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Shark Talk



Daymond John, one of the stars of ABC's *The Shark Tank*, speaks last Wednesday as part of the university's Panorama series. John's speech was the final event for the 2014-2015 series, which included performances from the Avett Brothers and Second City. (Photo by Nakota Taylor)

Theatre group to bring Hedda Gabler to campus

By Calley Lamar Staff Reporter

For theatre lovers or those looking for a good show to grab their attention, SWOSU players will put on their production of Hedda Gabler on March 5, 6 and 7 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hill Top Theatre. Hedda Gabler is a play about a woman who is bored with her mundanc existence devoid of excitement.

"For our majors we felt a need to do a play from this genre...moving into realism and modern 20th century style and it has its own unique style and for the training of our people we need that," Director Steve Strickler said. "[Hedda Gabler is about] Real people with real issues and real problems, people can escape their own realism to see these people."

Chelsey Hardin, a sophomore theatre and English major, stars as Hedda and said that students will identify with the characters and story.

"People are going to have an interesting reaction to Hedda and be surprised in the end in how they feel about her and the others," Hardin said. "These are real and relatable people."

The box office is open from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Hill Top Theatre. They can be reached by phone at (580) 774-6046.

Known as the father of modern drama, Henrik Ibsen is considered one of the world's greatest playwrights. Ibsen's genius lies in his startling ability to define his characters and their struggles, which epitomize the inner conflicts that beset all human beings. A chilling play of manipulation and obsession, "Hedda Gabler" features one of the stage's most unforgettable modern

--Bellarah

Gen Ed changes apply this fall

By Maggie Tran Staff Reporter

New general education options have been added for the Fall 2015 semester. The university decided to add more courses in the general education program, bringing the total of possible subjects to approximately 130.

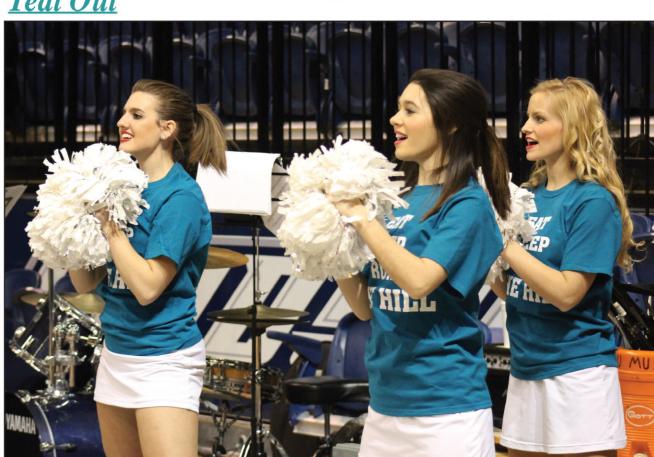
While students have more choices, the total required general education hours actually decreases from 43-44 to a minimum of 40.

According to Provost Dr. James South, this change gives students many more choices. He also said these new general education courses are more practical and engaged to the study programs. For example, options in the Humanities will include History of Jazz or History of Rock 'n' Roll.

"We want students to feel like the courses belong to them," South said.

This change will be applied for freshman students of the Fall 2015 Semester. Sophomore and junior students have one choice to follow which program they like. The new courses added do not affect students who are currently in their senior year.

Much of the core curriculum will remain the same. Students will still be required to take English Composition I, English Composition II, at least one mathematics Teal Out



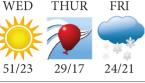
Southwestern's cheerleaders wear Teal T-shirts during last Thursday's home basketball games as part of the night's Teal Out celebration. The color Teal is the awareness color for ovarian cancer. The T-shirts are a method to raise interest in the Tough Enough to Wear Teal 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, March 28. Runners/walkers can now register at signmeup.com or in the Dean of Students Office in the Stafford Center (Room 214). All proceeds will go toward the battle against ovarian cancer. For the past eight years, the 5K "Pink" run had benefited breast cancer research. (Photo by Nakota Taylor)

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State and federal tax season has begun

By Brad Rowson

Staff Reporter

State and federal taxes are required by law to be filed by

State and federal taxes are required by law to be filed by income-earning citizens of the United States, and students are part of that group.

Filed properly, not only may you receive a refund that can be spent on college expenses, many students' tax refunds can be used for leisure.

