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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

New ESGA Officers announced

By GUY FOLGER
Staff Writer

At the April 19th Eastern Oklahoma State College dorm meeting, the ESGA (Eastern Student Government Association) announced the new slate of officers which had been appointed unopposed. On the following day, the new and current ESGA members enjoyed a BBQ at the home of EOSC President Dr. Stephen Smith.

The new ESGA officers include Kristin Hedge, President, from Rattan; Pat Underwood, Vice President, from Idabel; Cody Duncan, Parliamentarian, from Chouteau; Tony Jarvis, Reporter, from Miami; Chris Horstman, Secretary, from Whitesboro and Armond Johnson, Treasurer, from Sapulpa (See Pg. 2 for picture of the new officers).

"I am optimistic about the incoming slate of officers," says Dr. Sally Davis, EOSC Dean of Students, "I feel we have a dedicated group of individuals."

GRADUATION

Eastern will hold Commencement ceremonies at 7 p.m., May 7 in the C.C. Dunlap Field House on the Wilburton campus. For more details, see Page 3.

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Theatre Eastern and Eastern's Music Department put on "Annie" April 29 and 30 at the Mitchell Hall Auditorium on the Wilburton campus. Pictured are two of the show's stars, Laura Myers, Wilburton freshman and 12-year-old Taylor Griffith, Talihina, as the title role. Statesman staff photo by Guy Folger

REVIEW

The Last Song does not leave a dry eye

 **April Roye**
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Staff Writer

Seventeen-year-old Veronica 'Ronnie' Miller's, played by Miley Cyrus, life was turned upside-down when her parents divorced and her father moved from New York City to Tybee Island, Georgia.

A few years later, she stays angry and neglected by her parents, especially her father. This is until her mother decides it would be in everyone's best interest if she spent the summer on Tybee Island with him.

Ronnie's father, a former concert pianist and teacher, is living a quiet life in the beach town, immersed in creating a work of art that will become the centerpiece of a local church.

The tale that unfolds is

an unforgettable story about love in its myriad forms - first love, the love between parents and children - that demonstrates, as only a Nicholas Sparks novel can, the many ways that deeply felt relationships can break our hearts and heal them.

There should be a Nicholas Sparks novel based movie checklist. First, it's the widely known actress in the leading role spot. Of course, that would be one of the biggest teen talents in today's industry in Miley Cyrus.

The second check would be to have a cute boy, and "The Last Song" definitely does that by choosing Liam Hemsworth to play the lead role as Will Blakelee.

Third, it's a young couple falling madly in love. It happens in all of the

Nicholas Sparks movies, such as "The Notebook," "Dear John" and most recently "The Last Song." The last check is a sad story. It was definitely not an expected in this case.

Going into the movie, I was expecting it to be a dud considering it was so highly promoted.

Once it gets started, you find yourself smiling, crying tears of joy and sadness, and even some laughs. This movie completely surpassed my expectations of what I thought it would be.

I am coming from a girl's point of view, which I might add that "The Last Song" is definitely a chick flick.

I may suggest seeing it if you are a sucker for the classic love story like me. Don't walk in expecting not to cry.



The Lady Mountaineer softball game hosted Rose State College April 30. Left, pitcher Kelsey Reding fires one across the plate. Right, Outfielder Rachel Powers makes contact with the ball. Heading into the contest, Eastern's softball team was 19-29. Photos by Steven Akins

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Half a century later – college graduation



Guy Folger
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Staff Writer

At Eastern Oklahoma State College, Evelyn Billy is what is known as a non-traditional student. A non-traditional student is one that is older than the average student.

Evelyn, a McAlester campus student, will be 70 years old when she graduates, next month, with a double major of Psychology/Sociology and General Studies.

Evelyn's family was a real "Okie" family of John Steinbeck's "Grapes of Wrath" tradition, moving from Oklahoma to California during the Dust Bowl days.

Growing up in California, she cut grapes and chopped and picked cotton, alongside her family, as did all

migrant farmers. When she was 16 years old, she met a Marine World War II veteran, many years her senior, and fell in love. After a short courtship, she left school behind and they were married. By age 19, she had two children.

Still just trying to get by, in 1966, she and her family bought a loaf of bread and a pound of bologna and headed back to Oklahoma.

Over the next 40 years, she still worked low-paying jobs, but managed to raise four children. Unfortunately, in this last decade, she lost both her husband and a son in the same year.

Through all those years, Evelyn wanted to continue her education, but she never had the time because she had to work.

"That's what you have to do when you don't have an

education," she said. "You work."

In 2008, Evelyn was finally able to take her G.E.D. test and made a high enough score to receive an \$800 Clark and Wanda Bass Scholarship to Eastern.

Since attending EOSC, she has been on the President's and the Dean's Honor Rolls. Billy is also a certified McAlester Literary Council tutor.

"I wanted to do this for 'myself' and am very proud of what I've accomplished.

