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OLNEY CENTRAL COLLEGE



October 2015

Upcoming Events

October

6 No Day or Evening Classes – IECC Faculty/Staff Professional Development Day

12 College Closed – Columbus Day

15 OCC Mid-term Party, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Student Union

15 Last Day to Pay Fall Semester Tuition & Fees

16 LGBT Club Halloween Drag Show, 6 to 9 p.m., OCC Theatre

23-24 OCC Theatre presents 'M*A*S*H,' 7:30 p.m.

25 OCC Theatre presents 'M*A*S*H,' 2 p.m.

28-29 Student Senate Haunted Trail, 6 to 9 p.m.

30-31 Student Senate Haunted Trail, 6 to 11 p.m.

30-31 OCC Music Dept. Fall Concert, 7:30 p.m., OCC Theatre

College Visits

Tables will be located outside the Student Services Office.

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

Oct. 1 Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, 9 a.m. to noon

Oct. 5 & 22 Franklin University, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Physics Department updates lab equipment with funding from OCC Foundation

Olney Central College's Physics Department has been able to update equipment and enhance lab experiences for students with funds from the OCC Foundation.

"We really appreciate the efforts of the Foundation and the support it has given to the Physics Department and other areas of the college," Instructor Rob Mason said. "This is the biggest upgrade we've done. Basically we've come a long way in updating the lab and staying competitive, not just with other two-year colleges, but four-year schools."

When purchasing the new equipment, Mason considered both the critical needs of the department and what equipment could be used in the widest range of classes.

Among the items acquired with the \$4,950 grant were projectile launchers, which can be interfaced with existing computers. Students recently utilized the equipment to measure flight time and analyze data.

Mason said such experiences prepare OCC students to transfer to four-year institutions.

Deadline to submit IECC Student Trustee forms Oct. 16

Olney Central College students wishing to run for the IECC Student Trustee position must submit their completed forms, including signatures from at least 25

current students, to Student Services by Oct. 16.

The student trustee must be a full-time student during the Fall 2015 semester and remain a full-time student in

used with an existing measuring device. The equipment allows students to see the emission spectrum of different gas samples and can be used for a broad range of classes including chemistry and astronomy.

Students also will benefit from the purchase of new electrostatic kits. These enable students to study the properties of electrical charges and fields.

"Before we had random pieces of equipment, which had been put together over the years," Mason said. "These are professionally assembled kits."

Students also will be using new charge sensors, which show the numerical value of positive and negative charges and a new resonance tube that will enable them to study sound waves.

"The University of Illinois, Southern Illinois University and Rose-Hulman all use computer interfaces to analyze data," he added.

The lab also acquired a new gas discharge tube, which can be





OCC STUDENT SENATE

Members of the 2015-2016 Student Senate are front row, from left, Clarisse Buydens of Olney, Jayla Werner of Olney, Sydney Pitts of Olney, Brianna Farris of Boaz, Ala., and Dalyn Brach of Olney. Second row, Matt Sandiford of Casey, Jenni Orr of Albion, Heather Vaupel of Dundas, Gideon Raley of Flora, Derek Sager of Olney, and Advisor Allan Alldredge.

Bailey Martin new Student Ambassador

Bailey Martin, of Flora, is serving as Olney Central College's 2015-2016 Student Ambassador.

"I am looking forward to getting to know everyone in all of the departments," Martin said.

OCC Student Ambassadors serve as liaisons between the students, faculty and staff and provide a valuable source of information for the students. During the year, Martin will be working closely with OCC Retention Coordinator Vicki Thompson.

In the coming weeks, Martin will be working with



Bailey Martin

various departments to gain additional information about the college so she can provide even greater assistance to OCC students. She also will aid faculty and staff in recruiting prospec-

tive students, promoting campus-wide events, providing tours to campus visitors and assisting with retention activities and programs. Martin also will be attending sporting events.

The 18-year-old is a 2015 graduate of Flora High School. Martin is studying criminal justice and plans to transfer to either the University of Southern Illinois at Carbondale or the University of Southern Indiana to complete her bachelor's degree.

She is the daughter of Senna Lewis and Josh Martin.

