

# January 10

## **Father of modern environmental movement to speak here next week**

Edward O. Wilson, considered by many to be the father of the modern environmental movement, will speak about proper stewardship of the earth's biodiversity on Thursday, Jan 18, at 7 p.m. in Click Alumni Hall. "Each year OSU is fortunate to have the opportunity to hear experts from across a variety of disciplines," said OSU System CEO and President David Schmidly. "I am particularly excited about hearing Dr. Wilson speak and giving our students, faculty and the entire state the opportunity to hear someone considered one of the most influential Americans of our time." Pellegrino University Research Professor Emeritus at Harvard University, Wilson is a two-time Pulitzer prize-winner for his books "The Diversity of Life" and "The Future of Life." His latest work, "Creation" offers hope for saving the planet through the union of religion and science. Free and open to the public, the speech is sponsored by the OSU office of the President.

## **OSU center hosts open house today**

The OSU Center for Innovation and Economic Development, Inc. invites you to an open house today (Wednesday, Jan. 10) from 3 - 5 p.m., at 505 South Main Street in Stillwater. The event is open to Oklahoma State University faculty, staff, and students as well as members of the Stillwater community. This is an opportunity to become familiar with CIED and see its new facilities while enjoying refreshments. The center serves OSU's commitment to economic development by sharing university "know how" (research), building entrepreneurial strengths (instruction), and participating in regional strategic alliances (outreach) that create jobs and wealth for the citizens of Oklahoma. If you have any questions, phone (405) 744-2325 or visit the center's website at [www.cied.okstate.edu](http://www.cied.okstate.edu).

## **Cowgirl Basketball to host Kansas in Big 12 home opener tonight**

Oklahoma State's women's basketball team (12-2 overall, 0-1 Big 12) will open the home portion of its Big 12 slate tonight when Kansas (5-9, 0-2) comes calling for a 6 p.m. contest inside Gallagher-Iba Arena. [Click here](#) to follow Cowboy and Cowgirl athletics.

## **Foundation to fund students' proposals for local improvements**

Congratulations to Oklahoma State University students Fatima Pina from Jordan and Andrew Hawkins from Mountain View. The Carter Foundation has selected their separate project proposals for funding at two local non-profit organizations in Stillwater. Each agency will receive \$1,000. The Stillwater Senior Center will receive funding for Pina's project to upgrade nutritional and personal health support. Hawkins' project will provide financial education materials for clients at Mission of Hope Homeless Shelter as well as middle school and high school students in Stillwater. State Regents for Higher Education say the Carter Foundation was impressed with the quality of the proposals from Pina and Hawkins.

## **Scholarship application deadline moved up**

The deadline for submitting the 2007-08 OSU Scholarship Application for Continuing and Readmitted Undergraduates has been moved ahead to Feb. 1. The application is available online only at [www.okstate.edu/finaid](http://www.okstate.edu/finaid). There is no paper application. It takes only a few seconds to apply. Only the student's name and ID number are necessary, nothing else is required. Continuing OSU undergraduate students and readmitted OSU undergraduate students should apply. Some awards are based primarily on academic excellence, while others are based on a combination of demonstrated financial need and academic excellence. Students who plan to demonstrate finan-

cial need are encouraged to complete the 2007-08 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students selected for an award will be notified by the end of March. For more information, contact the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid at (405) 744-6604.

### **OSU-Tulsa honoring King and promoting diversity**

Student leaders from Tulsa-area high schools will gather at Oklahoma State University-Tulsa on Friday, Jan. 12 to discuss diversity in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. "Keeping It Real" will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in North Hall 150. The leadership forum is sponsored by the Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Society, Inc., Reciprocity Restaurant Group and OSU-Tulsa. The forum, which will be facilitated by Ahmad Daniels, an educational trainer in the areas of diversity, race relations and African-American history, will challenge students to create multiculturally sensitive schools and organizations. The goal is for students to analyze the components of a classroom, school or organizational culture to determine what creates multiculturally sensitive environments. OSU-Tulsa is located at 700 North Greenwood Avenue, near I-244 and Detroit Avenue. For more information, phone (918) 594-8328.

### **"The President's Last Bang" set for tomorrow**

The Exciterbulb film series will screen "The President's Last Bang" (Im Sangsoo, 2005, South Korea) Thursday, Jan. 11, at 7:30 p.m. Premiere Magazine calls the film "A nasty, profane, and utterly bracing black comedy...as political satires go, this is almost up there with Dr. Strangelove." All exciterbulb screenings are held in the Noble Research Center auditorium and are free and open to the public. A discussion will follow the film. The Exciterbulb film series is sponsored by the Claude Rains Appreciation Society and the OSU Screen Studies Program. Monthly screenings include an eclectic array of international, classic, and independent films.

### **SUAB offers "The Prestige" this weekend**

The Student Union Activities Board presents "The Prestige" at the Student Union Theater Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. both nights. The movie is a tale of two Victorian-era magicians who spark a powerful rivalry that builds into an escalating battle of tricks and an unquenchable thirst to uncover the other's trade secrets. Admission is \$2 and concessions are \$1.

