



# The Knightline

Olney Central College Students & Employees Monthly Newsletter

JANUARY 2013

VOLUME 29

NUMBER 6

## OCC Foundation provides funds for new stretcher

The Olney Central College Radiography Program recently purchased a stretcher for its newly updated lab with funding it received from the OCC Foundation.

"The new equipment comes really close to the type of stretchers students will see used in an emergency room," said OCC Radiography Director Carol Kocher.

The new stretcher replaces an older model that no longer meets the program's needs.

"The height couldn't be adjusted on our old stretcher and it didn't have good safety locks to keep it in place," Kocher said. "When our students are serving as the patients in a laboratory simulation, we need the locks to be secure for safety



**OCC's Radiography Program has purchased a new stretcher with funding from the OCC Foundation. Pictured, from left are Foundation Members Carrie Hallam, Brenda Glover and President Deborah Mitchell, Clinical Coordinator of Radiography Lisa Rauch, Radiography Director Carol Kocher and Foundation Members Kris Newton and Kerry Kocher.**

reasons."

Kocher said students will utilize the new stretcher for trauma simulations in

which the patients' injuries prevent them from being moved to the X-ray table. In such situations, stu-

dents must properly position the stretcher instead of the patient to take the X-ray.

"This will help prepare the students for the workplace and real-world situations when they won't be able to X-ray a patient on the table," she said. "We are really thankful to the OCC Foundation for its support of our program. It is very gratifying to know the Foundation and the college administration want to see our program succeed and improve."

OCC's Radiography Program moved this fall into a new lab site, which features a modern X-ray machine with a moveable tube as well as a larger work area for students.

The OCC Foundation  
**See Stretcher, Page 2**

## College receives grant to improve soccer fields

Olney Central College has received a \$3,500 grant from the Carrie Winter Trust to make improvements to three of the five OCC Soccer Fields.

OCC President Rodney Raney said the funds will enable the college to apply new topsoil, grade and reseed the college's two kindergarten through third-grade fields as well as the high school playing area. The work is scheduled to begin this spring.

For more than a decade, OCC has made the fields

available to the Richland County Youth Soccer organization and East Richland High School. Raney said the improvements will provide a better playing surface for the more than 440 youth, ages 4 to 18, who utilize the fields.

"Olney Central College, Richland County Youth Soccer and East Richland High School have partnered for many years to provide soccer opportunities to area Richland County youth during the

fall," Raney said. "Support of the RCYS and ERHS activities demonstrates OCC's commitment to its mission of involvement in community service and expands the social and cultural opportunities for youth in the district."

The Carrie Winter Trust has provided funding to benefit the youth of Richland County for 26 years and has awarded more than \$1.4 million to various organizations. In December, First National Bank in Olney, as trustee,

along with the Advisory Committee allocated \$36,874.84 in grants to OCC and 20 other organizations.

"We would like to thank the Carrie Winter Trust and First National Bank for making the improvements possible," Raney said. "We also are grateful to Kady Stallard of the Richland County Youth Soccer and Chad LeCrone of East Richland High School for their help and support with the grant application."

# Get help completing your FAFSA on Feb. 6

Need help filing for Financial Aid? Olney Central College will offer a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Night from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6 in Room 207.

The OCC Financial Aid staff will be available to assist students and parents as they complete and submit their 2013-

2014 FAFSA applications.

Those attending should bring the following: student's 2012 taxes and parents' 2012 taxes and information if they are a dependent, W-2 forms and driver's license.

For more information, contact the OCC Financial Aid Office at 395-7777, ext. 2021.



**DON'T FORGET**  
Fill out your FAFSA  
for 2013-2014!

Did you know you can complete the FAFSA as early as January 1, 2013 for the 2013-2014 school year? Even if you haven't filed your taxes, just check "I have not yet completed my return" and estimate your tax information.

Don't lose out on valuable State of Illinois Grant \$\$\$. File early!

