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LAST-SECOND LOSS
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Women's Basketball



LOSES IN TITLE GAME
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Top events coming up at SWOSU

- **Jazz Ensembles Concert** — Thursday, March 10, at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center.
- **String Studio Concert** — Thursday, March 24, at 7 p.m. in the Music Building.
- **Career Fair** — Wednesday, March 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Union Ballroom.

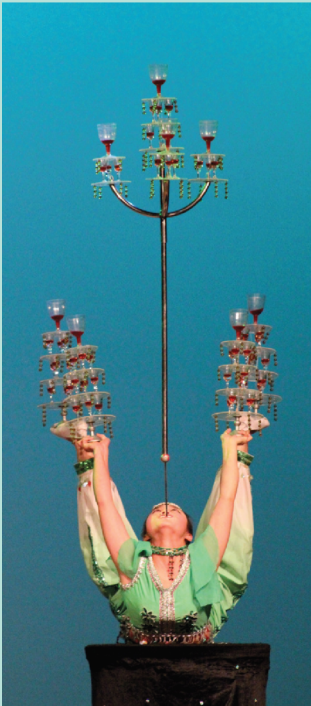
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SWOSU Snapshots

The Peking Acrobats presented a stunning show at SWOSU on Tuesday as part of the university's Panorama series. The show featured daring maneuvers atop a pagoda of chairs, trick cycling, precision tumbling and more.

Photos by Rilee Roberson and Nakota Taylor



SWOSU leadership class plans spring activities

By Caylie Patton
Staff Reporter

As the school year comes to an end, the President's Leadership Class (PLC) is gearing up. The selection for PLC class 11 has begun, and out of a pool of more than 100 high school senior applicants, about 50 will be called for interviews. The interviews will begin late this month and continue in to early April, about 15 of these students are chosen for each class. The PLC Banquet will be held March 28 in the East Ballroom to honor Class 10. The banquet will consist of class members 1-10, parents, donors and administration.

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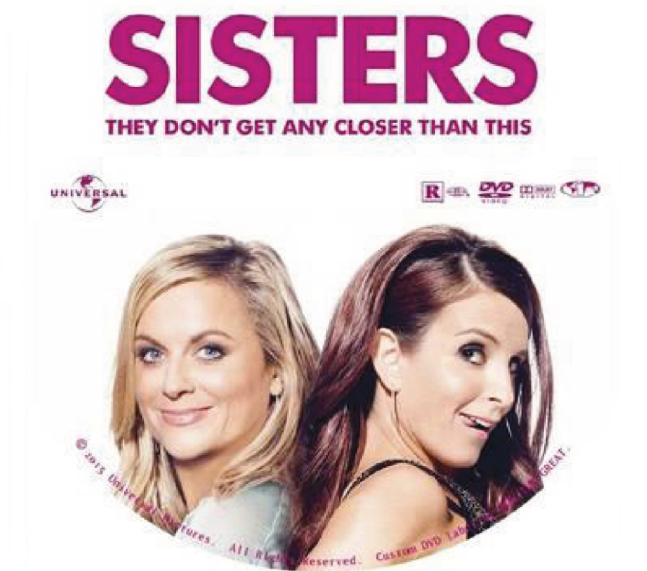


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Residence Life to host Spring Movie Series

By MaKenli Ladd
Staff Reporter

Residence Life is gearing up to screen the comedy *Sisters* as part of its Spring Movie Series. The movie will be shown at the Fine Arts Center March 29 at 8 p.m. and is open for all students, faculty and staff. "This is our second year of doing this movie series," said Martin, a Residence Life director. "We just want to be able to offer students and faculty an alternative and have something different to do on campus". This comedy stars comedians Tina Fey and Amy Poehler playing sisters and follows their stories as they come back to their childhood home as adults. Residence Life will also be taking 50 residents to the Oklahoma City zoo and to the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum. This trip will be on April 16 and sign up for it begins March 21, at the Residence Life office in the basement of Neff Hall. There is no cost for the trip but there is a \$10 reservation fee to hold your spot when you sign up. Students with any other questions about these events can contact the Residence Life office at 580-774-3024

Speech and debate team to be revived

By Amber Bachiochi
Staff Reporter

Students and faculty are resurrecting the Speech and Debate Club that has been absent from SWOSU for years.

