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East Central University

Campus Update November 2, 2007

Gov. Bill Anoatubby Inducted into ECU's Hall of Governors



Chickasaw Nation Gov. Bill Anoatubby, a 1972 graduate of East Central

University, was inducted into ECU's Hall of Governors Oct. 26. Pictured above, Tommye Rafes, Dr. Richard Rafes, Gov. Bill Anoatubby and his wife Janice.

More than 200 people attended the event, including greetings from former Governor George Nigh (right), shown with Dr. Rafes and Gov. Anoatubby.



Anoatubby's portrait and bronze bust were unveiled and now reside in the atrium of Danley Hall. The Hall of Governors includes the portraits and busts of ECU's three other governors, Robert S. Kerr, Ernest McFarland and George Nigh. All are ECU graduates.

"O-K-L-A-H-O-M-A, Ok- la- ho' ma!"

This refrain from Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Oklahoma!" soon will be heard at East Central University as part of the celebration of the state's 100th anniversary. The Ada community and ECU's Theatre, Music and Dance programs have joined together and will perform the famous musical Nov. 14 - 16 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 17 at 2 p.m. in the Dorothy Summers Theatre.

Tickets are on sale now! Call 580-559-5483 for more information.

ECU's Spirit Week is Here!

"Let's Play in the Rain!"

Monday, Nov. 5

12 p.m. Window painting begins
5:30 p.m. Tiger Pride Potluck Dinner
University Center

Tuesday, Nov. 6

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. IFC Chili Cook-off to benefit
The United Way - Danley Lawn

Wednesday, Nov. 7

7:30 p.m. Original Cheer Contest - Kerr
Activities Center

Thursday, Nov. 8

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Alumni T-Shirt Swap
University Center
1 p.m. - 7 p.m. Totally Tattoos - Univ. Center
7:15 p.m. Spirit Parade on the Mall
7:30 p.m. Pep Rally/Bonfire at Norris Field

Friday, Nov. 9

Orange and Black Day
11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Alumni T-shirt Swap,
University Center

Saturday, Nov. 10

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Tiger Tailgate
FREE CHILI at Norris Field.
2 p.m. ECU vs SOSU

Everyone is encouraged to wear rain gear to these events in support of the theme: "Let's Play in the Rain."

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SO MUCH TO DO THIS SATURDAY

All Greek Garage Sale

ECU's sororities and fraternities will hold an All Greek Garage Sale from 8 a.m. to noon on the Tiger Commons lawn just off Stadium Drive.

All proceeds will benefit each chapter's national philanthropy, including Research for Juvenile Diabetes, Susan G. Komen, Make a Wish, Books for Kids, The Hole in the Wall Gang and The United Way. The sale is sponsored by ECU's Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils.

24 Hour Play Fest Scheduled

Three one-act plays – all written, memorized and staged within 24 hours – will be presented at 8 p.m. Nov. 3 in East Central University's Black Box Theatre in Science Hall.

ECU members of Alpha Psi Omega, the national theatre honor society, will host their first-ever 24 Hour Play Fest to raise funds to assist the ECU Theatre's production needs. Donations will be accepted at the door.

Regional Computer Programming Competition

More than 20 student teams from colleges and universities across Oklahoma and Texas will be challenged to solve real-world problems Nov. 3 when East Central University hosts a regional competition of the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest

ECU Celebrating Year of Russian Language, U.S.-Russian Relations

Discussions about the historical and political aspects of cooperation between Russia and the United States and a poetry reading by internationally known Russian poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko will be part of a celebration Nov. 6. The sessions begin at 2 p.m. in the Estep Multimedia Center.

Winners of the essay contest will be announced and a poetry reading will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Stanley Wagner Ballroom. A Russian Tea Room reception will follow, and Yevtushenko will sign copies of his books.

ECU Grad August Petersen Will Discuss 'Inspiring Success' Monday in Boswell Lecture

August Petersen, a former student leader at East Central University and a senior partner, officer, board member, investor and consultant to numerous Texas business ventures for more than 25 years, will be the speaker for ECU's annual Boswell Lecture on Nov. 5.



