

Rangers head to conference



Men's basketball finishes second in GAC conference

By MEGAN MAHARRY
Sports Reporter

The Ranger men's basketball team finished their regular season games with two victories on the road against East Central University and Southeastern Oklahoma State.

With these two victories, the men secure a spot in the Great American Conference tournament.

The men defeated ECU 67-66, claiming their 20th win of the season. The Rangers trailed by as many as 14 points in the second half before coming back to take the victory.

The Rangers shot for 41.5 percent, 22-of-35 from the floor, and out rebounding ECU by 35-to-31. The men also collected 11 steals during the game.

Senior Brandon Green led the Rangers with 23 points, going 11-of-14 from the free throw line. Junior Treyvon Andres recorded a double-double. He had 16 points and 11 rebounds. Senior Greg Minor Jr. had eight points on the night.

The Rangers turned around to

face Southeastern and claimed their ninth straight win with a score of 77-74.

The score was close throughout the entire game. The game was tied at 74 all with only 50 seconds left. A jumper made by Andres and a free throw made by Minor Jr. within the final seconds gave the Rangers the victory.

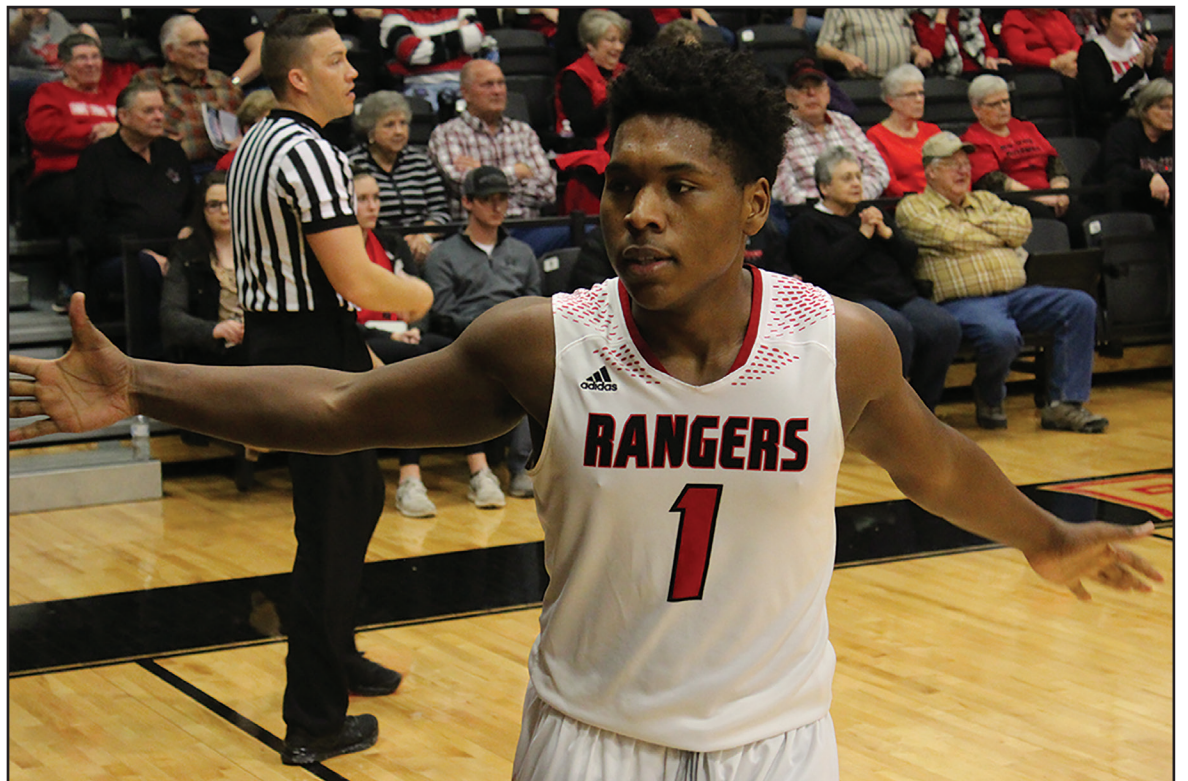
The Rangers shot 55.6 percent, going 30-of-54 from the field, and went 5-of-13 from the three-point line.

Andres had 15 points and six rebounds in the game. Seniors Trey Johnson and Cody Halvorson both had 13 points.

The Rangers finish their regular season 21-6 overall and 17-5 in conference play. The men will now turn their attention to prepare for the GAC tournament in which they face Southern Arkansas first.

Head Coach Shawn Dirden said he and his team are excited about their regular season success, but also understand there is more work to be done.

"We started the school year and season off working on trusting each



Photos by Docker Haub

Top left is the Men's basketball team preparing for the game. Top right is NWOSU player Greg minor and Cedric Collinge defending against a SWOSU player. Bottom is NWOSU player John Godwin shaking hands with fans.

other, giving 100% effort, and holding ourselves accountable and this is what we will continue to focus on in the postseason GAC tournament," Dirden said.

Dirden said it will be the third time to face SAU. While the men have

beaten SAU twice, Dirden said they are not taking anything for granted as SAU is a talented team. He said his team must play hard basketball the entire game.

Dirden said he wants to see his players continue to rely on each other

and push to reach the rest of the goals they have set for the season.

He and his team will face Southern Arkansas on March 1.

"We are super proud to represent the fans and Ranger Nation," Dirden said.

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Band Concert:

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Herod Hall Auditorium

First Friday Visual Arts Student Exhibition and March Artist-in-Residence Marianne Hoffmeister Welcoming Reception:

March 2, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
The Runnymede

Drawing Laboratory: Experimental Four-Session Workshop by Northwestern Artist-in-Residence Marianne Hoffmeister:

March 5, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Jesse Dunn room 327

OSSAA High School Vocal Contest:

March 6, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Herod Hall Auditorium

Spanish Club Movie Night:

March 6, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Alabaster Room

Baseball - Pack the Park:

March 6, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Myers Stadium

Ice storm sweeps through Alva



Photo by Capri Gahr

With temperatures reaching 33 degrees and lower last week, an ice storm swept through Alva on the night of February 21. This storm covered everything in ice and caused the campus to shutdown the following Thursday giving students a free day.