"However," she said, "when I receive my diploma at commencement and walk across that stage, I'll be doing it for me and also in memory of my son, who died young and never had the opportunity to go to college.

"And I will live in hope that I might be an inspiration to other adults in the



Spring graduate, Evelyn Billy, gets some help from Bookstore manager Ali Martinez. Billy will graduate May 7 with a double major in Psychology/Sociology and General Studies. Statesman staff photo by Guy Folger

future."

What are Evelyn's plans after graduation? Well, she might continue school or she might go back to work, she might travel or she

might buy a new car. Since Evelyn has never had a vacation, travel is most likely a very strong possibility.

"I love Eastern and will miss it very much."

Alumnus selected as commencement speaker

EASTERN PRESS RELEASE

An Eastern graduate and Alumni Hall of Fame member is slated to address the 101st Eastern Oklahoma State College spring commencement exercises 7 p.m. May 7 in the C.C. Dunlap Field House on the Wilburton campus.

Attorney James F. Howell from Midwest City will address more than 2,500 guests and graduates expected to attend the graduation exercises.

Howell is a 1954 graduate of what was then called Eastern Oklahoma A&M Junior College and a 1952 graduate of Wewoka High School. He earned his B.S. Degree in 1956 from Oklahoma Baptist University and his Juris Doctorate in



JAMES HOWELL

1963 from University of Oklahoma School of Law. He is the senior partner in the law firm of James F. Howell, Inc. and Associates in Midwest City.

Howell began his career as a teacher and football/basketball coach at Wetumka in 1956 and moved to Monroney Junior High School in Midwest City in 1957.

He was admitted to practice law in Oklahoma in 1963 and since that time

has been admitted to practice in the United State District Court of Oklahoma for the Western District; the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma; the United States Court of Appeals, Tenth circuit and the Supreme Court of the United States of America.

He served as the Municipal Judge of Midwest City from 1963 until 1970 when he was elected to the State Senate for District 42 where he served until 1986.

Howell was selected as one of the "Top Ten Senators" during his freshman year in the Senate and served as the Chairman of the Senate Education Committee for 12 years earning the title of "Mr. Education."

As a senator he authored the initial legislation providing for "Gifted and Talented Students," authored the present "Rainy Day Fund" Oklahoma Constitutional Amendment and authored legislation changing Rose State College from a community college to a state college with full funding.

He now serves as a regent at the college and served as their board Chairman 2007-2008.

He has been active in civic affairs with the Midwest City Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, Midwest City hospital board, Baptist Hospital Director and Trustee for Oklahoma Baptist University and many others.

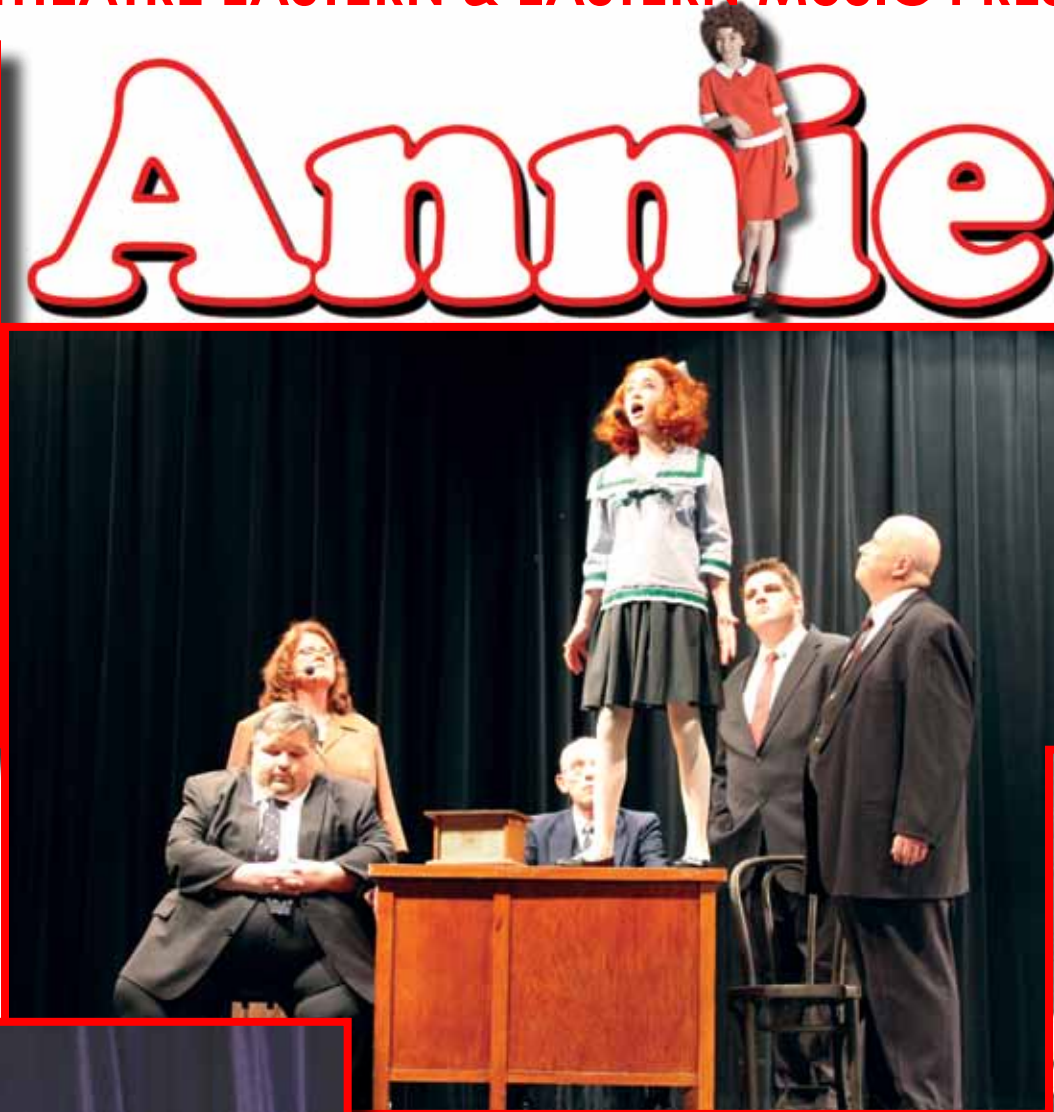
According to Eastern Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Karen Harrison, the majority of students earning associate degrees from Eastern will be in the fields of general studies, agriculture and nursing.

