



# Campus Update

June 2016

## OBW CONTRIBUTION FROM AT&T



ECU's award-winning summer camp, Oklahoma Business Week, recently received a \$20,000 contribution from AT&T. OBW is

a unique five-day camp for high school students, who form a "company" to learn about business practices and compete in a simulated business challenge.

## ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS DISPLAYED



Innovative entrepreneur ideas from two ECU teams led to a first and second-place finish for ECU teams at the 2016 Donald W.

Reynolds Governor's Cup. Air-Ez, led by ECU freshman Larisa Bolin of Ada and team member, ECU senior Breanna Ragan of McAlester, took first place in the Small Business Division. James Brown, an ECU junior from Shawnee, took second place. Bolin was also named a 2016 Paulsen Award Scholarship recipient.

## OVER 4,000 ATTEND BAND CONTEST



More than 4,000 students, teachers and parents were in attendance at the OSSAA Band Contests held on the ECU campus in April.

## ECU Receives Rebate from OGE

For the past 18 months ECU has been upgrading to LED lights throughout campus and it is paying off. This month ECU received a \$297,000 rebate check from OGE.



## TOP SENIORS NAB GEORGE NIGH AWARD

Two outstanding ECU senior students – Delaney Lippard and Linzi Thompson – were named co-winners of the prestigious George Nigh Award for 2016. Lippard of Pauls Valley and Thompson of Sulphur were two of the five finalists selected for the awards. The award is named in honor of ECU alum and former Gov. George Nigh.



## VETERANS, MILITARY HONORED

ECU's Veterans Upward Bound Program, in the spirit of "A Day of Remembrance," hosted Veterans and Military Appreciation Day on May 19. The program featured speaker Waco Blakely, OEF/OIF veteran, and presentation of the Bret Isenhower Scholarship to Eric Rawls.



**ALUMNI GATHER FOR TULSA REUNION**



McNellie’s Downtown Restaurant was the scene for a Tulsa area alumni reunion on May 20 as former ECU students were able to reminisce with old friends and make new ones.

**CONCUSSIONS FOCUS OF CONFERENCE**



Mercy Hospital of Ada and the Mercy Health Foundation Ada hosted a free one-day conference on concussion safety for all high school and college coaches, athletic trainers, athletic directors, school administrators and physicians on June 10.

**ZETA TAU CELEBRATES 50th AT ECU**



The ECU chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha celebrated its 50th anniversary on campus April 16.

The 129th chapter was established in 1966 as several of those 32 ladies were among the more than 200 in attendance. More than 900 ladies have become members of Zeta Tau Alpha at ECU since 1966.

**DR. BOLIN EARNS REGION 6 TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD**



Dr. Stacey Bolin, assistant professor in ECU’s Harland C. Stoenecipher School of Business, has been selected for the Accreditation Council for Business Schools (ACBSP) Region 6 Teaching

Excellence Award for 2016. Bolin is also the director of the Wilburn L. Smith Center for Entrepreneurship.

**TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

Four ECU faculty members were recognized with Teaching Excellence Awards at “An Evening of Employee Recognition.” Pictured from left to right are: Dr. Phyllis Isaacs, Dr. Kenneth Hada, Dr. Stacey Bolin and Dr. Mary Harper.



**ALUM RECEIVES FELLOWSHIP**

Recent ECU graduate Tyler Rowsey earned the Robert W. Sledge and H.Y. Benedict Fellowship at the National Alpha Chi Convention in Alexandria, Va., this past spring. Rowsey, from Allen, Oklahoma, placed first and received a \$3,500 fellowship, for his paper on “Investigating the Mechanism of Action of a Novel Antifungal.”



**MOSLEY SELECTED AS 2016 RUSSIAN SCHOLAR LAUREATE**

ECU junior Elsa Colette Mosley was selected as a 2016 Russian Scholar Laureate, it was announced recently by the American Council of Teachers of Russian. Mosley of Sulphur is a political science and studio art major, with a Russian studies minor.



**SUYDAM ACQUIRES SEVERAL AWARDS**

ECU softball player Autumn Suydam was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-America Division II First Team, D2CCCA All-Central Regional Team and was a CoSIDA Academic All-District selection for 2016. Suydam hit .399 for the Tigers and was named to the All-Great American Conference First Team.





**DAVIS NAMED TO NFCA ALL-CENTRAL REGION FIRST TEAM**

ECU softball catcher Taylor Davis was selected to the 2016 National Fastpitch Coaches Association Division

II All-Central Region First Team for 2016. She batted .374 with 19 runs batted in and 42 runs scored and was earlier named to the All-Great American Conference First Team. Davis was joined by teammates Autumn Suydam and Jordynn VanPelt on the All-GAC First Team.

**LAW DAY CONDUCTED AT ECU**



ECU students participated in Law Day at ECU April 14 as they learned about the process of jury selection and received advice from recent graduates who are paralegals, court clerks, law students and attorneys.

They were also involved in conversations with Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt and Kris Steele about Oklahoma Corrections and alternatives to incarceration.



**ECU ATHLETES PARTICIPATE IN TRASH PICK-UP DAY IN ADA**

Members of the ECU football team participated in Ada's annual Volunteer Citywide Trash Pick-up Day on April 23. The event was hosted by the city's Beautification Committee.



**FCS HOSTS TEA PARTY WITH 6TH GRADERS**

Sixth graders joined ECU students for a Tea Party on April 15 in the Stanley Wagner Ballroom. The event was hosted by the ECU Department of Family and Consumer Science.

**ECU COLLAGE' CONDUCTS SPRING DANCE CONCERT**

ECU Collage' held its spring dance concert with two performances on April 15 and 16 in the Ataloo Theatre of the Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center.



**"ASIAN NIGHT" CELEBRATED ON ECU CAMPUS**

The ECU Asian Student Association hosted "Asian Night" on April 14. The event featured food, cultural activities and dancing.



**GREEK WEEK FEATURES FUN, CHARIOT RACES**

ECU's Annual Greek Week featured fraternity and sorority members participating in various competitive events, including chariot races in April.



**STUDENTS PLAY MUD VOLLEYBALL**

In attempt to relieve late semester stress, ECU students got down dirty with the annual Mudstock Volleyball Tournament on April 22 on the volleyball court near the Physical Plant as part of Orange Crush Week.



**EVENING OF HONORS AND RECOGNITION/COMMENCEMENT PHOTO GALLERY**

