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# Message from the President

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To the OSU Campus,

The state of Oklahoma is busy preparing for next year's centennial and we are pleased to offer a marvelous coffee-table book that celebrates the historic occasion through the creativity, passion, and achievement of the men and women of Oklahoma State University.

"Oklahoma State Portraits: Celebrating the Centennial of Oklahoma Statehood" is the perfect holiday gift for the OSU faithful on your shopping list. Or you may want to order a copy for yourself. The book is in production and will be available at the end of the year, so now is the time to reserve a copy.

The book is being offered in two beautiful versions -- a hardback edition with dustjacket for \$35, or the deluxe edition with its own slipcase for \$45. Only a limited number of books are being printed, and this is sure to become a collector's item. Along with the book, you will receive a half-hour DVD that brings to life the people and places of OSU.

We owe a huge thanks to a number of dear OSU friends who made this project a reality through their generous donations.

I am especially pleased that proceeds from the sale of this first-class book will help preserve our oldest and most treasured landmark by funding the renovation of Old Central, which will become the home of the OSU Honors College.

You can order the book at [www.okstateportraits.com](http://www.okstateportraits.com) <<http://www.okstateportraits.com/>> . I hope you will order one today...

OSU faculty work hard to provide students the most rewarding learning experience possible and the OSU Institute for Teaching and Learning Excellence offers valuable assistance. The ITLE not only is a source for the latest high-tech tools and web-based applications, but offers a variety of useful workshops and seminars.

On October 31, ITLE will host its third Faculty Forum, which will address two vital areas -- emerging technologies and copyright issues. Outside experts will be on hand to lead what promises to be a superb learning experience. You can visit the ITLE web site (<http://itle.okstate.edu/>) to learn more and register...

I want to once again thank all those who worked extra hard on last week's Forever Orange Homecoming. Despite a crushing loss to Texas A&M, it was one of OSU's best Homecoming weeks ever. Let's beat Nebraska Saturday!

David Schmidly