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### Smile of the Week



My name is Princess Adenuga, an international student from Nigeria. I am a senior, an English major, and Visual Art minor. I smile because I am blessed to wake up to see a new day, realizing that I am privileged to be a Ranger.

If you'd like to be the Smile of the Week, please send in a photo of you smiling and a short description of why you're smiling to nwnews@nwosu.edu!

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Northwestern students gather to eat in the always innovating Coronado Café./Photo by Bailey Rankin

## Food committee proposes new snack bar remodel

By TAYLOR MORRIS
Student Reporter

The Northwestern food committee proposed a new remodel for the Student Center snack bar during its monthly meeting in the Ranger Perk on Jan. 18.

The committee was made up of both Northwestern students and the Chartwell's food service staff.

The meeting was held to discuss how the food staff could improve service in the cafeteria and Student

During the meeting, regional director of chartwell's Jon Walters gave a short presentation to nine students on a proposal to remodel the snack bar area of the Student Center.

This is a cooperative process between the University and Chartwell's. This new proposal is to add a coffee bar, fresh food options such as fruit, sandwiches, snacks and other items for purchase. Now the question is why make these changes now?

According to the Director of Dining Services Charles Craddock,

the University expressed an interest in expanding coffee options and speeding up the service time for purchases. "This is the preliminary plan to accomplish this," Craddock said

Craddock added that the plan would not affect the Student Center seating or tables outside of the present snack bar area. Students would be able to buy premium coffee options and get other items from the display cases and go directly to the cashier thus reducing

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# Theater program prepares for spring

By MEGAN MAHARRY Staff Reporter

The Northwestern Oklahoma State University Theater Program has featured many productions for students' entertainment on campus .

There is also much behind the scenes work and effort put into readying these productions.

Kimberly Weast is the chair of the Fine Arts department and professor of theater. She is also the director of the Northwestern Oklahoma Concert Series. Along with directing NWOSU's theater productions, she also teaches many theater courses, such as acting classes and se design classes.

The theater program produces two productions a semester. Weast said the past productions have ranged from comedies to dramas to

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## Northwestern employees help students succeed

By HAYLEE BATES
Student Reporter

to college easier.

Coming to college can be a hard transition for students, so Northwestern tries to help make the transition from high school

One way that Northwestern does that is by hiring employees that are available to help students succeed. Bailey Trammell, director of student success and counseling, is an employee of the university that offers a wide range of services to help students adjust to the college atmosphere.

One student that Trammell has impacted is Tyler Havener, freshman criminal justice major.

"She was there for me when I did not know what to do with enrollment because I am a first generation college student," Havener said. "She is always there for you and willing to do whatever it takes to make your college experience the best it could possibly be."

Trammell enjoys being



Student Success and counseling, directed by Bailey Trammell (LEFT), helps students with their acedemic and personal achievement./Photo by Nick Villalobos

able to help the students that she encounters on a daily basis, whether that be inside of or outside of the classroom.

"I love that I can build a relationship with a student just based off of building a schedule and they'll always stop in to say hi," Trammell said. "Because I'm a professor too, I've just been able to build all these different types of relationships

from advising to counseling to teaching. It's very rewarding knowing that I'm helping them succeed while they're in college."

Students can receive academic advice from Trammell. She is available to help students that may be struggling with a number of different things,

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## News

## Committee

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time. Now as far as student meal plans being affected, the new proposition would have a flex dollar option on the meal

The student would have a basic meal plan as it now exists with the option of flex dollars to be used to buy items at the student center without using a meal swipe. The overall details of the plan will be worked out by the University, however this flex dollar option is in use at other universities in the state of Oklahoma.

Northwestern students that attended the meeting were able to give their feedback on the new proposal. Junior Bailey Cook said, "I thought the changes were very positive and healthy for the students," Junior Carley Greer said, "I really think it will be a great improvement to Northwestern's campus. I believe that having the option of coffee, smoothies, or a deli would be great for a grab and go snack before class."

Freshman Kolton Fishback said, "I think the new changes are going to be interesting. It's something new for the students, but will take some getting used to I believe."

