

Preparing for Homecoming

By **LOGAN JONES**
Student Reporter

The week of Homecoming is, by far, Northwestern's biggest events, aside from graduation, during the academic year. Rangers, both current and former, come out to show their love and passion for their school and all that it has to offer. Homecoming 2018 should be no different.

The theme for this year will be 'Get Rowdy' and will feature a wide arrangement of activities such as the Miss Cinderella Talent Show and Pageant on Thursday and Friday, and homecoming staples like the Homecoming Parade and Homecoming football game on Saturday.

NWOSU's Director of Alumni Relations, John Allen, is more than excited for the upcoming week-long celebration.

"Homecoming is a time for alumni to come and reconnect," said Allen, "We have so many events planned like the Alumni Bar-B-Que, the Fun Run and the Alumni Band performance."



Photo by Ashley Strehl

The Nwosu Band Marching in last years homecoming parade.

Allen also made it clear that the homecoming celebrations are not just for the NWOSU family.

"This is everyone's homecoming," said Allen, "People from all over the Northwestern Oklahoma area come out for it. You don't even have to be a Northwestern student or alum to be a part of the culture and community."

Allen himself isn't a Northwestern alum. He went to school at Pitt State in Pittsburg, Kansas as well as worked at a few other schools before being offered a position at NWOSU. However, he remembers moments from his childhood where he and his family would drive down from Kansas to Alva during Northwestern's homecoming week.

"Alva was our big city. It was

where we went to go celebrate." Said Allen.

One of the biggest events during homecoming is always the Homecoming Parade. This year, the parade marshal will be Dr. David Bohlen. Bohlen was a former science professor at Northwestern for 27 years. After his teaching days, Bohlen continues to provide for the school and its students as he and

his wife, Emily, would host church dinner for students at the First Christian Church, and in 2017, Bohlen and his wife were named fans of the year.

The other mainstay of Homecoming is, of course, the football game. This year, the Rangers will face off against the East Central University Tigers.

Kicker, Blake Humble, sees homecoming in a different perspective when compared to other games. "When preparing for homecoming, you naturally try harder during the week to be the best that you can possibly be because it's typically our most packed game and you don't want to mess up in front of all those people," said Humble.

This will be Humble's third Homecoming game at Northwestern. Over those years, Humble has experienced a different atmosphere during the big game.

"It's always way louder and people usually have their family and friends there and they just don't want to disappoint them," said Humble, "For me, it's the most fun game to play in during the regular season."

Dr. David Bohlen to be Northwestern homecoming parade marshal

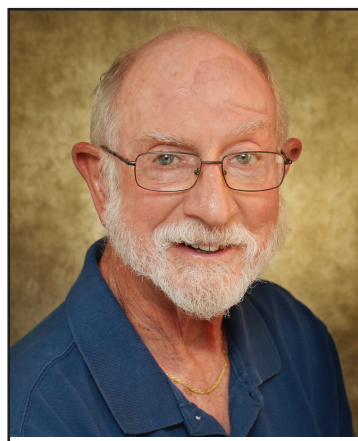
By **UNIVERSITY RELATIONS**

Dr. David Bohlen will lead Northwestern Oklahoma State University's annual homecoming parade as its marshal starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 6, on Alva's downtown square.

Bohlen is a former Northwestern student and a retired faculty member (1973-2000).

Although he entered college planning to major in chemistry, Bohlen did not initially plan to be a teacher. He had his first teaching experience as a lab assistant at Upper Iowa University and enjoyed working with his fellow students as they learned chemistry. As a teaching assistant at the University of Wisconsin, Bohlen found that he could explain chemistry in a way the students could understand, and his lab sections were always near the top in test score rankings.

He received the chance to



Dr. David Bohlen

teach general chemistry at Upper Iowa and three years later he also taught organic chemistry. Every student in the 1966-67 organic class received an advanced degree.

He did research with Scientific Research in Alva during the summer of 1972, and his family fell in love with the community. In 1973 he began teaching organic chemistry and general chemistry for non-majors at Northwestern. Bohlen said general chemistry

was a general education course and also a required course for agriculture and home economics majors. In 1976, he started teaching biochemistry. Bohlen became Dean of the School of Natural Science, Mathematics and Computer Science in 1979 and served in that capacity until retiring in 2000. Over the course of his career, Bohlen said he had the joy of teaching students across all majors and backgrounds.