Primp for Prom will be held in Woodward

By SEAN DOHERTY
Student Reporter

Prom night is a night most people never forget. But it's also a very expensive night. According to USA Today, teens spend an average of \$600 on prom each year. Not everyone gets to enjoy their night on the town but NWOSU's Department of Social and Woodward High School's Key Club are making sure that doesn't happen.

"Primp for Prom" is an annual event seeking donations of formal dresses, jewelry and shoes for local high schoolers. Students will be to choose from a variety of formal dresses and other accessories in an array of sizes, styles, and colors for free. A fitting room will also be available.

"Primp for Prom" will be open Thursday, March 8, from 1 to 7 p.m., and Friday, March 9 from 9 to noon, at the Woodward High School practice gym, located at 13th Street and Downs Ave in Woodward.

Nite Lite brawl results in upcoming court date

By COLLIN STORK
Student Reporter

A brawl at the Nite Lite has led to four Northwestern Oklahoma State University students being charged with a misdemeanor of assault and battery and one student in the hospital.

The men were charged on Feb. 9 with misdemeanors punishable by imprisonment of up to 90 days, a fine of up to \$1,000 or both. An arrest warrant has been issued for Co-

rey Hornbeak. The other three have posted bond and their court date is set for March 13.

The Nite Lite is a small bar and night club at 1220 Lane St. just outside of the Alva city limits and it is where Deputy Ethan McOsker arrived at 2 a.m. on Jan. 28.

He was told that the members involved in the fight were members of the NWOSU football team and they had not yet been identified.

McOsker then went to Share Medical Center where Garrett Scott Lagan had been transported by ambu-

lance, Lagan stated that he had been attempting to break up the fight and was rushed by a group of men from the crowd that knocked him down and continued to punch and kick him.

McOsker and Undersheriff Keith Dale reviewed video obtained from the Nite Lite and Dale contacted head football coach Matt Walters to help identify the football players.

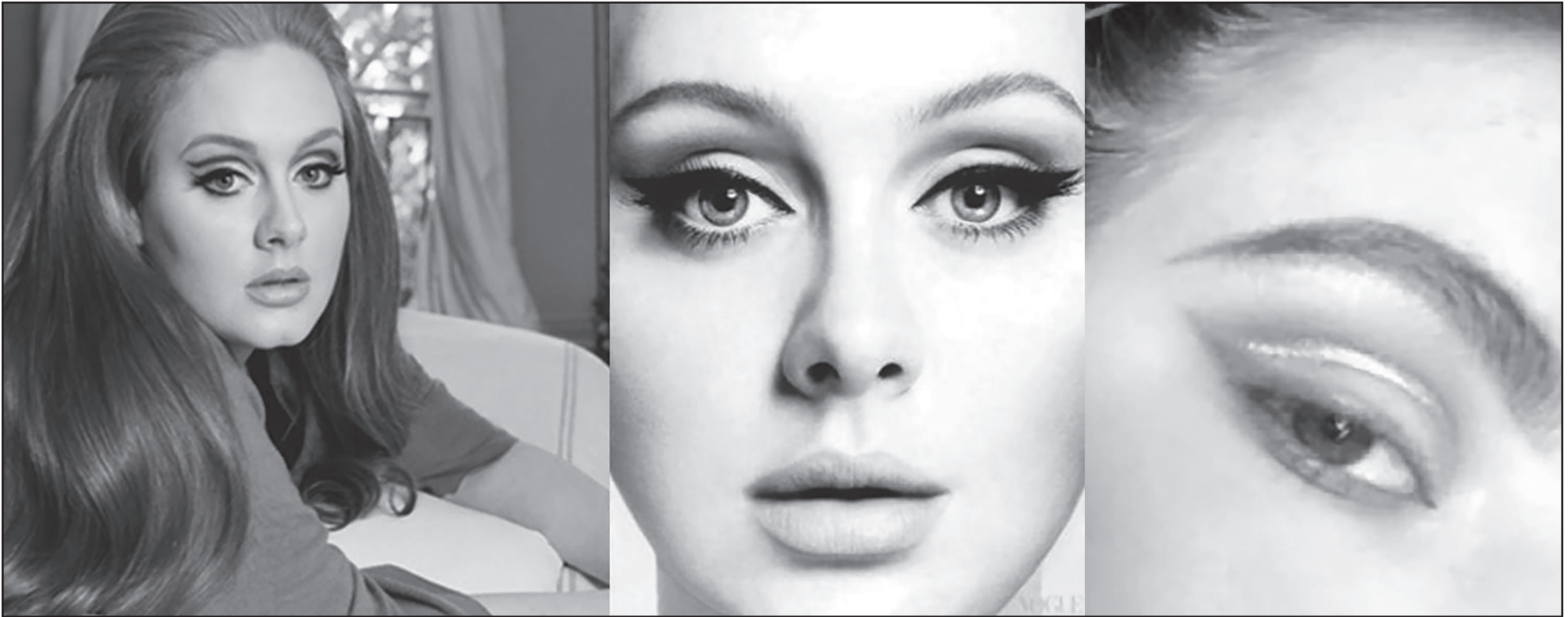
Walters told Dale that Corey Hornbeak Jr., 19, of Oklahoma City, admitted to being involved in the fight and was dismissed from the team immediately. Hornbeak left Alva before

he could be interviewed.

Edward Baley Garza, 20, of Sanger, TX, was interviewed on Thursday, Feb. 1 by Dale and the affidavit states that Garza admitted his involvement in the fight but elected the right to an attorney before any further statement was given.

The next day, Walters identified the final two involved in the fight as Joshua Parton, 21, of Anadarko and Kentrez Bell, 19, of Kansas City, Missouri. Parton and Bell were brought in separately and both admitted their involvement in the fight.

News



Photos provided by Ashley Strehl

Adele (on the left and middle) and Lexi Williams (on the right) show off their eye makeup giving a perfect example of what the cut-crease eye shadow style looks like.

Understanding makeup trends

By **ASHLEY STREHL**
Feature Editor

Beauty may have an age, but makeup does not. The amazing thing about makeup is that anyone, anywhere, no matter how young or old, boy or girl, has every right to use makeup.

No one does their makeup the exact same way, and that's why it gives people the chance to express themselves. Makeup trends have changed through the centuries, some are still held, and some have been forgotten.