If the items proposed are agreed upon the remodeling could possibly occur this summer and service could begin during the fall semester of 2017.

If any student would like to give feed back on the proposal please contact Craddock at chartewells@nwosu.edu

### Correction

Last week in the photo cutline under the "junior nursing students gaining experience with kids" headline we said the skills lab on the Alva campus was the Ketterman Nursing Lab and we were mistaken.

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~Nick Villalobos Editor in Chief

## **CORE** raises awareness, object to Trump's stance







Dr. Place, Associate Professor of Biology at Northwestern, helped CORE hand out over 50, free, endangered species condoms to students last Friday in front of the Student Center. It was a part of CORE's method to raise awareness of the effects population growth has on the environment and to object Trump's stance on global warming. CORE received the condoms from the Center for Biological Diversity as a partnership to spread the word about issues in our environment. Students had a positive outlook for the event and even let out a few giggles. / Photos by Caitlin Coody

## Campus organizations primed for new semester

By NICK PERKINS

Student Reporter

Northwestern's clubs and organizations has planned several events for this semester to better the college experience for students.

The Student Government Association, International Student Association, CORE and Spanish Club has organized a slew of events for students to enjoy.

#### International Student Association

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#### **Student Government Association**

Jan. 31: Rialto Movie Night -6:30 p.m.

Feb. 21: Student vs Faculty Basketball game and Pep Rally -6:30 p.m.

Feb. 23: Blackout Basketball Game -5:30 p.m.

Mar. 9: The Talent Show

-6:30 p.m.

Mar. 28: Lazer Tag

-5-9 p.m.

Apr. 6: Bubble Soccer

6:30-9 p.m.

May 1-4: Coffee Bar -6 p.m.-Midnight

#### **Spanish Club**

Jan. 27: Spanish Club Meeting -11 a.m. VH 119

Feb.16: Bingo Night

Event will help students learn

Spanish as the game will be played in both an English version and Spanish version

Mar. 22: Piñata Breaking **Apr. 6:** Karaoke Night

This is a good time for students to come and express themselves, have fun and to practice their Spanish as some songs can be sung in Spanish, according to Spanish club advisor and professor of Spanish Dr. Martinez.

Apr. 27: Cinco de Mayo Festival

#### **CORE**

Flower Bomb Sale:

-Will take place in mall area on campus. Look for it in late Febuary, or early March. Companion Gardening:

> -Look for it in late February \*Dates to be announced

## **Holder Drug** Don't forget your Sweetheart!





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## l'eature

A day in the life of...

## Stroke of raw talent

**By CEDRIC COLLINGE** Student Reporter

Dylan Painter is not just any average joe off the main street in Moore, Oklahoma. Dylan is a national champion.

The graduate assistant for the Northwestern men's basketball team is the only one on the team who has received such an aweinspiring milestone that millions of people in this country cannot say they have done. That not only includes the players on the team but the coaching staff as well.

Although, everyone has their own backstory on how they got to be the person they are today, who helped, why they made the decisions the led up to today, where they have been and the how to get through the situations they were presented with. this story is about how a national champion came

Painter was born in Moore, Oklahoma and raised just thirty minutes south in Purcell. Despite being a three-sport all the way through high school, he chose to pursue the life of basketball.

He played basketball at Hillsdale Baptist his freshman year



Dylan Painter/ Photo by Cedric Collinge

then transferred to a community college, taking a year off to train. Then in 2013, Painter walked on at Mid-America College to play Junior Varsity.

Then in 2015, a blown knee sent him into surgery and so began the recovery and healing process.

During recovery, Coach Anthony Nero inspired Painter to pursue earning his degree and pursue college or professional coaching.

Painter is working towards his graduate degree in adult education and athletic administration with an undergrad in higher mathematics.

A statistician when it comes to basketball and even football, Painter has all the answers to any professional player between the two sports. Most people could tell you how many rings Michael Jordan ended his career with off the top of their head. Painter on the other hand could tell you where he stands on the all-time scoring list for the NBA to the exact number. "I have always said those with math skills are blessed with such knowledge because I don't understand how letters can be numbers," Painter said.