"It was a great experience to see the freshmen come in, learn, mature, graduate and enter graduate/professional school or enter directly into their chosen fields," Bohlen said.

He has been a Ranger fan during his time here in Alva and has been said to bleed red and black, which is probably true. Since retiring, Bohlen has more time to support Ranger athletics and also host Northwestern students at the First Christian Church College Fellowship Dinner each week. This is a way for

Bohlen to keep in touch with the students.

Bohlen and his wife, Emily, were chosen as Fans of the Year in 2017 at the Ranger Northwestespy Awards. Bohlen said they were stunned and highly honored by this, plus the fact that around 400 students gave them a standing ovation. He said it was a great thrill and is the reason he accepted the invitation to be parade marshal. "I am greatly honored to be chosen for this," Bohlen said. "I do this to honor the students, alumni and friends of this university that I have known for 45 years."

Dr. David Pecha, Homecoming chairman and vice president for administration, noted how honored the university is to have Bohlen serve as this year's marshal as he embodies the current homecoming theme - "Get Rowdy! Homecoming 2018."

"Each year the Homecoming Committee receives a number of parade marshal recommenda-

tions," Pecha said. "This year we are honored to recognize an outstanding retired faculty member and supporter of Ranger Athletics to lead the Saturday morning parade. I had the honor of working with Dr. Bohlen prior to his retirement and saw firsthand his dedication to teaching and service. He and Emily continue to support Northwestern by actively attending many university events."

Bohlen's late wife Marjorie has a scholarship created in her honor called the Marge Bohlen Scholarship Award, which was established in the spring of 1988 to honor a member of the women's basketball team who best typifies her characteristics: leadership, academic excellence and dynamic motivation. Marjorie earned her master's degree from Northwestern and two of his three children earned their bachelor's degrees from Northwestern.

"Northwestern is a family affair," Bohlen said. "I am proud to be a part of it."

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The beer is back; welcoming the liquor

By **BALEY GARZA**
Student Reporter

October is known for fall weather, and Halloween but there is another American holiday celebrated this month as well. National American Beer Day is October 27.

Beer drinkers celebrate national American Beer Day annually across the nation on Oct. 27. More than 2,100 breweries manufacture beer in the United States. The breweries size range from industry giants to brewpubs and microbreweries.

In 2009, the United States produced 196 million barrels of beer. The U.S. consumes roughly 20 U.S. gallons of beer per capita annually.

The most common style of beer produced by the big breweries is American Lager. Most of the smaller breweries founded in the 1980's produce a wide range of styles. The beer styles that originate in the United States include: American Pale Ale, Pennsylvania Porter, American IPA, Steam Beer, Amber Ale, Cream Ale, and Cascadian Dark Ale.

This year, National American Beer day for beer drinkers of Oklahoma will be different in a good way. Recently new alcohol laws passed. Legislature passed some new laws that influence the times and day's alcohol will be served in liquor stores and breweries in the state. Gov. Mary Fallin signed Senate Bill 411 into law this past month. This bill allows state breweries to change their hours of operation to match bars and restaurants. In the past, brewers were restricted to open as late as 9 p.m.

The bill also allows liquor stores to open at 8 a.m. They normal time



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Senate Bill 411 officially goes into effect in October 2018. The new laws designed to help ease financial pressure on retail liquor stores.

is 10 a.m. Senate Bill 411 officially goes into effect in October 2018. The new laws designed to help ease financial pressure on retail liquor stores, due to the voter approved state question 792. This allows grocery stores to sell wine and high point beer, beginning in October.

Another measure passed in legislature that is still waiting for Fallon's signature is house bill 2186. This bill would allow movie theaters to sell high point beer to costumers. If signed this bill will also go into effect in October 2018.

The new bill will do either good or bad for stores and bars. Owner of the bull, Bill Costello said the new alcohol laws would not affect the bull much at all. The bull already sells high point beer such as Dos Equis and Pabts Blue Ribbon.

"It's going to effect the conve-

nient stores and Walmart the most," said Costello. The new laws will force employees to have to get their liquor licenses in order to sell alcohol. It effects employees who have felony charges on their records. If an employee has a felony, they can longer be cashier because you cannot receive a liquor license due to a felony. With the new laws going into effect, the prices of beer at the bull will be going up 75 cents a beer. There will be a 13.5 % tax added for bar owners to pay. "We already pay the 13.5% tax because of our liquor license," said Costello.

