

OLNEY CENTRAL COLLEGE KNIGHTLINE



September 2015

Upcoming Events

September

10 *OCC Hiring Expo, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Gym*

28 *Tickets for 'M*A*S*H' on sale, 10 a.m., OCC Theatre*

College Visits

Tables will be located outside the Student Services Office.

Sept. 22 *Franklin University, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.*

Sept. 22 *University of Illinois at Chicago, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.*

Sept. 23 *Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, 9 a.m. to noon*

Sept. 28 *Eastern Illinois University, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.*

Oct. 1 *Millikin University, 10 a.m. to noon*

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An Open House and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held Aug. 17 for the OCC Collision Repair Technology Center. Pictured, from left, are Illinois Eastern Community Colleges Board of Trustees Member Brenda Culver, Olney Mayor Ray Vaughn, Collision Repair Instructor Mark Fitch, Tim Patrick of the Illinois Capital Development Board, State Rep. David Reis and OCC President Rodney Ranes.

Ribbon cutting and open house held for Collision Repair Technology Center

Olney Central College hosted an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony for its new Collision Repair Technology Center on Aug. 17.

Construction began last summer on the 8,000-square foot structure, which features 4,000 square feet of classroom and laboratory space. The \$1.1 million facility is more than twice the size of the former building and includes an indoor wash bay, a separate equipment room and a new downdraft paint

booth with an attached mixing room.

Speakers at the event included OCC President Rodney Ranes, Olney Mayor Ray Vaughn, State Rep. David Reis and Tim Patrick of the Illinois Capital Development Board.

The project was funded by the Illinois Jobs Now construction program and overseen by the Illinois Capital Development Board, the state's construction management agency.

Sarah Bergbower new life science instructor

Sarah Bergbower has joined Olney Central College as a life science instructor.

She previously served as an adjunct instructor teaching microbiology at OCC.

Bergbower received her associate's degree at Lake Land College and earned a bachelor's degree from Greenville College, where she majored in biology and chemistry. She completed a master's degree in Biology (Genetics) from the University of Iowa in 2011 and received her Medical Laboratory Science Certification the following year from the St. John's Hospital School of Clinical Labo-



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ratory Science in Springfield.

Bergbower was employed at St. Anthony's Memorial Hospital in Effingham for three years where she served as a medical labora-

tory scientist.

Bergbower was a genetics and biology teaching assistant at the University of Iowa and a chemistry lab instructor and anatomy lab assistant at Greenville College.

"I love labs and performing demonstrations for students so they can experience things first hand," she said.

Bergbower and her husband, Kyle, are originally from Newton. They currently reside in Greenup, where he operates Bergbower Chiropractic Family Wellness Clinic. They have two daughters, Chlora, 3, and Vica, 10 months.

Heather Ackman joins OCC as nursing instructor

Heather Ackman has joined Olney Central College as a nursing instructor.

Ackman, who has been employed part-time with the Illinois Eastern Community Colleges District since 2009, began her new position in August. She previously served as a lab assistant and tutor for the nursing program at Olney Central College. She also taught LPN exit courses at OCC and CNA classes at Frontier Community College in Fairfield.

"I love working with nursing students — helping them gain better knowledge and grow into competent nurses," Ackman said. "I'm looking forward to



Heather Ackman

being able to educate the new generation of nurses to help them become competent and have a passion for nursing."

Ackman received her associate's degree in nursing from OCC. She earned a bachelor's degree in nurs-

ing from McKendree University and completed her master's degree through the University of Phoenix.

Since entering the nursing profession in 2006, Ackman has worked in the emergency room, intensive care unit and dialysis unit. She has been employed at Richland Memorial Hospital in Olney and Deaconess Hospital in Evansville. She also served as facility administrator for DaVita Healthcare Partners.

Ackman, and her husband, Aaron, reside in Olney.

Ackman stays busy keeping up with the multiple activities and interests of her children, Cadin, 13, and Chase, 9.

