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Have a Passion for Writing?

Here's your chance to both pursue your passion and earn service hours. The communications department needs students to write for this newsletter, the website, the

Floor War Fun!

by Teegan Smith

Coach Vossen hosted the first section of Floor Wars on Monday, Aug. 23, pitting the various floors of B and D tower against each other in fun



OKC Friday newspaper and social media.

We can also use photographers and artists!

If you're interested, contact Ms. Waters at linda.waters@ossm.edu or Anusha Fathepure at anusha.fathepure@ossm.edu.

Cadfish Meeting

There will be an informational meeting about the OSSM FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) robotics team, CADfish, on Thursday, September 2, at 6:30 pm in the MAC Reading Room headed by Dr. Underwood. All are welcome. Come and find out about the team and FTC!

Interest Fair

Make sure to check out the interest fair in the Great Hall this Thursday, Sept. 2, after dinner to learn about all the cool interest groups offered at OSSM!

Extended Weekend

Remember there's an extended weekend following last academic requirements this coming Friday. Classes resume on Tuesday.

activities such as tug-of-war, free throws, frisbee toss, and an outdoor water activity. The competition was intense, but Professor Wilkins' D1 came through with the overall win.

Tessa Hart, junior, says "I want to congratulate D1 for winning, but watch for D2 next year, we're coming for you."

Tessa is just one of my many juniors who was able to compete against fellow classmates for the bragging rights of winning OSSM's annual floor competitions. As she mentioned, her floor didn't win, but she is determined for next year.

One of the seniors, Zach Wagner, said "My favorite part about it was seeing the juniors and seniors coming together and having a good bonding moment, it was like a good ice-breaker. The OSSM community is coming together already."

Two days later, the second section of Floor Wars started with a cataclysmic game of tug-of-war. All of the A tower and C tower residents went head to head, toe to toe, neck and neck in different activities like Frisbee Toss and Free Throws. Many shots were missed and many frisbees tossed nowhere near the goal, but ultimately Coach B's A1 took the steak (sauce)!

One of the A1 juniors, Mohammad Mian, had something to say about the event. "I expected our floor to win, but it was much closer than I thought it would be. It was more competitive than I thought and I think we could have won tug-of-war if we had more people."

Jordan Keast, a judge, chimed in with an observation during the competition, stating that "The B and D towers didn't seem as passionate in the beginning, but in the end they did better than the A and C towers in the free-throw event."



Dr. Wang and OSSM Students pictured with artist Tom Shannon

OSSM Students at Science Museum Sculpture Unveiling

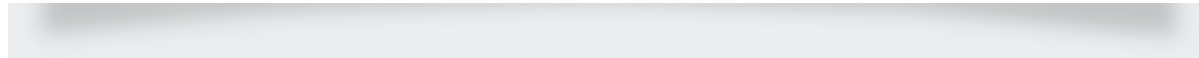
by Anusha Fathepure

Dr. Wang, accompanied by OSSM students, was invited by Science Museum Oklahoma for the unveiling of 'Finity,' a reflective geometric sculpture created by artist Tom Shannon. The sculpture was created in memory of philanthropist John Kilpatrick.

When asked the inspiration behind the geometric construction, Shannon said, "It's a sculpture made of shapes that have existed throughout eternity, and that's what makes it special."

Because of Finity's size, the sculpture's big unveiling came when it was revealed the sculpture could move by Christian Keesee, Kilpatrick's grandson. Senior Kai Virani almost came close to ruining the whole surprise. "I was talking to Tom Shannon, and he told me to go ahead and push it, so I almost became the first person to push the sculpture and make it slide," she said with a laugh.

Junior Thrisha Duggisetty described the event as a "unique experience." She found it "really interesting to learn about the history of the sculpture and the artist behind it."



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