To get your liquor license you have to go inline to the ABLE website, which costs \$32.25. ABLE is who have to go through for everything as business owner when it comes alcohol. "ABLE is who governs us" said Costello.

Convenient stores will not have to pay the 13.5% tax because they sell by cases. Bar owners have to because they sell alcohol per glass and per bottle.

Bill Costello said that most of the convenient stores in town and Walmart has their liquor licenses already. He also said that the bull has been having a hard time getting liquor and beer because of the new laws and percentages going up and having to buy liquor and beer from different companies instead getting them from one company. The new laws will affect the people who purchase the cheap beer at the beers. The cheapest beer at the bull is Keystone, which costs only one dollar. With the new laws, it now costs \$2.25, which will upset some people. Bull Bartender Melissa Chavez said that Keystone was one

of the most popular beers at the bull.

Michelob Ultra is the top selling beer at the bull. "People buy a lot of the generic beers," said Chavez. She also said that they sell many beers like Bud light and Coors Light. With the new laws, bars and stores will be able to sell more brands of beers. "People are going to get drunk faster now," said Chavez. The beer will be going up from 3.2% to 6%. Chavez said that it would definitely be louder in the bull now. The new alcohol laws go into effect October 1st. Costumers will be able to purchase high point beer and wine at local convenient stores from here on out.

With National American Beer Day Coming up and the new alcohol laws in Oklahoma, this year will be an interesting day for American Beer Day.

Breaking news: it's National Newspaper Week

By **MONTANA MCCULLOUGH**
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The world around us is constantly changing, with new information coming in each day.

Journalism is one way to keep the world informed about what is going on. Journalist report on the facts and give readers the information they need to make informed decisions. Journalism tries to be as unbiased and factual as it can. The newspaper strives to keep the news they report on factual and relevant. Rex Zimmerman, editor of the Kiowa News, said, "It [the newspaper] is a way of keeping the truth alive." In recent times, people have putting "fake news" out on the Internet and others are believing them. "Fake news" is when someone deliberately writes information

about someone or something that is untrue. The idea of "fake news" isn't new, but what is being put

National

attention to the news because of all of the strange and untrue stories they are reading about. People in today's world get most of their news from the In-

Anybody can get on the Internet and write an article. They can have the story written well and people believe it's true because it seems to be true. They don't fact check to make sure what they are reading is the truth. "In a world with all the social media, newspaper can keep the truth," Zimmerman said. Newspapers can help people figure out what is going on in the world.

Journalism isn't just about giving people facts about what's going on, it also keeps people connected. Marione Martin, editor of the Alva Review-Courier, said, "It [the newspaper] keeps people informed with what's going on in the communities and pulls community members together."

Keeping people connected is how people stay informed. Journalism helps that by getting a message to a large group across a large area.

Some people rely on the news

and newspapers to know what is going on throughout the world. Every newspaper may be different, but telling the facts is what they do.



in those articles is what is attracting people's attention.

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October supports awareness

By GREG MINOR
Student Reporter

October may seem to only about kids dressing up as ghosts, ghouls and goblins before scouring the town knocking on doors trick or treating, but it's also the month to take notice of the pink ribbon.

This month celebrates National Breast Cancer Awareness. Every year during this month major breast cancer charities branch out to raise money for research. Their cause is to help spread awareness of the causes of breast cancer as well as prevention, diagnosis, treatments and cures.

October can be a month to give support to those who are survivors and to honor those who were lost. According to breastcancer.org about one in eight U.S. women develop invasive breast cancer over the course of their life. "I have an aunt that just found out a few months ago that she has breast cancer," Brooklyn Hesson, a senior business major on the Volleyball team said, "I think it's amazing to show our support to people battling with cancer. I think it helps them know that whatever they are dealing with, they aren't alone and have the support from the community."

Northwestern sports teams participate in spreading the awareness on the court and on the field in many different ways. During the basketball season the Men's basketball team in the past lased their

shoes with pink shoe laces and some players would wear breast cancer themed socks. Hunter Frisby, a senior Health and Sports Science major on the basketball team had family members of his own diagnosed with cancer. "I feel strongly about supporting those who have or had breast cancer or even cancer in general," Frisby said. "Being able to show that they haven't gone unnoticed and that we support their fight and they will always be in our prayers." The women's basketball team wears spe-

es it may not be a family member of your own that is diagnosed, but a close teammate's mom. Clarissa Hinojo, senior nursing major and soccer player had a teammate in club soccer whose mom was diagnosed. Supporting the cause has been important to her ever since then. "It's important for us to stand tall and unite together," Hinojo said. "During the month of October we wear pink socks on game days and we tie pink ribbon's to our bags. I feel strong, powerful and fortunate to be a woman and to be able to represent breast cancer as a female on my uniform while playing is special."

