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Olney Central College



February 2017

Upcoming Events

February

15 Nursing & Radiography Application Deadlines

17 Red Cross Blood Drive Sponsored by Student Senate, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Student Union

17-18 Music Department Winter Concert, 7:30 p.m., OCC Theater

20 OCC Closed, Presidents Day

March

3 Midterm

3 Last Day to Pay Spring Semester Tuition and Fees

6 No Classes Pulaski Day, College Open

7-10 Spring Break, No Classes

24-25 OCC Theater, "The Little Mermaid, 7:30 p.m.

26 OCC Theater, "The Little Mermaid, 2:00 p.m.

College Visits

A table will be located outside Student Services

Feb. 15 Eastern Illinois University, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Feb. 15 Franklin University, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

March 23 Greenville College, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

March 27 Franklin University, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

March 29 Eastern Illinois University, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Collision Repair adds nitrogen plastic welder

Olney Central College's Collision Repair Technology Program purchased a new nitrogen plastic welder with funds provided by the OCC Foundation.

Instructor Mark Fitch said the equipment is a standard tool of the industry and essential for students working on newer-model cars and trucks.

"With today's vehicles, you really need the nitrogen plastic welder," Fitch said. "It is better for putting pieces back together. You don't have to worry about burning the plastic, as you would with other welders and you get a stronger weld."

Having access to the welder also will enable students to hone their skills on the equipment before they enter the workforce.

"We appreciate everything the OCC Foundation does for us," Fitch said. "They are a big help in getting the larger and more expensive equipment we need. We wouldn't have been able to get this without their help."



The OCC Foundation provided funds for the purchase of Collision Repair Technology's new nitrogen plastic welder. Pictured, from left, are Foundation Members Brenda Glover, Sherry Brauer and Gary Houchin, Instructor Mark Fitch and Foundation President Bart Zuber.

Complete a Course in Just 8 Weeks

SPE 1101 Fund. of Effective Speaking, 11:00 AM-12:15 PM, Mon.-Thurs.

ENG 1111 Composition 1, 1:00 PM-3:50 PM, Tues. & Thurs.

ENG 1121 Composition & Analysis, 2:00 PM-4:50 PM, Mon. & Wed.

MTH 1102 College Algebra, 1:15 PM-3:00 PM, Mon. & Wed.

Online Classes

HEA 1225 Intro. to Medical Terminology

MUS 1101 Music Appreciation

DAP 1201 Business Computer Systems

PSY 2109 Human Growth & Development

BOC 1201 Beginning Keyboarding



Contact

OCC Student Services
618-395-7777 to Register

Classes Meet March 13-May 11



Chimes enhance Music Department

The rich and melodious sounds of concert chimes can now be heard during OCC Music Department performances.

The OCC Foundation provided funding for the percussion section's latest addition, which was featured prominently during last season's fall and spring concerts.

The chimes produce a sound similar to church bells and are very versatile. They can give a musical piece either a beautiful and light airy feel or they can invoke dark and foreboding qualities for the listener.

"Not having them available has limited our literature for ensemble band," said Suzanne Fassett, OCC Director of Bands. "The chimes are not only a benefit to our percussionists, but our entire band. They have opened up pieces we couldn't play before."

She added, "We are very thankful for the Foundation's assistance in enriching the educational and artistic experience of our students."



OCC student Sydney Pitts plays the Music Department's chimes, which were purchased with funds from the OCC Foundation.



VALENTINES FOR HEROES

Phi Beta Lambda recently participated in U.S. Rep. John Shimkus' annual "Valentines for Heroes" program. PBL collected 68 valentines which will be distributed to veterans as well as active servicemen and women throughout Illinois. The club worked in coordination with Phi Theta Kappa and Cozy Corner in order to honor our military heroes.

Music Department Winter Concert Feb. 17-18

The OCC Music Department presents its Winter Concert at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17 and Saturday, Feb. 18 in the Dr. John D. Stull Performing Arts Center. The concert will feature performances from the OCC Concert Band, Concert Choir and Jazz Ensemble.

The Concert Band will perform works based on the season theme of "Stages." This concert will feature stages of the evolution of the American people, including the works "Invincible," by Robert W. Smith, and "A House Divided," based on a speech given by Abraham Lincoln in 1858, before the Civil War.

