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Weekday final exams and/or instruction and Bookstore “Buy Back”

JUNE 14TH
Spring quarter ends

JUNE 16TH
OC Commencement Kitsap Pavilion
Father’s Day

JUNE 20TH
Grades available

JUNE 28TH
Last day to request 100% refund for withdrawal from classes

JULY 1st
Summer classes begin

ANNUAL ASIAN FESTIVAL 2019

Every year, the Office of International Education holds the Asian Festival celebrating various Asian cultures through traditional games and activities. It is meant to expose others to cultures they might not interact with otherwise.

On May 29, it was held at the Bremer Student Center in Building 10, which allowed for an open view to more students. There were booths in place towards certain activities, which also had poster boards explaining the history and instructions on how to carry out the activities. This year’s booths were Gonggi from South Korea, Gomoku and Origami from Japan, Fortune Telling sticks and Tangram from China and Calligraphy. After students are done participating in each booth, they get a stamp in the end, and when they receive three or more, they were able to get some delicious Asian snacks.

The event was organized by students, and they helped with set-up, managing the booths, and takedown. It was a way for them to cooperate with one another to make sure that the event would go as smooth and fun as possible. It gave them an opportunity to participate in campus events that would hopefully help them step out of their comfort from Vietnam, “as a new Student Office Assistant, it was good to learn how the behind the scenes action is and be more aware of the responsibility with my job.”

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Student Appreciation Day

Students deserve a break once in a while. All those days and nights of hard work can be tiring and sometimes it works out in the end, sometimes it does not. One can definitely feel unappreciated after a while. Every year, Olympic College holds an event completely dedicated to making students feel seen and appreciated and let them know all their efforts do not go unnoticed. The event has games and activities students can participate in, free meals and desserts, and music and entertainment.

This year, the Office of International Education had a booth with a new game that requires each player to blow away ping pong balls off a pizza pan using only a party blower. “We were right in the center of the field so we had to grab the attention of everyone passing by us,” said Raphael from the Philippines, “in the beginning it was a little difficult because people weren’t going directly to us and we had to be out and open to let them know that we wanted them to participate. It worked out in the end.” This day was meant to be fun and it lets students have some time to themselves without the stress of school on their shoulders.

My Volunteer Experience

“Hello. My name is Dom and I’m from Cambodia. Last month I volunteered to help out at a local play house at Port Orchard. The play house is called the WWCA which stand for Western Washington Center for the Arts. My role is backstage helper for a play called “9 to 5”. It’s a comedy and musical play about life in a workplace office for women during the 1970s. There’s a lot of things that you can do to help such as controlling the lights, help decorating the stage and many other things. I volunteer to do the lights meaning I control and change the light setting during the play. It was a really good experience for me because I get to meet a lot of different people and I get to understand a bit more about plays and acting. I get to see what’s going on behind the scenes and how much work they put in, in order to produce the play. For me, this is a good way to learn more about American culture. They have a different play every season and all of them are really great. I hope you will get a chance to volunteer and enjoy great experience as well.”

Dom from Cambodia