OCC Hiring Exposition Sept. 10

Olney Central College will host a Hiring Exposition from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 10 in the OCC Gymnasium.

OCC Coordinator of Career Services Allan Alldredge said more than 50 businesses, service providers and educational institutions have confirmed their attendance.

"We've reached out farther to bring more businesses here," Alldredge said. "We're excited that we have businesses coming from Evansville, Terre Haute, Effingham, Mt. Vernon and as far away as Urbana."

Businesses attending offer diverse employment opportunities including construction and manufacturing, temporary services, healthcare and transportation and trucking.

During the event, students from OCC's Massage Therapy Program will provide chair massages.

Alldredge stressed the hiring exposition is for the public as well as students. He encourages both to take advantage of this opportunity to network and to learn more about area businesses.

"We have averaged around 200 people for the last two job fairs and we're hoping even more people will come out this time," he added.

For additional information, contact Alldredge at 395-7777, ext. 2019.

Find updates for the event at facebook.com/OCCCareerServices.

Check out OCC Food Service for breakfast and lunch

Looking for a fast and filling meal? Stop by OCC Food Service in the Student Union. Breakfast and lunch are available. Choose from the grill or hot bar and

check for daily specials. Coming soon is the new salad bar.

Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Applicants sought to fill IECC student trustee position

Each year one of the IECC campuses elects a student to sit on the IECC Board of Trustees.

This year, it is OCC's turn to elect the student trustee, and information packets are now available in Student Services for anyone interested in running for the position.

The student trustee must be a full-time student during the Fall 2015 semester and remain a full-time student in good academic standing during the Spring 2016, Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 semesters. Once elected, the student trustee will be seated at the April 2016 IECC Board of Trustees meeting and will remain in the position for one year. The Board of Trustees meets once per month, and the student trustee is expected to attend each meeting.

If you would like to run for the student trustee position, your packet of completed forms, including signatures from at least 25 current OCC students, must be submitted to Student Services by Oct. 16.

Lost & Found Items

If you have lost an item, please check with the switchboard desk in the Student Services Office.

Keep vehicles locked

Students utilizing the OCC parking lots are advised to keep their vehicles locked when unattended.



Students have access to computers and new software in the OCC Radiography Lab.

Computers give Radiography students additional experience

Olney Central College's Radiography Program has enhanced its students' lab experience with the addition of several computers and new software programs.

Radiography Director Carol Kocher said new monitors, for eight existing college hard drives, were purchased with grants from the Illinois Community College Board. Each was installed with SimXray The Simulated Xray and SimXray-CR Computed Radiography Simulation.

"We're excited because there are so many applications for this," Kocher said of having computers in the lab. "You can go from the lecture, move to the lab and apply the concepts we have talked about in class."

Kocher said the software is essential for students because it simulates the experience of working with film. In the past, students used film at the clinical sites, but those facilities have switched to either computed or digital radiography.

"In the digital world, computer software in modern X-ray machines uses processing algorithms to help produce images of diagnostic quality," Kocher said. "The images are less dependent on the technologists setting a specific technique for each patient. It is a great thing in the hospital environment because it cuts down on repeat exposures and helps reduce patient radiation dose. However, stu-

dents still need to understand the relationships between exposure factors and image production. Without the opportunity to use film, it is difficult for students to understand some of the concepts such as how exposure factors affect patient dose. This software allows students to practice and manipulate those factors in a safe environment and without patient exposure."

With the software, students can physically see the impact on the images as settings are changed. This will enable students to learn how to make adjustments in the real world.

"The Level II students are really excited about the software because they can see the immediate change," Kocher said. "Repetition is a key and most of our students learn by doing. This gives them a way to practice as many times as they want and no one gets any radiation exposure."

Instructors also will be able to utilize the software during lecture to illustrate points.

In the near future, Internet access will be available through the computers, which will allow students to utilize other Radiography related programs and work on projects in class.

