

## Cultural Diversity Course Offered

Cynthia Priddy

Beginning the Spring '97 semester, Lisa Duncan will be teaching a new course, Cultural Diversity, on Thursdays between 2:00 and 4:50 p.m. Mrs. Duncan says the course will ask:

\*What does "minority" mean?

\* What are prejudice and discrimination?

\* What is ethnicity?

The course will also investigate the Asian, African American, Hispanic, and Native American ethnic groups in North America, along with women's and disabled Americans' issues. Mrs. Duncan promises an educational and enlightening experience for all. For those graduating after May of 1997, it is also required for entrance to Henderson University. Considering OTC's relationship with Henderson, this would be a good time to take the Cultural Diversity course. It does not, however, take the place of Western Culture, nor is it intended to do so.

## WWW.OTC.TEC.AR.US

Yes, that is OTC's web address. Lloyd Melton, a CIS student, designed the OTC home page. From the home page, you can e-mail Dr. Martin or Dr. Azbell. You can also access the OTC computer use policies at [www.otc.tec.ar.us/rules.html](http://www.otc.tec.ar.us/rules.html). That's just one of the many changes OTC has experienced in the last few months. If you have not been in room four to see the distance learning lab, make sure you stop by before the semester is over. It is fully operational and

Calculus is not the only class offered via Distance Learning.

Room 39 has also enjoyed a major face lift. Not long ago, room 39 was a small engine repair shop; now it is a computer lab serving the Computer Information Systems program. It has two servers featuring four network operating systems: Novel 4.0, 3.12, Windows NT, and OS2 Warp. George Griep and Jerry Little, the CIS instructors, are very proud of their lab and would love to show you around. They do ask that you use the door leading from the parking lot so as to avoid disturbing classes in room 7 and the instructors in room 10.

Make sure you observe the computer use policies. With all the labs networked and loaded with McAfee, the administrators are beginning to keep a sharp eye on users, deducting lab points and restricting privileges, among other things, especially since Internet access is only months away.

Following is a copy of the OTC Computer Use Policies.

Users of OTC's information resources are expected to abide by the following policies.

1. Information technology resource usage is restricted to faculty, staff, and currently enrolled credit and non-credit students.
2. Network users will be allowed access to other networks and computers external to OTC. Because each network or system has its own set of policies and procedures, users must abide by the policies and procedures of network/systems both internal and external to OTC.
3. OTC does NOT assume liability for the improper use of its

information technology resources.

4. The content and maintenance of a user's electronic mail box is the user's responsibility. As such the user must

\*Check electronic mail on a regular basis, and delete unwanted messages immediately. Mailboxes on the OTC system will be cleaned on March and October 1 to conserve storage space. E-mail messages should be saved on disk or printed for record.

\* Never assume that e-mail messages are private; others may be able to read or access a user's mail.

5. The contents and maintenance of a user's storage space are the user's responsibility. As such, the user must:

\*Keep the number of files to a minimum.

\*Routinely check for viruses.

\* Not save any files in the "network" storage area. Information intended for individuals should be stored on a diskette and not on the network servers.

\*Keep privileged, confidential, or sensitive information from being disclosed for any purpose other than official OTC business.

6. Users may not:

\*Copy, rename, alter, examine, or delete the files or programs of another employee or an OTC department without written permission. All files and programs are the legal property of OTC.

\*Use a computer to interfere with individual and/or institutional rights, including, but not limited to:

1. The sending of abusive or otherwise objectional messages to others.

2. The sending of messages that are likely to result in the loss of the recipient's work or systems.

3. Any types of use which would cause congestion of the

network(s) or otherwise interfere with the work of others.

4. Use of computer resources for personal activities not related to the mission of OTC.

5. The posting of public service events not approved by the appropriate Dean.

\* Create, disseminate, or run self-replicating programs ("viruses"), whether destructive in nature or not.

\* Use computers maintained by OTC for non-college projects without approval from the supervising Dean.

\* Tamper with switch settings, move, reconfigure, or do anything that could damage files, terminals, computers, or other equipment.

\* Collect, read, or destroy output other than their own work without permission.

\*Use the computer account of another person with or without permission unless the account is designated for group work.

\* Copy any copyrighted software. Users should be aware that it is a criminal offense to copy any software that is protected by copyright.

\* Use licensed software in a manner inconsistent with the licensing agreement.

\* Translate binary files containing sexually explicit materials into graphical form in computer labs. Sexually explicit materials shall not be displayed on any OTC terminals, microcomputers, printers, or any other equipment.

\* Access or attempt to access a host computer, either at OTC or through a network, without the owner's permission.

\* Use log-in information belonging to another person.

\* Use OTC equipment for the purpose of playing non-instructional games.

\*Indiscriminately engage in talk sessions with On or off-campus sites.

