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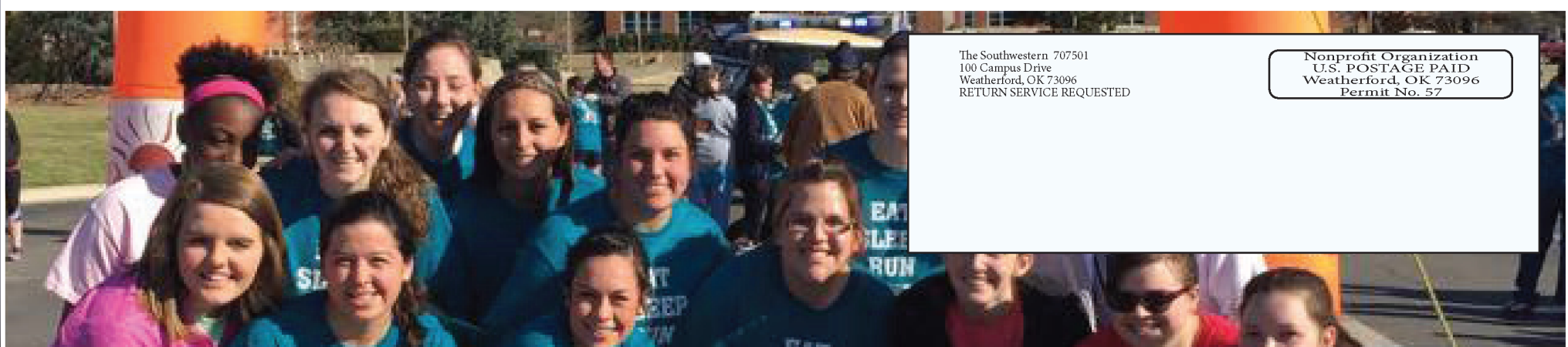
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Brodie Poppino makes an impressive run in the tie-down calf roping at the Pratt Community College rodeo. Poppino and the rest of the Southwestern rodeo teams will play host this weekend during the annual SWOSU Rodeo.

Rodeo rides back into Weatherford

By Stacey Bailey
Staff Reporter

The “Rodeo of the Year” is back in town.

The 43rd Annual SWOSU Rodeo begins tomorrow night at 7 at the Don Mitchell Arena in Rader Park and is followed by two more performances Friday and Saturday evening.

Students will be admitted free with a SWOSU ID, and general admission will be \$5 per night or \$10 for an all-session pass.

This event brings hundreds of contestants from 15 regional institutions to compete for titles in the Central Plains Region of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association. Contestants will showcase their skills in nine events: bareback riding, tie-down calf roping, breakaway roping, saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling, goat tying, team roping, barrel racing and bull riding.

“The main goal for this rodeo is just to bring it to town so that everyone can benefit from it,” said head rodeo coach Michael Visnieski. “Students can benefit from its recreational nature while business owners will likely experience a big

economic impact from a tourism standpoint.”

In addition to the action inside the arena, multiple events will be held.

Graduating seniors will be honored during Senior Night just before the Thursday performance.

The 2015 SWOSU Rodeo Team golf tournament will be held Friday morning. The tournament will be in a three-man-scramble format, and tee times begin at 7 a.m. Entries will be taken by Bill E. Williams at 940-229-9007.

Friday’s performance is “Tough Enough to Wear Pink” night in honor of cancer awareness. SWOSU rodeo has teamed up with Cowboys for Cancer to promote the cause.

“We’re really excited to be able to tie our rodeo in with this cause,” Visnieski said. “The rodeo itself is a great community service event, but collaborating with Cowboys for Cancer takes it to another level.”

Cowboys for Cancer was established in 2014 by breast cancer survivor Christina McSperitt and family. The organization has raised more than \$30,000 to benefit families in western Oklahoma

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Crowd favorites return for SWOSUpalooza

Brad Rowson
Staff Reporter

The 16th annual SWOSUPalooza will be at the Pioneer Cellular Event Center this Friday. SWOSUPalooza is a concert event that is fun and raises money for a good cause.

The entry fee is a donation of \$5 or more, which will go to the SWOSU Foundation Bulldog Angels fund. The fund is a program designed to financially help students who have fallen on hard times.

