Football

Holidays

Basketball

Top events coming up at SWOSU

• SWOSU Men’s basketball — at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, against Southwestern Christian University in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center.

• Senior Pictures — Seniors/graduate students can get portraits by Bluncks/Lifetouch on Wednesday, Dec. 9, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Union Bonnie Board Room.

Photos by Nakota Taylor

SWOSU Snapshots

The SWOSU football team fell to the Central Oklahoma Bronchos 38-21 in the Live United Texarkana Bowl, played at Razorback Stadium in Texarkana, Ark., Saturday. The loss concludes a breakthrough season by the Bulldog football team, as they won eight games and made the postseason for the first time as members of NCAA after being picked to finish eighth in the GAC preseason.

The SWOSU football team ended the season with a 38-21 loss to the Central Oklahoma Bronchos in the Live United Texarkana Bowl, played at Razorback Stadium in Texarkana, Ark. The loss marked the end of a successful season for the Bulldog football team, who finished with an 8-4 record and made their first appearance in the NCAA postseason.

The team was led by a strong performance from their quarterback, who threw for over 300 yards and two touchdowns. The defense also played well, allowing only 21 points, but could not keep up with the Bronchos’ high-scoring offense.

Seniors who want their portrait in the annual Graduation Record can get their yearbook pictures today. (Wednesday, Dec. 9) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Union’s Bonnie Board Room on the second floor. The portraits are taken by Bluncks/Lifetouch. Seniors and graduate students who are unable to attend the session can contact Joel Kendall at 774-3083 to learn about other options in submitting a portrait photo to the yearbook.

The men’s and women’s basketball teams will have a few more games before Christmas Break. On Thursday, the men will host Southwestern Christian University in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center. Tipoff is at 7 p.m. On Saturday, Dec. 12, the women will host Panhandle State University at 3 p.m. Both games are at the Student Union.

Finals begin with late-night pancakes

Semester finals are right around the corner for Southwestern students, and the traditional President’s Late-Night Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for the Sunday, Dec. 13, on the Weatherford campus.

All SWOSU students are invited to the free all-you-can-eat pancakes/sausage breakfast from 10:30-11:30 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center cafeteria.

The event is an opportunity for all students to take a break from studying and enjoy a late-night snack. Finals begin the following day on December 14.

The breakfast is prepared and served by President Randy Broeder and members of the Administrative Council.

By Hannah Flaherty News Editor

For the fourth consecutive year, the Department of Engineering Technology will participate in the NASA Human Exploration Rover Challenge Technology Award.

“The students on the team had to apply and be selected by the faculty,” said Ms. Cindi Albrightson, the team sponsor.

The team consists of 12 SWOSU students from various parts of Oklahoma: Chandler Boat (Weatherford), Nick Rymer (Thomas), Joseph Rymer (Chisholm), Tyler Rose (Weatherford), Caleb Wachter (Gonzalez), Jacob Wall (Colony), Enrico Chapparo (Northridge), Cale Bork (Colony), Jorge Costa (Northridge), and Andrew Harrison (Norman). Each student has a particular job in building the rover for the competition.

“Each year NASA has certain rules and restrictions that the students must follow,” Albrightson said. “This year, the students must make a rover for the surface of Mars, which is a sand like floor.”

The team has already started building the rover for the competition that will take place April 7-9 in Huntsville, Ala., at the Marshall Space Flight Center. Every Monday night from 6 to 9, the team meets to build on the rover and draw up ideas. The team meets in Stone Technology 124.

“Everyone is welcome to come see what the team is doing and how far they are on the building process,” says Ms. Cindi Albrightson. For more information about the rover project students should contact Ms. Albrightson at 580.774.3165 or by email at cindi.albrightson@swosu.edu.
Music department prepares for spring

By Hannah Flaherty
News Editor

With the fall semester coming to an end, the music department has a full schedule of activities planned for the upcoming spring semester.

As classes begin in January, the music department has a calendar full of events that start the week after classes start. From Feb. 11 to Feb. 29, each day has some sort of concert or activity for SWOSU band, choir, jazz, and orchestra students with only a few breaks from events on the schedule. Starting on Feb. 11 and 12 there will be a Jazz Festival Concert in the Fine Arts Center at 7pm, and from 7:30pm to 10pm. Then, on the 16th there will be a Vocal OSSAA solo/ensemble contest.

The music department is quite busy and offers entertainment for SWOSU students and faculty, as well as the Weatherford community throughout the semester.

