January 18

Father of modern environmental movement to speak tonight

Biology professor Edward O. Wilson, Harvard University, will speak about proper stewardship of the earth's biodiversity tonight (Thursday, Jan 18) at 7 p.m. in Click Alumni Hall. 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.

Drop and add extended for students

The deadline for students to drop a course or withdraw from all courses with no grade and no fees has been extended to Friday, Jan. 19 (tomorrow) at 5 p.m. Unrestricted adding of courses has also been extended to Friday at 5 pm. During this extended period, adding and dropping can be done online. These adjustments apply to regular (16 week) courses. For questions or more details, go online at www.okstate.edu/registrar, call the Office of the Registrar at 405.744.6846, or contact your academic advisor.

Student's article gets attention

An Oklahoma State University journalism senior's reporting on violations of the state Open Records Act by some local law enforcement agencies has garnered national attention. Matt Barnard's article, published Nov. 30 (2006) in The Daily O'Collegian, was recently posted by the Society of Professional Journalists to its Freedom of Information Committee's nationwide blog. Barnard produced his story as part of the public affairs reporting course taught by associate professor Joey Senat last fall.

Student activities for this weekend

You're invited! The following events will be hosted by the Student Union Activities Board. Check out the website at suab.okstate.edu for more information.

Karaoke: Thursday, Jan. 18, 9 p.m., in the Shamrock Room (SU)

Movie: "Marie Antoinette" – Friday, Jan. 19, 7:30 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. in the Student Union Theater (\$2)

Casino: Treasure Island – Friday, Jan. 19, 9 p.m. in the Starlight Terrace (SU)

Movie: "Man of the Year" – Sunday, Jan. 21, 8 p.m., Gallagher Iba (free - hosted at Camp Sutton)

The Student Union Activities Board will be recruiting for new board members in the following weeks. For further information, please feel free to attend an information

session at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23 and Wednesday, Jan. 24 in the Shamrock Room. Applications for membership are due by Friday, Jan. 26.

Cowboy Showcase auditions are being held Wednesday, January 24 and Thursday, January 25. Sign up now for auditions at the Information Desk at 060 to select a time slot to try out.

In sports...

OSU wrestling vs. Iowa, Friday, Jan. 19, Gallagher-Iba, 8 p.m.

OSU women's basketball vs. Texas Tech, Saturday, Jan. 20, Gallagher-Iba, 11 a.m.

OSU wrestling vs. Oregon, Saturday, Jan. 20, Gallagher-Iba, 2 p.m.

OSU men's basketball vs. Texas A&M, Saturday, Jan. 20, Texas Station, 7 p.m.

BEDLAM! OSU men's basketball vs. Oklahoma, Monday, Jan. 22, Gallagher-Iba, 8 p.m. GO POKES!

City manager says survey is coming

Stillwater City Manager Dan Galloway is asking residents to pay close attention to their mailbox later this month for a National Citizens Survey. Twelve hundred households in Stillwater will be randomly selected and asked to participate in the survey, which measures and evaluates local governments, foundations and not-for-profit human service agencies through the U.S. The survey is widely used by cities and towns to assess resident satisfaction about community amenities and local government service. The survey serves as a "report card" on city government and also gives Stillwater an idea of how it rates compared to the more than 350 communities throughout the country which also participate.

Study abroad and travel programs

Travel the world while earning credit hours! If you have ever wanted to see the Tower of London or the Eiffel Tower in Paris, you can now do so by enrolling in a Study Abroad and Travel Program offered by the Spears School of Business and the Center for Executive and Professional Development. Travel is currently available for three or six hours to such locations as Canada, France, and London, England. A trip to Chicago to study businesses is also an option in summer. Open to all majors and colleges. Additional information is available at http://spears.okstate.edu/cepd/content/study_travel.php, the CEPD Office - 215 Business, or by calling (405) 744-5208 or 1-866-678-3933.

Personal Finance distance learning course still available

Find out where all the money goes by taking the online Personal Finance Life Skills Course. A first course in the management of the individual's financial affairs, includes budgeting, use of credit, mortgage financing, investment and estate planning. Additional information is available <u>here</u> or by visiting the CEPD Office - 215 SSB, or by calling (405) 744-5208 or 1-866-678-3933.

FIN 2123--Personal Finance (8 week course)

Jan. 22 - March 16, 2007, Online Format, Instructor: Nancy Titus-Piersma

Spring 2007 one-credit hour courses available

Some one-credit hour courses are currently available. Students can enroll through Sectioning, SU 321. Information about the courses is available at: http://spears.okstate.edu/cepd/content/onehour.php

OSU-OKC offers sign language class

OSU-Oklahoma City will offer Beginning American Sign Language, Saturdays, Feb. 3 through April 7, from 10 a.m. to noon on its campus at 900 N. Portland Ave. The course is open to all ages and requires no previous signing instruction. Syntax unique to American Sign Language, grammar and deaf culture will be covered in the course. The class is being taught by OSU-OKC adjunct instructor Gary Davis, who was diagnosed as deaf on his third birthday. Registration deadline is tomorrow (Jan. 19). For more information call (405) 945-3373 or e-mail tec@osuokc.edu.

Wellness Wednesday program rescheduled

Due to weather conditions, the Wellness Wednesday program, Exercise 101: Creating a Plan and Sticking to It, has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 24, from noon – 1 pm. If you have registered and cannot attend next week's program, please email Kendria at kendria.cost@okstate.edu or contact the Seretean Wellness Center at 744.WELL (9355).

Wellness tip: Bring the outside inside

Running on a treadmill is generally easier than running out-of-doors because there is less air resistance. To get the same workout as you would outside, set the grade (incline) to one percent. 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).