



# The Knightline

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## New welders to enhance student training

The Olney Central College Welding and Cutting Program is ensuring it will continue to produce skilled craftsmen with the addition of 12 new welding machines.

"This is top-of-the-line equipment our students will be using," said Instructor Curtis Marshall. "With these welders, students will get the training they need to go out into the workforce and get a job. You won't find any better training tools anywhere."

The equipment was purchased through OCC's new partnership with Lincoln Electric Co. The Cleveland, Ohio-based firm is a global leader in the manufacturing of welding machines and welding consumables. A strong supporter of education, the company donated four welders to the college.

"The partnership is a great asset to the program," Marshall said. "Lincoln Electric will go out of its way to help us."

The new equipment includes six V350 Pro Multi-Process Welders, five C300 Advanced Process Welders and one 225 Precision TIG Welder.

Marshall said the V350 Pro Multi-Process Welders provide exceptional multi-process fabrication welding.

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**OCC Welding and Cutting Instructor Curtis Marshall, center, shows students Jacob Klingler and Clifton Tewell, both of Olney, some of the features available on one of the program's new Lincoln Electric C300 Advanced Process Welders.**

## Nursing honor society now available for IECC students

Top students in the Illinois Eastern Community Colleges/Olney Central College Associate Degree Nursing Program are now eligible for membership in the national honor society, Alpha Delta Nu.

"I'm really excited to be

a part of the nation's first ADN honor society," said Tammy Fralicker, Associate Dean of Nursing and Allied Health. "This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to be in an honor society and to be recognized for their achievements."

The Illinois Organization of Associate Degree Nursing approved the formation of an honor society for Associate Degree Nursing programs in the fall of 2009. IECC applied for and was granted its chapter in fall of 2011. Shortly thereafter, the

National Organization of Associate Degree Nursing assumed responsibility for Alpha Delta Nu.

The local Nu Chapter recently extended membership invitations to 35 eligible ADN students at OCC as well as Frontier

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# New equipment will aid Cosmetology Program

*School of Cosmetology offering specials during November*

Today's salons offer clients more than just haircuts. Many are expanding their services to include manicures and pedicures as well.

Olney Central College's Cosmetology Program recently updated its equipment to better prepare students to provide these popular treatments.

"The new manicure tables and pedicure units are a big asset for the program," said Cosmetology Director Linda Miller. "We want students to be well-rounded so they can go to the salons and do manicures and pedicures. The more we can teach them, the more versatile they will be. This equipment will enable us to do that."

The new manicure tables are vented and will allow students to apply acrylic nails.

"There are fumes associated with acrylic nails and because so many people have allergies we haven't been doing them," Miller said. "Having tables that are ventilated will help eliminate those bad vapors."

Miller noted the new pedicure chairs are more compact than the older ones and utilize less space. This enabled the program to increase its number of units from three to four.

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**Above, OCC Cosmetology students Megan Pritchard and Brehanna Farris use the program's new pedicure units while assisting clients at the School of Cosmetology. At right, OCC Cosmetology student Amy Perry, right, works with fellow student Coral Morris at one of the new manicure tables. The program will be offering several manicure specials during the month of November.**



# Teresa Beehn new OCC Food Service Manager

Teresa Beehn has joined Olney Central College as the new Food Service Manager.

A resident of Olney for 15 years, she previously served as a secretary at East Orchard Christian Academy.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for me," Beehn said of her new position. "It's everything I needed and I work with a great group of people."

Beehn, who attended OCC in the 1990s, has spent most of her career working in office settings.

She recently returned to the workforce after taking several years off to

care for her daughter, who had to undergo several surgeries. During that time, Beehn helped organize dinners and fund-raisers at her church, First Assembly of God in Olney. She also volunteered at Good Samaritan of Richland County. Beehn remains very active in her



**Teresa Beehn**

church, serving as both a drama team leader and youth leader.

"I really enjoy working with organizations that help others," she added. "I am a people person and I enjoy it."

Beehn is excited about the new opportunities at OCC.

"Several people I went to school with are working here and it feels like home," she said. "Everyone has made me feel so welcome."

Beehn and her husband, Michael, reside in Olney with their two children, Shayli and Bryce.

# Anderson Library welcomes new staff members

Visitors to OCC's Anderson Library will see several new faces this fall.

Kyle Thomas, who is serving as a library assistant, is the newest addition. He started at OCC on Oct. 19 and is assuming the post previously held by Brittany Bass, who was named Anderson Library Director earlier this year.

Thomas, who is from Newton, received his associate's degree from OCC. He is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in general studies from Eastern Illinois University.

After attending OCC, Thomas relocated to Massachusetts, where he worked for Brinks as a vault operations supervisor. He recently returned to the area after serving eight months with the Disney College Program.

In his new position, Thomas will be conducting inventory and ordering items for the library.