The first meeting for potential members of the club was held on Feb. 23. Thirteen students attended the meeting, which was organized by Nicole Allen and sponsors Dr. Robin Jones and Dr. Elaine Davies. The majority of the current semester will be spent electing officers, determining fundraising methods, and becoming an official team through the Student Government Association. Currently, the club is

acting under the Collegiate Activities Board and will need to write its own constitution and bylaws. For the rest of the school year meetings will be held twice a month. In the fall, monthly meetings will be increased in preparation for competitions. A number of events in the college circuit were discussed at the meeting, including poetry interpretation, dramatic duo, and impromptu speaking. A complete list, descriptions, and rules can be found at <http://organizations.utep.edu/Default.aspx?tabid=18014>. While a number of students interested in the club have had experience in high school speech and debate, others have not. Those who have and were part of the National Forensics League were encouraged to sign up for a free Pi Kappa Delta membership. For other individuals it is \$35, which is only necessary for going to national Pi Kappa Delta competitions. Jones will be looking to set up a team membership. "This is a student-driven project. The students want it, and I'm happy to support it," said Jones. "It's a great interdisciplinary club any major can be a part of." The next meeting will be Thursday, March 10, at 5 p.m. in the Art Building, and all students interested are welcome to attend.

NEWS

How effective are anti-smoking ads?

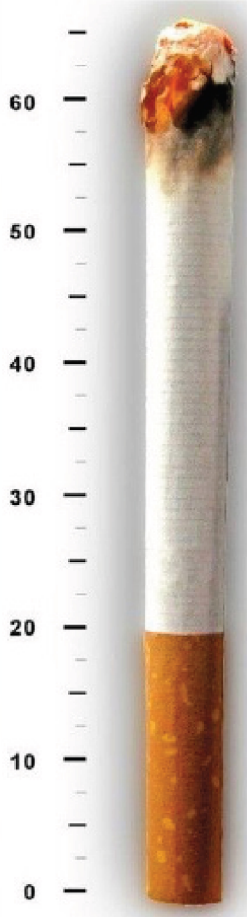
By Brooke Harden
Staff Reporter

The amount of smokers has gone down every year since the 90's, but people still smoke despite the anti-smoking advertising campaigns. In fact, the Centers for Disease and Control Prevention, says that smoking still is a leading cause of death in the United States.

“Cigarette smoking is the leading cause of preventable disease and death in the United States, accounting for more than 480,000 deaths every year, or 1 of every 5 deaths,” the CDC reported.

Many people have seen the ad ‘tips from a former smoker’ from CDC. The ad was very effective and even had 100,000 people quit smoking.

“Year one of the federal government’s ‘Tips from Former Smokers’ national advertising campaign exceeded all expectations, driving 1.6



how long can you live?

million smokers to try to quit and helping more than 100,000 to succeed,” said Susan M. Liss, Executive Director, Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids.

When people are aware, and see

the consequences that smoking can cause, they pay attention and want to better their health.

The campaign only lasted three months and had amazing results.

“This study provides powerful, real-world evidence that media campaigns work, they reduce smoking and they save lives.

They are also cost-effective investments that can help reduce tobacco-related health care costs, which total \$96 billion a year in the United States,” said Liss in her article.

“I think that nonsmoking ads are only effective if the person seeing them has been or is a smoker,” Said Lanita Nikkel a SWOSU staff member.

Nikkel also thinks that “tips from a former smoker” ads are a good way to ensure that people see the consequences of smoking and it would help persuade people that are considering smoking to not do it.

Which superpower is best for you?

By Jennifer Steiner
Staff Reporter

Choosing a superpower that you wish to have can depend on the way you were raised, who your friends are, what comics you’ve read, or which movies you’ve watched.

There are many websites dedicated to what type of superpower you should have or which ones are the best. Many listing the power of flight as their number one power.

IGN posted an article of “The Top 100 Coolest Superpowers”. The 100th power on the list is to have the power to produce bouncing gold balls. You can find the complete list of powers at <http://www.ign.com/top/super-powers>.

The top five in the list are super speed at number five, fire manipulation at number four, super strength at number three, invisibility at number two, and flight at number one.

People have all sorts of reasons behind their decisions in which super powers would be the best and why they think the power would suit them.

Junior Leeann Cook said that she wants to “teleport because I hate to drive, I could do more and go to more places.”

She also said that with teleportation, people would have more experiences but people who get paid to drive would lose money.

“The tourist places would get more money,” Cook said.



Photo from huffingtonpost.com

Freshman Brandi Ferguson said that she would want “the ability to read minds.”

This ability would give her the power to know what people are thinking about at any time.

With this power she would never have to wonder what anyone was thinking but then she would know every thought a person had, which might not be that fun.

Senior Craig Kautz said that he would want “super speed like the Flash.”

