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## SWOSU ESL Club Newsletter: Spring 2017

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## Club Meetings

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During the past year, the ESL Club meetings were held once a fortnight – thanks to our dedicated sponsors, Ms. Tee Kesnan and Mr. Fred Alsberg, our club president, Mohammed Alsugair, and vice-president, Esther Okenye. All the activities we planned were accomplished successfully. We are grateful to SWOSU for the financial allocations that supported these activities. Indeed, we look forward to another successful year for the ESL Club.





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## Chinese New Year

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What do you  
know about  
Chinese New  
Year?

Club members Hong-yu Su, Li Yi-syuan, and Chang Chia-yu from Taiwan, celebrated Chinese New Year with us. On this auspicious day, we were treated to Taiwanese cookies, candies, and bubble tea. Thank you, Hong, Li, and Chang.

We welcomed the Year of the Rooster!





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## Valentines's Day

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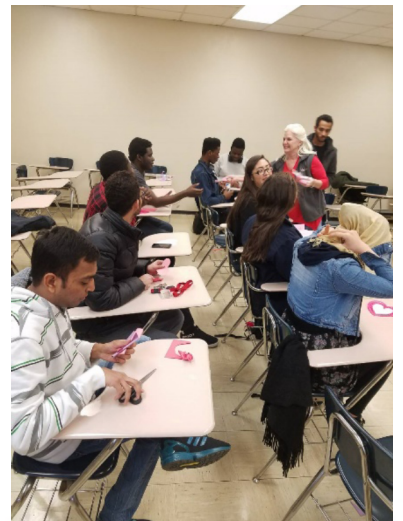
**Isn't that a pretty Valentine's Day card?**

During this fun and exciting workshop, we made special cards from scratch. The presenter, Ms. Popjoy, brought all kinds of colorful candies, cookies, and cakes to the session. We had a memorable time. Thank you, Ms. Popjoy!



As international students, we noticed that Valentine's Day cards come in reds and pinks, sometimes with pictures of Cupid.

A local American student, Ms. Shari Popjoy informed us that couples usually exchange gifts of flowers, chocolates, and red roses. The friendly Ms. Popjoy demonstrated how to make pretty little Valentine's Day cards. She told us to write loving notes to our beloved ones. After completing the notes, we took pictures of the cards and Instagram-ed them. Some of us also posted the pictures on Facebook.





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Henna Art during *Women Speak*

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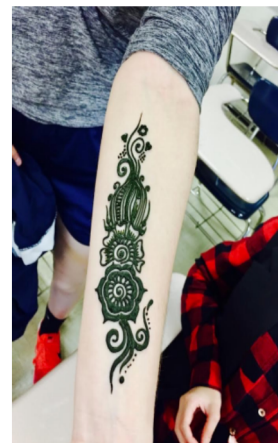


Isn't the henna art gorgeous? Thank you, Wejdan Almusaqlab! 😊



Wejdan, the expert henna artist, was right. The lovely stain stayed for only a week. 😊

One of our lovely club members, Wejdan Musaqlab, from Saudi Arabia, told us that the word *henna* refers to a dye prepared from the henna plant. She also claimed that this dye has been used as temporary body art since ancient times to dye skin, hair, and fingernails.





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## A Trip to a Farmers Market

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**Market**



**Vegetables**



**Teas & Spices**



**Local honey**



Visiting the OSU-OKC's Farmers Market was a golden opportunity for us. Amazed, we took home the freshest food in Oklahoma that day. Featuring Oklahoma-Grown and home-made products from more than 30 vendors, this friendly market allows local farmers, food producers, and artisans to provide consumers with the best the state has to offer. Much to our surprise, we discovered that there was something for everyone to eat or to take home with fond memories.





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## Lunch at *Pops*

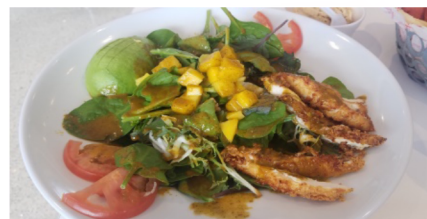
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Club members had an awesome lunch at Pops.



### Nichols Hills

Pops boasts 700 kinds of soda and sparkling waters. We also highly recommend the salty caramel ice cream at the restaurant.





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The trip to Trader Joe's was the best! We got to sample and buy all kinds of goodies for a reasonable price. The store had many unusual products that we had not seen anywhere else. Free samples of breads, cookies, and fresh fruit were on display, so we took the opportunity to sample each one of them.

