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Upcoming Dates

Third Annual
Breast Cancer
Walk

6:39 p.m., Oct. 1,
LU Track Field

Third Annual
Breast Cancer
Reception

7:39 p.m., Oct. 1,
Atrium

Purple Thursday
T-Shirt Drive

11 a.m.-1 p.m.,
Oct. 3,
Student Success
Center

Orange & Blue
Pageant

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I.W. Young
Auditorium

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Crews build new LUPD



Photo by Aaron Parker

Construction crews work on the new Langston University Police Department. Construction on the new building is scheduled for completion in early 2014. See story on page 3.

University recruits largest freshman class since 2009

By Charles Granger
Staff Writer

With more than 600 freshmen enrolled this fall, Langston University has its largest freshman class since 2008.

LU is making major changes, which started with recruiting efforts.

The university began using a program called

"Royale," where students could participate in online applications.

Another technique that LU is using is building relationships with the freshmen by staying connected with them through phone calls and emails, said Mark Vaughn, assistant director of admissions.

With such a big freshman class, the possibilities

of challenges, good or bad, may come up.

"Some of the challenges include classroom space, which is a good challenge to have," Vaughn said.

Each administrative department faces different challenges, but it is the admissions office's job, he said, to process the information of each student.

The adviser's job is to

work hands-on with the students.

"Making sure all the freshmen are going to class and having the correct contact information is the adviser's biggest challenge," said Nate Jones, freshman adviser.

However, Dalton Anderson, a freshman from

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Question of the Week

Do you think collegiate athletes should be compensated financially for the amount of time they put into their individual sports?



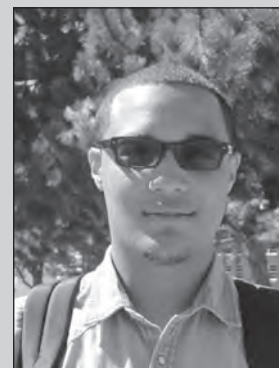
"If students are getting full-ride scholarships, then they shouldn't be compensated. But, if they are not receiving a full ride, they should be compensated."

Devin Wilson,
senior English major



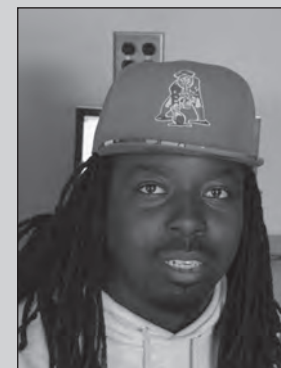
"Because they don't have a lot of time to get a job, I think they should at least be compensated so they can live their lives as well."

Tyree Reed,
senior business major



"I think they should because a lot of athletes don't come from a wealthy background. They are working hard on sports, but don't have time to work outside of their sports."

Kyle Lewis,
senior biology major



"Athletes playing for a Division I school should be compensated because of all the money they generate for those high-profile athletic programs."

Kevin Gold,
senior broadcast
journalism major

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Aaron Parker

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University Police Department gets new station on campus

By Jarrod Mitchell
and Deneeka Hill
Staff Writers

Construction has begun on a new Langston University police station.

Frank Atkinson, chief of police, said the projected completion date is January 2014.

"We want to have it done by January, but it is a construction project, and weather and other things could delay the progress," Atkinson said.

Currently, the police department is located in Young Hall.

"Where we're housed now is not compatible for police work," Atkinson said. "(Young Hall is) temporary police quarters for the police department.

"There were already construction plans before I was hired for this position," he added.

Ruben Oliver, contract manager at LU, said construction on the new building began about seven months ago.

"... We're about 50 percent into the project," Oliver said. "Langston has never had a police department, we just hope everyone appreciates it. We want our students, faculty and visitors to feel safe."

According to the LU website, the LUPD is committed to the service of providing a safe and secure environment

to preserve and promote educational growth and development within the LU community.

Some students on campus are glad to know that LUPD will have its own building now.

"The police department is too important for them to just throw it in Young Hall," said Ja'Nore Scott, a sophomore criminal justice major.

"I think it's a good idea and it looks better for the school," Scott said.

Construction of a new police station has been an idea in the works for several years.

Oliver said the university was awarded a grant to help with the construction of the new facility.

The new station will include a storm shelter that can hold up to 1,200 people. It will also include golf carts for quicker transportation and holding rooms for males and females.

"Where we're housed now is not compatible for police work."

— Frank Atkinson,
chief of police

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Coyle, was surprised by all of the people who attended freshman orientation.

He said there weren't even enough seats for everyone.

LU is working toward topping this fall freshman class number by an early acceptance incentive for next spring.

Students who take ad-

vantage of early enrollment in December will receive a gift from the university.

