Revels celebrating Rangerettes’ 75th Anniversary April 15-18

Tickets to the Rangerette Revels variety show celebrating the 75th year of the world-famous Rangerettes are now on sale. Shows are set for 7 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, April 15-17, with two performances on Saturday, April 18, at 1 and 7 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased online at www.rangerette.com or in person at the Rangerette Box Office located on the first floor of the Rangerette Gymnasium on the Kilgore campus.

Tickets are $25 each and are all reserved.

Theatre will present ‘Oh, the Humanity and Other Good Intentions’ April 14-18

The Kilgore College Theatre Department will present “Oh the Humanity and Other Good Intentions: Five Short Plays by Will Eno” beginning April 14 in Van Cliburn Auditorium.

The play is set for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, April 14-18, with a matinee performance 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 19.

General admission tickets are $10 for adults, $7 for students and $5 for KC students with a student ID.

Tickets are available to purchase online at www.kilgore.tix.com. Reserve tickets also by calling 903-983-8126 or e-mail the KC Theatre Box Office at boxoffice@kilgore.edu.

Stanley Security will present KC with $100,000 award April 29

Representatives from Stanley Security will be in Kilgore April 29 to present Kilgore College Police Chief Heath Cariker with the $100,000 award that the college won through an online voting contest.

The award presentation is set for 10 a.m. on the second floor of the McLaurin Administration Building.

All employees are encouraged to attend.

The money will be used to improve campus security by upgrading existing security systems, installing new security systems and improving access control on KC’s campuses.

“I am truly amazed and moved by the determination and effort of our Kilgore College family put forth to win this grant,” Cariker said.

“The best part is that this was an effort that students, faculty, staff and the community at large equally participated in. This was a grassroots effort by the KC stakeholders to improve the security infrastructure on their campus. I couldn't be more proud of our college,” Cariker said.

KC was one of 10 institutions that qualified for the finals in the voting contest.

Other area schools that will receive grants include The University of North Texas and The University of Texas at Arlington.

The play is directed by Micah Goodding, KC Theatre instructor, and is produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc. and United Talent Agency, Inc.

The play is not suitable for children.
April Updates & Info

Although it seems as though we just began the semester, this term is rapidly coming to a close. I hope the semester has been good for you. As we wind down the spring semester, I wanted to share some information with you and keep you up-to-date.

If we have responses to the Request for Proposals to renovate the library and mall area, we hope to be able to recommend a construction manager to the Board in April. We hope to get all of that work completed by the end of the fall semester.

Many folks have spent numerous hours on the conversion from Poise to Jenzabar EX and we hope to make the actual conversion the second week of June. Coming up shortly, there will be a great deal of intense training for all employees, so that everyone can use the updated software.

We are also installing some products developed by Civitas Learning that should help us “turn the lights on” regarding much of our student progress and challenges, as well as eventually having some applications for staff and students that help map their degree progress and also give us a “hot map” for each class to identify students needing some intervention.

We have a board of trustees election on the second Saturday in May, which is May 9.

We have two contested elections: one between Karol Pruett and Joe White (if you live within the Kilgore ISD boundaries), and a second election between James Walker and Jimmie Dunnaway (if you live within the Gladewater, White Oak or Sabine ISD boundaries).

Elections have consequences and I strongly encourage each of you who live within one of those four ISD’s to vote, and make a difference, and fulfill your civic responsibility.

The Texas Legislature is in session and at this point, neither the House nor Senate budget proposals have been encouraging.

Although I have not been as involved in the process this session, I have advocated with our local legislators on behalf of Kilgore College.

At this point, the House version would have us losing about $550,000 for each year of the biennium.

Naturally, as we try to meet increased expenditures for salary, benefits, and the cost of providing service to our students, the summer budget process will be presenting challenges once again.

Again, I wish you a great finish to the spring semester and hope that you continue to stay dedicated to student success!