After his national title win, in his last year at Mid-America College, from March on he started applying for jobs. He got in touch with Athletic Director, Brad Franz, about Northwestern where he became interested in the program to come and work.

Painter later spoke with newly hired Coach, Shawn Dirden, who gave him the chance to be an assistant and be well on his way to

Painter's short term goal is to help the men's basketball team be successful and earn his master's degree; however, his long term goal is a player development coach for the NBA.

## Campus Confessions

## Repeat, rewind a day

By CEDRIC COLLINGE Student Reporter



**6** I would take back the day my dog Dudley died because he was my best friend and I miss when he would be able to comfort and cuddle me when I needed or didn't need it. **7** 

**Bridgette Hutton** Natural Science major

6 6Not listening to my dad when he tried to teach me more about the game of Basketball because I could have been a better player than I am today. 🤊 🤊



**Hayden Graham** Elementary Education



Me and my brother were playing on my grandmas roof and I convinced to jump off and he broke his leg. **9** 

**Brandon Kirk** Business Administration

6 I would take the day my grandfather got suck because he was the man that I always turned to. He was my best friend. **9** 



Rebecca Appelt Adult Education Master



**6** Probably the day I quit basketball because it was my favorite thing to do. It was a tough transition. **7** 

John Wood Math Education major

## Wellness helps students

By GREG MINOR Student Reporter

The J.R. Holder wellness center is meant to help students as well as the community live a healthier lifestyle. It's a place you can get some exercise to relieve some stress before and during the semester.

It consists of a variety of cardio machines and strength training equipment, an indoor track, racquetball courts and even an indoor junior Olympic swimming pool.

The wellness also provides yoga classes, personal training and massage therapy, as well as exercise classes vou can take around vour busy school schedule. The wellness The catch is wellness isn't like any is truly the place to be.

Northwestern sophomore,

Hunter Frisby, spoke about his experiences at the wellness center. "It's a very respectful environment and a professional atmosphere," Frisby said. "Everyone there will always ask before they assume you're done with the weights and it's also kept clean. It's in order so that you don't have to walk around to find something."

Working out at the Wellness is a place where you should feel comfortable to exercise and to work on your health.

Some people who typically may not exercise as much as others may feel some discomfort or anxiety about going to the wellness. other gym it welcomes everyone in all ethnicities, shapes and sizes.

A helpful hint, with a number of people around the campus and community trying to get their workout in, timing is something you have to take into consideration.

"I tend to go around 7p.m., because in the morning's people are always trying to go in there to work out before they head to work, and after work there is a nice sized crowed around 5p.m," Frisby said. "So around 6:30-7 p.m. people will be all cleared out and you'll be free to get your daily workout in. Feel free to come on by, the hours of operation at the wellness center are Monday-Friday, 6 am - 9 pm, Saturday, 9 a.m.-3 pm and Sunday, 4 p.m.-8 p.m. The director of the facility is Richard Burdick if you have any further questions."



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## Feature

## Road to Miss Oklahoma

By SAVANNAH TILLMAN Feature Editor

Beauty, grace and a familiar Northwestern face was crowned Miss Oklahoma USA 2017.

Alex Smith, who was Miss Northwestern 2014, dreams became a reality, on December 18, 2016, when she was named Miss Oklahoma USA 2017.

The road to Miss Oklahoma USA didn't begin with pageants. The Mooreland native, grew up heavily involved in sports. "I rarely wore heels," Smith said. "I enjoyed competition so when I got my first opportunity to try something different and to showcase my achievements and building self-confidence, I jumped on it."

After winning Miss Mooreland, Smith went on to compete in Miss Cinderella and placed 4th runner up, while receiving scholarships for tuition, from Northwestern. Upon graduating high school, Smith attended Northwestern and in 2014 became Miss Northwestern. "It was such a prestigious honor," Smith said.