The OCC Concert Choir will present the Old Testament story of Jephthe, a dramatic Oratorio composed by Giacomo Carissimi. In addition to chorus, the drama will feature numerous student solos, duets, and trios from within the Concert Choir.

The OCC Jazz Ensemble will continue to explore bop and the blues with works from Cedar Walton and Miles Davis.

Admission is \$5 and tickets are available at the door. Student admission is free.

Winter Closing Policy & IECC Alerts notices

For information on OCC's Winter Weather Closing Policy, visit www.iecc.edu/occ and click on the closing policy link under Student Information.

Make sure you sign up for IECC Alerts to receive closing notices. Log into your Entrata account and click on Emergency Alerts to sign up.

Free tutoring available

The Learning Skills Center, located in the back of the Anderson Library, offers free tutoring in any subject taught at OCC.

Sports Schedule

Men's Basketball

Feb. 11 — OCC at Lewis & Clark Community College, 3 p.m.

Feb. 15 — OCC at John A. Logan College, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 18 — OCC vs. Vincennes University, 3 p.m. at home

Feb. 22 — OCC vs. Shawnee Community College, 3 p.m. at home

Feb. 25 — OCC at Lake Land College, 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 — OCC at Southeastern Illinois College, 7:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball

Feb. 12 — OCC vs. Millikin JV, 2 p.m. at home

Feb. 15 — OCC at John A. Logan College, 5 p.m.

Feb. 18 — OCC vs. Vincennes University, 1 p.m. at home

Feb. 22 — OCC vs. Shawnee Community College, 5:30 p.m. at home

Feb. 25 — OCC at Lake Land College, 5:30 p.m.

Feb. 28 — OCC at Southeastern Illinois College, 5:30 p.m.

Baseball

Feb. 18 — OCC at Roane State Community College, 1 & 3 p.m.

Feb. 19 — OCC at Roane State Community College, noon

Feb. 20 — OCC at Union College, JV, 1 & 3 p.m.

Feb. 28 — OCC at Vincennes University, noon

Softball

Feb. 19 — OCC at Brescia University, 1:30 & 3:30 p.m.

March 2 — OCC vs. Alpena, at North Myrtle Beach, S.C., 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.



OCC Science Club members participating in the Richland County Elementary School Family Math and Science Night are front row, from left, Shio Kinoshita, Carson Baker, Tayler Hayes, Shelby Gragert and OCC Life Sciences Instructor and Science Club Advisor Sarah Bergbower, and back row, Curtis Ballard, Matthew Runyon, Heather Vaupel, Christopher Diaz, Tyler Schmidt and OCC Chemistry Instructor Dr. Aaron Lineberry. Not pictured, but present at this event, were Paige Anderson and Emma Roark.

Club participates in Family Math & Science Night

The Olney Central College Science Club participated in Richland County Elementary School's Family Math and Science Night on Jan. 26.

Club members enjoyed putting on several science demonstrations for elementary students and their families. What appeared to elementary students as magic tricks was explained in basic science terms by OCC students. The children experienced the action of an enzymatic reaction, pH indicator, density experiment, chemical properties of two liquids, and of course, making their own slime to take home.

"We had an excellent turnout of OCC Science Club members and RCES students and families. Our demos served as a great attraction both this year and last year, and we're already looking forward to next year's event," said Sarah Bergbower, OCC Life Sciences Instructor and Science Club Advisor. "Science Club membership has tripled since last year, and this event is only one of the many activities our members enjoy each semester. We take several field trips and also run extracurricular experiments in the laboratory just for fun, such as engineering a bacteria with a gene to glow in the dark. Science Club is for anyone interested in the sciences—chemistry, biology, physics, etc. Several of our members aren't even majoring in the sciences. We have Spanish, journalism, and accounting majors represented, all the way to engineering and pre-med majors."

The Science Club is worth one tuition-waved credit to OCC students who register. For more information on OCC's Science Club or its activities, contact Bergbower at bergbowers@iecc.edu or at 395-7777, ext. 2228.

Look for the Science Club's Spring plant sale fund-raiser in May.



OCC Science Club member Heather Vaupel performs an experiment for students attending the event.



STUDENT NURSES ASSOCIATION

The Student Nurses Association at OCC recently presented donations to several community organizations including Jo Jo Looking for a Cure and Shop with a Hometown Hero.

