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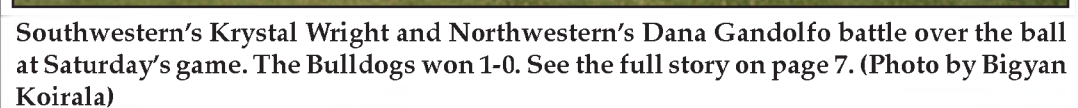
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NEWS

Degree list announced; check name, degree

SWOSU students planning to complete requirements for degrees during the FALL semester are reminded that they must file an APPLICATION TO GRADUATE.

Deadline for completing the application is DECEMBER 1ST.

If your name is not included on the list published below, you should go immediately to the Registrar’s Office and obtain an “Application to Graduate” form.

Individuals on the list also should report to the Registrar’s Office if their names as listed are not as they wish them to appear on their diploma.

Applications received as of 8:30 am, September 4th are as follows:

School: College of Arts & Sciences
Degree: BACHELOR OF ARTS
Austin Ray Aispuro, Clinton; Candace D. Benda, Yukon; Kelli-Jo Choi Bickell, Colony; Sophia Francene Big Goose, Weatherford; Alyson Leigh Billey, Sayre; Nancy J. Winsor Cavness, Weatherford; Sara Elizabeth Crawford, Weatherford; Joshua Andrew Francis, Hinton; Richard Benjamin Gelnar, Oklahoma City; Darlene Kay Londagin Gible, Rocky; Jessica Opal Giles, Watonga; Daniel Lopez Gonzalez, Memphis; Katie Ann Hall, Chester; Tara LaDaun Havins, Rush Springs; Laura Michelle Hawkins, Weatherford; Camella Marie Hodges, Weatherford; Cole Cornell Huber, Clinton; Tember Lenn Ballhorst Hursh, Weatherford; Hans Charles Igou, Stuart; Jon Michael Jackson, Yukon; Merlanda Ann Klein, Butler; Steven Tye Meyer, Weatherford; Allen Dale Moss, Fort Cobb; Nicholas Dean Pardon, Fletcher; Christina Michelle Carson Payne, Colony; Halla Raychel Powers, Elk City; Joseph Daniel Radke, Clinton; Robert Ryan Roller, Weatherford; Jessica Lauren Speegle, Oklahoma City; Amy Lynn Juarez Stinson, Weatherford; Jennifer Renee Burns Stover, Weatherford; Deacon Riley Vice, Apache; Eddie Hamilton Virger III, Oklahoma City; Christen Rebecca Westdyke, Oklahoma City; Asa J. Zoschke, Thomas

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Degree: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
Oriabumere Cyril Akhigbe, Oklahoma City; Ashley Renee Anderson, Woodward; Casey L. Cochran, Boise City; Brian Z. Fanning, Weatherford; Levi Steven Feltman, Cordell; Jennifer B. Flores, Moore; James Cole McBride, Carnegie; Joy Lynnette Gabbert McKillip, Weatherford; Tyler Thomas Miller, Weatherford;

School: College of Arts & Sciences
Degree: BACHELOR OF MUSIC
Mollie Abigail Baker, Wichita Falls, TX; Marcella Ann Muller, Oklahoma City; Justin Cees Ransford, Oklahoma City; Jeremiah Ray Stevenson-Titsworth, Okmulgee.

School: College of Arts & Sciences
Degree: BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS
Jacob S. Sullivan, Weatherford.

