



Campus Update

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From the Office of President John R. Hargrave

HOLCIM HONORED BY OSRHE



Holcim (US) Inc.'s Ada plant was recently honored for its partnership with ECU. Pictured (from left) are: Oklahoma State Regents Higher Education Chancellor Dr. Glen Johnson; ECU Vice President for Finance and Administration Jessica Boles; Dr. Krishna Kumari; Holcim Plant Manager Ajay Kumar; ECU President John R. Hargrave; ECU Graduate Dean and Director of Continuing Education Dr. Rick Wetherill; and Oklahoma Lt. Gov. Todd Lamb.

GEORGE NIGH AWARD



Tobey Hatton is the winner of ECU's prestigious George Nigh Award as the top graduating senior for 2012-2013.

Hatton graduated in December with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology with a pre-dental concentration. He is from Pauls Valley. Other finalists were Lindsey Dugan, of McAlester; Ashley Cardwell, of Mustang; Checed Rodgers, of Stonewall; and Kristin Belicek, of Purcell.



LAW DAY TAKES PLACE

More than 200 students and local legal professionals attended Law Day hosted by the ECU Dept.

of Political Science and the Pontotoc County Bar Association. Okla. Supreme Court Justice James R. Winchester was the featured speaker. He has also served as an executive board member and president of the Okla. Judicial Conference as well as Chief Justice of the Okla. Supreme Court. Winchester's wife, Susan is a RUSO regent and former member of the Okla. House of Rep.



ASKINS SPEAKS AT ECU

Former Lt. Gov. Jari Askins and now associate provost for external relations at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center was on campus to address the Young Professionals of Ada recently. She educated the group about the new Peggy and Charles Stephenson Oklahoma Cancer Center, scheduled to open this summer.

ECU RECEIVES CENTERPOINT REBATE



ECU received a \$6,000 rebate check from CenterPoint Energy to go toward the purchase of boilers for the new Chickasaw Business and Conference Center.



OVAA TRAINING HELD

The Oklahoma Victim Assistance Academy is an intensive week-long course of study designed to improve the quality and consistency of victim services in Oklahoma. OVAA provides training to victim advocates, service providers, law enforcement professionals and social service providers.

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EVENING OF HONORS AND RECOGNITION



Recipients were R. Alan Marcum, Distinguished Alumnus; Joe Steven Stokes, Distinguished Alumnus (posthumous award); The Ramadan Family, Dis-



tinguished Family; Dr. Elizabeth C. Schmelling, Distinguished Former Faculty (posthumous award); Mar-



garet 'Peggy' Nims, Distinguished Former Faculty; Monica L. Neal, Distinguished Service; the Chickasaw Nation, Distinguished Philanthropist.



NEW ECU CENTENNIAL ENDOWMENTS



In 2009, while acting as interim president, Dr. Duane C. Anderson challenged the university and its various departments to raise five \$15,000 scholarships to honor the university's 100th birthday. To his surprise, 22 centennial endowments were established that year for a total of over \$350,000. Eleven were created in 2010, ten in 2011 and 2012, and eleven in 2013 for 53 totaling



\$1,185,000. New scholarships were funded this year by Ross SHARE, and the Murray, Ainsworth, Millsap, Crabree and Taylor families. Two of the new scholarships were created in honor of Dr. Williamson.

TRAVELING VIETNAM VETERANS WALL

ECU and Ada communities paid tribute to Vietnam veterans as the AVTT Traveling Wall, an 80 percent scale version of the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington D.C., was on display on the ECU campus.



The mission of the AVTT project is to travel the nation to honor, respect and remember men and women who served, and to pay specific tribute to those who gave all in the service. Since the tribute is mobile it allows people to honor and respect veterans and active military personnel without having to travel great distances.



VETERANS & MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY



Veterans & Military Appreciation Day was recently held at ECU. The day of honor was hosted by the ECU Veterans Upward Bound Program. Chickasaw Nation Lt. Gov. Jefferson Keel addressed the group of veterans.

ECU'S GODWIN NAMED VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



Wendell Godwin, dean of the ECU School of Business, recently received the 2013 Ada Area Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year Award.

ECU'S DR. MARK MICOZZI HONORED



Geography is a passion for Dr. Mark Micozzi. In fact it's his life.