Ranger athletic teams show their support for those who need it

What's up?

Home Coming events for Oct. 4 (today) to Oct 6.

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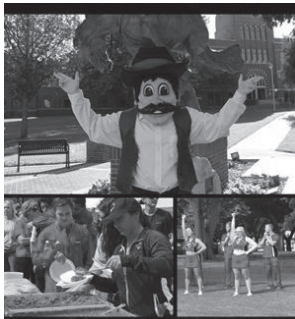
Lady Ranger Soccer Game v. OBU
6:00pm - NWOSU Soccer Fields
Miss Cinderella Talent Show
7:30pm - Herod Hall Auditorium

Friday

Rally 'Round the Ranger
12:00pm - Ranger Statue

Ranger Volleyball Game v. Arkansas Tech
6:00pm
Percefull Field House

Miss Cinderella Pageant
8:00pm
Herod Hall Auditorium



Saturday

Ranger Run
8:00am - Downtown Alva in front of Rialto

Homecoming Parade
10:00am - Downtown Alva

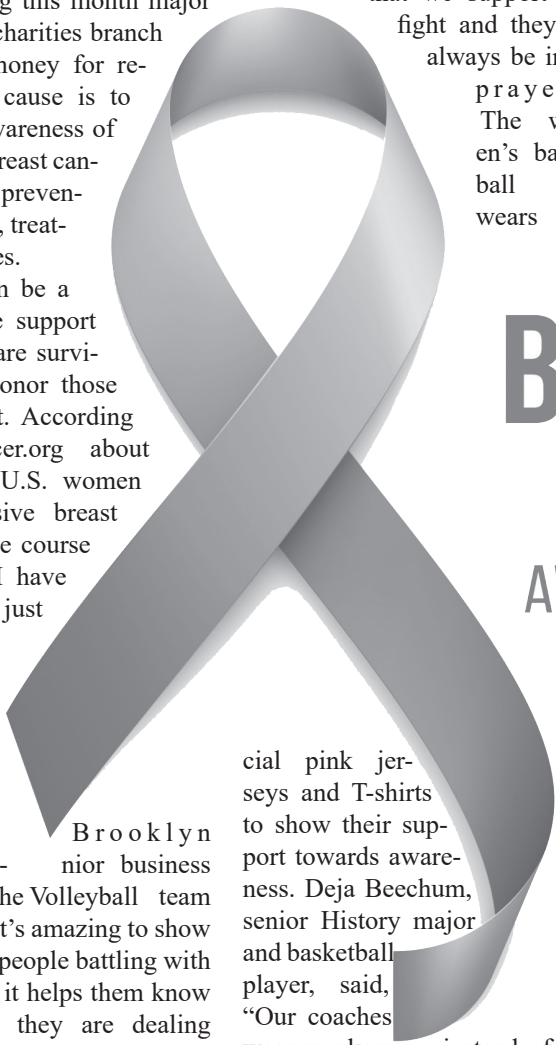
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12:00pm - NWOSU Soccer Fields

Ranger Volleyball Game v. Harding
12:00pm - Percefull Field House

Football Homecoming Game v. East Central University
4:00pm - Ranger Stadium

Homecoming is only
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days away!!

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



cial pink jerseys and T-shirts to show their support towards awareness. Deja Beechum, senior History major and basketball player, said, "Our coaches wear sneakers instead of their dressy shoes for the cancer awareness game."

Beechum has suggestions to help the team spread more attentiveness. "I would think adding a breast cancer ribbon patch to our jerseys to show that constant support," Beecham said. In some cas-

the most. Breast cancer is a fight that many battle in their lifetime. What we do to make an impact on those in need is important, whether its wearing pink on the court or on the field can make all the difference in person's life.

"It is a great feeling because sometimes we get so caught up in the little things in life and this really brings us back to reality," Hesson said. "It feels great knowing you aren't just playing to win or for yourself, but playing for a bigger cause and to support those who need it."

