



## OSU Unveils first iPhone App

Oklahoma State University is giving students, faculty, staff, alumni and anyone else immediate access to university resources.

The iPhone app is the result of work by students and former students who volunteered their time to complete the project. Micah Hurst, 2009 graduate from El Reno, was the lead developer on the app team.

"This project was a challenge to me personally because it was the first time I had ever worked on a mobile application," Hurst said. "But I really enjoyed working with the other team members and doing something for my university. I think users are really going to benefit from all our hard work."

In addition to Hurst, other students and graduates on the team included Ph.D. can-

didate Toby Brown, Stillwater; Xiaodan Fang, China; Anish Koppula, India; Wondwossen Misganaw, Ethiopia; Shruthi Nee-lagiri, India; and Raghav Pullela, India.

Through the iPhone app, users can navigate the OSU campus, read news, watch videos, download campus photos, hear OSU fight songs, listen to KOSU and instantly access many other resources.

The university has begun work on other ideas for mobile services and would like users' feedback on ways to improve its app and ideas for future apps.

Since gaining Apple's approval on Sept. 23, nearly 5,000 people have downloaded the app. To download the application, visit the app store through your Apple device and search for OState.



## Henry Bellmon Research Center Opens in Stillwater

Research projects are underway in OSU's new Henry Bellmon Research Center. The modern facility is a first-of-its-kind on the OSU-Stillwater campus and will ultimately bring together more than 200 faculty members, post-doctoral students and graduate students to work on interdisciplinary subjects such as synthetic chemistry, biodiversity, biophysics, photonics, bioforensics and biogeophysics.

"Our new laboratories allow faculty, students and post-docs to share work spaces, equipment and resources, thereby fostering interaction, synergism, creativity and collaboration among the group," said Jacque Fletcher, Regents Professor of Entomology and Plant Pathology and director of the National Institute for Microbial Forensics and Food and Agricultural Biosecurity. "The unique, open design and traffic pathways within the building, as well as common break rooms and informal conference areas, all support the interdisciplinary focus of the HBRC by creating countless opportunities every day for greeting and interacting with our HBRC neighbors from diverse OSU

departments."

The HBRC was completed by Flintco Constructive Solutions in less than three years at a cost of \$70 million. Designed by Rees-Canon, the 124,000-square-foot facility is the first of an envisioned three-phase project to create state-of-the-art research laboratories at OSU. Work has begun on phase two of the project, which

includes renovation of the aging Physical Sciences Building.

As the single largest project from the 2005 Oklahoma Higher Education Capital Bond Program, the HBRC is expected to aid in the recruitment of additional high-quality faculty and vault OSU's research programs to even higher levels.





OSUIT dedicated its new Allied Health Sciences Center Sept. 24. OSUIT built the state-of-the-art, 25,000-square-foot building to accommodate an increased number of nursing students in the program. Next January, OSUIT will start another group of 30 students in the nursing program, after having started a new group of students in August.

## OKAHEC is Rural Health Program of the Year

The Oklahoma Area Health Education Center program at the OSU Center for Health Sciences received the Rural Health Program of the Year Award from the Rural Health Association of Oklahoma at a conference in September. The award is given to an organization that has made a significant difference in the provision of services, quality improvement or training in rural Oklahoma.

OSU's OKAHEC system includes a program office at the OSU-CHS Center for Rural Health in Tulsa, and at four sites--Northeast AHEC at Tulsa Community College; Southwest AHEC at Cameron University; Southeast AHEC at Carl Albert State College; and Northwest Oklahoma Area Health Education Center at Rural Health Projects, Inc.

The center also has been honored as the Champions of Health 2010 Community Health Award recipient for its Cancer Survivorship Education Program, funded by the Lance Armstrong Foundation.

The survivorship program provides rural areas local access to cancer resources, including workshops, targeted communications with rural health care providers and referral information for patients.

## OSU Selected as a Top 45 Recruiting School in Nation

The Wall Street Journal has named Oklahoma State University as a top 45 school whose graduates rank highest with recruiters. OSU is the only school in the state of Oklahoma to receive this recognition.