The ECU professor of cartography and geography will be honored for his lifelong passion on Aug. 3 in Denver, Colo., as he will be the 2013 recipient of the National Council for Geographic Education's Distinguished Teaching Award. He is the only professor in the country to receive the award at the higher education level by the National Council for Geographic Education.



DR. FIELDS HONORED TWICE

Dr. Stephen Fields was recently honored twice. He earned a 2012-2013 Teaching Excellence Award and was recently promoted from assistant professor of biology to associate professor of biology.

McKINNEY WINS \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD



ECU senior business major Andrea McKinney won a \$5,000 Paulsen Award Scholarship recently at the 2013 Donald W. Reynolds Governor's Cup competition in Oklahoma City.

POLITICAL SCIENCE & LEGAL STUDIES MAJORS VISIT LAW SCHOOLS



ECU students from the Department of Political Science and Legal Studies visited OU and OCU Law Schools with Legal

Studies Director Jenna Owens.

In 2013, department applicants were accepted into law school adding to last year's success when five out of five students were accepted. Currently 13 of their students are now in law school.

ECU STUDENT DUNNAM NAMED 2013 NEWMAN CIVIC FELLOW



ECU's Loren Dunnam is one of 11 inspirational college students from Oklahoma to be named to the 2013 Newman Civic Fellows for service in their local communities.

The award is designed to recognize college students who have demonstrated an investment in finding solutions for challenges facing communities throughout the country through service, research and advocacy. Dunnam, a junior accounting major from Coalgate and an enrolled member of the Creek Nation, is deeply involved in improving the quality of life and standard of living for Native Americans.

BIDDY REPRESENTS ECU AT RESEARCH DAY



ECU student Brent Bidy, of Seminole, was chosen to represent ECU at Research Day at the State Capitol in Oklahoma City. Twenty undergraduate students representing

15 Oklahoma colleges and universities presented competitive scientific research posters to the State Legislature and the public during this annual event sponsored by Oklahoma Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR), the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and the National Science Foundation. Bidy's research focused on biofuels.

ECU WOMEN'S CLUB HOSTS FUNDRAISER



The ECU Women's Club Annual Silent Auction and Brunch raised \$1,265 this year to go toward scholarships for ECU students.

ECU HOSTS SUMMER CAMPS



Hundreds of students visited ECU to attend one of the many summer camps held on campus.



Some camps included Russian Language and Culture, Robotics, Oklahoma American Music, OSU Medical,



Tennis, Volleyball, NFL Football and Oklahoma Business Week. For a complete list of camps visit



www.ecok.edu/ce.



SIMMONS RECEIVES HONORABLE MENTION



ECU softball senior Shelby Simmons has been named to the 2013 Daktronics All-America Softball Honorable Mention team, and is the only member from the Great American Conference.

ROBBINS EARNS COSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT HONORS



ECU men's golf senior Dakota Robbins added to his season honors, as he was named to the 2012-13 CoSIDA Academic All-District Men's At-Large First Team. Robbins is one of 12 members on the District 7 First Team, He is also one of just two recipients from the Great American Conference.

Robbins ended his career with the Tigers by earning All-GAC First Team and GAC All-Tournament honors in 2013. He finished second overall at the 2013 GAC Tournament, with an even 216, and helped ECU move from 10th on the first day to 3rd at the GAC Tournament, with a four-under par second round (68).

EIDSON NAMED TO ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT



Cale Eidson, a Calera native has a 3.58 GPA in history education and adds to his academic honors for the season after earning USTFCCA All-Academic honors earlier this season for the second-straight year. Eidson was an

All-GAC First Team pick in 2012 after helping pace the Tigers to back-to-back GAC titles. He finished second overall at the 2012 GAC Championships and was the top finisher for ECU in six of seven races during 2012.



CARDWELL NAMED TO ALL-AMERICA WOMEN'S TEAM

ECU women's golf senior Ashley Cardwell was named to the 2012-13 CoSIDA Academic All-America Women's At-Large Second Team.



ALUMS ATTEND RANGER GAME & REUNIONS

Tigers hit the road this summer for some fun at the Dallas - Fort Worth reunion on May

17. Alums gathered for tailgating activities before attending the Texas Rangers game. On May 31, Tulsa alums gathered for food and fun at the Full Moon



UPCOMING EVENTS

July 4-5

ECU Campus Closed

July 29-30

Summer Semester Finals

Aug. 15

ECU Employee Convocation

Aug. 19

Fall Semester Begins

Aug. 22

Chickasaw Business & Conference Center Grand Opening