"Each semester, the department hosts two concerts," according to Dr. Keith Talley. "The goal for the fall semester was to reach the community of Weatherford."

Students interested in more information about the upcoming events should contact Dr. Talley at 580.773.3217 or keith.talley@swosu.edu.
NEWS

SWOSU Snapshots
More pictures from the SWOSU bowl game. (Photos by Nakota Taylor)

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, December 9, 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM SWOSU Visiting Artist Art Exhibition
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM SIC Council
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Graduate Record pictures
11:00 AM - 1:30 PM St. Eugene College Lunch
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Last Day to Drop with Instructor Permission
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM BTC Club Meeting
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Physics Tutoring
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Freshman Small Group at the Wesley
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Tau Beta Sigma Meeting

Thursday, December 10, 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM SWOSU Visiting Artist Art Exhibition
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM Sorosis
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Psychology Tutoring
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM (Cancelled) Weatherford Hospital Christmas Banquet
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Men's Basketball vs. Southern Christian University
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Kappa Phi Meeting

Friday, December 11, 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM SWOSU Visiting Artist Art Exhibition
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Chemistry Holiday Party

Saturday, December 12, 2015
7:00 AM - 3:00 PM ACT National Test
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Women's Basketball vs. Cameron University
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Men's Basketball vs. Oklahoma Panhandle State University
5:30 PM - 9:30 PM Physics Dept. End of Semester Dinner
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Albert's Truck Service Christmas Banquet

Sunday, December 13, 2015
9:00 AM - 10:00 PM 9 o'clock Worship
10:30 PM - 11:30 PM President Beutler's Free Finals Breakfast

Monday, December 14, 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM SWOSU Visiting Artist Art Exhibition
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM FREE Lunch at the Wesley
11:30 AM - 2:30 PM PEO SG Chapter Luncheon
8:00 PM - 11:00 PM Zeta Phi Meeting

Tuesday, December 15, 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM SWOSU Visiting Artist Art Exhibition
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM FREE Tuesday Lunch
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Office Personnel Luncheon
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Free Dinner at Grace House
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Kappa Kappa IOTA Meeting

Wednesday, December 16, 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM SWOSU Visiting Artist Art Exhibition
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Tau Beta Sigma Meeting

Thursday, December 17, 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM SWOSU Visiting Artist Art Exhibition
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Community Coffee at First National Bank

Friday, December 18, 2015
Final Exams
10:00 PM Semester Break Begins

Monday, December 21, 2015
5:00 PM Final Grades Due

Tuesday, December 22, 2015
Semester Ends

Thursday, December 24, 2015
Campus Closed - Holiday

Crossword (courtesy of mirroreyes.com)

ACROSS
1. Bright thoughts
6. Nonclerical
10. Agreement
14. Type of wheat
15. Antarctic
16. Protagonist
17. Overact
18. Overact
19. Angers
20. Utterly
22. Untruths
23. Attempt
24. Murmured
26. Rouse
30. Chews
32. Hermit
33. Free
37. Debatable
39. Feelings
40. Streetwalkers
42. Startles
43. Connections
44. No particular person
45. Loamy deposit
47. Ribonucleic acid
48. 36 inches
49. Widely circulated
56. Arab chieftain
57. Modify
58. Plaster
59. Place
60. Winglike
61. Follow as a result
62. Inside of your hand
63. Depend
64. Rituals

DOWN
1. Notion
2. Lacking intellectual acuity
3. God of love
4. Car
5. Ore refinery
6. Vigorously passionate
7. Kitty (sport)
8. Fish god
9. Initiates
10. School of thought
11. Eagle's nest
12. Brief system
13. Throw
21. A large vase
23. A wise bird
25. 11 across the season to be jolly?"
26. Charity
27. It comes from sheep
28. Dwarf buffalo
29. Dwarf buffalo
30. Things
31. Gestures of assent
32. Not a spoon
33. Hodgepodge
34. At one time (archaic)
35. Observed
36. Chills and fever
38. Haberdashery
39. Australian food fish
40. Haberdashery
41. Autonomic nervous system
42. Female demon
43. Bay window
44. "the season to be jolly?"
45. Female demon
46. Bay window
47. Attempt again
48. Cry of pain
49. Doing nothing
50. Found on rotary phones
51. Female demon
52. Hindu princess
53. At one time (archaic)
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Top five topics not to bring up with family members around the holidays

Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, whatever you may celebrate at this time of year, there is a certain topic that you should never broach: your love life. If you're not engaged or married, or at least in a committed relationship, you should not bring it up.