Different cultures have certain makeup trends, and most countries adopt each other's makeup trends. Makeup is the paint, and people are the artist, and throughout the years the artists come up with new techniques and share them with others.

in Colorado Springs, CO. "I think they are awful, I don't understand why people would take their time to do that, like you might as well not do your brows", Brixey said. "I was hoping someone was messing around and posted them and people thought they were serious."

Many makeup brands sell eyebrow color so that people can fill them in and improve the shape. Now-a-days makeup lovers with shape their eye brows to be big, thick, and bold, "I think the way people do their eyebrows are good to a limit", Brixey said.

"I feel like people don't customize their brows to fit themselves, not everyone should do the same 'on fleek' look that everyone else is doing. Their face shape, and skin tone, should all be taken into consideration when doing their eyebrows. Everyone's faces are

stores, but some drug store brands makeup can work just as well. There are individual makeup sellers that sell brands like Avon, and Mary Kay makeup.

Meghan Ashpaugh is a Mary Kay beauty consultant. "To become a consultant you have to purchase a starter kit and place a order of a minimum of \$225", Ashpaugh said.

When comparing more expensive brands to Mary Kay, there are benefits on both sides, "Before I started using Mary Kay my face broke out in reaction to other makeup brands, when I started using Mary Kay it cleared my face up and the price was much more affordable."

So what is it that's making the more expensive brands more trendy? It's the famous publicity. For example: If Lebron James wears a certain pair of Nike shoes, people are more likely to buy that brand of shoe because Lebron James wore them.

So if world known runway model Gigi Hadid is wearing "Urban-Decay all nighter" foundation, makeup lovers will be sure to buy it no matter the price.

"I don't prefer the other brands. To me they aren't worth all the hype," said the young makeup saleswoman.

"Buying from a Mary Kay consultant you aren't putting your money into a big corporation. You are helping someone pay their bills and provide for their family."

Ashpaugh said that her number one reason for joining is that "Mary Kay believes that you should put God first, family second, and career third."

All millennial makeup lovers can remember a time when they could buy makeup right next to their favorite Barbie. For most makeup lovers they got off to a rocky start, without knowing what colors work best for them or how to even apply them, not everyone looked like a professional.

Lexie Williams of Lawton, Oklahoma has been a beauty guru since middle school, "I started when I was 10 years old, but got really into it when I was 16."

Williams said, "I guess I started watching a lot of YouTube videos, and that's what inspired me to work hard at it."

Makeup lovers love nothing more than when their work is noticed, "I love looking good, and I'm really good at it and I love it when I get acknowledged," Williams said.

"Cut-crease eye shadow" has been a long running makeup trend for many years. To create this look you must put a dark shade of eye shadow into your eye crease and then use your favorite concealer to create the shape.

Like any hobby, makeup takes time, practice, and patience. "I like doing cut crease makeup but it takes a lot of time and a lot of practice, I failed at least 6 or 7 times before I got it right," Williams said.

Makeup is not meant to disguise the features of a face, or "cover" any flaws, but rather enhance features.

Karen Rodriguez is a sophomore elementary education major at North-

western and began using makeup when she was in high school. "I would just put on a little bit of powder, and mascara and eyeliner, and lip gloss," Rodriguez said.

Contouring has become a trend by famous makeup artists and celebrities. In 2017 Kim Kardashian released her contour and highlight kit to her KKW Beauty makeup line. These crème contour sticks seemed to be like any other but because they were by Kim Kardashian herself, the sales were through the roof.

"I use the Maybelline New York master contour by face studio, I use it because it's much cheaper than any celebrity brand and it works well for me," Rodriguez said.

"Drug store products get the job done just as well, you just have to find what works for you and that doesn't mean you will find it in the KKW Beauty makeup. Makeup is beautiful and everyone should try it," Said Rodriguez.



Photo courtesy: Bored Panda

Example of the feathered brows look

Eyebrows are the strip of hair above our eyes that can express how we are feeling, for example, when we are asking a question, one eyebrow raises higher while the other goes lower. Without even asking anything you can tell when someone is puzzled just by the way their eyebrows are formed.

And that's why for decades people have had their own ways and trends of doing their eyebrows, all different, thin, thick, or feathery. In 2017 'feathered eyebrows' took the makeup world by storm, some people thought they looked ridiculous, or they were just a joke.

Lexi Brixey is a cosmetologist student at the salon professional academy

different and so should their brows be."

Some makeup brands are more expensive than others, there's brands sold at Wal-Mart that run on the "cheap side" vs. brands sold at nation-known stores like Ulta Beauty or Sephora. The difference is the price, of course, and the quality of the makeup.

Anastasia Beverly Hills is a famous makeup brand that sells everything on the spectrum. The palettes go for \$40+ and have made their way across the nation this past year. Why, because famous beauty gurus use them therefore making them a trend.

Most beauty gurus and artists will use the brands sold at the expensive

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Editorial

Adults should read children's books

By MICHELLE WILLSON
Editorial Editor

Can Adults learn things from children's books? Yes and No, I feel we can relearn from them. We already have these lessons in our mind but sometimes we need to be reminded of them. It also helps you escape from the adult world and get back to your roots and remember what it is like to feel like a child again.

March 2nd is Read across America Day and Dr. Seuss's Birthday. I think we should take part of the day to enjoy the stories we loved as children. I feel that as children, we followed the story but as adults or young adults, we tend to find the meaning behind the story. We now have the capability to analyze the actions of the characters and author.

TheAtlantic.com stated, "To a child, The Little Prince is the story of a boy who falls from the sky, meets lots of funny people on his travels, and then returns to his star. But take a closer look and you find as clear a commentary on everything that's wrong with modern life—and what can be done to fix it—as you would in the most biting social satire".

