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Thursday, Jan. 31,
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Monday, Feb. 4,
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LU Men's Basketball
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Monday, Feb. 4,
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Langston, Okla.

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Convenient store replaces Burger King franchise at LU

By Kayla Jones
Editor

Upon returning to Langston University for the spring 2013 semester, students, faculty and staff might have come back to campus a little shocked – Burger King was no longer a business in the William H. Hale Student Success Center.

In place of Burger King is a small convenient store, which was moved to the former Burger King location from the Langston Retail Plaza.

Dominique Alexander, junior health administration major, said she wouldn't mind the convenient store, but it's just too expensive.

"One package of Ramen noodles was \$2!" Alexander said. "WOW is too expensive, too, and the food is not worth it."

Da'Rius Oden, senior communication major, said he was disappointed to see the fast-food restaurant go.

"When I first learned about Burger King being gone, I thought, 'So what else are we going to eat? Surely not WOW (World of Wings) every day,'" Oden said.

Brandon D. Smith, senior criminal justice and corrections major, said he thought the sudden change from



Photo by Kayla Jones

This convenient store is now open for business in the William H. Hale Student Success Center. The store moved from the Langston Retail Plaza and replaced the Burger King franchise.

Burger King to the convenient store was surprising and irritating.

"I think it's unprofessional to just close it down," Smith said. "You just put a convenient store in there and it's not even organized. And WOW

doesn't give you many options."

Joseph Barnes, general manager at Sodexo, said the Burger King franchise wasn't making any money on

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School of Physical Therapy plans for annual White Coat Ceremony

By Da'Rius Oden
Staff Writer

Spring semester brings prestigious honor for those who major in the School of Physical Therapy.

"The White Coat Ceremony symbolizes my dreams finally becoming a reality," said Julie Hancox, freshman physical therapy major. "This ceremony is

an act by Langston University and the School of Physical Therapy saying that they have confidence in us, a future professional, as Doctors of Physical Therapy. It is an exciting commencement into my personal life."

The gathering of first-year students to receive their white coats is a rite of passage and privilege led

by Dr. Aliya Chaudry.

Erin Fondel, freshman physical therapy major, said it's a true honor and blessing to be able to receive her white coat.

"I will be able to do what I love every day," Fondel said. "Not everyone is able to say that. It's the official beginning of my new journey and road to becoming a physical therapist.

Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), these future doctors follow suit and must pass the National Physical Therapy Examination for licensure of at least 90 percent.

According to the LU

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Tragedy or conspiracy?

Student discusses Sandy Hook shooting

The Sandy Hook shooting was a wake-up call to many Americans.

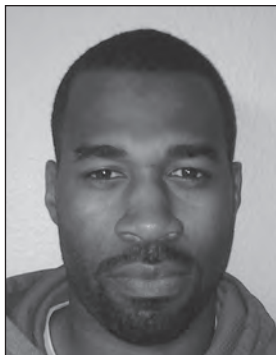
Guns have been used to hurt or kill innocent bystanders in past years, leaving people to question and lose faith in all humanity.

The Sandy Hook shooting took place in Newton, Conn. on Dec. 14, 2012, where Adam Lanza entered the school, armed with three to four guns. He shot and killed 20 children and six staff members and then ultimately killed himself.

Lanza originally was reported having three hand guns and one assault rifle and then more facts proved that he had four hand guns. But when the medical examiner had difficulty answering some questions, it raised a lot of eyebrows and speculations.

James Tracy, an associate professor at Florida Atlantic University, took it upon himself to dig further and uncover more details about the Sandy Hook shooting because he didn't think the incident happened as reported.

Tracy was suspicious about the medical examiner's explanations to the murders.



Woods

"And yet, he is at a loss with regards to actually being able to describe in detail what took place in this mass post mortem," Tracy said.

The medical examiner said the assault rifle was the main gun used to kill the victims, when later evidence revealed that the assault rifle was in the trunk of Lanza's car.

Lanza drove his mother's car, which then was discovered that the car did not belong to his mother. The license plate number was linked to Christopher A. Rodia.

