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Smile of the Week



Precious Okeke, junior, accounting major said, she is smiling because she had a wonderful spring break, and is excited to be back at school in good health to conclude the rest of the semester in success.

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@nwsu.edu!



Alabaster Caverns is one of the 16 state parks likely to close as a result of the current economic downturn that state finds itself in. The caverns average 25,000 visitors a year./Photo provided

Caverns likely to close

By HAYLEE BATES
Student Reporter

An assistant professor at Northwestern spends her summers working at a state park that is being considered for closure by the state government.

Dr. Dena Walker, assistant professor of mathematics, has spent three summers working part time at Alabaster Caverns, and she has just agreed to work her fourth straight summer this

year despite the closing threats. Walker's official title at the park is historical interpreter; in her position, she serves as a seasonal tour guide. Walker takes groups as large as 40 people through the main cave.

"We have stops in the cave where we stop and talk about things and point things out," Walker said. "We ensure their safety and ensure that they have a good time when visiting our cave."

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visitors to pay an admissions fee if they plan to tour the caves. The park also has a gift shop for individuals to pick up souvenirs and information packets on Alabaster Caverns. These two areas generate revenue for the park, which most years allows it to be self-sustained.

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MISSION STATEMENT

Northwestern Oklahoma State University provides quality educational and cultural opportunities to learners with diverse needs by cultivating ethical leadership, critical thinking, and fiscal responsibility.

Buckles help department

The Northwestern Oklahoma State University computer science department soon will see an addition of robotics design and build labs thanks to an endowment established by Bill and Billie Buckles, longtime Alva residents.

"Bill and Billie have shown a passion for investing in STEM programs and see the potential of expanding our computer science program through robotics," said Dr. Janet Cunningham, university president. "We are thankful and honored they have invested in our students and their futures."

Bill grew up in northwest Oklahoma near Dacoma, raising cattle and working on the family farm. Bill graduated from Oklahoma State University in 1964 with a degree in math and taught math for two years in Great Bend, Kan. Afterwards, he returned home to northwest Oklahoma and began a 39-year career in the banking



Bill and Billie Buckle established an endowment for the STEM initiative for the Northwestern computer science department./Photo provided

business with Central National Bank. He went on to graduate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison Graduate School of Banking in 1986. In 2007, he retired as president and CEO of Central National Bank (now BancCentral National Association).

Growing up in Folsom,

Okla., Billie learned the value of hard work and education. After the passing of her father when she was seven, she and her siblings took on responsibilities around the house including livestock and chicken care and meal preparation. Beginning as

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ISA event to bring cultures together

By SAMI McGUIRE
Staff Reporter

Cultures from around the globe will be displayed at 7 p.m. on April 14 in the Student Center Ballroom.

The International Student Association is teaming up with Spanish Club and the Student Government Association to host the annual Festival of Cultures event.

Rebecca Cook, international student advisor, said the event has been going at least eight years and possibly longer.

ISA is encouraging students to purchase tickets for the event in advance. It costs \$5 for NWOSU students, faculty and staff, \$5 for children ages 3-12, and \$10 for ages 13 and up. Tickets at the door will increase by \$2.

"Our guests can expect to see some of our students in their traditional, celebratory attire, see artistic

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Laser Tag event brings joy



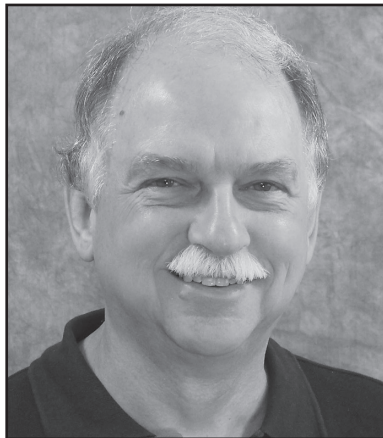
Students pose after a rowdy game of Laser Tag at the SGA event on March 28. /Photo by Rachel Luguendo

Hardaway cited as expert for history publications

Hardaway cited as expert for African American Cowboys for publications in 'Smithsonian,' 'Pacific Standard'

Dr. Roger Hardaway, professor of history at Northwestern Oklahoma State University, is featured in two new online articles about African American cowboys. Hardaway, a historian with an emphasis on the American West, has been researching and writing about black cowboys for years. In these recent articles, Hardaway serves as a resource person for the authors. His comments are quoted in each essay.

The first article titled "The Lesser Known History of African American Cowboys" was published in February in the online edition of "Smithsonian," the official organ of the Smithsonian Museum in Wash-



Dr. Roger Hardaway

ington, D.C. The author is Katie Nodjimbadem, a staff writer for the online version of the magazine. The second article is "How America's Black Cowboy Population is Fighting Erasure," written by free-lance writer Alissa Greenberg of California. This

essay appeared in March in "Pacific Standard" magazine in both its hard copy and online versions. Each article is easily accessible by searching for "African American Cowboys" along with the author's name.

Hardaway enjoyed the interview process and getting to know the authors.

"I was honored to be quoted in both of these significant publications," Hardaway said. "I do not know either of the authors, and I had not heard of them before they reached out to me and asked to interview me. After I agreed, each of them called me and asked me several questions about working cowboys and rodeo stars. I am

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ISA

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broaden their pallet horizons with the various foods that other countries enjoy," Cook said.

There are 19 countries studying at Northwestern this spring semester, but only seven countries are set to be highlighted at this year's event so far. The countries currently participating are Nepal, Ghana, Nigeria, Rwanda, Mexico, the United States and Zimbabwe.

According to Cook, students begin planning for this event in January. There are five committees to ensure the event is run smoothly: the planning committee, the marketing/ticket committee, the food committee, the venue committee and the technical committee.

Besides the extreme planning and work students and staff have

put into the event, Cook said people should also attend for various other reasons.

"This event allows you the opportunity to try something different and to travel the world without having to leave Alva and spend money on a plane ticket," she said. "In our area of the world, there aren't a lot of dining options, and the entertainment options are limited as well. Once a year, we put on an event to expand your options to something you don't see every day!"

For more information about the event or to purchase tickets please email international@nwsu.edu or visit International Student Association table in the Student Center on Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



The Red and Black Scroll Honor Society inducted 32 new members, some of which are shown above. /Courtesy of University Relations

Red and Black Scroll Honor Society inducts 32 NWOSU students

Northwestern Oklahoma State University recently inducted 32 new members into the Red and Black Scroll Honor Society during a ceremony in the Student Center Wyatt Room.

Red and Black Scroll recognizes outstanding scholarship and service among sophomore students at Northwestern. Requirements for membership include completion of 40-59 hours of college credit, a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0, participation in two or more campus organizations or activities, attendance at Northwestern for at least two semesters and non-failure of a college course.

Sponsors are Dr. Dena Walker, assistant professor of mathematics, and Dr. Sheila Brintnall, professor of mathematics.