OCC Student Senate Haunted Trail Oct. 28-31

Looking for a good scare this Halloween? The Olney Central College Student Senate is hosting its annual Haunted Trail in the woods located on the north side of campus.

Hours are 6 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28 and Thursday, Oct. 29 and from 6 to 11 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30 and Saturday, Oct. 31. Admission is \$5, and free for ages 4 and younger.



A ghoul lurking on the trail last year.

Music Dept. Fall Concert Oct. 30-31

The Olney Central College Music Department will be presenting its Fall Concert at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30 and Saturday, Oct. 31 in the Dr. John D. Stull Performing Arts Center.

The concert will feature the OCC Concert Band, Concert Choir and Jazz Ensemble, and is the first concert cycle of the 2015-16 Season.

The Concert Band will present music with the theme "Forces of Nature," celebrating the powerful and delicate forces that surround us all. Selections are "Spontaneous Combustion," by Robert Sheldon; "Then I Saw the Lucent Sky," based on Gregorian Chant by Hildegard von Bingen and composed by Todd Stalter; and "Lightning Field," by John Mackey.

The Concert Choir will present a variety of choral literature, including composers such as Vivaldi and Górecki, as well as African-American Spirituals and Musical Theatre.

The Jazz Ensemble will feature its members in Jazz Combo form, playing hits from the Bebop era. Included will be the music of Miles Davis, Sonny Rollins and Herbie Hancock, among others.

Admission is \$5, and tickets are available at the door.

For more information about this concert or the Music Department, please visit the OCC Music Website at www.occmusic.org.

Free tutoring service available for all students

The Learning Skills Center is sponsoring a Tutor Table from 1 to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays in the Student Union.

All Olney Central College students who are struggling with a class are welcome to join the Tutor Table.

During this time, students will have access to tutors, can sign up for individual one-on-one tutoring and can also sign up to become tutors.

For more information, please stop by the Learning Skills Center in the back of the Anderson Library or call 395-7777, ext. 2267/2269.

Apply to SIU free on Oct. 22

Southern Illinois University at Carbondale will host a Free Application Day from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 22 in the OCC Student Services Office.

Students will save \$40 by applying that day for Fall or Spring 2016, 2017 or 2018.

For more information, contact Tosha Baker at 618-713-3828 or send an email to tcalvin@siu.edu.

LGBT Club hosts Halloween Drag Show Oct. 16

The Olney Central College LGBT Club will host a Halloween Comedy Drag Show on Friday, Oct. 16.

The event will begin at 6 p.m. in the Dr. John D. Stull Performing Arts Center.

Admission is \$5, or \$2.50 for those dressed in the opposite gender.

IECC approved as entitled institution for Gateways to Opportunity Credentials

Students can now qualify for early childhood education credentials as they take courses or complete a degree through the Illinois Eastern Community Colleges — Frontier Community in Fairfield, Lincoln Trail in Robinson, Olney Central in Olney and Wabash Valley in Mt. Carmel.

Gateways to Opportunity recently approved IECC as an entitled institution for the ECE Levels 2, 3 and 4 credentials. The district is among a select group of institutions in Illinois to re-

ceive the designation.

All Gateways to Opportunity Credentials have competencies that reflect multiple professional standards, including the National Association for the Education of Young Children and the Illinois Professional Teaching Standards. The IECC faculty worked diligently to align its courses with the Gateways to Opportunity requirements.

In a time when early childhood education is defining itself as a field that promotes professional development,

IECC has become entitled to help further this goal by graduating students ready to provide quality care and education to young children.

Gateways to Opportunity, Illinois Professional Development System, is designed to provide guidance, support and recognition to practitioners who serve children and families in Illinois. Gateways to Opportunity is administered by the Illinois Network of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies. For more information, visit www.ilgateways.com.

Welding Program hosts fund-raiser

The OCC Welding Program is making and selling fall decorations as a fund-raiser.

Metal pumpkin cutouts are 1/8-inch galvanized steel with a piece of rebar on the bottom to stick them in the ground. The 12-inch diameter pumpkins are \$20 and the 24-inch diameter pumpkins are \$40.