If you do not have access to your parent's tax advisor, or you do not trust that person to do your taxes, there are many other ways that you could get your taxwa complete in anticipation of your income tax refund.

One way for you to do your taxes yourself is to visit the



Students have several options to filling out tax forms.

website irs.gov. There you will be able to follow instructions on exactly what forms you need to fill out and how to fill them out properly.

properly.

If you are willing to spend

a little money, but still want to file your taxes yourself, there are multiple versions of Turbo'l'ax that you can buy, starting at S15 on Turbo'l'ax.com.

However, if you are worried about incorrectly filing your tax forms, you can always spend a little extra money and have a professional do the taxes for you. H&R Block is a reliable company, and execute different ways to maximize your refund.

Also, Jackson Hewitt has an agent in Walmart from 10a.m. to 6p.m. Monday through Saturday that can assist with the filing of your taxes.

There are many ways to get your taxes taken care. Do not forget that the last day to file your taxes is April 15.

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course, a U.S. History course, and American Government. Biological Concepts or a similar biological course will also be required, plus another three to four hours in a physical science course.

The area of Humanities will now require two courses. One course will be World History or a new course -- Introduction to Humanities. Students will then choose one of the following courses -- Art Survey, Introduction to Theatre, Introduction to Film, Introduction to Literature, Introduction to Music I, Music and Culture, or Introduction to Philosophy.

The area of Human, Cultural, and Social Diversity will require one course from the following list: American Sign Language, Cheyenne Sign Language, Arapaho Sign Language, Introduction to Public Speaking, Intro to Macroeconomics, Intro to Microeconomics, World Cultural Geography, Elementary Italian, Wellness Concepts, Elementary Latin, General Psychology, Introduction to Sociology, Elementary Spanish, or Technology and Society.

The Computers and Info Access course will no longer be required for all students. Instead, students can demonstrate computer proficiency through evidence of a high school Computer Science course or by passing a SWOSU computer proficiency exam. Students who cannot show one of the above will be required to take the Computer and Info Access course.

The total of the above classes will be 31 to 35 hours. Students then can choose five to nine hours of general education electives to bring the total to at least 40 hours.

The electives choices are extremely varied and are grouped into four areas -- Communication & Symbols; Social, Political & Economic Institutions, Relationships in Nature & Science; and Human Heritage, Culture, Values & Beliefs. Students will select courses from at least two areas.

The new general education requirements are currently being reviewed by the State Regents. If approved, they will be placed on the SWOSU website as a guide for enrolling students.

Scenes from the Teal Out and Pink Out



The Teal Out and Pink Out games were hosted by the Collegiate Activities Board T-shirts during recent home basketball games. The color Teal is the awareness color for ovarian cancer, while Pink is the awareness color for breast cancer. (Photos by Nakota Taylor)

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NEWS

Asian Student Association to host Pho Night

Raven Joy White

Staff Reporter

The Asian Student Association will host an all-youcan-eat "Pho Night" at 6 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 26, in the Memorial Student Union. Pho is a type of Vietnamese soup, typically made from beef stock and spices to which noodles and thinly sliced beef or chicken are added.

ASA will also serve desert afterwards. The desert, called Che Thai Lan, consists of milk, jackfruit, green jelly, almond jelly, leechy, and other sweet ingredients.

All of the proceeds are going to the Agape Health Clinic. The Agape Health Clinic provides care for residents in the Weatherford area with financial challenges to addressing health problems.

ASA consists of over 40 members and hosts an annual fundraiser for the Agape Health Clinic. They have also started reaching out to the bigger universities like Oklahoma University and Oklahoma State University, getting together with their Asian Student Associations to support each other's events.

Allison Truong, a member of ASA, said they will be giving out red envelopes that may have free giveaways on Thursday, Feb. 19, in celebration of Lunar New Year's.

For tickets you can contact Allison Truong at 405-706-5831 or email truongad@student.swosu.edu. They are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door.

Spring Break plans can be inexpensive

By Joshua Ramos Staff Reporter

Spring break is just over a month away. Many popular destinations include Panama City, South Padre Island or Cancun; however, these places can be expensive for the average student paying their own way through college or managing financial aid on a budget.

For those planning on doing something special for spring break, it doesn't have to be expensive. Here are a couple ideas that will be rewarding, fun and relaxing that can be cheap and effective.