"Being ranked in the top 45 universities in which to recruit is a positive reflection that OSU, as a higher education institution, is doing an effective job," said Pam Ehlers, OSU Career Services director. "It means that graduates of OSU will continue to have employment opportunities after graduation."

The list was compiled by surveying 479 recruiters in various industries, including student criteria of best trained and educated, and best-to-succeed once hired, according to The Wall Street Journal.

Career Services hosts numerous events and opportunities to meet with recruiters throughout the year, Ehlers said. Last

month, OSU Career Services hosted more than 270 recruiters seeking qualified students for their organizations through career fairs, information sessions and interviews.

"OSU Career Services makes our lives a lot easier," ExxonMobil recruiter Jim Penn said. "OSU has a winning tradition of developing students who are ready for the workforce."

OSU joins the list with other state and private universities, including four Big 12 schools: Texas A&M, Texas Tech, Iowa State and the University of Texas. Topping the list was Pennsylvania State University.

"Companies and organizations are interested in hiring high-quality people who have an excellent education," Ehlers said. "OSU students and graduates embody these principles."



Roger Panciera, center above, Professor Emeritus of Veterinary Pathobiology, and Lee Manzer, lower left, OSU marketing professor, were inducted into the Oklahoma Heritage Hall of Fame during a ceremony on Oct. 11. With Panciera, above, were Earl Mitchell Jr., president of the Oklahoma Higher Education Heritage Society and OSU Professor Emeritus, left, and Michael Lorenz, dean and professor of the Center for Veterinary Health Sciences.



The OSU Alumni Association honored five with the Distinguished Alumni Award on Sept. 18. Pictured with the honorees are OSU Alumni Association President Larry Shell; honorees Mark Allen, Edmond; David A. Waits, Stillwater; Bob Adams, D.O., Kirkland, Wash.; Rand Elliott, Oklahoma City; and C.W. (Bill) Harrison, Lindsay; OSU President Burns Hargis; and Paul Cornell, OSU Alumni Association Board chair.



**Evan Cooper, Norman music junior on viola, left, performed "Dust in the Wind" with Kansas band member David Ragsdale at the two-night concert with the OSU Symphony Orchestra. This was a fundraiser for the Department of Music, which expects to receive approximately \$15,000 for scholarships and the department, including a \$2,000 scholarship and \$3,000 in instrumental equipment from D'Addario, one of the event's sponsors, according to Brant Adams, professor and music department head.**

## Tulsa Campuses Raise Funds for United Way

OSU's two Tulsa campuses have raised a combined total of more than \$51,600 for the Tulsa Area United Way, President Howard G. Barnett Jr. announced after a month-long campaign.

Barnett said OSU-Tulsa and OSU Center for Health Sciences chose an aggressive joint goal of \$50,000.

"Because of the importance of United Way to our communities, we opted for a target that was a stretch given what each campus traditionally had raised independently," Barnett said. "I couldn't be more excited that we've exceeded our goal in our first combined campaign."

This year's campaign featured several activities intended to raise awareness and encourage donations from students, faculty and staff. The Tulsa campuses also participated in the annual United Way Day of Caring on Sept. 10.



**More than 300 OSU alumni and friends celebrated Pistol Pete's 87th birthday party at the Oklahoma City Zoo on Oct. 10. The party is an annual event sponsored by the Central Oklahoma OSU Alumni Chapter.**

## UML Awarded Large U.S. Navy Contract

OSU, through the University Multispectral Laboratories, has received a five-year U.S. Navy contract worth up to \$44 million to test and design unmanned aerial systems. The work will be conducted at the UML in Ponca City, on the OSU-Stillwater campus, and at UML sites in Lawton.

"This contract is a validation of the vision and investment by our state through the EDGE program, the UML, and OSU to establish Oklahoma as a significant unmanned aerial systems service and products provider to our government and commercial enterprises alike," said Ken Viera, UML associate laboratory director.

The UML was awarded a \$1.5 million contract last year through the state's Economic Development Generating Excellence program to establish and grow a

UAS consortium of Oklahoma companies focused on research, design, testing and manufacturing of the systems and their associated components.

