Community leader reception hosts Miss America



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When a celebrity comes to town, Tulsa takes notice. And when the person with the star power is a native Oklahoman, and beauty royalty to boot, the city makes a champagne toast.

When Miss America 2007 Lauren Nelson was here over the holidays, she was the guest of honor at a VIP Community Leader Reception at the Ambassador Hotel.

The event was held just hours before she climbed aboard a special Downtown Tulsa Unlimited float to be Grand Marshall of the PSO Parade of Lights.

Nelson, whose hometown is Lawton, told those at the party that she



Miss America 2007 Lauren Nelson

has plans to move to Tulsa. Among those at the reception were Stuart and Dana Solomon, Dave and Carol Sartin, Floyd and

Mary Schulte, Andrea Chancellor. Carole Hicks, Steve Fate, Ruth Ann Fate, Bill McKamey, Ken Tooman, Sharon Wilson, City Councilor Ma-

ria Barnes and her daughter, Jim Norton, Larry Fox, Cathy Berg and Tulsa Public Schools Superintendent Michael Zolkoski.

Nelson is the National Goodwill Ambassador for the Children's Miracle Network.

Wish upon an auction

The Oklahoma Make-A-Wish Foundation will host a silent auction benefit at 7 p.m. Friday at Jewel (formerly Suede) on Brookside. Local musicians, the Rollin' Hombres, will provide the night's entertainment.

The students in the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy are raising money to grant the wish of an Oklahoma child with a lifethreatening condition.

Their goal is \$6,500, which is the average cost of granting a wish that will enrich the lives of the children with hope, strength and joy. The Oklahoma City campus is holding a similar auction at Skky Bar in Brick-

town.

More than 50 items will be up for bid at the event. Donors include: sports memorabilia from OU, Oklahoma State University and the University of Tulsa; Jewel; The Cheesecake Factory; the Renaissance Hotel; Crowne Plaza Hotel; Fanattic; Cherokee Casino; ARCS Salon; Precision Art Tattoo; Panera Bread Co.; Chris's University; Elephant Bar; Enterprise Rent-a-Car; Eskimo Joe's; Fleet Feet Sports; Fox & Hound Pub & Grille; Goodyear Tires; Hibdon Tires; Best Buy; Jamba Juice; Johnny Carino's; hairstylist Julie Holder; artist Jackie Spell; Starbucks Coffee; The Territory; Sophisticated Images; Toni's Flowers & Gifts; The Masters Flowers; Weber Jewelry Designs; Lowe's; Lazy Day-z; Ihloff Salon; DoubleTree Hotel; and more.

Cost to attend the event is \$10 per person

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Bluegrass in the park

Festival kicks off at Western Hills Guest Ranch this week

By Jennifer Chancellor World Scene Write

Western Hills Guest Ranch Lodge will come alive with fiddles and banjos, as the 29th annual Winter Bluegrass Festival kicks into full swing, Wednesday through Saturday.

The event, at Oklahoma State Lodge in Sequoyah State Park, 8 miles east of Wagoner on Oklahoma 51, will feature a concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday by the Hougland Family, Mountain Gypsies, Oliphant Family and more.

Thursday will be a day of bluegrass

gospel music, featuring Cornerstone,

Heartland Express, Springstreet, Zoograss Boys, Mountain Gypsies, Oliphant Family and more. A devotion, led by John Hougland, will start the event at 6:45 p.m.

Friday's events will begin just before 1 p.m., with bluegrass instrument workshops, including flat-top guitar, bass, fiddle, dobro and banjo lessons, according to a press release. Music will start at 7 p.m., featuring the Neverly Hillbillies, the Arbuckles and more.

Saturday, there are shows at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., featuring the Hunt Family, Heartland Express, Brightwater Junction and

Fiddlers wanted for performance circle

more.

The event is organized in conjunction with the Oklahoma Tourism Department and Frontier Bluegrass.

Admission is \$10 on Wednesday and \$12 each day through Sunday. Children 12 and younger are admitted free with a paid adult. A four-day pass is \$35. For more information, call Don and Wilda Thomas of Shawnee, (405) 273-8578 or Western Hills Guest Ranch (918) 772-2545.

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Tube picks

3 p.m. 6 6 Dr. Phil Women who put pictures of themselves par-

8 B Good Morning America Author Ashlev Rhodes-Courter ("Three Little Words"); Diane Keaton; Maroon 5 performs, (HD) (CC)

7 a.m.

9 2 Today Newt Gingrich; author Andrew Morton ("Tom Cruise"); chef Jose Andres.

8 a.m. **6 6** The Early Show Stress-relieving gadgets. (CC)

9 a.m. 5 23 Rachael Ray Fashion guru Steven Coiocaru.

9 2 Live With Regis and

Simon Cowell return in the sea

"American Idol." 7 p.m., Fox, channel 23. cable channel 5

Don't-miss TV for Tuesday

tying on the Internet. (CC)

9 2 The Ellen DeGeneres Show Dr. Drew Pinsky; illusionist Keith Barry. 4 p.m.