"It will be helpful for the registry review because the students will have access to simulated registries and lessons that will help them prepare for their test," Kocher added.



Tickets for 'M*A*S*H' on sale Sept. 28

Tickets for the Olney Central College Theatre's production of 'M*A*S*H' will go on sale at 10 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 28 in the lobby of the Dr. John D. Stull Performing Arts Center.

Performances are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 23 and Saturday, Oct. 24. An afternoon show will begin at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 25. Dinners will be held before the Friday and Saturday shows at 6 p.m. The adult menu includes: chicken cordon bleu, loaded baked potato, peas and mushrooms, green salad, hot roll, peach cobbler with ice cream and beverage. The children's menu features: chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, Texas toast, raw veggies with dip, peach cobbler with ice cream and beverage.

The play by Tim Kelly is based on the book, movie and television show of the same name and includes many of the beloved characters.

Tickets are \$12 for reserved seats for children and adults for the production and \$24 for reserved seating and the dinner for adults and \$19 for children. A special price of \$11 each for the production and \$23 for the dinner and reserved seating will be available for groups of 20 or more.

Tickets may be purchased from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Those who wish to reserve tickets may call 395-7777, ext. 2408, during the hours designated for ticket sales. Tickets may be purchased with a Mastercard or Visa.

Reserved tickets will be held for five working days, until picked up in person or a check is received in the mail. Patrons may send a check with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to OCC and the tickets will be sent by return mail.

Any remaining tickets may be purchased one hour before the performance.

Dr. Aaron Lineberry serving as OCC chemistry instructor

Dr. Aaron Lineberry is serving as a chemistry instructor at Olney Central College.

A native of Mattoon, Lineberry received his associate's degree from Lake Land College. He earned a bachelor's degree in biochemistry from Eastern Illinois University and in 2011 completed a doctorate degree in organic chemistry from the University of Akron in Ohio. As a graduate student, he was involved in drug development, working on anti-cancer agents in collaboration with the Cleveland Clinic and the National Cancer Institute.

Lineberry previously taught chemistry courses at Lake Land College for three years and at Eastern for two semesters. He also served as a teaching assistant at the University of Akron.

Lineberry is looking forward to working with students at OCC.

"This will be a good experience to share my love of chemistry with students," he said. "I love what I do and I love exposing students to the real

world of chemistry."

Lineberry describes himself as a "huge" Indianapolis Colts fan and a "diehard" St. Louis Cardinals fan. While living in Akron,



Dr. Aaron Lineberry

Lineberry had an opportunity to work with the Lebron James Foundation and to meet the NBA all-star in his hometown. That personal connection led Lineberry to become a fan of both James and his current team, the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Lineberry resides in Mattoon with his wife, Kelly. His son, Anthony, is a college student majoring in history and hopes to teach at the college level.

Cast selected for fall production

Cast members have been selected for the Olney Central College Theatre's upcoming production of "M*A*S*H."

Names of the characters and cast members are **General Hammond**, Bill White; **Pvt. Boone**, Shaun Hopkins; **Col. Henry Blake**, Brent Pampe; **Capt. Bridgett McCarthy**, Brenna Heidinger; **Lt. Janice Fury**, Claire Downes; **Sgt. Devine**, Jason Klingler; **Lt. Louise Kimble**, Kathleen Corcoran; **Maj. Frank Burns**, Michael Conn; **Father Mulcahy**, Michael Shaw; **Capt. Walter Waldowski (Walt)**, Jon Wright; **Capt. John McIntyre (Trapper John)**, Sam Benson; **Capt. John Black (Ugly)**, Lance Lucas; **Corp. "Radar" O'Reilley**, Adam Wyatt; **Capt. Benjamin Franklin Pierce (Hawkeye)**, Bill Padgett; and **Capt. Augustus Bedford Forrest**

(**Duke**), Sam Heidinger.