This year's inductees include Betty Abbey of Accra Ghana, Africa, biology major; Audrey Amissah of Accra Ghana, Africa, biology major; Cheney Bird of Alva, nursing major; Samichin Bista of Litipur, Nepal, computer science major; Ryann Blackburn of Balko, elementary education major; Madeline Bonine of Alva, accounting major; Marylea Burgess of Woodward, mathematics education; Ashley Carter of Enid, computer science major; Kevin Cospers of Cleo Springs, mathematics major; Katelyn Cutsinger of Vici, vocal music major; Shalyn Farrington of Beaver, nursing

major; Karly Gillispie of Shattuck, accounting major; Rosa Guel of Los Angeles, California, psychology major; Cassidy Hackett of Edmond, business administration major; Pawana Itani of Nepal, nursing major; Oluwatoyosi Rhoda Kaffi of Nigeria, Africa, nursing major; Brianna McClure of Alva, biology major; Gabriela Morales of Beaver, nursing major; Precious Okeke of Lagos, Nigeria, Africa, accounting major; Courtney Padilla of Guymon, business administration major; Morgan Phillips of Gage, business administration major; Aaron Pierce of Alva, vocal music major; Patricia Pixler of Waynoka, psychology major; Paola Ponce-Villalobos of Beaver, mathematics education; Lauren Reitz of Edmond, nursing major; Mary Shaffer of Ringwood, biology major; Sumji Sherpa of Sonkhuwasabha, Nepal, nursing major; Sanjita Shrestha of Kathmandu, Nepal, computer science major; Sushil Thapa of Kathmandu, Nepal, computer science major; Sadie Vore of Burlington, elementary education major; J.C. Wells of Laverne, mathematics education major; and Clarissa Wiley of Bristow, biology major.

Red and Black Scroll officers were elected the same evening. New officers are: Abbey, president; Wells, vice president; Shaffer, secretary/treasurer; and Cospers, reporter/historian.

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Happenings on campus

“Flint Knapping” Community Read event



Neil Garrison demonstrating how to chip away rock to make an arrowhead during the “Flint Knapping” Community Read event on that was held on Tuesday. He began in 1999 and developed a hobby out of it. Photo by Ashley Strehl



The Northwestern theater department will present ‘All This and Moonlight’ on April 20-21. Courtesy of University Relations

‘All This and Moonlight’ theater production

Northwestern Oklahoma State University’s Department of Fine Arts will present its spring theatre production “All This and Moonlight” on Thursday and Friday, April 20-21, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, April 22, at 2 p.m. in Herod Hall Auditorium.

Tickets are \$3 for students with current student ID, \$5 for Northwestern employees, and \$6 for the general

public. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

“This is a delightful play that features very fast and very fun dialogue,” West said. “Everyone would enjoy this 40’s style banter comedy.”

For more information on this production or the Northwestern theatre program, contact West at kkwest@nwsu.edu or at (580)327-8462.

Caverns

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visitors to pay an admissions fee if they plan to tour the caves. The park also has a gift shop for individuals to pick up souvenirs and information packets on Alabaster Caverns. These two areas generate revenue for the park, which most years allows it to be self-sustained.

“Alabaster Caverns sees, on average, 25,000 people a year,” Walker said. “The summer is the main season that people do come, although it is open 363 days a year.”

Even though the Alabaster Caverns sees several thousand people a year and usually generates enough money to meet the park’s needs, the state has still added it to the list of possible closures.

“Alabaster Caverns is a one of a kind adventure,” Walker said. “Closing the park would impact people coming to visit. It wouldn’t allow them to get to see something that is a one of a kind thing. It would definitely take away from a learning opportunity. The state talks about how important education is, and this is a learning opportunity to educate people.”

Tourism is Oklahoma’s third largest industry, and the state government is still considering closing half of Oklahoma’s state parks.

“I think there are some other ways to cut,” Walker said. “The sad part is when you close a state park, unless a private entity comes and takes it over, it just sits there.”

Individuals that are interested in state parks throughout Oklahoma can join a program called the Oklahoma Passport. This program gives individuals a small booklet where they can go to each state park and receive a sticker to put on the corresponding page of the passport.

“Visiting state parks is the best way to keep them open,” Walker said.

CORE seed bomb fundraiser

Freshman CORE member, Sagarika KC posed with ITV Coordinator Sharon McConkey (Right) as she supported the organization’s fundraiser.



Velma Forrest (Left) the assistant under the ITV Coordinator also showed support of the CORE fundraiser. Photos by Erin Hopkins

Buckles

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Okla., Billie learned the value of hard work and education. After the passing of her father when she was seven, she and her siblings took on responsibilities around the house including livestock and chicken care and meal preparation.

Beginning as a secretary for a bank president, Billie eventually graduated from the University of Colorado Graduate School of Banking in 1975 and built a successful 24-year career in banking and finance. She became an officer in the National Association of Bank Women, earned insurance and

securities licenses and became an investment adviser.

The William R. and Billie Dean Buckles Endowed STEM Initiative for Computer Science will increase and enhance the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) educational opportunities available to Northwestern students and faculty, as well as the public of northwest Oklahoma.

For more information about the William R. and Billie Dean Buckles Endowed STEM Initiative for Computer Science, or about investing in students at Northwestern, contact Skeeter Bird, CEO, Northwestern Foundation & Alumni Association, at aebird@nwsu.edu or 580-327-8599.

Hardaway

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and asked me several questions about working cowboys and rodeo stars. I am extremely happy that each of them found reference to my work on the internet and decided that I was knowledgeable enough about the topic to serve as someone who could speak authoritatively on it.”

Hardaway has published several articles and books on the African American experience in the American West. His article “Oklahoma’s African American Rodeo Performers” appeared in the summer 2011 edition of “Chronicles of Oklahoma,” the

state’s primary history journal. It was recently reprinted in the book “Black Cowboys in the American West,” which was published by the University of Oklahoma Press. The book has just been chosen to receive an award as the best-edited collection of the past year by the Popular Culture Association/American Culture Association.

Hardaway has been a member of the Northwestern faculty since 1990 and has taught U.S. history to more than 4,000 students at the university.

For more information on Hardaway’s work contact him at (580) 327-8520 or rd-hardaway@nwsu.edu.

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The Way We See It

Editorial Section

Northwestern News wins awards

Editor praises staff for their award-winning efforts during the 2016 school year.

By NICK VILLALOBOS
Editor-in-Chief

The Northwestern News won 18 awards combined between the Oklahoma Collegiate Media Association and Oklahoma Press Association's Better Newspaper contests, which ultimately completed the goal of the news staff in 2016.

After settling into the new editor in chief position I acquired the spring of 2016 and gaining further newspaper experience at my summer internship at the Bartlesville Examiner-Enterprise, I came back to campus in the fall with a new goal in mind for the Northwestern News team.

The goal that I came in with was to get the Northwestern News back to the award-winning quality in which it once was.

For a few years now, the newspaper here on campus has not been quite up-to-par in terms of all-around competition worthy material, including story, layout and design.

Yes, the Northwestern News has still managed to win awards in these categories through some awesome efforts by a number of the former staff members, but not as many as they use to.



(Left to Right) Rachel Emerson, Nick Villalobos, Savannah Tillman and Caitlin Coody hold up the 13 OCMA awards the Northwestern News staff won last week in Stillwater. /Photo provided

Last fall, however, we were able to do just that and more thanks to some awesome efforts by the entire 2016 staff.

