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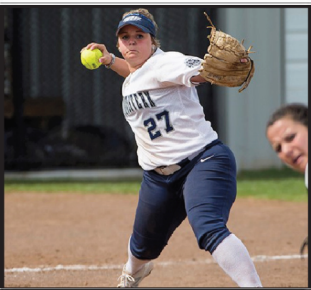
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Top events coming up at SWOSU

- **Relay Ups for Life** — 3 on 3 basketball tournament to raise money for Relay for Life. Wednesday, March 20, from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Wellness Center.
- **Career Fair** — Wednesday, March 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Union Ballroom.

WEEKLY WEATHER

SOURCE: WEATHER.COM

WED	THUR	FRI
79/41	68/42	62/35
SAT	SUN	MON
72/43	83/52	86/60

SWOSU's signature event: 'Palooza

By Caylie Patton
Staff Reporter

April 5, 2014. A perfect Saturday morning. Clouds moving in from the west. An outside stage is almost complete. Graham Colton was on his way when then the rain drops began to fall and the SWOSUPalooza's 15th anniversary celebration was looking questionable.

The 2014 SWOSUPalooza shared the stage with an Oklahoma rainstorm that forced the concert indoors to the Student Union where it all began in 2000 with the band Molly's Yes. This decision likely saved Palooza for the years following.

The SWOSUPalooza idea originated in 1997 by a group of SWOSU students. Then, the brainchild was brought to life in the academic year of 1999-2000. With a month left before the set festival date, the Student Government Association still did not have the appropriate funds to host the event. Eventually, the group did secure the funding and so began SWOSUPalooza, a free campus event.

The end of Palooza's first decade brought some changes including a name alteration and a price change. The name of the festival borrowed its' name partially from the Lollapalooza festival. In 2009, the festival was slightly altered to a capitol P. The next year, in 2010, SGA imple-



The first SWOSUPalooza (above) was on the Student Union lawn in 2000 and featured Mollys Yes. The annual concert has gone through many changes, and on April 19, Whiskey Myers (below) will headline the concert.



mented a minimal fee in order to raise funds to bring bigger bands in the following years.

The financial decision proved to be a good move with Stoney LaRue and David Nail being named as headliners in following years.

SWOSUPalooza is approaching again. SWOSU Palooza will be held April 19 in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center with Read Southall opening at 7:00 p.m.

This annual event has had names like Turnpike Troubadours, Graham

Colton, and the Avett Brothers.

SWOSU Palooza will be held April 19 in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center with Read Southall opening at 7 p.m. This year's headliner is a fan favorite, the band Whiskey Myers.

"We are really looking forward to this years' event. Whiskey Myers is a band that Austin and Matt really pushed for and something that got a lot of students excited last year when

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Oklahoma colleges grapple with crisis

state budget faces shortfall

By Bayli Blanchard
Staff Reporter

A few months ago, oil and gas prices plummeted. A lot of citizens were ecstatic because this meant saving money. But for Oklahoma, these low prices have caused a financial crisis that has affected all sectors, including higher education.

Presidents, advisors, professors, as well as staff of Oklahoma colleges and universities knew an economic downturn was imminent, but they could do nothing to stop it.

Education in Oklahoma is already scarcely funded, and school employees have learned how to make things work with a small amount of money. Now these people are discovering that they have to work with even less.

The Oklahoma economy has struggled immensely this past year due to several reasons, including the drop in oil and gas production revenue.

This has caused state department funds to be cut across the board. People all over the state will be affected, some losing their jobs, others getting pay cuts, and some programs being removed altogether.

"Budget cuts are no fun," said Cindi Albrightson, Department of Engineering Technology professor. "There are no easy decisions to make when it comes to budget cuts."

Colleges across the state have to make decisions on what positions to eliminate. Some universities are doing away with some of their athletics. Scholarships are less available, requirements are becoming harder, and the bar is being raised in order to receive the scholarships.

According to KSWO, Cameron University has cut 28 employees. KXII reports that Southeastern Oklahoma State is requiring that their staff take furlough, or unpaid days. The Oklahoman says that Northeastern Oklahoma College may even have to turn in to a commuter school.

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'The only way to advance the quality of life in our state is to advance the quality of our higher education system.'

-SWOSU President Randy Beutler

Greek Life contributes to Relay For Life

By MaKenli Ladd
Staff Reporter

Greek life at SWOSU is not as big as other schools but their hearts are just as big when it comes to raising cancer awareness. These organizations are putting in the necessary amount of work year round to raise money for this event.

Custer County Relay for Life is a huge fundraiser that works toward raising money to research cancer and lessen the number of people effected. At South-

western, the four campus Greek life organizations are doing their part to help with this worth-while philanthropy.

This spring, Relay for Life is April 15 to 16 on the basketball courts of the Southwestern Wellness Center.

Social sororities, along with social fraternities, put a lot into Relay for Life each spring.

"We relay because each of our members have been effected by cancer through the loss of a loved one," said Zeta president Kaitlin

Noothbaar. "We relay to remember and celebrate those we have lost to cancer and those who are battling currently."

Zeta Phi has a membership of 17 women. They have had several fundraisers this year.

They partnered with the local Sonic on Main Street to contribute to their Relay for Life Fund. Zeta also recently had an Easter egg hunt to better involve the community in raising funds.

This year Zeta has set their goal of funds at

\$3,000 and plan to sell various handmade crafts at Relay for Life this year to help raise additional funds.

Sigma Sigma Chi is also getting involved in Relay for Life.

"To us this is more than a yearly philanthropy," said Sigma president Caylie Patton. "Relay for Life gives us the opportunity to make a real difference here in our community. We love Weatherford and getting to help find a cure for a devastating disease like this makes it worthwhile to us."

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SWOSU International Banquet is back!

Southwestern's International Student Association is hosting its 2016 banquet on Saturday, April 9.

The 6:30 p.m. banquet in the Memorial Student Center will be an evening to enjoy diversity with food from all over the world, cultural performances and fashions from different regions.

Tickets are available in the International Student Affairs Office in Room 102 of the Administration Building. Tickets are \$10 for students, \$15 for faculty/general public and children under 7 are admitted for free.



NEWS

Technology changes the college campus

By Jennifer Steiner
Staff Reporter

Technology once meant a computer the size of a bedroom. However, present technology has become small enough to fit in a pocket.

Technology has become more than just a large box of cords and circuitry that used to sit in the corner of the living room.

“As computers become more complex and capable, you can buy processors to put in your computer that equal supercomputers from about a decade ago,” senior Shelby Steiner said.

Supercomputers like those used to assist in the launching of spacecraft.

And yet...

“Your watch is more powerful in processing power than what NASA has used to put people in space,” said Steiner.

New technology does not have to mean computers or smartphones. SWOSU is finding ways to use the cloud to help students.

