



SWOSU Connects With Donors at "Thank-A-Dawg" Event

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SWOSU student volunteers from the SWOSU President's Leadership Class (PLC) and the SWOSU volleyball team use resources donated by Pioneer Cellular to reach out and thank over 501 SWOSU donors during the recent "Thank-A-Dawg" event held in the Timothy T. Day Business Enterprise Center.

The Office of Institutional Advancement (OIA) at Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) recently hosted a "Thank-A-Dawg" event in the Timothy T. Day Business Enterprise Center at SWOSU's Weatherford location.

The event, which the OIA coordinates regularly, celebrates SWOSU's many private donor investors who generously contribute to the Foundation providing scholarships and faculty support to the university.

"SWOSU stands firmly on the hilltop today because of continued partnership with our generous and thoughtful donors," said SWOSU President Dr. Randy L. Beutler. "The philanthropic backing of our alumni, emeriti and friends via the SWOSU Foundation, Inc. permits our university to deliver student scholarships, faculty and staff support, and capital development beyond what is possible with only state funding. I know I speak for the entire SWOSU campus community when I say a sincere 'thank you' to our donors for their continued investment in our mission of providing a quality higher education to all."

At the most recent "Thank-A-Dawg," over 50 student volunteers from the SWOSU President's Leadership Class (PLC) led by SWOSU Director of Enrollment Management Todd Boyd and the SWOSU volleyball team led by SWOSU Head Volleyball Coach & Director of Gameday Operations Josh Collins graciously volunteered their time and connected with over 501 SWOSU donors.

The "Thank-A-Dawg" volunteers used telephones generously donated for the purpose by Pioneer Cellular to reach out and express SWOSU's sincere gratitude and appreciation.

"We are humbled and honored that the number of charitable donors to SWOSU increased 92% from 2017 to 2019," said SWOSU Assistant to the President & Director of Institutional Advancement Garrett King. "Charitable investments of all size and scope from SWOSU's loyal and generous philanthropic supporters make a critical and lasting difference in helping SWOSU students achieve higher levels of excellence. We are very grateful to our student volunteers, to Todd Boyd and Josh Collins, to the Timothy T. Day Business Enterprise Center, and to Pioneer Cellular for making our 2019 'Thank-A-Dawg' outreach possible."

The OIA facilitates SWOSU's charitable and philanthropic efforts that are led by the SWOSU Foundation, Inc. The Foundation was established in 1977 to promote philanthropy and distribute funds to support the activities and programs of SWOSU. Located on the Weatherford campus in the historic Burton House, the Foundation currently stewards over \$26 million in assets for the benefit of SWOSU. For more information, please visit www.SWOSUFoundation.com or call 580-774-3267.

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