Kautz would then have the ability to control time.

He said that an advantage to this power would be that he would never get fat but that a disadvantage is that he would never be able to eat enough

Personal safety/fall prevention classes open

Need an Hour or Two? That can help keep you safe.

And the ones you care the most about!

**2nd 8 weeks Basic Personal Safety GSTDY 4052 starts up Tuesday Evening March 8, 7-8:50 in Wellness 143! Regular college credit. Come train with those you run around with! We have professional-level partner training! Spring Break, on campus, and beyond into your professional life—stopping an attack and escaping safely is the key to personal and family safety!!! What we cover in our core training has been approved for councilors, therapists, and licensed social workers for 14 CEU’s by their governing boards. Start with our Campus Safety version! Invest in yourself, and your future!

PLUS!

***On Thursday’s starting March 10, 7-8:50 pm, and by arrangement on Saturdays!!!, at Wellness 143. You can get another hour regular college credit in “Fall Prevention Education Bus/Socsc” GSTDY 4056 with the possibility of earning a teacher’s certificate in the Health Department’s fall-prevention program “Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance.” And once again, if you have any friends or relatives 65 or older you can invite, and of course, bring them, and they can receive the training FREE as an audit of the course! With the highest rate of hip fractures of the 50 states surveyed, leading to 1 in 5 dying in a year, this course is SWOSU’s way to fight this epidemic and save our friends, families, co-workers, and professional clients.

**Both of these classes are on-going. Start as soon as you can, we understand, and will help you catch up!

W. Steven Pray Ph.D., D.Ph., of the Graduate Pharmacy faculty, and Susan Rose PT, Director of the Outpatient Clinic at the Clinton Indian Hospital, are both attending the class and contributing valuable interdisciplinary insights.

For example, according to W. Steven Pray Ph.D., D.Ph., Bernhardt Professor College of Pharmacy, SWOSU, “Dr. Robert Sam Lackey’s course, GSTDY 1751 4056 Fall Prevention Education. presents the elements of an evidence-based fall prevention program. Participants learn the most common reasons for falling, and practice specific steps to prevent the fall, and to minimize any potential harm. The preventive moves, based in Tai Chi, can be easily mastered by all learners. Each class repeats and reinforces the movements, so they become automatic reflexes. Fall prevention is of increasing concern to health professionals for several reasons: (1) the aging of the population, (2) the large number of medical conditions that cause falling (e.g. frailty, osteoporosis), and (3) the fact that numerous medications increase the risk of falling, such as those that cause drowsiness, dizziness, and blurred vision. Further, many people engage in polypharmacy, obtaining medications from several sources. Should two or more interact to produce even greater drowsiness, the risk of falls increases. For these reasons, the fall prevention class is valuable to everyone.” Contact: robert.lackey@swosu.edu / 580-774-4602.

SWOSU Annual Career Fair

Tips to Get the Job

By Elizabeth Fuller
Staff Reporter

SWOSU’s annual Career Fair will be held on Wednesday, March 30. It will be held in the Memorial Student Union center from 10 a.m. to 2p.m.

Job fairs are an excellent opportunity to meet multiple employers in one convenient location.

Before the fair, you should be fully aware on what you need to do.

According to College Central Network:

Present your résumé and be ready to discuss your background, qualifications, and career goals. Ask what you should do to apply for a position with them.

Dress the same as you would for a job interview. Positive first impressions are critical. Turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices.

Introduce yourself to company representatives in a positive and confident manner; offer a firm handshake. Include your name, your school, degree, major, and the year you are graduating.

Think of questions that you have regarding your area(s) of interest. Take notes on the answers you receive.

Be sure to take notes after each table. Write down your thoughts about the company, the recruiter, your chances, follow-up strategies, to-do list, etc.

After the event, you should make it a point to follow up with a letter expressing your interest in the company and in what they have to offer.

You may want to include an updated résumé, a link to an electronic portfolio, or provide better answers to specific questions asked during the event.

Thank you or follow up letters should be received by the employer within two to five days after an event.

For more information on this event, please contact Savannah Schones, SWOSU Career Services Coordinator.

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NEWS

After graduation, what next?

