

Campus Update April 2013

### From the Office of President John R. Hargrave

### ECU HAS 'EGG'CELLENT TIME RAISING FUNDS



President Hargrave and Executive Director of the ECU Foundation Phyllis Danley end the "43 for ECU" campaign with an egg roulette challenge. Also pictured are the first 10 employees to donate to the

campaign. They were treated to pizza with the President. The entire campaign raised \$8,708. All funds will go toward the ECU book scholarship.

### PRIVATE TOUR FOR GOVERNOR



Chickasaw Nation Gov. Bill Anoatubby ('72) toured the Chickasaw School of Business and Conference Center at ECU for the first time. Dean Wendell Godwin

and President Hargrave gave him a personalized tour and informed him that the building construction is still on schedule.



#### MARCUM TO GIVE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Distinguished Alumni recipient Alan Marcum ('90) will be the speaker at ECU's 2013 commencement on Saturday, May 11.

Marcum is the executive vice president for administration at Devon Energy Corporation in Oklahoma City and has held that position since 2008. Marcum also received ECU's Milam Award in 2009, which is presented to a former ECU football player who has excelled in his chosen profession.

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### ECU HOSTS TOWN HALL MEETING

U.S. Senator Tom Coburn spoke to a fullhouse during a town hall meeting earlier this month. Coburn serves on the Senate Committees



for Finance, Homeland Security and Government Affairs and Judiciary. Healthcare, the Defense of Marriage Act and gun control were among the topics.

### **BOSWELL LECTURE TO BE HELD**

The 2013 Boswell Lecture will be held on Tuesday, April 16 at 2 p.m. in the Estep Multimedia Center. ECU Alum Kristen Cambell will be the featured speaker. Cambell is now the Chief Program Officer for the Washington, D.C. based National Conference on



Citizenship or NCoC. Categories included in the index are Social Connectedness, Volunteering, Political Involvement, Confidence in Public Institutions and Citizenship Education.

### SAVE THE DATE

The ECU Distinguished Award Recipients for 2013 have been announced and will be recognized at the ECU Foundation's Honors and Recognition Banquet on Friday, May 10, 2013.

Distinguished Alumni Alan Marcum and Steve Stokes (posthumous award) The Distinguished Family Ramadan Family Distinguished Former Faculty Dr. Elizabeth Schmelling (posthumous award) and Ms. Margaret 'Peggy' Nims Distinguished Service Award Monical Neal Distinguished Philanthropist Chickasaw Nation

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# **REVERSE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**





ECU has worked a reverse Eastern articulation agreement with Murray State College, East-MURRAY ern Oklahoma State College and Seminole State College. With the agreement, ECU students who have transferred in from those three institutions, but have not achieved their associate's degrees, can do so by taking courses at ECU. Students must have completed 50 hours of course work from MSC, EOSC or SSC in

order to obtain their associate's degrees from those respective institutions.



# SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and with community partnership, ECU participated in "Stomp Out

Sexual Assault," which was a community-wide event that featured a 5k walk and will host "National Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" on April 16.



### **OKLA. BUSINESS** WEEK ACCEPTING **APPLICATIONS** Applications are being accepted for ECU's Second Annual Okla-

homa Business Week Camp, June 2-7. The camp is open to all high school students, who will complete the ninth through 12 grades this spring. The camp introduces students to the business world as they learn about business practices and compete in a simulated business challenge. For more information visit okbusweek.com



## BOOKS FOR FIJI

Books For Fiji was a complete success as the ECU ENACTUS Team, along with the ECU School of Business and the Ada Rotary Club collected over 30,000 books to be distributed to 70 public schools in and around Nadi, Fiji.

#### **EIGHTH ANNUAL SCISSORTAIL CREATIVE** WRITING FESTIVAL

Over 50 published authors participated in the Eighth Annual Scissortail Creative Writing Festival earlier this month. The featured authors included poets Andrew



Hudgins and Walter Bargen along with historical fiction writers Constance Squires and Anna Myers.

## LOCAL WRITERS RECOGNIZED

Winners of the Ninth Annual R. Darryl Fisher Creative Writing Contest were announced at the Scissortail Creative Writing Festival.



Meagan Harden of Norman, Cheyenne Hope Ballard of Shawnee, Samantha Ciaramitaro of Lawton, Joshua Marrs of Norman, Colleen Maher of Dickson and Katelyn Elrod, of Chickasha.

# **MCALESTER MAIN** STREET BOARD **VISITS ADA**

A contingent from McAlester recently toured the ECU Arts Incubator to learn about the sheltered



environment of low rental rates and tax breaks for arts-related businesses.