Preparing for Miss Oklahoma USA took lots of hard work and dedication because not only was Smith getting ready for competition but she was also a full-time student and worked as a men's stylist full-time. "My focus, despite my busy schedule, was to become the best version of myself possible," Smith said. "I set a motto for myself that helped me attain my dream job, 'Stay humble, work hard and be kind'."

Since winning Miss Okla-



Miss Oklahoma USA 2017 and former Miss Northwestern 2014, Alex Smith will be representing our great state this year at Miss USA./ Photo provided

homa USA, Smith has spent time traveling, meeting sponsors, getting ready for Miss USA and sharing her platform, "Confidence is the Key to Success". Smith's platform is something she holds dear to her heart. "I believe by motivating our youth

to seek their value, they will in turn become stronger individuals who will be able to combat the pressures of our society," Smith said. "My goal is to help others acquire the tools needed to believe in themselves and to help build their inner confidence."

Through her whole journey, Smith has had such a big support group. "The root of my support, however starts with my parents," Smith said. "They have instilled in me the belief that through dedication and perseverance and dream can be accomplished. Each person I have met, over my life, has shaped and contributed to my journey in some fashion and I am forever grateful."

In the mix of such a busy schedule, Smith finds time to continue to do other activities. She enjoys singing, playing the guitar, recording songs, acting, modeling and spend time with her French bulldog, Benny Jett. She also just recently graduated with a degree in business administration and marketing.

This past week she has chosen her national gown that will be worn at Miss Oklahoma USA and next week will begin boot camp and working with the walking and interview coach. "The process of preparing for Miss USA is similar to when I prepared for the state title; however, the Miss Oklahoma USA board has a team that will turn things up... just a notch... or three, to get me ready for Miss USA," Smith said.

Miss USA dates and locations have yet to be announced, but Smith is excited to be working with the Vanbros family throughout the year. "This is an amazing opportunity," Smith said. "If you believe in yourself and never give up on your dreams, your unstoppable. My dreams became a reality and I am so honored to represent the great state of Oklahoma at Miss USA."

### Student

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whether that is with the stress that accompanies college or helping students with enrollment difficulties.

"Just relax and do not be scared to go and ask for help if you need it," Havener said.

Students can also receive counseling from Trammell. She is able to help students through a number of different situations that they may face, and her counseling services are confidential.

For any students interested in receiving counseling or academic help, they can email Baily Trammell at brtrammell@nwosu.edu or call her at (580) 327-8547. Students can also visit her office in Fine Arts Rm. 125.



Fine Arts building has a rich history on the Northwestern campus. Throughout its time, it has been utilized as a science hall and now is the focal point for the music department. The Fine Arts building was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1983 and this year marks the 110th year since the contruction of the building in 1907. The history of this fine building adds to the / Photo by Victoria Schnaufer



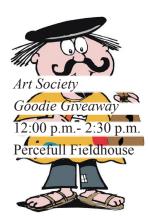
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January 30



February 2



February 7



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edu/VirtualEms/
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By Richmond B. Adams

#### Campus Writer

Patriots Day Review

Last week one of our staff writers did a review on "Patriots Day". This week, one of Northwestern's professors did their own review of the same film.

Mark Wahlberg's Patriots Day is just that: an examination of American patriotism in the aftermath of 9-11, the Iraq War, and the 2008 economic crisis. The film portrays the 2013 bombings at the Boston Marathon race, and the efforts of local, state, and national authorities to find the perpetrators. Given that the race reflects the American Revolution 1775 battles of Lexington and Concord, the attacks became a means by which to ponder the nature of patriotism as an idea through which all who love freedom can overcome whatever differences we may have in national

unity. In such pondering, Wahlberg's film succeeds *The Patriot* (2000), *Patriot Games* (1992), and, among others, *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington* (1939).