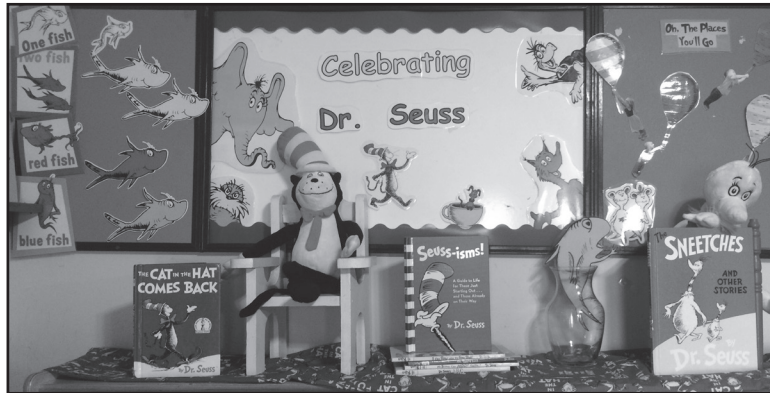


Photo by Michelle Willson

One of the many bulletin boards at my moms daycare that I help her decorate in honor of Dr. Seuss's Birthday

(The Atlantic)

Around this time every year, I help my mom decorate her daycare for Dr. Seuss day. We like to make it Dr. Seuss month. My favorite part is reading the books to the daycare kids. It is funny to read the things you notice as an adult that went right over your head as children. Think about the story of The Lorax, it is not just saving the environment it is also about learning how to become an advocate, to use your voice, and speak for those who cannot speak for themselves. I feel especially with all the movements going on this is an especially good lesson to remind yourself of. Even if

the action does not directly affect you. You should always use your voice to help others.

I also feel that books can give aid to you in your life's journey, even if it is just giving you the ambition to try new things. I do not know about you, but I am a very "quote driven" person. I feel like Dr. Seuss has some of the best quotes to live by. In Happy Birthday to You, Dr. Seuss writes, "Today you are you, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is Youer than You." Dr. Seuss uses this quote to remind you to be yourself. As adults, we can see the reasons for the quotes and analyze the words. What

seems like a fun rhyme as a kid is actually great life advice that can help you when you are having a bad day.

I am a little bias because I absolutely adore Dr. Seuss, but there are plenty of well written children and even young teen books that you should read or reread from your childhood. Most of the books give life advice through the adventures of the characters portrayed and even if there is not a stand out lesson to learn, at least it's a little escape from your adult responsibility's.

I propose that we should get rid of any maximum age limit on books. There is no reason that a 16 or even someone 24 or older should feel embarrassed to check out their favorite book from the library even if it is "Oh the thinks You can Think" or "James and The Giant Peach". I do not care if it says ages 5-9 if I want to read it as a 19 year old it is not weird.

So since March 2 is "National Read around America Day." I say you should go and pick up your favorite book, No matter what the content or size, and read it. The entire book or even just your favorite page. Get back to your childhood and get some of the genuine childlike nature back.

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.
—The Lion and the Mouse

But all the magic I have known I've had to make myself.
—Where the Sidewalk Ends

Olympic controversies

By MICHELLE WILLSON
Editorial Editor

With the Olympics coming to a close, the United States ended up getting the floor with 23 medals total. I feel that the Olympics brings the countries together in a healthy competition. However, with well-known festivities like the Olympics they often come with baggage. Controversy and scandals are often some of the most talked about content of the games.

Even after the Russian doping scandal, some Russians were allowed to participate in the 2018 winter Olympics but they had to go under the name "Olympic Athletes from Russia" and if they received a medal, the Olympic flag would be raised and the Olympic song would be played. I am glad they did it like this. The athletes allowed were cleared before playing and an official from Pyeongchang organizing committee said Japan's omission was a "simple mistake" caused by changes in image files when organizers updated the Olympic website in February.

There was also a controversy with Japan being left off the "Dream Program" map. The Japan Times stated, "An official from Pyeongchang organizing committee said Japan's omission was a "simple mistake" caused by changes in



image files when organizers updated the Olympic website in February."

An NBC analyst Joshua Ramo was fired one day after making a controversial comment about Korea and Japan's relationship. Ramo said "Every Korean will tell you that Japan is a cultural, technological and economic example that has been so important to their own transformation." The comment seemed to backlash almost immediately, NBC has since apologized for the comment/

High winds also brought challenge for athletes. Not only was it hard to land their jumps but it is also a danger to them. The wind was not just a danger to the athletes but to spectators and workers as well. The New York Times wrote,

"The Olympic park in Gangneung was evacuated on Wednesday because tents and signs were blowing everywhere."

One of the many faces of the Olympics this year was Adam Rippon. He, along with his team, took bronze in the men's team figure skate at the Olympics. I just want to get one thing straight; Adam Rippon is an amazing Olympic Figure skater that happens to be Gay. He is not a Gay Figure Skater that happens to be amazing. What I am saying is, yes, its cool that he is the first openly gay Olympian but the Olympics should be focused on the skill he has, not his sexual orientation. His amazing skill should be talked about more than anything else is.

We all know the scandal from the last summer Olympics but these winter games made me feel embarrassed for another reason. The first medal was won by Red Gerard a 17 year old in men's slopestyle. I sat on my couch thinking, "I am a 19 year old and what do I have to show for it?" I am nowhere close to making it to the Olympics let alone winning. I know there was some controversy over a curse word he said on camera but he is 17 and won an Olympic gold! Therefore, I think we should all give him a little bit of a break.

Even with the scandals and controversies, I feel like the Olympic Games are an important part of worldly culture. It brings countries together, even if it is just for 2 weeks.



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Inmate's access to tampons

By **TEMI IKUDAYISI**
The University Star

Recent legislation has been proposed to restore incarcerated women with basic dignity, providing unlimited access to feminine hygiene products.

In Arizona's only women's state prison, incarcerated women are provided only 12 free menstruation pads per month and restricted from possessing more than 24 pads at any given time. Tampons are not given freely. To acquire more pads or tampons, prisoners must use their barely existing wage to purchase these products. Base pay in the prison is about 15 cents per hour. A woman would need to work around 21 hours to pay for an additional set of pads and around 26 hours to afford a \$3.99 box of tampons.

The average cycle of menstruation occurs every 21 to 35 days and lasts anywhere from two to seven days. Doctors recommend a woman should change her pad or tampon every four to six hours to avoid infection. By these guidelines, a woman would require 20 pads or tampons per period cycle. This

does not account for women with irregularities who receive their cycle more than once a month or for women who tend to have heavier flows during menstruation.

A woman who does not have the necessary products will likely end up bleeding through her clothes, a violation of the prisons dress code, which could result in loss of visitation, phone calls and ability to make any purchases from the prison store- including tampons and pads.

The proposed bill by Rep. Athena Salman seeks to correct the ludicrous restrictions on feminine hygiene products, ensuring women incarcerated in state prisons receive free and unlimited access to hygiene products. Salma was inspired to propose this after the state of Colorado passed a bill allocating \$40,000 to provide the female inmates with free tampons. Her bill suggests appropriating \$80,000 from the state's general fund to support the provision of pads and tampons for the Arizona state prison which has double the number of inmates as the state prison in Colorado.