Nancy Lanza is Adam Lanza's mother, and was reported to be a kindergarten teacher; however, she was not a teacher at all.

Tracy also said on his blog, "One is left to inquire whether the Sandy Hook shooting ever took place—at least in the way

law enforcement authorities and the nation's news media have described."

Tracy also thinks the government and or media could have worked together to "dupe" the public by using crisis actors, and because we (the public) were not there, we can only believe it because we have no real evidence. Tracy thinks the parents of the victims were crisis actors as well.

A Newton resident, Gene Rosen, claimed to rescue six children who escaped from a teacher's Mrs. Soto's, classroom and took them inside of his house. When later reported that the children who tried to escape Mrs. Soto's class were shot and killed.

Rosen is a member of the Screen Actors Guild. Rosen also claimed to look at the casualty list, to check the name of deaths, about 6 p.m. for names of children who were in his home, but the casualty list wasn't available until two days after the shooting.

Parents of the victims showed unusual body language in multiple interviews. After losing a child, some of the parents lacked certain emotions linked to grieving mo-

ments.

Robbie Parker, father to Emilie Parker who was reported to be shot and killed, was spotted laughing and smiling before an interview.

He asked the camera crew if they were ready, then proceeded to dramatically "get into" character of someone who was very sad and hurt. He took a couple of deep breaths, then added a sad look to his face.

Emilie was also seen in pictures after the shooting with President Barack Obama.

All of these events raised many suspicions to the Sandy Hook shooting.

Tracy may have valid reasons and facts to believe the shooting was fake.

As Americans, we need to take it upon ourselves to look further into detail and not be naïve to the sensitive subjects.

I think there are too many missing pieces in the puzzle to believe the Sandy Hook shooting really happened.

The media is a gift and a curse. How will it serve purpose to your life?

Talibb Woods is a senior broadcast journalism major.

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Library offers Microsoft Office Suite workshops during month of February

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The workshops are scheduled throughout a four-week period and will occur three times each week.

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creased career satisfaction.

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The workshops will start Monday, Feb. 4 and end Wednesday, Feb. 27; meeting each week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 7 to 8 p.m.

The core components of Microsoft Office Suite— Word, PowerPoint and Excel—will be covered.

The fourth week will allow participants to come back and ask



questions about any of the previous sessions. All materials will be provided, including a computer.

For questions about the workshops, call Clarence Harkins Jr.,

electronic resources support staff member, at 405-466-3292.

All workshops will be held in Room 201. All are welcomed to attend, with no registration required.

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website, Langston University's School of Physical Therapy has a graduation rate of 100 percent.

This perfect success rate has lasted for three years and has produced an employment rate of about 90 percent.

The annual White Coat Ceremony will be held at 5 p.m. Feb. 15 in the Atrium.

For more information, call 405-466-3697.

For more information on accreditation of physical therapy programs, visit the American Physical Therapy Association website at www.apta.org.

The Following is a list of students who will receive their white coat at the annual ceremony:

- Preston Brown
- Alisa Cooper
- Amina Fix
- Erin Fondel
- Austin Greaves
- Julie Hancox
- Ashley Howard
- Taylor Marcum
- Tiara Martin-Thompson
- Tony Morakot
- Rachelle Ridge
- Yasmeen Shumate
- Craig Stewart
- Jessica White

BURGER KING

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the LU campus; therefore, Burger King wasn't profitable for this particular size of campus.

The franchise signs a contract with the university every year, stating how much money should be made, which is based on the size of the university or community.

Ruth Maggie, district manager at Sodexo, said the population at Langston University could not support a Burger King. She said Burger King required too much sales for the population size at LU.

"We tried it for a year and a half, but could not make it successful," Maggie said.

However, the decision was not taken lightly.

"Burger King requires a lot of franchise fees and royalties, so the best option was to close it," Maggie said. "Discussion has been going on for a while (on) whether to close or not, so we finally came to a point where it had to happen."