President’s perspective

News & Reminders:

Buy baked potatoes to support KC Relay Rangers
The KC Relay Rangers are hosting a potato bake sale. Potatoes are $8 each (for off-campus locations, a minimum of five potatoes must be bought). Deadline to purchase potatoes is noon on April 6. Potato deliveries will be made from 11 a.m. to 12:30 on April 10. The potatoes will include fixins’ and a dessert. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life. To purchase tickets for potatoes, call Jeannie Butler at 903-983-8191 or Jackie Fout at 903-987-3903.

KC Early Childhood Center in need of auction items
The KC Early Childhood Center’s Silent Auction is set for April 17-19 and it is in need of donated items to be auctioned. In addition to material goods, if you or your department offers camps, trainings or special services, those can be auctioned as well. Please contact Katie Moses, KCECC director/instructor, at 903-988-3793 if you have anything that could be auctioned.

Johnston named Dean of Liberal and Fine Arts
After a year of serving as interim dean, Becky Johnston has been named as dean of the Liberal & Fine Arts division at KC. Johnston has taught at KC since 1986. From 1986-99, she was a writing instructor in the LEAD/Bone Learning Center and has taught English at KC since 1999. From 2000 to May of 2014, Johnston served as department chair for the Language Development department.

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Masterworks concert April 28 in Longview

The annual KC Masterworks Concert is set for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 28, at First United Methodist Church of Longview. In addition to the featured work, “Gloria,” by Francis Poulenc, there will be a premiere of KC’s Director of Choral Activities Dr. Jim Taylor’s 15-minute suite, “Cambridge Songs.” The concert will feature a full orchestra, the combined 80 voices of the KC Chorale and the East Texas Community Chorus and soloists Melanie Sullivan, Melanie Watson and Mark Horner. Admission to the concert is free.

Students needed to serve as orientation leaders

The college is looking for some outstanding students to be orientation leaders this summer. If you know students with the following qualifications, please have them pick up an application in Gail Jackson’s office (SS 120) or in The Zone Tutoring Lab (SS #119). Applications must be turned in by April 10.

Qualifications:
- 2.5 GPA or better
- 2nd semester student preferred
- Friendly and outgoing
- Hardworking and responsible
- Respectable and dependable

Watson Library moving temporarily to ATC building, renovations begin May 8

The library will close on May 8 in preparation for the building’s renovation and remodeling taking place this summer and fall. It will move temporarily to the ATC building and will re-open for business on May 18. The “library” room will be in Room 104 and the computer lab will be across the hall in Room 103. Rooms 102 and 105, as well as offices 104-A, 112 and 113, will also be used by the library. Library phone numbers will remain the same. At this time, the estimated re-opening of renovated library is November 2015.

Welcome, new full-time employees!

KC welcomes Barbara Montgomery who began March 26 as the Professional Support Specialist for the Institutional Advancement office. Her extension is 8182 and e-mail is bmontgomery@kilgore.edu.

Welcome to Paroo Mueglich who began working April 1 as a new controller in the business office. His extension is 8115 and e-mail is pmueglich@kilgore.edu.

KC welcomes Corrie Thibodeaux who began work as the new bookstore manager for KC. He has worked in the college bookstore business for 16 years and comes to Kilgore from Springtown, Texas, where he worked for Tichenor College Textbook Company. He is also a past president of Southwest College Bookstore Association.
**calendar**