As it begins, Boston police sergeant Tommy Saunders (Wahlberg) investigates a somewhat generic crime on the day of the marathon race. Having overcome

some trouble within the department as well as carrying pain both physical and emotional, Saunders has a sense of empathy that is linked to an internal moral center. John Goodman portrays Police Commissioner Davis, who allows Saunders' connection with the victims, along with FBI Special Agent Richard DesLauriers (Kevin Bacon), to guide his investigation. The film, with purposeful melodrama, uses the relationship between these men to provide a

metaphor for Americans "coming together" during times of crisis. The actions of the terrorists, Tamerlan and Dzhokhar Tsarnaev (Themo Melikidze and

The film does use excessive language and scenes of violence that interfere with its efforts to heal an all too obvious contentiousness in American life.

Alex Wolff) will not, as the film indicates, transcend Americans who "stand strong" against chaos and carnage.

While an overall solid presentation, the film does use excessive language and scenes of violence that interfere with its efforts to heal an all too obvious contentiousness in American life. All the same, I am not sure how to balance realism with excessive sensationalism. As we continue to ponder the nature of patriotism, to which this film adds a welcome addition, perhaps that is one way we might continue to do so.

## Upcoming Award Shows

23rd SAG Awards

8 p.m. Jan. 29 on TNT and TBS

### 59th Grammy Awards

8 p.m. Feb. 12 on CBS

## Film Independent Spirit Awards

5 p.m. Feb. 25 on IFC

#### 89th Academy Awards

7 p.m. Feb. 26 on ABC

#### iHeartradio Music Awards

8 p.m. March 5

## **Theater**

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dramas to and musicals. She said her favorite kind of production is the kind that make an audience think. She said the next two productions will be in February and April of the spring semester.

During the eight weeks in preparation before a production, Weast said the cast and crew spend nearly 130 hours total of rehearsal time. The cast members spend these 130 hours practicing their lines and stage

presence, and the set is also being built during this time.

Weast said her favorite part of teaching at NWOSU is empowering her students. She said she loves seeing everything her students have learned to do.

"I love seeing the lightbulbs go off," Weast said.

Weast said she loves directing because of the process of building a production. She said she likes to start from nothing, and then see the story develop and build from zero.

Mickey Jordan and Tori Hurley are speech theater majors at NWOSU. They will be directing their own One Act plays in Herod Hall on Feb. 16, 17 and 18.

Mickey Jordan will be directing the play "The Mice have been Drinking Again", which is a comedy production. Jordan said it is his first time directing a play. He said his favorite part of directing is the creative process.

"You get to create everything," Jordan said.

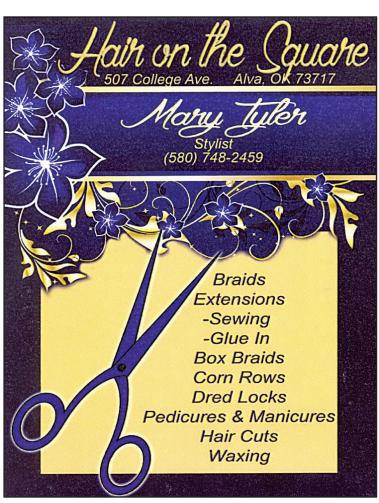
Tori Hurley is also directing a play for the first time. Hurley said the play "Goodbye to the Clown" is a dark comedy. Hurley said directing this play has been a great experience.

"I love seeing everything

imagine on paper come to life," Hurley said.

Crosby Dunbar is a freshman speech theater major at NWOSU. Dunbar has always loved musicals, and it was her love for musicals that got her into theater. Her first production at NWOSU was last fall in the play "Rehearsal for Murder". Dunbar said the experience was awesome. Her favorite part of the production the adrenaline rush she felt while on stage.

"I love theater here at NWOSU because there are opportunities both on and off the stage," Dunbar said.





### **American Robins**

If you live in Connecticut, Michigan or Wisconsin, this is your state bird. Robins spend much of the winter digging for worms and eating fruit. Attract them to your yard by putting raisins, berries or chopped apples on ground feeders. Let's help robins during the winter so they can bring us spring.

