Olney Central College

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Upcoming Events

August

16 Fall Semester Classes Begin

16 & 20-22 Bookstore Extended Hours, 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

23 & 27-29 Bookstore Extended Hours, 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

24 OCC Men's Basketball Gene Duke Memorial Golf Outing, Tipoff 1 p.m., Richland Country Club

25 Curtain Call, A Musical Review of OCC Theatre, 7:30 p.m., OCC Theatre

26 Curtain Call, A Musical Review of OCC Theatre, 2 p.m., OCC Theatre

27-28 Auditions for Fall Production, 7 p.m., OCC Theatre

29 Last Day for 100 Percent Refund of 16-week Fall Semester Classes

29 Last Day for Fall Semester Textbook Refunds

College Visits

Tables will be located outside Student Services. **Aug. 22 & Sept. 13**Franklin University, Representative Nicole Jackson, 9

a.m.-1 p.m.

Sept. 11 Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Representative Regiere Lovett

Workshop gives faculty members new ideas for using iPads in the classroom

Faculty from the Illinois
Eastern Community Colleges/Olney Central College
Nursing and Radiography
programs participated in the
University of Cincinnati's
iCoN Summer Institute:
Leveraging iPads to Innovate
Education.

Faculty attended the July 17-19 workshop as part of the Nursing and Allied Health Technology Initiative, which is being implemented for all nursing and radiography students. Beginning this fall, students will be required to use an iPad in class for exams, content application,



and simulation to improve student outcomes. Participating in the workshop enabled faculty to improve current skills and learn new ways of teaching, learning, simulation and evaluation utilizing technology in the classroom.

"The faculty and staff at University of Cincinnati did a great job presenting information," said Associate Dean of Nursing and Allied Health Theresa Marcotte. "They are in their sixth year of this process and had valuable information to share. The faculty and IT staff prepared a variety of workshops to stimulate ideas on how best to utilize technology in the classroom. They also provided a network of faculty and IT experts to help us along the journey. That was a great part of this process, the networking piece and working with such a classy group willing to help us in any way they can."

Director of Radiography Carol Kocher said the conference provided valuable information and ideas for the classroom.

"It is good to be around instructors who have been using this type of technology in the classroom for a long time," she said. "They gave us so much good information. This is going to be really useful to the students. We want students to learn and be engaged. It's all about the students. I'm grateful to Theresa for learning about the conference and arranging for us to go. It was a great time to spend with colleagues. We built a lot of camaraderie."

One idea Kocher hopes to incorporate is having students create videos demonstrating particular concepts they are studying.

"Students in our field learn a lot by doing," she said. "This will help to solidify the information in their minds."

OCC Nursing Instructor Anne Hustad added, "The iCoN Institute was a great learning experience. We were exposed to many ways to instruct students with the new iPads. The use of this technology should help students transition more easily to the technology they will see in clinicals and the workplace."



Tickets going fast for Foundation's Dueling Pianos fund-raiser Nov. 3

Tickets are going fast for the Olney Central College Foundation's Dinner & Dueling Pianos fund-raiser on Saturday, Nov. 3 at The Holiday in Olney.

Less than 100 tickets remain for the popular event and organizers are encouraging

those interested in attending to reserve their seats now.

Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased from any Foundation Board Member or by contacting Kathy Slichenmyer at 395-7777, ext. 2003.

Auditions for 'Noises Off' Aug. 27-28

The Olney Central College Theatre will host auditions for its fall production "Noises Off" at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 27 and Tuesday, Aug. 28 in the Dr. John D. Stull Performing Arts Center.

Auditions will consist of a prepared reading from the script. Parts are available for four females and five males. College students age 18 and older as well as adult community members are invited to audition. For more information on auditions and to access prepared readings go to www.iecc.edu/occtheater.

Set calls will begin Sept. 1 and 2. Rehearsals start Tuesday, Sept. 4 and will continue each Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evening until the performances. Shows are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 19 and Saturday, Oct. 20. An afternoon performance will begin at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 21.



OCC Theatre to present Curtain Call Aug. 25-26

The Olney Central College Theatre will present "Curtain Call, A Musical Review of OCC Theatre" at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 25 and 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 26 in the Dr. John D. Stull Performing Arts Center.

Join the OCC Theatre for this special trip down memory lane with some of your favorite characters and songs from past shows through the years.

Student Senate Food Pantry

The OCC Student Senate operates a food pantry to assist students with financial need.

Canned goods, pasta and other items are available for current, actively enrolled full- and part-time students. The pantry is housed in Room 100A.

Hours will be posted on the TVs in Wattleworth Hall. Additional times can be arranged by contacting Advisor Dr. Aaron Lineberry at 395-7777, ext. 2239, or by email at lineberrya@iecc.edu.

Lost and Found

If you have lost an item, please check with Student Services.

Keep vehicles locked

Students utilizing the OCC parking lots are advised to keep their vehicles locked when unattended.

Students gain skills and have fun with evening welding classes

When Jason Kern and his buddies get together for a night out you won't find them watching sports or gathering at a local hangout. Instead, they're at the West Richland Center's welding shop working on their latest project.

"We've had a lot of fun with it," Kern said. "I think it is neat that the community college offers something like this. For us, it was a chance to get together. Some guys have country club memberships and play golf, we go to welding class."

Kern became interested in welding and purchased a MiG welder a few years ago. He taught himself to operate it, but wanted to increase his knowledge and skills. Last fall, he and friend John Stephenson decided to take Olney Central College's basic welding course together.