The performers for the evening are Jason Boland and the Stragglers, a Red Dirt/Texas country group, and singer-songwriter Graham Colton.

Student Heather Facklam is excited.



Graham Colton will play at SWOSUpalooza this Friday in the Pioneer Cellular Event Center.

Facklam said, “Last year Graham Colton performed at the SWOSUPalooza and he was really good.”

Other students are not only excited for the music, but also because

“It’s nice that there is a program to help those of us students who for whatever reasons are have struggles and going to

SWOSUPalooza helps support that,” said Zach Miller.

In addition to the music, there will also be food trucks in the center’s parking lot so you can get food while you wait for the show to start.

Doors will open at 6:30p.m. and the music begins at 7.

Outdoor classroom...



Students in the Outdoor Recreation Class watch as instructor Dr. Chad Kinder demonstrates cooking in Dutch Ovens. The class meets at Crowder Lake. (Photo by Nakota Taylor)

Baseball



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Library offers variety of new technology

Maggie Tran
Staff Reporter

The Al Harris Library has introduced new technologies for students.

These technologies range from charging stations to more exciting options. For example, students can check out Go Pro Camera from the circulation desk. These high-definition personal cameras are compact, lightweight, rugged, and wearable or mountable on vehicles.

Also, the librarians are trying to change the “batteries habit” of most students by providing battery packs for multiple devices. If a student’s device (laptop, cell phone, tablet, etc.) is low on battery, he or she can check out one of the power pack, plug it into the device and take it with him or her.

“We start doing this because we notice there are a lot of people plug the charger into the wall across the walk away,” said Jason Dupree, library director. “We were told that could cause fire hazard.”

Other upgrades are still in progress, such as



It does not offer snowboards, but the library does offer GoPro cameras for checkout. The GoPros are one of several technologies available for student use.

construction of Group Study Room #1 on the second floor. It will contain a conference table and a 45-inch TV for students working on group projects and presentation.

Also, for students who take online classes,

the room is where they can interact with teachers. There is a camera on the screen that allows the professor and students to see each other, so that they can work on the assignments just like an in-class course.

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who have been affected by cancer. The money has been raised through various efforts, including T-shirt sales, barrel races, team ropings and an annual “Beating the Odds” rodeo event.

“We’re very excited to work with the SWOSU rodeo team for this event,” Mc-Speritt said. “A lot of people don’t know about us yet, so we just want to get our name out there as much as possible.”

Cowboys for Cancer will also host a barbecue dinner Friday night from 5-7.

Before Saturday’s performance, an Alumni Mixer will be held at 5 p.m.

West of the rodeo grounds at the Ag Barn. This event will provide alumni, friends, family members and rodeo supporters a venue to interact and enjoy food and drinks and have chances to win door prizes.

“We hosted a similar event two years ago, and it was a huge success,” Visnieski said. “It’s a great social event where alumni, friends and supporters can get together and talk about the good ol’ days.”

Visnieski hopes to have at least 200 alumni and supporters in attendance at the mixer.

Last year, SWOSU was selected as the regional “Rodeo of the Year.” This award is voted on by contestants and coaches from each institution in the Central Plains Region and is based upon overall enjoyment and efficiency in event production.

“The team takes a lot of pride in the event itself,” Visnieski said. “We were thrilled to win Rodeo of the Year last year, so we’re going to hustle to make this year’s event as great as we can for the contestants and the spectators as well.”

Experts warn students to monitor their social media habits, postings

By Calley Lamar
Staff Reporter

We live in an age of computers and the internet. Tons of information is at the fingertips of everyone on the planet, and everyone can communicate with one another. However, the internet has been exploited by people and there are security and privacy issues that can happen when information is put up and even browsing can leave a trail for people to follow.

The term “digital footprints” refers to data that users leave behind when using digital services. There are two main types of digital footprints: those that are passive, meaning that the data is collected without the user knowing, and active footprints, which are left by the user themselves.

Digital footprints can ruin job opportunities if left unchecked. In 2009 a 22-year old tweeted about a job offer she had received from Cisco. In the tweet she spoke about weighing the “utility of

a fatty paycheck” against commuting to San Jose and “hating the work”. When some Cisco employees saw what she had tweeted, they contacted her hiring manager who then withdrew the job offer.

