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Energy expert to speak at OCU

Energy expert Scott Tinker is scheduled to give a presentation titled “Sustainable Energy Transitions” at Oklahoma City University at 1:30 p.m. April 15.

Director of the Bureau of Economic Geology, professor at the University of Texas at Austin and producer of the documentary “Switch,” Tinker will discuss how the energy industry and resources are changing and what it could mean for the future.

The presentation is free to the public and will be held in OCU’s Meinders School of Business at NW 27 Street and McKinley Avenue. The event is free to the public, but reservations are encouraged at okcu.edu/tinker.

Uptown Uncorked scheduled for April 11

Uptown 23rd’s annual fundraiser is scheduled to return to the Tower Theatre from 7 to 10 p.m. on April 11. Uptown Uncorked features Uptown restaurants along with tastings from local breweries and wine distributors.

General admission tickets are \$50 and VIP tickets are \$75. VIP ticket holders will receive an Uptown Uncorked wine tumbler and early entrance to the event, beginning at 6 p.m.

All event attendees will receive a commemorative Uptown 23rd tasting glass, sponsored by COOP Ale Works. All proceeds benefit the Uptown 23rd District Association, which will contribute to the beautification and continued revitalization of the district.

Tickets and additional information are available at www.Uptown23rd.com/UptownUncorked.

Attorney to represent baseball players

Attorney Thomas M. Askew recently obtained a General Player Agent Certification and will represent major league baseball athletes nationwide. An attorney at Oklahoma-based law firm Riggs Abney, Askew is one of 1,200 members registered with the Major League Baseball Players Association.

A graduate of The University of Tulsa College of Law, Askew is located in the firm’s Tulsa office and practices business and civil litigation, in addition to commercial law. Most recently, Askew assisted B.B.I. Sports Group in the negotiation of pre-arbitration contracts for Dylan Bundy of the Baltimore Orioles and Archie Bradley of the Arizona Diamondbacks.

“Thomas is a skilled litigator and is well-equipped for this competitive industry,” said Jay Franklin of B.B.I. Sports Group. “He is an expert mediator, fighting relentlessly for his clients’ best interest. He’ll continue to serve his clients well — from the baseball field to the courtroom.”

Local lab wins accreditation

EyeCRO LLC has been awarded full accreditation from AAALAC International for its facility in Oklahoma City. EyeCRO performs research for the treatment of eye-related diseases.

“Our team is excited to receive this tremendous honor that recognizes our commitment to strong science and the highest standards of pre-clinical research,” said Alexander Quiambao, vice president of operations. “This enhances our ability to assist companies around the world which are advancing vision-saving therapies that can treat various forms of blindness.”

EyeCRO has also recently finished construction of an addition to its facility for conducting good laboratory practice pre-clinical studies.

“This addition will allow us to provide services covering the full-range of pre-clinical ophthalmic drug development, from performing initial proof-of-concept pharmacology studies to conducting important toxicology and pharmacokinetic studies required by the FDA to

enable human clinical trials," CEO Rafal Farjo said.

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