Eastern graduates will represent 32 of Oklahoma's 77 counties, 7 different states and one foreign country.

Eighty-two Eastern students will receive Associate in Arts with 74 earning the Associate in Science. Seventy-three graduates will receive the Associate in Applied Science with three students earning One-Year Certificates in Child Development.

THEATRE EASTERN & EASTERN MUSIC PRESENT

Annie



Eastern baseball knocks off No. 1 team



Guy Folger

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Staff Writer

With the April 28 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) baseball poll came the news that the Connors State College Cowboys are no longer number 1 in the nation.

The poll shows Connors dropping to 7th place, after the Eastern Oklahoma State College Mountaineers beat them 3 out of a 4 game series.

The Mountaineers move up to No. 22, in the nation,

after previously being unranked.

Eastern won the first game by slapping the Cowboys with a 20-9 score to win with a run rule victory.

Winning pitcher was Jesse Baird. Eastern had home runs by Houston Slemph with 2, Chris Munoz, Cameron Green, Nathan Goodall and Ben Kozma.

The second game of the series was a close 6-4 win on the Cowboys home turf in Warner with Tyler Sparks the winning pitcher.

The Mountaineers' only

loss in the series came in the third game, a tough 16-5 score on our own diamond.

Eastern home runs came from Houston Slemph, his 13th of the year. Chris Munoz, his 10th, and Keith Price with his 3rd of the season.

The final game was a convincing 17-8 Mountaineer victory on the Connors field with Justin Klusak connecting for his 6th home run of the year. Eastern extends its conference first place ranking with a 10-2 record..



Chris Munoz swings through during a March game. The Eastern baseball team beat the No. 1 team in the nation 3 of 4 times last week. *File photo*

Bradford goes No. 1 in NFL Draft; Suh goes No. 2



Jared Bills

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Sports Writer

April 22 marked the beginning of the 75th NFL draft. Heading into the draft, there were many speculations and questions asked about players.

Many people wondered if Sam Bradford would be durable enough to be the number one pick. Others asked if Tim Tebow was even worthy enough to be a first round draft choice.

Then there was the question about who was the better defensive lineman, Suh or McCoy? All of these questions were answered within the first round of the draft.

Bradford was the first pick of the draft and is now a St. Louis Ram. Though there is some doubt in his durability, he makes up for that with his skill set and intangibles. His throwing

mechanics are fine and his arm strength is that of what a coach would want in a franchise quarterback, along with his height and his football ready mind.

Though many Rams fans would like to see him start on the field early, this may not be the best way to begin his career. The Ram's offensive line needs some work, especially when throwing a rookie quarterback in to the mix.

A veteran quarterback would be more suitable for the team right now. But to instill confidence in Bradford, and to help give him a suitable career and not end up like David Carr did in his first few seasons in Houston, it would be better to let someone with more experience come in and lay down some work before Sam sets in.

If things don't go that way, then put Bradford in

and let him show why he won the Heisman Trophy his sophomore year. He will either end up being the next Peyton Manning, or just another Jamaricus Russell.

Tim Tebow is definitely one of the most decorated and well known college quarterbacks in the draft, and may be one of the best known college quarterbacks of all time.