Photo by Kayla Jones

An LU student purchases a bag of chips at the new convenient store in the Student Success Center. The store replaced the Burger King franchise at the beginning of the spring 2013 semester.

Jamal Shoefore, junior computer design major, said he was sad to see Burger King go.

"I personally don't like it because Burger King was the only fast-food place," Shoefore said. "I liked it and now we don't have any choices except the cafeteria, which is OK."

Some students are now left wondering if the con-

venient store will stay in Burger King's spot, or if another restaurant will take its place.

Smith said he hopes to see a pizza place, Subway or McDonald's replace Burger King.

"We have to drive off campus for all three of those, and some people don't have transportation to do that," Smith said.

Two students may have chance to help host The Oscars in LA

By Darrell Strong
Staff Writer

Two of Langston University's own are in the running to win "The Oscars Experience College Search," through their dedication and hard work in the filmmaking process.

Senior Broadcast Journalism major Julian Jackson and Senior Business Management major Mauricio Griffin are the tandems who brought to life a "21 Elements" production of "The Climax," a film that shows that every action has a consequence.

Griffin gave his thoughts on what it meant to be considered for the competition.

"It would mean everything to be under the same roof with my film heroes," he said.

Jackson and Griffin have been working on films together since their freshman year in 2009. What brought these two together was their passion and love of film. What makes them different is their inspirations and what drew them to film.

"This (film) was the perfect way for me to express my views of the world ...it's a lot of fun making fun of the wrong things in the world," Jackson said.

Griffin tributes his love of film to a part of his growing up.

"When I was 14 years old, my mother introduced me to 'The Young and The Restless' and that year they had the most African-Americans in a soap opera ever, and that made me say, 'Hey, I can do that,'" Griffin said.

Both men realize the possibility of losing in this competition.

"If we win this compe-

tion we'll be able to network with other actors and try to gain support for future films but, if we do not get the support and lose, then we'll bust down the door and make our own way into the business," Jackson said.

Griffin also keeps high hopes, whether they win or lose.

"If we lose then we will still do what we love, which is film, but if we win then we're in (Los Angeles) kicking it with Denzel," Griffin said.

The two men also have an upstart production company which is "21 Elements," spearheaded by Jackson.

Whether or not they win the award, they're both in agreement that it will give "21 Elements" much-needed exposure.

Terry Haynes, junior broadcast journalism major and fellow "21 Elements" member, said he sees the nomination as a sign of the hard work paying off.

"We are constantly grinding and working on projects to get better at our craft," Haynes said. "The nomination is great because now we ('21 Elements') have something to build on."

The two men will find out if they won Feb. 8. If they win, they will be flown to LA and will have the opportunity to help host part of The Oscars with actor, Seth McFarland. McFarland is the creator of popular shows such as "Family Guy" and films such as "Ted."

"The feeling is indescribable," Jackson said, regarding the opportunity to host the event. "It will be like a dream come true, but only the beginning."

Some of their projects and films can be viewed on LU Channel 97.



Photo by Kayla Jones

Julian Jackson (left) and Mauricio Griffin are proud to be nominated for "The Oscars Experience College Search" competition. They will know if they win Feb. 8.

Students take it easy



Photo by Kayla Jones

Langston University students take a break from classes to play pool, watch TV and rest in the game room, which is located in the Student Success Center.

New chef promotes healthy eating, brings fresh changes to cafeteria

By **Brittany Kendrick**
Staff Writer

Chef Dave Cordova, the new executive chef for Langston University, arrived Nov. 1 from Modesto, Calif., ready for a great challenge.

Cordova said he decided to come to LU for the honorary HBCU history, along with the challenge to please the LU student body's tastebuds.

Cordova has taken this challenge head-on and he is determined to continue taking the LU café in an uphill direction.

The café has had an ongoing history of mediocre food and service, so Cordova has teamed up with the cooks to revise the menu and bring a tasty change.

"Unlike the past, healthy choices will become top priority," Cordova said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the leading causes of illnesses and

death in African Americans are heart disease, cancer and stroke.

Chef Cordova said he recognizes this trend and wants to incorporate healthy options to promote good brain and body health.

