



Campus Update

April 2012

From the Office of President John R. Hargrave

10 MORE YEARS!

The Higher Learning Commission announced that ECU's next comprehensive evaluation for reaccreditation will be in 2021-2022. No further commission follow-up is required. They also approved the expansion of distance education up to 100 percent of total degree programs, including the addition of the Master of Education in Library Media Specialist.



President Hargrave and Provost Anderson were recently asked to present at the annual HLC conference in Chicago.

DR. RANIYAH RAMADAN SCHOLAR ANNOUNCED



The Ramadan family recently announced the first recipient of the Dr. Raniyah Ramadan Scholarship. Dr. Tawfik and Siham Ramadan congratulate Tobey Hatton, a pre-dental student from Pauls Valley.

'WORLD'S OLDEST' SUCCESSFUL FEMALE MOUNTAIN CLIMBER SPEAKING AT ECU



Dr. Carol Masheter will be the speaker for ECU's fourth annual Louise Young Diversity Lecture on April 18 at 7 p.m. in the Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center.

Masheter is the second oldest woman in the world to reach the summit of Mount Everest and the world's oldest woman, as of last month, to successfully climb the Seven Summits, the highest points on the world's seven continents. She will talk about her challenges, among them her fear of heights, and her successes. Admission is free.

TIM GREEN ALL-SPORTS GOLF CLASSIC



The 6th Annual Tim Green All-Sports Golf Classic will be Monday, April 23, at the Oak Hills Golf & Country Club in Ada. The 4-person scramble has two flights beginning at 8:15 a.m. and 1

p.m. Dr. Gil Morgan will give a demonstration around noon. Registration is open – www.alumni.ecok.edu.

PORTER TO GIVE SPRING COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Microsoft Executive David Porter has been named ECU's 2012 Distinguished Alum and will address ECU's graduates on May 12 at both 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.



Porter earned his bachelor's degree in Finance in 1987 from ECU. As corporate vice president of retail stores for Microsoft, Porter oversees the company's development and investment to create a premium retail experience for customers around the world through the growing channels of Microsoft's brick and mortar stores and online presence.

EVENING OF HONORS & RECOGNITION

An Evening of Honors & Recognition will be held on Friday, April 27, at 6 p.m. in the Stanley P. Wagner Ballroom.

Please join us as we recognize the 2012 distinguished honorees and the 2011 centennial endowments. Honorees include: Distinguished Former Faculty, Dr. Don Kellogg; Distinguished Former Faculty, Dr. Carlotta Lockmiller; Distinguished Family, The Zimmerman Family; Distinguished Alumnus, David Porter; Distinguished Service, Frank Crawford & Mike Crawford; and Distinguished Philanthropist, Harland & Shirley Stonecipher.

Ticket are \$30 per person and \$50 per couple. Contact Catie Caton at catncat@ecok.edu or 580-559-5611. RSVP deadline is April 20.

CONGRESSMAN COLE VISITS CAMPUS

Congressman Tom Cole met with ECU administrators this month. President Hargrave shared all the wonderful successes including the construction of the Harland C. Stonecipher School of Business and ECU Conference Center. Cole took time to participate in signing one of the structure's beams with the ECU business faculty at the construction site.



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ALUM REUNIONS ANNOUNCED

The ECU Alumni Association hosted the first reunion for the 2012 year in Dallas.

ECU Alum Chanette Reed-Marshall, spends time looking through old yearbooks.

Mark your calendar for upcoming reunions: Friday, June 8 - Tulsa Reunion; Saturday, Aug. 11 - OKC Reunion; AND Friday, Aug. 17 - Ada Reunion. For complete details visit www.alumni.ecok.edu.

SPAGHETTI DINNER & SHOW



Alpha Gamma Delta will hold a Spaghetti Dinner (donated by Macaroni Grill) Fundraiser for diabetes research on Sat., April 14 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Grace Christian Fellowship

Church (behind Star Skate). The entertainment will begin at noon and will feature the ECU Gospel Choir, Allen Cindall and many more. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (3-12).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO MEDIATE

Early Settlement Mediation Program at ECU is seeking volunteer mediators. Learning how to help people resolve conflicts and move on with their lives can be very rewarding, according to a group of volunteers who do just that. A two-day training session for mediators has been set for May 3 and 4 in Shawnee. There is no cost for the training, and additional training dates may be available. For more info, call 580-559-5674.