"This job seemed like a good fit for me," he said. "I really enjoy reading and it is fun working in the library. It is a nice relaxed environment with low stress."

Thomas enjoyed his time at OCC as a student and is excited about the opportunity to work here.

"OCC is a really nice campus," he said. "It's small and everyone knows each other."



**Kyle Thomas**



**Bronson Shehorn**

Bronson Shehorn joined the library in September as the equipment manager and also is serving as an IT technician at OCC. He will maintain video and computer equipment for the library as well as oversee their checkout and delivery. In addition, Shehorn will assist Computer Technician Chad Schuetz with computer setup and repair.

"I enjoy helping people," Shehorn said. "I really like it here. The job environment is nice and everyone seems very friendly."

Shehorn, of Flora, attends Frontier Community College where he is pursuing an Information Systems Support Degree.

Shehorn previously was employed at Zbay in Louisville and continues to work for IT Solutions. He removes viruses and replaces motherboards for the Fairfield company.



**Elisabeth Clodfelter**

"I have experience doing a little bit of everything, which is a good thing to have," he said.

Elisabeth Clodfelter earned an associate's degree from OCC in May and joined the college as a

library clerk three months later.

While attending OCC, Clodfelter served as a switchboard operator for the Student Services Office. She also worked for instructor Carmen Jones as well as the Public Information and Marketing Office.

Clodfelter's duties include preparing and receiving books for loan through I-Share and working at the circulation desk.

"I really like OCC," Clodfelter said. "It is a really great environment and everyone is so nice. I love all the people I work with. I like clerical work and like to organize so this is a wonderful job for me. I also like to read so I'm always finding books to put on my reading list."

Clodfelter plans to attend Kentucky Wesleyan College in Owensboro next fall to pursue a degree in religious studies.

## All dressed up

Olney Central College's School of Cosmetology gets into the spirit of Halloween. Students along with Director of Cosmetology Linda Miller and Assistant Director of Cosmetology Diana Emmons dressed up on Oct. 31.



# OCC Community Chorus to perform Dec. 11

This December the OCC Community Chorus will perform the Christmas portion of Handel's well-loved oratorio the Messiah.

After last season's standing-room-only holiday concert, the chorus grew in size and ability.

This year the chorus is joined by four rising vocal stars from Indiana University, as well as a small instrumental ensemble that includes members of the Evansville Philharmonic and Indiana University Orchestra.

Our guest vocalists include Samuel Green, a tenor with the Princeton Festival Opera Theater, Jane Rownd, a mezzo-soprano with Indiana University Opera Theater, Howard Swyers, a baritone for opera and new music ensembles across North and South America, and Shannon Love, a soprano who recently performed the Queen of the Night in Mozart's *The Magic Flute* with Indiana University Opera



Members of the OCC Community Chorus present their 2011 concert. This year's performance will be at 7 p.m. on Dec. 11 at Immanuel United Methodist Church in Olney.

Theater.

In addition to Handel's *Messiah*, the holiday concert will feature Hillary Doerries on the organ as well as a community sing-along of favorite hymns, carols, and yuletide songs. This year's performance will

take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 11 at Immanuel United Methodist Church in Olney. Admission is free and open to the public.

Visit the music department's new website for more information: [www.occmusic.org](http://www.occmusic.org).

## Rose enjoys post as LSC tutoring coordinator

Olney Central College students who need to improve their grades are getting the assistance they need with the help of Learning Skills Center Tutoring Coordinator Jill Rose.

The lifelong Richland County resident joined the LSC shortly before the start of the fall semester. An OCC student herself, Rose will complete her associate's degree in May.

"I really enjoy going to school here and I'm excited to be helping the students," she said. "At the end of the day, I feel like I've helped people accomplish something good."

Rose is a certified pharmacy technician, but has been a full-time student at OCC for the past year. After graduating, she plans to pursue a bache-

lor's degree in sociology or a related field.

In her new position, Rose is coordinating student tutoring sessions for the LSC and working closely with its Director Donita Kaare. She also is recruiting tutors and working as an office manager for the LSC.

"The overall environment of the LSC is wonderful," Rose said. "It is a helpful, caring and loving place. I love the idea of working in this department. I've seen a lot of what Donita has done over the years and I'm really glad to be a part of



Jill Rose

it. My co-workers are an exceptional group of people and I'm excited to be working with them."

Rose has many ties to the college. Her mother served as the bookstore manager in the late 1970s and other relatives have been employed at OCC as well.

"OCC is such a great part of the community and I wanted to work here too," she added.

The LSC offers free tutoring in any subject taught at OCC and Rose encourages students who need extra help in a class to meet with her to arrange for a tutor.

"We encourage any student who is having difficulties to come in if they feel like they are falling behind," she said. "They don't need to be afraid to ask for help. We have a

really good group of dedicated tutors who go the extra mile to help students and to make sure they get through a class. There is no reason to get stressed out about a class. If you're not doing well, come in and we'll get you back on track."