But that's the thing, a college quarterback. His throwing mechanics are not as fine tuned as professional coaches would like them to be, and his running skills in the NFL could pose some threat to injury if a team were to take him as a quarterback.

Although his tangibles may be below average, he is a great leader, a good role-model, and a good person at heart. With this said, a team would never have to

worry about him getting into any trouble, and his presence in the locker room, even as a rookie, would inspire others to do the same and think about the team and football first without doing something to put their playing time and season at risk.

With some time setting behind Kyle Orton in Denver, Tebow should develop into a quarterback that will have a good career, but may fall short of others expectations of him when they compare his college profile.

Suh or McCoy? This question is one that has neither a wrong nor right answer. These two players are both worthy of being a No. 1 pick, but it just depends on what defensive plan that the team has. Suh is a dominating force that plays the run as well as he does the pass.

When watching the Big

12 Championship game against Texas he was getting out of double teams and getting sacks on Colt McCoy. If Nebraska's offense could have ran down more of the clock, Suh may have won the Heisman for his effort.

Gerald McCoy is a tremendous pass rusher with a solid defense against the run. While not as strong as Suh is he makes up for that in his explosiveness and consistency.

McCoy has been a defensive leader at OU since his arrival at the school and will do the same at Tampa. But the fact that Suh covers the run slightly better than McCoy is the reason that he was picked by the Lions.

Suh is not necessarily better than McCoy, he just fit the defensive scheme that the coaches in Detroit are trying to implement to the team.

The Statesman staff wishes everyone a great summer!