Also, **Ho-Jon**, Nokarin Bromeling; **Lt. Nancy Phillips**, Sidney Pitts; **Maj. Margaret Houlihan**, Emily Ferguson; **Congresswoman Goldfarb**, Kathy Neeley; **Dean Marcy Lodge**, Kathy Neeley; **Miss Randazle**, Kirsten Workman; **Mitzi**, Delaney Shryock; **Fritzi**, DeAnna Aldridge; **Agnes**, Rebecca Shires; **Lt. Connie Liebowitz**, Hannah Johnson; **Capt. Oliver Wendell Jones (Spearchucker)**, Mike Conn; **Maj. Ruth Haskell**, Kirsten Workman; **Pvt. Lopez**, Shaun Hopkins; and **Koreans and medical personnel**, Bryce Klingler, Delaney Shryock, DeAnna Aldridge, Rebecca Shires, Hannah Johnson and Kirsten Workman.

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Former Blue Knight Jerad Eickhoff during his major league debut on Aug. 21.

Former Blue Knight makes his MLB Debut

Former Blue Knight Jerad Eickhoff made his major league debut on Aug. 21 with the Philadelphia Phillies.

Eickhoff pitched six scoreless innings in a 7-1 win for the Philadelphia Phillies over the Miami Marlins. At the plate, Eickhoff also ripped a bases-loaded, two-RBI single during a four-run fourth inning for the Phillies.

Eickhoff joined the Phillies organization in July as part of the Cole Hamels trade with the Texas Rangers. In early August, the Evansville, Ind., native was named the International League's Pitcher of the Week after posting a 2-0 record with 14 strikeouts, 11 hits allowed, two walks and one earned run over 14 innings for the Lehigh Valley

IronPigs.

Eickhoff pitched for Olney Central College in the 2010 and 2011 seasons. He owns numerous pitching records including most strikeouts in a career. The Rangers drafted Eickhoff in the 15th round of the 2011 MLB draft.

"It is well-deserved," Coach Dennis Conley said of Eickhoff's call to the big leagues. "He has put a tremendous amount of time and energy into it and it is nice to see him being rewarded."

Eickhoff is the second former Blue Knight to reach the big leagues. Clint Barmes made his MLB debut in 2003 with the Colorado Rockies and is currently a shortstop for the San Diego Padres.

OCC Automotive Program seeking car donations

Have an old car you want to get rid of? You can donate it to the Olney Central College Automotive Service Technology Program.

Instructor Tyler Boyles said the program will accept most cars, but would prefer vehicles manufactured after

1996. The students will use the cars for training purposes.

The donation is tax deductible and the automotive program will provide donors with a receipt for tax purposes. For more information or to donate, contact Boyles at 395-7777, ext. 2521.

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Sports Schedule

Baseball

- Sept. 12** — OCC at Kentucky Wesleyan University, noon
- Sept. 13** — OCC at Midwest Showcase, 12:30 & 4:30 p.m.
- Sept. 16** — OCC vs. Wabash Valley College, 2 p.m. at home
- Sept. 18** — OCC at Austin Peay University, 10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
- Sept. 19** — OCC vs. Wolfpack AAU, noon at home
- Sept. 23** — OCC at Wabash Valley College, 1 p.m.
- Sept. 29** — OCC vs. Vincennes University, 1 p.m. at home
- Oct. 1** — OCC vs. Danville Area Community College, 1 p.m. at home
- Oct. 3** — OCC at University of Indianapolis, 1 p.m.

Softball

- Sept. 12** — OCC at Tournament, Mascoutah, OCC vs. Lindenwood Belleville-Black, 9 a.m.; Mineral Area College, 10:30 a.m. and Lindenwood Belleville-Red, 1:30 p.m.
- Sept. 13** — OCC vs. Danville Area Community College, 10 a.m. & Southeastern Illinois College, 4 p.m. at home
- Sept. 16** — OCC at Morthland College, 3 p.m.
- Sept. 19** — OCC at Boonville Tournament; OCC vs. Wabash Valley College, 9:30 a.m. & OCC vs. Frontier Community College, 11:30 a.m.
- Sept. 20** — OCC at Boonville Tournament; OCC vs. Southeastern Illinois College, 9:30 a.m. & OCC vs. Oakland City University, 1:30 p.m.