Larry Hoberock, head of OSU's School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, said OSU students and researchers will participate in the work, along with several other private companies. He said the prestigious contract is a huge boost to unmanned aerial systems' efforts at OSU, which recently announced its plans to offer the world's first graduate degree in the growing field.

Viera said Oklahoma's UAS consortium will soon establish the Association for Unmanned Systems Vehicles International chapter to make Oklahoma the "UAS fly-to state" for UAS academic and commercialization efforts.



**2010-11 Niblack Research Scholars recently visited with John and Heidi Niblack and Stephen McKeever, OSU vice president for research and technology transfer. Visiting were Heidi Niblack, Jacob Stockton, Thomas Wright, Sarah Firdaus, Clifton Woods, Connie Yearwood, Josh Damron, John Niblack, Danielle Hentges, Rosalina Yorks, Josiah Couch, James Le, Jared Pembrook and Stephen McKeever.**

## Twelve Niblack Research Scholars Named for 2010-11

Twelve undergraduate students will participate in the 2010-11 Niblack Research Scholars program. Funded by a gift from OSU alumnus Dr. John Niblack, each student will receive an \$8,000 scholarship and will have the unique opportunity to conduct research as undergraduates.

New scholars are Josiah Couch, Duncan physics junior; Joshua Damron, Stillwater chemistry and biochemistry junior; Sarah Firdaus, Stillwater biochemistry junior; Danielle Hentges, Jenks chemical engineering senior; James Le, Oklahoma City chemistry junior; Jared Pembrook, Fairview biochemistry and molecular biology junior; Alexandra Robideau, Katy, Texas, entomology junior; Jacob Stockton, Edmond mechanical and aerospace engineering senior; Clifton Woods, Ochelata biomedical/biochemical engineering

junior; Thomas Wright, Stillwater physics and math senior; Connie Yearwood, Colony animal science junior; and Rosalina Yorks, El Dorado, Kan., zoology and microbiology junior.

"At most universities, hands-on research is performed primarily by graduate students and faculty," said Stephen McKeever, OSU vice president for research and technology transfer. "OSU is unique in that it offers programs like the Niblack Research Scholars that allow undergraduates to participate in research."

Niblack, who attributes his own pursuit of research as a profession to the experience he received as an OSU undergraduate, said he funds the program to give young people that same opportunity.

Niblack is the former vice chairman of Pfizer Inc.

## Transfer Student Receives Prestigious Cooke Scholarship

Mechanical engineering junior Troy Howerton of Grove is one of 40 students in the nation to be awarded a Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship valued at up to \$30,000 a year for up to three years. Howerton transferred from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College in Miami.

This year's scholars come from two-year institutions in 18 states and 18 scholars were born in foreign nations. All 40 scholars have distinguished themselves both in and out of the classroom, performing valuable community and public service, while in many cases having to also hold down full-time jobs.



An OSU fire combat team is headed to Myrtle Beach, S.C., for national and world finals on Nov. 8-13 after posting a winning time at a regional qualifier in Tyler, Texas. The team competed in the Scott Firefighter Combat Challenge Relay that included tests of strength and agility used in firefighting, including a hose-pack carry, rope hoist, Keiser sled, hose advance and dummy drag. They posted a total time of under two minutes to qualify. The OSU fire combat team includes Cody Chaney, Edmond junior; Ryan Lehnert, Cedarburg, Wis., sophomore; John Yedinak, Elkton, Md., senior; Erin Guyer, Stafford, Vt., senior; Tyler Phelan, Houston junior; and John Ubry, Franklin, N.J., senior.

**Lindsay Starkey**, Valley Falls, Kan., veterinary med '11, won best paper presentation and **Stephanie Heise**, D.V.M., Hannover, Germany, veterinary biomedical sciences Ph.D. candidate, received the Outstanding Graduate Student Award, at the 2010 American Association of Veterinary Parasitologists annual meeting in Atlanta.



Country music star and cookbook author **Trisha Yearwood**, center, brought her recipes and down-home charm to the School of Hotel and Restaurant Administration's first Distinguished Chef's Event of the school year. HRAD seniors **Morgan Ford**, Mustang, and **Julie Rudeen**, Flower Mound, Texas, show Yearwood the individual "Daddy's Key Lime Cakes" they prepared for the dessert course of the meal.



