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Athletic training students Nathan Morrison, sophomore, Krystal Tyree, freshman, Whitney Baker, sophomore, and Valerie Hart, freshman, perform a skit to help Matt Perkins, business administration sophomore, who is acting as an injured athlete at the Stomp/Dance competition during Homecoming.

SCATS celebrates National Athletic Training month

By Samantha Gillis
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Survey says attending “SC Feud” night will ease the pain of returning to class after Spring Break.

At 6 p.m. March 26 in the Java Jinx the Southwestern College Athletic Training Students will be hosting a game night in honor of National Athletic Training Association month.

Based on the theme of “Who’s taking care of your kids,” the night is a spoof off of the game show Family Feud.

Valarie Hart, athletic training sophomore said, “The National Association chose this theme

to let parents and everyone else know who we are, and who takes care of the student athletes. It is also to get the major out there, so that prospective students can get to know what we are about.”

“SC Feud” will be played almost like the original game show. Two teams will line up behind two tables, then the first two contestants from each side step up to the podium, a question is read and the first contestant to buzz in must answer the most popular answer.

If their answer does not match up with one of the ones on the board, then the second team will have a chance to an-

swer and they can “play or pass.” If they pass then the host just moves on to the next question. Points are earned based on the popularity of your answer. The popular answer is derived from 100 students on campus who were surveyed.

Categories include but are not limited to, Disney, sports, athletic training, movies, and Southwestern history.

Whitney Baker, athletic training sophomore, said, “We were all responsible for coming up with the questions.”

Although sign up was last Wednesday, there was another sign up today during cafeteria lunch hours in the Java Jinx.

SCATS goal was to have six teams of five participate, currently they have seven and more teams are botching at the bit to sign up.

To transform the mood of the Java Jinx into a game show feel, there will be a board with the survey answers mounted on the wall.

There will also be two long tables and buzzers for each team and a podium for the hostess who will be Hart.

Students are encouraged to watch teams compete. It will be a single elimination tournament and the victorious team will receive a prize of either cash or gift card.

Krystal Tyree, athletic training junior, believes everyone on campus will benefit. She said, “Many people get confused and think SCATS is like physical education and everyone who’s an athletic trainer is going to become a coach. So being more informed about different groups is important so that you won’t become prejudice toward what you’re not involved in.”

Other events are being planned. A scavenger hunt will be held at 6 p.m. March 12.

Also “Facts of the Week” is continued from previous years which you can learn about through the Jinx Tale.

For several years now,

SCATS has participated in NATA month. The reason why they celebrate in March is because Athletic Training was invented in March.

Hart thinks people should make room in their hectic schedules for “SC Feud” night. She said, “I feel like it will give students a small break in school work, so that for just a few hours they can come hang out with their peers.”

Baker agrees this event should not be missed. She said, “Some answers will be hilarious.”

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Alumni publishes thriller

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If it weren’t for Bill DeArmond, professor of mass communication and film, alumni Adam Catlin’s book might have a simpler title.

“I wouldn’t probably know what the hell ‘synchronicity’ even means,” said Catlin.

What does it mean?

Catlin said, “Synchronicity is about moments in time. It’s about the hand of fate affecting people and how their paths link up.

The book’s setting is a Cowley County town.

“Even though I don’t live in Cowley County anymore, I still try to follow what goes on. Over the past few years, with the changes taking place in the county—places

closing, new ones opening up, bigger and better, long-time residents leaving to take other jobs in other towns, I wanted to do something that captured Cowley County as I remembered it,” said Catlin.

Although it has some action including a truck chase down the Kansas Turnpike and a shoot-out in Wichita’s Towne East Mall, it’s actually a think piece.

Catlin said, “The story is about a young man named Jack Garrison, the son of a recently retired KBI agent, who is thrust into action when his path inadvertently crosses with that of a violent organization responsible for a large percentage

of the drug trade in the Midwest. It’s got a fair amount of action in it, but it’s also got moments in there that, hopefully, make you think.”

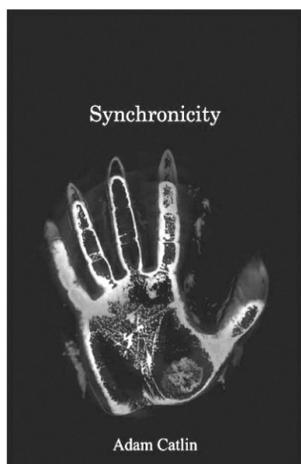
The life of Garrison is no bore.

“Garrison finds his fledgling romance with Cowley student Madison Green in danger and must finally step up to the plate with the most evil foe he’s ever faced,” said Catlin.

Catlin’s two year effort, “Synchronicity,” was published earlier this month and can be purchased on Catlin’s MySpace page at www.myspace.com/ThomasCrown76. His other published works include “Until August,” “On a Clear Day, You Can See Conway,” and the romantic thriller “Night Wind.”

The December 2002 graduate resides in Augusta with his wife Sarah and son Aiden.

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Professional Studies West Wichita campus schedules ribbon cutting ceremony Friday

Winfield, Kan., March 6, 2008 — Southwestern College Professional Studies continues to help adults in the West Wichita area achieve their goals of completing bachelor’s degrees, and has moved its west Wichita Professional Studies operation to 3460 N. Ridge Rd., Suite 50.

A ribbon-cutting and open house at the facility is set for Friday, March 14, from 4 to 6 p.m. with the official ribbon-cutting occurring at 5 p.m.

While the college has had a location in west Wichita for 10 years, this new location was chosen because of its easy access and convenience for learners, says Karen Pedersen, vice president for professional studies at Southwestern.

“One of our top priorities is to allow our learners to focus on their educational experience, and to do this we make the logistics as simple as possible,” says Karen Pedersen, vice president for professional studies. “Learners can speak to an advisor, choose classes, apply for financial aid, enroll, pay their tuition bill, and attend classes at the same location.”

Established in 1885, Southwestern has become a leader in adult education, with its Professional Studies featur-

ing 15 career-oriented majors leading to bachelor’s degrees, seven master’s programs, and a variety of certificate and certification preparation courses. Adults with some college education (typically at least 30 hours) enroll in classes that meet once each week for six weeks. Many choose to take advantage of online classes, offered exclusively through the internet.

The west Wichita center offers classes in its facility leading to majors in business administration, business quality management, computer operations technology, computer programming technology, and human resource development.

Southwestern College learners also can complete online undergraduate majors in business administration, business quality management, computer operations technology, computer programming technology, criminal justice, early childhood education, human resource development, nursing (R.N. to B.S.N.), operations management, pastoral studies, security management, strategic leadership, and youth ministry, along with seven master’s degrees. Check the Web site (www.southwesterncollege.org) for up-to-date degree

information.

Instructors are chosen based on a combination of academic credentials and real-world experience, Pedersen says, and classroom instruction is tailored to be immediately useful in the workplace.

“Our faculty members typically are professionals currently practicing the subjects they are teaching,” Pedersen explains. “All have graduate degrees, but we believe this real-life experience gives them an edge as they work with professional studies learners.”

In addition to its Professional Studies programs, Southwestern College has a main campus in Winfield, Kan., where students study in a traditional residential setting.

For more information on Southwestern College’s Professional Studies programs, check the college’s Web site at www.southwesterncollege.org.

Southwestern College is a private institution granting undergraduate and graduate degrees and is affiliated with the United Methodist Church. More than 1,900 students attend classes at the main Winfield campus, at five professional studies sites in Kansas and Oklahoma, or online around the world.

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