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

## Nursing applicants must take TEAS-V exam

Students wishing to apply to the Illinois Eastern Community Colleges Associate Degree Nursing and Practical Nursing Certificate programs for Fall 2013 must take the Test of Essential Academic Skills Version 5 (TEAS-V®) exam to be considered for acceptance into the program. **Seats available for testing are limited; therefore, registration is recommended as soon as possible.**

The exam may be taken twice between Feb. 16, 2012 and Feb. 15,

2013 for the ADN program and April 16, 2012 through April 15, 2013 for the PNC program. In order to be ranked, students must have an adjusted individual test score at the proficient level or higher. Students who have an adjusted individual test score at the developmental or basic level will not be considered for admission.

Information about the exam is available at [www.atitesting.com](http://www.atitesting.com). Study manuals are available in each college library. TEAS-V® Test Prep

Courses are also being offered at Olney Central and Wabash Valley colleges in January.

For more information, contact OCC Nursing Program Advisor Linda Horn at 395-7777, ext. 2246, or go to [www.iecc.edu/nursing](http://www.iecc.edu/nursing) and click on "TEAS Testing" for a list of scheduled testing dates and sites. Students may test at any of the four IECC colleges — Frontier Community, Lincoln Trail, Olney Central and Wabash Valley — regardless of which college site they plan to attend.

### OCC Community Chorus

The OCC Community Chorus presented its annual Holiday Concert featuring the Christmas portion of Handel's "Messiah" on Dec. 11. The event included guest vocal soloists and instrumentalists from Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music and the Evansville Philharmonic as well as performances by the OCC Concert Choir, the Bell Choir of Trinity Lutheran Church and First Presbyterian Church in Olney and organ music by Hillary Doerries. The choir performed under the direction of Mark Doerries.



### Stretcher

**Continued from Page 1** provided funding for the project with proceeds it received from the 2011 LaGala.

The new facility is designed to simulate a

real-world experience and is essential for first-year students as they learn to position patients in the radiographic procedures course.

"The addition of the new

stretcher will complete our updates for now," Kocher said. "We have come a long way with our equipment this fall and our lab is much nicer. I know the students appreciate the new

equipment and are getting a better lab experience. It is providing a more accurate experience that is going to benefit them as they move to the clinical sites."

## Sports Schedule

### Men's Basketball

- **Jan. 16** – OCC at Rend Lake College, 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan. 19** – OCC at Lewis and Clark Community College, 4 p.m.
- **Jan. 21** – OCC vs. Lake Land College, 7:30 p.m. at home
- **Jan. 23** – OCC at Lincoln Trail College, 7:30 p.m.
- **Jan. 26** – OCC vs. Shawnee Community College, 7:30 p.m. at home
- **Jan. 30** – OCC vs. Southwestern Illinois College, 7:30 p.m. at home

### Women's Basketball

- **Jan. 16** – OCC at Rend Lake College, 5:30 p.m.
- **Jan. 21** – OCC vs. Lake Land College, 5:30 p.m. at home
- **Jan. 23** – OCC at Lincoln Trail College, 5:30 p.m.
- **Jan. 26** – OCC vs. Shawnee Community College, 5:30 p.m. at home
- **Jan. 30** – OCC vs. Southwestern Illinois College, 5:30 p.m. at home

## Andrew Pittman joins college as Director of Choral Activities

The Olney Central College Music Department is excited to introduce Andrew Pittman as the new Director of Choral Activities.

Pittman has chosen to focus on not only one aspect of vocal music, but to participate in all three venues: choral music, solo voice and opera/opera. He believes that through excellence in one, excellence can be achieved in all arenas of vocal music, and that they are truly interrelated.

Originally from North Carolina, Pittman has a B.M. in Music Education from East Carolina University, a M.M. in Voice Performance from New England Conservatory of Music and is currently finishing his dissertation requirements at the University of South Carolina for a D.M.A. in Choral Conducting.

Additionally, he has taught college-level voice, opera, and choral music as well as having performed professionally in opera and musical theatre.



**Andrew Pittman**

## University of Evansville ensembles to perform at OCC

The University of Evansville University Choir and Wind Ensemble will be performing at Olney Central College at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 17 in the Dr. John D. Stull Performing Arts Center.