A large crowd turned out for this year's International Expo held on campus. International organizations wore their native dress, performed and sold a lot of delicious food from their native countries.

## 2010 Honors College Class Posts Record Numbers

The 2010 freshman class at OSU in Stillwater has a record number of 431 active participants in the Honors College this fall, an increase of 9.7 percent over 2009 and which surpasses the old record of 403 freshmen in the fall of 2005.

The total number of 919 active Honors College students this fall also establishes a new record, eclipsing the total of 916 from the fall of 2006, and during the past academic year, a record 82 OSU students earned the Honors College Degree.

This year's students come from 134 Oklahoma communities, 27 other states and three other nations. They are the most diverse group in the history of honors education at OSU with more than 14 percent coming from traditionally under-represented groups, said Robert Spurrier, Honors College director.

**Housing and Residential Life** awarded 32 housing scholarships this fall to Oklahoma students who had been accepted at OSU but had financial need. The total awarded was \$110,720, according to Matthew Brown, Housing and Residential Life director. The 2010 awards were the first Centennial Housing Scholarships awarded and are intended to commemorate 100 years of Student Housing at OSU. The goal is to endow the fund with \$6 million so the university can offer 100 housing scholarships annually.



OSU Vice President for Student Affairs **Lee Bird**, top left, greeted the 2010 Top 10 Freshman Men and Women selected by Mortar Board in September. The Top 10 are, seated, **Lashun Oakley**, Ada; **Kelsy Collins**, Celina, Texas; **Shannon Watson**, Blairstown, Mo.; **Hannah Underwood**, Edmond; **Blakely Shafer**, Shawnee; **Meg Sokolosky**, Tulsa; **Clairissa Craige**, Bokchito; **Rachel Nowlin**, Elk City; **Tara Burchfield**, Fairview; and **Bridget Harkin**, Alva; and standing, (Bird), **Josh Goff**, Woodward; **Luke Murphy**, Shidler; **Robby Branscum**, Fort Gibson; **Kyle Sikes**, Muskogee; **Jonathan Wedel**, Stillwater; **Thomas Briggs**, Tulsa; **Jordan Mayes**, Mt. Vernon, Texas; **Clark Bixler**, Waynoka; **Ernesto Rios**, Buffalo; and **Brennan Lewis**, Whitefield.

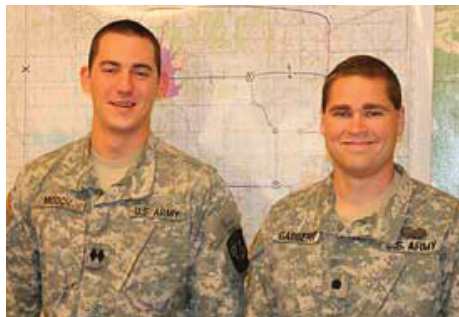
**Heather Austin**, veterinary med '11, competed in the Society for Theriogenology Student Abstract Competition held in Seattle, Wash., and placed second for her presentation "Surgical correction of priapism in an 18-year-old Quarter Horse gelding." The case was special because it involved her own horse. According to Austin, **Drs. Chelsea Makloski, Reed Holyoak and Dustin Devine** all played important roles in Sonny's treatment and eventual surgery.



The OSU Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association raised \$3,255 from its auction to benefit the Veterinary Student Scholarship Fund.

The College of Education recently presented 2004 graduate **Jill Ireland Boyd** with its 2010 Rising Star Award. The award annually recognizes young alumni whose lives and achievements demonstrate promise of future leadership and bring distinction to the college. She was selected as the Edmond North High School Teacher of the Year in 2010.

The Achofoa chapter of **Mortar Board** was among the outstanding chapters honored for excellence at the 2010 Mortar Board National Conference in Chicago this summer. The chapter took home the Golden Torch Award, presented to outstanding chapters with significant achievements in chapter management, and the Project Excellence Award for notable achievement for its "Reading is Leading" day at Stillwater Public Library and for Get on Board Week.