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## Entertainment

## And the 2017 SAG nominees are.

<u>Film</u> Outstanding Performance By A Cast In A Motion Picture:

> Captain Fantastic Fences Hidden Figures Manchester by the Sea Moonlight

Outstanding Performance By A Male Actor In A Leading Role:

Casey Affleck -Manchester by the Sea Andrew Garfield -Hacksaw Ridge Ryan Gosling - La La Land Viggo Mortensen -Captain Fantastic Denzel Washington - Fences

Outstanding Performance By A Female Actor In A Leading Role:

Amy Adams - Arrival Emily Blunt -The Girl on the Train Natalie Portman - Jackie Emma Stone - La La Land Meryl Streep -Florence Foster Jenkins

Outstanding Performance By A Male Actor In A **Supporting Role:** 

Mahershala Ali - Moonlight Jeff Bridges -Hell or High Water Hugh Grant -Florence Foster Jenkins Lucas Hedges -Manchester by the Sea Dev Patel – Lion

Outstanding Performance By A Female Actor In A Supporting Role:

Viola Davis - Fences Nicole Kidman - Lion Naomie Harris - Moonlight Octavia Spencer -Hidden Figures Michelle Williams -Manchester by the Ses

<u>Television</u> Outstanding Performance By An Ensemble In A Drama Series:

The Crown

Downton Abbey Game of Thrones Stranger Things Westworld

Outstanding Performance By A Male Actor In A Drama Series:

Sterling K. Brown -This Is Us Peter Dinklage -Game of Thrones John Lithgow - The Crown Rami Malek - Mr. Robot Kevin Spacey -House of Cards

Outstanding Performance By A Female Actor In A Drama Series:

Millie Bobby Brown -Stranger Things Claire Foy - The Crown Thandie Newton - Westworld Winona Ryder -Stranger Things Robin Wright -House of Cards

Outstanding Performance By An Ensemble In A Comedy Series:

> The Big Bang Theory Black-Ish Modern Family Orange Is the New Black Veep

Outstanding Performance By A Male Actor In A Comedy Series:

Anthony Anderson - Black-Ish Tituss Burgess -Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt Ty Burrell - Modern Family William H. Macy - Shameless Jeffrey Tambor – Transparent

Outstanding Performance By A Female Actor In A Comedy Series:

Uzo Aduba -Orange Is the New Black Jane Fonda -Grace and Frankie Ellie Kemper -Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt Julia Louis-Dreyfus -Veep

Lily Tomlin -Grace and Frankie

**Outstanding Performance** By A Male Actor In A **Television Movie Or Limited Series:** 

Riz Ahmed - The Night Of Sterling K. Brown - The People V. O.J. Simpson: American Crime Story Bryan Cranston - All the Way John Turturro - The Night

Of Courtney B. Vance - The People V. O.J. Simpson: American Crime Story

**Outstanding Performance** By A Female Actor In A Television Movie Or **Limited Series**:

Bryce Dallas Howard -Black Mirror Felicity Huffman -American Crime Audra Mcdonald - Lady Day at Emerson's Bar & Grill Sarah Paulson - The

People V. O.J. Simpson: American Crime Story Kerry Washington -Confirmation

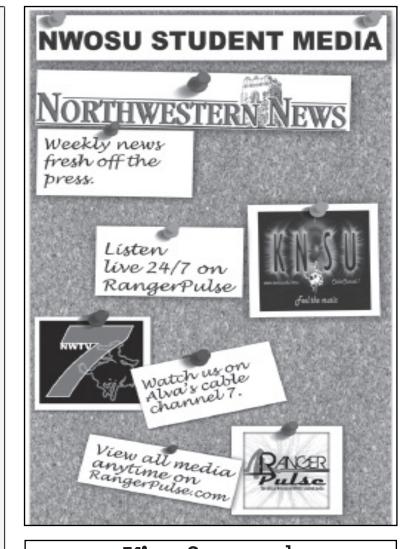
<u>Stunts</u> **Outstanding Action** Performance By A Stunt **Ensemble In A Comedy** Or Drama Series:

> Game of Thrones Marvel's Daredevil Marvel's Luke Cage The Walking Dead Westworld

**Outstanding Action** Performance By A Stunt **Ensemble In A Motion** Picture:

Captain America: Civil War Doctor Strange Nocturnal Animals Hacksaw Ridge Jason Bourne

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Answers for January 19 puzzel

## Sports

## Winning streak continues

By RANGERS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

At 7:30 p.m. on Jan.19 the Percefull Fieldhouse was vibrating from the excitement of the win the men's basketball team.