Managing these footprints is important and a few ways this can be done include:

Never post anything embarrassing
Be mindful of what pictures you post
Make sure your privacy settings only allow for friends

Always be careful not to post any personal information even when you are in private messages because the possibility of hacking is always there.

Lastly it is important for students to remember to familiarize themselves with the privacy settings of social media sites they frequent and to be aware of what information about them is available online, which can be solved simply by running a search on oneself.

For more information: <http://mashable.com/2012/09/04/students-social-media-warnings/>

Easter egg hunting in the dark



Students and children get instructions before Friday’s Glow in the Dark Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Zeta Phi. (Photo by Nakota Taylor)

Wellness Expo scheduled for Wednesday, April 8

Students, staff and area residents are invited to the SWOSU Wellness Expo this Wednesday, April 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center.

The annual free event is hosted by SWOSU’s Health and Counseling Services and functions to educate individuals on the importance of overall wellness and ways of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Several departments, organizations and businesses will set up booths at the expo including: Athletic Training and Exercise Science Departments, Campus

Ministries, First Choice Pregnancy Care Center, SWOSU Health and Counseling Services, health food stores, SWOSU Human Resources, Music Therapy students, personal fitness trainers, College of Pharmacy, Psychology Department, Psych of Women Class, School of Nursing, vocational rehabilitation services, Wellness Center/Intramurals, Whole Foods Markets and more.

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NEWS

Tips offered for finals preparation

By Tyler Steinly
Staff Reporter

To some students, it may seem like there is still a ton of time left in the school year.

Students may be surprised when these last few weeks fly by and they are left shocked and unprepared for their final tests.

Finals can be an extremely stressful time for many students and it can be very helpful to start preparing in advance. To lower the stress, many people advise getting ready a month early; here are three helpful tips to get ready for finals.

Prioritize your classes.

With most of the semester already over, you should have a pretty good grasp on what classes you are

doing okay in and what ones you've let slip a little. Check your scores and grades and figure out which of your classes you need to score the best in so you can start preparing yourself for the hardest tests early. You may even find there is still time to raise your grade a little to help when test time comes around.

Learn how you study best.

With a few weeks left, there's still time for you to figure out your best method for studying. Try the trial-and-error method to figure out what helps you retain information the best. Some people like complete silence with repetition, while some like making word games and acronyms. Some students like to walk while they study. They find that sitting still makes them lose focus quickly, but

the small amount of effort walking requires keeps their mind active and focused allowing them to pay better attention.

Relax and trust yourself.

Stress can be a good motivator when needed, but it can also shut some people down completely. Sometimes you have to give your brain time to organize everything you have put into it. So, take some designated time away from studying that you allow yourself to be completely obligation free. Go for a walk, watch a movie, or even just take a nap. If you have put in the time and have done everything you could think of to get ready, then let yourself relax and perform. You know what you know, so trust yourself and do your best.

Zeta Phi to host brisket dinner/auction

By Raven White
Staff Reporter

Zeta Phi will host an all-you-can-eat brisket dinner April 9 at 7PM at the Baptist Collegiate Ministries. The dinner will consist of brisket, sausage, mashed potatoes, macaroni and dessert.

The event will also include a labor auction consisting of the Zeta members. They will be auctioning themselves off to do labor such as laundry, dishes, cooking, or babysit-

ting.

Zeta Phi is a sorority on campus that was founded in 2002. It is a social and community service sorority and is striving to raise money for a good cause. All of the proceeds for the dinner and auction will go to Relay for Life, which is a nationwide fundraiser for the American Cancer Association.

Becca Plunk, a second-year Zeta Phi member studying pre-nursing, is hoping to go above the goal the sorority has set for themselves for the

dinner and auction. Plunk said, "Our goal is \$500, but I'm really hoping we get over \$750 because it is such a great cause to raise money for". "We are also selling Relay for Life shirts for \$15 and all the proceeds for those will go towards relay as well."

The BCM is located across the street from Stewart Hall on College Street.

For tickets or more information contact Becca Plunk at 918-691-2439 or contact any Zeta Phi member.