Camping, yes it may sound traditional; however, with the right group and planning, camping can be extremely fun.

Making a trip to Tahlequah to float the Illinois River in a vehicle that gets an average 17 miles per gallon would cost less than 50 dollars a round trip. Considering a group and carpooling, this is highly costefficient and the entire trip for a weekend including food, campsite, floating and beverages can be budgeted under 400 dollars with a group of four. That is only a 100 dollars a

Six flags over Texas is another

extremely fun trip. Although, it may cost a little more than camping at under 70 dollars general admission, 50 dollar average nightly stays in a 3-star hotel, and a 100 dollar gas expense, a group of four can pull off an excellent weekend at approximately 150 dollars per individual. Six Flags over Texas opens February 28, leaving just enough time to start planning for March.

Spring Break is a great time to unwind and take a break from school. With the right management and creativity it can be fun and create memories without draining the

SGA hosts silent auction for Thunder tickets

A silent auction for three sets of OKC Thunder basketball tickets and a babysitting "Kids Night Out" will be held this week by the Student Government Association.

The events are being held as fundraisers for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

The silent auction will take place this Thursday (Feb. 26) during the

SWOSU men's and women's basketball games vs. Northwestern Oklahoma State University that will be held at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center. The winners of the tickets will be announced during halftime of the men's game.

Then on Friday night, February 27, the SGA will do a babysitting night called Kids Night Out. This is

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an event where parents can pay \$10 for their child to be babysat at the Wellness Center from 5 p.m. until 12 midnight. SGA volunteers will play games and entertain the children all evening. Free snacks and hot dogs will be provided. The event is for children 3 years and up. All of the proceeds from this event will also be donated to Relay for Life.

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- 49. Chopper
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- 58. Small African antelope
- 59. School athletic centers
- 60. Ploy
- 61. Sage
- 62. Close violently
- 63. Seats oneself
- 64. Make improvements

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55. Peel

Upcoming **Events**

Wednesday, February 25, 2015 Psychology Club Cash and Care for 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Veterans 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Senior Salute Grad Fair @ University

Bookstore 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tapestry Exhibition

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Community Meeting Tau Beta Sigma meeting 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Thursday, February 26, 2015

- 8:00 AM 4:00 PM Psychology Club Cash and Care for Veterans
- 8:00 AM 5:00 PM Tapestry Exhibition
- 4:00 PM 5:00 PM Psychology Club - February Club Meeting 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Women's Basketball vs. Northwestern
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- 6:00 PM 7:30 PM Chemistry Club Meetings
- 6:00 PM 8:00 PM Pho Night
- 6:00 PM 7:30 PM Student Government Meeting 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Men's Basketball vs. Northwestern OK

Friday, February 27, 2015

- Baseball @ Southern Arkansas
- Pharmacy Foundation Board Meeting 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Psychology Club Cash and Care for Veterans 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tapestry Exhibition

Softball @ Southern Nazarene Univer-

Black Student Association Member

- 7:00 PM 8:00 PM Faculty Chamber Recital
- Saturday, February 28, 2015
 - Baseball @ Southern Arkansas
 - General Tommy Franks Inspired Leadership Challenge
- 8:30 AM 12:00 PM Upward Bound Saturday Academy 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Softball @ Southern Nazarene Univer-
- 1:00 PM 4:00 PM Tapestry Workshop 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Women's Basketball vs. Southeastern
- OK 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Men's Basketball vs. Southeastern OK
- Sunday, March 01, 2015 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Phi Delta Theta Chapter Meeting 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
- Meeting
- Monday, March 02, 2015 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tapestry Exhibition FREE Lunch at the Wesley 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
- 6:30 PM 8:30 PM First Choice Pregnancy Center Banquet 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM
- 8:00 PM 11:30 PM Zeta Phi Meeting
- Tuesday, March 03, 2015 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tapestry Exhibition
- 9:30 AM 5:00 PM VOYA Visit 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Professional Day/Art Education
- 3:00 PM 5:00 PM Softball @ Texas Woman's 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Lutheran Campus Ministry 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) Meeting
- 6:30 PM 8:30 PM First Choice Pregnancy Center Banquet 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM BCM Bible Studies Orchestra Concert
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- Wednesday, March 04, 2015 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tapestry Exhibition
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- Thursday, March 05, 2015
- Basketball GAC Tournament
- Class 2A Area Basketball Playoff Tour-All Day nament 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Tapestry Exhibition
- 5:30 PM 7:00 PM Biology Club Meetings 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Student Government Meeting

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Movie Review

50 Shades of Grey

Over the weekend I saw the worldwide phenomenon, "50 Shades of Grey." The movie and book have received much attention, but I believe it was definitely worth the watch.