Arizona is not the only state

fighting to restore its female incarcerated population with basic dignity. In addition to Colorado: Maryland, Virginia and Nebraska have introduced similar legislation in the past year to ensure prisoners are provided with the necessary products.

Formerly incarcerated women gathered in front of the Arizona House of Representatives to share their stories of the regular degradation, embarrassment and begging they frequently endured as prisoners attempting to maintain proper hygiene. Women shared stories of having to plead with male correctional officers to provide hygiene products and being given miniature, flimsy pads, insufficient for any adult woman. The prisoners impending needs sparked an innovation as women began to strip these pads apart to assemble makeshift tampons. They were then written up for possession of contraband if found with these self-assembled tampons. What is a regular monthly occurrence for women and girls has been turned into a barbaric, extraneous and humiliating experience for women behind bars.

Despite hearing these moving testimonials from formerly incarcerated women, many male House Representatives were critical of the bill or refused to recognize the legitimacy of the issue altogether.

Rep. Anthony Kern, R-Glendale, said giving prisoners more feminine-hygiene products would likely result in "a lot of frivolous actions."

Rep. Jay Lawrence, the committee chairman, said, "I'm almost sorry I heard the bill." He added, "I didn't expect to hear pads and tampons and the problems of periods."

Jennifer Weiss Wolf, an advocate for menstrual equality, says the problem is not just the lack of the availability of products but the incessant hoops women must jump through to access them.

"It is the power dynamic to which women inmates are subject overall — which is then exacerbated by menstruation," Weiss-Wolf said. "If it leads to their denial of essential products like tampons and pads — and we hear frequently that indeed it does — access becomes a matter of health and human dignity."



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Art expressions in Alva, buildings and murals



Photo by Cedric Collinge

Oklahoma statehood painting and statue next to the professional building on the square

By CEDRIC COLLINGE
Student Writer

The art around Alva is magnificent and sprouts a lot of curiosity.

When I went down to the square my plan was to just get people of Alva doing whatever it is they do when walking about the square. As I walking, I noticed artwork that I had not paid attention to before and before I knew it, I began to notice all these pieces of art on the sides of various buildings along the square.

At first I thought just taking pictures of the art pieces were good enough, but I thought to myself not everyone may know where this art is located if I just showed the art piece itself. So then I got the idea of "ART behind Alva."

I took pictures of the art-work and the buildings they were presented on. There was plenty of more artwork I did not get a chance to get a picture but I figure what I had was more than enough for me to work with.

So my intention with the Photo Essay, is to combine the pieces of Art with its associated building and point out to the community that the cliché art is everyone is true. It is behind buildings, within the walls of buildings or even inside a building if they just look. It was fun taking these pictures and seeing all the types of art represented by each store or building. It gave a sense of culture to the Alva Square.



Photo by Cedric Collinge

Mural painting on the side of the Alva professional building



Photo by Cedric Collinge

Mural painted by the old bell tower



Photo by Cedric Collinge

Downtown mall and gallery on the Alva square.



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Beautiful large painting on the side of The Elegant Toad in downtown Alva

Feature

Free social media Field to the lab

By **BRYANT VENOSDEL**
Student Writer

Anything that you get free is always better. Food, drinks and T-shirts are all better when you do not have to pay for them.

In this day and age where we are all connected, it is easier now more than ever to be able to reach out to a company or brand and actually talk with them and have a conversation with someone from a certain company. And also get a lifetime of free stuff from these companies. On Twitter, people are able to let a company know how they feel about their products, what suggestions they might have on how to improve it and the companies actually take the customer feedback and will respond to them and let them know that they are hearing out what people have to tell them.

But now, Twitter users aren't as much talking with these companies on how to improve certain things, they're asking them for an outrageous amount of free stuff (mainly food from food brands or restaurants) in exchange for a certain amount of retweets. What's really going on is that brand is getting free promotion. Some person might slide into a brands DM's and ask for a lifetime supply of Twinkies, but the brands response is that tweet must get into the thousands of retweets or possibly millions and if that happens that brand is getting seen by a lot of people.

A Twitter that has been very popular with a lot of people following them is Burger King. Burger King's Twitter is full of jokes and puns and they have perfected the art of being able to keep their followers loyal where they retweet their tweets, causing them to be seen everywhere.

A Burger King spokesperson for their Twitter, Jessica Tyrell, knows that Twitter is a platform for bringing people together, even if their a company account and ones an average user. "Twitter can do great things, people from around the world can be in contact with one another and it is all at their fingertips," said Jessica. "We love our Twitter followers and try to respond to them as soon as possible, they're our loyal customers and when they retweet what we post to their followers, it's always appreciated," said Tyrell. Chris Punto is an avid Twitter user, who retweets every Funko (@OriginalFunko) tweet in a chance to win one of their collectible figurines. He has yet to win one, as these Funko tweets get retweeted by thousands of people, but this is another way that the brand and the user are connecting and making customer involvement by offering them a chance at something for free.

Punto is also a person who has a deal going on with a company in exchange for retweets. O'Fallon



@Wendys can you find me the nearest Mcdonalds?

Brewery has offered Punto a lifetime supply of beer if he can get 100,000 retweets. "I really like there beer and I just DM'd them asking how many retweets for a lifetime supply and they actually responded and told me 100,000," said Punto. "I really don't have much hope for it now, as it's basically stopped getting retweeted at about 300, but who knows," said Punto. Some companies are actually kind enough and realize that there is no way an average Twitter user is going to get the amount of retweets that they say.

Last year, Carter Wilkerson tweeted at Wendy's, asking how many retweets he would need for a year of free chicken nuggets. Wendy's responded by saying he would need 18 million. Wilkerson said consider it done and his tweet immediately took off and started getting retweeted everywhere. It finally reached a record 3.6 million retweets and Wendy's agreed that that was enough for him to get the free chicken nuggets.

A spokesperson for Wendy's Twitter, Brook Gale, is glad that the Wendy's company was able to give Wilkerson his free chicken nuggets and also glad that the company was able to be part of that viral moment. "It was a pretty big thing, I don't think anyone thought that it would get so blown up, but it did," said Gale. "Even though that was a while ago, we still get people asking for free chicken nuggets and burgers every day and if they got the millions of retweets like he did, they probably deserve it," said Gale. Twitter isn't the first place where companies have done free giveaways for people. Companies giving out free products or food during online giveaways or promotions isn't anything new at all, for some stores, having a big online presence is very important to them.