LU students have already noticed change and seem to be pleased by a better quality and freshness.

"I have noticed a big change in the freshness of lettuce and fruit options," said R.L. Wilson, sophomore business management major.

"Breakfast, pizza and meats have also improved for the better," Wilson said.

He added that he is looking forward to different options in the future such as "a variety of drink choices, desert options and specials for the day."

Today, it is easier to grab fast-food from McDonalds or Burger King rather than prepare a healthy meal.

"Our society is an instant

"Chef Cordova wants to accommodate students as well as improve the quality of the foods we put out."

— *Chef Deon, Langston University cook*

gratification society," Cordova said.

So, Cordova said, he wants to bring items such as fresh sautéed foods, low cholesterol stir fry, lettuce wraps and Caesar salads made to order.

Chef Deon, a cook for the café, recognizes the professionalism that Cordova brings to the atmosphere and appreciates all the experience Cordova shares with his staff to make the café a future model for oth-



Photo by Kayla Jones

Chef Dave Cordova is excited to be the new executive chef for the Langston University cafeteria. Cordova is preparing the LU cafeteria for better, tastier food as well as more healthy choices.

er institutions.

"Working for Chef Dave is like a kid on Christmas," Deon said.

Deon has been cooking for restaurants for more than 15 years and embraces Cordova for chasing positive change.

"Chef Cordova wants to accommodate students as well as improve the quality

of the foods we put out," Deon said.

Cordova said he has big dreams to reach students who have a desire to lose weight on their road to being healthier.

Cordova is now looking into promoting a weight-watchers club to motivate and educate students on healthy living.

Is 9 O'clock Still too Early to Have to Leave the Library?

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- 1 Avoid processed foods.
- 2 Eat more vegetables, fruits, legumes and whole grains.
- 3 Eat moderate (smaller) portions.
- 4 Drink plenty of water!
- 5 Limit refined foods.
- 6 Eat a variety of whole, fresh foods.
- 7 Eat more slowly.
- 8 Don't eat when you're stressed!
- 9 Get some exercise every day. Even if it means just walking to class.
- 10 Eat several small meals instead of three large ones.

www.natural-health-guide.com

New bar in Guthrie open for business

By Kayla Jones
Editor

There is a new place for Langston University students to go that's off campus and full of fun.

A new bar in Guthrie called "It's Eddie's Time" offers drinks, pool tables and a place to hang out.

Eddie Brown, owner of the establishment, is from Oklahoma City. Brown, however, was originally known for a different type of business and didn't know he'd eventually own a bar.

"Well, I'm actually in the flooring business," Brown said. "I install carpet and tile. Then an opportunity came up about the bar and I took it," he said.

"It's Eddie Time" was originally named "Muddy Waters," but the bar closed in 2010 and has been vacant since.

Brown said he wants the bar to cater to all types of people of different backgrounds and races.

"I want the bar to cater to nice family people, single people, couples. (I want them) to come and enjoy music. Plus, we're a nonsmoking bar," Brown said.

When it comes to his



Photo by Kayla Jones

A new bar in Guthrie, "It's Eddie's Time," has several pool tables as well as dart boards.

future plans for the bar/club, the sky is the limit, he said.

He wants to be able to reach different types of people in the surrounding areas. The bar has all kinds of things to offer the public.

"We're going to wine and dine our guests," Brown said. "We have pool tables (and) darts if people want to throw (them). We also plan on getting an Xbox 360 installed in the bar," he said.

Brown said it's just a matter of time before all his ideas are made into reality.

"By the summer, I guarantee you any and all celebrities will be here," he said.

The bar is still in its remodeling stages, but it is open to the public. Brown has owned the building for about three months and the bar has been open for about a month.

The bar is open to all those who are 21 or older.

It is open seven days a week from 2 p.m. to 2 a.m.

If you're looking for a fun night or somewhere to take a date, check out "It's Eddie Time," located at 719 W. Noble Ave.



