Ch-ch-ch-ch-Changes

If you weren’t on campus during the summer, you might be realizing right about now that some changes were made throughout LSC-O while you were away. We lost even more parking in the back of campus, said goodbye to Bobbie Burgess, broke ground on a new nursing building, and lost a program, but added a new one.

Unfortunately, Front Street will be closed until sometime around late February. The Lutcher Theater, Capital One Bank and the Public Library are graciously letting our students park in their lots, so please be respectful of their property. As a few students found out earlier this week, do not park in the Employee Lot of the Public Library or you will be towed.

The construction is for the new boardwalk coming to downtown Orange.

For students who have spent at least a semester on our campus, you’ve probably noticed a change in the Student Services office. After 27 years at LSC-O, Bobbie Burgess retired and moved to the Hill Country with her family. The new Vice President of Student Services is Michael Yeater, who comes to us from Blinn College in Bryan. Filling the position was a tough choice and we are all pleased to have Mr. Yeater here with us.

In late July, demolition began on the old Orange Leader building in the lot across from the Allied Health building. The building phase is rumored to commence in November. The space will include a simulation lab, two skills labs, lecture hall, computer lab and numerous classrooms.

The ACE Program decided to not accept new applicants this fall after experiencing a dramatic decline in enrollment for the last two years. LSC-O fully intends to let the 82 students who were enrolled in the program finish their certification. In the future, if school districts experience a shortage of teachers, the ACE Program will be reactivated.

An official Honors program has also been launched for the first time on the LSC-O campus. Read more about that program on Page 2.

We want to wish all of our LSC-O students, faculty and staff a wonderful fall semester!
Crockett Grows Her Own Scholarship

It was a long and grueling summer “off” for LSC-O math professor, Suzonne Crockett. While there may have been a break from a classroom, she spent eight to 12 hours a day behind her computer, earning hours toward her doctoral degree through Sam Houston State University online. As a recipient of the Grow Your Own Scholarship Program, she will spend the next nine semesters in both roles as a teacher and student.

The Grow Your Own Scholarship Program was established by the Texas State University System Foundation to increase faculty diversity and provide mentoring models for students in the eight universities and colleges that make up the TSUS. Through this program, individuals from groups underrepresented on the faculty receive financial assistance to complete their doctoral degrees. While completing the doctorate, the student usually will be given an opportunity to work or teach at the sponsoring TSUS component institution.

Crockett, a professor of developmental math, says she took developmental math at LSC-O when she returned to college and decided to be a teacher. Now, 18 years later, she is working toward her doctoral of Developmental Education on scholarship. In order for her to be selected for the award, she had to meet guidelines and criteria including being nominated by the college President, and have at least one reference from a TSUS faculty member.

As a recipient of the scholarship, Crockett will be reimbursed for permissible expenses up to a maximum of $50,000, including tuition, fees, books and other required course materials. In order to keep her status as a doctoral candidate in the Grow Your Own Scholarship Program, she must maintain a grade point average of at least 3.0 through all nine semesters.

Announcement:
LSC-O launched its first Honors Program this fall, for top-ranking students. If accepted, both incoming and current students will be able to move into an Honors program at a 4-year institution upon graduating.

Requirements:
TSI Exempt
Minimum SAT 1200 OR
Graduate in Top 10% of Class
Transfer students must have a 3.5 GPA

Honors Classes Available:
CSI, ENGL 1301, SPCH 1315

News From the Library

• We have finally installed Microsoft Office in our front lab.
• The LSC-O library has decided to install new printing software in the library and the learning center. This software is called PaperCut. This will monitor print use of those using our printers. In order for any student to print in the library or the learning center, they will be required to login to the printer software. They will only need to login once. Each student will be allowed 500 print pages per semester. We are an Eco-Friendly library and this is our way of trying to make students aware of the amount they are printing and perhaps save on paper use.
• You must now show your current semester student ID in order to check out materials. If you do not have one, you will need to acquire one at Admissions. We are trying to ensure that the correct person is checking out the materials and that they are in fact a current student.
• Librarian-created portals to high quality research information are now available to students via LibGuides. With LibGuides, librarians can help patrons find the stuff they need and show them information they didn’t even know existed. LibGuides’ flexibility and ease of use empowers librarians of any technical skill level to quickly and effortlessly create content-rich, web 2.0 multimedia guides.
• Ron E. Lewis Library received a $20,000 TexTreasures Grant from the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. The grant will allow us to complete the digitization of the Orange Leader Archives Online at the Portal to Texas History. By the end of 2013 all 240 rolls of microfilm will be available to the public at: http://texashistory.unt.edu. The issues cover late 1881 through August 1984.
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Library & Learning Center
Fall Hours:
Mon. thru Thurs. 7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Bookstore Fall Hours
Mon. 7:45 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Tues. thru Thurs. 7:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Fri. 7:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

LSC-O Distinguished Lecture Series
presents
Merril Hoge
Former NFL Star, Popular ESPN Analyst, and Cancer Survivor

"Find A Way!"
September 25, 2012
Lutcher Theater, 6:30 p.m.
This event is free and open to the public.
Get Involved!

LSC-O Quiz Bowl is looking for new players for 2012-2013! Quiz bowl is a game in which two teams compete head-to-head to answer questions from all areas of knowledge including history, literature, science, fine arts, current events, sports, and popular culture. Over the past 5 seasons, the LSCO Quiz Bowl team has traveled (at college expense) to tournaments in Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, and Tennessee. During the 2011-2012 season, the team experienced its most successful season yet, finishing 17th among community colleges nationwide, but most of the members of this team have now moved on to universities. Participation in quiz bowl is an excellent addition to your resume as you seek jobs in your fields or future educational opportunities. If you are interested in joining LSCO Quiz Bowl, and if you plan to be enrolled at LSCO through at least the Spring 2013 semester, please feel free to attend a practice session or discuss your interest with the team’s sponsor, Eric Owens (882-3385, AC 117A, eric.owens@lsco.edu). The team will be practicing, beginning August 27, on Mondays at 2:00 and Fridays at 12:00 in AC 124.

AITP (Association of Information Technology Professionals) will be kicking off the fall semester this month. Our student chapter welcomes all Information Technology and Computer Science majors!!! Look for information on our first meeting. We are also serving nachos at Student Appreciation Day!!

Calendar of Events:

* September 12: Student Appreciation Day
* September 25: Distinguished Lecture Series with Merril Hoge @ Lutcher Theater
  * September 30–October 7: Banned Books Week at the Library
  * October 30: Octoberfest
* November 22-23: Thanksgiving Break (Campus Closed)
  * November 28–Campus Spa Day

Michael Yeater, new Vice President of Student Services, began working on campus September 1. Before coming to LSC-O he served as the Director of the Academic Advising and Counseling Center at the Bryan campus of Blinn College. If you see him on campus, say hello!