They are constantly updating their Facebook or website and trying to get people to come across their page, but it might not work for every place. Pranaya Shresta is a manager at Walmart in Alva and has the duty of running their Facebook page from time-to-time. With a store like Walmart and the location that it's in, they don't necessarily need to worry about having



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to do giveaways for advertisement. "I usually take pictures of the deals or stuff on clearance that we have and upload them on Facebook," said Shresta. "But the deals that I post on there is going to hopefully be seen by someone and that will bring them to the store when they might not have." Every stores motto is different and their focuses might be on different things, but any company who has a presence online or social media are being able to advertise for free.

You can go on Twitter and tweet to your favorite company and there is a chance that they will respond to you within an hour. The group of people who are all hired to run these companies are more than likely fresh out of college and relate to this generation more than the older generation would have and how that older generation's companies advertised and interacted with the consumer.

You can even see companies on Twitter actually having friendly arguments about who is better. Burger King saying how their 5 for \$4 deal is the better than Wendy's 4 for \$4 deal and then Wendy's firing back at how their "fresh, never frozen" food is better than what Burger King serves.

Either way, both companies have millions of followers on Twitter and don't even need to pay for time on TV to run their ads, when all they have to do is send a tweet, and the whole world can see it.

By **NICK PERKINS**
Student Writer

Playing collegiate football was something that he was completely focused on, until his focuses changed when he was diagnosed with high blood pressure in the summer between high school and college.

Chris Turner is a junior at Northwester Oklahoma State University that is currently trying to obtain a bachelor's degree in computer science. After being diagnosed with high blood pressure the doctor said that if Turner didn't get it down he could be just running around and have a heart attack, "It was really scary more than anything, said Turner."

Turner doesn't let the fact that he doesn't play football bother him. He is still enthusiastic as a junior and is focused on his health and learning to help further his self in life. Learning is one of his passions.

He decided to continue his education after he wasn't playing football because he has worked multiple jobs before. He said that while he was doing that he made good money, but didn't enjoy his self because he was only getting about 4 hours of sleep a night and didn't have time to do anything. This is another reason he studies and wants to do something he likes, so he doesn't have to work that much all the time and can en-



Photo by Nick Perkins

NWOSU football player, Junior, and computer science major Chris Turner

joy things.

Turner tries to keep multiple plans in mind upon graduation. After he graduates he wants to either continue is education to get his master's degree in electrical engineering or aviation, go into the work force or join the Navy or the Airforce. Flying airplanes has been something that he has wanted to do since he was a kid.

"No matter what I do, I still want to get my master's degree so I can further my education, said Turner."



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Billionaire Christian Grey and his new wife, Anastasia, fully embrace their inextricable connection and shared life of luxury.

'50 Shades freed' cheesy, unrealistic

By **ASHLEY STREHL**
Entertainment Editor

Three books, one romance, and a dark secret; these things are the recipe for one of the biggest book trilogies in America, 50 shades of grey.



While they may only be for adults, and also appeal to women more than they do men, they're more than just any regular erotica.

These books became some of the most controversial movies that America has seen starring Jamie Dornan as Christian Grey and Dakota Johnson as Anastasia Steele.

In the third and final movie "50 shades freed" Christian Grey marries Anastasia, a romance that has built up and progressed throughout the movie, both emotionally, and definitely physically. Even if you have not read the books or seen the movies you know the notoriety of it. I shouldn't have to go in to detail, should I?

Anastasia Steele is the young

geeky American Literature student who meets million-billionaire Grey when assigned to write a story about him for work. From the moment an audience meets Anastasia they can see that she is quiet, and most importantly, innocent as can be.

Christian Grey, the rich, mysterious, and seductive power-figure, find interest in Anastasia in the first movie and shows her into his world of dominatra. This is new to Anastasia, as she has never imagined a man would want to hurt a woman for his own pleasure in the bedroom.

In "50 shades freed" after a long two movie build up, Christian and Anastasia say their vows and begin there life together as Mrs. and Mrs. Grey. With this luxurious lifestyle in their very own smart house with a cook, a maid, and 4 body guards, they face too many early marriage problems. For example, Anastasia asks Christian if he wants to have kids. Isn't that a question that you should ask before you wear the ring? And not to mention the R-rated bedroom scenes every 30 minutes in between their personal problems.

It's ridiculous how insecure they both are for being married and there is still so much that they

both don't know about eachother.

It's always "Christian you're keeping secrets", and then "No Anastasia you aren't obeying my rules." It's repetitive, and unrealistic in a sense that a couple like themselves in real life would carefully consider everything before saying "I do."

One thing that I will say about this movie and the others is that the story line will keep you on the edge of your seat. Christian is this big closed book that Anastasia so desperately tries to open in the first two movies, and you can find yourself screaming at the screen begging to know his personal issues and why he has them.

This movie will make you gasp and then feel nauseous about three seconds later, there's a cheesy scene, a sex scene, a sad scene, and then and intense scene and the cycle repeats itself at least three or four times throughout the movie.

When Anastasia gets mad at Christian I find myself always taking her side. When Christian is frustrated with Anastasia, I feel like I am suddenly taking his side. The characters have so much about them that it's so easy to get invested into them.

While this movie has it's

flaws, I would recommend seeing it if you like romance and action movies, because "50 Shades freed" has the best of both of these worlds.

Billboard Top 10 Songs February 2018

1- "Gods Plan"
Drake

2 - "Perfect"
Ed Sheeran

3 - "Finesse"
Bruno Mars & Cardi B

4 - "Havana"
Camila Cabello Featur-
ing Young Thug

5 - "Rockstar"
Post Malone Featuring
21 Savage

6 - "Look Alive"
BlocBoy JB ft. Drake

7 - "Meant To Be"
BeBe Rexha & Florida
Georgia Line

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Sports

Rangers win game one

By RANGER ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Game 1

Northwestern Oklahoma State baseball was back at Myers Stadium for the first of a three-game series against Great American Conference opponent Arkansas Tech University. The Rangers rode another complete game performance from starting pitcher Walker Wharton to a 6-2 win over the Wonder Boys.

After surrendering a run in the first, Wharton and catcher Harrison Hull seemed to have solved the Wonder Boys lineup as they worked seven straight scoreless frames before a solo home run came in the ninth.