School: College of Professional & Graduate Study
Degree: BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION
James Ross Camden, Weatherford; Jaime Lynn Edsall, Watonga; Kyle Louis Mickley, Carnegie;

School: College of Professional & Graduate Study
Degree: BACHELOR OF MUSIC EDUCATION
Travis Joseph Henson, Yukon; Rachel Shea Matthews, Woodward; Jessie Kay Mahurin, Woodward;

School: College of Professional & Graduate Study
Degree: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
Jose Acosta, Elk City; Arnold Lee Adams III, Clinton; Dusty Heath Biggers, Shamrock, TX; Kristi Marie Billings, Moore; Allison Renea Ruyle Bishop, Clinton;

Courtney Ann Wilson Blackmon, Clinton; Lacreia Ann Brown, Weatherford; Cassandra Ray Powers Burpo, Elk City; Saxon Creed Carter, Elk City; Victoria Michelle Chadwick, Altus; Matthew Doyle Coker, Weatherford; Christopher Michael Cooper, Edmond; Cody Layne Coppock, Weatherford; Chris Scott Craig, Kingfisher; Julia Danae Custar Blakemore, Sharon; Megan Elizabeth McGill, Thomas; Kyle J. Eckhardt, Cherokee; Bryan Michael Fields, Sayre; Juliet Nahlesu Fomunung, Oklahoma City; Kassy Renee Fosdick, Seiling; Eduardo Garcia, Clinton; Darrell Ray Godfrey, Custer City; Meagan Renee Haasl, Weatherford; Courtney Mae Hedrick, Binger; Earnest Ray Hixon II, Mustang; Hans Charles Igou, Stuart; Susan Rae Stewart Johnson, Weatherford; Queta LeAnn Douglas Juarez, Clinton; Mweene Kabunda, Zambia; Micah Cole Kilhoffer, Elk City; Erica Dawn Martin, Cordell; Teryn Michele Mazurkewich, Canada; Devin Christopher McCrory, San Bernardino, CA; Christopher Todd Pack, Albert; Keysha LaNay James Parker, Clinton; Shambra LeAnn Thomas Pettijohn, Mustang; Jared Smith Prock, Oklahoma City; Lisa G. Dudgeon Quintero, Cordell; Jaryn Jo Rainey, Burneyville; Joshua Albert Reed, Sayre; Joshua David Richardson, Woodward; Trevor Dean Ridgeway, Carnegie; Julie Michelle Ruyle, Clinton; Jeff S Schachle, Elk City; April Dawn Shirvinski, Weatherford; Whitney J. Wathen, Altus; Michael Timothy Whalen, Cupertino, CA; Stephen Travis Whittenberg, Canute; Derek Ray Williams, Weatherford; Kelsey Danene Williams, Weatherford; Naomi Darlene Bryant Wynn timer, Cordell; Glenn Paul Yandell, Weatherford;

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School: College of Professional & Graduate Study
Degree: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING
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School: College of Professional & Graduate Study
Degree: BACHELOR BUSINESS ADMIN.
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School: College of Professional & Graduate Study
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Maria Ana Martinez, Canadian, TX; Zachary Lee Willis, Weatherford;

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Degree: MASTER OF EDUCATION
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Degree: MASTER OF ED(NON CERTIFICATION)
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NEWS

Students vote with cans of food

By Alexandria McAtee
Staff Reporter

Many food pantries are struggling keeping the food available this time of year. The Cup, downtown, is having a canned food drive to support the Weatherford Ministerial Alliance called No Hunger '08. This food drive is like no other. To have some friendly competition, when bringing in cans or nonperishable items students have the chance to support their choice for president. Although this event is non-partisan, it does bring some fun when supporting a good cause. By adding a political flare, a simple donation can turn into quite the entertaining competition.

“I am hoping that it will fuel more giving when a donor notices that their favorite candidate is behind in the total count!” said Jason Peace, a pharmacy student and former employee of The Cup. NoHunger '08 will hopefully expose the community to the real needs of Weatherford’s residents. “To show our gratitude for giving, donations will enter the donor a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate to The Cup.” Peace said. “My hope is that this event will bring out the inner humanitarian that is in all of us.” Students may bring donations to The Cup until the election. November 4th, 2008. The Cup is open Monday through Saturday 7am-8pm.