By Katie Lafferty
Staff Reporter

Graduating students should be excited about their future, but according to Newsweek only 14 percent of graduates have real jobs after college. Will SWOSU’s future graduates experience the hardships in finding a job? Senior Kelsey Abernathy has already experienced the struggle of job searching for a career in her degree field. “There is not much I can do with just a bachelor’s degree in history,” Abernathy said. “Most jobs in the field want a Masters or Doctorate Degree.” So instead of going straight to the workforce, Abernathy opted to continue her education with graduate school and hopefully find a job in a museum or in archives while in school. Other students are more hopeful. Senior Seidy Marquez has already received job offers in her degree field. “After I graduate I will be working at Bar S in Clinton as a translator,” Marquez said. “I feel blessed that with a Spanish degree that there is a lot of career paths to choose from.” Graduating college is a major achievement. Despite



Photo courtesy indiana.edu
the hardships of finding a job, students should remember that graduating students receive on average 61 percent more income than a high school graduate according to insidehigher.com
SWOSU job board helps students look and apply for jobs easily for any location. SWOSU also offers career services Mon-Fri at 8a.m- 5p.m at STF 209 for help with resumes, finding a job, or even help in deciding on the students career path.

Leadership from page 1

The featured class consists of the following 17 freshman: Abel Abame, Gage Bouziden, Darby Bryce, Ben Ervin, Kylie Ezell, Ashlee Fryer, Shawnee Jones, Rachael Lamar, Brandon Lewis, Taylor Lewis, Manuel Martinez, Kelsey Nadeau, Tate Odam, Mason Pitts, Braden Sweet, Marshall Wallace, and Kalley Watkins.
After the spring semester is complete, PLC 9 will head to Washington, DC for the annual class trip. Every year the sophomore class takes a five-day trip where students get to tour the DC and surrounding area, visit historic monuments, and meet with legislators.
For more information on the President’s Leadership Class events visit their page on the SWOSU site <http://www.swosu.edu/admissions/plc/index.aspx>.

SWOSU’s Annual Interscholastic Meet (SWIM) Planned March 24

By Michelle Taylor
Staff Reporter

On Thursday, March 24, the SWOSU campus will be overwhelmed with junior and high school students. The 103rd Southwestern Interscholastic Meet (SWIM) will start with registration at 11 a.m. and will continue throughout the afternoon.
SWIM is Oklahoma’s most longest running academic competition for junior high and high school students. Participants are chosen by their high schools, and some tests have specific requirements, such as first year students only.
According to Jennifer Dickey, director of SWIM, there will be over 2,500 students from 75 Oklahoma high schools that participate.
Dickey said students who participate gain experience and insight to a college campus. “SWIM is a wonderful

opportunity for us to showcase our campus, departments and students,” Dickey said.
There will be 43 tests falling into the categories of Fine Arts, Biological Sciences, Business, Computer Science, Language and Literature, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Social Science, and Technology. According to Dickey, a new test has been added this year: Personal Financial Literacy.
“Students get to experience the academic competition individually and as a team,” said Dickey.
Scores will be posted as soon as they are calculated. Individual certificates of achievement will be awarded to first, second and third-place winners of each event.
The schools will be awarded plaques by class size in each of the nine subject areas. Also awarded are the Sweepstakes Plaques for overall winners in each class size.

Crossword (courtesy of mirroreyes.com)

- ACROSS**
1. Utilizers
6. Prig
10. Forearm bone
14. Imperial
15. Formally surrender
16. French for "We"
17. Shorthand
18. Dogfish
19. Clothing
20. Task
22. Type of sword
23. Absorbs
24. Exit
26. Prune
30. Japanese apricot
31. Uncooked
32. Bygone era
33. Backside
35. Prods
39. Die down
41. Hollywood hopeful
43. Exams
44. A style of design
46. Tibetan monk
47. Type
49. One time around
50. Remnant
51. Burgled
54. Sweeping story
56. Sheltered nook
57. Completely neat and clean
63. Again
64. Competed
65. An organization's rule
66. After-bath powder
67. Sea eagle
68. Delete
69. Blackthorn
70. Collections
71. Searches

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- DOWN**
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2. Drunkards
3. Visual organs
4. Hindu princess
5. Plods
6. Scurried
7. Goddess of divine retribution
8. Norse god
9. Eggwhisk
10. Hades
11. Jeweler's glass
12. Naked models
13. Donkeys
21. Wanderer
25. Madly in love
26. Vesicle
27. Debauchee
28. Spheres
29. Plague
34. Adventures
36. Winglike
37. A Greek territorial unit
38. Male deer
40. Small island
42. Subject
45. Any simple chemical
48. Sharp-edged tools
51. Skedaddles
52. Anagram of "Talon"
53. Convex molding
55. Blocks
58. Bog
59. Stringed instrument
60. Wings
61. Chore
62. Female sheep (plural)