Horseshoe pumpkins also are available for \$20 each.

All proceeds will help pay for the students to attend Fabtech, the largest welding and metalworking event in the world. If you would like to place an order, please contact Curtis Marshall at marshall@iecc.edu or 395-7777, ext. 2580.



Zumba classes begin Oct. 19 at WRC

Have fun while you're exercising with Olney Central College's Zumba class.

PEI 1136 Physical Education Aerobics (Zumba®), will meet from 6 to 7:40 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at the West Richland Center in Noble.

The eight-week class begins Oct. 19 and will be taught by licensed Zumba® instructor Casey Stallard.

Zumba is a Latin dance-inspired fitness class, with music from around the world including Salsa, Reggaeton, Cumbia, Hip-hop, Merengue and many more.

Zumba routines incorporate interval train-

ing — alternating fast and slow rhythms — and resistance training.

Stallard said this is an aerobic exercise that can benefit individuals of all ages and fitness levels.

Zumba reduces health risks, keeps excess pounds at bay, strengthens your heart and boosts your mood.

The classes also are a great way to meet people and change up your current exercise routine.

To register or for more information about the class, contact the OCC Student Services Office at 395-7777.

Tickets available for fall play

Tickets for the Olney Central College Theatre's production of "M*A*S*H" are now on sale and may be purchased from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday 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 menu includes: chicken cordon bleu, loaded baked potato, peas and mushrooms, green salad, hot roll, 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 features many of the beloved characters. This play includes adult themes and may not be suitable for young children.

Tickets are \$12 for reserved seating for the production and \$24 for reserved seating and the dinner. 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.

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.



TASTE TESTERS

Maverick Fisher's welding class had an opportunity recently to sample dishes prepared by Olney Central College's culinary arts students. Nada Lunsford's students cooked prosciutto stuffed chicken thighs, chicken a l'orange and curry chicken. The classes meet across the hall from one another at the West Richland Center in Noble.

Massage Therapy clinicals begin soon

Olney Central College's Massage Therapy Program is accepting appointments for its clinicals.

The clinics are open to the public and will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Oct. 10 and 24 and Nov. 7 and 21 at the West Richland Center in Noble.

The cost for a relaxing, Swedish-style massage is \$30 for a one-hour massage and \$15 for half an hour. Reflexology sessions are \$20 and a tandem massage, with two therapists, is \$60. Gift certificates are available.

To make an appointment, call 392-2430. Callers should leave a message with their name and contact information, the date they would like to schedule an appointment and the therapy treatment they want. They will receive a confirmation call from Instructor Deb Burnett.

Sports Schedule

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** — VU Kiwanis Classic, OCC vs. Motlow State Community College, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 31** — VU Kiwanis Classic, OCC vs. Rock Valley College, 4 p.m.
- Nov. 6** — OCC Rotary Classic, OCC vs. Elizabethtown Tech, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 7** — OCC Rotary Classic, OCC vs. Kentucky Wesleyan, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 13** — OCC at Lincoln College, 7:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball

- Oct. 10** — ICC Jamboree, OCC vs. Moberly, 2 p.m.; OCC vs. Illinois Central, 4 p.m. & OCC vs. Jefferson College, 5 p.m.
- Oct. 18** — SWIC Jamboree, OCC vs. John Wood, 11 a.m.; OCC vs. Jefferson College, 1 p.m. & OCC vs. Three Rivers, 3 p.m.
- Nov. 2** — OCC vs. Lindenwood Belleville University - JV, 5 p.m. at home
- Nov. 7** — OCC vs. Mineral Area College, 1 p.m. at home
- Nov. 14** — VU Sodexo Classic, OCC vs. Malcolm X College, noon
- Nov. 15** — VU Sodexo Classic, OCC vs. Owens Community College, noon

Mid-term Party Oct. 15

Attend the OCC Mid-term Party from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15 in the Student Union.

Prizes will be given away and free french fries will be available.

During the event, you can sign up for a free personal tutor and make your spring registration appointment. There will even be stress-reducing puppies.

For more information, contact Retention Coordinator Vicki Thompson at thompsonv@iecc.edu.