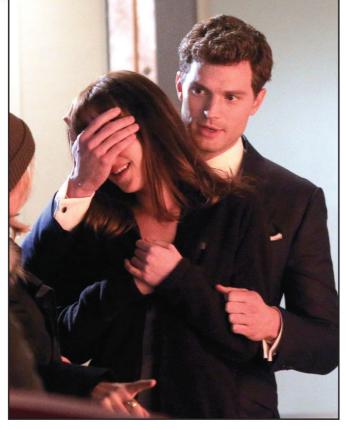
50 Shades of Grey is about Anastasia Steele, a college student, interviewing a young business mogul, Christian Grey. From the moments their eyes meet, the romance begins. Anastasia then learns that Christian is haunted with his past and has secrets.

I read the book, but the movie lived up to my expectations. The movie stars Dakota Johnson playing Steele. Before this major role she had a small role in the film 21 Jump Street as one of the other officers in the jump street program.

Playing the major role of Christian Grey is Jamie Dornan. He is best known as the huntsmen/sheriff on the television series *Once Upon a Time.*

Both roles will make them major break out stars. This is just the beginning to the trilogy, and it will continue to help grow their careers.

One reason this movie has been a controversy is the sexual acts throughout, making it rated R. Under the rating descriptions, it specifies, "strong sexual content including dialogue, some unusual behavior and graphic



nudity, and for language." Many theaters will not allow 17 year olds to enter, even with permission from the parents.

The movie made box office records crushing it with a \$94.4 million debut over the Valentine's Day weekend. The premiere placed on Valentine's Day intensified sales. It debuted in 9,637 locations. It was produced for \$40 million, and it paid off.

The reviews are not stacking up to the box office records. On Rotten Tomatoes, it only has a 27%, IMDb 4/10, and Metacritic 46%.

Usually we look toward reviews to let us know whether or not we want to watch a movie, but I like

to give movies a chance even with horrible ratings. I had a lot of skepticism before watching the movie, since I had the book to compare it to. The cinematic quality of the film is what continually made me focus. My eyes could not look away from the screen because every second I would wonder when will Anastasia and Christian finally kiss or say what they are thinking. I had hints, but the direction that took place still made the audience and myself wonder.

50 Shades of Grey is an unusual romantic, dramafilled movie, but I highly recommend it—that is, if you are above 17.

--Kierra Prenitt

Restaurant Review

On The Border

On the Border Mexican Grill & Cantina offers the perfect blend of Mexican cuisine with a hint of southwest flair.

What began as a single location in Texas has expanded into a booming Tex-Mex restaurant chain with more than 150 locations nationwide.

I recently visited one of On the Border's six Oklahoma locations – my choice located off Northwest Expressway in Oklahoma City – and this dining experience did not disappoint.

Upon arrival, On the Border's radiant signage, lively music, and engaging outdoor patio setting let me know that me--and my taste buds--were in for a fiesta.

After being escorted down a path of colorful tiles to my table, a wait staff member immediately brought a heaping basket of warm tortilla chips and fresh salsa. I then began to survey the menu.

On the Border's menu offered a variety of mouth-watering Mexican entrees, from tacos and empanadas to fajitas and burritos. Persuaded by the feature photo in the "taco" section, I decided to try the Southwest Chicken Tacos.

In past experiences, I have found that grilled chicken tacos usually follow a fairly standard recipe. On the Border's spin on chicken tacos, however, took this dish to the next level.

The Southwest Chicken Tacos were an absolutely decadent choice with an interesting combination of flavors that kept my taste buds entertained throughout the meal.

Each fluffy flour tortilla held together juicy mesquite-grilled chicken, sharp cheddar cheese and a creamy red chile sauce-the makings of a good old-fashioned chicken taco. However, the addition of crunchy onion strings to the top of each taco was the twist that really sent this dish over the edge.

