Students study with help of apps

By Katie Lafferty
Staff Reporter

Students use smart phones for everything, so it makes sense that when it comes to our education that these phones can come in handy.

"I don't know how I could have made it through some of my classes without some of the apps I have on my phone to help me out," fellow student Moriah Wooldridge said.

A popular study app is Quizlet. Quizlet lets students design their own quizzes or look at others to help study for their next exam.

"I use quizlet every time I have to study for a test," Wooldridge said. "It has made studying so much easier and is a must for everyone.

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"An app on almost every student's phone is Canvas. Students check Canvas all the time for grades."

"Most of the time I am on Canvas it is usually with my phone. I probably wouldn't check my Canvas near as much if they didn't have the app," Weidle said.

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"There’s no advantage to having fewer students for recruiting by using a tactic." Toth said. "My experience at OU."

"To be honest, having a smaller class makes a difference because there is a lot of interaction. Students can get the help that they need when it comes to looking for opportunities or letters of recommendation."

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Are smaller classes better?

Brooke Harden
Staff Reporter

Nowadays, smaller colleges are attempting to appeal to potential students for recruiting by using a smaller class size as a marketing tactic.

What is about class sizes that makes them more appealing to students? Are smaller classes better?

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Other apps can help with the most difficult math problems. "These include Mathway and Photomath, where you can take a photo of the problem and it gives you the answer as well as an explanation," Toth said.

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Nate Downs

Nate Downs named director of Pioneer Cellular Event Center

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"Western Oklahoma is fortunate to have a facility like the Pioneer Cellular Event Center, and I look forward to the challenge of building relationships and working to make this the best and most attractive facility for events," Downs said.

Downs has been senior manager at Fedex Ground Inc., as "Amelco (TX), assistant manager of the Weatherford Walmart, and retail manager for ASAP Energy Inc. He and his wife, De Anna, have three sons—Gage, Ethan, and Luke.

The 93,000 square foot Pioneer Cellular Event Center is a site for conferences, trade shows, concerts/entertainment, athletic events, tournaments and more. The project was instigated by the City of Weatherford’s Vision 2020 strategic planning process and made possible by Weatherford voters, SWOSU students and the university. You can contact Downs by calling the Pioneer Cellular Event Center at 580.774.3700.
A graph showing the influence of advertising on consumer behavior.
Prepare for the zombie apocalypse

By Max Jirk
Staff Reporter

The world we live in has millions of brains sitting upon shoulders of innocent people just waiting for zombies to eat, unless those brains are prepared to fight back. People may think to just load up a bunch of guns and shoot zombies at will but experts say there is much more to it than that. The preparation and techniques to survive are vital. The last and most important rule, always aim for the head.

People may think to the zombie some may not know that the only way to kill a zombie is to kill its brain. No matter what you do to a zombie it will stay alive and come to feed. Being scratched or bitten can cause you to turn back.

That's why you should stock up on health supplies such as water, gas, shelter, and food. Obtain weapons such as guns and knives. Knives and swords are most important for long-term use. Find a vehicle suited for the outdoors. Never stay in a big city, head to the mountains. These mountains are prepared to make and have lots of brains. These brains are prepared to make and have lots of brains.

Scientists agree the best plan includes heading into deserted areas with good supplies and a car. Use of the best techniques: Shoot up on health supplies such as water, gas, shelter, and food. Obtain weapons such as guns and knives. Knives and swords are most important to prevent potential harm. Surviving a zombie apocalypse is hard work, but in the end a person must do whatever it takes to survive and keep the human race going.

Interesting enough, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and the Bristol County Council of the United Kingdom have come up with a few ways in case we see bodies rising from the ground. Some include using stun guns, HAZMAT suits, and heading toward the mountains. The mountains are prepared to make and have lots of brains.

The Pecina's menu gives customers many choices, like typical Mexican food plates, such as enchiladas, tacos, and fajitas. The staff welcomes any special requests and requests the way you would like. My brother does not want the same dish every time he likes it, but he does have a favorite. He claims the street tacos are some of the best he has ever had. Other signature dishes at Pecina's are the Pecina's nachos that are topped with queso and the flauta, which is a dish that includes a quesadilla and a flauta. Once the meal has come to an end, peguillas are served. They are warm and delicious, and even better with butter and honey on top. These are a great way to end an already excellent meal.

The cost is affordable for a college student and reasonable for a sit-down restaurant. Pecina's hours are Sunday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

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Jones believes that video games should be considered as a form of art, but understands that some may not agree.