He will discuss "Inspiring Success" at 7 p.m. in the Estep Multimedia Center.

Petersen, who attended ECU on an athletic scholarship, took an active role in several student organizations and was elected Student Senate president for two consecutive years. Majoring in accounting and business administration, he graduated with honors and was named the university's Outstanding Student and the Business School's Most Distinguished Graduate.

He is also a former trustee of the ECU Foundation Inc.

ENROLLMENT FOR SPRING 2008 UNDERWAY Fall 2007 Transfer Day

Transfer Day is an event designed especially for students transferring to East Central University to give them a first-hand feel of what ECU has to offer.

What can students expect?

- Enroll for Spring 2008 classes
- Meet with faculty advisor
- Meet the ECU Transfer Enrollment Center staff
- Tour the campus

Spring Pre-Enrollment

Early enrollment for the spring semester is Nov. 5 - 9.

"The Transfer Enrollment Center helped make my transition to ECU simple."



Jones' Play Selected For Workshop, Staging in Los Angeles

A play by Dr. Bret Jones, assistant professor of communication, has been selected for a week-long workshop Nov. 11-18 in Los Angeles.



His play, "Native Skin," will have a staged reading at 8 p.m. Nov. 17 in the 2007 Festival of New Plays at Native Voices at the Autry, a program which develops and produces new works for the stage by Native American playwrights.

East Main Cultural Arts District's First Public Meeting a Success



Many community members gathered to discuss the East Main Cultural Arts District at the first community forum.

Pictured left: Amy Childers Elliott, a steering committee member, gives a presentation on the geographic boundaries of the proposed district at the first forum

Three additional community meetings will be held at the Ada Area Chamber of Commerce and will begin at 5 p.m. with refreshments and discussions will begin at 5:30 p.m.

TOPICS:

Nov. 13 - Design and Architecture

Nov. 20 - Business Development and Retention

Nov. 26 - Marketing and Tourism

Earlier this year, ECU was awarded two grants totaling more than \$600,000 to help launch the district.

IT'S TURKEY TIME

The Human Resources Club will hold its Annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Nov. 19.

Each year faculty, staff and students work together to feed more than 3,000 individuals in the community.

INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR SET

The annual International Food Fair (formerly called the Multicultural Dinner) will be held Nov. 20 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Wagner Ballroom.

Tickets are available in the International Office. The cost is \$5 for students and \$10 for the general public.

ECU Student Places at Grounded Chalk Art Festival

Britini Parker looks over her drawing which won second place in the annual Grounded Chalk Arts Festival at ECU's Norris Stadium parking lot.



Individuals and teams from area schools had six hours to complete a chalk or dry tempera drawing in one of the parking spaces.



Little Dixie Contest Brings 1,300 Students to ECU Oct. 23 and 25

Approximately 1,300 high school students from across the state competed in the Little Dixie Music Contest at East Central University.

Students came from Altus in southwest Oklahoma to Oologah in the northeast, said Kelley Alig, director of the contest which has been held at ECU for more than 25 years.

About 800 students from smaller schools competed on Oct. 23, with 500 students from larger schools performing on Oct. 25. They were judged in solo, choir and ensemble competitions. Trophies and medals were awarded for superior ratings and choirs competed for a sweepstakes award.

East Central University has gone International

Dr. Richard Rafes, Tommye Rafes and Dr. Mara Sukholutskaya, associate professor of English and languages, traveled to Ukraine and Russia over fall break to meet with university officials at Kiev National University of Linguistics, Ukraine, and State University of Management in Moscow. Rafes signed agreements creating two sister-institutions.

What does this mean? The agreements provide opportunities for student and faculty exchange between ECU and sister universities through ECU's international education exchange programs.

What is the biggest benefit?

Such exchange will enhance the global understanding of our students and internationalize the campus life at ECU.