On the Border offers a wide range of meal choices including appetizers such as Brisket Quesadillas and Firecracker Stuffed Jalapenos; freshly grilled entrees like Ultimate Fajitas and Queso Chicken; and divine desserts such as Kahlua Ice Cream Pie and the classic sopapilla.

I was overwhelmingly satisfied with not only the

food but also the exceptional service.

As soon as I stepped through the door, a friendly host greeted me and carried on an effortless conversation until we arrived at my table. Multiple waiters and waitresses attended to me to ensure that my drinks and chip baskets were topped off at all times, and the manager dropped in just before I paid out to confirm my satisfaction with the service.

This outing served to remind me why On the Border has become one of my favorite venues for Mexican-style dining

For those interested in discovering first-hand what On the Border has to offer, just a short drive west on I-40 will grant access to any of the four Oklahoma City restaurant locations. Specific addresses, menu options, and other information can be viewed by visiting www. ontheborder.com.

--Stacey Bailey

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SPORTS

Both men and women win titles

Rodeo teams pick up where they left off

MANHATTAN, Kan. – After a break from competition of nearly four months, the SWOSU Rodeo teams returned to action over the weekend at the Kansas State College Rodeo and both teams brought home first-place finishes from the event.

The SWOSU women's team totaled 367 points for a runaway victory over Garden City CC, who finished second with 190 points. KeAnn Kelber won the short go and finished second in the average of breakaway while Ceri McCaffery shared third and fourth in the average of breakaway and took first in barrel racing with a pair of rides at 12.27 seconds or better.

Three SWOSU cowgirls placed in goat tying with Angie Bartley winning the first round in 5.5 seconds and finishing with a share of fifth and sixth in the average while Alex Christen took third in both rounds for third in the average.

Stacey Bailey finished fourth in the first round of both goat tying and barrel racing, but was a scratch from the short round due to injury.

On the men's side, SWOSU edged out Panhandle State by 20 points for the victory after racking up 440 points as a team.

Justin Pollmiller won the long round (74) and average in bareback riding to lead the Bulldogs with Levi Nicholson splitting sixth and seventh in the average of the event. With a 77-point ride, Mickey Andrews took second in the long round and average of bull riding.

The Bulldogs had four cowboys place in saddle bronc riding with Dalton Davis wining the long round with 77 points before Chris Johnson won the short go with 79 points. Johnson took second in the average while Nick Shenold finished third while Davis and Drew Spencer (6th) both placed in the long round but not the short go. "I'm really proud of the team's performance and

accomplishments this weekend," SWOSU Coach Mike Visnieski said. "They have been working really hard and deserved to win. We still have a lot of work to do, but hopefully it all pans out for us in at the end."

SWOSU now has five rodeos remaining on their

SWOSU now has five rodeos remaining on their spring schedule, with their next action this weekend (Feb. 27-March 1) at Garden City CC.



Saturday's game against Henderson State. The Bulldogs host Northwestern Thursday in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center. (Photo by Nakota Taylor)

Points pour in as women beat Henderson State

Vogt and Jones lead team in scoring 116 points

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – SWOSU and Henderson State combined for a Great American Conference-record 224 points, but it was the Lady Bulldogs that came out on top 116-108 behind freshmen duo Morgan Vogt and Jade Jones.

Vogt and Jones combined for 57 points in the game, with Vogt playing the best game of her young career. She set a career-high in points with 29 on 11-22 shooting, which is the second-most points scored by a SWOSU player this season, while also grabbing a career-high seven rebounds. Jones was an offensive dynamo herself, pouring in a career-high 28 points on 10-18 shooting. She also went 4-6 from deep.

Head coach Kelsi Musick had gameplanned for a run-and-gun affair, and the Lady Dawgs executed to perfection. The teams combined for 103 points in the first half, and SWOSU carried a slight 52-51 lead into halftime. SWOSU was dialed in from the first whistle, splashing in six 3-pointers as Chelsea Bates and Vogt combined for 30 points in the half.

With the game tied at 94-94 with 4:23 remaining, SWOSU finally began to pull away, going on an 8-0 over the next minute. The Lady Reddies would pull back to

within three with two minutes remaining, but SWOSU pushed ahead. Jones capped the scoring with a pair of free throws with five seconds remaining to create the 116-108 final score.