“Whatever I have read, and that I can agree with, is that art, my future, is something that is created. It is a window into someone’s soul.”

Steiner believes that games are more about the story and the person who created them. A game should make the player feel something.

“If a game makes a player feel something, then I think it is art,” he said.

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Jones said, “The worlds created by electronic games are more like playgrounds where experience is created by the interaction between a player and a programme.”

Jones’ argument is that video games are created by several “artists” therefore no one can claim a game as their own. The games also do not create the visions of the artist that appealed to college students of various genres including: indie rock, hip-hop, pop, and R&B.

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**Bulldogs down Ouachita, 81-74**

ARKADELPHA, Ark. – SWOSU Basketball will take added momentum into the postseason after winning at Ouachita by a score of 81-74 on Saturday and keeping the Tigers from earning an automatic berth in the NCAA tourney. Skipping down a lane, and with the game undecided at half time, the Bulldogs are in a position for the run-rule.

**Numbercancel**

The Southwestern Athletics Department is now accepting applications for a full-time Student Manager position. Ideal candidates will be undergraduates who are interested in gaining valuable knowledge and professional experience in the areas of team management, schedule, and game day operations.

**Ladies win finale**

Sulphur Springs, Texas – The Southwestern Women’s basketball team used a 15-0 run in the first quarter to take a lead and they outlasted Ouachita 26-8 in the paint for their way to a 72-60 victory. The Bulldogs missed 10-25 three-point attempts to hold off the Tigers who were 15-40 from the field. Hailey Tucker scored all of her 17 points and she finished with 10 rebounds for her 11th double-double of the season.

**Baseball team buries Southeastern**

The hits and runs kept coming on Saturday as SWOSU Baseball picked up their second run-rule victory of the week and completed a series sweep of Southeastern Oklahoma State. The Bulldogs took two-of-three games in the series, improving to 5-6-2 (2-2 GAC). Heading into a Tuesday matchup against USAO, the Bulldogs have earned a share of 22nd place in the GAC standings and they have earned the :33 generation of the week.

**Idstam wins tourney**

Stefan Idstam of Sweden shot a 66 in the first round of the Broncho Invitational on Monday and followed that up by shooting a 73 (+1) on Tuesday. Joby Gray and Seth Overstreet of the Bulldogs shot in the 70’s on Tuesday, helping the Bulldogs of their rounds below 300 in the tournament, finishing with a 66 (+5) in round two and a 67 (-1) in round three. Idstam finished the tournament with a 70 (-5) and the Bulldogs are ninth in the standings.

**Bull Dog baseball games**

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**Idstam wins the second collegiate tournament of his career.**

Stefan’s performance this week was incredible. He had a 66 in the first round and followed that up with a 73 (+1) in the final round. The victory allows the Lady Bulldogs to move on to the tournament and win the second PGC tournament of the season.

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Res Life
March Madness

The Neff Hall RAs are hosting a March Madness Bracket Challenge! The tournament registration is Thursday March 10th at 6pm in the Neff Hall game room. Each resident will fill out their bracket in attempt to make the most accurate predictions of the 2016 Tournament. The brackets will be collected that same night of registration and kept in a safe place to eliminate possible cheating. The winning bracket will be announced after the championship game on April 4th. The winner of this challenge will receive a March Madness goodie basket, best of luck to all you college basketball fanatics!!

Pictures of Res Life

Resident Spotlight
Kelsey Abernathy

Hometown: Mustang, OK
Classification: Senior
Major: History
Resident Hall: Neff Hall

Why did you choose this major?
I chose history when I was in 7th grade, it was the first time I really loved learning about something in school and now I want to pass that on to others.

What are your hobbies?
I love to craft anything! I love shopping for books. I love to volunteer, it is one of my passions.

What do you want to do when you graduate?
I plan on going to grad school and get my Master's in museum studies. I want to work in archives or a museum.

Who's been a major influence in your life?
"You see us as you want to see us. In the simplest and most convenient definitions. But what we found out is that each one of us is a brain, and an athlete, a princess, and a basket case, and a criminal." – The Breakfast Club

Want to be a RA?

Have you ever wanted to work at Residence Life & Housing? Well if so, the R.A. position will be posted on March 21st. So make sure that you start working on your resumes now! There is an online portion and a packet that you will need to pick up at the Residence Life & Housing Office. Those applications will be due on April 8th. Also, there will be a R.A. information session taking place on March 28th. Keep an eye out for flyers and our social media pages to give you more information about that session.

Go Dawgs!

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