Campus expands service learning

By Baxter Stewart
Staff Reporter

Students can serve the community and get college credit. According to Dr. Viki Craig, director of service learning, several professors have made service learning part of their curriculum. Service learning allows college students to put their skills to use contributing to the community. Education majors recently spent time cleaning up a high school campus in Oklahoma City. Math majors spent time tutoring middle school students, and some marketing students helped out the Weatherford Hospital. English professor Victoria Gaydosik put her students to work writing letters to elderly people at different nursing homes. Each student wrote five encouraging letters. “It was a great experience for the students,” she said. “They improved their writing skills and helped someone have a cheerful day.” If a professor or student and are interested in this program, contact Craig in the Campbell Building at 774-3094. Craig works closely with local nonprofit organizations and professors looking to find ways to help out the community and provide students with hands-on experience. She said, “I’m a bean counting go-between cheerleader. That’s how I would describe my job.”



These Upward Bound students take a break from a cleanup project for an area home. The cleanup project is part of a community service activity that the students participate in each year. Students participating were (standing from left): Ryan Harvell, Binger-Oney; Sharon Tsatoke, Anadarko; Sheila Silverhorn, Fort Cobb-Broxton; Verlon McKee, Anadarko; Lupe Peralta, Carnegie; Brandon Hunt, Carnegie; and staff member Spence Williams, Weatherford. Seated are (from left): Charla Crotts of Elk City and Tiffany Taptto of Anadarko.

Campus deemed handicap accessible

By Whitney Burkett
Staff Writer

Handicap accessibility on campus does not appear to be a problem according to Dean of Students, Cindy Dougherty. Southwestern follows the ADA guidelines for the disabled. This helps keep problems kept to a minimum. “When there is an unmet need we respond well and quickly,” Dougherty said. Many buildings have elevators, ramps, handrails and parking for the disabled. The new Hilltop Theatre is equipped for the handicapped. Some people say that Stewart Hall may be viewed as handicap unfriendly, since there are no elevators

available. “Students have not expressed a need for an elevator in Stewart hall, so it is not on the drawing board,” Dougherty said. “We have ample handicapped accessible dorm rooms on campus in various buildings,” Dougherty said. Southwestern is able to make change as needed, such as adding elevators, handrails, or adding more handicapped parking. Students who would like to request disability accommodations or services are required to schedule an appointment with Dougherty. Anyone can access the ADA student responsibilities, documentation guidelines for a disability, and students with disabilities exam request form

from Southwestern’s website. It is the student’s responsibility for identifying their disability to the designated office for services if they would like certain accommodations. Southwestern attempts to provide every opportunity for a student with a disability to self identify. Faculty members are encouraged to provide students the opportunity to self-identify by including a statement regarding accommodations for students with disabilities on their syllabus. The guidelines and student responsibilities are explained in the forms online, but if there are any concerns or questions not answered, students are advised to contact Cindy Dougherty at 774-3767.

Some professors help CAB hosts essay contest

By Chris Hebensperger
Staff Writer

Believe it or not, there are some professors that use the same books every year to help the students cut the cost of the books they have to buy. Many students appreciate that some professors will work to keep the cost of textbooks low. “I love the idea of a wallet-friendly professor. It helps me get by with little to no cost for my books,” said freshman Blake Schones. However, not all students believe re-using old texts are a positive idea. “My concern for the reusing of text books every year would be that they might become outdated because of the new findings that we have every year. And would that provide incorrect information for the student to learn,” said senior Keely Ralston. To most, saving money would be a nice change, but until all of the professors join the crusade against high price textbooks students will continue to pay the full, expensive price.

Technology groups seeks clients for contest

The Association of Information Technology Professionals Student Chapter is planning to compete for the National Championship in Web Design for the school year 2008 and 2009. If a department or student organization is interested in being the client for this project, the AITPSC would consider the possibility of developing a web page for the group. “We don’t just plan to win. We plan to dominate,” said Dr. Warren Moseley, Department of Entrepreneurship and Computer

Systems. For information, contact Dr. Warren Moseley at 774 3174 or e-mail at warren.moseley@swosu.edu by October 1. This does not just apply to campus organizations. Non-profit organizations are also eligible.

