

Olney Central College KNIGHTLINE



MARCH 2022

CALENDAR

MARCH

8-11 - Spring Break

18-19 - Mamma Mia! Performance, OCC Theater, 7 p.m.

20 - Mamma Mia! Performance, OCC Theater, 2 p.m.

24-26 - Mamma Mia! Performance, OCC Theater, 7 p.m.

27 - Mamma Mia! Performance, OCC Theater, 2 p.m.

29 - Summer & Fall Registration Begins

APRIL

9 - Anderson Library Used Book Sale, 8 a.m.-noon

15 - Spring Holiday

22 - Last Day to Withdraw from 16-week Spring Semester Classes

27 - Spring Fling, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

29 - Spring Choir Concert

COLLEGE VISITS

April 4 - A representative from Eastern Illinois University will be here from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

April 6 - Southern Illinois University representative Jason Nugent will be here from 9 a.m. to noon. Tables will be located outside Student Services.



New Look

OCC will soon have a new electronic entrance sign. T. Ham Signs began foundation work on March 2. The project will be finished in the next few weeks.

Tickets on sale for 'Mamma Mia!'

Tickets are now on sale for the Olney Central College Theatre's production of "Mamma Mia!," sponsored by TrustBank.

This jukebox musical features hits of the wildly popular '70s Swedish

pop/dance group ABBA. Sophie is ready to get married to her fiancée Sky, except for one thing — she has never met her father and wants him present for the big day.

She invites three men that she discovers in her mother's diary and believes to be candidates, but when they all arrive, Sophie's mother Donna becomes distressed. As Sophie, Sky, Donna, her friends, and the three potential fathers prepare for the big day, emotions run high and surprises abound.

Performances are scheduled for 7 p.m. on March 18, 19, 24, 25 and 26. Afternoon shows will begin at 2 p.m. on March 20 and 27.

Tickets are \$12 and may be purchased online at www.iecc.edu/occtheater or by calling 618-395-7777, ext. 2408.

This show is rated PG-13 due to adult themes and situations. For detailed information on the rating, please visit www.iecc.edu/occtheater.

MAMMA MIA!

THE SMASH HIT MUSICAL BASED ON THE SONGS OF ABBA®

Sports Schedule

Baseball

- March 10** — OCC vs. Lincoln Trail, 3 p.m. at home
March 12 — OCC at Lincoln Trail, noon & 3 p.m.
March 14 — OCC at Millikin, 2 & 4 p.m.
March 17 — OCC at John A. Logan, 3 p.m.
March 19 — OCC vs. John A. Logan, noon & 3 p.m. at home
March 22 — OCC vs. Danville Area, 2 p.m. at home
March 24 — OCC vs. Shawnee, 3 p.m. at home
March 26 — OCC at Shawnee, noon & 3 p.m.
March 29 — OCC vs. Lake Land, 2 p.m. at home
March 30 — OCC vs. Vincennes, 2 p.m. at home

Softball

- March 8** — OCC vs. Rochester University, Myrtle Beach, 8:30 a.m.
March 8 — OCC vs. Hagerstown Community College, Myrtle Beach, 10:30 a.m.
March 9 — OCC vs. USC Sumter, Myrtle Beach, 10:30 a.m.
March 9 — OCC vs. William Peace University, Myrtle Beach, 4:30 p.m.
March 12 — OCC vs. Shawnee, noon & 2 p.m. at home
March 14 — OCC vs. Southwestern Illinois, 2 & 4 p.m. at home
March 17 — OCC at Wabash Valley, 2 & 4 p.m.
March 19 — OCC vs. John A. Logan, noon & 2 p.m. at home
March 22 — OCC at Rend Lake, 2 & 4 p.m.
March 24 — OCC vs. Frontier, 2 & 4 p.m. at home
March 26 — OCC at Lake Land, noon & 2 p.m.
March 31 — OCC vs. Kaskaskia, 2 & 4 p.m. at home
April 2 — OCC vs. Lincoln Trail, noon & 2 p.m. at home



Sophomore Night

OCC Blue Knights Dillon Harrison, Joseph Dalton and CE Talton were honored during Sophomore Night on Feb. 26. The three were recognized prior to the men's basketball game against Lewis and Clark Community College.

RiverWatch Network Citizen Scientist Training Workshop to be held April 2

Protect Illinois waterways by becoming a RiverWatch Citizen Scientist.

The National Great Rivers Research and Education Center will host an Illinois RiverWatch Network Training Workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 2 at OCC.

The Illinois RiverWatch Network is a statewide, non-profit, volunteer stream monitoring program. Upon completing the workshop, volunteers adopt a stream site and examine indicators of water quality such as stream habitat and the diversity of species.

Citizen scientists play an important role in helping to identify potentially degraded waters and areas that may need greater protection.

OCC Assistant Professor of Life Sciences Sarah Bergbower completed citizen scientist training last spring. She participates in annual sampling and data collection from Big Creek Woods Memorial, an Illinois Department of Natural Resources nature preserve owned by the Illinois Eastern Community Colleges Board of Trustees.