Crossword (courtesy of mirroreyes.com)

ACROSS

1. Anagram of "Sire"
5. Streamlined
10. "Comes and ____"
14. A certain trade agreement
15. Name of a book
16. Every single one
17. Affirm
18. In a foolhardy manner
20. Part mortal and part deity
22. Dimensional
23. Tavern
24. Cantankerous
25. Dissatisfaction
32. Bay window
33. Pariah
34. Lad
37. Subconscious
38. Spelunked
39. An enclosure
40. S
41. Seminal fluid
42. Extreme
43. Location on a map
45. An small olive-grey bird
49. Chart
50. A word with the same set of letters
53. Clatter
57. Irrefutable
59. Wander
60. Wreaths
61. Great fear
62. Dry
63. Gait faster than a walk
64. Marsh plant
65. Game on horseback



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| 1. Quaint outburst | 19. Consumer of food | 41. Disdain |
| 2. Rant | 21. White aquatic bird | 42. Two-toed sloth |
| 3. Bit of gossip | 25. A hemispherical roof | 44. Hinder |
| 4. Disrobed | 26. Colored part of an eye | 45. Hurdle |
| 5. A rapidly flashing light | 27. Transgressions | 46. Not outer |
| 6. Misled | 28. San Antonio fort | 47. Audio communications |
| 7. And so forth | 29. Cut | 48. Excrete |
| 8. Large North American deer (plural) | 30. Flip over | 51. Helps |
| 9. Large brown seaweed | 31. Scarlet | 52. Filly's mother |
| 10. "Beau ____" | 34. Insulation | 53. Smelting waste |
| 11. Fertile area in a desert | 35. Monster | 54. Lawn mower brand |
| 12. Panache | 36. Not nays | 55. Wicked |
| 13. Timidly | 38. Chief Executive Officer | 56. Start over |
| | 39. Nonsense | 58. What we sleep on |

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, April 08, 2015

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| 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Brennan & Maffei Exhibition & Workshops |
| 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM | SSC Council |
| 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM | Wellness EXPO |
| 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM | Staff Appreciation Luncheon |
| 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM | Baseball vs. University of Science & Arts of OK |
| 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM | Lady Bulldog Basketball Tryouts |
| 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM | H.O.P.E Weekly Meeting |
| 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Tau Beta Sigma meeting |

Thursday, April 09, 2015

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| 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Brennan & Maffei Exhibition & Workshops |
| 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM | Sorosis Luncheon |
| 2:00 PM | Regional University System of Oklahoma (RUSO) Meeting |
| 5:00 PM - 11:30 PM | Residence Life at Opening Night of the OKC Dodgers |
| 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM | Chemistry Club Meetings |
| 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM | SISA |
| 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM | Student Government Meeting |
| 7:00 PM | 43rd Annual SWOSU College Rodeo |
| 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM | Brisket Dinner and Labor Auction |

Friday, April 10, 2015

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| Regional University System of Oklahoma (RUSO) Meeting | |
| 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Brennan & Maffei Exhibition & Workshops |
| 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Engineering Technology Advisory Board Meeting |
| 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM | New Student Orientation |
| 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM | Baseball vs. Arkansas Tech University |
| 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM | Junior Recital- Kurt and Cassie |
| 7:00 PM | 43rd Annual SWOSU College Rodeo |
| 7:00 PM - 10:30 PM | SWOSUPalooza |

Saturday, April 11, 2015

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| All Day | Special Olympics Track and Field |
| 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Delta Kappa Gamma |
| 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM | Upward Bound Saturday Academy |
| 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM | PharmCORP |
| 12:00 PM - 4:30 PM | Baseball vs. Arkansas Tech University |
| 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM | Softball @ East Central OK |
| 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | SWOSU Alumni Board of Directors Meeting |
| 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Masters Recital- Ben King |
| 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM | SWOSU Rodeo Alumni Mixer |
| 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM | SISA Banquet |
| 7:00 PM | 43rd Annual SWOSU College Rodeo |
| 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM | Western Oklahoma Ballet Theatre |