College News Briefs

• Will Rogers visits campus

Dr. Doug Watson will visit the Conference Center posing as the famous Oklahoman Will Rogers. Rogers is a retired professor at Oklahoma Baptist University and has performed as Rogers in 30 different states. The Al Harris Library is sponsoring the event. During the program, Watson will entertain and educate through conversation and answering questions. The event is free and the public is invited to attend.

• Ohio State wants to save mascot

The buckeye tree is the focus of a new campaign in Ohio. The Save the Buckeye coalition is pushing for action to solve global warming issues, according to savethebuckeye.org. Scientists predict that global warming is forcing the buckeye tree to shift northward into Michigan, and this has some Ohio State University students outraged. “The only thing worse than losing to Michigan would be giving them our mascot,” a student said. Numerous groups have joined the Save the Buckeye coalition, including the National Wildlife Federation and the Ohio Environmental Council.

• Irish students study Jedi knights

Students at Queen’s University Belfast have the opportunity to enroll in a course titled “Feel the Force: How to Train in the Jedi Way.” According to a press release, the course will focus on issues central to the Star Wars story, such as destiny, fatherhood and fascism. Psychological techniques regarding Jedi talents will also be discussed.

• Maroons pitch mascot ideas

Students at Roanoke College in Salem, Virginia, are called the Maroons. However, they now must decide, “What is a Maroon?” Roanoke has lacked a physical mascot for 100 years. Students now have the opportunity to suggest ideas for a mascot. The mascot will continue to be called the Maroons with the colors maroon and gray. Some “ideas” have been rejected, including the Roanoke Red Onions, the Roanoke Techno Dude and the Roanoke Redneck. Video auditions were created by prominent and creative to create interest in the mascot selection. To view mascot suggestions, visit classiccollege.com.

• Evergreen loses farm to fire

The Evergreen Organic Farm at Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington, was severely damaged by fire, believed to be caused by arson. The farm suffered more than \$30,000 in damage. The organic farm holds student projects as well as expensive equipment. Much of the crops are sold to finance projects and purchase equipment and other supplies, according to a press release from ESC.

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OPINION

Sarah Palin: The Real Deal

On August 29, 2008, Republican Presidential nominee, John McCain, announced Sarah Palin, Governor of Alaska as his VP running mate. There has been much controversy about his selection for a few reasons. To state the obvious, she’s a woman. Another reason, some say she does not have enough experience.

Sarah Palin used to describe herself as a “hockey mom” and then she was elected to her city council. Her life changed quickly and she was soon made Mayor of her home town. She did so well there that she was ultimately elected to be Governor of the State of Alaska, managing 17,000 personnel and a \$9 billion budget.

As governor of Alaska, Palin is briefed on highly classified military issues, homeland security, and

counterterrorism. She is, of course, the commander in chief of the Alaska State Defense Force (ASDF). Many of us are not aware that Alaska is the first line of defense in our missile interceptor defense system. The 49th Missile Defense Battalion of the Alaska National Guard is the unit that protects the entire nation from ballistic missile attacks. It’s on permanent active duty, unlike other Guard units. She has also made important decisions regarding legislation and has fought hard for what she believes in.

Despite the fact she has gained so much experience in just a few years, she is also a wife and mother of five. She has two boys and three girls. Her oldest son is in Iraq serving his country. Her youngest was born with Down’s Syndrome. When asked what it was like having a child

with Down’s Syndrome she replied, “Raising a child with Down’s Syndrome brings so much joy to your life.”

Sarah Palin is also a very down-to-earth person. She fishes, hunts, and rides four-wheelers. In high school, she was a basketball star nicknamed “Sarah Barracuda” and led her team to the state championship. She comments that, “Basketball was a life-changing experience for me. It’s all about setting a goal, about teamwork and then success.” This is truly a woman after my own heart. She has gotten to where she is by pure honesty, integrity, and strength of character—and has been raising five kids and enjoying life while doing so. In my opinion, she’s the real deal.