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, March 09, 2016
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM SSC Council
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM READ-Gamma
Epsilon Alpha Delta Business Meeting
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM ACT Residual Exam
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Physics Tutoring

Thursday, March 10, 2016
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Community
Coffee at SWOSU
11:30 AM - 1:15 PM Free lunch at the Wesley
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM Sorosis
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM The Gifts of Imperfection Book Exploration
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Psychology Tutoring
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM Bernhardt Award Reception & Banquet
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Sigma Delta Pi Initiation Ceremony
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Jazz Ensembles Concert

Friday, March 11, 2016
7:30 AM - 11:00 AM High School
Regional Speech Tournament
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM SW Regional Speech
Tournament
8:30 AM - 2:00 PM TOEFL - Test of English
for Foreign Language
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Softball vs. University
of Arkansas-Monticello (DH)
2:00 PM Baseball @ University of
Arkansas-Monticello
5:00 PM Spring Break Begins

Saturday, March 12, 2016
All Day High School Regional Speech
Tournament
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM Softball vs. Uni-
versity of Arkansas-Monticello (DH)
12:00 PM Baseball @ University of
Arkansas-Monticello (DH)
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Regional Speech
Awards

Sunday, March 13, 2016
Women’s Golf @ Barry Women’s Invita-
tional
6:30 PM - 11:00 PM Sigma Sigma
Chi Meeting

Monday, March 14, 2016
Campus Closed - Holiday
Women’s Golf @ Barry Women’s Invita-
tional
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Physics Tutoring
8:00 PM - 11:00 PM Zeta Phi Meet-
ing

Tuesday, March 15, 2016
Campus Closed - Holiday
Women’s Golf @ Barry Women’s Invita-
tional
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Alive @ 25 Workshop
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Baseball vs. Oklahoma
Christian University
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM greenhouse work night



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FEATURES



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Upcoming releases that should be on your spring checklist

By Max Jirak
Staff Reporter

The spring has much to offer in the fields of music, fashion, and movies.

March has a few big-named artists coming out with new albums and songs. Including Gwen Stefani's first album since 2006, an album from ILOVEMAKONNEN named Drink More Water 6, and Zayn Malik's first solo album since departing from One Direction. Weezer will also release their album, The White Album, on April 1st.

The spring also brings the long-awaited movie that many action fans have been anticipating, *Batman v. Superman: Dawn of Justice*. The movie brings in a new Batman, played by Ben Affleck, and the return of Henry Cavill as Superman. In this sequel to *Man of Steel*, Batman and Superman are pit against each other, until a new villain comes

into play and then they must team up to save Metropolis.

For all the shoe lovers, there are some nice releases coming out this spring including:

March 4- Nike Foamposite Pro- Grey

March 5-AJ XXX –White/Blk/UNC

March 5-Nike KD8 EXT- Tan

March 12-Retro 5 Low- White/Red

March 19-Retro 4 – Navy/Yellow

March 28- Retro 5 Low –Knicks

April 16- Retro 9 Low –Black/Red

April 23- Retro 10 NYC – Black/Gold

The spring will come with some heat, so expect to buy some shorts, and low socks are coming back in style so forget the high socks on the beach.

Also, do not forget to put sunscreen on or else those nice clothes you are wearing will be overshadowed by peeling skin.

Restaurant Review

Downtown Diner

By Bailey Hood
Staff Reporter



Downtown Diner along the historic Route 66 is one of the best places to get great food for a low price.

On the menu, they have things like Kitty's Chicken, Old Fashion Hamburgers, and great Chicken Fried Steak. It has been in Weatherford for 2 years and has been a hit ever since it came to town.

They serve breakfast, lunch and dinner. I suggest getting the French toast for breakfast that is topped with warm golden syrup and a sprinkle of powdered sugar. It is always a great choice, being perfectly cooked every time.

For lunch I would suggest getting Kitty's Chicken. It is lightly breaded chicken in bite sized pieces perfectly seasoned, you also have a choice of a side like green beans, fried okra, French fries, waffle fries, or a baked potato.

Lastly, for dinner at the Diner I would suggest getting the Old Fashion Chicken Fried Steak. It is a big piece of steak perfectly breaded and fried to perfection, and it comes with any side mentioned above.

Downtown Diner is a great option for anyone who is hungry and it is easy on your wallet. It is located at 123 West Main St. in Weatherford, OK. Downtown Diner's number is (580) 774-1234.

Movie Review

The Choice

By Conner Kent
Staff Reporter

The Choice, based off the Nicholas Sparks novel, is just as successful as his other romantic novels that were made into movies, including *The Choice*, *The Notebook*, *The Longest Ride*, and *Safe Haven*.