When the award ceremony for the OCMA was taking place on Mar. 29 in Stillwater, we were expecting only to bring back the originally announced six awards. 13 awards later, however, we were all pretty overwhelmed with the total number of awards we left Stillwater with.

Also that day, the Northwestern News got word from the OPA Better Newspaper contest that we would be receiving five more awards at the annual OPA banquet on June 10 in downtown Oklahoma City.

It may also be worth noting that in the OCMA competition there were a couple of categories still needing judged, so as of now, the number of awards that the Northwestern News staff won for its efforts in 2016 is 18.

To all of those I have been blessed enough to work with over the past year, I just want to say thank you. Thank you for all the late nights and stressful weeks you endured with me over the past year.

It is because of everything you all did week in and week out at the Northwestern News that the goal of getting the newspaper back to an award-winning quality was able to be achieved.

Awards Northwestern News Received in 2016

Oklahoma Collegiate Media Association

First Place:

Feature photography, Charles Boldes
General News Writing, Rachel Emerson
News Photography, Nick Villalobos
Front Page Design, Northwestern News

Second Place:

Column Writing, Corey Shirey
News Photography, Rachel Emerson
Online Newspaper, Northwestern News
Overall Newspaper, Northwestern News

Third Place:

Feature Photography, Charles Boldes
Feature Writing, Natalie Sacket

Honorable Mentions:

Sports Reporting, Ryan Shumaker
General News Writing, Rachel Emerson
Editorial Writing, Northwestern News

Oklahoma Press Association 2nd, 3rd and 4th in the following:

- *Personal Columns
- *News Writing
- *Feature Writing
- *Sports Coverage
- *Photography

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Looking back at eventful time

By NICK VILLALOBOS
Editor in Chief

This past weekend was one I will not soon forget.

It was loaded with moments of the Father above's good works, and it all started on Friday.

I ran into a scheduling dilemma on Friday afternoon that led me to believe I would have to cancel my plans and work a baseball game instead. Thanks to Him above though, I didn't have to cancel them after all,

and I did get to go enjoy the evening with a few of my closest friends.

We bowled the night away, and after last week's craziness with meetings, classes, homework and all the other things that causes the usual stress, every time we hurled those bowling balls at the pins down at the end of the lane, all that stress slowly faded from us.

We laughed hard that night, and by the end of Friday's festivities, we were all pretty relieved that we could all come together and spend the evening with one another.

Then on Saturday, it was another day of adventure as a group of us from the BCM departed for Winter Jam in Oklahoma City that evening.

After the long drive, and another act from Him above, we got to the Chesapeake Energy Arena where we met up with my friend Rachel and her sister Courtney.

Thanks to those two, as well the Father above, we were able get seats down on the floor for the concert, right next to the center stage.

When the concert kicked off, it was absolutely awesome.

All of us in that arena worshipped the Father together and from my perspective, there's not a more beautiful sight than that of thousands of God's people in one place lifting their hands, praising God. It was truly a remarkable evening, and one that was so deeply needed.

Finally, to end the weekend, I couldn't think of a better way of doing that then by watching the season 7 finale of the AMC thriller, 'The Walking Dead.' After watching it, I am considering it as the best finale of any TV show all-time.

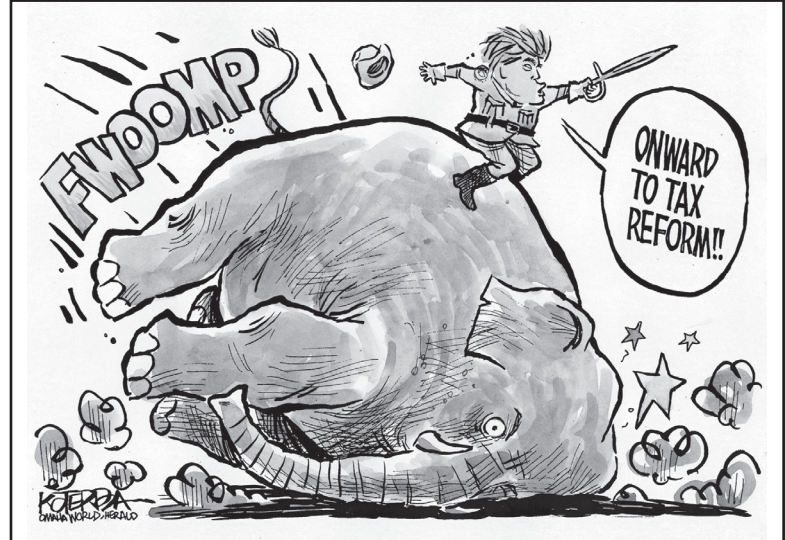
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Campus Confessions

What would your superpower be...

By **GREG MINOR & BRYANT VENOSDEL**
Student Reporters

HAYDEN GRAHAM
Elementary Education



"I'm going with the ability to fly, you can go anywhere you want."

RAY HUGHES
Psychology



"I'd think I'd just want to be invisible, you can be sneaky."

ELIJAH PARKS
Health & Sports Science



"Super speed! I could be like the flash."



TREY JOHNSON
Health & Sports Science

"I would have to go with super speed. You can travel anywhere, anytime."



AMANDA HARDING
Biology

"I'd want to be able to do magic, like Harry Potter, so I can do anything."

AUSTIN KLUG
Criminal Justice



"Reading minds! Im going with telekinesis."



AMANDA METCALF
Instrumental Music Education

"My superpower would be shape-shifting. I can shape-shift into different animals or objects and people."

JOSH
Biology



"Invisible, I can move anywhere I want without people seeing me."

Farming passion brought small town girl to Northwestern

By **MONTANA MCCULLOUGH**
Student Reporter



McKenna Nixon/ Photo provided

Working on the farm was always a interesting time for McKenna Nixon, when she was growing up.

Now she will get to help farmers with her degree once she graduates from Northwestern.

Nixon is the next to youngest child of four children. She has a older sister and brother, and one younger brother. She grew up in Freedom, Oklahoma where her grandparents have farm ground. Nixon attended Freedom Public Schools her whole life.

When Nixon was in grade school, her class had a flying squirrel as a class pet. She loved playing with the squirrel. Nixon said that was one of her favorite memories from grade school.

During her high school years, Nixon played basketball and golf. She was also very involved in the FFA throughout her years. Nixon loved working with animals and competing in different contest. Nixon went to the Northwestern Vo-Tech school for two years while attending high school as well.


She always loved to go the farm to help her grandpa during high school whenever she got the chance. Her love for farming and the FFA grew every time she was on the farm.

In her free time, Nixon likes going on runs, playing golf, cooking and spending time with her family. She has three nieces and nephews that she loves to be around.

Nixon chose Northwestern because of the atmosphere it gives and that it is close to her family. She says Northwestern is a good fit for her because of how close it is to home.

Nixon is majoring the agriculture with a minor in business. With her degree, she can work with farmers and enjoy what she does.

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE



...They led him away to crucify him. As they were going out, they met a man from Cyrene, named Simon, and they forced him to carry the cross.

