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#### Halliburton move expected to benefit OSU program

Years before Halliburton announced it was moving to the United Arab Emirates, Oklahoma State University signed an agreement with Zayed University to establish an Executive MBA program in the same country. Now, the company's decision is expected to be a potential boon for Zayed graduates. "We anticipate that the close proximity of the company and Zayed University will prove fruitful, especially if Halliburton is interested in MBA grads who already have practical experience in industry," said Sara M. Freedman, dean of the Spears School of Business at OSU. Freedman recently returned from graduation ceremonies at Zayed University in Abu Dhabi where she was keynote speaker. For more details, click here <[http://spears.okstate.edu/secondary/creator.php?c=./info\\_pages/news/pr/spring2007/zayed.php](http://spears.okstate.edu/secondary/creator.php?c=./info_pages/news/pr/spring2007/zayed.php)> .

#### OSU grad students to unveil revitalization plans for downtown Stillwater

OSU business and political science master's level students will present four different plans for enhancing downtown Stillwater at 4 p.m. tomorrow (Wednesday, April 25) at the public library. Sponsored by the Spears School of Business at Oklahoma State University, the class was designed to provide the students the opportunity to provide an action plan for solving a real-world problem that impacts businesses, the Stillwater community and OSU. The instructor of the course, John Mowen, a Regents Professor in marketing, divided students into four teams charged with the task of developing a creative, but workable, strategic plan for revitalizing downtown Stillwater. The students met with stakeholder groups, visited similar cities and identified key factors for revitalization. The public and interested individuals are invited to attend the presentations. Contact Janice Analla for more information (405) 744-2951.

#### Sports Management Conference

PGA Tour Commissioner Tim Finchem and other professionals in the sports industry will talk about career opportunities at the Sports Management Conference today (Tuesday, April 24) at Wes Watkins Center at OSU-Stillwater from 1 – 3:30 p.m. The Sports Management Conference is an opportunity for OSU students to meet sports industry professionals and learn about the new sports management option in the Spears School of Business. For more information, contact the Center for Executive and Professional Development in the Spears School toll free at 1-866-678-3933 or by e-mail at [cepd@okstate.edu](mailto:cepd@okstate.edu). This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots, you need JavaScript enabled to view it

#### Top A&S Seniors named for 2007

The College of Arts & Sciences recognized its 2007 Top Ten Seniors at the annual A&S Honors and Awards Banquet held Friday, April 13, 2007, at the Wes Watkins Center. This accomplished group of students excelled in the classroom as well as in college and campus leadership roles. The A&S Top Ten Seniors, their majors and hometowns include Dana K. Beck, psychology, Broken Arrow; Kristen L. Dmytryk, applied sociology and psychology, Norman; Joshua S. Dodson, history, Stillwater; Evan K. Fitz, film studies, Lawton; Kara R. Hahn, public relations, Goddard, Kan.; Sarah M. Haynes, management and psychology, McLoud; Candice N. Howell, psychology, Edmond; Amber R. Stangl, American studies, Clinton; Megan N. Stewart, public relations, Enid; and Natalie A. Trent, applied physics, Spiro. Sarah Haynes of McLoud was also named the recipient of the Kenny Gallagher Award, which is given to the top senior in the College of Arts & Sciences.

#### Student athletes honored

Oklahoma State University recently held its annual Student-Athlete Awards Banquet honoring nearly 250 student-athletes in various academic areas. The highlight of the evening was the announcement of the Female and Male Student-Athletes of the Year. Lauren Simmons, a four-year member of the Cowgirl tennis team, and Darnell Smith, a four-year member of the Cowboy football squad, received the accolades. The first award given during the banquet was the 2006 Nate Fleming Academic Effort & Improvement Scholarship, an honor