The Choice was released in theatres last month and many were anxious for it to finally make it to the big screens, including Southwestern junior Michaela Davis.

"I thought it was a typical Nicholas Sparks movie," Davis said. "However, it hit closer to home due to personal experiences kind of like *The Notebook* did."

The movie takes place in a small, coastal town in North Carolina where Travis (Benjamin Walker) is a well-known veterinarian. Travis holds the vague conviction that a serious relationship with a woman would only cramp his style, until he meets his new neighbor Gabby (Teresa Palmer).

Gabby is a feisty medical student who's preparing to settle down with her long-term boyfriend. Despite that, Travis can't stop trying to cross paths with Gabby, and his persistent efforts lead them both to the doorstep of a journey



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that neither could have foreseen.

The Choice is an excellent romantic film that not only tugs at a peoples heartstrings, but also brings many moments of laughter to the table to ensure a good movie.

According to Rotten Tomatoes, the film was rated 3.6/5 and 66% of viewers enjoyed the film.

What if Facebook closed?

By Andikan Usanga
Staff Reporter

Facebook is one of the most popular social networks in the world.

Mark Zuckerberg, and some of his old roommates established Facebook.

It has about 1.18million active users. Many people for various reasons, such as, news purposes, and interaction, use Facebook.

"Facebook is my news feed and my year book," Faith Okorochoa said. "If Facebook closes down I wouldn't be able to stalk pretty boys".

"I use Facebook on a regular basis",

Toyosi Ematuwo said. "It is the best way to find old friends and to post numerous pictures".

"I also play numerous games such as 8 ball pool and SIMS" "If Facebook shuts down, I'd be bored to death," Ematuwo said.

Sylvia Egoh gets all her news updates from Facebook. "Facebook is my CNN, BBC and Aljazeera," Egoh said. "If Facebooks shuts down, I would lose my handy news source." Egoh keeps in touch with all my High school mates with Facebook "If it shuts down, I'd lose all contact with them."

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SPORTS

Tucker chosen as all-conference

Three members of the Southwestern women's basketball team earned All-Great American Conference recognition last week.

Hailey Tucker (Bartlesville, Okla.) was named a First Team All-GAC selection and the GAC Freshman of the Year. Tucker ranks as the Lady Bulldogs leading scorer, averaging 14.9 points per game after knocking down 75 three-pointers, the third-most in the conference. She has also displayed tremendous versatility by ranking second in the league with 41 blocked shots (1.5 per game) and pulling down 160 rebounds (5.7 per game) to rank second on the team. She becomes the first Lady Bulldog to be named Freshman of the Year in the Great American Conference and the first player to earn that honor since Lucy Ramon

was named the Freshman of the Year in the Lone Star Conference in 2007-08.

Janae Coffee (Fresno, Calif.) earns Honorable Mention All-GAC distinction along with the GAC Newcomer of the Year after joining the Lady Bulldogs for her senior season. With 11 double-doubles this season, Coffee finished the regular season ranked second in the GAC in rebounding with 9.6 rebounds per game and she set a single-season school record with 126 offensive rebounds, an average of 4.5 per game. She is SWOSU's third-leading scorer with 11.4 points per game and she ranks second on the team with 40 blocked shots (1.4 per game), a number that ranks her third in the conference. Coffee becomes SWOSU's second GAC Newcomer



Freshman of the year and first-team all-conference Hailey Tucker competes in action earlier this year. (Photo by Rilee Roberson)

of the Year, joining Darcie Dick who earned the distinction in 2011-12.

Jennifer Williams (Clinton, Okla.) also earned Honorable Mention All-GAC honors for her first career all-conference award. Williams ranks fourth on the team in scoring, averaging 10.6 points per game for the season, a

number that has elevated to 11.4 points per game during conference play. She is shooting 44.7% from the field and 32.5% from three-point range and she has gotten to the free throw line more than any other Lady Bulldog, knocking down 68-of-96 (70.8%) attempts from the stripe in her senior season.



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SWOSU downs SAU 5-2 to win third straight league series

SWOSU Baseball carried a 5-0 lead into the ninth inning of their rubber match against Southern Arkansas and held off the Muleriders to win the game 5-2 and the series 2-1. SWOSU is now 12-7 on the year and 6-3 in Great American Conference play with wins in all three of their league series.