— Matthew 27: 31,32 —

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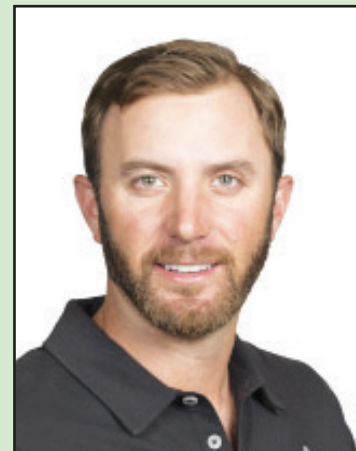
Social begins at 6pm and dinner at 6:30pm

Ronnie Jay Wheeler, the state party chair will be attending and discussing NWOSU student issues

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Feature

Dustin Johnson



United States of America
Rank: 1st
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3 wins
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Rory McIlroy



Northern Ireland
Rank: 2
4 events
0 wins
\$1,040,467

Jason Day



Australia
Rank: 3rd
6 events
0 wins
\$551,570

Hideki Matsuyama



Japan
Rank: 4
10 events
1 win
\$4,529,757

Henrik Stenson



Sweden
Rank: 5th
5 events
0 wins
\$990,175



Comparing American and European rules

By Collin Stork
Student Writer

American Rules

It is late afternoon on a Sunday in Midland, Texas in 2002.

Tag Ridings has sweat dripping from his nose as he stands over his 3-foot-putt to win his first ever professional tournament.

He steps off to take one more look at the break and calm his nerves. He realigns, takes a deep breath and rolls his last putt of the Permian Basin Open.

His heart is racing as the ball tracks toward the hole. It drops. The crowd erupts. His first win is under his belt as soon as he signs his official card.

Ridings walks out of the scoring tent and is immediately hit with hundreds of fans wanting autographs, handshakes and interviews. This is the moment he had dreamt of for five years and it's everything he thought it would be, and more.

He happily accepted the trophy at the ceremony, "I didn't want to hand it back for them to officially ship it to me, it was my trophy," said Ridings.

He said the first thing he did when he left the course was drive through Taco Bell. He said all he wanted was a taco and a soda to go so he could call his parents.

For Tag Ridings, life on the Professional Golf Association Tour is just beginning. The life on the PGA Tour can be a struggle. Some touring professionals only win once in their professional career, if at all. A win on the Tour can be hard fought or easily acquired. The course setup can benefit a player and the setup is delegated by the United States Golf Association.

The USGA is the governing body that is in charge of making rules for the PGA Tour and other North

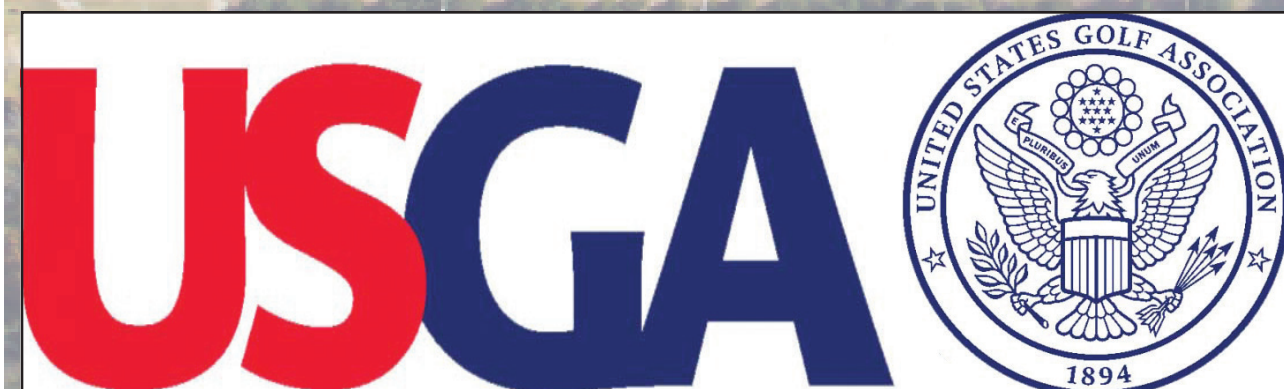
American golf tours. They have full delegation over player policies and all conduct issues around the United States, Canada and Mexico. When a player has an issue on rules in a tournament, they call over a special official of the USGA that is on the rules committee. He makes a decision based upon the current rules of golf and the player must follow his decision of incur a penalty or disqualification. The USGA updates their rules each year to keep up with equipment and general issues in the world of golf.

This past summer, the USGA and its rules officials came under scrutiny for a decision made during the U.S. Open, one of the major tournaments in the season. The decision was made when Dustin Johnson was putting during the final round, where he held the lead. He was in the process of setting up to the ball when the ball rolled backward roughly one quarter of an inch. The USGA rules official was called in to make a decision about how to proceed. The rule in question was 18-2 and it states: "If the weight of evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the player caused the ball to move, even though that conclusion is not free from doubt, the player incurs a one-stroke penalty under Rule 18-2 and the ball must be replaced." This means that if Johnson caused the ball to move, he should incur a one stroke penalty.

However, the rules committee chose not to make a final decision until the end of the round. This made social media and players from around the world rethink the process of determining rulings.

"The USGA should have told Johnson a final decision on that green, not let it sit on his mind the rest of the round," said Ridings. Many golfers would agree with this because having the possibility of a penalty in the back of your mind could take focus off of the round played. "I remember watching it on TV

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USGA (United States Golf Association) logo/ <http://www.usga.org/>

Feature

Rules

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and wondering why they didn't give him an answer," Kyle Ward, NWOSU men's head golf coach said, "I watched until the end of the round and when they finally gave [Johnson] an answer, social media blew up." The USGA's final decision was dubbed wrong by most of the golfers and fans around the world. The USGA gave Johnson a penalty for an action he did not commit and they have been under scrutiny since.

Amidst the scrutiny, the USGA also promotes the growth of golf to younger generations, in hopes to grow the game for years to come. "My dad entered me into USGA sanctioned camps and they were what got me into the game," Clayton Davidson, NWOSU golf team member, said. They also release instructions to golf clubs around the world regarding conduct, watering, pace of play and course care.



R&A (Royal and Ancient) logo/ <http://www.randa.org/Heritage/The-Royal-Ancient/The-Royal-Ancient-Golf-Club>

European Rules

Across the pond in Europe, the European R&A works diligently to keep players in line, much like the USGA. However, there are key differences in handling situations because of how courses are set up and how styles of play differ. The R&A must delegate rules on links style courses, these courses are more wide open and hillier than most American courses. "The ruling differs because of the positions players can get themselves into and the way they must play," Ian Ford, former European Tour player, said.

In 2010 at the British Open, Miguel Angel Jimenez missed the green on hole 17 at the Old Course at St. Andrews. He found himself a couple of inches away from a rock wall that delegates out of bounds. He called over a rules official and conferred with him about his options. The official gave Jimenez options on spot and left him with a decision. Jimenez's final decision was to hit a shot into the wall, let it bounce off and roll onto the green. "I remember seeing replays of that shot for weeks," Cody Hixon, NWOSU golf team member, said "It was and still is one of the best shots I have ever seen." The situation is still referenced as a great example of the R&A's handling of rules and dealing with players.