Men's Basketball

- Oct. 4** — OCC at Danville Jamboree, 10 a.m.
- Oct. 11** — OCC at Lincoln College Jamboree, 10 a.m.
- Oct. 18** — OCC at Vincennes University Jamboree, 10 a.m.
- Oct. 22** — OCC vs. Danville Area Community College Scrimmage, 5 p.m. at home
- Oct. 30** — OCC vs. Motlow State Community College, 4 p.m. at VU Kiwanis Classic
- Oct. 31** — OCC vs. Rock Valley College, 4 p.m. at VU Kiwanis Classic

Students urged to access new Purple Briefcase

OCC Career Services Advisor Allan Alldredge is pleased to announce students can now access Purple Briefcase.

This new career services software enables students to post resumes for prospective employers and pursue job openings listed by participating businesses.

To access Purple Briefcase:

Go to Entrata: Log into IECC Olney Central College. Once you have logged in, simply click on the link, and this will open Purple Briefcase's sign in page. Students utilizing it for the first time, will need to click on New Student. Select IECC - Olney Central College from the pull down list and enter your name/Entrata email and click, Find Me. If the system does not find you, you can enter your information and create an account and password.

Whether you are a first-year student or about to graduate, the Purple Briefcase platform is an important source of information with career-related events and career exploration tools.

Through My Profile, students will be able to develop a visual profile that showcases their work history, academic accounts, and extracurricular information. The visual profile is a unique way to share info with employers and allow them to experience what you have to offer while providing them with access to your resume.

Purple Briefcase is the main platform OCC uses to post internships, job opportunities and other important career-related info. All students are encouraged to visit the new site and become familiar with the interface. If you have questions about Purple Briefcase or Career Services at OCC, contact Alldredge at alldredgea@iecc.edu or at 395-7777, ext. 2142.



OCC WELCOME BACK COOKOUT

OCC held a Welcome Back Cookout on Aug. 21, the first day of fall semester classes.

IECC TRIO SSS grant funded again

On July 14, the IECC TRIO Student Support Services program was notified by Sen. Dick Durbin's office that its federal grant had been approved and funded for another five years.

Through a grant competition, funds are awarded to institutions of higher education to provide opportunities for academic development, assist students with basic college requirements, and to motivate students toward the successful completion of their postsecondary education.

Student Support Services projects also may provide grant aid to current SSS participants who are receiving Federal Pell Grants.

The goal of SSS is to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants. All SSS projects must provide: academic tutoring, which may include instruction in reading, writing, study skills, mathematics, science, and other subjects; advice and assistance in postsecondary course selection, assist students with information on both the full range of student financial aid programs, benefits and resources for locating public and private scholarships; and assistance in completing financial aid applications.

The projects also offer education or counseling services designed to improve financial and economic literacy and assist

students in applying for admission to graduate and professional programs.

The projects also assist students enrolled in two-year institutions in applying for admission to, and obtaining financial assistance for enrollment in four-year programs.

The SSS projects may also provide individualized counseling for personal, career and academic information, activities and instruction designed to acquaint students with career options; exposure to cultural events and academic programs not usually available; and mentoring programs as well as securing temporary housing during breaks for students who are homeless youths and students who are in foster care or are aging out of the foster care system.

This year 106 grant points were possible. IECC TRIO SSS received all 106 points in its review.

"This is a team effort and I didn't write this grant alone," said Thomas (Wain) Davis, the Director of IECC TRIO SSS. "I want to thank everyone who helped in the grant writing process. The only thing left to do is show we are worthy of this honor and continue doing what our grant requires us to do to the best of our abilities, while, at the same time, work at improving the TRIO SSS program at all IECC colleges."