Over 200 Eastern graduates for Spring 2010

Atoka County

O'Bannon, Kristi - Atoka - AA - Gen Studies

Rember, Amy - Atoka - AAS - Nursing

Sinclair, Billy Shane - Atoka - AAS - MPFS

Bryan County

Vansickle, Macy JaDawn - Bennington - AS - Animal Science

Canadian County

Payne, Stephanie R. - Yukon - S - Agric Education

Cherokee County

Anderson, Chat Ray Wayne - Tahlequah - AS - Animal Science

Choctaw County

Miller, Nichole - Hugo - AA - Journ

Palmer, April - Hugo - AS - Pre-Veterinary

Coal County

Chastain, Larry - Coalgate - AAS - Ammo

Creek County

Frailey, Justin E. - Mannford - AS - Animal Science

Shelton, Brea C. - Mannford - AS - Animal Science

Garvin County

Gibson, Eric Shawn - Wynnewood - AA - Gen Studies

Morphew, Brittany Nichole - Maysville - AS - Agric Education

Wren, Jennifer Luran - Lindsay - AS - Agric Education

Gerdt, Melodie Lynn - Chickasha - AS - Life Science

Mills, Kevin Lee - Ninnekah - AS - Agric Economics

Vickrey, Kirk - Minco - AS - Agric Economics

Haskell County

Bond, Patricia Ann - Stigler - AAS - Forest Tech

Richmond, William Colton - Stigler - AS - Animal Science

Shores, Jacob Todd - Stigler - AA - Gen Studies

Smith, Kaitlyn M. - McCurtain - AA - Gen Studies

Hughes County

Hunt, Sheila Rowsey - Atwood - AA - Gen Studies

Latimer County

Baker, Joanna L - Wilburton - AA - Psy/Soc

Bambeck, Michelle L - Wilburton - AAS - Nursing

Bond, Judy S. - Wilburton - AAS - Nursing

Buckner III, Robert Olen - Wilburton - AAS - Tech Studies

Caraway, April Chandler - Red Oak - AS - Criminal Justice

Corley, Mack - Wilburton - AAS - Forest Tech

Harden, Jessica Rachelle - Red Oak - AS - Life Science

Knight, Kacey Jo - Red Oak - AAS - MPFS

Lewis, Aymie Elizabeth - Red

Oak - AA - Psy/Soc

Malone, Jr., Delton C - Wilburton - AA - Hist/PolSci

Matthews, Dedra A. - Wilburton - AAS - Nursing

Miller, Daniel J. - Wilburton - AA - Psy/Soc

Muncy, Angela Marie - Red Oak - AAS - Nursing

Newsom, Ashlea R. - Wilburton - AA - Gen Studies

Nitzel, Tonya L. - Wilburton - AAS - Nursing

Reinhardt, Chelsey - Wilburton - AA - Gen Studies

Rosson, John C - Wilburton - AA - Gen Studies

Schiwart, Kenneth - Wilburton - AS - Crim Justice - COP

Statham, Gavin G. - Red Oak - AS - Bus Admin

Williams, Ashley - Gowen - AA - Gen Studies

Wilson, Kathleen - Red Oak - AA - Psy/Soc

Wilson, Marlena - Wilburton - AAS - Nursing

Yip, Chui Yin - Red Oak - AS - Life Science

LeFlore County

Blue, Cristin Jalyn - Talihina - AAS - Nursing

Gibson, Michele - Talihina - AAS - Nursing

Knapp, Kristy L. - Talihina - AAS - Nursing

Long, Amber G - Talihina - AS - Bus Admin

Lowrie, Brandon Keith Boomer - Smithville - AS - HPER

McGuire, William Ephton - Heavener - AAS - Nursing

Monks, Lesa Maria - Panama - AAS - Nursing

Petty, Kristy - Talihina - AAS - Nursing

Petty, Travis - Talihina - AAS - MPFS

Poe, Benjamin Grant Connelly - Talihina - AS - Life Sci

Pope, Kayla - Wister - AAS - MPFS

Wallis, Charli - Talihina - AAS - Nursing

Lincoln County

Dunn, Marcus - Chandler - AS - Agric Education

Marshall County

Hawkins, LaKeshia - Madill - AS - Pre-Veterinary

McCurtain County

Archer-Fulton, Rebeckah - Broken Bow - AA Gen Studies

Artis, Serena Lee - Idabel - AAS - Nursing

Barton, Christie - Wright City - AA Gen Studies

Bates, Stormi Dawn - Hugo - AAS - Nursing

Bean, Randy Dwayne - Broken Bow - AS - Agric Education

Beard, Cayla - Valliant - AAS -

Nursing

Burns, Steven Garrett - Broken Bow - AS - Agronomy

Burriss, Tara L. - Broken Bow - AAS - Nursing

Clouse, Kristen Michelle - Wasilla, AK - AAS - Nursing

Cooper, Tracy Dawn - Haworth - AAS - Nursing

Cranfield, Lana Jo - Rattan - AAS - Nursing

England, Heather Nacole - Haworth - AS - Life Science

Gee, Melissa - Eagletown - AS - Bus Admin

Green, Maura T. - Idabel - AAS - Nursing

Grimmett, Tansy Janice - Sawyer - AS - Agronomy

Gross, Jason Todd - Wright City - AA - Gen Studies

Houchin, Sheri Jo - Idabel - AAS - Nursing

Johnson, Brittany Christa - Idabel - AAS - Nursing

Johnson, Kevin - Broken Bow - AAS - Nursing

Johnson, Sheleatha - Idabel - AAS - Nursing

Lemmons, Jared Andrew - Towson - AS - Agric Education

Maye, Tara - Haworth - AS - Agric Education

Minor, Matthew T - Broken Bow - AS - Forestry

Montague, Matt - Ft. Towson - AS - Forestry

Morgan, Misti - Broken Bow - AAS - Nursing

Morgan, Tiffany - Wright City - AAS - Nursing

Mulkey, Kerri - Broken Bow - AAS - Nursing

Owens, Darlina - Haworth - AAS - Nursing

Palmer, April - Hugo - AS - PreVet

Richard, Carrie - Broken Bow - AAS - Nursing

Ridenour, Daniel W - Broken Bow - AA - Gen Studies

Robinson, Tiffany Lynn - Idabel - AAS - Nursing

Schweitzer-Black, Megan E. - Idabel - AAS - Nursing

Sharpe III, Burford Gilliland - Broken Bow - AAS - Nursing

Skieens, Jennifer Williams - Wright City - AA - Gen Studies

Smith, Meagan D. - Hugo - AAS - Nursing

Stewart, Bethany - Idabel - AAS - Nursing

Strawn, Kristi - Broken Bow - AAS - Nursing

Swift, Amy Karen Elizabeth - Broken Bow - AAS - Nursing

Tumbleson, David - Idabel - AA - Gen Studies

Welch, Chelsea Leigh - Valliant - AAS - Nursing

Wiggins, Koltan - Idabel - AA -

Gen Studies

Young, Amanda G. - Valliant - AAS - Nursing

Muskogee County

Barnes, Cody B. - Porum - S - Agric Education

Frisby, John Ryan - Muskogee - AA - Gen Studies