Registration for the workshop is \$50 for adults. Children 17 and younger may attend, but must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who is registered for the workshop. Access the link to register at www.iecc.edu/occ/riverwatch22.

For more information contact Hannah Griffis at 618-468-2784 or email hgriffis@lc.edu.



Sarah Bergbower

Anderson Library used book sale April 9

OCC's Anderson Library will host a used book sale from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 9.

The public is invited to attend the sale which will feature a variety of genres and authors. Other libraries have even donated items for the event.

Director of Instructional Support Services Chad Groves said he and Library Assistant Kaitlyn Weger have been looking for ways to strengthen ties with the community and invite area residents to visit the facility. The idea for the sale emerged from those conversations.

"Kaitlyn and I both always look forward to public library book sales and we thought, 'Why can't we do something like that here?'" Groves said. "The response has been great. We've already received 12 to 13 boxes of books with more promised."

Donations are still being accepted. Books can be dropped off between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Library front desk.

The last day to drop off donations will be Friday, April 8.



Anderson Library Assistant Kaitlyn Weger and Director of Instructional Support Services Chad Groves prepare to unload some of the books that have been donated for the upcoming sale.



Kocher signs with Barclay College

Lady Knight Melissa Kocher, of Clearwater, Fla., will continue her basketball career after signing with Barclay College in Haviland, Kan. She will play for Coach Scott Post as a member of the Lady Bears. Kocher is pictured with OCC Women's Basketball Head Coach Clint Burris and Assistant Coach Perry Michael.

Conference to explore JFK, MLK assassinations

Some of the nation's foremost experts on the assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr. will gather April 8-9 for a conference at Olney Central College.

Political Assassinations of the 1960s: New Revelations in the Murders of JFK and MLK will explore, in an academic setting, the deaths of these iconic leaders focusing on new details, which have emerged with the release of previously withheld documents.

The in-person event is free and open to the public.

Those unable to attend can join via Zoom. The link may be accessed and purchased through www.projectjfk.com. The cost is \$40.

Massage Therapy now accepting appointments for spring clinicals

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

The clinics are open to the public and will be held from 9:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. on March 19 and April 2 at the West Richland Center in Noble.

The cost for a relaxing massage is \$30 for an hour and \$20 for half an hour. A 20-minute chair massage is \$15.

To make an appointment, call 618-392-2430. Callers should leave a message with their names, services they wish to receive, the date desired and contact information. Phone messages will be retrieved during Monday and Wednesday evening classes. Calls will be returned as soon as possible.



Register now for OSHA 10-Hour certification classes starting March 15

Olney Central College and Illinois Eastern Community Colleges Business and Industry are partnering to offer occupational safety courses to assist individuals in completing their OSHA 10-Hour certification.

Instructor Ted Marshall said the Occupational Safety and Health Administration classes are designed for general industries including manufacturing, welding, retail and health care facilities.

Participants may choose from either a day or evening class, with courses meeting from 2 to 4 p.m. or 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays, March 15-May 10. Topics covered include an introduction to OSHA and its founding, walking and working surfaces, electrical, hazardous communications, emergency plans and personal protective equipment. Marshall also may tailor discussions to meet specific student needs.

Nursing Program accepting applications

The Illinois Eastern Community Colleges: Olney Central College Associate Degree Nursing Program is accepting applications for Fall 2022 entry at Frontier Community, Lincoln Trail, Olney Central and Wabash Valley colleges.

Individuals wishing to apply should schedule an appointment as soon as possible to meet with the college's nursing program advisor:

- Frontier Community College: Julie Bullard at 618-842-3711, ext. 4520
- Lincoln Trail College: Kyrah Buchanan at 618-544-8657, ext. 1130
- Olney Central College: Linda Horn at 618-395-7777, ext. 2246
- Wabash Valley College: Michelle Woods at 618-262-8641, ext. 3431

For further information about nursing at any of the IECC colleges, please visit www.iecc.edu/nursing.

Summer and fall registration starts March 29

OCC will open registration for summer and fall classes beginning March 29.

Advisement appointments are now available. Stop by Student Services or call 618-395-7777.

Schedules are available online at www.iecc.edu/schedules.

Spring Fling April 27

Join the fun as OCC celebrates Spring Fling — Party on the Patio on April 27.

Hosted by Student Senate, activities will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the patio outside the Union.

The annual event will include a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs along with lawn games, music and prize drawings.

Watch for additional details as the event draws closer.

Still time to register for 8-week classes

If you have dropped a course, an 8-week Mid-Semester class can keep you on track to graduate! Both online and in-person classes are available starting March 14.

For a complete list of courses, go to www.iecc.edu/occ/midsemesters22.

Call 618-395-7777 to register or for more information.

Lost & Found

If you have lost an item, please stop by Student Services.

Lock Doors

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