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Great Plains Review Poem of the Week

On Sonnet

O sonnet, monument of Shakespeare's telling,
Wilt thou, O tyrant, be my sole, my rhyme?
I've taken pent iambic for my dwelling;
With this bright key I keep my petty time.

My verses are not paltry, when thou hallow'st
Their baseness, with thy beauty make'st them dear;
Do not forsake then, bard, ev'n at their shallow'st
These verses which but for thy sake appear.

They say variety's the spice of living;
If that be true, I find more spice in thee
Vast tyrant! than in eons long and giving
Of later muses, echoes all of thee.

I find more variation in thy muse,
Lignes quatorze, sonnet, thy worth embues.

--Sarah Wagler

SC Missions to Travel to "The Last Frontier"

Known for its beautiful wildlife and as a popular cruise destination, Alaska is home to majestic mountain views, diverse wildlife and crystal clear waters. Roughly 40 percent of the state's population resides in Anchorage, a major port city and the hub of the Alaska Railroad. However, even in the midst of beauty and a thriving city, approximately one in ten Anchorage children live below the federal poverty line. On May 31, ten members of the Sterling College Women's Soccer and Basketball teams will travel to Anchorage to reach out and serve this hungry, disadvantaged population. Led by Head Coaches Justin Morris (soccer) and K.C. Bassett (basketball), the team will work with local organizations to reach out to the community and meet their needs. Team Alaska includes Kelli Black, Allie Faul, Elsa Fuentes, Alissa Gasper, Madison Hess, Bailey Lewis, Landre Oglesby, Cacey Simons, Haley Smith and Maddie Sutton.

Team Alaska will work with multi-ethnic communities, including Samoan, Hispanic, Native American, Hmong and African American cultures. As they reach out to the community through feeding lunch to hungry, disadvantaged children, the basketball and soccer players will serve with their hands and their hearts. In the afternoon, they will teach unchurched children and youth about the Bible in a local park, followed by games, crafts, music and recreation. The

team will also return in the evenings to host evangelistic park parties.

Please pray for Team Alaska as they prepare to travel and serve the children and youth in Anchorage. Pray that our students will see those they serve through the eyes of Jesus. Pray that the hearts of the children and youth will be ready to hear the Gospel and that God will make clear the words that Team Alaska speaks. Finally, pray that the lives of Team Alaska will be as changed as those they minister to.

If you are able, please consider financially supporting Team Alaska. If you are not at a place where you can financially support these students, please pray that they will receive the money they need to go on this mission trip.

We are thankful for these students and their leaders as they answer their call to serve others. We stand in agreement that as they step out in faith, all of their needs will be met financially, emotionally, physically and spiritually. Amen.

This trip is not through Global Infusion, so in order to give, you must contact one of the students or Justin Morris in the Sterling College Athletic Department. You can reach the Athletic Department at 620-278-4335.

Provided by SC Athletic Department and SC Alumni Association.

Sterling College students showcase talents at film festival

BY IVY SIZEMORE
Staff Writer

Sterling College makes a point of hosting events to showcase the hard work of its many different majors. One such event that students look forward to every year is the Sterling Film Festival. Coordinated every year by Associate Professor of Communication Dr. Anderson and the Department of Media, Communication and Theatre Arts, this event gives students who dream of being a director or a star the chance to finally be on the 'big screen.'

This year's annual festival will take place April 24, 7:30 p.m. in Culbertson Auditorium. Any student can submit a video with minimal requirements depending on the category; the videos will be shown by category and then afterwards will be briefly critiqued by judges. The judges this year will be Dennis Dutton, Aaron Kennedy, Hannah Kozlowski-Slone, Scott McKinney, and John Summit. They will be looking for the most creative films, as well as films that fit the requirements and remain within professional filming standards.

Dr. Anderson, commonly known as 'P-Ray' on campus, said of the Film Festival, "It's an opportunity for students to see what other students have been doing in the media program. The festival started off with attendance of 50-60 and now it's up to 100. It's not only the students in the major who participate, but students outside of the major are becoming involved [as well]; both in terms

of submission and attendance. It's also open to the Sterling community and parents, [and is] a good social event for the community to bond; it brings everybody together. I've been told by different faculty members that it's one of their favorite events. The length of the event is long enough for everyone to enjoy, with a hint of competitiveness. I'm also excited about the cash prize that we will be giving out for the '120 Hour' event."