The Learning Skills Center is located in the back of the OCC Anderson Library in Conference Room 4.

Students also can contact Rose at 395-7777, ext. 2269.

Rose is the mother of four children, Matthew and Maggie, both OCC graduates who are now attending Southern Illinois University, and Mitch and Maryn, who are students at East Richland High School and East Richland Middle School, respectively.

# SNA participates in Health Fest

The Olney Central College Student Nurses Association participated in the 2012 OCC/Richland Memorial Hospital Health Fest last month.

Students took more than 200 blood pressures in about four hours' time.

OCC-SNA Newsletter Editor Logan Ashworth said it was shocking to see so many people with high blood pressure or on hypertension medication, 119 in total.

"That is roughly 58 percent of the total people who had their blood pressure checked," he said.

The numbers may be skewed since people with health issues are more likely to participate in testing than those who are healthy.

Unfortunately, the "Glow Germ," which is used to promote hand washing, did not work during the Health Fest. However, participants were given information on the importance of hand hygiene. Crayons, stickers and balloons were given to the younger participants.

OCC nursing students who participated in the 2012 Health Fest included Sean Stanley, Aurora Gibbs, Debra Gilbert, Logan Ashworth, Amber Brown, Jonette Parr, Sarrah Eicholz, Angie Perdue and Margaret Hill.

"We had a great time at the Health Fest here at OCC," Ashworth said.



**The Olney Central College Student Nurses Association participated in the 2012 OCC/Richland Memorial Hospital Health Fest last month. Students offered free blood pressure checks and presented information on the importance of proper hand hygiene.**



## Nursing

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Community, Lincoln Trail and Wabash Valley colleges.

To be considered for membership, students must have completed their first year of nursing, have attained a 3.0 overall GPA and earned a B or better in the core nursing courses. Students also must have demonstrated conduct on campus and in the clinical areas that reflects integrity and professionalism.

Currently, 28 students have been accepted as provisional members in the Nu Chapter.

To be awarded full membership, these students must finish their third semester of nursing and complete a group capstone project, which focuses on either recruitment or educational activities.

Fralicker said each college will undertake its own project this fall. At OCC, students participated in a Career Day on Nov. 7 at East Richland High School. They created a video presentation and a display board promoting careers in nursing. They especially focused on recruiting males as they are underrepresented in

the profession.

"The projects get the students out in the community so they are more visible," Fralicker said.

After completing the requirements, the students will be inducted into the honor society in the spring. Each college will host its own induction ceremony.

Members will receive a pin and be awarded cords to wear at graduation. Fralicker stressed membership in Alpha Delta Nu also will be a nice addition to the students' resumes.

"It will help show they not only completed the

program, but excelled," Fralicker said. "It also will help with obtaining scholarships if they choose to pursue a baccalaureate degree. We hope the possibility of being accepted into the honor society will encourage students to be more successful and increase their motivation to get As and Bs in nursing."

To date, 25 Alpha Delta Nu chapters have been formed in Maryland, Ohio, Michigan, Vermont, Louisiana and Mississippi. Illinois currently leads the nation in Alpha Delta Nu chapters with 14.



## National Massage Therapy Awareness Week

Students in the OCC Massage Therapy Program offered free chair massages during National Massage Therapy Awareness Week Oct. 21-27. The students also held a bake sale, pork burger sale and a Monical's fund-raiser.

## Register now for spring semester classes

OCC is currently registering students for spring semester classes.

It is recommended that students meet with an advisor prior to registering for their last term. This will ensure the student is aware of all remaining graduation requirements.

Spring schedules are available

outside the Student Services Office and online at [www.iecc.edu](http://www.iecc.edu).

Enroll early to ensure you get into the classes you want.

For more information, stop by the Student Services Office or call 395-7777.

Spring semester classes begin Monday, Jan. 7.

## Cosmetology

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"We do a lot of pedicures," Miller said. "The old pedicure chairs were much bigger and our clients had to climb into them. Some of our clients had trouble doing that. The new chairs will make it much easier for them. The students also will have an easier time maneuvering around them."

Miller invites area residents to visit the School of

Cosmetology at 104 E. Main St. in Olney and try the new units.

At \$12.50, Miller said the cosmetology program's basic pedicures are very inexpensive compared to salons, which often charge \$25 or more for the service.

The pedicure includes a foot massage with lotion. For an additional \$2, clients also can receive a Therapin treatment, where paraffin is applied

to the feet to open pores and improve hydration.

During the month of November, the School of Cosmetology will offer several manicure specials. Gel overlay applications will be available for \$15 instead of the regular price of \$17.50.

French manicures, which typically cost \$7.50, will be offered for \$5. Nail polish changes, which are regularly \$2.50, will be free through Nov. 30.

