

# Free SWOSUPalooza Concert This Thursday in Weatherford

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The SWOSU Student Government Association, with help from 95.5 the Coyote and Lucky Star Casino, will present the 14<sup>th</sup> installment of SWOSUPalooza, this Thursday, April 25, in Weatherford's Rader Park.

The free concert is open to students and surrounding community members. Featured artist this year is country star David Nail, known for his hits "Let it Rain" and "Red Light." Opening artist Jenny Simms is a fresh talent from Yukon that is sure to bring energy to the show, according to SGA's Rachel Bradley.

This year, the SGA is bringing SWOSUPalooza back to its roots. The show is free for everyone, and the event is outside at the Doug Villines Pavilion on the BOP Rodeo Grounds of Rader Park.

Beginning in the spring of 2000, SWOSUPalooza was a free concert for its first 10 years and was usually held outside on the Memorial Student Center lawn. Ticket prices were implemented to supplement the cost of nationally-known bands, and the Wellness Center became the regular venue after Paloozas were threatened by inclement weather.

"The students spoke and SGA listened," said Public Relations Officer Blaine Boyd. "SGA expects the new, outdoor venue and free admission to draw a huge crowd of excited music lovers."

Nail has topped the country charts with a number one single, and his albums have received critical acclaim. SWOSU's Athletic Department will handle all concessions for the evening.

SWOSUPalooza is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. Parking is available surrounding the venue.