The Rangers beat the Oklahoma Baptist University 96-59

Cody Halvorson got things rolling as he has been lately with a pair of back-to-back three pointers to start the game. Cody followed that up with a quick steal and dish to Adrian Motley who finished with authority, slamming home a one-handed dunk.

The Rangers jumped out to a 33-9 lead midway through the first half thanks to a 23-0 run.

Halvorson impressed in the opening half, going 6-8 from three point land, giving him 18 points in the frame. With just under three minutes remaining in the first half, officials tagged Motley and the Bison's Cagney Roberson with matching technical fouls.

With a comfortable lead, head coach Shawn Dirden turned to his bench to get some playing time, but with the incredible shooting displayed by number 24, the Percefull faithful roared with a "We want Cody!" chant. The Rangers headed into the break sitting on a 53-22 lead.

Northwestern started hot and stayed hot in the opening half, shooting 57.6 percent from the field, including 72.7 percent from beyond the arc and 87.5 percent from the charity stripe.

Halvorson started the second half the same way he ended the first; burying another trey. Shattering his previous season-high of 15 points, Cody Halvorson finished the evening with 21 points on 7-11 shooting.



Brandon Green playing hard to keep their winning streak. / Photo Provided

Oklahoma Baptist showed life midway through the second half going on a 19-9 run, but it proved to be much too little, far too late.

Next the Rangers traveled to Ada on Saturday, and won against Arkansas Tech University.

The Rangers jumped out to an 11-7 lead over Arkansas Tech, hitting three of their first four shots to start the game. Junior Brandon Green was a powerhouse on the glass, pulling down six boards in the frame.

The Rangers took a 51-41 lead into halftime, and the break did nothing to slow them down.

The Rangers started the second half right where they left off. Adrian Motley got his bench fired up when he drove the lane, drawing contact from Tiger big man Ishmael Donzo and sinking the tough layup. With Donzo recording his third personal foul with less than 15 minutes to play, Northwestern saw an opportunity and took advantage. Zachary Dumas took a charge from Donzo just 30 seconds later, giving him a fourth personal foul with plenty of time left.

With 13:13 remaining the Rangers found themselves up 62-46, showing that they can

play with the GAC's elite. Cody Halvorson recorded another 19 in this one. Halvorson knocked down a three-pointer to give the Rangers a 17 point lead.

The Tigers defensive leader fouled out of the game with four minutes remaining, but not before dropping 17 points and nine rebounds. An 11-4 run gave life to both the home team and their fans, cutting the Northwestern lead to just eight with 3:00 to play. Just when it looked like the Tigers were gaining momentum, Halvorson launched a three, quieting the crowd and restoring an 11 point Ranger lead.

Leading scorer Motley had another fantastic afternoon, posting 16 points, 13 rebounds. Green finished with 11 points and two steals, and Trey Johnson was 5-5 from the field for 14 points.

After the Rangers first win in Ada in four years, coach Dirden was all positive. "It felt good to close out a half" Dirden said. "We closed out possessions, and we really needed that. Number one thing coming into somebody else's house is that we have to score down the stretch, and we were able to do that tonight. Hopefully we can keep the momentum going."

## Ranger women have successful weekend with back-to-back wins

By GREG MINOR Student Reporter

The Rangers have done it again! The women's basketball record is now set at 6-11.

The Rangers defended our home court at Percefull Fieldhouse on January 19 defeating Oklahoma Baptist University 77-73. Then they were on the road Saturday against East Central University winning 69-60.

In the game against OBU junior guard, Kalea King, lead the way concluding the night with 24 points and two steals. King, also had help from junior Kori Barrios who finished with 15 points.

Barrios and King with excellent shooting around the perimeter and finishing around the rim they combined a total of 64 points in both games.