The R&A also recently passed a rule that permits European Tour professionals to wear shorts during actual competitive rounds. The USGA had attempted to pass the rule in 2014, but it failed to pass by

unanimous decision. This rule is the first in history and has already been taken advantage of by European Tour players. Many American golfers have traveled to play in events just to play in shorts.

The difference of the USGA and the R&A is the conditions they deal with during tournaments. In North America, golf courses are well manicured and tree lined with fast greens and fairways. The courses that are played in Europe are more natural and wide open with thick rough and slower fairways and greens. The European courses are this way because the wind in Europe is much harsher than in the USGA's delegation. If the European courses had the designs of American courses, the trees would have a tough time staying rooted and golf balls would not stop rolling.

This makes the USGA's job much harder because our courses must meet a standard set by the committee and there are more obstacles to be dealt with. For example, there are fewer rules delegating how a player must deal with trees in Europe.

The R&A and USGA are both big parts of golf depending on the part of the world one is playing in. It is important to get to know the rules of both governing bodies before playing in their respective delegations.

"I would not have gotten my win at the Permian without the rules officials of the USGA," Ridings said, "They are a great group of guys and they respect us for what we do and they're out there to help us."

OFFICIAL WORLD GOLF RANKING STATISTICS

This Week	Last Week	Player	Pts Avg	Pts Tot	Pts Lost	Pts Won	Ev Pld
1	1	Dustin Johnson	11.67	560.09	-84.76	196.8	48
2	3	Rory McIlroy	9.12	373.76	-84	44.75	41
3	2	Jason Day	9.03	361.39	-95.04	19.84	40
4	4	Hideki Matsuyama	8.28	430.74	-54.7	96.08	53
5	5	Henrik Stenson	8.03	377.32	-74.55	43.26	47
6	6	Jordan Spieth	8.02	408.87	-108.57	107.21	51
7	7	Justin Thomas	5.58	290.21	-35.36	118.8	57
8	8	Adam Scott	5.54	249.44	-50.26	18.15	45
9	9	Rickie Fowler	5.32	276.72	-61.37	84.74	52
10	10	Sergio Garcia	5.26	226.06	-40.46	62.94	43

Top golf rankings for this week <http://www.owgr.com/>

New Worldwide rules added for golfers

The new Rules book is the culmination of the normal four-year review cycle and is a collaborative work by The R&A and the USGA that applies worldwide to all golfers.

Among the most significant of the changes in the 2016 edition of the Rules are the following:

Withdrawal of Rule on Ball Moving After Address - Rule 18-2b (Ball Moving after Address) has been withdrawn. This means that if a ball at rest moves after the player addresses it, the player is no longer automatically deemed to have caused the ball to move. A one-stroke penalty under Rule 18-2 will be applied only when the facts show that the player has caused the ball to move.

Limited Exception to Disqualification Penalty for Submission of Incorrect Score Card - A new exception has been introduced to Rule 6-6d (Wrong Score for Hole) to provide that a player is not disqualified for returning a lower score for a hole than actually taken as a result of failing to include penalty strokes that the player did not know were incurred before returning the score card. Instead, the player incurs the penalty under the Rule that was breached and must add an additional penalty of two strokes for the score card error. In all other cases in which a player returns a score for any hole lower than actually taken, the penalty will continue to be disqualification.

Modification of Penalty for a Single Impermissible Use of Artificial Devices or Equipment - The penalty for a player's first breach of Rule 14-3 (Artificial Devices, Unusual Equipment and Ab-normal Use of Equipment) during the round has been reduced from disqualification to loss of hole in match play or two strokes in stroke play. The penalty for any subsequent breach of Rule 14-3 will continue to be disqualification.

Prohibition on Anchoring the Club While Making a Stroke - As announced in May 2013, the new Rule 14-1b (Anchoring the Club) pro-hibits anchoring the club either "directly" or by use of an "anchoring point" in making a stroke. The penalty is loss of hole in match play or two strokes in stroke play.

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Entertainment

ACM Award 2017 winners

Calendar of Events

April 6

Writer's Roundtable Showcase
6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Vinson Hall - Alabaster Room

Bubble Soccer
6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Outdoor Spaces - Intramural Field

April 8

A.C.T. Exam
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Education Center - EC 109, EC 204, EC 211, EC 121

CEOE Teacher Testing - OGET/OSAT/OPTE Examinations
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Industrial Education - Computer Lab & Little Office

April 12

Freshman Connection
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Student Center - Ballroom, Wyatt Room and Ranger Room



Male Vocalist of the Year:
Jon Pardi



Female Vocalist of the Year:
Maren Morris



Male Vocalist of the Year:
Thomas Rhett



Entertainer of the Year:
Jason Aldean



Female Vocalist of the Year:
Miranda Lambert



Vocal Duo of the Year:
Brothers Osborne



Vocal Group of the Year:
Little Big Town



Songwriter of the Year:
Lori McKenna



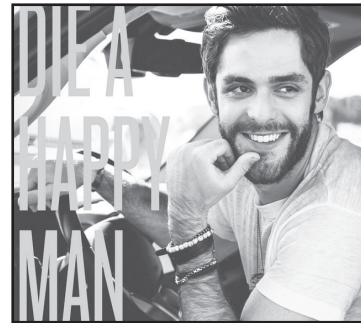
Video of the Year:
Forever Country



Single Record of the Year:
H.O.L.Y.



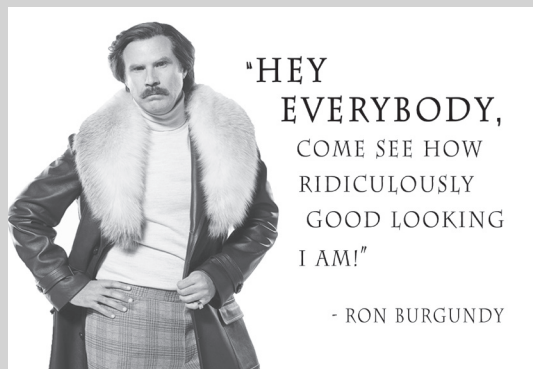
Album of the Year:
The Weight of These Wings



Song of the Year:
Die a Happy Man

10 Surprising Facts About College

- 75 percent of high school seniors are accepted to their first-choice colleges; but less than 57 percent can afford to attend.
- 23 percent of full-time undergrads, who are 24 or younger, work 20 hours or more a week.
- The annual family income of more than 47 percent of undergrads is less than \$40,000.
- Only 0.4 percent of undergraduates attend one of the Ivy League schools.
- 86.9 percent of freshmen expected to complete their degrees in four years or fewer.
- Of the 2,350,000 college students enrolling per year, only 1,750,000 will graduate.
- The average college student's debt is \$23,700; the average student loan payment is \$432 per month.
- The average college student attends 62 parties a year.
- In one year, 1,250,000 students transferred to another school; 1,125,000 dropped out.
- 775,000 male students enroll in college each year; 1,575,000 female students enroll each year.



Do you know a good-looking person? Chances are, you do. Well, here's your chance to nominate them for the "Look how good I look" award!

This isn't a contest but a way to show off the person who you think is beautiful. Anybody can enter in a person of their choice. However, you can't vote for yourself (that would just be sad).