"I've always wanted to learn how to weld," Stephenson said. "I had dabbled in it, but I really didn't know how to do it."

The evening courses offer area residents an opportunity to hone basic skills under the guidance of a seasoned instructor.

Kern and Stephenson spent the fall semester constructing a drift trike utilizing a motorcycle frame. For the spring semester, they encouraged another friend, Drew Hol-

dren, to join them for the artistic welding class. Together, they created a go-kart with a pulse jet engine, which runs on propane. They displayed the project during the OCC Automotive/Collision Repair Car Show in April.

"Most people in artistic welding make metal flowers, not jet engines," Stephenson joked.

Other projects included making a bench from an old tailgate and using the program's plasma cutter to design a sign for Kern's shop.

Both Kern and Stephenson enjoyed working with Instructor Curtis Marshall, who shares his extensive knowledge with participants as they tackle a wide range of projects.

"We told Curtis what we wanted to do and he thought it was neat," Kern said. "Whatever crazy idea we came up with, Curtis was like 'go for it."

Stephenson added, "I really enjoyed the classes. Curtis is easy to get along with and lets you do your own thing. He is there to help when you need it and shows you new things to try. We all have professional, stressful jobs and this was fun stress relief for us."

Kern especially liked the hands-on aspect of the class.

"Curtis knows a lot about welding," Kern said. "He is there to show you the right way to do it. I'm not big on class lectures. We would watch a 15- to 20-minute video on welding-related topics and the rest of the class was all shop time."

Kern added, "I think the classes are a neat opportunity and I'm glad the college offers them. They are not terribly expensive for the knowledge you gain and the equipment you get to work with."



Above, Jason Kern, left, and John Stephenson built a go-kart with a pulse jet engine during their Artistic Welding Class. At right, is a bench they constructed from a truck tailgate.





TRIO SSS WORKSHOP

TRIO Student Support Services hosted its Learning 2 Succeed Workshop Aug. 2-3.
Activities included the Privilege Walk in which statements were read by the facilitator and participants were asked to take a step forward or backward based on their responses. This activity shows students ways in which society privileges some individuals over others.

Save money with Bookstore's new eBook option

The OCC Bookstore is reminding students a new eBook option is available for purchasing textbooks this fall.

For just \$119 plus tax, students can purchase the Cengage Unlimited access code, which will allow them to view textbooks published by Cengage Learning. This is a special introductory rate for the fall semester.

"Each code has six 'digital locker' slots in which to add books into," said Bookstore Manager Cristina Siegel. "Students can load up to six books to keep or change out." The code is good for four months. During this time, books can be added or removed from the digital locker depending on the students' preference. Each item loaded into the digital locker prior to the four-month deadline will be available for a period of one-year from the date of code registration. Digital locker content cannot be changed after the deadline.

Students who choose the eBook option will see textbook costs drop by hundreds of dollars.

"We are thrilled to be able to offer this savings to our students," said Siegel.

"Textbook costs have continued to rise in recent years and we have had no choice but to increase our prices as well. We see so many students who are scared when they see the prices of their books. I think both the students and their parents will be excited at the cost savings."

Students who choose Cengage Unlimited have the option to purchase an inexpensive loose-leaf copy of their textbooks, for an additional fee. The publisher also is offering "free" rental for students direct from them. Students only pay shipping costs of \$7 to \$12 each way.



JIM TUCKER RETIRES

OCC instructor Jim Tucker retired in July after serving as a speech instructor for 19 years.

Save money in the Knight Kafe with Dining Dollars Meal Plans

Save money on your purchases in the Knight Kafe with the Dining Dollars Meal Plans.

The plans offer a 10 percent discount on all OCC food purchases. During the 16-week semester, the \$720 Gold Package, an \$800 value, provides an average of \$50 in Dining Dollars per week. The \$504 Silver Package is a \$560 value and provides an average of \$35 in Dining Dollars per week. The \$288 Bronze Package is a \$320 value and provides an average of \$20 in Dining Dollars per week.

Dining Dollars Meal Plans are Pell eligible and can be purchased in the OCC Business office.

Dining Dollar Meal Plans are nonrefundable and can only be redeemed at the college where they are purchased. Any unused value at the end of the academic year will not carry forward.

Report lost or stolen cards to the Business Office immediately.











YOUTH EXPLORERS CAMP

OCC held its first Youth Explorers Camp July 30-Aug. 3. Twenty-three students participated in the four separate sessions offered including Grease and Gears with Tyler Boyles, The Artist Within with Heather Sandy, Jazz for the Young Musician with Wade Baker and Fun with Physical Science with Rob Mason and Dr. Aaron Lineberry & Ew! Awesome Biology! with Sarah Bergbower and Chris Mathews.

Coach Gene Duke Memorial Golf Outing

Proceeds Benefit the OCC Men's Basketball Program

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24
Richland Country Club in Olney

REGISTRATION 12:00-1:00 PM TEE-OFF TIME 1:00 PM COST \$75 PER PERSON

Registration forms available at www.iecc.edu/occ
For more information, Contact Coach Mike Burris at 618-395-7777

Sports Schedule

Baseball

Aug. 25 — OCC at Indiana State, TBA

Sept. 2 — OCC vs. Bedford

AAU, noon at home

Sept. 6 — OCC at

Vincennes, 5 p.m.

Softball

Sept. 1 - OCC at Ina, vs. Rend Lake & Volunteer

State, TBA

Sept. 8 — OCC at IECC
Showcase at.Wabash Valley,
OCC vs. Frontier, 10:40 a.m.
& OCC vs. LTC, 2 p.m.