With back to back wins I got the opportunity to catch up with Barrios, she said "The team has been playing with energy and intensity. Also attacking and getting to the rim."

With Barrios game play, she's assisted the wins. Barrios said "I've been playing with a mindset that we will the game together as a hard working team." With only a small window to prepare for each game, the Rangers have found their groove and their momentum continues.

With Arkansas Tech headed to Percefull Fieldhouse on



Barrios and Billy playing offence in Percefull. / Photo Provided

January 26, Barrios said "To be efficient we have to continue to practice hard with 110% effort, which has been the game plan coach has for us."

Due to efforts of Barrios over the last few games she has been named player of the week.

Barrios had a solid week from behind the three-point line, but contributed in other categories throughout the week leading to her selection for the honor. She started out the week with a break-out performance against arch-rival Southwestern with 29 points, eight rebounds, and two assists. She followed up that performance with a 50 percent from behind the three-point line effort against Oklahoma Baptist.

Barrios capped off the week against East Central on Saturday afternoon. In that contest, Barrios recorded her second double-double of the season with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## Ranger in our memories

By CAPRI GAHR Student Reporter

Words cannot accurately capture in detail the vibrant and positive personality of Lexi Neile Hastings.

Lexi Neile Hastings, daughter of Spencer and Tandie Hastings, sister to Kolt and Blaze Hastings, and friend to so many; died over Christmas break on Dec. 29. A graduate of the Oklahoma Christian School and Guthrie resident, Hastings attended NWOSU on a cross country scholarship.

Not only was she a NWOSU cross country runner, she also participated in intramural sports and often frequented many clubs and social gatherings on campus. If you knew her, you were probably one of the many who were on the receiving end of her warm hugs and smiles.

She made friends quick and easy everywhere she went. It was easy to make a happy memory with

Hastings and always hard to forget.

Her Nannie and Pawpaw, Charles and Linda Hastings recall the many times she would call their house phone and say "Hi Nannie! Are ya'll home?" in which they would laugh and reply "no Lexi, someone else is answering our house phone."

Clara O'Conner from Edmond, tells the story of their history and friendship. While O'Conner was deciding on colleges, coach Clay Tarter united the two girls once again and they became quick best friends before deciding on becoming Rangers, both on cross country scholarships and becoming roommates for their first freshman semester. "Her energy was ever present and she always made you feel like you belonged," O'Conner said.

Ana Parra, a junior originally from Venezuela who is also a cross country runner, reminisces on her favorite memories with Hastings saying that she was her "go-to person" when she was down and could count on Hastings to make her day; whether it be the road trips while singing in the car or the many hugs and smiles she shared with everyone.

"She was the only one in the suite who had a TV. Lexi always kept it on and her door was usually open," said Alejandria Kasparie, cross country runner and one of Hasting's suitemates. "Many times she would come home and see one of us on her floor or bed and give us a happy 'Hi Hi' before joining and telling us all about her day."

Whether it be surprise visits to her Nannie and Pawpaw, singing in the car, or sitting on her floor watching Disney Channel while catching us up on her daily adventures; Hastings will always be in our memories. Her smiles, warm hugs, and contagious laugh will dearly be missed on campus and everywhere she was known.

## The Buzz

## Rangers making an impact



Riskariyani Amin (ABOVE) presented information about the Fulbright Scholarship to Northwestern students, faculty, staff and members of the Alva branch of American Association of University Women Monday. This presentation was part of the AAUW's meeting for the month of January. The requirements, benefits and positions available for the Fulbright Scholarship can be found at aminef.or.id./Photo by Haylee Bates



Cody Halvorson (LEFT, BLACK JERSEY) was named the Great American Conference's co-men's basketball player of the week after leading to an average of 15.3 points last week./Photo provided

Senior biology major Willow Gahr (RIGHT, CENTER) was presented with a \$500 scholarship by STEM officers of the Alva branch of the American Association of University Women Monday./Photo by Haylee



A group of Northwestern students went to Laverne on Saturday to help with the clean up after the recent ice storm./Photo by Ronnie Payne