"I'm so proud of my young team today with their fight and resilience!" said Musick about the team's offensive explosion.

"They allowed runs but came back with runs of their own. To be able to finish big when it mattered was what this young team needed. I always say players make plays and we did that today!"

The Lady Dawgs had three players score 20 or more points in the victory. Along with Vogt and Jones, Bates poured in 24 points on 6-8 shooting. She did most of her damage at the free throw line where she was 11-12. Chapman also finished in double figures, recording 11 points.

With the victory, the Lady Bulldogs move to 7-11 in conference play and will look to lock up a GAC Tournament berth next week. SWOSU is rounding into form just in time, as in-state rival Northwestern Oklahoma State visits the Pioneer Cellular Event Center next Thursday at 5:30 p.m.

Men pick up third straight win

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – The SWOSU
Basketball team picked up their third consecutive victory and handily dispatched of Henderson State 74-56 on Saturday afternoon, completing a season-sweep of the Reddies and breaking the tie between the two teams in the Great American Conference standings.

The Bulldogs came out focused from the beginning, stepping up to the task of playing in a game with huge postseason ramifications. SWOSU used an 11-0 run midway through the first half to take a 23-11 lead before eventually taking a 20-point lead at 37-17 with 1:43 to play in the half. After HSU cut the deficit to 16 at 37-21, SWOSU scored the final four points of the half, including a buzzer beating coast-to-coast slam dunk from Emeche Wells that left a Reddie defender on the bad end of a poster.

SWOSU came out of the locker room cold, but never allowed Henderson State to any closer than 14 points after the break. Both teams spent plenty of time at the free throw line in the second half, but the Bulldogs used a 13-3 run spanning four minutes to take a 56-34 lead that would eventually balloon to 25 points before late baskets from the Reddies made the final deficit 18.

Several Bulldogs contributed to the winning effort, but it was the senior duo of Kenyan Borders and Trent Washington who most elevated their games for the big game. Borders had his best day scoring the ball since early December, leading the Bulldogs with 18 points on 4-of-9 shooting from



Ayo Ojo protects the ball during Saturday's game against Henderson State. The Bulldogs host Northwestern Thursday in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center. (Photo by Nakota Taylor)

the field. Washington added 12 points and five assists while also coming up clutch on the defensive end, holding HSU's top 3-point shooter to one made shot from long range.

"Our mental state the first 20 minutes was the best we've experienced all year," SWOSU Coach Bob Battisti said following the game.

"Our guys came out hungry and aggressive and that comes from the leadership of our seniors, who were spectacular. I'm very proud of the way our guys played today and this weekend, earning two victories that we needed."

Richard McCalop added his first double-double in a Bulldog uniform, scoring 13 points while pulling down a game-high 10 rebounds to go along with two steals. Martell Collins nearly matched McCalop, finishing one

rebound shy of a double-double with 10 points and nine rebounds. Wells quietly filled out his stat sheet nicely with seven points, six rebounds, four assists and two assists in 29 minutes of action.

The victory is the third straight for the Bulldogs, who improve to 14-11 (8-10 GAC) on the year with two games remaining in the regular season. SWOSU has also moved into sole possession of eighth place in the league standings, meaning if the season ended today they would qualify for the GAC Tournament in Bartlesville next month.

SWOSU will play two home games next weekend to conclude the regular season, starting on Thursday with rivalry action as Northwestern Oklahoma State visits the Pioneer Cellular Event Center for a 7:30 pm tipoff.

Baseball team wins third game against Southeastern

DURANT, Okla. – After splitting a pair of games on Friday, the SWOSU Baseball team came out victorious over Southeastern 7-5 on Saturday, winning the rubber match to take the series 2-1.

Cole Wagner led the Bulldogs with two hits and one run scored while six other players had a hit in the game. Korbin Polston had a team-high two RBI and scored two runs, as did Dalton Daniels, who went 1-for-3.

SWOSU got on the board in the first inning with an RBI single from Christian Perez that scored Daniels for an unearned run before Wagner had an infield single to score CJ Faddis, giving the Bulldogs a 2-0 advantage. That lead returned to the Savage Storm after they scored four runs on six hits in the bottom of the second inning, chasing SWOSU starter Austin Hannum from the game after just 1.2 innings of work. Taylor Weifenbach re-

corded the third out of the second inning with the bases loaded to keep the damage minimal for the Bulldogs.