-- Ashley Slempp

Students say they are too busy for election coverage

By Tina Zweiacher
Staff Reporter

In a recent poll by *The Southwestern*, students polled said they are “not keeping up” with the presidential election coverage.

Many of the students said they are just very busy getting used to schedules of classes, jobs, laundry, dinner, athletic activities and homework.

The apathy at Southwestern reflects the viewpoints of college students across the nation, according to gocollege.com.

The majority of students polled believe the media has been pretty fair with the coverage of the 2008 election.

With the election in November, some students may want information about voting or registration to vote. All questions may be answered at: www.ok.gov/~elections/voterreg.html and www.gocollege.com.

Students registered in another state may wish to check on an absentee ballot.

Letter to the Editor:
CAB sponsors Constitution Day activities on campus

Dear Editor,

We the people of the CAB Constitution Day committee, ask “what does Constitution Day mean to you?”

The Constitution of the United States of America was drafted in 1787 and is solely responsible for the government we are so pleased (or displeased) with. This document is a symbol of the freedoms we enjoy today.

So why celebrate Constitution Day? This holiday was created to promote knowledge and pride in one of our nation’s cornerstones. In order to acknowledge the importance of the Constitution of the United States, SWOSU’s CAB will be hosting a series of Constitution Day-inspired activities from September 15-19th. These activities are free to everyone and we encourage you to participate.

For more information go to swosu.edu. Some of the activities we are hosting include a movie night at the Grill, a re-signing of the Constitution, and a voter registration drive.

We hope to see you there!

Signed,

Keenan Haight Elk City Criminal Justice	Emalee Munn Rush Springs Pre-Pharmacy	Miles Myers Mustang Psycholgy	Gina Sullivan Elk City Elementary Education	Alyssa Chapman Saskatoon
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FEATURES

WEEKLY REVIEW

Randy Pausch’s book, *The Last Lecture*, is a must-read

Many of you have heard the buzz about Professor Randy Pausch’s “Last Lecture.” It has generated a lot of publicity and his name is now known worldwide.

Randy Pausch was a professor at Carnegie Mellon where he taught Computer Science. Every year, Carnegie Mellon chose one professor to give a last lecture and talk and give a little advice and wisdom to students. When Pausch was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, the University chose him to give the annual last lecture. When Pausch was chosen, it really would be his last lecture.

I just finished reading his book, *The Last Lecture*, which is now a national

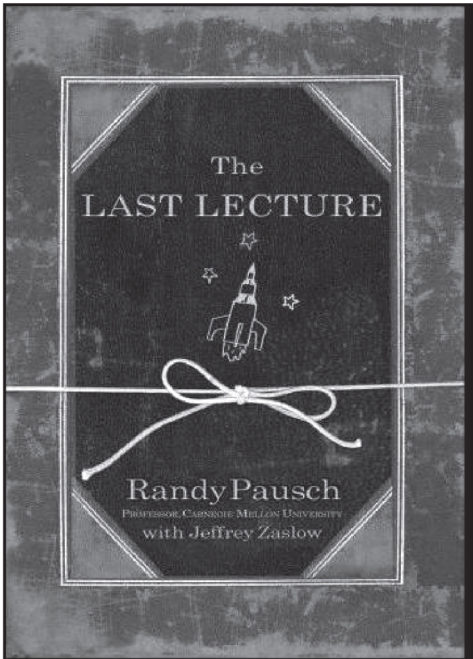
bestseller. In the book, Pausch describes what he talked about during his last lecture given at Carnegie Mellon. He told stories about his wife and three young children. He described how much he would miss them, but had hope that the book would inspire them after he was gone.

This book was so inspiring and uplifting. Throughout the text, Pausch writes about really achieving your childhood dreams. He tells stories that happened throughout his life. He explains how many brick walls were put in his way, but he overcame them. In his writing, he said “We cannot change the cards we are dealt, just how we play the hand.”