U.S. Army ROTC cadets and OSU seniors **Dane Miodov of Edmond and Dustin Gabbert of Bella Vista, Ark.**, recently earned U.S. Cadet Command National Scholarship Awards. They received cash awards and an invitation to attend this year's Association of the United States Army annual convention in Washington, D.C. They earned two of only eight national scholarships offered, based on scholarship, athletics and leadership.



Mechanical and aerospace engineering students **Kristin Nevels, Claremore senior; Ben Loh, Malaysia senior; Chad Harland, Guymon senior; Shea Fehrenbach, Piedmont sophomore; and Bryan Todd, Cushing senior**, make up the OSU team "Space Cowboys." The team is one of three finalists for a NASA and National Space Grant Foundation competition to design, manufacture, assemble and test an inflatable loft for future space explorers to live in. OSU and teams from the University of Maryland and University of Wisconsin-Madison will compete at the Johnson Space Center in Houston next summer, according to **Jamey Jacob**, team adviser and mechanical and aerospace engineering associate professor.

Physical education seniors **Misty Barker, Glencoe, and Zachary Rowell, Lawton**, received scholarships from the Oklahoma Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Barker received the Helen Corrubia Undergraduate Scholarship and Rowell earned the Emma Plunkett Undergraduate Scholarship.

## Buthod Named OSU's First Australian Student Ambassador

An OSU student who spent a semester abroad in Australia has been named OSU's first Australian Student Ambassador.

**Kyle Buthod** of Lees Summit, Mo., an international business and Chinese junior who took part in OSU's Study Abroad Program and studied at the University of South Australia during the spring semester, was one of 34 students selected by the Australian Embassy to represent its country at North American universities.

Student ambassadors were jointly nominated by their North American and

Australian institutions to serve in the program, and will organize two events each semester to promote Australia's unique and prestigious opportunities for study abroad.

In late October, he plans to host an Aussie barbecue in Stillwater and is planning a "Fallstralia" to feature events on Australian culture, music, movies, history and current events.

During his travels in Australia and New Zealand, he backpacked down the coast, camped in the Outback, canoed, dived in the Great Barrier Reef, swam in shark-infested waters, learned to surf, drove on sand dunes, and had a myriad of epic adventures.

"Studying abroad is the greatest decision that I made during my time here at OSU," he said. "Australia taught me so much about my life, career, goals, and my family and friends. The great thing is that OSU has made it so easy for students to do so with reciprocal exchange programs and large scholarship funds."



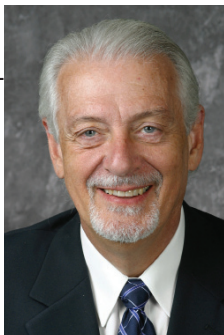
OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine students **Jared Emery and Amanda Alsup** were among members of Student Osteopathic Medicine Association who presented a rural health fair in Chouteau. The fair provides students a chance to learn more about community health care needs and to help to integrate OSU medical students into the school's mission to serve rural Oklahoma.

The 14th annual **Study Abroad Fair** showcased the range of study abroad programs available to OSU students. More than 350 students attended the fair exploring their opportunities to study abroad.



**Kyle Buthod** visited the beautiful east coast in New South Wales, a northern state of Australia, during his study abroad.

**Richard Wansley**, OSU-CHS behavioral sciences associate professor, received the Riland Medal of Public Service from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine and School of Health Professions at New York Institute of Technology for his contributions to health care workforce issues.



**Dean Michael Lorenz**, far left, and **Kenneth Kirlin**, Center for Veterinary Medicine Alumni Association president, far right, honored the 2010 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients: **Mary Bowles**, accepting for **Michael Lappin**; **Eva Sartin**; and **Jessie Carter**, accepting for her father, **Joe Carter**.

**Scott D. Gelfand**, philosophy associate professor and director of the OSU Ethics Center, is the primary investigator on a \$294,525 National Science Foundation grant. Gelfand, along with co-PI's **Steve Harrist**, applied health and educational psychology associate professor; **Martin High**, chemical engineering associate professor; and **Shelia Kennison**, psychology associate professor, will use the grant to develop an ethics education program for graduate students in engineering and the sciences. **Charles Abramson**, Regents Professor of Psychology, received a \$56,000 grant to sponsor EurBee, the first symposium on behavioral plasticity in honey bees, to be held in Ankara, Turkey.