Karen Klein, director of information technology services, is looking into a “print management program for students... It is cloud printing where you put it in a document in the cloud, go to the kiosk, pull

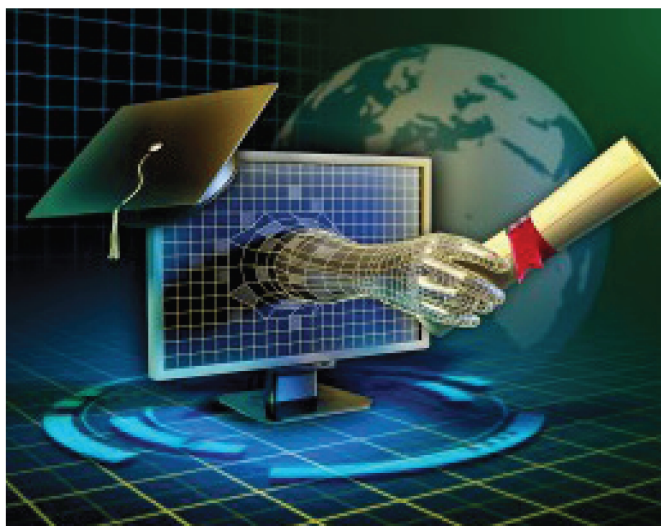


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the document, and print from there.”

The ease of accessibility of printing a document anywhere would relieve the stress for students searching for printers or utilizing a classroom printer.

Klein discussed a new project the administration is working toward.

Klein also mentioned that the campus is covered in all open areas, including the sports complex, by the Wi-Fi network, SWOSU Air.

The idea of having the Wi-Fi network more broadly accessible around campus allows for students to connect to the internet anywhere they need to in order to accomplish tasks and work on projects.

Having the right tools for students to accom-

plish many various tasks is a must when thinking about what else to bring to campus. However, there are many tools available to students already.

“The computer club has members who are working on making their own video games,” Steiner said. “And they have those tools available to them where they can do that.”

The computer labs are available to students to work on projects for class, build their knowledge, or make programs and create video games.

“For instance, the school makes technology available in the computer science program where students can to do their work and do things that are outside of the curriculum but are also technology based,” said Steiner.

Not all tools are just for

students; some are put in place to help the campus grow year to year. A new tool that administration is working on is the ability to send text messages to new students or people interested in SWOSU.

Being able to send text messages would allow the university to reach out in a more direct way and possibly increase enrollment numbers.

“Adding text messaging where students would receive texts from the university as an outreach tool for new students coming in,” Klein said. “As soon as they apply to the university we can send them a text message and try to get them involved as quickly as we can.”

The university works on having as much available to students as they can, always focusing on bringing the absolute best to campus despite budget cuts.

Due to the cuts, the computers currently on campus are going to go from a “four-year rotation cycle to about five years now,” Klein said.

Technology on campus is a focus for the administration

“The college has to budget. They have to consider more than just one advancement,” said Steiner.



Photo Courtesy [softwareproviders.com](#)

Spring 2016 Career Fair on SWOSU Campus

Southwestern Oklahoma State University’s Career Services will host a career fair on Wednesday, March 30, on the Weatherford campus.

The fair is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom, and a number of organizations will be represented.

The fair is open to SWOSU students and alumni. Employers present will be offering full & part time positions as well as internships possibilities. Professional dress is not required to participate in the event but is highly encouraged, according to SWOSU Career Services Coordinator Savannah Schones.

For career fair tips or career advice, visit the Career Services office in Stafford 209 or call 580.774.3233.



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author of *Girls Who Fell in Love With War*.



Jennifer E. Hudgens, originally from Oklahoma City has published poetry in a variety of journals. Her first full-length collection, *Girls Who Fell in Love With War*, was released through Swimming With Elephants Publications, Jan. 2016. Jennifer is currently pursuing her Bachelor’s degree in Creative Writing at the University of Central Oklahoma. Jennifer is the co-editor of Wicked Banshee Press.

7 PM

Poetry in translation featuring SWOSU students:
Alyssa Friesen, Kyra Schmidt, Katy Kirkpatrick, Michael Angelo Perez, Seidy Marquez, Janet Medina, and Magda Mercado Justin Tharp, Marisa Bolin, Bree Anna Jackson, J. Miranda Kinniburgh, Jacque Young, Austin Watford, Tyler Burch, Chase Wright, and Kenneth Beck

Slam poetry reading by Jennifer Hudgens.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

7 PM

Reading, Q&A, and book signing with author
C.H. Armstrong promoting her new novel,
The Edge of Nowhere.

A native of El Reno, Oklahoma, Armstrong is a 1993 graduate of the University of Oklahoma, and has a lifelong passion for the stories of the Dust Bowl. Her new novel, *The Edge of Nowhere*, was recently released by Penner Publishing (January 2016). She currently resides in Minnesota.



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NEWS

News still important for college students

By Brooke Harden

Staff Reporter

The majorities of college students hear about major news events in some way, shape, or form, but how?

A study done by the Associated Press shows that college students are still involved as ever when it comes to getting the news.

“The survey of Americans ages 18 to 34, sometimes called the millennial generation, found that two-thirds of respondents said they consume news online regularly, often on a social networking site. Of those, 40 percent do so several times a day, according to the poll, conducted by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research and the American Press Institute.”

Many colleges students still think watching the news in the mornings or later in the evenings are something only adults do, but when a popular news event comes into conversation college students are still informed on the subject, so what

gives?

SWOSU student Dylan Biggs thinks college students get their news from social media.

“I think social media is probably the most common source of information for a lot of students today. Students are constantly flipping back and forth between Facebook or Twitter, and that’s usually a good source to find out a major happening in the world,” Biggs said.

This is something that many news stations have picked up on in the last few years. Nowadays most major news stations have a social media page of their own that is used to broadcast weather updates or post major articles and send out emergency alerts.

Another common way students get their news is simply by looking on the Internet. Many major websites today will post major headlines happening that particular day.

Yahoo! has a list of the top ten trending topics at all times. This gives the

reader a good idea at what is happening at a national level. Yahoo! specifically even has subcategories you can enter into that provide top news stories in categories such as sports, science, celebrity gossip, or a particularly hot topic around this time, politics. This is good for the student who wants the latest on a specific interest of his.

Student Dallis Toth gets most of her news from the radio.

“I actually get a lot of my news updates from the radio in my car while driving,” Toth said.

Students are constantly going from one place to another, visiting this friend, and going to this event etc. so it makes sense that they would be subjected to major news stories over their car radio.

Toth thinks that it’s easier and more convenient to get news from sources online instead of having to wait for the news section to come on the radio or television.

Radio stations are a good source for information because they tend to give a

good amount of national as well as local news. It’s also to the point and not full of fluff news.

Former SWOSU student and staff member Lanita Nikkel used to get her news in college from watching it on TV.

“My parents watched the news, so I did. I lived with my parents until I got married, it just kind of transferred over into our relationship,” Nikkel said.

Lanita feels that most people that went to college in the 80’s watched the news and or listened to it on the radio. She agrees that the times have changed and that sites like Facebook and Twitter have become the number one source for college students and even high school students.

“My children don’t want to watch the news, they can find what they are looking for right from their phones quicker than watching it or listening to it,” said Nikkel. “They know what is going on faster and more accurate than most news watchers because they get their news instantly.”

Financial Stress: An Everyday Reality For College Students

By Michelle Taylor

Staff Reporter

There are multiple financial struggles that college students face from tuition, living costs or being able to afford the basic necessities.