I believe this is a book that needs to be read by every college student. It made me laugh, it made me cry, and it made me want to achieve greatness. I truly felt inspired after reading it. I highly recommend the book to anyone who has ever hit a “brick wall” in their life. I recommend it to anyone who has or wants to overcome obstacles, and to anyone who wants to live their life to the fullest.

Randy Pausch maintains such an optimistic attitude throughout the book and is truly uplifting. His last lecture can be found all over the web. And, this book can be bought in most stores. It is definitely worth the purchase.

-- Ashley Slempp



This Week in History



- **September 17, 1978** - After 12 days of intensive talks at President Jimmy Carter’s Camp David retreat, Egyptian President Anwar el-Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem sign the Camp David Accords at the White House.
- **September 18, 1970** - Guitarist Jimmi Hendrix dies at the age of 28
- **September 19, 1960** - Chubby Checker’s “The Twist” hits number one and again in 1962. It also launched a national dance craze.
- **September 20, 1806** - After two-and-a-half years of exploring, Lewis and Clark return to the first white settlement La Charette, Missouri.
- **September 21, 1820** - On this day, Union General John Fulton Reynolds is born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.
- **September 22, 1935** - The last episode of Will Rogers’ radio show, Gulf Headliners, airs.
- **September 23, 1846** - German astronomer Johann Gottfried Galle discovers the planet Neptune at the Berlin Observatory.

BULLDOG BITES

Readers may submit recipes to be published to thesouthwestern@swosu.edu.

Pita Pizza
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- * 2 pita breads
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"The Wellness Expo is a great

"It is a tremendous opportunity for Weatherford area citizens."
-- Lucas Grounds

venue for Weatherford area residents to attend to learn about the various area health care businesses. These businesses will be showcasing their goods and services," stated Lucas Grounds, co-chairman of the Health and Education Committee.

"It is also a tremendous opportunity for Weatherford area citizens to take advantage of the various free screenings and services which will be offered," Grounds concluded.

"Forty-four businesses have registered for the Wellness Expo, with fifteen registering as Corporate Sponsors. This is an excellent response," said Dawn Hollander, Health Education Committee Co-Committee chairman.

"The Committee believes that with the information which will be available, the Walking for Wellness event, the entertainment throughout the day, and finally the door prizes which will be offered, a bicycle, Wii, and Great Plains YMCA membership, makes this will be another outstanding event," Hollander concluded.

Porter serves as new Brandy

By Amber Minton
Staff Reporter

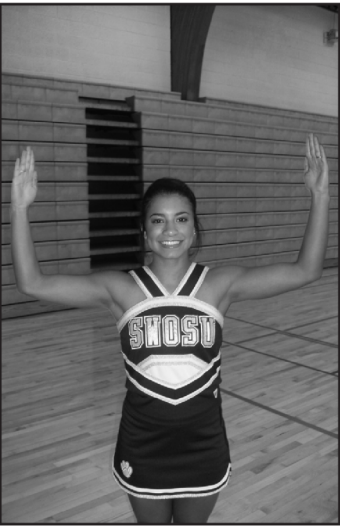
A new Brandy the Bulldog has been announced. Laura Porter, a business management major from Oklahoma City, is Southwestern's newest mascot. She said she did not try out for the position; Student Body President Greg Franklin offered it to her after the old Brandy retired.

"I wanted to be Brandy because I love making people laugh," said Porter.

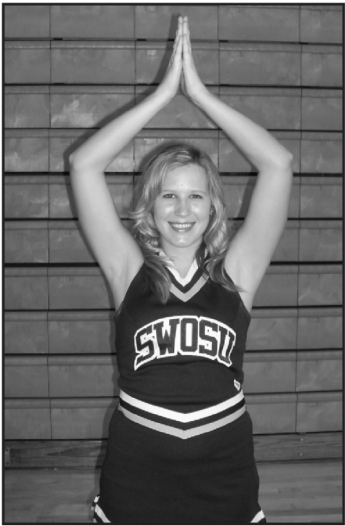
Porter was a member of the pom-pon squad for two years. She was forced to quit after an ankle injury.