Many provisions for exchange and cooperation are outlined in the agreement



Dr. Rafes presents gift to Professor Aleksey Lyalin, president of the State University of Management.



Dr. Rafes and Professor Galik Artemchuk, president of KNUL sign agreements.



Dr. Sukholutskaya gives Dr. Rafes a tour of her home town. The two pause for a photo in front of the Statue of Legendary Founders of Kiev.

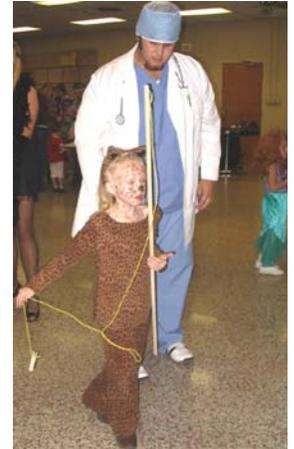
Halloween fun!



On Halloween all the cool cats were at ECU and work in the controller's office. Front: Fletta Milner, Rhonda Kinder and May Ann Taylor. Back row: Krissy Bohannon, Sherry Darbison, Lynn Lofton, Susie Mann and Tina Essary.

ECU Halloween Safehouse

Several area ghosts, goblins and cats enjoyed the safe trick or treat experience provided by the ECU students.



Rory was also present to give the kids a special treat . . . or for the little ones who were scared it was more of a trick.



ECU Named 2007-08 Employer of the Year

The Ada Business & Professional Women name ECU the 2007-08 Employer of the Year.

BP&W bestows this honor on employers who have made a positive difference in the lives of working women.

Johnson Walks for 3-Days to Raise Awareness about Breast Cancer

Kathy Johnson, director of campus life and leadership, walked in the Dallas-Fort Worth area's 2007 Breast Cancer 3-Day Oct. 26 – 28, 60 miles from the Southfork Ranch to Southern Methodist University to raise

awareness about breast cancer.

ECU Soccer Club in the Playoffs

ECU's Soccer Club, part of the OK College Clubs Soccer League, has made the play-offs for the second year in a row. The coach is Stan Nnochirionye, ECU distance education I-TV/Multimedia services coordinator and assistant professor of communication.



Play-offs start Nov. 3 - ECU vs. OU at 1 p.m. at Norman North High School in Norman.

Fall Season Record: 4 Wins, 2 Losses, 2 Ties

OCCSL consists of eight teams; East Central University, Okla. City Community College, Rose State College, The University of Oklahoma (OU-Colsa), The University of Oklahoma (OU), Oklahoma State University (OSU – Japan), Oklahoma State University (OSU) and The University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR.

Dates to Remember! **Every Friday *Orange and Black Day***

Nov. 3

All Greek Garage Sale, 8 a.m. - Noon

Soccer Club Play-off – 1 p.m.

24 Hour Play Fest - 8 p.m.

Regional Computer Programming Competition

Nov. 5

Spring Enrollment Begins

Boswell Lecture – 7 p.m. *Estep*

Nov. 5 – 10

Spirit Week

Nov. 6

ECU Celebrating Year of Russian Language, U.S.-Russian Relations - 2 p.m.

Jerry Smith, University Art Gallery

ECU Men's Basketball v. OSU - 7 p.m.

Nov. 7

Transfer Enrollment Day

Nov. 12

Women's Basketball Exhibition – 5 p.m.

Nov. 13

East Main Cultural Arts District Community Forum - 5 p.m. *at the Ada Area Chamber of Commerce*

Nov. 14 – 17

OKLAHOMA! – 8 p.m. (2 p.m. on the 17)

Nov. 16

Statehood Day No Classes/Offices Closed

Nov. 19

Human Resources Annual Thanksgiving Event

Nov. 20

EMCAD Community Forum - 5 p.m. *at the Ada Area Chamber of Commerce*

Nov 21

No classes/Offices close at 3 p.m.

Nov. 26

EMCAD Community Forum - 5 p.m. *at the Ada Area Chamber of Commerce*