This performance is part of a bi-state tour that includes performances at the Indiana Music Educators Convention in Ft.

Wayne, Ind.

The University of Evansville University Choir consists of the finest vocal talent on campus, has performed in masterclass with The King's Singers, and in 2010 was selected to record the Indiana All-State Choir piece by the Indiana Choral Directors Association. The ensemble is led by Dr. Dennis Malfatti, Director of Choral

Activities.

The University of Evansville Wind Ensemble, led by Dr. Kenneth Steinsultz, has performed across the globe, including in Hawaii, and throughout the Midwest. The ensemble is actively involved in commissioning and performing new works.

This performance is free and open to the public.

## OCC 2013

### Service Awards

Service Recognition awards for Olney Central College employees were presented Jan. 2 during the Faculty/Staff Spring Workshop. Pictured, from left, are Lynn Gray, three years; Brittany Bass, three years; Jennifer Balding, three years; Wain Davis, three years and Clint Burris, five years.



# Clinicals allow students to practice skills

Olney Central College's Massage Therapy clinicals give students valuable experience while providing clients with professional quality massages.

Lorraine Collins, of Yale, received her first massage from a student in 2007 after learning about the program at a health fair.

"The massages are wonderful for stress relief and offer medicinal benefits as well," she said. "I was having issues with my foot and massage really helped. The massages I've received here are compatible to those I have had at spas while on vacation."

She encourages others to make appointments for the spring clinicals.

"I would recommend it to other people and do," she said. "The ambiance is nice and the professionalism of the students is very good. They are very friendly and very knowledgeable."

The clinicals are just one of the college's many services Collins utilizes. She also visits the School of Cosmetology and has taken classes at OCC.

"The college has so much to offer and it's a great asset to Olney," she said. "I wish people would realize all the things it has. I like supporting the



**Lorraine Collins, center, participated in the Massage Therapy Program's clinicals during the fall semester. Collins is pictured with instructor Penny Campbell and student Carrie Nesler, who administered her massage.**

college."

Carrie Nesler, of West Salem, was working in a factory before enrolling in the Massage Therapy Program.

"People always told me that I gave good back rubs so I decided to try massage therapy," she said. "I've really enjoyed the program. They make sure you understand what you're doing."

Nesler eventually hopes to work in a chiropractic office or hospital. She also is considering starting her own business.

"It is a great field to go into because you can work in a variety of settings," Nesler said. "If you choose

to open your own business, you can set your own hours."

Instructor Penny Campbell said massage therapy is one of the fastest-growing health care professions in the United States, and you can begin your training at Olney Central College.

Massage therapy's popularity is continuing to increase as more people recognize the numerous health benefits it provides.

Massage has been proven to reduce pain, stress and tension; improve circulation; decrease blood pressure and lower heart rate.

Campbell wishes to thank all of those who came out to support the students during the fall semester.

OCC's Massage Therapy Certificate prepares students to work in the wellness area of professional massage therapy.

Employment opportunities exist in hospitals, chiropractors' offices, health care facilities and spas. Massage therapists also can choose to work as independent practitioners.

"Massage therapy is a holistic and natural healing method that has been used for centuries for healing, relaxation and rejuvenation," Campbell said. "Now, with massage being accepted in many health care facilities, you can massage almost anywhere."

The program is full of innovative techniques, beginning with Swedish massage and touching on trigger point therapy, reflexology, energy work, spa treatments and hot stone therapy.

Students can earn the certificate in just three semesters.

Upon completion of the Massage Therapy Program, students will be eligible to sit for the National Certification Exam in Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork.

## Massage Therapy spring clinicals begin Jan. 25

Olney Central College's Massage Therapy Program will begin accepting appointments this month for its spring clinicals.

The clinics are open to the public. Appointment times are 9 to 10 a.m., 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 25; Feb. 1, 8, 15 and 22; March 1, 2, 15, 16 and 22; April 5,

12 and 26; and May 3.

The cost for a relaxing, Swedish-style massage is just \$25 for a one-hour session. The massage treatments are for the sole purpose of stress reduction, relief from muscle tension or spasm and to increase circulation and energy flow. A massage therapy instructor will be present at

the clinics.