We also exchanged notes about some of our purchases such as hummus, naan breads, tropical- flavored ice creams, mochi, and the list went on. The assortment of interesting international food was impressive. How we wish we had a Trader Joe's back in our home countries!





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## Research Fair

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### The 24<sup>th</sup> SWOSU Research and Scholarly Activity Fair 2017

At the SWOSU Research Fair, we learned how to engage in research, how to design posters, and how to do presentations. We all acquired new knowledge. Congratulations to the winners and to all the ESL Club members who participated and gave their best.



Gustavo Enrique Tineo



Rempei Kikuchi



From left: Rosaria Sanga, President Randy Beutler, Smeyder Steffani (**Winner**), and Adeshina Titobiloluwa.



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### ESL Poster Presentations

The poster presentations by the ESL students delighted many of the event attendees. Some of the topics were ethnic food, rare animals, foreign culture, and distant locations. It was another perfect opportunity for students to demonstrate their English language skills. Preparations involved a two-month process. We felt that the hard work and planning paid off. Well done, everybody!





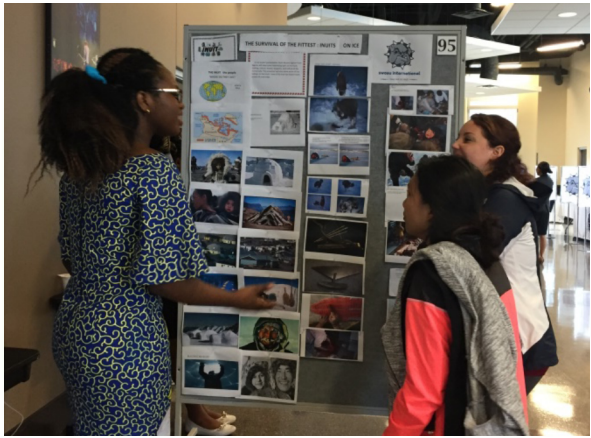
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Munirah Muneer Alotaibi



Ruth Akonna Egbom



Zanna Olamide Quadri & Omotoyosi Oyepero Banjo



Gwen Chioma Ukeje



Dalhae Park





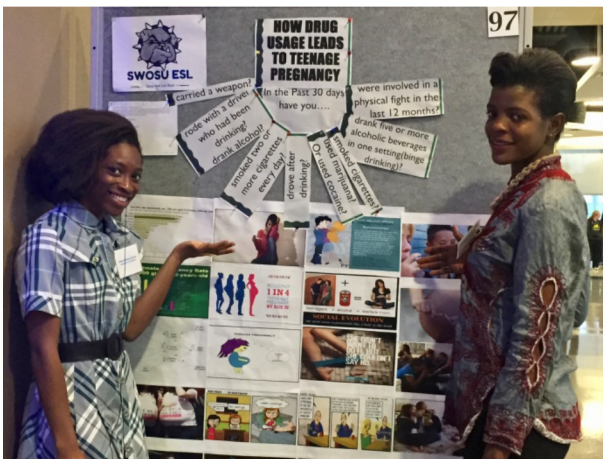
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Daniel Blessing  
Akinloye & Sajjan  
Shresta (**Winners**)



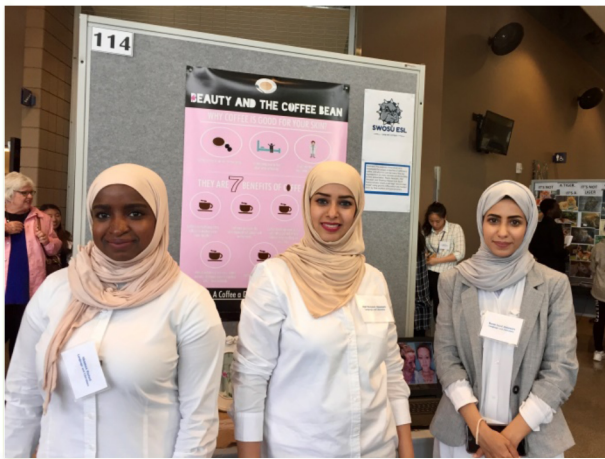
Okenye Chioma  
Esther & Besong  
Oruoh Marra



