

# SWOSU Computer Club Students Win at Heartland Gaming Expo

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SWOSU Computer Club members (from left) Chelsei Vowell of Clinton, Jordan Cotter of Jones, Matt Stangl of Lomega and David Britton of Sentinel were in an 18-hour lockdown creating a game as part of the recent Heartland Gaming Expo 2013 in Tulsa. The SWOSU students ended up winning the “Best Overall Game” Award.

A group of 10 Southwestern Oklahoma State University Computer Club students recently attended the Heartland Gaming Expo 2013 at the University of Tulsa, and four of the students walked away with the “Best Overall Game” Award.

David Britton of Sentinel, Jordan Cotter of Jones, Matt Stangl of Lomega and Chelsei Vowell of Clinton won the award in the Hack-a-thon, an 18-hour lockdown competition. All the competing students were given a theme and asked to create a game.

Karen Sweeney, instructor in the Department of Accounting, Computer Science & Entrepreneurship, accompanied the students. She said this is the first time that invitations were sent to other Oklahoma universities and the event turned out to be a great experience for the students. They are already making plans for next year.

Other students who attended were: Brock Friedrich, Clinton; Luke Keyes, Tyrone; Levi Merrill, Woodward; Michael Morrison, Pinckney (MI); Mary Ann Phillips, Duncan; and Ryan Wood, Yukon.