The event will last approximately an hour and a half. Be aware that some of the films deal with topics such as zombies, demons, and suicide and may not be suitable for young audiences.

Dr. Anderson is offering this fun opportunity for talented filmmakers to win money; a new facet of the Film Festival called '120 Hours.' This event will be judged by Dr. Anderson, Daniel Swartz, Andy Contreras, and Vanessa Corrales, and is similar to Improvised Duet Acting (IDA) in forensics. Students are able to pick a topic and then have 120 hours to plot, film, produce and edit a movie within that time. Once the judges decide on the best film, the first place winner will receive \$100 and the second place winner will receive \$50. So turn on your cameras and call for a spotlight, because it's time to be a star!



Support our Seniors

BY KERRY BALCH
Co-Editor

April 23-May 16

Communitas: Art and Design
Senior Exhibition

Featuring:

Hannah Gardner

Cody Green

Shelby Huber

Stephen Newby

Reception: April 23, 5-7 p.m.

Located in the gallery of the Art and Media Center

Senior Recitals 2015

Senior Voice Recital: *Reid Goffigon*

Thursday, April 23, 7:30 p.m.

United Presbyterian Church

Senior Voice Recital: *Mark Alan Hemphill*

Tuesday, April 5, 7:30 p.m.

United Presbyterian Church

Senior Flute Recital: *Taylor Stucky*

Thursday, May 7, 7:30 p.m.

United Presbyterian Church

Senior Voice Recital: *Raven Taylor*

Saturday, May 9, 7 p.m.

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

Coming Soon: Love Sterling

BY KERRY BALCH
Co-Editor

Sterling College's sixth annual Love Sterling event is approaching quickly. On Saturday, April 25, volunteers will meet up at Sterling Lake at 8 a.m. to be organized into groups and given their assignments for the day.

Volunteer sign-ups have officially ended but additional students who want to participate are more than welcome to join the fun, although we cannot guarantee that you will receive a t-shirt. If you would still like to contribute to Love Sterling, we would greatly appreciate contributions of bottled water for our hard working volunteers.

Love Sterling's Celebration Dinner will be held at Sterling Lake at 5 p.m. and is free to the community and volunteers. The evening will include games and live music featuring the band Holdfast, an Indie rock band from Hutchinson, Kansas. The food will be provided by Chartwells, the college's dining service, and our "Official Grill Masters" are President Scott Rich, Director of Athletic Training Pete Manely, and Head Golf Coach Luke Cureton.

Many people have put in their time and effort into helping pull together this year's Love Sterling and deserve recognition. This year is Erica Tremaine's first year being a part of Love Sterling. She is serving as the team's adviser and successfully oversaw the organization of the event.

"It has been an honor to be a part of such a great event! I personally love the idea of an entire day devoted to serving and blessing others. I could not, however, have tackled this project without help from my committee. They have been so willing to help with everything that I have asked



Love Sterling Team: Austin Mettling, Brianna Fuchs, Amanda Hood, Emily Fuller, Jennifer Fruechting, Elizabeth Herrington, Jenna Pierce, and Erica Tremaine team Adviser
Not pictured: Kerry Balch and Joshua Hood

them to do, a true joy to work with!" said Tremaine.

The Love Sterling team has worked hard these past months fundraising, planning and spreading the word of the event. Joshua Hood, Jenna Pierce, Elizabeth Herrington, Jennifer Fruechting, Amanda Hood, Brianna Fuchs, Austin Mettling, Emily Fuller and Kerry Balch all deserve a round of applause for their hard work on the event.

"Sterling College is known for its servant leadership. We on the Love Sterling team hope to represent the college well and lead by example," said Kerry Balch.

We would also like to thank Gambino's Pizza and Wendy's for allowing the Love Sterling team to help on busy days to fundraise and receive a percentage of the profit for buying supplies for projects. Broadway Market, TNT Dairyland, Sterling Cafe and The Wild Hair salon all deserve acknowledgment for helping raise funds by displaying Love Sterling jars that people could put donations in. In addition, a thanks to Dillons for their donation to the Love Sterling Fund. And last but not least, a BIG thank you to the donors and volunteers of the Sterling Community who have joined with the college to put on this beneficial event! THANK YOU!

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