7. No food or drinks are allowed in the Library/LRC or computer labs.

8. OTC reserves the right to close labs or curtail the use of computing facilities of the above policies and/or procedures are violated.

Remember and observe these policies and procedures so we all have technological resources. Also, keep in mind that these policies may be changing in the near future, so be sure to pick up future copies of the *OTC NEWS*, we will try to keep you posted.

## Library Needs Your Help

Library staff

Because the library has been short on help the last couple of months, we have changed our hours several times. This is difficult for students to have the library hours change, but we have learned something from our changes. We learned that after 3 p.m., the library seems to empty out, some students come in before their 6 p.m. classes, but there are virtually no students in the library between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. When we were open until 9 p.m., our statistics also showed there were very few patrons after 6 p.m. We also have very few students on Saturdays, and maybe we should not be open on Saturdays at all. We need your input on library hours. What hours would be most convenient and helpful to you for your

academic needs?

Please take a few minutes to fill out this form and drop it in the book-return basket just inside the library door. Your ideas would be very helpful to us in trying to plan hours that are the best for all students. Are there times you need the library before classes start in the morning?

2. How early would you like the library to open in the morning?

## COMMENTS

3. How many times have you used the library after 6:00 p.m. in the evening?

4. How late do you need (or would like to have) the library open in the evening?

## COMMENTS:

5. How many times have you used the library on Saturday mornings?

6. Would you use the library on Saturday (from 9 - 1) if we stayed open?

CURRENT NEWS



**Student Government Association,**  
from left: Von Micheal, Jeremy Weiss,  
Shari Roys, Julie Wilson, Amy Simmons  
not pictured, Bryan Launius



**PHI BETA LAMBDA,** from left:  
Bronte Richards, Tara Anderson  
Olga Jester, Lori Stafford, Julie  
wilson, and Mary Beth Willix

**SGA NEWS**

*Von Michael, President*

Recently, in October and within two weeks of our tornado, OTC's administration, staff, teachers, and even some family members had a campus cleanup. The campus looks great and the SGA wants to say "Thank You" for caring enough to give of your time and effort to give us a college in which we can take great pride.

If you weren't there, you missed it...the fun that is. The SGA Halloween Costume contest went over great, and there were several wonderful and creative costumes. Our winner, Karen Draper, won a fifty dollar gift certificate to Red Lobster. She dressed as a nun and did the best version of the "Macerena" that we have ever seen. SGA would also like to mention our second and third place winners. Second place was a tie between Mrs. Jessica Beard (as Raggedy Ann #1) and Mrs. Cathy Boyett (as Raggedy Ann #2). Third place went to Kim House, who thrilled the audience as Dolly Parton. If you weren't there you missed a great time, and a display of OTC finest talent.

Thanksgiving is at hand so we, (SGA) would like to offer a special thanks to several students, administrators, faculty, and staff members. The first 'Thanks' goes to the students for their time, patience, and efforts. I would personally like to "Thank" my fellow SGA officers, and our sponsors for a "Job well done". SGA's "Golden Thanks" has to go to our newspaper editor, Cindy Priddy for a great paper, for all of her patience with all of us in waiting for articles, and for the long hours and hard work she puts into continuing to try to improve the quality and content of the paper. If any of our reader's would like to help us with the paper, it would be greatly appreciated.

The Christmas Parade season is fast approaching. We have been invited to build and enter a float in two parades this year. The last week of November is the time set for the Magnet Cover Parade (Nov. 30th), and Malvern's Christmas Parade is scheduled for the first part of

December. We need your help, your imagination, and your support in order to make this year's float a successful venture. Volunteers please sign up at the SGA Office (Room 9) or you can just come by to visit and get more information.

Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas to all.



**Our second place winner is...**  
Mrs. Cathy Boyett and Mrs. Jessica Beard as  
Raggedy Annies.



**Are we hallucinating,** or is it the VILLAGE PEOPLE,  
as played by: Betty Lawless, Sheila Jenkins,  
Amber Lindsey, Linda Alexander, Rhonda Smith,  
and June Prince. Dr. Coomer (The Graduate) was  
supposed to be taking pictures, oh well...

**PBL News**

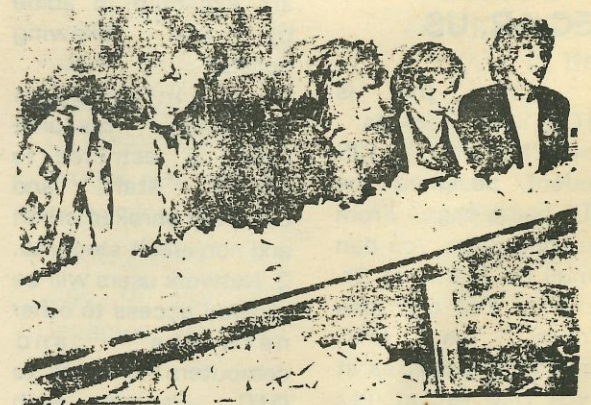
*Mary Beth Willix,  
President*

The recently held PBL Spaghetti Luncheon was well received.