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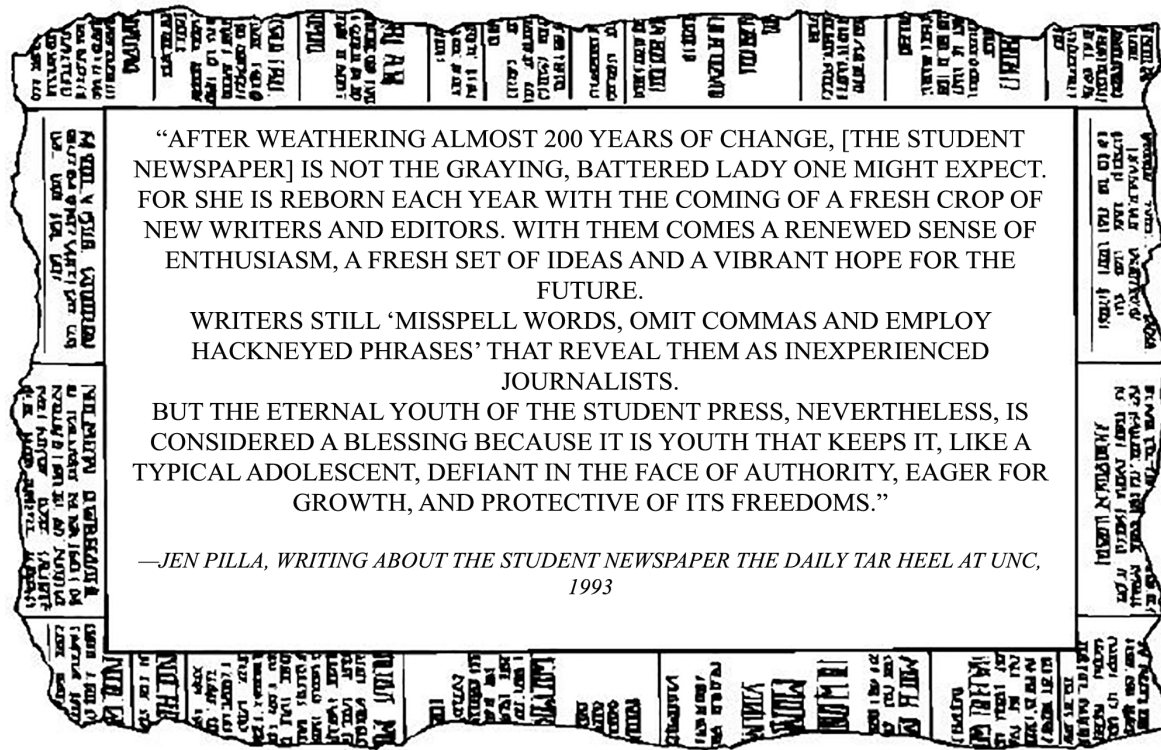
By Dr. KAYLENE ARMSTRONG
NW News Advisor

My summer newspaper internship in 1974 was at a 30,000-daily paper near my hometown. Every day before “putting the paper to bed” (journalism talk for signing off on that day’s paper), the editor would send me to a small room just off the newsroom. Here the Associated Press and United Press International wire service teletypes clacked away.

The machines, each about the size of a waist-high file cabinet, were furiously typing out stories from around the world on paper fed in a continuous roll from inside the machine. With four of these clattering non-stop, the noise could be deafening. (Remember, this was before computers and the internet.)

I was in the room to do a final check of the latest stories coming off the teletypes, looking for any possible breaking news that we would have to rush into that day’s paper. That summer I was really watching for just one story: the resignation of President Richard M. Nixon. It seemed as if the air throughout the newsroom crackled with anticipation every day when it was time to do the final wire check. Would today be the day?

Such an event would be the kind of story that would have the



editors screaming, “Stop the presses!” The final check was supposed to keep that from happening.

The story finally came on Thursday, Aug. 8, about two weeks before I would be back at college for my junior year. It was an exciting day to be a journalist.

During my college days, I practically lived in the newsroom of the student newspaper on campus — my roommates threatened to move my bed there.

It was the years just after the Pentagon Papers and Watergate scandals, and we all wanted to

be investigative journalists like Woodward and Bernstein and others who kept digging until the truth came out.

We all wanted to make a difference in the world and secretly hoped every story that we wrote for the campus newspaper would be the one that did just that. We dreamed that one day our work for a professional newspaper might do the same thing. Most of us planned journalism careers.