Tuition is a main struggle for many. SWOSU freshman take out an average \$3,765 in loans their first year. The average loan amount for all undergrads is \$5,538 per year.

Many college students have applied for as many scholarships as they come across. Being awarded scholarships can be very helpful and many have set up payments toward tuition as well as college costs.

By carefully watching their finances, some put their tuition payment first. Therefore, not allowing to get behind by using up to a fourth of their monthly income. Using the rest of their paychecks for utilities, groceries and other necessities. Making tuition come first makes it where they will hopefully graduate debt free.

Student Christy Brown says her main struggle is tuition.

“I work as I can throughout the week because I do have to pay for tuition semester by semester,” brown said, “I don’t have any financial aid from FAFSA or other means such as scholarships. My parents and I split tuition.”

Brown decided to stay at home

with her parents instead of moving out and having to pay for rent, insurance and utilities that living on her own would require more funds than what she brings in working 32-36 hours a week.

“By paying tuition this way it also makes it where I can afford only so many hours per semester,” said Brown.

Students should be careful when taking out loans because they can add up fast. Former student Diane Walters knows this all to well, while struggling financially, she still managed to graduate.

“Going to college was a struggle. Being just married and trying to work a full time job, as well as going to college for nursing, I racked up close to \$80,000 in loans,” Walters said. “I will be spending a long time now just trying to pay off my loans. If I would have done things differently by looking into grants and scholarships it probably would have helped out a lot, I just didn’t realize it would be this much.”

Some college experts advise that a student total debt by the time they graduate should not exceed the amount they will make in one year’s salary.

Director of Student Financial Services, Jerome Wichert can provide information of the different loans, grants and many different types of

student aids that are available. The total financial aid that was awarded in 2015 was a exactly \$40,537,732. According to Wichert, there were a total of 6,481 applicants for the student aid program Federal Application for Federal Student Aid.

Wichert said first step to applying for the FAFSA is to go to www.fafsa.ed.gov and fill out the form by following the directions. By filling out this application, it will help further your chances of other scholarships and grants. The SWOSU web site has on abundance of information on grants and loans.

Some of those listed are the Stafford Student Loans, Tuition Aid Grants and Federal Work Study.

A few of the different types of scholarships offered are Academic Scholarships Athletic Scholarships Talent-Based Scholarships Southwestern Oklahoma State Regent Scholarships SWOSU also accepts financial awards aside from state scholarships.

If you have any questions you can contact the Student Financial Services.

The office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Located in the Gen. Thomas P. Stafford center, Room 224. They can be reached by phone (580)774-3786 or email sfs@swosu.edu.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, March 30, 2016

All Day	TKE Sit-a-thon (Multi-Day Event)
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Relay Quilt Ticket Sales
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Career Fair 2016
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Presidio TechKnow Series
5:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Sigma Sigma Chi March Sisterhood (Movie)
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Physics Tutoring
6:00 PM - 9:30 PM	Relay-Ups for Life - 3 on 3
Basketball Tournament	
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Junior Recital - Douglas Finely

Thursday, March 31, 2016

End Time 2:00 PM	TKE Sit-a-thon (Multi-Day Event)
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Relay Quilt Ticket Sales
11:30 AM - 1:15 PM	Free lunch at the Wesley
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	The Gifts of Imperfection Book Exploration
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Psychology Tutoring
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	AAUW Meeting
5:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Glow Walk/Run 5K
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	American Composers Concert
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Miss SWOSU Mock Interview
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Sacred Vocal Recital @ Methodist Church

Friday, April 01, 2016

Rodeo Teams at Garden City Community College	
All Day	2016-17 SWOSU Cheer & Pom Tryouts
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM	Last Day to Drop with a Guaranteed “W” and Last Day to Add CAI Courses
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	New Student Orientation
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Relay Quilt Ticket Sales
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Baseball vs. Henderson State University
3:00 PM	Softball at Henderson State University AR (DH)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Music On Main

Saturday, April 02, 2016

Rodeo Teams at Garden City Community College	
All Day	2016-17 SWOSU Cheer & Pom Tryouts
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Miss SWOSU & SWOSU’s Teen Contestant’s Weekend
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Spring Football Scrimmage
12:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Baseball vs. Henderson State University (DH)
12:00 PM	Softball at Henderson State University AR (DH)
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Saturday Art
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Physics Alumni Banquet

Sunday, April 03, 2016

Rodeo Teams at Garden City Community College	
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Miss SWOSU & SWOSU’s Teen Contestant’s Weekend
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Free Trip to Wal-Mart Available
3:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Senior Recital - Jordan Satterlee
5:00 PM - 11:00 PM	Phi Delta Theta Weekly Meeting
6:30 PM - 11:00 PM	Sigma Sigma Chi Meeting
8:00 PM - 11:30 PM	Eta Iota Sigma Meeting

Monday, April 04, 2016

Men’s Golf @ Argonaut Invitational	
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Executive Council Meeting
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	PLC Meeting
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Relay Quilt Ticket Sales
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Admin Council Meeting
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Blood Drive
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Psychology Tutoring
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Physics Tutoring
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Psychology Tutoring
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Gamma Delta Kappa Monthly Meeting
8:00 PM - 11:00 PM	Zeta Phi Meeting

Tuesday, April 05, 2016

Men’s Golf @ Argonaut Invitational	
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	PLC Meeting
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Relay Quilt Ticket Sales
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Grace House Open All Day
Tuesday	
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Blood Drive
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	FREE Tuesday Lunch
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Graphic Design Association Meeting
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Free Dinner at Grace House
6:00 PM	Baseball @ Oklahoma City University
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	greenhouse work night
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Psychology Tutoring
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Westview Writers’ Festival
6:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Spring Roll Night
8:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Music Tutoring

On Your Mark...

Get Set...

Go!

SWOSU

WELLNESS EXPO

Wednesday, April 6th

10 am — 2 pm

Sponsored by SWOSU Health & Counseling Services — located in the Wellness Center — 774-3776

NEWS

How safe or unsafe are online photos?

By Katie Lafferty

Staff Reporter

Just posted a picture on Instagram from the crazy spring break beach party. Already have 100 likes and 20 comments saying, "Wish I was you" and "How lucky." Life seems great right now.

But what happens when those 100 likes become 100 job declines and those 20 comments become 20 denial letters?

Can posting inappropriate pictures on social media keep you from finding a job? SWOSU Dean of Students Cindy Dougherty thinks so. Dougherty explains that businesses, corporation, and universities can and do "drill" your deletes and print them off. This means that they can look through the posts that you deleted on social media to make sure you are the right fit.

"In the last 10 years, I know of 29 graduates who were denied jobs they were offered," Dougherty said. "Job offers often end with pending a background check."

Companies use social media to their advantage through creeping. According to *Time.com* 93 percent of hiring managers will review a candidate's social profile before making a hiring decision.

Student Michelle Taylor has had firsthand experience with this.

"My employer informed me during the interview that they might check my social media accounts just to make sure I would be giving the right impression they wanted from employees," Taylor said.

Dougherty said SWOSU is one of the many schools that check social media before hiring someone. They also check before granting certain scholarships. She explains that inappropriate pictures, cyberbullying, sexting and texting inappropriate material can and has gotten students removed from SWOSU.