Appointments can be scheduled by calling 395-1169. Walk-ins also are welcome.

With the holidays fast approaching, Miller noted the School of Cosmetology's gift certificates make wonderful presents for friends and family.

They can be purchased during regular business hours, which are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Sports Schedule

### Men's Basketball

- **Nov. 16** – OCC Basketball Rotary Classic, OCC vs. Southern Institute, 7:30 p.m. at home
- **Nov. 17** – OCC Basketball Rotary Classic, OCC vs. State Fair, 7:30 p.m. at home
- **Nov. 21** – OCC vs. Summit Christian, 7:30 p.m. at home
- **Nov. 28** – OCC at Southwestern Illinois College, 7:30 p.m.

### Women's Basketball

- **Nov. 7** – OCC at Parkland College, 6 p.m.
- **Nov. 16-17** – OCC at JV Classic, TBA
- **Nov. 20** – OCC vs. Millikin University JV, 5 p.m. at home
- **Nov. 23** – OCC vs. Mineral Area College, 3 p.m. at home
- **Nov. 24** – OCC at Vincennes University, TBA
- **Nov. 28** – OCC at Southwestern Illinois College, 5:30 p.m.

## Schedule an appointment for graduation evaluation

Are you graduating in December 2012 or May or August of 2013? Schedule a graduation evaluation appointment with an advisor in the Student Services Office as soon as possible.

## Final exam schedule online

Need to check times for final exams? The schedule can be downloaded at [www.iecc.edu/occ](http://www.iecc.edu/occ).

## Upcoming college visits

Representatives from the following institutions will be visiting OCC. Tables will be located outside the Student Services Office.

- Tosha Baker, OCC's representative from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, will be at OCC from 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, Nov. 14.
- A representative from the University of Illinois at Springfield will be at OCC from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4.

## Student Senate Blood Drive

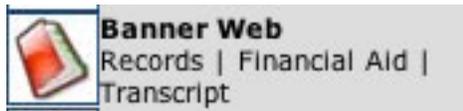
The OCC Student Senate will host an American Red Cross blood drive from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 16 in the Student Union.

## College closed

OCC will be closed on Monday, Nov. 12 to observe Veterans Day. The college also will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 22 and Friday, Nov. 23 for Thanksgiving Break.

## 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.



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

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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 OCC'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 websites:

- [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.

# OCC Karate instructor honored

Olney Central College Karate instructor Sensei Charles Mick Jr. has become a Master Level instructor by receiving his 4th Degree Black Belt.

Mick received the honors in September during the Independent Karate Schools of America National Seminar in Brentwood, Tenn.

He also received a Lifetime Achievement Award for having been in the martial arts studies for more than 25 years.

Of the awards that Mick has earned, this is by far the most precious to him.

It hasn't always been easy to stay in the martial arts, but when asked Mick will always say that studying the martial arts has for him always been worth the challenges.

OCC will offer two Karate classes on Tuesday and Thursday nights beginning Jan. 8.

The non-credit class for children in first through



**OCC Karate instructor Sensei Charles Mick Jr., left, receives his promotion from Grandmaster Danny Chapman, of Brentwood, Tenn.**

eighth grades will meet from 6 to 7 p.m. The class is designed and taught to allow a child to progress at his or her own pace. The course offers a balance between discipline, fun and learning while teaching good study habits. The cost is \$70 for the 16-week class.

The credit class for

high school freshmen through adult will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. The course focuses on self-defense and practical training in a freestyle version of Tang Soo Do Korean Karate.

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

## Welders

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Pipe fitters, tradesmen and boilermakers work with this particular welder.

"These are the welders that are being used in construction," Marshall added. "It is good experience for our students to be able to use the machines they will actually be working with in the field."

The C300 Advanced Process Welders feature nearly 200 welding modes including different settings for aluminum and copper. These welders can even be connected to computers so data from the machines can be analyzed.

"The connection allows manufacturers to check the machine's amperage and voltage. They also can keep an eye on the welder without being in the

booth," Marshall said.

With the C300, welders also can capture a particular setting and return to it by tapping on the trigger. There is even a trigger lock.

"If you are doing a long weld, you can hit the trigger once and it will automatically lock so you don't have to hold it down the entire time you're welding," Marshall said. "There is a lot of technology wrapped up in this one machine."

The 225 Precision TIG Welder is an alternating current machine, which is ideal for welding aluminum.

"We are really excited to be able to provide this quality equipment to our students and the community," Marshall said. "It really sets us apart."

## Follow OCC on Facebook

Like OCC on Facebook to keep up with the latest happenings on campus. Find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/olneycentralcollege](https://www.facebook.com/olneycentralcollege).

## 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).

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## Knightline Information

Please submit information for the December Knightline to Deanna Ratts by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 21.

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