To schedule an appointment, call 392-2430. If you are unable to reach someone, please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

OCC's Massage Therapy Building is located at 108 E. Main St., in Olney.

## Valentine Benefit to be held Feb. 16

Enjoy a special evening with your sweetheart and support the OCC Foundation by attending its Valentine Benefit on Saturday, Feb. 16 at the Olde Tyme Steakhaus in Olney.

The event will run from 6 to 11 p.m. and include hors d'oeuvres and an auction. The Steve Greenwell Trio featuring Darci Castellano will perform.

Tickets are \$50 each and may be purchased by contacting Kathy Slichenmyer at 395-7777, ext. 2003.

Tickets also are available at local banking institutions or may be obtained from any OCC Foundation Board member.

## Upcoming college visit

A representative from Kentucky Wesleyan University will be at OCC from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5 and Monday, April 15. A table will be located outside the Student Services Office.

## ONLINE PAYMENT

**Step 1:** Log into your Entrata account with your username and password. Click on the Banner Web icon at the right-hand side of your screen.



**Banner Web**  
Records | Financial Aid |  
Transcript

**Step 2:** Click on Pay Tuition, Fees, and Other Charges Online — Credit Card to make your online Payment.

### Student Records

Account by Term  
Account Summary  
Account Summary by Term  
Degree Evaluation  
Final Grades by Term  
Holds on Your Account  
Payments - Pay Tuition, Fees, and Other Charges Online - Credit Card  
Payment History and Statement  
Select Tax Year  
Student Information  
Tax Notification  
Transcript Unofficial

RELEASE: 7.5

If you encounter problems with making your online payment, please contact the IECC HelpDesk at 618-395-5299 or toll-free 1-866-529-4322, ext. 4357.

# Winter Weather Policy

It is Olney Central College's policy to remain open unless the weather makes it too hazardous to do so.

When the safety of students and staff is threatened due to inclement weather or other emergencies, OCC will be closed or classes canceled or delayed.

Administration will attempt to notify media outlets prior to the 6 a.m. news on the day of the closing.

Don't assume that if the elementary and high schools close, OCC will be closed as well. If no announcement is made, classes will meet as usual.

Closure of day classes does not necessarily mean that evening classes will be canceled.

Announcements regarding evening classes will be made prior to 4 p.m., if at all possible.

The following radio and television stations will be notified of

any cancellations or delays:

• WVLN-AM and WSEI-FM in Olney

• WIKK in Newton

• WAKO in Lawrenceville

• WFIW-AM and -FM in

Fairfield

• WNOI-FM in Flora

• WSJD in Mt. Carmel

• WCRC in Effingham

• WTWO and WTHI in Terre

Haute, Ind.

• WEHT, WFIE and WTVW in Evansville, Ind.

Closings also will be announced on the following web-sites:

• [www.iecc.edu](http://www.iecc.edu)

• [www.weatherclosings.com](http://www.weatherclosings.com)

Closings also are announced through IECC Alerts. Log onto Entrata and click on the alerts link to activate an account.

If you have already created an account, you may want to log on to ensure it is still active.

# OCC emergency alerts

Illinois Eastern Community Colleges has contracted with e2Campus to provide alert notification services.

The system will notify students and employees of campus emergencies and closures by e-mail and/or cell phone text message. Log onto Entrata and click on the alerts link to activate an account.

IECC Alerts is an opt-in service. While there is no direct cost for signing up for the service, you may be charged a text message fee by your cell phone provider.

Please check your cell phone plan to understand the costs you may incur using the service.

The system will be used to send text messages related to campus emergencies, weather-related closures, test messages and notifications when accounts are about to expire.

If you do not have an Entrata account, please contact the Records Office at 395-7777.



## LSC offers students free tutoring

Need help bringing up a grade in one of your classes? The Learning Skills Center offers free tutoring in any subject taught at OCC.

Study guides and videos are available in several subjects.

If you have any special learn-

ing needs, come and see the LSC staff.

They will be glad to provide suggestions, help and/or accommodations.