Sunday, April 12, 2015

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| 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Softball @ East Central OK |
| 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Western Oklahoma Ballet Theatre |
| 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Faculty Recital-Dr. Talley |
| 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Isaacs in Concert |
| 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Phi Delta Theta Chapter Meeting |
| 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM | Senior Recital-Joshua Bell |
| 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM | Black Student Association Member Meeting |

Monday, April 13, 2015

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| Women's Golf at Central Region Spring Preview | |
| 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Brennan & Maffei Exhibition & Workshops |
| 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM | Executive Council Meeting |
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Administrative Council Meeting |
| 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM | FREE Lunch at the Wesley |
| 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM | Let's Talk About SWOSU |
| 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM | Forge |
| 8:00 PM - 11:30 PM | Zeta Phi Meeting |

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

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| Women's Golf at Central Region Spring Preview | |
| All Day | Room and Board Late Fee |
| 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Brennan & Maffei Exhibition & Workshops |
| 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Research and Scholarly Activity Fair |
| 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM | Lutheran Campus Ministry |
| 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM | Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) Meeting |
| 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM | BCM Bible Studies |
| 8:00 PM - 10:30 PM | Residence Life Spring Movie Series: American Sniper |



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Movie Review

Cinderella

The new *Cinderella* movie comes as no surprise to those familiar with Disney movies in general. The main character, Ella herself, is Disney World's usual character: wonderfully kind, generous, beautiful and talented. She captivates the first teen boy she meets with less than five minutes of conversation and no introduction. However, this version has some uniqueness.

Finally we have a Disney movie for those who cringe when the word "musical" is said within earshot. There is nothing musically notable about this sweet rendition of an old classic.

Although there had been rumors of this *Cinderella* following the old Grimm's Fairy Tale, this is not the case. The only recognizable Grimm's element is the girl requesting her father bring her the first twig that brushes his shoulder on his journey. Otherwise, it is a musically-bereft live action version of Walt Disney's 1950's classic.



Even if some members of the audience may be disappointed in the lack of Grimm's accuracy complete with hacked feet, pecked eyes and a mother's grave full of benevolent magic, it is nevertheless a sweet tale. It is nostalgic to see a live action version of a childhood staple. The Fairy Godmother, played by a very recognizable Helena Bonham Carter in false teeth, even says "Bippity boppity boop" much to the delight of older people watching.

The prince has a far more developed role than in the animated movie, and even comes with a name beyond Prince Charming. Unlike the old

Prince Charming, the new prince's character had a developed personality. The most we ever noticed about the old prince was his curiously colored lips and ability to make Cinderella his trophy wife. This one went personally to help find *Cinderella* whereas the old one let others do the heavy lifting for him.

In all, it was a satisfying remake, something that has not been an easy task in this age of sequels and remakes. Following *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*, it is refreshingly familiar and clearly refuses to make too many risky deviations from Walt Disney's original.

--Allie Aiello

When gaming takes over

Students work to find balance between video games and academic work

By Brad Rowson
Staff Reporter

Video games are a fun way to pass the time when you have nothing else to do, or to help relieve stress from everything else in life. It can also be a more fun activity than watching a movie or television show because it is a much more interactive experience.

You can take your favorite sports team to a championship in the many different sports video games, or you can spend over 100 hours in a world that has been created where you can create a character and take him through every inch of that world. The possibilities of video games are endless.

That's dangerous for a student with two tests or a paper due the next day.

Sometimes playing a game goes from a fun hobby to something much more serious.

"I played so much WoW (World of Warcraft) that I actually barely passed my senior year of school. I took all the time I should have spent working on homework and studying for tests and spent it playing the game instead," said Jason Moore, one of many students who trade sleep and studying for playing video games.

In addition to distracting someone from their schoolwork, it can also have a negative effect on a student's social life.

Another student, Chris Miller, "played games so much that it made my ex-girlfriend say that I didn't pay enough attention to her and it ultimately ended up being the main reason we broke up."

In America, 81 percent of youths play video games one or more times a month, and roughly 8.5 percent of those youths are addicted to gaming. On average, these youths play games 14 hours of the week, which equates to about two hours a day.

SWOSU psychology professor Dr. Stephen Burgess has been studying the way that social lives are affected by video games and whether kids nowadays

are spending more time playing online together instead of going out and doing other things together.

"The key is likely whether you can function and get your other obligations done," Burgess said.