Photo by Kayla Jones

Owner Eddie Brown (right) stands behind the bar while making drinks to serve his customers at his new establishment, "It's Eddie's Time." The bar is located at 719 W. Noble Ave.

The 'Legends' begin



Photo by Nicole Turner

"Legends" is a new bar and grill in Guthrie, located at 3819 S. Division St. The restaurant opened Jan. 23.

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5 p.m.	Movie: Message in a Bottle
Tuesday	
5 p.m.	Movie: The Bodyguard
Wednesday	
5 p.m.	Movie: Braveheart
Thursday	
5 p.m.	Movie: Boyz in the Hood
Friday	
5 p.m.	Movie: The Bourne Supremacy

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5 p.m.	Movie: The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King

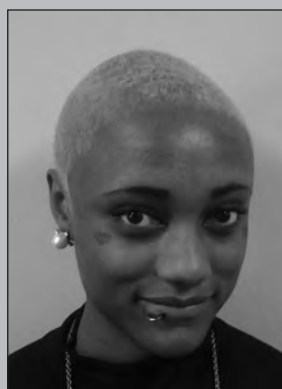
Question of the Week

*Langston University has had many changes during the 2012-2013 school year.
What is your favorite change, or how have the changes affected you?*



"I just wish they still had Burger King, because it created more options for the students."

Shaquille Anderson,
sophomore English
education major



"I like the convenient store because of the snacks."

Ce'Aira Brown,
freshman drafting
and design major



"You got to keep a fresh cut, so the barber shop is the best thing to me."

Marcus McDowell,
junior criminal justice
major



"The president. He's a really nice guy. He's always active and he's always out interacting with the students."

Destiney Eckles,
senior physical
education major



"The convenient store because it offers other products besides food."

Mercedes Pearson,
sophomore
corrections major

Track team looks forward to successful spring season

By Craig Murray
Staff Writer

The Langston University track and field teams have been known for many achievements.

Most recently, these accolades have been achieved under the coaching of Jimmy Hilliard.

"I've learned many things to help me produce superb athletes," Hilliard said.

Hilliard began his coaching career in 1991 and he said that he has produced several All-American track stars during those years.

He enjoys seeing "people achieve goals they set or didn't realize they could achieve."

But like anything else, there are hardships.

Hilliard said he dislikes negative energy and people who don't believe in themselves.

Coaching for about 22 years, Hilliard said he has a solid

theory behind his techniques, which is experience.

"I use the knowledge I've gained from working with several different successful athletes and apply it to my athletes," Hilliard said.

He anticipates a successful upcoming season this spring.

The team has completed three meets so far. They have been to Texas Tech University, Missouri State University, the University of Central Oklahoma and they will compete in the next meet at New Mexico College on Feb. 1.

"So far our season is going good, we still have a lot of stuff we need to work on," said Darion Sherese, a freshman track team member from Oklahoma City.

Hilliard said the team is a little behind from their normal pace but, with that being said, they will have some work to do.

"We are young, but we're getting there," Hilliard added.



Courtesy Photo
Lauren Corbitt (2nd from left), LU track team member, receives a relay baton from teammate Dearra McNeal (3rd from left) in an indoor track meet.



Track and Field Schedule

Date

Feb. 9

Feb. 15

Feb. 28-March 2

March 16

March 23

March 30

April 6

April 14-15

April 20

April 27

May 2

May 9

May 23-25

Meet

OBU

Nebraska Tune-Up

NAIA Indoor National Championship

Tulsa Duels

Bobby Lane Invitational

Oklahoma Baptist University

North Texas Classic

Red River Athletic Conference Championship

Ole Miss

Southwestern Relays

Arkansas Twilight

Oklahoma Baptist Last Chance

NAIA Outdoor National Championship

Location

Norman, Okla.

Lincoln, Neb.

Geneva, Ohio

Tulsa, Okla.

Arlington, Texas

Shawnee, Okla.

Denton, Texas

Fort Worth, Texas

Oxford, Miss.

Winfield, Kan.

Fayetteville, Ark.

Shawnee, Okla.

Marion, Ind.