**Edwin Stanton Moore**, Muskogee, a '41 and '52 OSU graduate and a Muskogee Creek, received the OSU American Indian Alumni Association Distinguished Alumni Award. He spent more than 37 years in the education division of the Department of the Interior. At OSU he also earned three varsity football letters and played basketball under Henry Iba.



Regents Professor **Warren Ford** was awarded the 2010 Distinguished Service Award at the American Chemical Society, Division of Polymer Chemistry. He also was the statewide project coordinator of the Oklahoma Network for Nanostructured Materials, which supported interdisciplinary nanotechnology research projects statewide. His efforts helped shape Oklahoma as a state where nanotechnology researchers work together to further collaborative interdisciplinary research.

OSU bus driver **Jim Henning** won the transit driver portion of the OSU Rodeo, an opportunity for the OSU Department of Parking and Transit Services to showcase driving skills and advances to the state bus rodeo in November. Celebrity drivers who placed in the event were Vice President **Lee Bird**; **Dave Hunziker**, journalism and broadcasting lecturer; **Kevin Kraft**, University Counseling Services; and **Kelly Offutt**, SGA president, honorable mention.

A \$1 million endowment from the Bernard Osher Foundation will allow the OSU **Osher Lifelong Learning Institute** to continue to provide courses, workshops and travel trips for people 50 and older at sites in Stillwater, Tulsa, Oklahoma City and Edmond, according to director **Ruth-Ann McCarthy Sirbaugh**. OLLI had to gain at least 500 members to qualify for the endowment and reached 604 members.

Philosophy professor **Eric Reitan's** book, "Is God a Delusion?," was named one of Choice's Outstanding Academic Titles of 2009.

OSU will honor Oklahomans **Keith Kisling**, **Joe Schulte** and **Doug Tippens** as the 2010 Distinguished Alumni in Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources during homecoming. Kisling, owner and operator of Kisling Farms, is chair of the Oklahoma Wheat Commission. Schulte is president and COO of Southwood Landscape & Nursery Company, Inc. of Tulsa. Tippens is president and COO of Canadian State Bank and is a past regional president of Gold Bank.



**OSU and the Oklahoma Youth Expo** partnered to provide four \$5,000 scholarships to high school seniors in the OYE Academic All-State Class. OSU will provide two \$5,000 scholarships that will be matched by the OYE for a total of \$20,000. Pictured are **Jimmy Harrel**, **Robert Whitson**, **Glen Johnson**, **Kyle Wray**, **Jack Staats**, **Terry Peach**, **Bob Funk** and **Jeremy Rich**. The OYE annually provides activities for nearly 7,000 Oklahoma 4-H and FFA members and is the state's largest youth event, according to **Whitson**, OSU vice president for agricultural programs and dean and director, Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

OSU Regents Professor **Daniel Grischkowsky**, Bellmon Professor of Optoelectronics, will receive the 2011 Kenneth J. Button Prize in recognition of "outstanding contributions to the science of the electromagnetic spectrum." He will be honored at the annual meeting of the International Society of Infrared, Millimeter and Terahertz Waves in Houston next year.

**Joshua D. Habiger**, statistics assistant professor, is part of a team of scientists hired by the National Institute of Statistical Sciences in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, to develop and assess imputation methods for the Agricultural Resource Management Survey Data.



Author **Carlotta Walls LaNier** spoke with students during a book signing at the Celebration of Books at OSU-Tulsa. LaNier is the author of "A Mighty Long Way," which tells of her experiences as one of the Little Rock Nine.

Chemistry professor and department head **Frank Blum** received the 2010 Special Service Award at the American Chemical Society, Division of Polymer Chemistry, in recognition of contributions to the success of the POLY website.

**Jennifer Grindstaff**, assistant zoology professor, received a \$339,567 research grant from the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development of the National Institutes of Health to evaluate the effect of differences in the quality of developmental and adult environments on adult health and behavior using a model songbird species, the zebra finch.

**Linda Watson**, botany professor and head, was named president elect of the American Society for Plant Taxonomists and will serve as president next year.