Also, university recruiters are making plans to travel more to the West Coast and visit more high schools, Vaughn said.

However, having all the students may be exciting and good for the school.

The most important challenge is to retain every student and provide a quality education, Vaughn said.



Photo by Aaron Parker

This is the future location of the Langston University Police Department. The university received a grant to help construct the new facility. The expected completion is early 2014.

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Langston first lady hosts dinner to support sisterhood on campus

By **Andria Morgan**
Staff Writer

Langston University First Lady Tiffany Hill-Smith hosted "Dinner with the First Lady" on Sept. 26, in the basement of the President's White House.

Hill-Smith held the dinner in hopes of working toward a greater support network on campus by emphasizing the importance of sisterhood and sustaining one another.

"I have to admit, I do have a passion for helping and encouraging young ladies, and I do like to give back to our female students," Hill-Smith said.

Guest speaker, State Representative Anastasia Pittman, spoke to the ladies about the three factors to success: managing time wisely, knowing that everyone has the right equipment to be successful and setting goals.

Pittman made it known to all of the women who at-

tended the dinner that she was available to them as a friend and mentor.

She shared her contact information and gave them permission to contact her whenever, 24/7.

"We're friends at midnight... When family calls, family comes," Pittman said.

There were words of wisdom shared, jokes and laughs.

"When you have many generations of women in one room, be prepared for something beautiful to happen," said Niva Grayson, junior broadcast journalism major.

Hill-Smith held the three-course dinner for the first 50 LU female students to sign up online and also female leaders from various campus organizations.

Also, Asha Jones, Aisha Moffet and Trena Byas attended as distinguished guests, who are also invested in women's leadership at Langston University.



Photos by Doristina Moncriste

First Lady Tiffany Hill-Smith speaks to several female LU students at the "Dinner with the First Lady" event. The first 50 women to register online were able to attend the dinner, which was held Sept. 26, in the President's White House.



Tiffany Hill-Smith invites distinguished guests and friends to the event "Dinner with the First Lady." The dinner encouraged female students, faculty and staff to network and support one another. Pictured from left are Aisha Moffet, Asha Jones, State Rep. Anastasia Pittman, Hill-Smith, Trena Byas and Dr. Jennifer Williams-Molock.



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Stay Tuned for 'STAY TUNED'

Students host news show, get hands-on experience

By Vaneesha Reed
Contributing Writer

"Stay tuned for 'STAY TUNED!'" Students can hear this chant campus-wide.

"Stay Tuned" is Langston University's premier news show, which covers various subjects from local and world news, to campus events, weather and much more.

"This is something you haven't seen in the past," said Nehemiah Taylor, public relations representative for "Stay Tuned."

"You will see students who will give you world news in less than 15 minutes," he said.

Founder of 'Stay Tuned' James Scott has worked hard to see the vision of the show come to light.

"It all started with a note-

"It all started with a notebook and an idea in Gambia, South Africa... I saw how the people's freedom of speech was suppressed by the government."

— James Scott,
junior broadcast journalism major
and founder of "Stay Tuned"

book and an idea in Gambia, South Africa," Scott said.

"In Gambia, I saw how the people's freedom of speech was suppressed by the government," he said.

Through witnessing this suppression, and upon returning to the U.S., Scott decided to exercise his right of freedom of speech

through news.

Thus, 'Stay Tuned' was born.

Scott scoured the Department of Communication to find the right people to become staff members for the show.

With this, he chose De-Neeka Hill and Darrell Strong as the primary lead anchors, and a host of field

reporters.

The vision for the cast was to bring in upperclassmen to mentor the underclassmen.

Therefore, underclassmen could have the opportunity to gain a wealth of knowledge and hands-on experience in TV production, which includes camera operation, studio lighting, audio, video editing and broadcast writing.

It is sure to learn these lessons in an upper-level course, but underclassmen involved with 'Stay Tuned' are able to learn the same information in advance.

After acquiring the right team for 'Stay Tuned,' Scott set production into motion to begin filming.

'Stay Tuned' is already making strides in marketing and promotions.

Before airing on LU's

Channel 97 on Monday, Sept. 23, word about the show generated interest throughout the country.

As the PR rep, Taylor attested to the anticipation of the show.

Within the first few weeks of getting the word out via social media, 'Stay Tuned' became the talk of Syracuse, N.Y. and Clark Atlanta University, among others.

'Stay Tuned' airs every Monday from 11 a.m. to noon and from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Channel 97.

It can also be seen on the YouTube channel: LU STAYTUNED (subscription to the channel ensures viewership weekly).

Also, for behind the scenes footage and news updates, be sure to follow #LUSTAYTUNED on Instagram and Twitter.