Dr. Burgess says that spending too much time playing video games is no different than spending time watching too much television or spending too much time at the gym.

"It's all about time management. You've got a certain amount of time; what are you going to do with it? If you're spending all the time you should be studying or working on homework playing video games or anything else, you are going to have a lower GPA."

Burgess would like it to be known that he is always looking for more students to volunteer to be part of his research.

When it comes to knowing exactly how much time is too much for playing video games, there is no real answer. Sure, a person can go overboard and play 100 hours a week, or they can be reasonable and manage their time wisely and only play when they have

the free time to be spending their time playing. Though video games have been around for a while now, they're constantly evolving. For this reason, so many people don't quite understand them and are unable to accept them as both a strong form of entertainment and another form of art for people to express themselves and others to experience.

"Video games are so mainstream now, they're not going anywhere," Burgess said.

So, know your limits and don't bite off more than you can chew with video games just like everything else. If you have a video game that you really want to play but know it'll distract you from other aspects of your life, maybe wait until summer break or something. The games will still be available and perhaps you will get lucky and find it on sale to save yourself a little bit of money.

Video games ruined my life. Good thing I have two extra lives.



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SPORTS

Bulldog pitching leads to weekend victories

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – Three SWOSU pitchers combined to throw 16 shutout innings on Friday as the Bulldogs earned a pair of victories over Great American Conference leader Ouachita Baptist at the Athletic Complex. SWOSU won the first game 3-0 before getting just a single run and holding off the Tigers in the seventh of a 1-0 win in the second game.

SWOSU 3, Ouachita Baptist 0

A two-time GAC Pitcher of the Week already this season, Jon Chidester may have had his top performance of the season as he carried a one-hit effort into the ninth inning of the series opener against the top offense in the conference. He wound up with allowing three hits in his first complete-game shutout as a Bulldog while striking out five Tigers and walking just one.

Despite recording just four hits, the Bulldogs were very opportunistic on the offensive side, scoring single runs in the third, seventh and eighth innings to provide Chidester – who improved to 5-4 on the year – plenty of support.

CJ Faddis was hit by a pitch to leadoff the third inning before advancing to second with a sacrifice bunt from Tyler Rapp, giving Bryan Holt the RBI opportunity that he would cash in with a single to right field, scoring the opening run of the game. SWOSU got two runners on in the seventh inning with another hit batter and a walk, enabling Faddis to be on the RBI end as he got a hit through the right side to score Greg Bruno from third.

Dalton Daniels, Zach Barton and Holt all reached base to start the eighth inning with Daniels scoring SWOSU’s final run after a throwing error on the Tigers, making it 3-0 in favor of the Bulldogs.

SWOSU 1, Ouachita Baptist 0

Fans of a pitching duel would have enjoyed the night-cap even more than the opener as the teams combined for just nine hits and one run in another quickly played game. Austin Hilton took the hill for the Bulldogs and came two outs shy of a complete game as SWOSU completed the afternoon sweep.

Hilton (3-4) allowed five hits in 6.1 innings of work, but the Bulldog defense turned one double play and made several timely plays to aid in the shutout, none more important than in the final inning. Hilton left with one out in the seventh and a runner on second base, which quickly turned to two runners on base after Taylor Weifenbach walked the first batter he faced.

Facing a pinch hitter, Weifenbach then allowed a single to centerfield but Jacob Spring quickly hit Haden Houska on a relay throw and Houska fired it home to Mason Marshall, who tagged out the Tigers baserunner after he missed home plate. With runners on first and third with two outs, Weifenbach got the final out as he induced a fly out to Spring to end the game.

Offensively, SWOSU was held to three hits but two of them were paired together in the fourth inning for the game’s only run. Barton singled to left against a stiff breeze to open the inning and he made it to second after a failed pickoff attempt by OBU. Holt laid down a great sacrifice bunt that moved Barton over to third before Spring connected with a double to left center that brought Barton home to score.

“Really proud of our guys as they came together and got our first two shutouts of the year, which couldn’t have come at a better time,” SWOSU Coach Zack Saunders said following the twin bill. “We knew we had our hands full but Jon Chidester and Austin Hilton both came out, commanded the zone and dealt with the conditions that played into their favor. Going in, we knew their might not be a ton of scoring chances so we had to take advantage of them and our offense did just that.”