Leopard, Angel Michele - Warner - AS - Animal Science

Miller, Robert - Muskogee - AA - Speech

Okfuskee County

Taylor, Emily - Okemah - AAS - MPFS

Oklahoma County

Coleman, Ronita L. - Edmond - AA - Gen Studies

Fisher, Shantoya Elizabeth - Oklahoma City - AA - Gen Studies

O'Clair, Garrett - Choctaw - AAS - Forest Tech

Williams, Talytha S. - Oklahoma City - AA - Gen Studies

Osage County

Vann, Tyler Steven - Skiatook - AS - Life Science

Payne County

Palovik, Heather Lehn - Cushing - AS - Horticulture

Pittsburg County

Alford, Conner O. - McAlester - AA - History

Barber, Margaret Dean - Krebs - AA - Journ

Barber, Margaret Dean - Krebs - AA - Psy/Soc

Bethune, Denise - McAlester - AAS - Tech Studies

Billy, Evelyn L - McAlester - AA - Psy/Soc

Billy, Evelyn Lucille - McAlester - AA - Gen Studies

Bishop, Chelsea Nicole - McAlester - AAS - Nursing

Blackburn, Jaclynn Christine - McAlester - AA - Elem Educ

Brewer, Payton S. - McAlester - AS - Criminal Justice

Buckley, Misti Nichole - McAlester - AAS - Tech Studies

Bumgarner, Katie L. - McAlester - AA - Elem Educ

Burgess, Angela J. - Hartshorne - AAS - Nursing

Burrows, Deborah E. - McAlester - AS - Criminal Justice

Carline, Megan Rose - McAlester - AS - Bus Admin

Clifton, Caitlin Susan - McAlester - AS - Life Science

Cochran, Jessica - McAlester - AA - Psy/Soc

Collins, Cindi - McAlester - AS - Crim Justice

Comley, Benjamin Keith - McAlester - AA - History

Coop, Patricia - McAlester - AAS - Nursing

Corum, Kathleen - McAlester - AAS - Nursing

Crabtree, Jessie - McAlester - AA - Child Development

Crowl, Jacy Kathleen - Hartshorne - AS - Life Science

Dalpoas, Tad A. - McAlester - AAS - Nursing

Danel, Kevin W. - Hartshorne - AS - CIS

Danley, Mari - Pittsburg - AA - Gen Studies

DeGiacomo, Colby - Krebs - AS - Life Science

Dilts, Catherine - McAlester - AAS - Tech Studies

Fabry, Cassie - McAlester - AA - Elem Educ

Fabry, Cassie - McAlester - AS - Bus Admin

Gilpen, David Michael - McAlester - AS - Bus Admin

Glover, Jennifer Clarissa - McAlester - AS - Horticulture

Green, Cameron Alexander - McAlester - AS - HPER

Green, Serenity M. - Hartshorne - AA - Gen Studies

Hackler, Ashton Nicole - Hartshorne - AS - Bus Admin

Harrison, Trey - McAlester - AA - Gen Studies

Hawkins, Andrea Rae - McAlester - AAS - Nursing

Hensley, Angela - Kinta - AA - Gen Studies

Hewitt, Natalie - McAlester - AA - Gen Studies

Jameson, Jennifer F. - McAlester - AAS - Nursing

Johnson, Ryan M - McAlester - AAS - MPFS

Jones, Amanda Jean - McAlester - AA - Gen Studies

Jones, Jacqueline - McAlester - AA - Gen Studies

Kerns, April S - McAlester - AA - Child Dev

Kirkham, Tamatha J - Krebs - AA - Psy/Soc

Klusak, Justin Shane Michael - McAlester - AA - Gen Studies

Lance, Janice Marie - McAlester - AAS - Nursing

Lewis, Tovah - McAlester - AA - Psy/Soc

Manry, Lindsey - McAlester - AS - Life Science

Meredith, Deidra - Krebs - AA - Gen Studies

McCann, Jerome R - McAlester - AAS - Nursing

McElhany, Margie J - Crowder - AS - Bus Admin

Eastern students getting refunds through debit cards

 **April Roye**
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Staff Writer

Refunds for many different things are often paid back to students each semester. Some of it is for financial aid, refunds on dropped classes or a combination of other things. Beginning next semester, Eastern Oklahoma State College will be using Higher One for refunds.

Higher One is a financial services company that solely focuses on higher education. It is used for faster delivery of disbursements to the students of Eastern.

Every Eastern student will receive a lime green envelope over the summer, so students and parents should be looking out for it if you are a returning stu-

dent. In this envelope, there will be a MasterCard easy refund debit card. This card will be the key to getting refund money back faster and increased choices for reception. This debit card will work the same way as any other debit card, but cannot be used as a credit card.

If your address has changed and it is not on file, Business Office Manager Linda Enis asks that you make sure that Eastern has your correct primary address.

“Please go by the Registrar to change address if you need to.”

Each person will have the option of having the refund money put on one of these debit cards or having the money transferred to a

personal bank account.

Once your money is received either way, the student will receive a text message or e-mail notifying that person that the money is available.

“We’re excited about it, it gives us options,” Enis says about the new program.

“We’re moving ahead. It’s a progress step.”

One may wonder what the use of the new card is if you have not ever received a disbursement for anything, but Enis states that something may unexpectedly happen and you may need a refund.

If a student needs to drop a class, or has a class that is cancelled, or a student may simply receive a scholarship or assistance – the debit card will help ensure a



quicker disbursement of the money.

If you happen to lose your card, you will have to pay a \$20 fee for replacement.

There will also be an ATM on campus for everyone to

use.

You can retrieve your money at the college without being charged a withdrawal fee.

“Please have all of your accounts paid off,” adds Enis.