LEADERSHIP PROGRAM HOSTS 5K



The Vision Bank President Leadership Program announced their upcoming event - "Fun for Life 5K" to benefit Pros for Africa will be held on Saturday, April 21, at 7 a.m. at the Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center.

Individual cost is \$30 and ECU students are free. For more information email jeslcoa@email.ecok.edu.

MASONER WINS FIRST PLACE



Chancellor Glen Johnson congratulates ECU student Mark Masoner. Masoner's project on GIS Analysis for Optimal Site Selection of a New Fire Station won first place at Research Day at the Capitol. The

project studied the best location for the City of Ada to construct a new fire station.

NEW SUMMER CAMPS

ECU is proud to announce four new summer camps. **Russian Summer Institute**, June 10-29 (Grades 9-12); **Coding Theory, Risk Analysis and Other Mathematical Pursuits**, June 11-15 (Grades 10-12); **ECU Explorations in Computer Science and Robotics Summer Academy**, June 17 - 22 (Ages 14-18); and **Oklahoma Business Week**, July 8-13 (Grades 10 & 11). For more information visit www.ecok.edu/ce.



JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS VISIT

Students from across the state journeyed to ECU this spring semester. ECU hosted several state competitions including the District Choral Contest, Okla. Junior Academy of Science & Okla. State Science & Engineering Fair, OSSAA State Band Contest, First United Awards and R. Darryl Fisher Creative Writing Contest.



ECU IS MILITARY FRIENDLY

A certificate held by President John Hargrave recognizes ECU as a 2012 Military Friendly School for hosting several programs that specifically serve and/or address the needs of military service members, veterans and their families. G.I. Jobs magazine presents the award annually to the top 20 percent of institutions embracing these students.



2012-13 FINE ARTS SEASON TICKETS AVAILABLE MAY 1ST

**12 PRODUCTIONS
12 GALLERY EXHIBITS**

JUST \$140
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East Central University
Fine Arts Season Tickets
2012 - 2013

\$140

Special Events include:

- Bobby Henderson Dancers
- Gilbert Brad Rothbar
- Route 66: Finding Nat King Cole
- The Nutcracker (Oklahoma City Ballet)
- The Gilbert & Sullivan Players
- Broadway Singer Jett Baker!
- An Evening with GroupUp
- All ECU performances including theatre, dance, vocal & instrumental music
- Art shows - both ECU & nationally known artists

*Based on information with the Arts Council

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Hallie Brown Ford
Fine Arts Center
East Central University



ECU HOSTS ADVANCE SCREENINGS

A sneak preview of the sixth season of "Art in the Twenty-First Century," the only prime time national television series

focused exclusively on contemporary art, was offered in early April. ECU's Art Department screened the programs in partnership with Art21 as part of its Access '12 initiative.



STUDENTS VISIT KC

ECU art students explore Kansas City during a recent field trip. Students express themselves next to the Block wing of the Nelson-Atkins gallery. The sculpture is by Rodin.

PI A PROFESSOR



To celebrate Math Awareness month ECU's Math Club gave everyone the opportunity to PI a Professor. Students lined up to PI Dr. Brad Jessop (one of the volunteers). All proceeds went to the House of Hope here in Ada.

SCISSORTAIL WRITING FESTIVAL

Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Natasha Trethewey and recent Indiana poet laureate Norbert Krapf visit with attendees at the seventh annual Scisortail Creative Writing Festival. More than 50 regional published and emerging authors read and discussed their work at ECU



this month.

ALL NATIONS POW WOW



The ECU Native American Student Association co-hosted the All Nations Pow Wow held at ECU this year. Hundreds of people attended the festivities. Arts & crafts, food, music, dancing and contests were enjoyed by all.

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND LEGAL STUDIES REUNION

Several graduates from the political science and legal studies programs reunited to reminisce and learn about department enhancements and to visit the campus again.



GOAL EXCEEDED!

