



PEATE PERIODICAL

Fall 2023 Recap

A MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

As a new semester rolls around, the Parker Engineering, Architecture, and Technology Experts (PEATEs) are excited to continue supporting our freshmen engineering community in Parker. We have hosted a variety of in-house activities throughout the year, including tutoring, peer mentorship, and social events. We aim to connect our high-achieving mentees with like-minded peers and professionals in their fields of study.

As we go into the Spring semester, the PEATEs would like to reflect on our fall semester activities. You might recognize our residents around campus as we help the freshmen of Parker find their home at Oklahoma State.

For more information on the PEATE LLP program, please visit: <https://ceat.okstate.edu/studentservices/living-learning-parker.html>

The PEATEs
of 2023-2024

HIGHLIGHTS

- Movie Nights
- PEATEs and In-Residence Staff of Parker
- Waffle Tuesday
- Fun @ Lake McMurtry
- Floor Events
- Football
- End-of-Semester Party
- Our Residents About Campus



FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIES

What better way to end a long week than to sit around with your friends and enjoy a movie together? Every other Friday, the PEATEs turn on a movie, as the residents enjoy light snacks, or the occasional light evening meal. Residents select a movie or two to watch—whatever seems to pique their interest for the week.

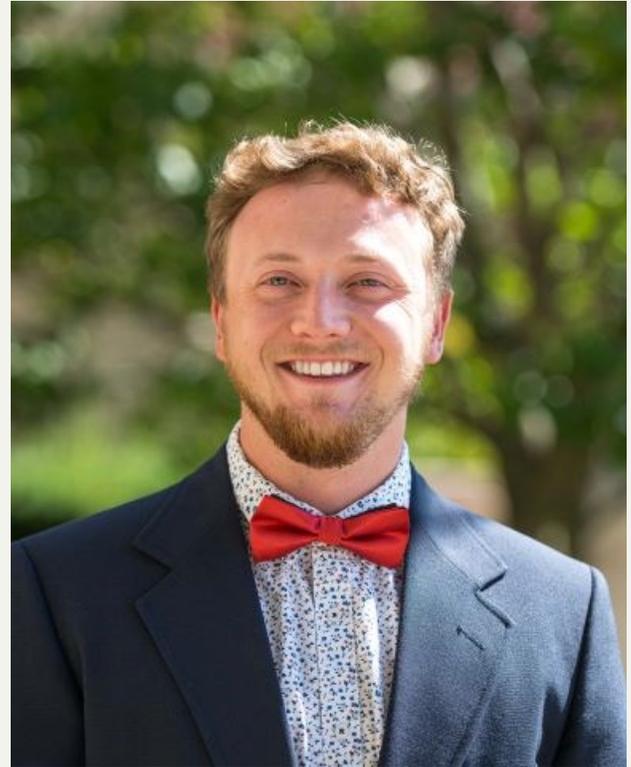


MEET TREVOR WILLIS, OUR NEW CEAT IN-RESIDENT STAFF MEMBER

Hello all! I am thrilled to join you all as the new In-Resident of Parker Hall! My role in Parker Hall is to help host events throughout the semester and help answer any questions you may have! Please feel free to stop me anytime to say hello or ask any questions that you may have!

I started my Ph.D. in Educational Leadership & Policy Studies at OSU this Fall. Along with working as the In-Resident at Parker Hall, I also work as a Graduate Research Assistant with Dr. Amber Manning-Ouellette and am a part of the McNair Graduate Research Fellows. I got my Bachelor's in Biology and Master's in Organizational Leadership from Siena Heights University, a small school in Michigan. I played baseball in college at Siena Heights University and participated in the McNair Scholars Program in undergrad. I started working for the McNair Scholars Program while getting my Master's and started coaching baseball at Siena Heights as well. I worked with the McNair Scholars Program and baseball team for a few years before coming to OSU this Fall to start my Ph.D.

I look forward to meeting you all throughout the semester and joining your journey at OSU!



-Trevor Willis



MEET THE PEATES

Pop quiz! What does PEATE stand for? Do you know what we do? How do we help support Parker and make it the best freshman residence hall on campus?

With a bit of free food, socializing, a short presentation, and a trivia quiz about the PEATEs, residents had the opportunity to learn more about the program. We also invited them to join the PEATE committees: Outreach & Marketing, Events, Tech Support, Design, and Health & Wellness.



WAFFLE TUESDAYS VISITS PARKER

On September 12th, Parker Hall had the pleasure of hosting the Waffle Tuesdays student organization on the Third Floor. Gill Struble and her team, Marcus Barnes, Vera Howard, and Dulce Gallardo-Owens, spent the evening cooking up waffles, topped with chocolate chips, sugar, maple syrup, butter, and whipped cream. Waffles were served to over 40 students.



The Waffle Tuesday Team

Left to Right: Marcus B., Vera H., Gill S., and Dulce G.



Waffle Tuesdays is a new student organization led by Gill who started making homemade waffles for her friends on Tuesdays. As they continued to experiment with their homemade batter, the team decided they wanted to share their experience with others on campus.

As Waffle Tuesdays continue to share their delicious waffles with the rest of campus, Gill hopes to expand their team and start selling their own promotional items. Since the event, they have also collaborated with the Parker-Wentz Community Mentors in mid-November.

For the latest information on the next Waffle Tuesdays location, check out their Instagram: [@waffle_tuesdays](https://www.instagram.com/waffle_tuesdays)



“Besides sharing awareness about food insecurity, we wanted to foster community engagement and help where we can during what can be a busy and stressful semester.”