## SERVICE LEARNING PROJECT TO BENEFIT ADA COMMUNITY

Dr. John Ulrich's public policy capstone class is working with the community for their service-learning requirement. As part of the class, students had to propose a project. They took the proposal all the way to the Ada City Council. And with the council's blessing, the students are conducting a study among Ada residents concerning the reasons for low-voter turnout, particularly in municipal elections.

Surveys are being conducted on the internet at http://goo.gl/iaFg3. Randomly selected residents are also being surveyed by telephone.

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## ECU GRAD STUDENT SHINES

Tatiana Booth, an ECU graduate student, has made an impact as a student teacher and coach in the nearby Byng School District. Booth excelled as a student teacher in Lynne White's eighth grade history class and as an assistant coach

for Byng High School Basketball Team. Booth had such a bond with the team she volunteered after her student teaching duties were completed to help the team go on to qualify for the state basketball tournament. Something the BSH will never forget.



## **RELAY FOR LIFE FASHION SHOW**

The ECU Family and Consumer Science/Retail Merchandising Program in conjunction with Maurices recently held a fashion show at Maurices in Ada. The show, which included a silent auction, benefited the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

## ONLY EPA GRANT AWARD IN THE STATE



Dr. Dane Scott and students – Josh Smith of Ardmore, Cody Soden of Owasso and Laura Blanco-Berdugo of Colombia – are

headed to Washington D.C. later this month to make a presentation on a grant they received from the Environmental Protection Agency. The study focused on solar cells that are devices that convert solar energy into electricity but are not used in everyday lives as they have limitations due to cost, availability, stability and lack of efficiency. The grant was the only one awarded to an individual or college institution in the state.



## OBW RECEIVES AWARD

ECU's Oklahoma Business Week was presented the Exceptional Program Award for Best Conference in the Great Plains Region of the Association for Continu-

ing Higher Education. The award was presented to Stacey Bolin, OBW Camp Director, and Charlee Lanis, coordinator of ECU's Community Education Program, at a banquet at Kansas State University.

# PSYCHOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED

Tom Crabtree and his family established the first psychology scholarship at ECU



in memory of Tom's wife, Judy. She attended and taught at ECU. The scholarship will be awarded to outstanding junior or senior students.

### MAINTENANCE WORKERS HELP SAVE LIFE

Two ECU maintenance employees – Jonathan Townsend (left) and Keith Hopper (right) – helped to save the life of ECU student Tracy Holman (middle). The two were changing air filters and



when they arrived at Holman's door and knocked, there was no answer. Sensing that someone was home and something was wrong, they unlocked the door and found Holman sprawled out on the floor and unconscious on the other side of the door. They immediately sprang into action and Holman feels they saved her life.

### **NEW PHYSICAL PLANT DIRECTOR**

Darryl Overstreet, who has spent the last 18 years in various capacities at the University of Oklahoma, has been selected as the new physical plant director at East Central University.



Overstreet most recently served as OU's director of facilities, housing and food services.

### HOLLINGSWOTH PARTICIPATES IN PARADE

Dr. Mark Hollingsworth recently participated in the Arbroath Pipe Band of Oklahoma City for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Bricktown on March 16. Bagpipe bands throughout Oklahoma gather together for this annual event.



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#### CONGRATULATIONS! NEW EMPLOYEES AND PROMOTIONS

Michael Frye Tommy Daubenspeck Stephanie Moss Glenn Ronning Katherine Sleyko Scotty Sprague Carol Sugg Jonathan Townsend Mica Howard Alisha Hughes Amie Orr Randy Pippin Davis Sadongei Kim Rogers Peggy Saunkeah Wendy McKibben

### ECU STUDENTS HAVE FUN THIS SEMESTER



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# Tickets available now!



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

All Month Summer/Fall Enrollment

58th Annual Student Art Exhibition Pogue Art Gallery

<u>April 13</u> Softball vs Northwestern, 12 p.m. double header, ECU Softball Field

> April 15- 17 State Band Contest, HBFFAC

April 15 First United Awards, 6:45 p.m., Ataloa Theatre

> April 16 Boswell Lecture, 2 p.m., Estep, UC

Tennis vs OBU, 3 p.m., Mayhue Court

College of Health & Sciences Awards 7 p.m., Ballroom

Walk a Mile in Her Shoes, 7 p.m., UC Mall

<u>April 18</u> School of Business Awards, 6 p.m., Ballroom

<u>April 18 - 20</u> Picnic, 7:30 p.m., Chalmers Theatre, HBFFAC

April 19 Human Resources Awards, 12 p.m., Ballroom

Baseball vs Northwestern 2 p.m., ECU Baseball Field

African-Caribbean Fusion Night 7 p.m., Ballroom

<u>April 20</u> Baseball vs Northwestern 1 p.m. double header, ECU Baseball Field