Taiwo Ademayowa  
Ayodele & Samel  
Goodness



Erika Chartrand



Reem Saad  
Almutairi, Afaf  
Munawir  
Almutairi, and  
Shamaa Hazai



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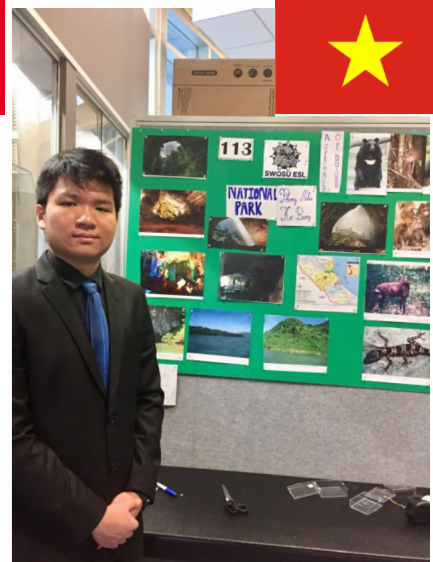
Deborah Ifechukwu Ugwu



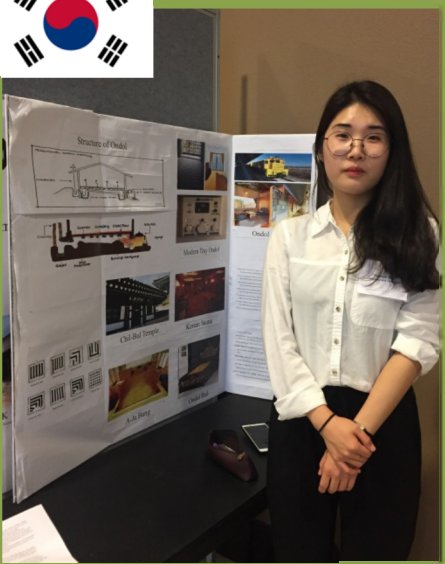
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Ayomide Olayemi,  
President  
Randy Beutler,  
and Provost  
James South



Mohammed Ihab Kamli



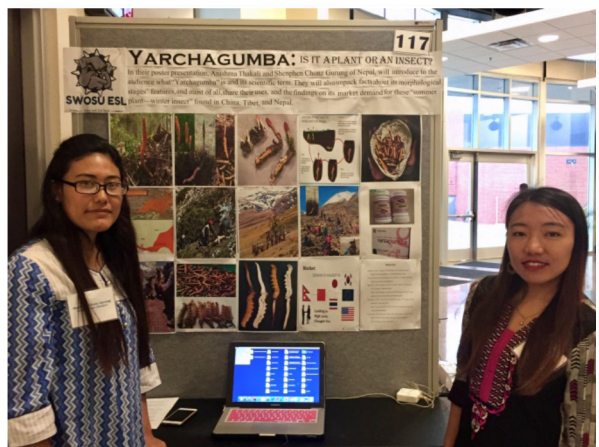
Nguyen Vu Quang



Hannah Kim



Anishma Thakali  
&  
Gurung Shenphen Chonz





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## Potluck Party

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The end-of-the-semester ESL Potluck gathering featured tasty cooked-from-scratch traditional delicacies. Different food preparation methods were discussed. Members went away well-fed and happy.





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## Debate Session

Group competition  
was fierce.



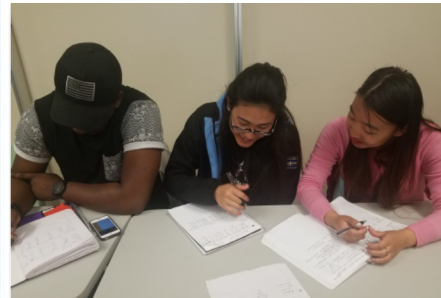
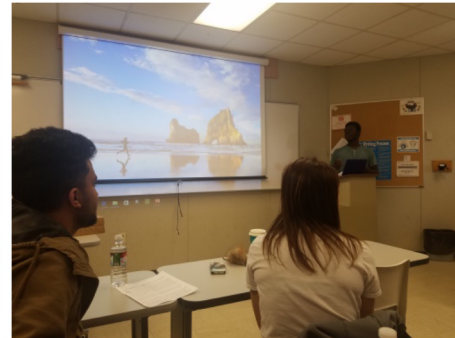
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We wrapped up the spring semester and (the year) with a bang with two lively debates.

The topics:

- Should Euthanasia Be Legalized?
- Are GMO Products Safe for Human Consumption?

The pros and cons of these issues were well-researched and articulated.



Congratulations to the best speakers, Deborah Ugwu and Hernandez-Borjas Alfonso, for their amazing critical thinking and presentation skills. We are proud of you!



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Thank you for an amazing journey and a successful year.  
Good luck! We sure hope to see you again.

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The talented  
newsletter crew

Houng-yu Su, Chang Chia-Yu,  
Li Yi-Syuan



We stayed true to our club  
motto: We Learn, We Care,  
We Respect.