ATU opened the scoring in the top of the first with textbook small ball, bunting over the runner before scoring Britt Stroth with a Riley Hickerson sac-fly.

Northwestern would tie it up in the bottom of the second when Hull drove in center fielder Johnnuelle Ponce with a single through the left side to make it a 1-1 game.

Third baseman Luis Mendoza

cranked his first home run of the season when he took a 1-0 offering from ATU starter Hayes Cox deep over the wall in right, giving the Rangers the lead in the fourth. Senior Jorin Van Amstel had a solid afternoon at the dish, going 3-for-5 to improve his batting average to a team-high .458 on the year.

The Ranger bats came through with some insurance for Wharton in the eighth when they capitalized on three hits and an error to score four runs, extending their lead to 6-1 heading to the ninth. Luis Cintron cashed in two runs with a base hit through the left side.

Cody Wescott gave Tech some late life with a leadoff home run in the ninth, but Wharton regrouped to record the final three outs as he secured his fourth win of 2018.

Northwestern Oklahoma State University baseball dropped the final two games of their series with Arkansas Tech on Sunday, falling 10-4 in the first game and 12-11 in the second.

The Rangers nearly pulled off the impossible in game two as they hung eight runs in the bottom of the seventh to make it a one-

run game despite facing a 12-3 deficit heading into the final frame. Game 2

The Rangers sent right-hander Cole Jackson to the hill looking for his first win of 2018 after recording a no-decision in his only other start against Fort Hays State. The redshirt junior impressed in his 4.2 innings of work, not allowing an earned run to the Wonder Boys while giving up four hits and one walk.

After a triple off the bat of Dylan McDearmon, Arkansas Tech capitalized when a passed ball got by catcher Cole Anderson for the game's first run. But Northwestern would answer right back in bottom of the fourth as Judah Zickafoose carried one high over the center field wall for a two-run home run to give the black-and-red the lead.

Northwestern picked up two more runs in the fifth with a Cintron RBI double followed by an RBI single through the left side from lefty slugger Justin Bundy to give the home team a 4-1 advantage.

Matt Goertzen took over on the mound for Jackson, getting out of trouble in the fifth and tossing a clean sixth for the Rangers. But ATU

tagged Goertzen for four runs in the inning on five hits (with an error), giving the Wonder Boys a 5-4 lead.

But the Wonder Boys weren't done there. A five-run eighth off senior Matthew Bickford capped off a 10-4 victory for Arkansas Tech. Game 3

Head coach Ryan Bowen gave the ball to freshman Ryan Marcoccia for the third and final game as the Rangers were looking to rebound and take the series win. Marcoccia enjoyed some early run support as Justin Bundy drove in Daschal Johnson in the first and then Judah Zickafoose was plated in the second to give the left-hander a 2-0 lead.

But Marcoccia's defense let him down in the fourth as two fielding errors allowed Arkansas Tech to score two and tie the game.

The Rangers would briefly regain the lead in the bottom half of the fourth when an errant throw down to third by Tech catcher Jake Harvey allowed Zickafoose to cruise home with a 3-2 advantage.

The Wonder Boys used a one-out rally in the fifth to put up six runs off Marcoccia and reliever Tyler Ber-

nhardt, capitalizing on four hits and two more errors by Northwestern's infield. ATU would add four more in the sixth off sophomore Sean Rydell, sending the Rangers to bat in the seventh facing a 12-3 deficit in their final at bat.

That's when things got interesting.

Brady Bradshaw came off the bench to pinch hit in the bottom of the seventh, opening the frame with his first hit of the season. After a wild pitch moved him to third, Nathan Kane beat out an infield single to put runners on the corners.

With Logan Jones drawing a walk to load the bases, Van Amstel drove the first pitch through the Arkansas Tech infield to score Bradshaw.

Things really started to get hairy for the Wonder Boys when pitcher Isaac Hale issued three straight bases-loaded walks, allowing the Rangers to make it 12-7 with just one out in the inning.

Northwestern would continue their improbable rally, clawing their way all the way back to a 12-11 game before a fly-out to right closed the door on any comeback.

Ranger athletes dominate court

By ERIC ANDRES Student Reporter

The men's basketball game against SWOSU took place on Feb. 19. Here is some information to help get to know some of the players:

His last game at Percefull Fieldhouse Senior Cedric Collinge from Fort Collins, Colorado, gave a moment of his time to answer a few questions. During his time on the Northwestern basketball team Collinge said that there was something coach told him that he will remember, "Take advantage of the opportunities I have in front of me and make sure to be a vocal leader on the team."

He also said the easiest aspect of his game was his dunking skills even though he doesn't show it off that often. The brotherhood of basketball has taught him many things, but he said the most important thing was that he could rely on his team to help him get through tough times and that basketball is about family. "They can lead you to success if you believe in each other," Collinge said.

Trey Johnson, a senior from Phoenix, Arizona, and Health and Sports fitness management degree major, said that the advice coach Dirden gave him that Johnson will always take with

him was, "Whether it's basketball or life you will always have to give 100%."

Johnson said he feels that a lot of his game comes easy to him, but the easiest aspect of his game is finishing around the rim because he always focuses on making shots that are closets to the rim.

Johnson also takes the more relaxing vibe going into the game unlike his teammates, he says "I prefer to be as relaxed and goofy as possible, I find that it helps me play to the best of my abilities."

He said that basketball has taught him many things but the biggest thing that it taught him, was when things seem hopeless you have to believe, and you will be surprised with the outcome.

Greg Minor, a senior from Louisville, Kentucky, said he has been given many words of advice from coach Dirden but the one that he will remember is when the coach told him to "stay confident even though he's going to be picky on expectations. So just stay confident and play your game."

Minor said he believes that his offense is what comes easy to him this year, but his defense comes the easiest to him.

One-way Minor prepares for his games is that he listens to R&B to start off and by halftime

of the girl's game he listens to all rap music.

Criminal justice major, Cody Halvorson, is a senior from Temple, Texas. He said that the advice that coach gave was to be confident and to keep his swagger.

Halvorson has shown all year that he is one of the best shooters in the GAC and it comes as no surprise when he said that the easiest aspect of his game is his shooting.

Halvorson said he doesn't do anything different from his teammates when it comes to preparing for the game, he just watches the girls game and listens to music.