"My kids do not have social media accounts and I am glad," Taylor said. "This is one way I try to protect them; a wrong picture can lead to a lot of mishap for their futures."

Imagine having all your dreams come true. You just graduated college and got your dream job working with your best friends. Then imagine that being ripped away over a picture that was posted in high school. This happened here at SWOSU.

Dougherty knew three graduating Bulldog women who were all really close friends and wanted to teach together after graduation. They all got job offers in the same district. Two weeks later the jobs were rescinded. The district had drilled the girls' deletes and pulled a picture of them on prom night in high school wearing evening gowns and drinking Champagne from a bottle. The denial letter said, "We cannot hire you knowing you willingly broke the law and bragged about it. Job offers rescinded." The girls were heartbroken after that.

Students are becoming aware of situations like this. They are learning from others' mistakes and watching what they post.

"I think if it is worth posting before I put anything on social media," sophomore Daisy Oropeza said. "I am studying to be a special education teacher and know that what I post can really affect my image when I am looking for a job."

Dougherty said students must be cautious to a fault.

"My students today must live their lives like there is a camera and a microphone everywhere," Dougherty said. "Those posted words and photos are forever. You are responsible for them. They will not go away."

After the three girls came to Dougherty when they first lost their job offers they asked if she could help them. She told them she could not "fix it" but she promised them she would create a workshop and give it free of charge to anyone it might help before they are in this situ-

ation. Her workshop is called *My Online Life*. Dougherty presents this at every Freshman Orientation as well as various schools and functions.

"You just have to use common sense," Taylor said. "If you would not want your grandma to see it, then do not post it online."

How to stay safe online: Top tips for children and young people

S

Safe:

Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information when you're chatting or posting online. Personal information includes your email address, phone number and password.

M

Meet:

Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present. Remember online friends are still strangers even if you have been talking to them for a long time.

A

Accepting:

Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, images or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!

R

Reliable:

Someone online might lie about who they are and information on the internet may not be true. Always check information by looking at other websites, in books or with someone who knows. If you like chatting online it's best to only chat to your real world friends and family.

T

Tell:

Tell a parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone, or something, makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online.

Crisis from page 1

Southwestern President Randy Beutler is among the people who have to make these difficult decisions.

"In our meetings, we are constantly reviewing different scenarios that include enrollment trends and degree options that will directly affect our budget," Beutler said. "Our overall goal is to constantly strive to protect the quality of our degree programs and to grow enrollment."

The budget for higher education is being cut by \$26.3 million. Including earlier budget cuts this year. The total loss adds up to be \$74 million less than last year. Some schools are having to dig in to their savings in order to stay afloat. SWOSU has already experienced a \$611,000 cut this year.

Ruth Boyd, vice president for student affairs, says SWOSU will see at least one more reduction during this year.

Not only will this be affecting the staff, but the students will also be af-

ected in several ways. Programs are being cut and funds for campus-supported groups will take a dive.

Southwestern has announced that they are eliminating the Guard Officer Leadership Development program. The Athletic Training department is also taking a hit resulting in the eventual removal of the program. Students who are already enrolled will get to finish, but there will be no new students allowed.

"Truthfully, any and all ideas for trimming the budget are on the table," Boyd said. "We will place a continued emphasis on scholarship funding and student campus employment opportunities in order to reduce this burden for our students."

Southwestern is doing everything they can to make the right decisions



for the campus, the staff, and the students.

Randy Ellis from NewsOK writes that many colleges are offering new options like joint degree programs, early retirement options, and even sharing faculty between institutions.

Many have been critical of the prioritizing of the state's funds. Oklahoma's public education system is ranked 47th in the United States. Students turning out of these public schools are under the water already, so higher education has to help these young adults when they get to college.

The funding is needed in both education areas to improve the awful situation Oklahoma academics is in.

"I would hope that everyone that is a part of the SWOSU family - be it alumni, students, faculty, staff, friends or individuals in the community - would become a vocal advocate for higher education in Oklahoma," Beutler said.

"Our political leadership will respond to these pressures. The only way to advance the quality of life in our state is to advance the quality of our higher education system."

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These women have had several fundraisers last summer and continuing until Relay for Life.

They have had "Giving Cancer the Boot" (a western themed dance night), car washes, and an upcoming taco dinner on March 29. This year Sigma hopes to meet their goal amount of \$15,000. At Relay for Life this year Sigma will have kid-friendly games to help them raise funds.

Each year Greek life contributes tens of thousands of dollars to the Custer County Relay for Life. These four teams make a bigger impact than most realize.

"We relay because some of us have been personally effected by the repercussions of this disease," said Phi Delta Theta president Elijah Tedder "We want our brothers to know that we are here to support them no matter what." Phi Delta Theta has a membership of 15 men. These men work hard during both semesters to do their part for relay. Last year they set the bar high at the event with their BBQ and this year hope to contribute just as much. Their fundraisers have done well and they look forward to tallying up how much they have raised over the course of the year. Tau Kappa Epsilon is also doing their part to prepare for Relay for Life.

"Relay for Life gives us a great hope," said Tau Kappa Epsilon president Blake Burke. "As a unit we really enjoy participating in Relay for Life because seeing all of the members of the community come together to find a cure for such a tragic disease is really inspiring."

Tau Kappa Epsilon has a membership of 40 men. They use this inspiration they gain through relay every year to fuel their fundraiser to raise funds. They have had several fundraisers this year and are planning a final fundraiser, a chili dinner, before relay. The proceeds will go to their Relay for Life fund.

Relay for Life is only one way that Southwestern Greek life is giving back to this community. These four organizations have given back to the local Weatherford Middle School food bank, The Chamber of Commerce annual toy drive, given baked goods to the local fire and police stations.

"This community and campus has always been so good to us," Patton said. "So it is nice to be able to give back to them."

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NEWS

How important are college rankings?

By Max Jirak
Staff Reporter

College rankings are an important part of today's culture in the workplace, or they seem to be at least.

People want to attend the best colleges so that they can have the best future possible, but in the end does the ranking of the college you attend matter that much?

The ways to get in college have been the same for a while now. Achieving a good ACT or SAT score and having a good GPA gets a normal student into a local state college with a score around 18 and for others a 21. A few colleges let you combine an ACT with a GPA to allow you into the college of choice.

After being accepted into a couple different schools the biggest decision of your life will be ahead. A person may be accepted into Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and Oklahoma, but just because they get accepted doesn't mean it's the best fit for them. The top schools in the nation currently rank in order at: Princeton, Harvard, Yale, Columbia and, coming in at fifth, Stanford.

Curt Waugh, who attended Oklahoma State University, says OSU helped him because of the relationships he built for the future.

"Going to OSU didn't affect my ability to land a job personally. For me, it was a relationship my professor had with an SVP of an NBA team, that I built a relationship with who got me in touch with the Spurs," said Waugh.

Amber Bachiochi of SWOSU said that her decision to go to SWOSU wasn't about rankings whatsoever.

"SWOSU's size and location was great for me, the rankings didn't have any impact on whether or not I chose it or another school. I know from word of mouth that it is a great school, so that's why I'm here," said Bachiochi.

In the workforce today - especially if you didn't go to Harvard or Yale - it's usually about who you know, not what you know.