The nominees will be posted next week, along with their photo and short story line.

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@ 2 p.m. April 10th

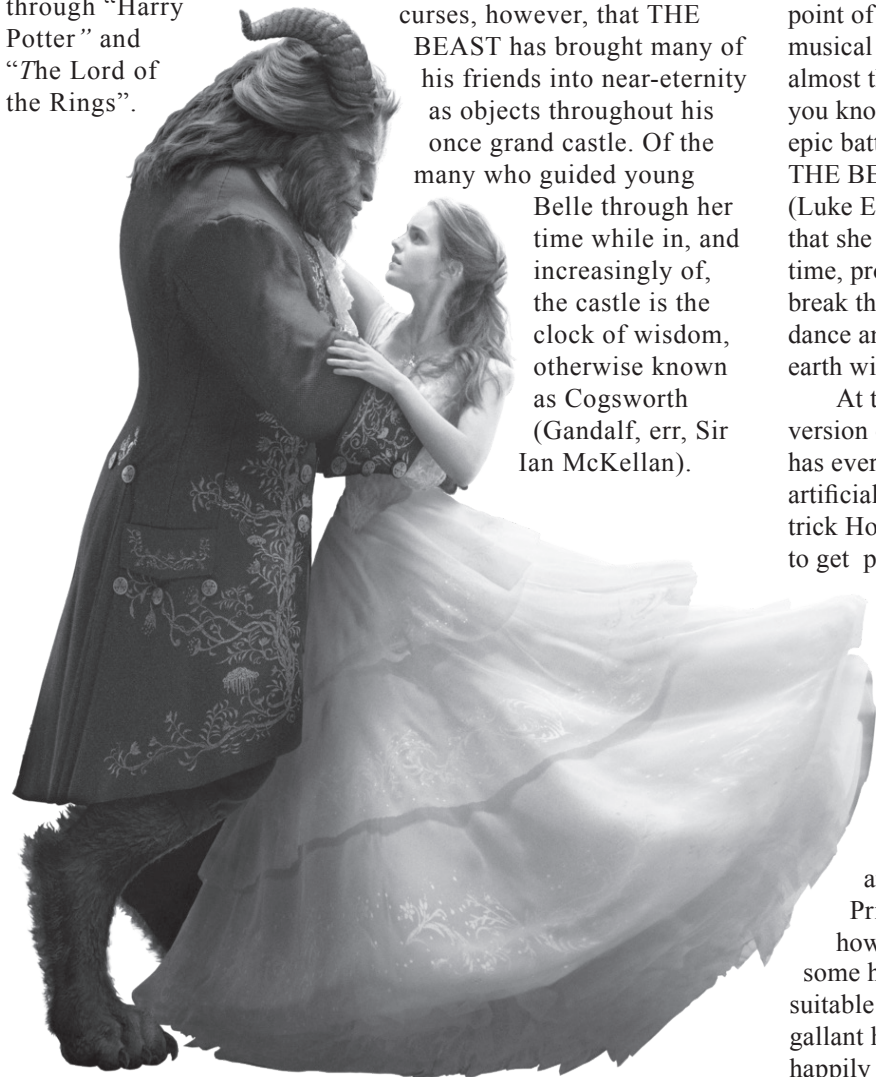
Entertainment

Beauty and the Beast gets four and a half stars

By RICHMOND B. ADAMS



In watching Bill Condon's "Beauty and the Beast", I might want also to call it "Downton Abbey" meets "The Sound of Music" through "Harry Potter" and "The Lord of the Rings".



Adapted from the 1740 French story and the 1991 film, the current version of a Belle, a young woman (Emma Watson) growing up as something of a book-reading nerd, encounters and eventually (sigh) falls in love with THE BEAST (Dan Stevens), once a Prince, but now cursed by the indifference of his arrogance. Such are curses, however, that THE BEAST has brought many of his friends into near-eternity as objects throughout his once grand castle. Of the many who guided young Belle through her time while in, and increasingly of, the castle is the clock of wisdom, otherwise known as Cogsworth (Gandalf, err, Sir Ian McKellan).

As young Belle, whose place near THE BEAST came to be as she rescued her father Maurice (Kevin Kline, whose career of quirkiness continues in a facetiously pleasant way) from a life sentence in the castle, moves toward unexpected love, the film showcases sequences of song, dance, and general good fun, even to the point of our heroine sounding musical atop a mountain in almost the same dress as, well, you know. Happily, and in an epic battle of Good versus Evil, THE BEAST defeats Gaston (Luke Evans), saves Belle so that she can, in the nick of time, proclaim her love for him, break the curse, and restart the dance and song of peace on earth with goodwill all around.

At the last, the present version of *Beauty and the Beast* has every sort of hoaky, soupy, artificial, and heart-tugging trick Hollywood ever designed to get people into theatres. It is not too much to say that upon entering Alva's movie house, this professional personage dreaded what was to be seen. After watching Belle and THE BEAST find one another as Prince and Princess charming, however, one realizes that somehow, it just works and is suitable for everyone. May our gallant hero and heroine live happily ever after...

D.K. Combs' Captive

By Deitra Wedd
Editor

Everyone knows the story of the girl who walks in on her cheating boyfriend, but in *Captive* by D.K. Combs the story takes an interesting twist.

While on a cruise which was meant to be a trip with her boyfriend, Mari, who ends up boarding the boat alone, finds out that the real reason her boyfriend can't come on the cruise with her is because he is busy. Not busy with work, oh no he is busy with another woman.

Shocked and heart broken by the sudden slap in the face that her life has abruptly hit her with, Mari is determined to move on and not waste the rest of her life.

However, her sunk relationship is the least of her worries when suddenly she realizes she is on a sinking ship and the rest of her life may not be very long.

When Mari woke up after miraculously surviving the ship wreck, she never could have imagined how much her life was about to change.

Waking up in a cave

leaves Mari dazed and confused. Upon further examination of the cave she happens upon Ambrose.

Ambrose is a male cursed by his enemy to live out his life trapped and tortured in the cave, after making a mistake he dearly regretted.

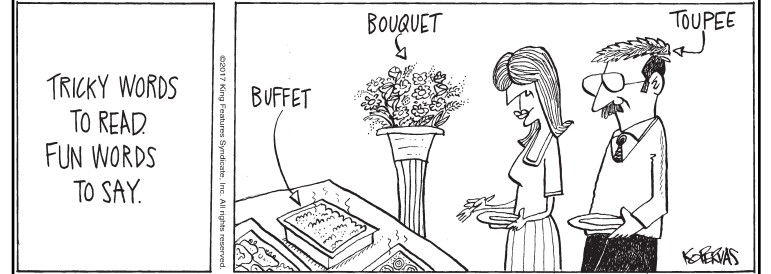
Immediately Mari feels a sense of attraction towards him but feels freaked out by the mermaid tail that he wears. Believing that he is either an actor or that she is actually dead, Mari decides to play along with the supposed merman.

After noticing how much pain Ambrose is in she quickly forgets her distrust and grows determined to help him escape. But Ambrose has other plans for Mari, for if he is to escape there is no way he can bring himself to leave her to take his place in the cave that has been his prison.