Don't bring up the fact that you binge watch Netflix until 3 am every night. Or your idea of fun is sliding pennies under your brother-in-laws face. What's her face gonna have a baby? When are you and your significant other planning to get married soon? When are you and your significant other planning to have a child? If you're single, you just don't need to bring this up unless you're planning to be married soon.

Let's focus on you

Dear family, you can get through that parade of questions, how are you? Hanging in there financially? Why else? Where are you now? How's your bank account? and your Christmas present to your mom was a coupon book for free hugs and do the kids still call you dad? This kind of stuff is okay. As you're still recovering from a full mental breakdown you had on the last day of finals because you didn't bring a number two pencil for the scantron.

Recent death in the family, just don't go there. Ever. Ever. Ever. No. Let's focus on you.

What are you going to do with a gender studies degree? Where is an art degree going to get you in life? You don't have a job yet? Why not? Your brother Jim got a good job after college, so why can't you? All the questions that relatives have been rehearsing while they plow the top row over to your house. This part is just unbearable, just don't try and be a smart ass and play up the question first. You're digging your own grave at that point.

Forever Alone

You got a girlfriend? You? You just finished a semester of college and it's in the books, and that's exactly behind you, forget about it, you don't have to take those classes again, and become confident that next year will be yours for the taking.

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All in all, it's the holidays, it's a time when hearts are open and attention spans are pure. It's a beautiful time of the year and a time to live in the present. The present is behind you, forget about it, you don't have to take those classes again, and become confident that next year will be yours for the taking.
Big touchdowns were not enough to get the Bulldogs over the hump in the end. (Photo by Nakota Taylor)

While the numbers sided with the Golden Bears in many categories, CAU came plenty of positives that the team will be taking away from their first-ever NCAA Tournament game with Concordia-St. Paul. “We got kills against one of the best defenses in the country,” Collins said. “We dug balls from some of the better hitters in the country. It was a short match but we did things well at times and we can leave some things on the court that we have a way to go. You have to push us to work hard in the off-season and get better. We need to make sure that we have enough in the tank to go.”

SWOSU’s finishes their record-setting season with a record of 22-12, setting a new school record for wins in a single season with 29 victories, needing one more to tie the single-season record. The Bulldogs defense finished with six sacks and a fumble forced a fumble that Collier Ward ramped on top of to get the Bulldogs back in business deep against a UCO nemesis. SWOSU finished the season with 390 yards of total offense, 12-1.

ST PAUL, Minn. — The SWSU volleyball team won a school-record 23 matches and their first-ever Great American Conference Tournament Championship, but the Bulldogs historic postseason run ran out on an 88-20 loss to the University of Central Oklahoma after Thursday night, Concordia-St. Paul was the top-ranked team in NCAA Division II.

Despite seeing an early lead evaporate, the Bulldogs managed to maintain their lead, but SWOSU was held to a season-low 11 points in the first half. The Bulldogs were led by Markeise Champion with 16 points. Emeche Wells also had 12 points and Juwan Newman notched 11.

In the second half, SWOSU managed to maintain their lead, but SWOSU was held to 11 points in the second half, and had a 24-20 SAU advantage, led by five boards and five assists. Three different Bulldog sets saw a collective 26-21 lead go to SAU, with 19-20 SAU, while Luke Lewallen also accounted for 11-12 points. SWOSU outscored SAU, 10-27, in the second half.)

Lady Bulldogs earn road win

TEXARKANA, Ark. — SWOSU claimed its first conference victory of the season, 98-76, over previously unbeaten Lady Mules from the Texas Christian University of Southern Arkansas on Saturday afternoon.

The Lady Bulldogs had a terrific game on the glass, holding a 20 rebound advantage and limited SCAU to 11 points in the first half. SCAU, including one touchdown during the first half, had 11 rebounds, and had 11 points in the second half.

Despite an early lead evaporate, the Bulldogs weathered the storm and won the half 40-33. Jennings also had 12 points in the first half, coming in on three of his longest-range attempts, while striking the ball twice.

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Res Life

Res Life would like to thank you for a great fall semester and we look forward to your return (after a well-deserved break of course)! There are some things you'll need to know about break; first of all the Resident Halls are not closed for break and you can stay all of break if you need to! Second, there will be no turning in your keys or "checking out" with an RA before heading home. Finally, if you are going home for all of break please take out your trash, turn off your AC's, remove any perishable food items, and defrost your fridge. Residence Life wishes everyone a wonderful break and holiday season.

Pics of Res Life

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