A "Baker's Dozen" Cookie Contest is set for December 6th. The entrance fee is \$3.00 per entry. Cash awards (determined by number of entries) for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be given. Then the fun really begins as we will immediately sell all of the cookies and the proceeds will benefit the Arkansas Children's Hospital.

PBL is also planning a Beauty/Talent contest. The contest is for children twelve (12) years of age and younger. This event will be held in the OTC student center on December 8th, 1996, at 2:00 pm. Applications can be picked up at student services. (See Janyce Butler).

In the near future PBL will provide everyone the opportunity to learn CPR and how to respond in an emergency situation. It will be open to the general public and offered free of charge. Flyers announcing firm dates will be distributed at a later date.



CURRENT NEWS

**Phi Theta Kappa News**

staff

**NEW MEMBER INFO!**

An informal induction has been scheduled for December 5th. This will be on a Thursday at 3:30 p.m. All new members are requested to attend.

**RAFFLE**

Alpha Omega Sigma would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support in our recent fundraiser. The funds will be used to help send representatives to our regional convention. Again, to all who purchased tickets, a big THANK YOU!



**Black Student's Association**, from left: Janyce Butler, Ronald Morgan, Mary McNeely, Bronte Richardson, Linda Buck, Inga Weaver, and advisors: Lynette Smith, Lisa Duncan, Zelma Jones



**PHI THETA KAPPA**, from left: Lynda Willingham, April Goyne, Kelly Beverage, Shari Roys, Tara Anderson

**Curb Service**

Karen Draper  
SNA President

On October 17, the Central Arkansas Development Commission's Head start program was visited by OTC's Student Nurses' Association. The nurses-to-be took the children's vital signs, which included checking blood pressure, respiration, temperature, and pulse (heart rate). The children were taught proper hygiene and the importance of hand washing. Stickers and lollipops were given to all the children. The SNA appreciates all opportunities to expand our practical knowledge.

OTC's Student Nurses' Association attended the Arkansas Licensed Practical Nurses' Association conference in Fort Smith on October 18.

Twenty-seven students and two advisors attended in-depth seminars: Dealing with Children's Deficits, and The Modernization of Dealing with Cancer.

The trip went well, except for when one of the drivers tried to run over the milkman. We won't discuss our getting lost. Well, some of us knew where we were going, just not the lead driver. The trip was definitely a learning experience. WE would like to thank the SGA for helping sponsor our trip, and OTC for letting us use the school van. Mrs. Costello has given us a whole new definition of 'curb service'.

**"Soon Sit Down"**

Cynthia Priddy

Anyone who has been anywhere near a bulletin board on campus these past few weeks has seen the pamphlet put out by the new organization on campus, the Black Student's Association. September 19th, the BSA hosted a luncheon featuring Dr. Emma Rhodes.

The luncheon was attended by approximately 60 people, including members of the Confederation of Black Students, BSA's sister organization at Henderson, and several people of various stature from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. The luncheon was a great success, and the vast lunch offered, sponsored by SGA, was devoured almost entirely.

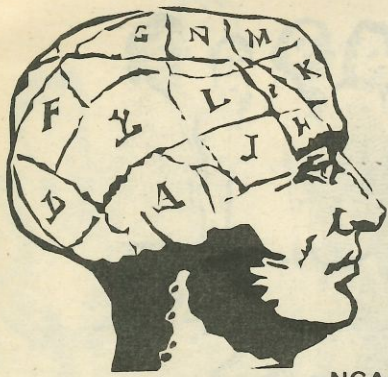
Shortly after lunch was served, Lisa Duncan was introduced and spoke briefly of her Cultural Diversity class being offered next spring. Following Mrs. Duncan, Dr. Rhodes was introduced to an eager crowd, and she opened her lecture by thanking the BSA for inviting her. She then urged her audience to review the BSA pamphlet provided, and continued to refer to it

throughout her speech. She mentioned her father several times during the course of the luncheon, quoting him on the finer details of speech making. "Stand up, that you might be seen. Speak up, that you might be heard, and soon sit down, that you might be appreciated." This received gales of laughter, as was much of the rest of her speech.

Dr. Rhodes made several important points in the course of her speech. She said "Be aware. the majority of Americans seem to be asleep. Be Aware of the times we are living in. Be aware of the attitudes of those around you. Be aware of the needs of those around you. And be aware of the differences of those around you." Referring to the course on cultural diversity, Dr. Rhodes said that it was "so important regardless of the programs offered." She followed, saying, "All of us are in this thing together." She urged everyone present to be aware of who they were, what they were charged to do, and where they were assigned to serve. She also emphasized knowing why we serve one another, saying, "It must be for more than a

paycheck." Dr. Rhodes returned to supporting the fledgling BSA when she closed her speech. Perseverance, empathy, and synergy were the qualities she encouraged the BSA to strive toward. The crowd murmured and shifted, like a congregation on Sunday morning, when she reminded her audience, "We were not always where we are," citing a childhood in a shotgun house.