"Status or rank was never mentioned once along the way. But had I not been in the Sports Management

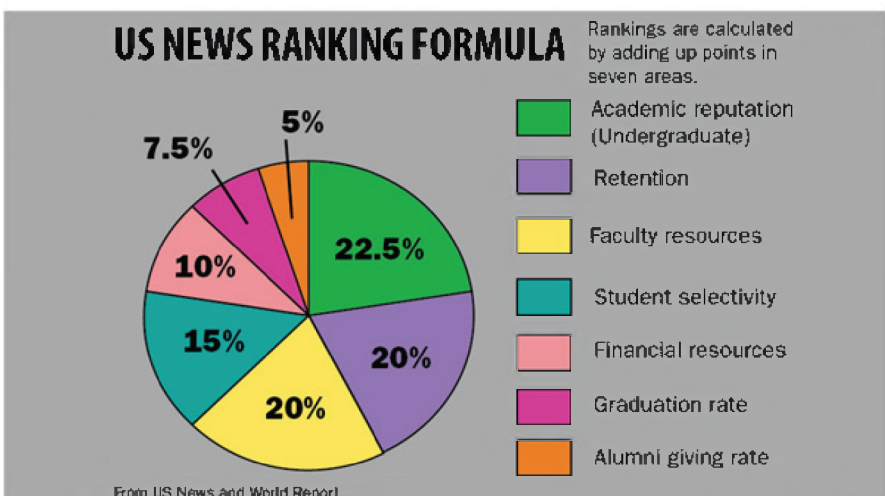


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Program at OSU I might not be where I am today," said Waugh, who is now Director of Group Tickets and Hospitality for the San Diego Padres.

Many students in the poor economy are obtaining their basics at smaller community colleges for two years and then moving on to a larger school for their major of choice. Students on sports scholarships usually choose the colleges that give them the most money. What they should be concerned about though is what that college can do for them after sports.

Zach Gonzalez first attended Northern Oklahoma College in Tonkawa and University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma in Chickasha because of scholarships and his future wife. The school ranking didn't matter so much, he just wanted to play baseball and get a degree.

He also mentioned how his degree didn't help him too much anyways.

"Fortunately for me, the railroad doesn't need a college degree to become a conductor or engineer, but if I ever go higher up it may help. My degree was in physical education and I knew I wouldn't make enough money to support my family on a teacher's salary. So my college did not have any affect on my job status or paycheck," said Gonzalez.

Curt Waugh's wife Allie, also went to Oklahoma State University, but she could have gone to SWOSU on a better scholarship. Allie decided she would rather get the experience and higher credibility that comes

along with going to a better-ranked school, but it seems now that it didn't really matter.

"In my life I've never had anyone say 'We hired you because you came from a reputable program/college.' But being on the other side of that process, I definitely pay attention and look more closely at a candidate with a reputable school," said Allie.

People like Zach that don't really need their scholarships because better jobs come along still need to realize that with their degree they can move up the ladder.

With that being said, some people aren't even going to college, but instead go into the oil business or more of the manual labor fields because it pays better and they won't have any college debt.

On the other end, if you want a manager position in the oil field, going back to school could definitely help.

"I had a lot of friends get oil and gas jobs because of the university's status and relationship with Conoco Phillips," said Waugh.

College rankings do matter especially for higher end jobs in marketing and business, but the experiences and way you carry yourself take you much farther. Yes a person from Harvard is probably going to be more successful than a person that attends OSU-OKC that's just a fact. But...

If you are looking for good colleges, do what's best for yourself whether it concerns money, friends or experience, not just if a certain college ranks better than another.



Students relax at the first SWOSUPalooza in 2000.

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they were campaigning," said Conner Patton, a cabinet member of the SGA.

When Read Southall performed at JC Cowboys a few months ago he brought a really great crowd from not only Weatherford but also from Oklahoma City and Stillwater.

With Whiskey Myers and Read expect to draw a pretty large crowd of SWOSU students and students from other universities as well as individuals from surrounding areas.

This event has been held at various SWOSU locations such as the Student Union, the Clock Tower, the Football field, and Rodeo grounds. In 2014 the concert was held on the SWOSU campus around the Student Union lawn and Clock Tower but the outdoor setting for future years was in question when the concert was moved inside due to rain. This year will be the second year to hold the concert in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center, which proved to be a huge success last year.

SWOSUPalooza was created to bring students together for a night of good fun. Before the event begins there will be an outdoor start up party with, the radio station, The Coyote playing music and promoting the event.

Big Truck Tacos will also be set up before the show for students and community members to grab a delicious bite before the show.

"We have a lot of students that are really excited about having Big Truck Tacos here", said Patton.

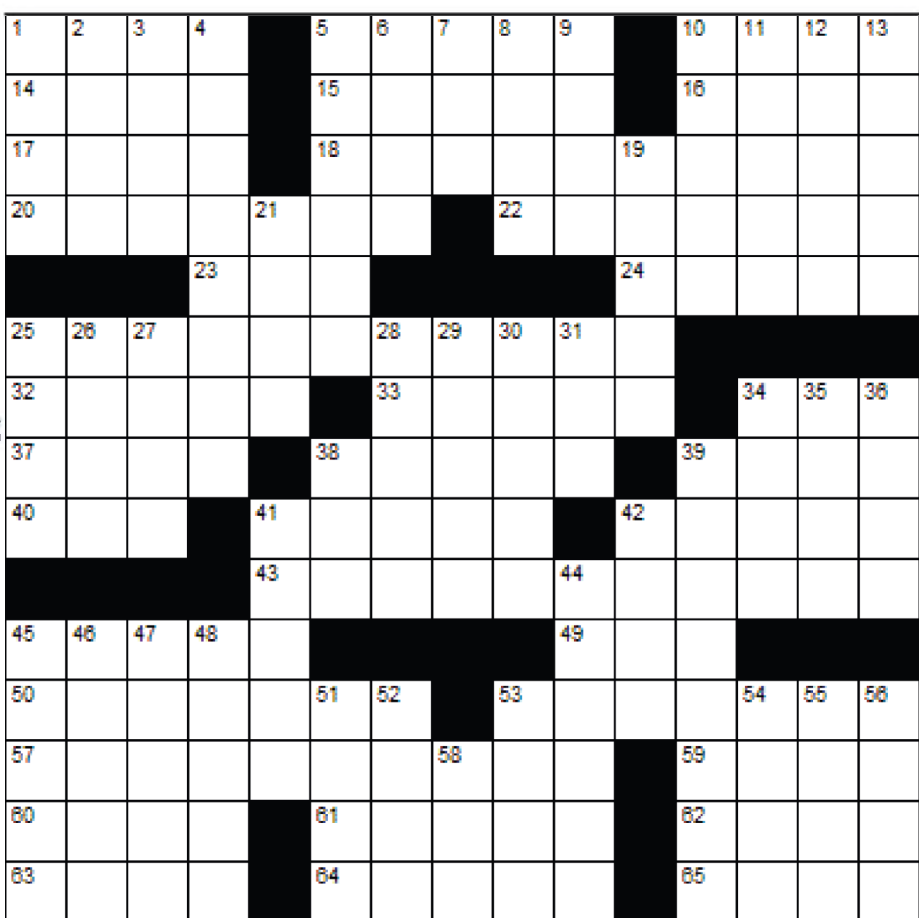
Big Truck Tacos is a well-known food truck in Oklahoma. They also have a permanent location in OKC where customers can sit down and eat.

Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for the general public prior to the event. Tickets will go up to \$10 for students and \$15 for the general public at the door.

Crossword (courtesy of mirroreyes.com)

ACROSS

1. Terminates
5. Diaphanous
10. Break in friendly relations
14. Verruca
15. French farewell
16. Beige
17. Always
18. Insight
20. Fine or decorative clothing
22. Terrestrial
23. Charged particle
24. Classifies
25. Empty boasting
32. Promises
33. Fruit of the oak tree
34. Henpeck
37. Violent disturbance
38. Cubic meter
39. Spanish lady
40. Shade tree
41. Moon of Saturn
42. Anagram of "Paste"
43. Financial support
45. 3-banded armadillo
49. Dandy
50. Photo devices
53. Cordial
57. Feelings of anxiety
59. Colored part of an eye
60. Care for
61. Film
62. Shower
63. Countercurrent
64. Perspiration
65. Anagram of "Ties"



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| 4. Not curved | 27. "Smallest" particle | 45. Sharp |
| 5. Fine wheat meal | 28. Philippine tribal chief | 46. Like windows |
| 6. Bright thought | 29. Large body of water | 47. Alter |
| 7. 54 in Roman numerals | 30. Sores on toes | 48. Prepared |
| 8. Encounter | 31. Fury | 51. Goals |
| 9. Christmas season | 34. Ark builder | 52. Winter precipitation |
| 10. Backward-looking | 35. Against | 53. Largest continent |
| 11. Less friendly | 36. Shocked reaction | 54. Rascal |
| 12. Not back | 38. Take in slowly | 55. 53 in Roman numerals |
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FEATURES

Fast and easy recipes for college students

By Conner Kent
Staff Reporter

Cooking in college can often be time consuming, expensive, and difficult for the inexperienced. Numerous recipes are often lengthy and high priced, making the idea of cooking much less appealing to college students. However, eating out every night is not financially possible. Three Southwestern students have discovered specific recipes that are cheap, fast, and fun to make with friends and family. Learning new recipes to cook often creates a feeling of independence for many students, including senior Katie Hawkins.

In fall 2015, Katie was excited to go home and cook a new chicken burrito recipe she had learned from her mother's emails.

"As I started cooking the chicken, mom wouldn't leave the kitchen and kept trying to do stuff. I kept telling her that I was doing this on my own like she usually does."

Katie quickly kicked her mom out of the kitchen like her mother had done to her many times in the past.

Five minutes later, Katie's mother was back in the kitchen trying to help.

"Finally I told her that she could come and open all of the cans, pour them and stir occasionally."

While Katie cooked the chicken and onions, her mother opened the cans of green chilies, cream of chicken soup, and cream of mushroom soup.

Katie quickly realized her mom was only trying to help, just like she attempted to help her mother when she was younger.

"What was so ironic was how that was me when I was little and I was just wanting to do something to show I was trying to help. It was weird to see the roles reversed and that I got to see how mom felt when I was 'helping' "

The chicken burritos were not only delicious, but they also flooded Katie's

mind with memories of cooking with her mother.

Katie is one of many college students who have become masters of the kitchen during their college years, with the help of the scrumptious chicken burritos.

Southwestern senior Hunter Dinkines and recent graduate Emily Belz are also students who have enjoyed cooking while in college, specifically



Recipe:

Chicken Burrito

3-4 chicken breasts (cook reserving 1 cup broth)
Chopped onion
Small can of chopped green chilies
1 can of cream of chicken soup
1 can of cream of mushroom soup
Corn or flour tortillas
Grated cheese
Cook the chicken, then chop into pieces.
Cook onion in small amount of butter.
Add green chilies, soups, and broth. Cook for about 10 minutes.
Add chicken.
Layer tortillas, chicken mixture, cheese, repeat.
Bake in the oven for 25-30 minutes at 375 degrees.

Black Bean Burritos. The best part is that they require only 5 ingredients: 1 can of drained black beans, 2 spoon fills of plain Greek yogurt, ¾ cup of shredded cheese, ¼ cup of salsa, and 4 tortillas.

"It's the perfect meal for a loaded homework night," said Belz. "It's about as fast as you can get and it's super yummy."

A great bonus for this recipe is that it is inexpensive for a college student.

"I like how it doesn't cost a whole lot to make the burritos," said Dinkines. "It's inexpensive and quick to make, perfect for a college kid."

Popular websites such as Buzzfeed and Pinterest have links to hundreds of recipes for college students that contain step-by-step instructions.



Recipe:

Black Bean Burrito

To prepare the burritos:
Stir all of the ingredients together, fill tortillas, and roll (A healthier option would be to spread the ingredients onto a corn tortilla instead of filling a flour tortilla)
Spray casserole dish with a cooking spray
For a flour tortilla, bake for 15 minutes at 375 degrees
For a corn tortilla, bake for 10 min at 375 degrees
Top with cheese and salsa
Bake for 5 more minutes or until cheese is melted



How much video game is too much?

By Andikan Usanga
Staff Reporter

According to Wikipedia, "a video game is an electronic game that involves human interaction with a user interface to generate visual feedback on a video device such as a TV screen or computer monitor."

Tayo Ajibola an active game player said that for him playing more than 18 hours would be considered too much.

"I can Play FIFA 16 for 12 hours and Mortal Kombat for six hours," Ajibola said.

"I don't really play video games," John Eze, a passive video gamer, said. "I play FIFA 16 and Need for Speed once in a while."

To him, three hours of playing video games would be too much.

"I can play GTA and FIFA for the whole day," Clifford Yuyun said. "Six hours in a day would be considered too much because I've got work, assignments and sleep."

"I do not play video games, but I believe 2 hours a day is enough," said Isela Sandoval. "Anything more than that would be, in my opinion, too much."

Different people, depending on their love for video games have different limits as to how many hours they can spend in front of a television or computer screen. But how much is too much?

A survey conducted by the Kaiser Family Foundation in 2010 asked experts their opinions.

"It's a full-time job plus 10 hours of overtime, and that's the average," said Douglas Gentile, a psychologist and the director of Media Research Lab at Iowa State University.

According to the Pew research center 49 percent of American adults ever play video games, and 10 percent consider themselves gamers.

Public attitudes toward games and the people who play them are complex and often uncertain.

Video games, like most things, have their various pros and cons. Many college students' grades suffer due to addiction to video games. On the flip side it can also boost confidence and morale.

Daphne Bavelier (Ph.D.) said that gaming helps resolve grey level, which in turn makes for better drivers, especially in foggy weather. Despite common beliefs, playing action video games helps with eyesight, enables people to have greater attention to detail, faster reaction times, and improves hand-eye coordination.

Writer's Festival features poetry, workshops

By Hannah Flaherty
Features Editor

The 23rd Annual Westview Writers' Festival is taking place at the SWOSU Conference Center on April 5-6. Westview is published semi-annually by the Language Arts Department of Southwestern Oklahoma State University. Publications include previously unpublished fiction, poetry, prose poems, drama, nonfiction, book reviews, literary criticism, and artwork.