11 A.M.-12 P.M. & 5 P.M.-6 P.M.



Rehabilitation counseling department at LU-OKC receives \$4.3 million grant

By Nicole Turner
Adviser/Manager

The Department of Rehabilitation Counseling and Disability Studies at Langston University received a grant totaling about \$4.3 million to establish a Rehabilitation Research and Training Center.

Dr. Corey Moore, who is the director of the LU rehabilitation counseling department, wrote the grant.

Through the funding, the department will receive \$875,000 per year during the next five years beginning Oct. 1.

The new research facility will be housed in the rehabilitation counseling department at LU-OKC.

“I am excited to have the opportunity to lead such an ambitious project that will impact change...”

— Dr. Corey Moore,
director of the Department of
Rehabilitation Counseling
and Disability Studies

Once established, Moore said, the project will equip students and scholars with the tools to conduct better research regarding the under-participation of HBCUs and other minority colleges, institutions and universities.

"This level of funding will facilitate a broad spectrum of research activities that will lead to improvements in rehabilitation outcomes for persons of color and enhanced research capacity and infrastructures for minority entities," Moore

said.

The training center will help scholars conduct five major studies, and also help conduct capacity-building activities.

These activities will address themes, which include describing and evaluating an emerging research team mentorship model across six different minority entities, such as HBCUs, Hispanic-Serving Institutions and American-Indian Tribal Colleges/Universities.

"I am excited to have the opportunity to lead such an ambitious project that will impact change...," Moore said.

Moore added that members of Delta Sigma Theta

Sorority Inc. gave \$200,000 in 2008 to support its Distinguished Professor Endowed Chair scholarship, which is a position that Moore currently serves.

These funds helped Moore conduct research for the grant, which helped form the priority for funding a research and training center in the Oklahoma City area.

"Langston competed for the center, and was awarded the funds," Moore said.

"However, this would have not been possible (without) the priority, which was established in part from my work supported through Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc," he said.

School of Nursing applications due by Oct. 25 for spring 2014

By John Greer
Contributing Writer

Applications for spring 2014 in the School of Nursing and Health Professions are due by Oct. 25.

Faculty and staff in the Langston University nursing department are looking for a fresh group of students to add to its legacy.

Academic adviser Etta Godwin and Assistant Professor and Director of the School of Nursing Teressa Hunter said they are very excited to see what the spring semester has to offer.

"The School of Nursing has always educated nursing students to contribute to the profession of nursing," Hunter said.

"We also want to help meet the Future of Nursing and Institute of Medicine recommendation to increase baccalaureate-prepared nursing to 80 percent by the year 2020," Hunter said.

Students in the nursing program said they are proud of the education they receive.

"The nursing program teaches you to put things into perspective in order to be successful," said Earl Horton, junior nursing major.

Another student, Aireal Bishop, senior nursing major, offered advice to those applying for the LU nursing program.

"Work on your time management skills," Bishop said, "it will help you in the long run."

Students interested in the program can apply online through the LU website, <http://www.langston.edu>, or in person in Godwin's office.

Students must be classified as a junior on campus, have a 2.5 GPA, have completed all prerequisite courses and have repeated only two courses during their academic career.

Both Godwin and Hunter encourage all students who are seeking more information to stop by their offices and visit, which are located in the Allied Health building on the main campus.

They said they would love to answer any questions students may have, and it could also be an opportunity for students to look around the facilities and classrooms.

The expected waiting time for acceptance letters is about two to three weeks after the application due date.

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President's Scholarship Gala

There are a limited number of tables and seats available through the Office of Development for the 8th Annual President's Scholarship Gala on October 18.

The President's Scholarship Gala was designed to raise money for student scholarships so that the University can continue its mission of providing access to higher education for deserving students.

This year's gala will feature full performances by comedian George Wallace with a special performance by singer-actress Ava Logan with the Charles Bur-

ton Band. Mr. Burton is a Langston alumnus and member of the Oklahoma Jazz Hall of Fame.

LU students and hosts of "In the LUOP," Westley Martin and BreYona Pettaway, will emcee the event which will begin at 7 pm at Remington Park in Oklahoma City.

The Office of Development has reserved tables available for \$1,200 with a limited number of individual tickets for \$100.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.langston.edu, or through the office in Page Hall 315. Please contact the Office of Development at 405-466-3232 if you have any questions.

Checks should be made

to the Langston University Foundation. Pre-Enrollment begin on Monday, September 30, 2013

Register for Spring 2014 Classes

- **Sept. 30-Oct. 4:** Seniors with 91 or more hours may enroll
- **Oct. 7-11:** Juniors with 61 or more hours may enroll
- **Oct. 14-18:** Sophomores with 31 or more hours may enroll
- **Oct. 21-25:** Freshmen with 0 to 30 hours may enroll
- **Oct. 28-Dec. 6:** All students may enroll

Secure your class space NOW!