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The men's team: John Godwin, Hunter Frisby, A.J. Jones, Cedric Collinge, Greg Minor Jr., Brandon Green, Trey Johnson, Saba Gvedshivili, A'keem Oglesby, Elijah Parks, Hayden Graham, Treyvon Andres and Garrick Golden.

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Sports

Women close season with loss

By MEGAN MAHARRY
Sports Reporter

The Lady Rangers basketball team closed out their season with a pair of road games against East Central University and Southeastern Oklahoma State. The Lady Rangers defeated ECU, but lost to Southeastern.

A comeback in the fourth quarter against ECU gave the Lady Rangers a 76-71 victory. The Lady Rangers trailed by as many as 16 during the first half, but managed to outscore ECU in the final quarter 22-12.

ECU led for most of the game, connecting on 7-of-15 attempts from the three-point line. The second half looked more promising for the Lady Rangers as they chipped away at ECU's lead.

The Lady Ranger shot 43.8 percent going 21-of-48 from the floor and forced ECU to make 18 turnovers. The Lady Rangers also hit 29-of-32 free throw attempts.

Freshman Bailey Brown led her team with a career high 25 points, going 9-of-12 from the field. Junior Jade Jones had no points in the first half, but came back to score 16 in the second half.

Jakeria Otey and Kinsey Neiderer also had double digit points, scoring 15 and 16 points respectively.



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Jade Jones goes in for a layup. Jones is a junior and will be on the team next year, as will all the other Lady Rangers because none are seniors.

The victory over ECU gave the Lady Rangers life in hopes of a GAC postseason tournament spot. Unfortunately, the Lady Rangers lost the must-win situation game to Southeastern, 70-53.

Southeaster's offense was hot throughout the game, shooting a team high 50 percent from the

field. The Lady Rangers trailed by only four at half, but were only able to convert on 8-of-31 shots in the second half.

The Lady Rangers hung with Southeastern until the final quarter. The Lady Rangers had a 15-4 run and eventually tied the game in the third quarter.

Shots did not seem to fall in favor of the Lady Rangers as Southeastern outscored them 37-to-24 in the final half. A fourth quarter run gave Southeastern the victory.

Junior McKenzie Billy led her team with 14 points. Jones and Otey each had double digits of 12

and 10 points respectively. Freshman Selena McDonald grabbed 10 rebounds.

The loss ends the Lady Ranger's season as they will not qualify for the Great American Conference. The Lady Rangers finish their season 12-16 overall and 8-14 in conference play.

Ranger softball defeated on road

By RANGER ATHLETIC
DEPARTMENT

In the first conference series of the season, Northwestern Oklahoma State traveled to Bentonville, Ark. to play Arkansas Tech. Two late pushes by the Golden Suns led them to two victories over the Rangers on day one of the series.

GAME 1

There were no Rangers with multi-hit games, but Morgan Kirk, Brittany Corrales, Macy Madewell and Peyton Garrett all had one a piece.

Starting in the circle for the Rangers was Madison Garza who was only able to go four innings, struggling taming the bats of the Golden Suns who put up four runs on the senior pitcher.

Northwestern started out the scoring in the contest, where Madison McGraw took home on a wild pitch that also moved Madewell to third, but that would be all the visitors could muster.

ATU immediately followed it up with a run of their own in the bottom of one on a single to center field.

Each squad refused to go away in the game as they knotted it up twice more.

As the game was tied 2-2, Northwestern's Kirk pelted a homer over the left field fence to make it 3-2.

Unfortunately for the Rangers however, the Suns put up two runs of their own in the bottom of the fourth inning to take a 4-3 advantage, ultimately giving them the one-run victory.

GAME 2

The Rangers struggled on offense in game two of the day as there were only two hits recorded for the Black-and-Red, coming by way of Kirk and Garrett.

Karly Murry was the pitcher of record in the second game and came away with a tough loss, with three of the four runs coming on a homerun.

Neither team was able to gain an advantage until the bottom of the third where a single to left by Coronado, scoring Bunch on the play to make it a 1-0 ballgame.

Both pitchers did a good job keeping the other team off the scoreboard, but that would change in the bottom of the sixth where three more runs were put on the board for the hosts on a three-run bomb to left field, making it 4-0.

The Rangers were unable to come up with any runs in the top of the seventh, ultimately leading to the loss. Northwestern Oklahoma State took on Arkansas Tech for

the second day in a row and came up short in both contests, as the Golden Suns downed the Rangers 9-2, and 5-1 in the doubleheader.

GAME 3

The Rangers bats came alive in the first game of the day, where they collected nine hits as a team with two players in Estrella Guardiola and Garrett earning two a piece. Five other batters also got in on the hitting display.

Allison Wells made her first starting appearance on the season and went three full frames before giving way to Karly Murry who went the last three innings for the Black-and-Red.

The first game of the day started out the same as the first yesterday, where the Rangers struck first. Corrales got on board with a double down the left field line and was then moved to third on a wild pitch. Following the wild pitch, McGraw gained an RBI on a groundout to the second baseman to get the scoring started.

In the bottom of the first however, the Golden Suns scored as well, but theirs on a wild pitch, tying it up at 1-1.

ATU put up two more runs in the bottom of the second after a scoreless half inning for the visitors, making it 3-1.

Northwestern was able to scratch

another run across however in the top half of the third, but was once again followed up by another two runs posted by the Golden Suns.

Arkansas Tech kept adding up the run support however, scoring four more runs over the next two innings and shut down the Rangers in the process, ending the game up seven runs.

GAME 4

The Rangers didn't hit as well in

the final game of the series, recording only five total hits as a team, while Tech tallied up 10 of their own.

Both teams were scoreless through one inning, but ATU crossed home plate in the second for one run, making it an early 1-0 lead.

The game would remain that way until the top of the fourth when a single by Guardiola to left field, plating Madewell for their first score of the game, tying it up at one run a piece.

The tie game didn't last long however as the hosts slapped three singles past the infield and stole home for a four-run inning, which was ultimately enough to put away the Rangers in the end.



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Madison McGraw.

Dancing during halftime show



Photo by Michelle Willson

President Janet Cunningham and Campus police Chief Joel Johnson dance with the cheer squad and Rowdy, the ranger mascot, during the halftime show of the Men's game on Monday, Feb. 19. The NWOSU men's basketball team beat their rival SWOSU 86-77.