The Bulldogs scored single runs in the first, fourth and eighth innings along with two runs in the fifth, giving them enough cushion to hold off a two-run ninth inning from the Muleriders. SWOSU's Gunnar Cook pitched the first 8.0 innings, allowing just four hits and one earned run with 10 strikeouts, but SAU did get to Quinton Dougherty with three hits and a run in the ninth.

Joshua Santos and Jacob Spring each had two hits apiece and Spring had two RBI in the contest. Joel Baxley had a sacrifice fly while Korbin Polston and Santos accounted for the other two runs.

SWOSU concludes their eight-game home stand with a 6-2 record and they are next in action on Tuesday at Northeastern State in Tahlequah.

Lady Bulldogs end season in finals loss

Arkansas Tech looked the part of the top seed in the Great American Conference Tournament and the No. 15-ranked team in NCAA Division II as they shot 50.7% from the field and hit 12 three-pointers as they defeated SWOSU 106-85 in the tournament championship game.

The game was up-tempo from the get go, but SWOSU had to fight from behind the entire game. After scoring the first basket of the game, the Lady Bulldogs were playing catch up against the Golden Suns and they tied the game twice but were unable to retake the lead. ATU used a 9-0 run late in the first quarter to take a 24-14 lead, but SWOSU battled back to within one in the second half after a Hailey Tucker three made it 36-35 with 6:43 until halftime.

Two free throws from Morgan Vogt again made it a one-point game, 43-42, with 3:23 to play in the half, but Tech closed on a 10-4 run and led 53-46 going into the break. SWOSU made runs at ATU in the third and fourth quarters, but never got any closer than six points and the Golden Suns had an advantage of at least 11

points the entire fourth quarter.

SWOSU was led by the GAC Freshman of the Year, Hailey Tucker, who capped off her first collegiate tournament in her hometown with 21 points on 8-for-15 shooting. For her efforts, Tucker and fellow freshman Hayden Priddy were named to the All-GAC Tournament team at the conclusion of the event.

Morgan Vogt set a new postseason career high for the second straight game, scoring 18 points while dishing out four assists while Janae Coffee and Jennifer Williams each had 17 points in their final game with the Lady Bulldogs. Williams also had a game-high six assists and Coffee pulled down a team-best eight rebounds.

"I'm really proud of my team's efforts, not only tonight but this entire season," SWOSU Head Coach Kelsi Musick said. "Our seniors gave us great leadership and our freshman really stepped up down the stretch this season, so I'm excited for the future of our program."

SWOSU concludes their third 20-win season under the direction of Musick with a 20-11 record.

SAU scores late to end Bulldogs' season

The 11th and final lead change in a thrilling Great American Conference Quarterfinal came with less than 10 seconds remaining as Southern Arkansas's CJ Elkins scored on a drive to the basket that proved to be the game-winner as SAU defeated SWOSU 83-82, eliminating the Bulldogs from the GAC Tournament.

SWOSU had a 10-point lead, 52-42 at the break after hitting 51.4% of their field goal attempts in the opening half, but less than seven minutes into the second half the Mulerid-

ers had things knotted up at 57-57. The game was back-and-forth down the stretch with three ties, but SWOSU built a five-point lead after a four-point play from Collin Jennings with 5:49 to play made it 71-66 in favor of the Dawgs.

Southern Arkansas responded with the next six points to retake the lead, which stood at 77-73 heading to the final media timeout. Markeise Champion hit a three that got SWOSU back within one and Emeche Wells scored on a drive to the basket that knotted the score at



Emeche Wells scored on a drive to the basket that knotted the score at 78-78 with 1:51 to play. Photo courtesy swosuathletics.com

78-78 with 1:51 to play. SWOSU's Ayo Ojo fouled out on the ensuing possession and the Muleriders made one free throw to go back on top 79-78.

Champion was again the player with the answer for SWOSU, scoring on a drive that made it 80-79 with 1:02 to play, the first of four lead changes in the final 62 seconds. SAU got a tip-in on their next possession, but Wells was fouled and hit two free throws with 33 seconds remaining to put SWOSU back on top 82-81. Southern Arkansas called timeout with 24 second remaining to diagram a play and the result was a drive to the basket from Elkins that put SAU up 83-82 in the final seconds.

SWOSU's last chance saw Markeise Champion drive to the basket and dish to an open Juwan Newmen, who got a good look at the basket but left it short and an SAU rebound allowed the Muleriders to earn the victory and advance in the tournament.