The Westview Writers' Festival will begin at 6 p.m. on Tuesday April 5, 2016 with a slam poetry workshop with Jennifer Hudgens, author of Girls Who Fell in Love with War. Jennifer E. Hudgens, originally from Oklahoma City has published poetry in a variety of journals. Her first full-length collection, Girls Who Fell in Love with War, was released through Swimming with Elephants Publications in Jan. 2016.

Hudgens is currently pursuing her Bachelor's degree in Creative Writing at the University of Central Oklahoma. Hudgens is the co-editor of Wicked Ban-shee Press. Hudgens is also a part of the Oklahoma City Slam Poetry team.

The workshop will be a fun, hands-on experience for everyone. Starting at 7 p.m., Hudgens will be performing her own poetry from Girls Who Fell in Love with War. Poetry in translation by SWOSU students will provide a creative and enhancing performance of the poetry. After the performance there will be time for questions and answers, along with book signing by Hudgens. Books

will be for sale at the event.

The second night of the Festival will feature the upcoming author, C.H. Armstrong. Starting at 7p.m. on April 6, 2016, Armstrong will promote her new novel and read some excerpts for the audience. C.H. Armstrong is a native of El Reno, Oklahoma. Armstrong is a 1993 graduate of the University of Oklahoma, has a life-long passion for the stories of the Dust Bowl. Her new novel, The Edge of Nowhere, was recently released by Penner Publishing in Jan. 2016. She currently resides in Minnesota.

Armstrong's novel, The Edge of Nowhere, is historical fiction based in 1992 Oklahoma. After the reading and discussion, there will be time for questions and answers with Armstrong and a book signing. Her book will be for sale at the event.

Both nights of the Westview Writers' Festival offer a great opportunity for all students, faculty, and staff. It will offer exposure to local creative writing and the different culture of each literary work. The festival will be both entertaining and educational for every individual that attends. There will be a bake sale hosted by the SWOSU English Club at the festival for both nights. There will also be Westview journals for sale.

For more information about the Westview Writers' Festival, contact Dr. Amanda Smith at amanda.smith@swosu.edu or by phone at 580.774-3734. For more information about the authors, the websites are available at <http://thehudgepoetry.weebly.com/girls-who-fell-in-love-with-war.html> and <http://charmstrong-books.com/>.

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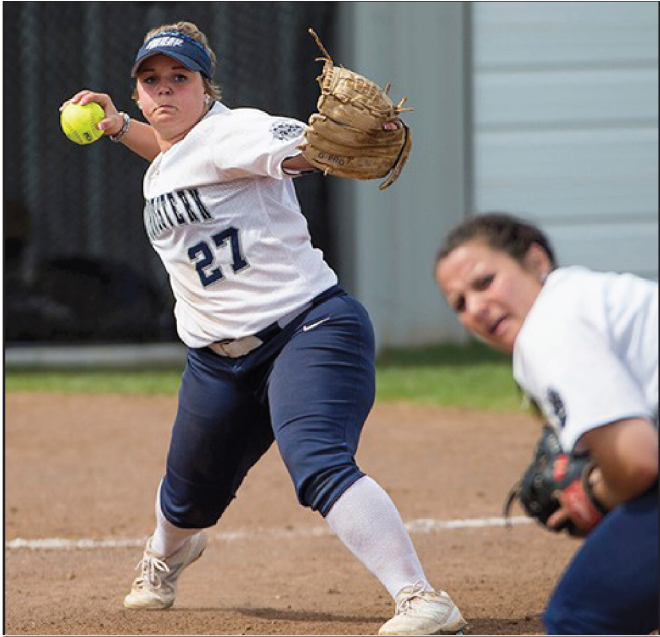
Softball team earns split at Oklahoma Baptist

After rallying to force extra innings in the opener, SWOSU controlled the series finale against Oklahoma Baptist to split the doubleheader and the series against the Lady Bison in Shawnee.

Oklahoma Baptist 6, SWOSU 5 (9 inn.)

Taya Haney hit a three-run home run to center in the top of the seventh inning, erasing a 4-0 deficit and tying the game at 4-4 to force extra innings. In the eighth inning, SWOSU took the lead briefly by capitalizing on an OBU error, but a Bulldog error in the bottom of the frame allowed the Lady Bison to tie the game back up at 5-5 and force another extra inning.

SWOSU got one baserunner in the top of the ninth but they were unable to push one across, leaving the door open for the Lady



Miranda West hit a two-run triple in the first (Photo Courtesy <http://swosuathletics.com>)

Bisons, who got a two-out single to score the game-winning run in walkoff fashion. Larie Amos (1-4) took the loss after allowing four hits and two runs in the final 2.2 innings.

SWOSU 5, Oklahoma Baptist 2

The Bulldogs scored four runs in the first inning and never looked back as they won the series finale to split the series.

Miranda West hit a two-run triple in the first while two other SWOSU runs scored on errors as the

Dawgs put four runs on the board, needing just two hits, before OBU even got an at-bat.

Oklahoma Baptist got all of their scoring in the bottom of the fourth inning on a two-run home run off Haney that briefly cut the lead to 4-2. SWOSU added an insurance run in the sixth inning as Shannon Driggers scored on a passed ball, which was crucial as OBU loaded the bases and got two runs home in the bottom of the seventh before the Dawgs recorded the final out.

Haney (5-9) nearly tossed her seventh complete game of the season and earned the win after limiting OBU to two runs on six hits in 6.1 innings before Taylor Eaves came to get the final two outs of the game.



Southwestern's Hailey Tucker is on a list of the top ten freshmen in NCAA Division II (Photo Courtesy <http://swosuathletics.com>)

Hailey Tucker selected for freshman all-stars

Standout SWOSU guard Hailey Tucker has been named to the All-Freshman Team by Division II Bulletin, an honor bestowed upon just 10 freshman from around the nation. The outlet announced their postseason honors on Monday.

Tucker led the Lady Bulldogs as they finished with their third 20-win season under the direction of coach Kelsi Musick and advanced to the Great American Conference Tournament Championship game for the fourth time. She led her team in scoring, averaging 15.4 points per game and hit 81 three-pointers, the second-most in a single season in school history, while also ranking second on the team with 177 rebounds and 43 blocked shots. This is the latest honor for Tucker, whose full list of accolades can be found below, and she becomes the Lady Bulldogs first All-Freshman Team honoree as members of NCAA Division II.

SWOSU prepares to host rodeo

By Bailey Hood
Staff Reporter

On April 7, 2016 the Rodeo will be held in the Don Mitchell Rodeo Arena, it is a two-day event lasting until April 9th. SWOSU has both teams men and women in contention to qualify for the College National finals as well as many individual competitors. In the Rodeo they will have Saddle Bronc Riding, Bareback Riding, Bull Riding, Barrel Racing, Breakaway Roping, and Goat Tying. Stacey Bailey, Rodeo team member says, “she is excited to see how the Rodeo will play out.” “The Rodeo team has been working really hard all season long” says Stacey, “and I know that everyone will be at the top of their game for our home rodeo.”