GRADUATES

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AS - Bus Admin
McQuay, April - McAlester
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Mordecai, Jessica - McAlester
AA - Gen Studies
Nail, Joshua L - McAlester
AA - Gen Studies
Nimrod, Krystal G - Hartshorne
AAS - Nursing
O'Neal, Peggy J - McAlester
AA - Psy/Soc
Padgett, Myrtle - McAlester
AA - Psy/Soc
Parker, Carmina Marie - McAlester
AA - Gen Studies
Patel, Priti - McAlester AS - Bus Admin
Pawlikowski, Joseph - McAlester
AAS - Ammo
Pope, Catrina - McAlester
AA - Gen Studies
Prieto, Courtney - McAlester
AS - Bus Admin
Reece, Steven L. - McAlester
AS - CIS
Reed, Maegan Lee - Kiowa -
AA - Elem Educ
Richards, Jimma L - McAlester
AA - Gen Studies
Riddell, Keely R. - McAlester
AS - Bus Admin
Riggs, Timothy Lee - McAlester
AS - Bus Admin

Sandefur, Daniel Wayne - Harts-
horne - AS - Bus Admin
Schmitt, Daryl G. - McAlester
AAS - Nursing
Shiple, Kylee J - McAlester
AS - Life Science
Snyder, Michael - McAlester
AAS - Nursing
Soden, Alanna - McAlester
AA - Elem Educ
Sokolnicki, Jennifer Louise -
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Stachmus, Darrell Paul - McAlester
AA - Gen Studies
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Stone, Tia Jurhee' - McAlester
AA - Gen Studies
Sufer, Deborah Ann - McAlester
AS - Bus Admin
Toby, Ryan - McAlester AS - Bus Admin
Underwood, Heather - Krebs -
AAS - Nursing
Walling, Staci L - McAlester
AA - Elem Educ
Whitlock, Kimberly - Crowder
AA - Gen Studies
Whitmore, Alan Wayne Pitts-
burg AS - Physical Science
Wilcox, Tracy Dawn - Harts-
horne - AA - Gen Studies
Williams, April D - McAlester
AS - Bus Admin
Wilson, Bradley - McAlester
AS - Crim Justice - COP
Windham, Micah Jael - Harts-
horne - AAS - Nursing

Winesburg, Jacob Curtis
McAlester - AA - Gen Studies
Young, Joseph - McAlester
AS - Bus Admin
Pontotoc County
Deconto, Lisa A - Ada
AA - Gen Studies
Denny, Bryan - Ada
AA - Gen Studies
Pottawatomie County
Kania, Tarra A. - McLoud
AA - Gen Studies
Smith, Captain Joe John - Earls-
boro - AA - Gen Studies
Watson, Bryan Andrew Shaw-
nee - AS - Bus Admin
Baughman, Micah S. - Clayton
AAS - Nursing
Pushmataha County
Briggs, Kody Louise
Antlers - AS - Agric Economics
Burge, Jennifer - Clayton
AS - Agric Education
Burleson, Hollie - Daisy
AAS - Nursing
Cole, Lyndsi K. - Clayton
AA - Elem Educ
Dahl, Severt A. - Clayton
AA - Gen Studies
Hendershot, Amanda DeAnn
- Clayton AAS - Nursing
Hokit, Shaniqua - Tuskahoma
AS - Pre-Veterinary
Kennedy, Kelbie RaeAnn - Tus-
kahoma AA - English
Ludlow, Erik Glen - Daisy
AS - Env Science

Mayo, Dwight D. - Antlers - AAS
- Tech Studies
Putman, Marci Ann - Clayton
AAS - Nursing
Thain, Michael T. - Antlers - AS -
Criminal Justice
Walker, Alicia C - Clayton
AS - Crim Justice
Wilson, Jr., Vernon Everett
Spencerville - AS - Agric Economics
Seminole County
Coffey, Andrew D - Konawa
AS - Forestry
Sequoyah County
Cawhorn, Caitlin M.
Sallisaw AA - Gen Studies
Tulsa County
Kozma, Benjamin
Owasso AA - Gen Studies
Spring, Joe
Owasso AA - Gen Studies
Woodward County
Creamer, Arrick
Woodward AAS - Forest
Tech
Foreign Country
Maezono, Ai - Tokyo, Japan - AA -
Gen Studies
Nakamura, Haruka - Okinawa,
Japan - AA - Gen Studies
Saijo, Asumi - Fukushima, Japan
AA - Gen Studies
Other States
Wilson, Lauren - Safford, Arizona
- AS - Animal Science
Hansburg, Willie - Arkansas City,
Arkansas AAS - Computer Tech