The ECU Foundation announced it has exceeded its fundraising goal for the 42 for ECU! Campus Campaign! A total of \$5,854 was donated for the "Books R Us" Scholarship Fund. The first 10 donors were invited to eat pizza with President Hargrave.



ECU RUNNERS EXCEL AT COWTOWN RACES

ECU's cross country programs were proudly represented at the Cowtown Races. ECU's head cross country coach Steve Sawyer won the half marathon and senior Armando Saldivar was runner-up.



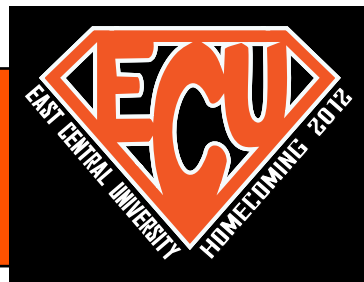
Alums Kolin Styles and Koby Styles were victorious in their respective races. Kolin won the Cowtown Marathon and Koby took top honors in the ultra-marathon 50k race.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET

The Ada Area Chamber of Commerce honored several individuals and businesses at the banquet. ECU's Continuing Education Department received the Community Impact Award. The majority of individual awards were given to ECU Alums. Harland and Shirley Stonecipher, who recently donated millions to construct the Harland C. Stonecipher School of Business, were honored for Lifetime Achievement. Barbara Miller was cited as Ambassador of the Year and Jenny Cypert was named Volunteer of the Year.



SAVE THE DATE - OCT. 6
Roary Saves the Day! A Super Tiger Homecoming



ECU FACULTY MAKE NEWS



Linscheid Library Academic Friends hosted **Dr. Robin Murphy**, assistant professor of English and languages, at ECU. She discussed her book "How Social Trauma Affects How We Write: Post 9/11 Rhetorical Theory and Composition Pedagogy," and a chapter she co-wrote for another book about counterculture icon Joss Whedon.

Dane Scott, assistant professor of chemistry, has



been awarded an OK EPSCoR Research Opportunity Awards (ROA) to perform bio-energy research in laboratories at the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University this summer. He will research Catalysts for Biofuel Production from Cellulosic Materials.

Dr. Robert Greenstreet, professor of communication studies, has been honored by the Central States Communication Association Argumentation & Forensics Interest Group for his work as a professional director of forensics and communication scholar.



Greenstreet is the only person honored in the history of the association.

Dr. Dianne Watson- Maile, professor of family & consumer sciences, recently attended the Oklahoma Association of Family and Consumer Sciences State Conference where she received the Lea O'Toole Research and Innovation Award for excellence in research and development of the FCS profession.



Dr. Katrica Pierson, assistant vice president for academic affairs, was recently selected to serve Peer Corps as a reviewer for the Higher Learning Commission. After extensive training she will travel to other universities throughout the country to help conduct evaluations one to two times per year.



D.C. INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Twelve ECU students spent spring break in Washington, D.C. They viewed a Supreme Court oral argument, toured the White House and Capitol and interned with members of Congress.



EXTREME MAKEOVER

ECU's Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) Team, along with other ECU students and several community partners, are in the midst of an extreme makeover at Willard Elementary School. The SIFE Team has led an effort that has resulted in more than 250 man hours being contributed to the project. Utilizing a \$2,000 grant from the Lowe's Educational Foundation and working with Lowe's Store 1749 in Ardmore, students are working hard to improve the already great conditions for Willard students.



TOBACCO FREE CAMPUS

On Feb. 6, 2012, Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin signed Executive Order 2012-01 which prohibits the use of any tobacco product on any and all properties owned, leased or contracted for use by the State of Oklahoma, including but not limited to all buildings, land and vehicles owned, leased or contracted for use by agencies or instrumentalities of the State of Oklahoma.

Furthermore, the executive order states that implementation shall be achieved no later than six months from the date (Feb. 6, 2012) of that order.

ECU will fully comply. The effective date for our campus to be tobacco free is Aug. 1, 2012.

As always, East Central University continues to seek to provide a safe, healthy learning environment for faculty, staff and students.



The last theater production of the year, "Lysistrata" will be presented April 19-21 at 7:30 p.m., Chalmers Herman Theatre, HBFFAC.

For a complete list of upcoming events visit www.ecok.edu