6 6 Oprah Winfrey Meet the people behind Cold Stone Creamery and the Container Store; Gayle travels 2,000 miles for a sandwich. (CC)

10:35 p.m.

6 6 Late Show With David Letterman Denzel Washington; comic Don Rickles. 12:07 a.m.

Fiddlers, grab your bows and get ready to meet the

By JENNIFER CHANCELLOR





TV

First Lady of Country Fiddle."

Beginning Tuesday, the 2008 Tulsa Fiddle Circle will meet on two Tuesday nights each month through May at Edison Preparatory School, on 41st Street between Lewis and Harvard avenues.

The group will be led by Emma Jane Pendleton, 14, the reigning Oklahoma Junior Fiddle Champion, and by her sister, Marina, 13. Their aim is to introduce more violinists to fiddling and to performance opportunities.

The group will use instructional books and CDs by Jana Jae, the "First Lady of Country Fiddle" from the TV show "Hee Haw." Jae, who lives in Tulsa and tours frequently, will assist at some of the fiddle circle meetings, according to a press release.

The girls conducted their first fiddle circle last year.

Participants will learn tunes

calendar TODAY'S EVENTS

theater

Laughing Matter Improv class, for ages 18 and older, 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays, Heller Theatre, 5328 S. Wheeling Ave. 746-5065.

music

Jenks School Orchestra's Winter Concert, featuring great music and door prizes, free, 7 p.m., Jenks High School Performing Arts Center, 205 E. B St., Jenks. 299-4415, ext. 2225.

"An Oklahoma Centennial Concert," join the TCC Community Band and Orchestra for a concert that includes selections from Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Oklahoma!," 7:30 p.m., TCC VanTrease Performing Art Center, 10300 E.



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would like to try old-time fid-

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2008 Tulsa Fiddle Circle at

his honor.

dlers.

Jana Jae (center) performs with Emma Jane (left) and Marina Pendleton at the Cain's Ballroom. The Pendleton sisters will host the 2008 Tulsa Fiddle Circle.

Last year, the sisters made a that can be used as a "contest round" at events like the fiddling video, which was American Heritage Fiddle broadcast on the "Early Show" Festival in Grove in early June. on CBS. A contest round consists of three songs — a hoedown, a sa TV stations and three Tulsa waltz and a tune of choice othradio stations. Lyle Lovett er than a hoedown or waltz. asked them to fiddle a song

The sisters were classical violin students in 2001 when Jae introduced them to fiddling.

81st St. 595-7777.

Tuesdays at Trinity, concert featuring organist Walter Stout, 12:05-12:35 p.m., Trinity Episcopal Church, 501 S. Cincinnati Ave. 582-4128.

Hyechka Women's Chorus invites singers for the 2007-08 season, 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Fellowship Congregational Church, 2900 S. Harvard Ave. 628-0857.

etc.

"Demons, Golems and Dybbuks: Monsters of the Jewish Imagination," a part of the "Let's Talk About It!" reading and discussion series, join scholar Grant Matthew Jenkins of TU for the first in this five-part series exploring Jewish literature, "Satan in Goray" by Isaac Bashevis Singer will be the first selection, preregistration is reguired, call to register and reserve a book, 7-8:30 p.m., Central Library, Lecture Room, Fourth Street and Denver Avenue, 596-7977.

with him at his Tulsa concert,

and they performed for Garth

Brooks at the recent gala in

They appeared on three Tul-

exercise

Stretch and Tone, 8:45-10 a.m., All Souls Unitarian Church, Charles Dickens Room, second floor, 2952 S. Peoria Ave., 492-6356.

Aerobics/Pilates, 6:15-7:15 p.m., Lacy Community Center, 2134 N. Madison Place. 596-1470.

information

"**The Master Teacher Within**," a series of classes to empower you with various meditation techniques for improved health, increased con-



Kelly Hank Azaria; Ellen Page ("Juno"); KT Tunstall performs.

12 19 The Tyra Banks Show Tyra takes a closer look at the term "hooking up."

10 a.m. **5 28** The Martha Stewart Show Chef Fabio Trabocchi 8 8 The View Blake Lewis.

By Joyce Sequichie Hifler

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6 6 The Late Late Show

With Craig Ferguson Drew

Carey; Seth Gabel; Kate Nash

Presidential Debate (8-10 p.m.)

modern times, is there anything we have to avoid? Yes, all the time. Shake out your mind. What is it doing? Cobwebs, ugly words?

to have in our lives? It all has to do with what we have provided for in our thinking. And the only way to get it is by the renewing of our minds, the way we express ourselves. Is it all a joke — a not so nice one? Start right there, clear out the dirt and stop being so proud of broken rules.

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the pancreas, health counselor Jona Eastman will teach about natural alternatives, 7-8 p.m., Wild Oats Market Place, 1401 E. 41st St. 712-7555.

Kiowa class, 7 p.m., Oliphant Hall, Room 141, University of Tulsa campus, 600 S. College Ave.



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