UCO President Receives Distinguished Alumni Honor

UCO President W. Roger Webb was named one of six Oklahoma State University 2008 Distinguished Alumni Honorees. Webb graduated from OSU in 1963 with a bachelor's degree in history and went on to obtain his Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma in 1967. He was named the 19th President of UCO in 1997 and previously served as President of Northeastern State University.

UCO Announces Creation of First-ever ‘School Of Rock’

UCO recently announced the creation of the Academy of Contemporary Music at UCO (ACM@UCO), to be housed in the Oklahoma Hardware building in the Bricktown district of downtown Oklahoma City. In partnership with the Great Britain based Academy of Contemporary Music, ACM@UCO will provide a comprehensive range of experiences for students who aspire to a career in the music industry.

UCO Debate Team Wins Regional Championship Title

The UCO Debate Team brought home the championship title at Emporia State University's 53rd annual George R. R. Pflaum Debate Tournament. This year two teams of UCO students, Andy Casey with Chris Spurlock and Stacy Spomer with Avery Henry, made it to the semi-finals, with Casey and Spurlock coming out victorious as the tournament champions.

UCO Names 2008 Distinguished Alumni Honorees

The UCO Alumni Association recently recognized several outstanding alumni at the 2008 Alumni Recognition Ceremony. This year's honorees included: Distinguished Former Student winners Scott Booker, Ronald Corbin, Paul Donat, Pat Murphey Potts, and Kevin Ward; the John Kessler Spirit Award winner, Steve Kreidler; and the 2008 Family of the Year recipient, the George H. Hayhurst family.

Education Brings Political Process to Chisholm Elementary

The College of Education and Professional Studies recently partnered with the public school system to bring the election process inside the classroom to students at Chisholm Elementary. Led by UCO elementary education faculty members Dr. Pam Kuzminski, Dr. Darlinda Cassel, and Dr. Dan Vincent, the cooperative unit engaged third and fourth grade students in the political process through the production of election newspapers featuring stories composed by the students as part of their language arts course requirements.

UCO Employee Honored for Disability Awareness Efforts

Kim Fields, assistant director of Disability Support Services, was named by the Oklahoma City Mayor's Committee on Disability Concerns as the 2008 Public Personnel Employee of the year. The award is given annually to an individual who has made outstanding contributions toward the removal of social, attitudinal, and environmental barriers for people with disabilities in the public agency he or she is employed.

UCO Adventure Therapy Introduces Veterans to Paralympic Sport

UCO offers injured service men and women a unique way to stay active and competitive through its new Adventure Therapy program at the UCO Wellness Center. Through a $25,000 grant from the U.S. Olympic Committee's Olympic Opportunity grant program, the community-based Paralympic sport program has featured sessions in indoor archery, sitting volleyball, low ropes course, and judo. Future sessions are scheduled to include fencing, rowing, and soccer.