On Wednesday, the Bulldogs host USAO at 3:00 pm before a three-game set with Arkansas Tech at the Athletic Complex this weekend.

Chidester wins third honor

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – SWOSU’s Jon Chidester has been named the Great American Conference Co-Pitcher of the Week, earning league honors for the third time this season. Chidester, who shares this weekly award with Landon Simpson of Southern Arkansas, becomes the first pitcher in league history to earn honors three times in a single season.

Chidester’s performance on Friday against league-leading Ouachita Baptist is arguably his best of the season. He shutout the Tigers, who entered the week as the GAC’s top hitting team, allowing just three hits in a nine-inning, complete-game effort that also saw him strike out five batters. Two of the Tigers hits came in the top of the ninth inning, but they were quickly erased as the Bulldogs finished off the shutout by a 3-0 score.

With the performance, Chidester lowered his season ERA to 2.35, which ranks fourth in the league, while upping his league-leading strikeout total to 62. The victory improved his record to 5-4 for the year, tying him for fourth in the GAC in victories as well.

A native of Rhome, Texas, Chidester adds this honor to his previous awards, earned on March 3 and March 23, as he becomes the first pitcher in GAC history with three weekly accolades in one season.

Blue vs. white

The annual spring football scrimmage was held at Fastlane Field on Saturday, April 4. Several returning players shined in the scrimmage, which serves as a preview to the fall season. (Photos by Nakota Taylor)



Softball team loses offensive battles

WEATHERFORD, Okla. – Despite 18 hits in the final two games against Harding, the Bulldogs were handed another two losses on Saturday afternoon at the Athletic Complex. The Lady Bisons took the first game 13-3 in five innings before completing the series sweep in the second game with a 17-8 victory in six innings.

Game 1: HU 13, SWOSU 3 (5 Inn.)

SWOSU got on the board first courtesy of a Tori Hawk RBI-single to left centerfield that brought home Adrienne Martinez in the bottom of the first. After surrendering five runs in both the second and third innings, SWOSU tacked on another two runs in the bottom of the third. First, Martinez scored on a fielding error off a Ashley Dunigan hit. Hawk was then able to score after Dunigan was caught stealing. The Lady Bisons would score three runs over the next two innings to complete the run-rule victory.

Kaity Rash got the start in the circle and went 2.1 innings, but took

her first loss of the season. Hawk was a perfect 3-3 at the plate with one run scored and one RBI, while Martinez went 1-2, but scored two runs after reaching base on a second time by being hit by a pitch. The Bulldogs tallied five hits in the loss.

Game 2: HU 17, SWOSU 8 (6 Inn.)

It was a rough start for the Bulldogs in the second game of the afternoon, as Harding racked up a quick nine runs in the opening frame. SWOSU answered with three hits of their own in the bottom of the first. Martinez was able to pull a run back in the inning after a throwing error allowed her to advance home. The Bulldogs pulled another run back in the second courtesy of a Martinez solo home run.

The third inning was big offensively for the Bulldogs as they recorded four runs on four hits. After Dunigan tripled to open the inning, Samantha Perry singled up the middle to bring her home. Soon after Perry’s hit, the bases were loaded and Laken Cagle, making her first start for the Bull-

dogs, took four straight balls to bring home Perry. Martinez then walked to bring Kendall Smith around the bags. Cagled recorded the final score of the inning after Hawk was walked with the bases loaded. The score through three innings was 11-6.

Harding tacked on a further six runs over the next three innings. SWOSU refused to go down without a fight, however, pulling two runs back in the bottom of the sixth. A fielding error off a ball put into play by Perry brought home Kaitlyn Kromer who had been subbed in for Miranda McDonald. Smith then hit a single that brought home Sierra Potts who was pinch-running for Ashley Jones. Unfortunately, it was not enough as the Bulldogs suffered a run-rule defeat for the second time on the afternoon.

Laura Wilson got the start in the circle and took her fourth loss of the season. Dunigan went 3-4 at the plate with a run scored, while Martinez went 2-3 with two runs and two RBI. SWOSU tallied 13 hits in the game, tied for the third-most hits in a game for the Bulldogs this season.