Football Fan Guide to Referee Signals

So, what does it mean when the ref touches the top of his head or moves his arm in a circle? Find out here with help from Southwestern's pom and cheer squads. (Pom photos by Lauren Kehl; Cheer photos by Lysie Baskin)



Touchdown/Field Goal or Extra Point Attempt is Good
Lauren Watson, SWOSU Cheer



Safety
Katherine Stegman, SWOSU Cheer



Penalty Declined, Incomplete Pass, Missed Field Goal, Extra Point Attempt No Good
Colby Cox, SWOSU Pom



First Down
McKenzie Smith, SWOSU Pom



Time Out
Tina Murray, SWOSU Cheer



Time In
Gabby Cloer, SWOSU Pom



Touchback
Allison Stegman, SWOSU Pom



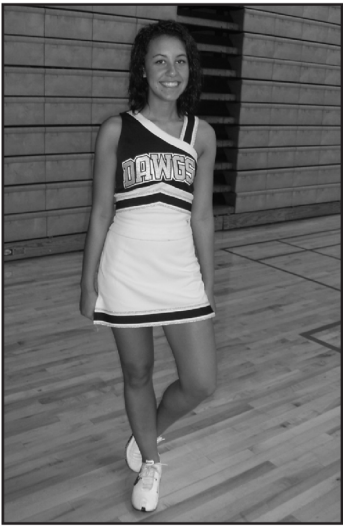
Personal Foul
Stephanie Coburn, SWOSU Pom



Loss of Down
Mackenzie Vines, SWOSU Pom



Delay of Game
Tanya Harrelson, SWOSU Pom



Tripping
Whitney Mann, SWOSU Cheer



False Start
Jamie Forrest, SWOSU Cheer



Encroachment/Offside
Vanessa McCool, SWOSU Pom



Holding
Julie Forrest, SWOSU Cheer



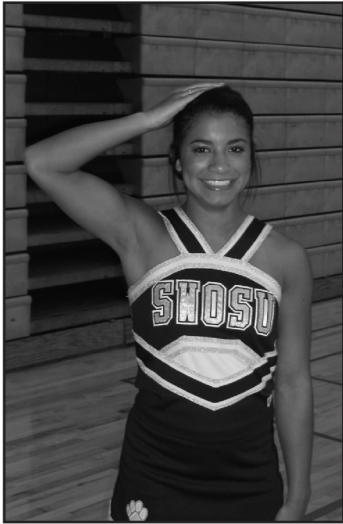
Illegal Cut
Gabby Cloer, SWOSU Pom



Illegal Motion
Amanda Stradley, SWOSU Pom



Illegal Use of Hands
Katherine Stegman, SWOSU Cheer



Illegal Receiver Downfield
Lauren Watson, SWOSU Cheer



Roughing the Kicker
Tanya Harrelson, SWOSU Pom



Intentional Grounding
Whitney Mann, SWOSU Cheer



Clipping
Kris Johnson, SWOSU Pom



Pass Interference
Megan Miller, SWOSU Cheer



Unsportsmanlike Conduct
Vici Amador, SWOSU Cheer

BACK PAGE

Franklin

“When they walked in... he darted out of the back door,” Franklin said.

“There I was with no experience, no training, and no weapons to stop him.

“I tried to tackle him, but I learned quickly that when someone doesn’t want to go to jail, regardless of their size, it’s gonna be a tough job getting them on the ground.”

The man escaped Franklin’s tackle. His parents did not hear Franklin’s call of “rabbit,” meaning the man had gotten away from him. By the time his parents realized Franklin was no longer at the back door, he had chased the man over four fences and down the middle of a road. He and his parents searched for the man after he turned into a group of project buildings, but were unable to locate him until early the next morning.