3, Good Friday Holiday – Campuses Closed  
6-May 27, Summer I Advisement/Registration – Current Students  
6-May 27, Summer II Advisement/Registration - Current Students  
6-May 27, Fall Advisement/Registration – Current Students  
7, Texas Scholars Luncheon, DSC Ballroom, 11:30 a.m.  
8, Softball at NTCC, in Mt. Pleasant, 1 & 3 p.m.  
   TACRAO Regional Meeting, DSC Ballroom, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
9, NMP Regional Meeting, DSC Ballroom, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
10, ADN Advisory Board Meeting, Devall Room, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
   Last day to drop class with a “W”  
   Dallas Baptist University Recruiter, DSC Hallway, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
   KC Relay Rangers - Baked Potato Delivery, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
11, Softball vs. Bossier Parish C.C., in Kilgore, 1 & 3 p.m.  
   Karp Festival, Fine Arts Center  
13, Softball at Angelina College, in Lufkin, 1 & 3 p.m.  
13-May 27, Summer I Advisement/Registration – All Students  
13-May 27, Summer II Advisement/Registration – All Students  
13-May 27, Fall Advisement/Registration - All Students  
   PTK Meeting, CA-104, 5:15 p.m.  
14, Service Recognition Assembly, DSC Ballroom, 1:30 p.m.  
14-18, KC Theatre Performances of “Oh the Humanity,” VCA, 7:30 p.m.  
19, KC Theatre Performance of “Oh the Humanity,” VCA, 2:30 p.m.  
15, KCEOPA Meeting, DSC Conference Room, 2 p.m.  
   Softball vs. Trinity Valley C.C., in Kilgore, 1 & 3 p.m.  
15-18, Rangerette Revels, Dodson, 7 p.m. (Saturday at 1 & 7 p.m.)  
15-16, Rangerette Revels Drill Team event, DSC Ballroom, 7 p.m.  
17, Softball at Navarro College, in Corsicana, 1 & 3 p.m.  
   Advanced Technology Center Open House, Synergy Park, 10 a.m.  
   KC Early Childhood Family Picnic, ECC front lawn, 5:30 p.m.  
18, Rangerette Forevers Reception, DSC Ballroom, 2 p.m.  
   Rangerette Reception, Rangerette Gym, following 1 p.m. show  
   ACT Test, Old Main Building, 8 a.m.  
19, Softball vs. Angelina College, in Kilgore, 1 & 3 p.m.  
21, Upward Bound Spring Banquet, DSC Ballroom, 6:30 p.m.  
   Carter Blood Drive, DSC Ballroom, 9 a.m.  
22, Administrative Support Luncheon, DSC Ballroom, 11:30 a.m.  
   Softball vs. TJC, in Kilgore, 1 & 3 p.m.  
   Annual KC Crawfish Boil, 11 a.m.  
23, TRIO Annual Banquet, DSC Ballroom, 5 p.m.  
   Spring 2015 Job Fair, ATC Building, 9:30 a.m.  
   Softball vs. NTCC, in Kilgore, 3 & 5 p.m.  
24, NACE E.T. Section Seminar, DSC Ballroom, 8 a.m.  
27, PTK Meeting, CA-104, 5:15 p.m.  
   Sigma Kappa Delta Induction Ceremony, DSC Ballroom, 6 p.m.  
28, KC Masterworks Concert, First Methodist in Longview, 7:30 p.m.  
29, Flare Awards Banquet, DSC Ballroom, 6:30 p.m.  
   Stanley $100,000 Grant Presentation, McLaurin Building, 10 a.m.  
30, Wind Symphony Concert, Dodson Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.  

**birthdays**

4/2 Larry Kenealy  
4/3 Jackie Kelley  
4/4 Terry Huckaby  
4/4 Rukmani Kuppuswami  
4/4 Micah Goodding  
4/5 Daniel Eaton  
4/7 Michael Eaton  
4/9 Eddie Bernaldez  
4/10 Glenda Ford  
4/13 Jesse James  
4/14 Ken Carter  
4/15 David Belanger  
4/15 Paula Jamerson  
4/16 Laura Mulanax  
4/19 Brian Ruthven  
4/20 Jason Graves  
4/20 Andy Tang  
4/24 Kat Jackson  
4/25 Renee’ Golden  
4/26 Dee Swan  
4/28 Karen Scibona  
4/29 Debbie Muklewicz  
4/30 Jeanine Tagg  
4/30 Mary Hawley