- Search your courses online at <http://www.langston.edu/registrar-office> and select "Schedules" or go to www.langston.edu and select "Course Selection Search" using drop down menu under Academics.
- Go to <http://www.langston.edu/registrar-office> and select "Registration" for instructions on how to register.
- Students must have a zero balance.
- Students must have a completed FAFSA on file.

• Students must be enrolled in order to secure Housing.

• Meet with your adviser to find out what courses you need to meet your degree requirements.

Have something you need the campus to see or read?

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LANGSTON UNIVERSITY FALL 2013 SEMESTER

DROP/ADD & WITHDRAWAL DATES

	Class Begins	Drop/Add	Last Day to Withdraw (W)	Class End
1 st 8 week session	August 19, 2013	First 5 days of class August 19-23, 2013	September 27, 2013	October 11, 2013
16 week session	August 19, 2013	First 10 days of class August 19-30, 2013	November 8, 2013	December 13, 2013
2 nd 8 week session	October 14, 2013	First 5 days of class October 14-18, 2013	November 22, 2013	December 13, 2013

- ❖ Must drop or add by dates listed above in order to receive 100% refund for courses dropped and 100% for courses added.
- ❖ Must drop 1st day of a weekend session to receive 100 % refund for courses dropped and 100% charges for courses added.

- After the designated drop/add period, **NO REFUNDS** will be given. *Non-payment and/or non-attendance does not constitute withdrawal of classes.*
- There is a \$5.00 per credit hour charge for classes dropped or added subsequent to the initial enrollment of courses.
- An automatic withdrawal grade of "W" is issued when a student initiates a drop after the drop/add period.

To officially withdraw from school, students must complete a withdrawal through the Office of Academic Affairs.

- Langston Campus, Registrar's Office, Page Hall, Room 134, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday
- Oklahoma City Campus, Main Office, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday
- Tulsa Campus, Student Services, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday



LANGSTON UNIVERSITY

Lions stay positive despite fourth loss

By Aaron Parker
Editor/Photographer

The Langston University football team is still looking for its first win of the season after suffering a tough losses to Nicholls State University on Sept. 21 and to Northwestern State on Sept. 28.

During the Nicholls State game, runningback Kievon Jackson rushed the ball ninetimes for a total of 68 yards with a long of 19, and quarterback Mark Wright Jr. completed nine of his 18 passes for a total of 59 yards.

Senior offensive guard, Aaron Thomas, said he thinks that the Lions will bounce back, though.

"We understand that once we start making fewer mistakes and we make some adjustments on offense and defense... we are more than capable of winning our remaining games," Thomas said.

The team has gotten off to a rough start this season, but

with six games still remaining and four of those games within the conference, the Lions still remain optimistic.

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— Aaron Thomas,
senior offensive
guard

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

Michael Ryan



Sport: Football

Position: Kicker

Class: Sophomore

Major: Education

Hometown: Mustang, Okla.

Favorite Subject: English

Hobby: Long boarding (skate boarding)

Random Fact: Michael loves cooking and would love to be a chef and go to culinary school.

LU Volleyball 2013 Schedule

By Aaron Parker
Editor

The Langston University Women's Volleyball team won its second and third games of the season, defeating Jarvis Christian College, three matches to zero, and Mid-American Christian University.

Coached by LU's first head volleyball coach Rob Lutz and assistant coach Paula Barros, the team was led by freshmen Jada Green and Moriah Plowden. Green accounted for 11.5 points and Plowden was responsible for nine.

The team will look to get its first conference win Oct. 5, against Huston-Tillotson. The team's overall record is 2-8 with 13 games remaining.

Ten of these games will be crucial conference match-ups.

Oct. 5	1 p.m.	Huston-Tillotson	Dallas
Oct. 5	3 p.m.	Dallas Christian	Dallas
Oct. 12	2 p.m.	Oklahoma City U.	Oklahoma City
Oct. 12	4:30 p.m.	U. Central Oklahoma	Edmond
Oct. 18	7 p.m.	Wiley College	Marshall, Texas
Oct. 19	11 a.m.	Jarvis Christian	Hawkins, Texas
Oct. 19	3 p.m.	Texas College	Tyler, Texas
Oct. 22	6 p.m.	Bacone College	Langston
Oct. 25	6:30 p.m.	Huston-Tillotson	Austin
Oct. 26	11 a.m.	U. of St. Thomas	Houston
Oct. 31	7 p.m.	UT-Brownsville	Langston
Nov. 2	1 p.m.	Our Lady of the Lake	Langston
Nov. 2	5 p.m.	U. of the Southwest	Langston