Keeling, Whitney M. - Farming-
ton, Arkansas - AS - Agric Ed,
Moss, Katy - Ashdown, Arkan-
sas - AAS - Nursing
Rowe, Travis Ryan - Mena,
Arkansas - AS - Agric Education
Sands, Alicia Bianca -C. -
West Point, Georgia - AA - Gen
Studies
Gaulden, Emily L. - Ethel, Louisi-
ana - AA - Elem Educ
Genao, Steven R. - Bloomfield,
New Jersey - AA - Gen Studies
Santo, Jesse T - Little Falls, New
Jersey - AA - Gen Studies
Giles, Emily Michelle - Green-
ville, Texas - AA - Gen Studies
Powers, Rachel Mae - Rowlett,
Texas - AS - Life Science
Quick, Tammy L. - Clarksville,
Texas - AS - Bus Admin
Reding, Kelsey D. - Aubrey,
Texas - AS - Bus Admin
Walker, Caleb - Mills, Texas -
AA - Gen Studies
Sheffer, Justin - Joeele, Utah -
AAS - Ammo
Bishop, Travis J. - Hooks, Texas
- AAS - Nursing
Certificates of Mastery - Child
Development
Bryant, Tamala - Hugo - Child
Development
McClain, Ginger - Antlers -
Child Development
Teague, Sylvia - Hugo - Child
Development

SPRING 2010 FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

CLASS PERIOD	EXAMINATION TIME
MONDAY MORNING – MAY 10	
9:10 MWF/MW/WF/W/MTWF/WTHF/DAILY.....	8 a.m.-10 a.m.
9:10 TTH/T.....	10 a.m.- Noon
MONDAY AFTERNOON – MAY 10	
8:40 TTH.....	1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
9:40 T/TTH.....	3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
TUESDAY MORNING – MAY 11	
10:10 TTH/TH.....	8 a.m. - 10 a.m.
10:10 MWF/MWTH/MW/W/MTWF/WF/DAILY.....	10 a.m.- Noon
TUESDAY AFTERNOON – MAY 11	
12:10 TTH/T.....	1p.m.- 3 p.m.
12:10 MWF/MW/WF/MWTH/M/DAILY.....	3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY MORNING – MAY 12	
11:10 MWF/MW/MTWTH/MTWF/WF/DAILY.....	8 a.m. - 10 a.m.
11:40 TTH/TH.....	10 a.m. - Noon
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON – MAY 12	
1:10 MWF/MW/W/M/DAILY.....	1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
1:10 TTH/TH.....	3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
THURSDAY MORNING – MAY 13	
8:10 TTH/TH.....	8 a.m. - 10 a.m.
8:10 MWF/MW/WF/WTHF/DAILY.....	10 a.m. - Noon
THURSDAY AFTERNOON – MAY 13	
4:10 TTH.....	1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
2:10 MW/TTH/M.....	3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
3:10 TTH.....	3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
FRIDAY MORNING – MAY 14	
2:40 MW.....	8 a.m. -10 a.m.
1:40 TTH/M.....	10 a.m. -Noon

DAY CLASSES THAT DO NOT FIT THE ABOVE SCHEDULE MUST BE WORKED OUT ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS NOT EARLIER THAN 8 a.m. MONDAY, May 10, 2010. EVENING CLASSES TO INCLUDE MCALESTER CAMPUS FINAL EXAMS FINALS ARE TO BE GIVEN AT THE LAST SCHEDULED CLASS MEETING STARTING MONDAY, MAY 10, 2010, THROUGH FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2010. FINALS ARE TO BE ADMINISTERED ACCORDING TO THE ABOVE SCHEDULE. EXCEPTIONS MUST BE APPROVED, IN ADVANCE, BY BRINGING SIGNED RECOMMENDATIONS FROM INSTRUCTORS TO THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS. ANTLERS AND IDABEL EXAM SCHEDULES MAY BE DIFFERENT AND WILL BE ANNOUNCED AND POSTED ON THOSE SITES.

TORNADO ALLEY



Oklahoma is known for its unpredictable weather, which makes for a very dangerous spring. This photo, taken in the McAlester area, shows a funnel cloud. Photo provided by McAlester News-Capital Photo Editor and Eastern graduate, Kevin Harvison

Tornado season: It's that time again



Guy Folger

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Staff Writer

The spring and summer months are usually thought of as “tornado season”, in Oklahoma, but a tornado can occur during any month of the year and in any of our 50 states.

The most important thing you can do – when severe weather threatens your area – is to be alert to developing weather conditions.

If your local radio or television station is not giving up-to-the-minute conditions, a NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) weather radio is a very smart investment.

When a “tornado watch” is issued for your area, it means that a tor-

nado is possible.

A “tornado warning” means that a tornado has actually been spotted or is strongly indicated on radar and, in either case, it is time to seek shelter immediately.

If you are in an automobile and see a tornado, it is best to stop and get out, seek shelter in a ditch or low spot away from your vehicle and lie flat with your arms over your head. Do not get under your vehicle.

In a building, the best place to seek shelter is in a small windowless, first floor, interior room like a bathroom or closet.

For tornado safety tips on campus, check the Web site at www.eosc.edu and search “tornado safety”. Though there are no tips shown for the McAlester campus, the best shelter would be the bathrooms.

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