



From the Office of President Richard Rafes

East Central University

Campus Update September 19, 2007

ECU Graduate Selected as Teacher of the Year



During ceremonies at the Oklahoma State Fair, State Superintendent Sandy Garrett announced that Stephanie Canada, a

physical education teacher at Will Rogers Elementary School in Shawnee, was the 2007-2008 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year.

From 1995-1997 Canada was the assistant women's basketball coach at East Central University. She earned her Bachelor of Science in exercise science and a master's in secondary physical education from ECU.

\$1 Million ECU Grant, to Help Prevent Violence Against Women

A \$1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Justice has been awarded to ECU to develop a program with the five other universities in the Regional University System of Oklahoma (RUSO) to help prevent violence against women.

ECU, the flagship institution acting on behalf of RUSO, was notified by the Justice Department's Office on Violence Against Women that ECU and sister institutions Northeastern State University, the University of Central Oklahoma and Northwestern, Southeastern and Southwestern Oklahoma State Universities will share the grant and establish the Regional University System of Oklahoma Violence Prevention Project.

ECU Selected by AHEC to Develop Branch Campus in Ardmore

Mark Cunningham, Ardmore Higher Education Center board of trustees' chair, congratulates President Rafes. ECU was selected to become the AHEC's partner in developing a proposed branch campus in Ardmore.



KGOU is now available at ECU

National Public Radio has arrived in Ada on 98.1 FM. Through an agreement with the University of Oklahoma, ECU is now a translator site and is simulcasting programming for KGOU Radio.

Not only can the surrounding area listen to public radio programming, but ECU mass communications students have started producing their own programs for KGOU about ECU and the Ada community this semester.



ECU Observes Constitution Day with Rothbaum Lecture

Randall B. Woods, Cooper distinguished professor of history at the University of Arkansas, delivered the eighth Rothbaum Lecture at ECU. Many staff, faculty and students

enjoyed the discussion on LBJ, Civil Rights and Viet Nam.

The Political Science Program also awarded prizes in the "Do You Know Your Constitution?" quiz.

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NASA Fellowships Awarded to 14 ECU Students

Fourteen East Central University students have been awarded funding under the NASA National Space Grant College and Fellowship Program for the 2007-2008 academic year.

The awards are competitive and applications are reviewed by a committee on campus. Awards are in the form of scholarship and research stipends and range from \$350 to \$2,000 for the academic year.

ECU's School of Business kicks off the 2007 Homecoming Festivities



More than 200 ECU School of Business Graduates came "home" to ECU this week. The ECU School of Business hosted two luncheons to show appreciation their students,

graduates and supporters.

Orange, White & Tiger Striped Homecoming 2007 Events

Friday, Sept. 21

1 p.m. Golf Scramble

Saturday, Sept. 22

8 a.m. Tiger 5K Run
 10:30 a.m. Golden Tiger Brunch
 11 a.m. Legacy Luncheon
 11:30 a.m. Athletic Alumni Reception
 1 p.m. Homecoming Parade
 4:30 p.m. Tiger Tailgate Party
 5:30 p.m. King & Queen Coronation
 6 p.m. ECU vs. Midwestern State University
 9:30 p.m. ECU Alumni Social

ECU to crown Homecoming King and Queen



ECU's first Homecoming king will be crowned Saturday Sept. 22, prior to kick-off along with the traditional queen.

ECU will Inaugurate its Seventh President on Friday, Sept. 28

ECU's Presidential Inauguration is just around the corner, faculty, staff, students and community members are encouraged to attend the following events.

Friday, Sept. 28

2 p.m. Inauguration, Kerr Activities Center

4 p.m. Reception, University Center

6 p.m. Tiger Tales, Dorothy Summers Theatre

The fundraising event – *Tiger Tales* will honor the seven university presidents. Through song, dance and art the audience can expect an amazing look back at the past 99 years. Tickets are available through the ECU Advancement Office – 2 for \$30.

Welcome to ECU!

Phillip Wheller, building maintenance

Brandon Dixon, custodian

Bryan Clonch, custodian

Thomas Carotenuti, building maintenance worker

Suzan Blanco, cashier/Perkins Loan clerk

Dates to Remember!

Every Friday *Orange and Black Day*

Sept. 21-22

ECU Homecoming Events

Sept. 28

ECU Presidential Inauguration

Oct. 5

Soccer – ECU v. West Texas A&M Univ.

Oct. 12 & 13

Teaching American History Oklahoma Centennial

Oct. 17

*ECU United Way Fair
 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Ballroom*

Oct. 18 & 19

Fall Break – No Classes/Office Closed