The **OSU Black Alumni Association** is hosting its 15th Annual Scholarship Weekend Oct. 22-23. Events include a golf tournament and reception to honor Trailblazer Award winner **Chester Pittman**, '57, OSU's first black football player to letter.



OSU-Tulsa police officers **David Pillars**, **Patrick Law** and **Sgt. Montie Burchett** took part in Friday's Cops on Doughnut Shops fundraiser at Krispy Kreme Doughnuts in Tulsa. More than \$27,000 was raised for Special Olympics Oklahoma.

The Indian Health Service awarded OSU's **American Indians into Psychology** program a \$246,000 grant. **John Chaney**, psychology professor, is project director.

**Robert J. Sternberg**, provost and senior vice president, is the author of "College Admissions for the 21st Century," published by Harvard University Press. He discusses the experiment at Tufts and why it shows, in his belief, the inadequacy of traditional college admissions' tools.

OSUIT hosted the 4th Annual "Career Encounters of the Orange Kind" with demonstrations, in-depth admissions information, financial aid and on-campus housing for high school seniors and adults who wanted to know more about its programs.

The American Society of Landscape Architects recognized **Charles L. Leider** on Sept. 13 in Washington, D.C., for his work in making Oklahoma a "model" state in recording historic landscapes with the Historic American Landscape Survey. Leider, professor and director of landscape architecture, and his students were instrumental in conducting an inventory of historic landscapes in Oklahoma.

Using their mobile unit, **Fire Protection Publications** demonstrated how home fire sprinklers work with a live fire demonstration on the library lawn on Oct. 6.

**Riley E. Dunlap**, Regents Professor of Sociology, was elected a Fellow of the American Psychological Association in recognition of his scholarship on environmental attitudes, beliefs and values.



**Connie Ketz-Riley**, veterinary clinical sciences assistant professor, passed the exams to become a Diplomate of the American College of Zoological Medicine.

**Mike Palmer**, Regents Professor of Botany, is project coordinator for an online field stations manual, "Design Guidelines for Sustainable Biological Field Stations."

**Justen Renyer**, art assistant professor, was a winner in the AIGA 365 Annual Design Competition with his music video created for Stillwater-based band Other Lives. The video also received a Judges' Choice award from the Art Directors of Tulsa, Graphex competition.

OSU-OKC Precision Driving Training Center coordinator **Randy Jacoby** received the Mark Zylawy Honorary Achievement Award from the Association of Professional Law Enforcement Emergency Response Trainers International.



**Martin Fisher**, communication sciences and disorders professor, was appointed editor of the *Multimedia Educational Resource for Learning and Online Teaching of the Council on Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders*.

**Rita Peaster**, OSU associate registrar, was selected as president elect for the Oklahoma Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers on Oct. 1



at the annual fall conference at the University of Central Oklahoma. She will be president for 2011-12.

**Charles Abramson**, Regents Professor of Psychology, was appointed to the editorial board of *Behavioral Sciences*.

**Robin Allison**, clinical pathology associate professor, was voted secretary of the American Society for Veterinary Clinical Pathology. Her four-year appointment will begin in November.



OSU-OKC delivered more than 10 boxes of school supplies donated by OSU-OKC staff, faculty and students to Westwood Elementary School on Sept. 8. OSU-OKC staff and faculty tutor Westwood students on a weekly basis and the university has provided supplemental scholarships to fifth graders so they can attend OSU-OKC after graduating high school, according to **Janet Stricklin**, OSU-OKC Academic Affairs administrative assistant and Westwood project coordinator.

**Sallie McCorkle**, art professor and director of the Doel Reed Center for the Arts, installed a multidimensional public work of art at the University of Maine at Farmington's Art Gallery.

**Lt. General Jerry Max Bunyard**, highly decorated OSU alumnus, an Altus native now of Alexandria, Va., will be inducted into the "Oklahoma Military Hall of Fame" at the Gaylord Center for Oklahoma Christian University on Nov. 11. He received his B.S. from Oklahoma A&M where he was in the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps program. He was a Distinguished Military Graduate and commissioned a second lieutenant in 1954.