Fast forward 44 years. Most of the students working on the student newspaper today don’t

plan to work for a professional paper when they graduate. It’s no wonder. When the president of the United States verbally flogs journalists on a daily basis and claims any reporter who is critical of his administration is writing fake news, well, young people just don’t feel inspired to become journalists.

Even though the job is under fire from many parts of the government and society in general, journalism is still a job that is important and needs to be done.

The National Newspaper As-

sociation and other journalism organizations are trying to make sure journalism survives the onslaught from all the critics. For the 78th year, the NNA is promoting National Newspaper Week, Oct. 7-13.

The slogan this year is an appropriate one: Journalism matters, now more than ever.

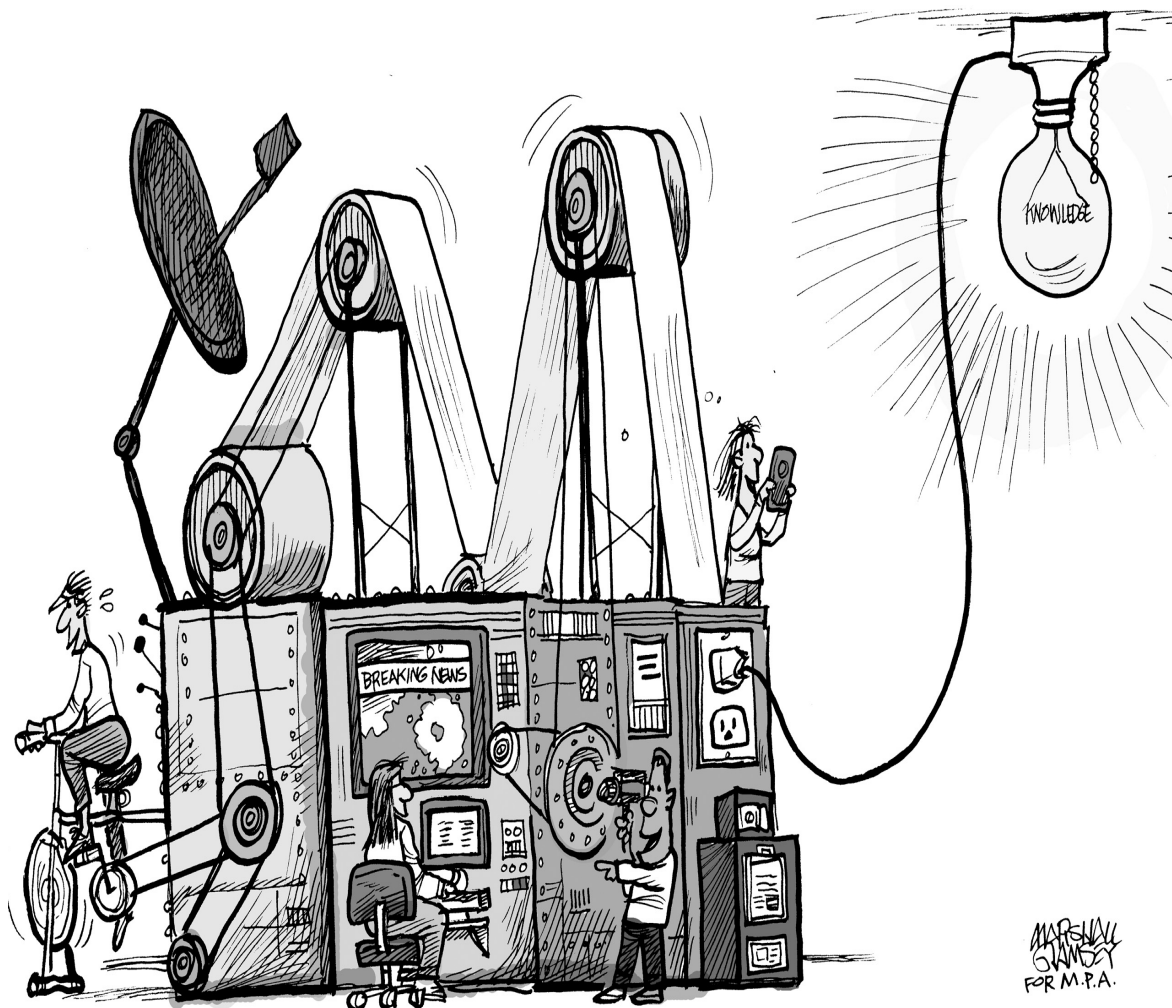
One doesn’t have to delve too far into history to realize the value of having a free press over one severely controlled by the government.