Stacey says that “hosting a rodeo is a lot of hard work but it is also very rewarding and a ton of fun” she says, “its such an awesome feeling to hear the grandstands erupt when someone from SWOSU rides into the arena.” The community does a lot to help us put on the rodeo, and in turn, the rodeo does a lot to benefit the city of Weatherford and SWOSU” she said “the rodeo brings thousands of dollars into the Weatherford community over the weekend.” There is also a Hide Relay Race that involves fast horses, daring “hide riders,” and lots of laughter. Teams of 5 will race to ride from one end of the arena to the other on a cowhide being pulled behind a horse. One person rides the horse while the remaining team members jump on and off the hide in designated exchange zones. “The Hide Race can get pretty wild, so it is always a must-see at rodeos!”

“The Rodeo is a must see event says Maci Glasscock, a junior at SWOSU she says that it is the thing to do on campus!” I love the rodeo and when it comes time to support my fellow classmates I jump at the opportunity!



Photo Courtesy <http://swosuathletics.com>

SWOSU Settles for one win against OBU

SWOSU got strong starting pitching on Saturday but had to settle for a split with Oklahoma Baptist, who won the three-game Great American Conference series 2-1. The Bulldogs (17-10, 10-5 GAC) return to action on Tuesday at Oklahoma Christian.

Gunnar Cook pitched a complete game for the Dawgs, allowing just four hits and one earned run with 10 strikeouts in the nine-inning opener.

Cook improved to 5-2 with the win, which evened the series at one game apiece to set the stage for a showdown in the rubber match.

SWOSU got out quick offensively, putting two runs on the board in the first inning as Korbin Polston slugged a two-run home run to left field to make it 2-0 in favor of the Dawgs after an inning.

That lead would grow in the sixth inning as SWOSU

put three more runs up with Tanner Dearman scoring on a passed ball before Jacob Spring and Zach Barton hit RBI singles to score Joshua Santos and Polston.

OBU got their lone run of the game on a solo homer in the top of the eighth inning.

SWOSU got two runs in the bottom of the first inning, getting an RBI double from Spring and an RBI single from Barton to take a 2-1 lead that would stand up until the top of the seventh inning, when OBU scored three runs to go ahead and hold on for the victory.

Devin Ring tossed the first 5.1 innings and allowed six hits and just one run before coming in favor of Dillon Freie and Quinton Dougherty who closed the sixth inning.

Dougherty (0-1) got roughed up in the seventh and took the loss after allowing three runs on four hits.

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SWOSU Athletics Seeks Interns 2006-2007

The Southwestern Oklahoma State University Athletic Department is seeking motivated, hard-working students to join their team as interns for the 2016-17 school year. There are three internship positions available in three different areas, with the selected candidates expected to work both together and independently to fill a variety of roles within the department.

Chosen candidates will be selected for three different positions, including: Athletic Marketing & External Affairs, Gameday Operations & Promotions and Athletic Communications. The internship may be taken for class credit, but it is unpaid, beginning in the fall semester and concluding at the end of the spring semester. Students are likely to work 10 hours per week in addition to games and events, which will include nights and weekends.

For more information, interested applicants are asked to submit a letter of interest to one of three members of the SWOSU Athletic Department: Josh Collins (josh.collins@swosu.edu), Gameday Operations Manager, Jessica Heard(jessica.heard@swosu.edu) or Doug Self (doug.self@swosu.edu), Sports Information Director. All majors are welcome to apply for the internship!

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resident spotlight

Paden Bottom

Resident Hall: Neff Hall



Why did you choose your major?

I chose SWOSU because it is fairly close to home and it has a beautiful and practical campus.

What are your hobbies?

I enjoy hanging out with friends and playing softball at Rader Park with my buddies.

What do you want to do when you graduate?

I intend to go onto graduate school and get my Masters in Sports Medicine.

Who's been a major influence in your life?

"You don't have to know where you are going, you just have to know where you've been" - Mater from Cars

resident spotlight

Ethan Mazzio

Hometown: Moore, OK
Classification: Freshman
Major: Vocal Music Performance
Building: Jefferson Hall

Why did you choose your major?

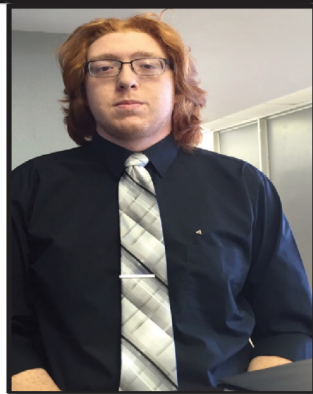
I chose to be a vocal performance major because choir was my favorite class in high school. Singing is my favorite thing to do, and I hope I can make a career out of it.

What are your hobbies?

When the weather is right I love to go hiking in Oklahoma state parks. I also enjoy working on engines and cars.

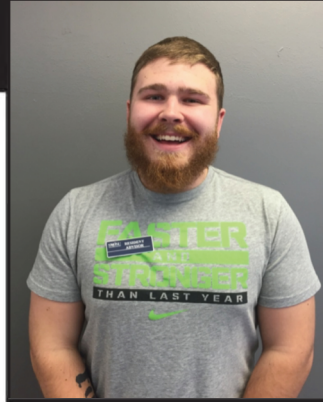
What do you want to do when you graduate?

When I graduate, I want to be either a contemporary singer/artist or a music composer.



RA of the month
Ty Haight

Residence Life would like to recognize Ty Haight from Jefferson Hall as our Resident Advisor of the Month. Ty is an Engineering Technology major from Fairview that loves to hunt, fish, and make people happy. Ty decided to become a RA because Derrick Fast and John Srader encouraged him to apply. He had always considered applying, but the extra push from them helped him decide. When asked for his favorite RA moment, Ty stated that it was “playing cards against humanity with my floor.” We encourage everyone to thank him for all of his hard work and dedication.



ResLIFE Happenings

What	When	Where
ResLife @ the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum & OKC Zoo	April 16 th	Oklahoma City, OK
Oklahoma Hall		
Bingo	April 14 th	OK Hall Lobby
Scavenger Hunt	April 19 th	OK Hall Lobby
Stewart Hall		
BYOB	April 28 th	Stewart Hall Lobby
Black Kettle Hall		
Game of Thrones Watch Party	April 24 th	Black Kettle Movie Room
Neff Hall		
Neff Hall March Madness	March	Neff Hall Lobby
Grill Out	April 19 th	Neff Hall Front Lawn
Jefferson Hall		
Ultimate Frisbee	April 14 th	R&J Field

Res Life

New, Coming Fall of 2016.....

We are excited to announce that in the fall of 2016, Neff and Stewart Hall will have 24 hour visitation. This change is designed for upper classmen that live on campus. Also, we are eager to announce that Stewart Hall will be undergoing minor construction to its rooms this summer. At the end of the construction period, all beds will be movable and a select number of rooms will have carpet. We hope that you are as excited as we are about the upcoming changes to our buildings. If these changes interest you, we will be re-contracting April 11th-15th. At that time, the RAs of your designated hall will seek you out and allow you to re-new your contract as well as letting you receive first choice on your room and hall assignment over incoming applicants.

PICS OF RES LIFE