World-renowned animal behaviorist and autistic expert Temple Grandin admires the Remington replica statue presented to her by OSU's Division of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources during her Gallagher-Iba seminar that attracted more than 3,000 participants. Her talk was part of numerous division activities in which she spoke with students, faculty, staff, state residents and the media about a host of animal agriculture and autism-related issues. A highlight of the seminar was the Oklahoma Beef Council announcing a \$250,000 kick-off gift for the new OSU Temple Grandin Endowed Professorship in Animal Behavior and Well-Being.

## Farm To You Named Health Award Winner

Farm to You was named the 2010 Children's Health Champion and recipient of the Dr. Rodney Huey Memorial Champion of Oklahoma Health Award, the highest honor of the Champions of Health awards.

Coordinated by the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service, Farm to You is an exemplary demonstration of collaboration between state agencies, commodity and community partners with the common mission of delivering research-based information and programs to help Oklahoma youth address major health concerns that affect their quality of life.

Partners in the project that has reached more than 34,000 Oklahoma school children in 49 counties include the Nutritional Sciences Department and Community Nutrition Education Programs in the OSU College of Human Environmental Sciences, Oklahoma Department of Health WIC Service, Oklahoma 4-H Youth Leadership and Development, and Southwest Dairy Farmers.

## Blankets Donated to Small Animal CCU Patients

David and Grace Helmer of Roanoke, Va., and Grace's sister Virginia Hayes of Derby, Kan., visited the veterinary hospital to deliver bundles of OSU blankets that the sisters handmade. The blankets will be given to Kirkpatrick Foundation Small Animal CCU patients when they are discharged.

"This will be a nice parting gift for owners who have had critically ill patients in our SA CCU, some of which have been hospitalized for many days. The blankets will be an OSU veterinary hospital memento for owners to take home with them and hopefully for their pets to enjoy for a long time," said Mark Neer, hospital director. "We really appreciate the generosity of the Helmer family."

This wasn't the first time the Helmers

visited the CVHS. Avid OSU supporters, they brought their granddaughter, Madeline Pelgrim, to Grandparent University at the CVHS in 2005.

The donated blankets were provided by Madeline's non-profit service organization, MADDIE'S BLANKETS.



Hospital director Mark Neer, Virginia Hayes, Grace and David Helmer and Dean Michael Lorenz look at some of the donated blankets.

## Innovative Program Award Goes to CEPD

Twenty-eight state government officials took part in the Governor's Executive Development program for state officials on the campus of OSU.

Lee Manzer, marketing professor, was the program's faculty coordinator. Guest speakers included Bob Blackburn, Oklahoma Historical Society executive director; and Vince Orza, Oklahoma City University.

The OSU Center for Executive and Professional Development helps to facilitate the program each year. The four-and-a-half-day program is designed around the five Executive Leadership Competencies identified by the U.S. Office of Personnel Management; business acumen, leading change, leading people, results driven and building coalitions/communication.

The program received the UPCEA award for Innovative Program in the ma-

ture program (noncredit) category for the Central Region at the 2010 Celebration of Excellence Programs Conference on Sept. 23 in Colorado Springs.



Wravenna Bloomberg, CEPD program coordinator; Julie Weathers, CEPD director; Larry Crosby, OSU Spears School dean; Gov. Brad Henry; Oscar Jackson, Oklahoma OPM administrator and cabinet secretary of Human Resources and Administration; Lisa Fortier, Oklahoma OPM director of Human Resource Development Services; and Hank Batty, Oklahoma OPM deputy administrator for programs, show the award won for noncredit programming.



Alumnus Lt. Col. Carney Jackson, D.V.M. '77, examines a camel while on assignment in Afghanistan. Now at the University of Kentucky Livestock Disease Diagnostic Center, he was deployed this past year as the large animal specialist/veterinary pathologist Air National Guard with the Kentucky National Guard Agriculture Development Team to Bagram Air Field in Bagram, Afghanistan.



The OSU Master of Business Administration program is celebrating its 50th anniversary during the 2010-11 academic year. The Spears School of Business is hosting a year-long celebration to honor the achievements of MBA program students, faculty and staff. Since the program was founded in 1960, the OSU MBA program has produced more than 3,000 graduates.