SWOSU was led by Emeche Wells, who was stellar with 18 points, three rebounds, three assists and three steals in his final collegiate game. Collin Jennings was also effective offensively with 16 points, while Markeise Champion scored 13 points and Martell Collins chipped in 11. Bartlesville native Nick Shoemaker scored nine points on 3-for-6 shooting from three-point range in his return to Bruin Field-



Martell Collins becomes SWOSU's first two-time All-Great American Conference honoree. (Photo by Rilee Roberson)

Collins & Champion Earn All-GAC Acclaim

For the second time in three seasons, SWOSU Men's Basketball had multiple players earn All-Great American Conference distinction with Martell Collins earning First Team honors while Markeise Champion was an honorable mention selection. The all-conference awards were announced on Wednesday evening at a banquet in advance of the GAC Tournament in Bartlesville.

Martell Collins (Milwaukee, Wisc.) becomes SWOSU's first two-time All-Great American Conference honoree and the second First Team selection, joining 2014 GAC Player of the Year Rod Camphor. He leads the Bulldogs in scoring, averaging 18.8 points per game and he was at his best in conference play with a league-leading 20.2 points per in GAC contests. A two-time GAC Player of the Week in his career, Collins also ranks as SWOSU's second-leading rebounder with 5.9 boards per game, he's second on the team with 23 steals and third with 47 assists. Collins has shot 40.2% (166-of-413) from the field and 33.5% (53-of-188) from three-point range while attempting 146 free throws, the fourth-most among conference players. This is the second All-GAC honor for Collins, a Second Team honoree and All-GAC Tournament team selection last season.

Markeise Champion (Menlo Park, Calif.) earns Honorable Mention All-Great American Conference distinction in his first year with the Bulldogs. He is SWOSU's second-leading scorer, averaging 13.8 points per game for the Bulldogs while connecting on 42.1% (88-of-209) of his three-point attempts. His 88 made three pointers leads the Great American Conference, ranking second for a single season at SWOSU and he's within striking distance for the single-season record heading into the conference tournament. Champion also ranks seventh in the league in assists with 93, an average of 3.3 per game.

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resident spotlight William Tanner

Hometown: Danbury, CT

Classification: Junior

Major: Nursing

Resident Hall: Black Kettle Hall

Why did you choose your major?

I chose nursing as my major because I wanted to be able to help people when they are sick or hurt. After nursing school my plan is to become a nurse anesthetist to make sure people are kept asleep and comfortable during different types of surgeries.

What are your hobbies?

I enjoy playing all types of sports. My favorite sport is volleyball and I play on the SWOSU Men's Club Volleyball team. I am one of the outside hitters and we play in tournaments each month against Division 1 schools.

What do you want to do when you graduate?

When I graduate I plan to work as a nurse in either the ICU or Critical Care unit at a hospital and then attend nurse anesthetist school to earn my masters.

Who's been a major influence in your life?

A major influence in my life has been my cousin Grant because since I have moved out to school from Connecticut he has helped me in every way possible. Grant has been there for me through everything that has happened since I first came here 3 years ago.



resident spotlight Josh Griffin

Hometown: Mustang, OK

Classification: Freshman

Major: Pre-Pharmacy

Building: Jefferson Hall

Why did you choose SWOSU?

I kinda like the size of SWOSU and how the classes work.

What are your hobbies?

My hobbies are playing skyrim, minecraft, ping pong, and long boarding.

What do you want to do when you graduate?

My main goal is to own my own business. I really want to be my own boss, and make my own way in this world.

What's your favorite movie quote?

"Get to the chopper!" -Predator



ResLIFE Happenings

What	When	Where
Resident Advisor Information Session	March 28 th	Residence Life Conference Center
ResLife Spring Movie Series: Sisters	March 29 th	Fine Arts Center
Oklahoma Hall		
Spa Night	March 24 th	OK Hall Lobby
Stewart Hall		
Messy Twister	Feb 25 th	Stewart Hall Lobby
Margaritas and Murals	March 10 th	Stewart Hall Lobby
Black Kettle Hall		
Pool Tournament	March 3rd	Black Kettle Lobby
Neff Hall		
Never Back Down	Feb 25 th	Neff Hall Lobby
Neff Hall Wrap Up	March 7-11	Neff Hall Lobby
Jefferson Hall		
Texas Hold Em	March 3rd	Jefferson Lobby

Res Life

Messy Twister

Looking for a fun time? Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 4pm in the Stewart Hall Lawn, there will be Messy Twister. This game will be played like the average game of twister, but with the exception of colored shaving cream and paint. It will be a neat way to experience twister, especially if you have never experience it before. Get ready for a fun and exciting time playing twister on Stewart Hall's lawn. It will be a fun way to meet new people. We hope to see everyone there, because we know that it will be a great time.

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