-Gill Struble
Founder of *Waffle Tuesdays*

SUNSET AT LAKE MCMURTRY



Who doesn't enjoy a relaxing evening at the Lake McMurry? On Friday, October 20, the PEATEs invited the Parker residents out to the lake for a night of fun.

The afternoon started out with some delicious pizza. Students played yard games and had fun with parachute games. As the sun began to set, we brought out the glow sticks! We proceeded with a glow-in-the-dark trail hike, disc golf, tug-a-war, and kickball. We gathered around the campfire with s'mores, then spent the rest of the night stargazing.

If you missed out, don't worry! Lake Day has been hosted each semester as one of the Parker Hall's signature events – we look forward to seeing you there in the Spring!



FLOOR EVENTS

Every semester, each floor's PEATEs host an event for any resident to attend. Here's what happened this past semester.



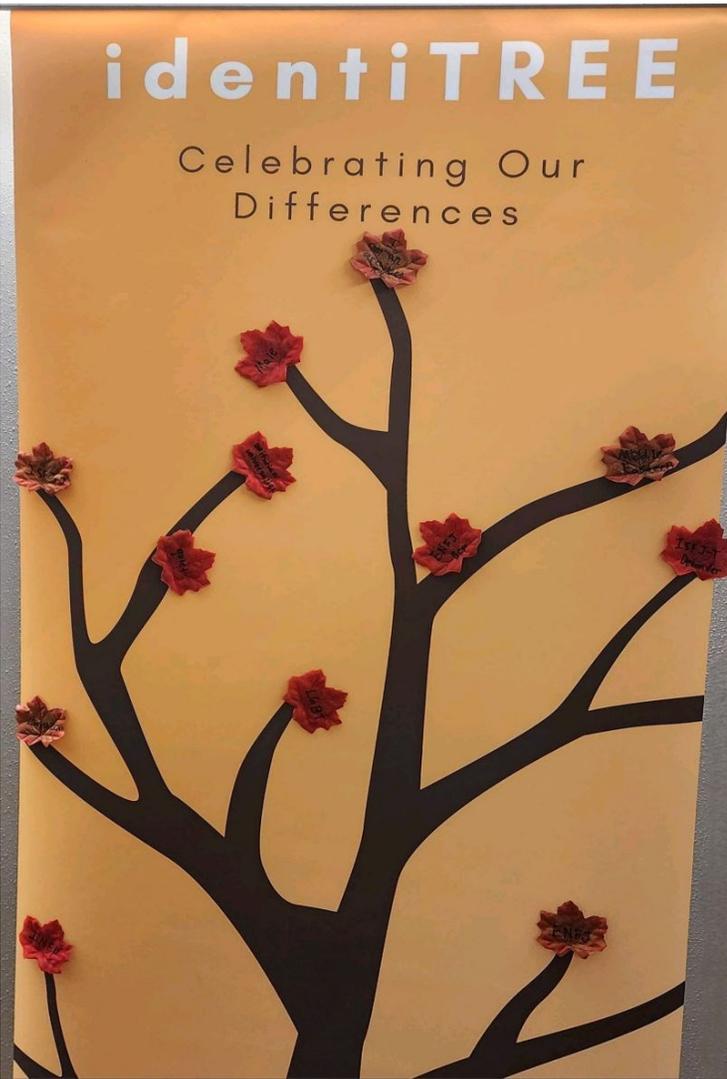
2nd Floor

2nd Floor PEATEs hosted a **paint night** full of creativity and relaxation for all students. They came and painted canvases showing off their amazing art skills while enjoying desserts and music.

4th Floor

4th Floor PEATEs hosted a night of childhood fun while relaxing with **coloring sheets, crayons, cookies, and capri-suns**. It was tons of fun and a great way to end a day full of classes and homework.





3rd Floor

3rd Floor explored the complexities of who they are and how their individual experiences come together to form a communal identity. Students then enjoyed an array of sandwiches and fun giveaways. After that, they had the opportunity to add their identity to the **Identitree**.

5th Floor

Students enjoyed a night of free **Raising Cane's** and watching **Shark Tales**.

Parker Hall 5th Floor Movie Night



**Parker Hall
5th Floor Lounge
Catered by Cane's
7-9 PM Sept. 26**



PARKER HALL FOOTBALL WATCH PARTY

As the Cowboys ventured out to Ames, IA for their match against the Iowa State Cyclones on September 23, the residents of Parker Hall were invited to spectate the game from the first floor lounge TV. Each student immersed themselves into the Cowboy spirit while enjoying a full plate of Cane's together.





WINTER HOLIDAYS

CELEBRATING THE END OF THE SEMESTER FOR OUR FIRST-YEAR RESIDENTS

As the freshman wrapped up their first semester – a significant milestone as they continue to adjust to a new chapter in their life – the PEATEs wanted to celebrate this occasion with a winter-themed holiday party! Complete with catered food from Nikki's Greek Restaurant, holiday *Jeopardy!*, and a white elephant gift exchange among friends, the party kicked off finals week with a night of fun in preparation for the winter break.



OUR RESIDENTS ABOUT CAMPUS



Whether at Parker Hall or not, we're always happy to see our residents enjoy the various activities and groups Oklahoma State has to offer. Check some of these photos out!



GET CONNECTED!

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Want to work with the PEATEs in supporting Parker Hall? Send an email to our advisor, Ryan Miller ryan.d.miller@okstate.edu



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