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Sudoku

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Res Life

CAN'T BE MISSED EVENTS

By: Cody Ewing

Its baseball season and it is time to pack the park and support our Dawgs. Grab your friends and come out to the fields. Nice weather, free food and drinks, and a chance to win an Apple TV. Pack the Park will be Friday, April 10th at 2:00pm. There is no better way to start your weekend than baseball, free food, and a chance to win prizes. So come on out!

PICS OF THE RES LIFE



resident spotlight

Rebecca Dill

by: Abby Odle

Hometown: Hollis, OK

Classification: Senior

Residence Hall: Stewart Hall

Major: Mass Communications



Rebecca is a Mass Communications major here at SWOSU. She will be applying for graduate school at the University of Oklahoma this coming fall to pursue a Master's of Public Relations. Rebecca is passionate about communication and team work and hopes to one day work in public relations for a major Oklahoma corporation. On campus Rebecca is president of Eta Iota Sigma. In the months to come Rebecca is excited to watch Eta Iota Sigma grow in numbers and also grow in Christ Jesus. Her favorite past time is simply hanging out with her sorority sisters and letting them know they are loved. Rebecca would like everyone to know that Jesus Loves You!

meet a res-life person

Angelica Lagaunie

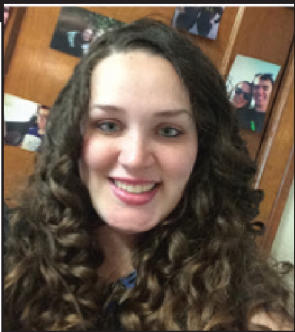
By: Emily Vick

Hometown: Yukon, OK

Classification: Junior

Major: Allied Health

Residence Hall: Stewart Hall



Meet Angelica! Angelica became an RA to inspire females to be the best they could possibly be. A fun fact about her is she was the only girl born in the hospital on the day she was born. In her spare time Angelica likes to hang out with friends and watch Thunder basketball games. Angelica is involved in Phi Delta Chi and Medical Professions Club. Her favorite quote is "She believed she could so she did." If you're ever near Stewart Hall, you should come by and say hi to Angelica!

Brainstorm

By: Anthony Braden

What makes a bond? There are as many things that tie us together as there are that tear us apart: ethnicity, gender, age, scholastic achievement, common goals or activities, and social circles are all different ways we come together...and judge each other. What makes this big difference between brethren and outcasts? I think it has to do with choice. As I've stated so many times before, we all make up how our own world's turn, and everything we do is by choice. This includes who we bring into our inner circle. However, remember that all those things that bring us together or tear us apart are only illusions. In the end, there is only humanity. We bring people close to us because we want to share ourselves with them, and they with us. Giving you something to think about: Without your friends -past and present- by your side, where would you be today?sources of teamwork and imaginative potential, or a waste of time for everyone?

ResLIFE Happenings		
What	When	Where
Opening Night at the Dodgers	April 9 th	OKC
Pack the Park	April 10 th	Sports Complex
Res Life Movie Series - American Sniper	April 14 th @ 8p	Fine Arts
Oklahoma Hall		
Pretty in Pink	Apr 14 th @ 7pm	OK Hall Lobby
Sow Your Wild Oats	Apr 22 nd @ 6pm	OK Hall Patio
Bingo	Apr 28 th @ 8pm	OK Hall Lobby
Rogers & Jefferson Hall		
Dress for Success	Apr 8 th @ 4pm	R&J Lobby
Family Feud	Apr 13 th @ 6pm	R&J Lobby
Battle of the Sexes	Apr 20 th @ 6pm	R&J Fields
Neff Hall		
Picture This	Apr 9 th @ 7pm	Neff Hall Lobby
Ping Pong Tournament	Apr 14 th @ 6pm	Neff Hall Lobby
Kickball	April 16 th @ 630	R&J Practice Field
Stewart Hall		
Earth Day	Apr 22 nd @ 7pm	Stewart Hall Lobby
BYOE	Apr 27 th @ 10p	Stewart Hall Lobby
Coffee and Coloring	Apr 30 th @ 7pm	Stewart Hall Lobby