Determined to save her, as she had done for him, from the same torturous fate he had experienced, Ambrose knows there's only one way out of the cave. More importantly he knows that a human Mari cannot survive under water long enough for her to escape with her life.

Out on a Limb

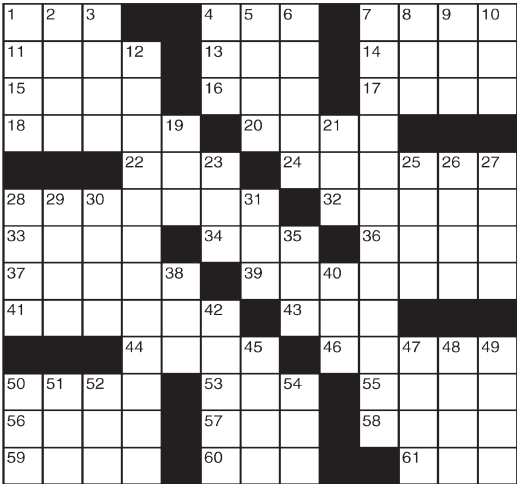
by Gary Kopervas



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ACROSS

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- 4 Astronaut Grissom
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- 11 Egg
- 13 Fire residue
- 14 Predicate part
- 15 Thin tie with a clasp
- 16 Shelter, at sea
- 17 Corp. bigwig
- 18 Honey bunch?
- 20 Rhett's shocking word
- 22 Fresh
- 24 Shortcoming
- 28 Custodian
- 32 Broadcasting
- 33 PC picture
- 34 Set of tools and parts
- 36 Singer Campbell
- 37 Naval prisons
- 39 Own
- 41 Rachmaninov or Prokofiev
- 43 -jongg
- 44 Volcanic outflow
- 46 Luxury boat
- 50 Bullets and such
- 53 Autumn mo.
- 55 Entrance
- 56 Serve tea
- 57 Pi follower



DOWN

- 1 Goes up and down
- 2 Acknowledge
- 3 Hawaiian
- 4 Guy's partner
- 5 Secondhand
- 6 Bundle of wheat
- 7 1990s Burt Reynolds sit-com
- 8 Annoy
- 9 Exist
- 10 Peacock network
- 12 Trumpet-shaped flower
- 19 Encountered
- 21 Cow's call
- 23 Stir-fry pan
- 25 Hay bundle
- 26 Falsehoods
- 27 Sea eagles
- 28 Triangular sails
- 29 Land measure
- 30 Black (Fr.)
- 31 Tear
- 35 Male cat
- 38 Caribbean, for one
- 40 Express
- 42 Tusk material
- 45 Liniment target
- 47 Stallion, as a child
- 48 Vagrant
- 49 Salver
- 50 Gorilla
- 51 Chic, in the '60s
- 52 Coffee holder
- 54 AAA job

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April 14th

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April 14th

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Sports

Womens team wins rodeo

By **KATIE LACKEY**
Student Reporter

It was last year when a torn rotator cuff set him out for two weeks. The setback is hardly noticeable though as Colten Madison a freshman from Whiting, Iowa, currently leads the standings in steer wrestling with 480 points.

Madison said the only thing he has changed about his preparation for rodeos is that he added lifting.

"I made a friend in town who was a body builder, and he told me he could help me rehabilitate the injury, as well as make me stronger than what I had been."

Madison isn't the only one though who works outside the arena to be successful. Katy Miller a junior from Faith, South Dakota, who focuses on her mental game.

"My mental game is something that I work on everyday," Miller said. "If I ever do get down on my mental game, someone that helps me a lot is my sister and my family."

Miller's strong mental game helped lead the women's team to their win at Garden City Community College.

Miller returned to the short round in both of her events. In break-away roping, Miller came back seventh place in the short round, followed by Jenny Massing, junior from Ponoka, Alberta, who came back to the short go in the last spot with a 2.8.

"I like roping in little barns," Miller said. "So I was excited for the weekend."



The women's team took the weekend by storm and were awarded this buckle. /Photo Provided

For Miller and Massing, the short round didn't go as planned since they both turned in no times. They did, however, both have success in the goat tying.

Miller started off the first round sitting second with a 6.7. She managed to shave off a second in the short round allowing her to secure a second place finish in the goat tying. Massing finished the first round in third place allowing her to collect some points,

but wasn't able to hold her place in the short round with a 12.9.

Tearnee Nelson of Faith, South Dakota, also had success in the goat tying finishing fourth overall in the goat tying after a 7.0 in round one followed by a 6.8 in round two.

Melissa Couture, a freshman from Springdale, Arkansas, also advanced to the short round in goat tying after a 7.6 in the first round, which tied her for ninth and 10th. She

finished the weekend seventh in the average after a 7.1 in the short round.

In the barrel racing, Ashlyn Moeder, a sophomore from Oakley, Kansas, finished the weekend second in the average with a 26.3 after two runs.

In the team roping, Brandi Hollenbeck, a junior from Hutchinson, Kansas managed a fifth place finish with the help of her partner Grayson Allred, a junior from Kanarrville,

Utah. They were able to score 50 points each during the weekend.

Allred's successful weekend in the team roping was accompanied by Cole Patterson, a junior from Pratt, Kansas, who ended up third in the average.

Allred's success wasn't limited to team roping though, he also made the short go in tie down roping, but his 28.7 in two rounds wasn't fast enough for any points.

Patterson saw more success in the tie down roping as he finished third in the average. He was a 10.7 on his first calf and then an 11.8 on his second.

But Mason Bowen, a senior from Bullard, Texas, took the win this past weekend in the tie down. He had the fastest time of the first round with a 9.6 then came back faster in the short round with a 9.5. His cumulative time of 19.1 on two runs named him the average winner.

Cody Devers, a junior, was able to make the short round in steer wrestling, but fell short of placing in the average. Madison though, took a safe start in the first round to secure his sixth place entering into the short round. His third place time in the short round secured his third place in the average with a 12.0 second run on two steers.

"I could have gotten out a little faster on my second steer to place a little higher, but I was alright with what I got."

"I just need to keep doing the same thing, chipping away at them," Madison said.

Mens golf achieves success

By **RANGERS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

The Northwestern Oklahoma State men's golf team rebounded from two tough opening tournaments to post two solid team scores during the opening day of the Midwest Spring Fling at Cottonwood Hills Country Club in Hutchinson, Kansas.

The Rangers navigated the 6,890 yard course to rounds

of 314-311 for a total of 625, placing them in seventh place in the 10-team field.

Murray State College will hold a commanding 30-stroke lead with a total of 585, while Alistair Snowdon of Murray State and Landon Fox of Southwestern College paced the individual scores with totals of 145.

Northwestern was led by freshman Cody Hixon, who was tied for the lead after the first

round with a two-under round of 70, followed up with a 77 to sit in a tie for fourth at 147. Hixon's round of 70 is the third round under par for the Rangers this year.

Redshirt sophomore Cole Ward continued his consistent play this spring semester with rounds of 78-79, placing him in a tie for 17th at 157.

Senior Drew Sims improved on his first round total of 82 with a 76 in the second round,

good enough to sit in a tie for 19th place at 156.

