



# CONSCIENTIA



## Happy Halloween!

By Dr. McCombs Honors Program Director



**Calendar**

- Oct. 30....Undergrad Research Day proposals due.
- Nov. 3,4....Honors Pre-enrollment.
- Nov. 4....PWP with Dr. Abigail Keegan.
- Nov. 14....Undergrad Research Day.
- Nov. 27....Happy Thanksgiving Day!
- Dec. 12....Last day of regular classes.
- Dec. 16....Christmas Dinner at Dr. McComb's house.



*We are approaching the down-hill, roller coaster ride to the end of the semester. I hope the semester continues to go well for each of you. Don't forget if you ever have questions or just want to chat, my door is open and there is candy on the desk! We have several important upcoming dates. The first is Honors pre-enrollment on November 3 and 4. The next is Pizza with the Professor. Dr. Abigail Keegan will be discussing major scholarship programs on November 4. What a busy day! Don't forget to VOTE on November 4 as well! Then there is Undergraduate Research Day on November 14. November will be quite a month!! Read below for more details.*

### HONORS PRIORITY PRE-ENROLLMENT

A favorite perk of OCU Honors students is early pre-enrollment. This year Honors pre-enrollment is on November 3 and 4. What does that mean? Make an appointment as soon as possible with your academic adviser and plan to enroll on either of those two days. Remember, Honors Composition II is required for all Honors students, unless you have tested out or previously

completed the course. If you are a new student and have not yet enrolled in the Honors Colloquium, you will need to do that for the Spring semester. And all Honors students must complete an Honors Junior-Senior Seminar in order to graduate *cum bonore* (Honors Program award).



**What are you doing over Fall Break?***by Kaitlin Lory*

I'll be staying on campus to work on my honors contract projects, hosting the first Disney College Program E-Presentation on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm in Kerr McGee Auditorium, and DISNEY MOVIE NIGHT in the University Center Student Lounge (outside the Café) on Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00pm showing Disney's ENCHANTED.

Emily L. Lloyd

Over fall break, I'm flying home on Friday afternoon. Then I plan to spend Friday night hanging out with my parents, boyfriend, and friends. We'll probably have a bonfire that evening! On Saturday I'm going to my high school band competition to see my band friends and hear them play. Sunday, I'm singing at church with my praise band. Monday and Tuesday will just be relaxing days along with dentist appointments, a haircut, and a visit to my high school. Other than seeing people I've been missing, the thing I'm looking forward to the most is getting the chance to drive again!

Emily Dimmitt

Eureka Springs, Arkansas vacation with the family!!! Yay : )

Brianna Fleming

Going home and seeing friends, family and a recital by art song/musical theatre composer Ricky Ian Gordon. YAY!

Margaret Dietrich

This fall break, I'm going with some friends (to include fellow Honors Student, Courtney Davison) on a road-trip around Texas. We worked at a Christian outdoor adventure camp in Texas this summer and are going to go visit some of the people we worked with.

Lauren Byrd

Hi Kaitlin, For fall break I am going to visit my sister and brother-in-law in New York City.-Katie Nason

My family is coming from Minnesota to visit me! We're going to see the sights and celebrate birthdays!

Heather Pederson

Not much. Catching up on some classes I'm behind in. If I'm not doing that, then I will be SLEEPING!

Ahhh.....sleep.

Laura Murray

I plan on trying to get ahead in some of my classes. Nerdy, but necessary!

Joe Caputo



## WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH JR/SR SEMINAR?

Dr. Pasto describes the class this way:

“Science on the Stage explores the way scientists and scientific issues have been depicted in the theatre. For each play read in class, we will discuss the merits of the play itself, as well as explore how accurately the play portrays the scientist or scientific issues. There will also be a unit on medicine and doctors in plays.

The course was created as an arts-integration class, and students will learn both about the theatre and about science. Many scientific issues under discussion in the course are relevant to contemporary life, such as the relationship between religion and science, various ethical issues about experimentation and genetics, and the responsibilities of the scientist to society.”

This class will be offered Spring 2009, MWF 3:30pm-4:20pm and will be taught by Dr. Dave Pasto.

## Pizza with Professor Keegan – November 4<sup>th</sup>

I am the Fellowship/Scholarship Coordinator for Distinguished Scholarships.

I will be talking to students about such distinguished international graduate school scholarships as the Rhodes and Marshall, two of the most prestigious scholarships in the world. As well, I will invite students to prepare for science scholarships such as the Goldwater and several other top name national scholarship opportunities. I am also the liaison for The Washington Center Internship Program and for The Oklahoma Scholar-Leadership Program. My job with students is to inform, invite and help students prepare for these scholarship opportunities and to help guide them through application processes. I look forward to meeting with the Honors Program Students.

Best,  
Dr. Keegan





## Undergraduate Research Day

The upcoming Honors Program's Undergraduate Research Day poster contest is open to all undergraduates and is a chance for outstanding student research to be acknowledged and rewarded. Winning posters will be given cash prizes. Last year's contest drew over 75 entries with 21 posters winning cash.

The dates and times for the contest are as follows:

Friday, October 31, 2008 – Proposals due in Walker Center 228 by 5:00 p.m.

Friday, November 14, 2008 – Poster judging from 11:00-1:00 in the Tom and Brenda McDaniel University Center Great Room.

For further information please contact Regina Bennett ([rbennett@okcu.edu](mailto:rbennett@okcu.edu)) or Virginia McCombs ([vmccombs@okcu.edu](mailto:vmccombs@okcu.edu)).

## T-Shirts

Get excited...t-shirts are coming! They are \$7 and should be here just in time for homecoming! To pre-order a shirt, please e-mail your name and size requested to [klory.stu@okcu.edu](mailto:klory.stu@okcu.edu). Cash or check will be accepted (exact change if at all possible). Look for an upcoming e-mail or join the Facebook group (Oklahoma City University Honors Program) to see what they look like!





GRADUATING SENIOR ALERT!

Are you a graduating senior? Are you planning to walk in December? Or May? Please check to see if your name is on the list below. Students listed below have either completed their Honors requirements or have a shot of doing so with courses and contracts this academic year. If you don't find your name on the list and think you should be there, contact Dr. McCombs. And please notify her if you are graduating in December.



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| Christina Batty   | Diana Silver       |
| Natalie Altadonna | Heather Clark      |
| Martha Gonzalez   | Molly Gordon       |
| Esther Grabow     | Alexa Jordon       |
| Andrey Khalafian  | Austin Kirk        |
| Tyler Kirk        | Kelly Kinser       |
| Amanda Lamirand   | Stacey Lloyd       |
| Kaitlin Lory      | Margaret Mathas    |
| Kristin May       | Christopher Morrow |
| Heather Pederson  | Bryce Richardson   |
| Chris Rogers      | Lauren Schwarz     |
| Shantelle Turner  | Rachel Williams    |

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