room 108 of the Noble Research Center, Thursday Aug. 31 from 7-9 p.m. For a description of the film project, visit www.endofsuburbia.com . For additional information about ECO-OSU, go to www.orgs.okstate.edu/ecoosu . For more information about sustainable efforts at OSU, around Stillwater and throughout the state, go to www.sustainablestillwater.org .

# Wellness tip: Great dates

Stuck on the same old fruits? Make a date with dates! Stuff a few with non-fat cream cheese and perhaps some chopped nuts for a delicious, nutritious snack. 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).