After she finished speaking, her audience lined up to speak with her and shake her hand. She promised Mrs. Myers, the director of OTC's Library/Learning Resource Center that she would come back to autograph her latest book, I Thought I Could.



**BRAIN TEASER**

Pat Simms

As promised, the winners of our first two brain teasers have won wonderful, fabulous trips and cash prizes beyond their wildest dreams. Joan Mooney and Darrell Boles, come on down! Okay, so they won OTC mugs and their fifteen minutes fame as predicted by Andy Warhol. Still, the mugs are great, and not everybody can get their name in the paper.

The solution to last month's problem is this:

The amounts of milk in each container are:

a. (12,0,0) initial condition: 12 liter bucket filled, others empty.

b. (4,8,) fill the 8 liter bottle fully from the twelve liter bucket.

c. (4,3,5) fill the five liter bottle from the 8 liter bottle.

d. (9,3,0) empty the five liter bottle into the twelve liter bucket.

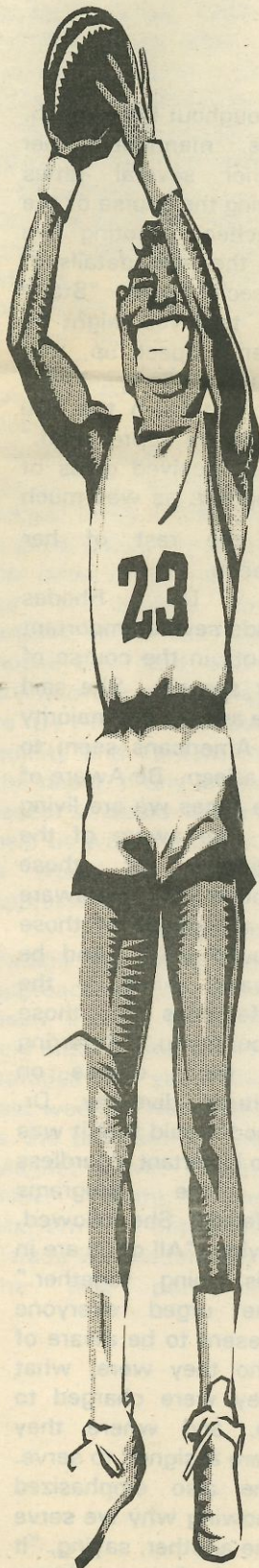
e. (9,0,3) pour the three liters of milk from the eight liter bottle into the five liter bottle.

f. (1,8,3) fill up the eight liter bottle from the twelve liter bucket leaving one liter behind.

g. (1,6,5) fill the five liter bottle by decanting two liters from the eight liter bottle into the twelve liter bucket and you have (6,6,0) liters for the men to share.

Are you ready, sports fans? Here's the Teaser for next month.

There are four NCAA Division I schools whose mascots do NOT end with the letter 's.' Can you name them?



**HELP WANTED ARTISTS NEEDED!**

Calling all artists! The *OTC NEWS* is looking for people to submit artwork, comic strips, and panel cartoons. All artwork will remain the property of the artist. For more information, please contact John Wescott at (501) 332-3722, or talk to one of the friendly *OTC NEWS* staff.

*OTC NEWS* is in desperate need of typists, sports writers, campus news columnists, layout editors, ad sales people, and general help. No need to apply, just show up in the SGA office and say, "I've got six minutes between classes; give me something to do," or talk to an SGA officer, or Cindy Priddy. Experience is not necessary, and typists need only be familiar with what a keyboard looks like.

**ROOMMATE WANTED**

\$110 per month, split utilities. Contact Bryan Launius. (Leave message in SGA office)



goofiness? SGA needs students to attend meetings, bringing fresh ideas and effort. We have a new executive council, and with many activities already planned, 1997 promises to be a **HUGE** success. It's *YOUR* Student Government. You joined when you signed up for classes at OTC. Make the most of your college years. Be an active SGA member.

**IF YOU DON'T MIND LATE NIGHTS**

eating, drinking, and making merry, then SGA is for you. OTC's Student Government Association has a mission for you, should you choose to take it. While it's not all fun and games, we need your input. Do you want a ping pong table in the student center? More cookouts? Do you have ten minutes to work on the float for the Christmas parade? Do you want to ride on the float? Would you like to help raise funds for the library, the road trip we have planned next spring, or general

the basement, or worse yet, in photo albums that will damage or fade your photographs.

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