### **St. Petersburg Russian Ballet coming**

The St. Petersburg Ballet will present a celebration of traditional Russian ballet with a number of classical works by composers such as Tchaikovsky, Berlioz and Verdi at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 16, in the Seretean Center Concert Hall. For tickets to this OSU Allied Arts presentation, phone (405) 744-7400. For additional information, phone (405) 744-7509.

### **New shuttle stop added at OSU-Tulsa**

Starting today, OSU's Big Orange Bus will pick-up and drop-off riders at a new shuttle stop in the east parking lot at OSU-Tulsa. In hopes of enhancing safety and reducing traffic congestion, BOB will stop directly across from the east entrance to Main Hall. The new permanent shuttle stop location should also provide more parking for riders. OSU provides nine round trips daily between Tulsa and Stillwater, creating more course options for students by making it more convenient to enroll in classes on either or both campuses. More than 65,000 passengers rode the shuttle last year. Shuttle reservations will still be made in Tulsa at the Information Center at (918) 594-8332 or in Stillwater at the Shuttle Office in 202A Student Union at (405) 744-7100. Visit [www.osu-tulsa.okstate.edu/current/shuttle.asp](http://www.osu-tulsa.okstate.edu/current/shuttle.asp) for a complete shuttle schedule.

## **U.S. State Department honors alum for Baghdad accomplishments**

The Bureau of Diplomatic Security and the U.S. Department of State have selected OSU alum Roger Scott Owens (engineering '99) as the 2006 Department of State Employee of the Year following an array of accomplishments during a one-year tour in Baghdad. Owens, a security engineering officer in the Engineering Service Center at the American Embassy in Bangkok, was also recognized for his personal bravery while under fire in Baghdad. He received a \$10,000 cash award and a certificate presented by the Secretary of State.

## **Oklahoma City alum wins OSU Library's highest award**

Claud Kniffin of Oklahoma City recently received the thirteenth annual Edna Mae Phelps Award, the highest honor presented by the Friends of the OSU Library. A staunch advocate for the best educational support for OSU students, Kniffin has been a member of the Friends of the OSU Library Board of Directors since 1998. However, his connection with the library actually began 70 years ago when he accepted a student position there working in the Reserves Room as a freshman in 1936. For more information on the award and how to nominate someone go to [www.library.okstate.edu/friends/profiles/phelps.htm](http://www.library.okstate.edu/friends/profiles/phelps.htm) or call (405) 744-7331.

## **Campus Link training**

If you are the newly elected leader of an organization on campus, learn more about Campuslink. Phone (405) 744-5486 to reserve your spot in one the upcoming training sessions.

## **Orange Peel applications**

Be part of the Orange Peel team by picking up an application from 060 Student Union. Completed applications are due by Wednesday, Jan. 24, at 5 p.m. Questions? Contact Josh Neil at (405) 744-8393.

## **Partnership to help diabetics**

A partnership between the Creek Nation and OSU-Okmulgee is making it easier for diabetic tribal members to get the treatment, care and customized help they need to deal with the results of diabetes. The partnership will get help from a new Orthotics and Prosthetics Technician Program that OSU-Okmulgee launched last summer to provide students with multiple skill sets, including technician skills, fitting skills, and pedorthic fabrication skills. Graduates of this new program will find jobs in three categories: as a technician, fitter or pedorthist. Click here to read more or go to [www.osu-okmulgee.edu](http://www.osu-okmulgee.edu).

## **Seretean Wellness Center offers Tai Chi**

A limited number of spaces are available in the beginner's Tai Chi class taught by Dee Dutt, PhD. The class meets Tuesday mornings January 23 - March 27. Benefits of Tai Chi include improving balance, reducing risk of falls, increasing your core muscle strength, lowering your blood pressure, and relieving stress and anxiety. Cost of the class is \$100. For questions or to enroll, please contact Mary Talley at 744.6907 or [mary.talley@okstate.edu](mailto:mary.talley@okstate.edu).

## **Next up on Wellness Wednesday - Exercise 101: Creating a plan and sticking to it**

Join the staff of the Seretean Wellness Center as they discuss creating a basic exercise plan and strategies for sticking to it during the Wellness Wednesday presentation Jan. 17 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Seretean Center Wellness Center. Topics that will be addressed include building a successful exercise program, how to make exercise a habit, and the benefits of exercise, and the services available to you through the center. A free, heart-

healthy lunch will be provided, but you must pre-register by Friday, Jan. 12, at noon. To register, email Kendria Cost at [kendria.cost@okstate.edu](mailto:kendria.cost@okstate.edu) or contact the Seretean Wellness Center at 744.WELL.

**Wellness tip: Restaurant chips**

Did you know that just 1 basket of restaurant tortilla chips can contain as many as 1,000 calories? When dining out, try to carefully limit or even skip the chips. Finishing a full glass of water before your meal arrives can help with this. The result is fewer total pre-meal 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).