Furniture refinishing class starts March 14

OCC will be offering a furniture refinishing class beginning next month.

The class, HEC 1198 Furniture Refinishing, will focus on complete refinishing, restoration and repair, while addressing furniture stripping, staining and color matching. Students also will have access to professional refinishing equipment including stripping, rinse and spray tanks.

Loran Budde, who has been refinishing furniture for more than 40 years, will be teaching the course with his grandson, Trenton Budde, who has 15 years' experience in the field and specializes in finish

work and color matching.

The class is ideal for beginners who have an antique or damaged item they would like to repair.

"They will be able to bring projects in and we will be there to guide them through the process," Loran Budde said. "We will teach them the different steps and what needs to be done."

Students can take the class Tuesdays and/or Thursdays from 6 to 8:40 p.m. March 14-May 11.

For more information or to register, contact OCC Student Services at 395-7777.

New class examines QuickBooks, Excel basics

Olney Central College is offering an 8-week class covering the basic functions and uses of both QuickBooks and Microsoft Excel.

BUS 1198 Topics/Issues in Business (QuickBooks/Excel Basics) will meet from 6 to 7:50 p.m. on Thursdays, March 16-May 11, with instructor Paul Zeilstra. The class is ideal for small business owners or individuals looking to enhance their skills and knowledge of the software.

For more information or to register, contact OCC Student Services at 395-7777.

Nursing applications due Feb. 15

Individuals wishing to enter the Illinois Eastern Community Colleges: Olney Central College Associate Degree Nursing Program this fall must submit their applications by Feb. 15.

Please schedule an appointment as soon as possible to meet with Nursing Program Advisor Linda Horn to discuss program requirements. Horn may be reached at 395-7777, ext. 2246, or by email at hornl@iecc.edu.

For additional information about the IECC Nursing Program, please visit www.iecc.edu/nursing.

Lost & Found Items

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

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Complete your training to become a licensed cosmetologist in 12 months

To Register, Call 618-395-7777





OCC WELDING STUDENTS

Members of Union Local 157 Pipefitters, of Terre Haute, recently spoke with OCC Welding students about the various opportunities in the pipefitters' trade.

Class prepares students to obtain FAA commercial drone license

Individuals wanting to obtain a commercial drone license can prepare for the Federal Aviation Administration's required testing by enrolling in a class at OCC.

UAS 1201 Unmanned Aerial Systems I will meet from 6 to 9 p.m. on Mondays, beginning March 13 with long-time aviator Tom Baker, of Noble, serving as the instructor.

In August 2016, new regulations took effect requiring all commercial small, unmanned aircraft systems or (drone) operators to be licensed with the FAA. The rules also established standards of operation.

OCC's new course, the first of its kind in the area, will address vital information

for commercial drone users such as regulations and rules of operation, air space use, preflight operations and inspections and weight and balance configurations. Baker hopes to have a drone available for hands-on demonstrations.

"The class is suited for the farmer who wants to integrate the drone into his operations for crop inspections or the real estate agent who wants to take pictures of property he wants to sell," Baker said.

While a commercial license isn't required for hobbyists and recreational users, Baker said the class provides information which will be of interest and worthwhile for them as well.

For more information or to register, call 395-7777.

Artistic welding begins March 16

Olney Central College is offering an artistic welding course at the West Richland Center in Noble.

WEL 1206 Special Projects in Welding (Metal Art & Sculpture) will meet from 6 to 9 p.m. on Thursdays, March 16-June 29.

"It's a very exciting class," said Instructor Maverick Fisher. "It's a good class for someone who is creative and interested in making things like yard ornaments, but it isn't limited to just art. We also will focus on fabrication and making items like patio sets."

For more information or to register, call 395-7777.

Radiography application deadline Feb. 15

Olney Central College's Radiography Program will continue accepting applications for new students through Feb. 15.

Individuals wishing to be considered for entry into the program for 2017 must submit their applications by the deadline. Official copies of transcripts are due by March 1.

For more information or to apply, call 395-7777.

OCC blood drive Feb. 17

The OCC Student Senate is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Feb. 17 in the Student Union.



DALLAS POLICE RECRUITER

Recruiters from the Dallas Police Department were at OCC on Jan. 24. Senior Corporal Raymond Milbern spoke to students in the Administration of Justice Program.