After being set down quickly in the third and fourth innings, the Bulldogs offense regained the advantage with three runs in the top of the fifth. Wagner and Daniels led off the inning with back-to-back singles, setting up for a two-run double to left center by Polston that tied the game. Polston would later score on an RBI single from Bryan Holt, putting the Bulldogs on top 5-4.

Daniels led off the top of the seventh with a walk and promptly stole second base, putting him in position to score on an RBI single from Tyler Rapp. Polston, who was intentionally walked in the inning, scored on a balk for SWOSU's seventh run, providing an insurance run, which was needed with the Storm getting one run in the seventh inning.

Ethan Davis pitched the final 2.0 innings, earning his first save of the season by allowing just one hit and preserving the win for Weifenbach, who is now 1-1 on the year. Weifenbach pitched 4.2 innings in relief of Hannum, allowing just three hits and one run while striking out four Storm batters.

"It was a really good team weekend," Coach Zack Saunders said after the series finale. "A lot of guys stepped up and contributed to winning a road series, which is always a tough thing in the GAC but especially at Southeastern. We have a lot of season to keep improving and that's what we plan to do."

The Bulldogs improve to 4-9 on the year and 2-4 in GAC play with the series victory, heading into a trip to Southern Arkansas next weekend for a three-game conference series.

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Res Life

Can't be missed events

By: Cody Ewing

It's time for round two of the ping pong war at SWOSU. February 25th at 5pm there will be a ping pong tournament at Rogers and Jefferson Hall. Bring your friends or come alone, either way came and battle for your chance to have your name enshrined forever on the ping pong plaque. It will be tons of fun and you may have the chance to beat your RA or even dethrone the reigning champ.

PICS OF THE RES LIFE





resident spotlight Niki Scott

Hometown: Yukon, OK

Classification: Junior

Residence Hall: Stewart Hall

Major: Pre-Pharmacy

Niki is a junior pre-pharmacy major here at SWOSU. She hopes to one day work as a pharmacist in a hospital setting with pediatrics. Niki is a member of Sigma Sigma Chi here at SWOSU and maintains a 4.0 GPA. So far in her college career her favorite class has been microbiology. If Niki could go anywhere,

she would go back to the Philippines where she was born. A few fun facts about Niki is that she is engaged to be married to her fiancé Jason, her favorite color is cerulean, and she loves the Denver Broncos. Niki's favorite part about living in Stewart Hall is the 3rd floor Stewart showers. So if you see her around say hi to Niki.

*meet a res-life person*Garret Mitchell Chambless

Hometown: Stillwater, OK

Classification: Junior
Major: OTA/PTA

Residence Hall: Neff

Meet Garret! Garret aspires to be an Occupational Therapist Assistant (OTA) or a Physical Therapist Assistant

(PTA). He became an RA so that he could meet new people and make lifelong friends. His RA last year was the reason he got out and did anything fun. A fun fact about Garret is that he loves to draw, especially graffiti. He is an 88M for the Oklahoma Army National Guard, involved in G2 with Res Life, and he also plays intramural basketball for the Land Sharks (RIGHTTT!!). Garret's favorite quote is by Vince Lombardi, "The only place success comes before work is in the dictionary". I asked Garret if he had anything to add and he responded "I just want to say I love you mama! POP Holding it down!"

Brainstorm By: Anthony Braden

Ladies and gentlemen, welcome back to another edition of Brainstorm, your one stop and read shop. Today we are going to talk about being offensive. Let's be honest, someone has said something that's made you mad. It's happened to everyone, and many of us would like it to stop, no? So, let's look at what makes people mad. On one hand we have political correctness, the other, our friendly gives-no-bothers. Each have their own problems. Political correctness is meticulously polite, and while the thought is nice, it's also aggravating. However, giving no bothers shows a lack of respect that few care to deal with for long. For you people tired of one, the other, or both, I provide a solution. Be polite. Saying "please", "thank you", and "may I" are not beyond the capacity of kind people in a kind world. Try your best to know what makes people uncomfortable and avoid it and be courteous to those around you. Giving you something to think about: should social media promote or deny the level of freedom of speech observed by the United States?

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