“I learned a lot about being prepared that day,” Franklin said. “I’ll never forget that I had a \$50,000 bond in my hands that slipped away.”

On his first solo case, Franklin was involved in a high-speed chase from Del City to Chickasha. He, his partners, and six other hunters were engaged in the incident before the man was caught.

Another case took Franklin and his mother to Louisville. Because Kentucky’s laws regarding bounty hunting do not necessary coincide with *Taylor v. Taintor* (see “Q & A box”), Franklin and his mother were unable to actually arrest the man they were going to pick up. Instead, they set up a situation that would lead the man to them. They worked with Louisville police, and the man was arrested



Franklin holds a person in an arm bar in a Wal-Mart. (Photo provided)

and returned to Oklahoma.

The Louisville case took Franklin out of classes for a week.

He said it can be difficult to balance his job as a bounty hunter with his other responsibilities, which include running his private investigation and armed security agency, Greg Franklin Investigations.

“I don’t have much free time,” he said. “When I do have free time, I like to spend it relaxing. My social life isn’t a huge focus, but I always find time to meet

new people in passing or while I’m eating lunch.”

Bounty hunting can be a dangerous job, Franklin said. He referred to a case involving his mother, mentioning that the woman facing arrest opened fire with a hunting rifle. Franklin said when a SWAT group arrived, the woman “decided to shoot it out with them. They shot and killed this woman on live television.”

Hunting situations often become emotional, and tempers can flare. Franklin reminds himself and others that what he does is not personal.

“My favorite saying is ‘It’s business – not personal,’” Franklin said. “I always tell people that when they start cussing me out of getting upset.

“I also remind myself that it’s business and not personal. It’s a good way for me to keep calm and not be offended by the things they say,” he said.

“And yes, they say all kind of things: racial slurs, ‘You’re

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ugly,’ ‘I’ll kill you,’ ‘You’re not that tough without your gun.’ You think it and I’ve heard it.”

As for perhaps the most famous bounty hunter, Franklin said he is nothing like Duane Chapman, who is better known as “Dog.”

“That’s always the first question I’m asked, and I always respond by saying, ‘No, not like Dog. We’re much more professional,’” Franklin said.

Franklin said that while Dog is interesting – he watches *Dog the Bounty Hunter* for entertainment - the television celebrity performs acts that are not necessarily representative of other bounty hunters.

However, Franklin appreciates that Dog traveled to Mexico to pick up Andrew Luster, the heir to the Max Factor fortune who had fled to Mexico during his trial for charges of drugging and raping three women. The manner in which the arrest occurred was inappropriate, according to Franklin.

“He shouldn’t have done that with cameras,” Franklin said.

For Franklin, bounty hunting is a part-time job. It is a risky one that he enjoys.

“It’s unlike anything else, but we always take our job serious,” he said. “When you get comfortable... something bad can happen.”

As for his future, Franklin hopes to enter the CIA, FBI or something similar. However, he is considering a few more years of bounty hunting while he waits for his government applications to process.

“I’ll always have bounty hunting as a back-up plan, and the same for private investigation and security. There is always a demand for both,” he said.

He considers his work beneficial to his future.

“It’s always a plus to show to a potential employer that you have worked in a related field,” Franklin said.

Sudoku

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		5		6		3	7
			2			1	
4	7						2

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Sudoku: Number puzzle in which numbers must be fit into a 9x9 grid such that each numeral appears exactly once in each row, column and each of nine 3x3 blocks

2	6	9	5	1	3	8	7	4
5		4	1	7	8	2	6	3
8		7	3	4	6	9	1	2
9	8	2	3	7	1	4	6	5
6	1	5	9	4	8	7	2	3
7	3	4	2	6	5	1	9	8
3	2	6	8	5	7	4	6	1
1	9	8	6	2	4	3	5	7
4	5	7	1	3	9	2	8	6

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What do you do?

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What do you do?

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