Although they were unable to break into the 70's, the other two members of the five-man team proved consistent, with freshman Parker Rehorn and Kennedale, Texas native Joah Mitchell posting totals of 163 and 165 respectively.

The Rangers got off to a slow start to their spring season after losing to Oklahoma Panhandle State in their opening

match event of the season and then struggling in adverse conditions at the Dave Falconer Classic, but will use this successful day as confidence as they move closer to the Great American Conference tournament on April 23-25 in Hot Springs, Arkansas. The rounds of 314 and 311 are two of the more consistent rounds the Rangers have put together on the opening day of a tournament in recent seasons.

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Sports

Softball splits weekend

By RANGERS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Ranger Softball broke out for a 9-5 win in the first game on March 31, a doubleheader at Oklahoma Baptist University, but ended up falling 8-1 in game two.

Game 1

The Rangers rolled into Shawnee with their sights set on making the Great American Conference tournament.

Northwestern capitalized on an OBU error in the first inning for the game's first run, before Megan Sanders put a dent into a ball for her third home run of the year in the top of the second, scoring Macy Madewell.

With Madison Garza in the circle looking for her fourth win in her last six starts, Oklahoma Baptist was looking at a tall task in solving the junior right hander. Garza continued her recent success by holding the Bison to just two earned runs on 10 hits while recording eight punchouts.

Despite surrendering three unearned in the bottom half of the seventh, Garza managed to hang on to the 9-5 victory for her fifth win of the year. Garza allowed just one free pass in her seven innings of work.

Game 2

The Rangers found themselves in another close game right up until the sixth when Oklahoma Baptist ran into a big inning. Both Karly Murray and OBU starter McKenzie Jones had success in the early innings, keeping it a scoreless contest until the Rangers broke the tie in the fourth. After McGraw reached on an error by Rachel Birchfield at third, Madewell made the Bison pay by driving in her third RBI of the day to put the Rangers up 1-0.

But OBU answered back in the bottom of the fourth thanks to three straight singles and an error by Corrales, allowing the home team to take a 2-1 lead that they would never



Audrey Estes hits ball during tight series with OBU. /Photo Provided

surrender. Murray would get some help from her defense in stranding a runner in the fifth after a foul out and Ranger catcher Audrey Estes gunning down Lacy Hillis trying to steal third to keep it a one run game.

Northwestern had a chance in the sixth to erase the deficit when they had runners on second and third, but Jordan Sutton went down swinging to end the threat. The Rangers were unable to avoid a crushing sixth inning.

Following two consecutive walks to start the inning, Jill Webb went to Kendall Jones in an effort to keep the game close. The Bisons scored a home run, a couple of singles, an error and a wild pitch, effectively killing any Northwestern momentum. Oklahoma Baptist would go on to win 8-1 in the second game, setting up a very important doubleheader on Saturday.

The Rangers continued the tournament on April 1. The Rangers rode timely hitting and excellent pitching to a 6-1 win in game one, but was unable to handle the Bison in a closely

contested 3-2 loss in the second game.

Game 1

Garza pitched yet another gem in the first game as she held the Oklahoma Baptist batters to just one earned run en-route to her sixth win.

With Madewell hitting a one-out double in the second, the stage was set for senior Sanders to make an impact on the ballgame. Sanders clobbered Haylee Zimmerman offering the other way for her fourth home run of the season, and her second in as many days. The Rangers increased their lead to five in the next inning on four singles from Amber Mills, Madi Parrott, McGraw and Estes with a sac-bunt by Corrales mixed in.

The two-run blast from Sanders proved to be all that Garza would need, as the right hander continued to mow down Bison until the sixth when a single to left by Shelby Savage came around to score the only OBU run. Garza finished the game with 11 strikeouts, giving up only three hits and two walks in the 6-1 victory.

Game 2

Looking for a victory in the

series finale, head Coach penciled in Murray to make her 17th start this season. Murray would get some fast help on the offensive side of the ball when a McGraw two-bagger to right center scored Corrales in the top of the first.

But the Bison got to Murray in the third as she gave up two hits, a walk and hit a batter leading to a two-spot for the home team. After striking out the leadoff hitter, Murray two OBU players. With the bases loaded, OBU's Miranda Garza smacked one in the left center gap for a two-RBI double that gave the Bison a 2-1 advantage.

Northwestern managed to answer back in the fifth when Corrales drove in her ninth run of the season, cashing in Alexis Hayes to tie the game up at two apiece. OBU catcher cranked a solo shot over the center-field wall, giving Oklahoma Baptist a 3-2 lead in the bottom of the sixth.

Despite getting a two-out double from Sanders in the top of the seventh the Rangers still lost.

Baseball defeated at home

By RANGERS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Northwestern Oklahoma State and Oklahoma Baptist took the diamond for a doubleheader on March 31 and came away with two losses, 10-5 and 8-0.

Jacob Long and Jorin Van Amstel led the charge at the plate for the Rangers on the evening as they were 3-for-7 and 2-for-5 respectively in the two games.

Northwestern Oklahoma State and Oklahoma Baptist finished their series on April 1 where OBU would come away with the sweep, following a 10-0 closing game.

Two different batters were allowed hits in the third and final game of the series with the Bison and those were Greg Carrington and Colton

Krokroskia who were each 1-for-3 on the afternoon.

Matthew Bickford was the final game starter on Saturday, but was unable to get through two before giving way to Thomas Sander in the second inning.

The first inning was a rough one for the Ranger pitching staff as five runs were posted by the Bison to take an early 5-0 lead.

The top of the second inning was a rough one as well as OBU posted two more runs, making it a seven-run game.

What made it tougher on the hosts was that Oklahoma Baptist starter, Jinny Parra was electric on Saturday, allowing just two hits and only four base runners altogether.

Oklahoma Baptist would tack on another run in the fourth, gaining an 8-0 advantage over the hosts.



Baron Phillips pitching the ball during OBU game. /Photo Provided

Northwestern added their first hit to the board in the bottom of four however as Carrington ripped a single up the middle of the infield. He would not come around however.

The final two runs of the ballgame came in the fifth and sixth innings as the first would score on a SAC fly to right field and the second and final run of the game on a roped homer to left field.

Athletic Events

April 7

Softball

2 p.m. Rangers vs Southern Nazarene University

4 p.m. Rangers vs Southern Nazarene University

Baseball

2 p.m. Rangers at Southern Nazarene University

Rodeo

Rangers at Southwestern Oklahoma State University

April 8

Softball

12 p.m. Rangers vs Southern Nazarene University

2 p.m. Rangers vs Southern Nazarene University

Baseball

12 p.m. Rangers at Southern Nazarene University

3 p.m. Rangers at Southern Nazarene University

Rodeo

Rangers at Southwestern Oklahoma State University

April 10

Womens&Mens Golf

Rangers at Hardscrabble Classic

April 11

Womens&Mens Golf

Rangers at Hardscrabble Classic

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Senior business administration major Derek McKinnon from Cherokee visits with several company representatives searching for a career move with approaching graduation. Photos provided by Erin Hopkins



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Heather Blumer a 2013 graduate from NWOSU with a Psychology degree looks into the possibility of coming back for a Master's degree.