The LSC is located in the back of the Anderson Library in Conference Room 4.

# Items that can be recycled at OCC

The following materials are recycled at OCC.

## Mixed paper which includes:

- White paper
- Copier paper
- Notebook paper
- Envelopes, with or without windows
- Magazines
- Newspaper
- Glossy and colored paper
- Carbonless paper
- Books

**Cardboard** including corrugated and paperboard or flat (tissue, cereal and marker boxes);

## Aluminum cans

**Plastic** including numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 (no styrofoam). Plastic items need to have the triangle with a number in it, for the recycling vendors to take it. Please wash out food trays, yogurt cups and other items

which have food in them; and

**Batteries** including D, C, AA, AAA, and 9-volts.

Recycling containers are available in classrooms and offices.

Blue desk-side recycling containers for mixed paper are located by classroom doors, and in the computer labs there are gray slim jim containers for recyclable materials as well.

In OCC offices, all recyclable material may be placed in the blue desk-side containers. Aluminum cans, batteries and plastic bottles should be placed in the recycling side bin. If you don't have a bin, maintenance can provide one for you.

Outdoor recycling containers for aluminum cans and plastic bottles are located by the north end of the gym, the ramp leading to the Student Union Patio and near the entrance to the bridge in the South Parking Lot.

# WYSE Competition

OCC will host the annual WYSE Academic Challenge Competition for area high school students on Wednesday, Feb. 6.

## Lost and found items

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

## Keep vehicles locked

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

## Knightline issues

Current and past issues of the Knightline newsletter may be downloaded by visiting the OCC website at [www.iecc.edu/occ](http://www.iecc.edu/occ).

## Happy Birthday To:

### January

- 2 Wanda Douglas - FCC
- 7 Doug Shipman
- 11 Carol Kocher
- 14 Melissa Sager
- 17 Sue Dufilho
- 19 Jill Ginder-Wilson
- 23 Deanna Ratts
- 23 Jason Hortin
- 25 Andi Pampe
- 26 Mary Corry
- 28 Brenda Grove - LTC

## Knightline Information

Please submit information for the February Knightline to Deanna Ratts by 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 25.

OCC Recycling July 2012-December 2012						
	E-scrape	Mixed	Plastic	Newspaper	Books	Magazines
JUL	314	2,028	42	32	0	161
AUG	213	1,579	62	56	962	159
SEPT	373	1,117	82	0	404	128
OCT	889	1,612	86	97	1,363	175
NOV	729	1,269	72	36	0	136
DEC	111	1,024	102	53	218	153
Total lbs.	2,629	8,629	446	274	2947	912
Tons	1.31	4.31	.22	0.14	1.47	0.46
Percent	9%	28%	1%	1%	10%	3%
	Misc.	Cardboard	Aluminum Cans	Tin/Steel		
JUL	24	378	11	0		
AUG	88	591	4	24		
SEPT	190	372	10	5,688		
OCT	2181	476	8	862		
NOV	945	401	4	1,225		
DEC	142	462	27	11		
Total lbs.	3570	2680	64	7,810		
Tons	1.78	1.34	0.03	3.91		
Percent	12%	9%	0%	26%		

## Totals Collected July 2012-December 2012

	POUNDS	TONS
JUL	2,990	1.5
AUG	3,738	1.87
SEPT	8,364	4.18
OCT	7,748	3.87
NOV	4,817	2.41
DEC	2,303	1.15
Total	29,961	14.98

Percentage of material recycled 31 Percent  
 Calculated weighted for year 48.23 tons  
 40 Percent goal for the year 19.29 tons

Illinois Eastern Community Colleges reserves the right to change, without notice, any of the material, information, requirements, or regulations published in this publication. Illinois Eastern Community Colleges does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, age, disability, national origin, or veteran status. Illinois Eastern Community Colleges adheres to the Federal Regulations of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and offers appropriate services or activities with reasonable accommodations to any qualified disabled individual upon request. Illinois Eastern Community Colleges' Board of Trustees has adopted the Substance Abuse Policy. Students and employees involved in substance abuse, within the college environment, are subject to disciplinary action.