Think Nazi Germany of the past or communist/dictator-controlled countries of the present where the citizenry has little access to any news let alone truth.

Some journalists in those severely controlled countries have believed so much in what they are doing that they have given their lives. In 2017, 46 journalists died doing their jobs around the world, most in those severely controlled countries but none in the U.S.

We don’t have to live in one of those countries to appreciate the freedom of the media to do their jobs. Sure, journalists may not always get it right, but just remember that for every error in the media, literally hundreds of thousands of truths are told every day around this country in newspapers and various online publications as well as on television news shows.

And that really matters



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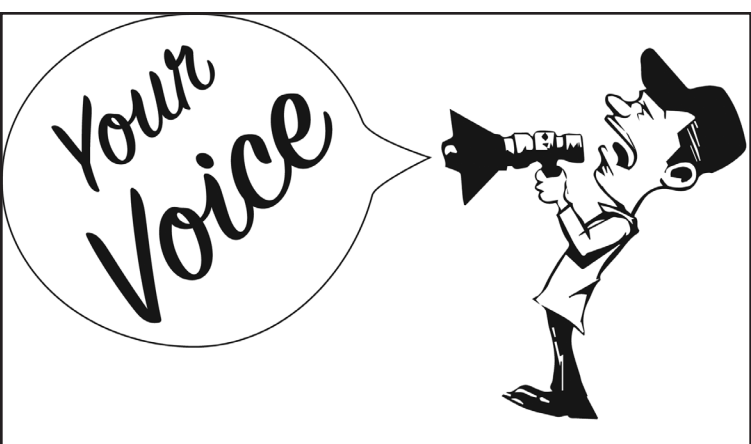
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Editorial

Extracurricular involvement vital even during midterms

By **MICHAEL CHENE**
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Every year around the end of September and the beginning of October, students begin to dive into the dreaded midterm season. Free time plummets, studying picks up and schoolwork becomes the focus. While it is true that as a student you need to focus on tests and essays, do not let these assignments control your life. As a member of a few organizations on campus, I can attest to how much club participation drops during midterm season. My recommendation to freshmen and members of clubs in general is to use this busy time to determine which clubs you should invest in.

Clubs and other organizations are opportunities for your non-academic interests to express themselves. For your club to do anything for you, you need to do something for it. My first year at the College I became a member

of a few organizations. I thought that each one was cool and that I liked the people in them, but I wasn't getting much out of them until I asked myself how much I cared about each organization. International Relations Club and Young Democrats were not good fits not because I didn't care about their subject matters or members, but because I didn't care about the organizations. In the end, the organizations I cared about I invested myself deeply in to help them succeed.

Now, with midterm season looming, your ability to participate in clubs is going to be stressed. There will be times when you have to miss meetings for a study session, which is no big deal, but you still need to carve out time for club participation. If you are constantly blowing off a general meeting and not putting effort into the club, that is a sign you should invest yourself elsewhere. There is nothing wrong with making an exit from an organization; sometimes, it may

actually be more courteous to other members and to the club as a whole. Whatever you do, do not become content with missing the events your organizations host because of being busy. I say "become content with missing" because sometimes missing activities needs to happen to make room for school.

Still, even if you dedicate more time to school that does not mean you cannot show that you still care about your club(s). Make sure that club leadership knows you still want to participate and are willing to when you can.

Clubs notice when you make an effort; a notifying text here and a helping hand there go a long way, especially if you want to be a club leader. Make use of busy midterm season and determine what organizations are important to you and trim off those that are not. Remember to stay dedicated and put effort into your grades and the activities you care about.

EDITOR'S RANT OF THE WEEK

By **ASHLEY STREHL**
Editor-in-Chief

I didn't really have to think about what I wanted to rant about this week. Something's been on my mind for a few weeks now. Fall break. I don't think words can describe how excited I am for Fall break!

Fall, the most beautiful time of the year, the leaves are falling, the weather is perfect, the white girls are ordering pumpkin spice lattes, everything is in harmony. This year for fall break I am planning to go visit my boyfriend. He, as well as myself, works, a lot. We both work doing what we love and what we are passionate about. He is an English teacher/ football coach, so you can imagine his fall is a very hectic time.

They call the colder weather months "cuffing season" and I'm already what you call "cuffed". However, this is my first fall/winter in a relationship. I spent 19 years without being cuffed, and I still had just as much fun in the cold being single as I probably will being what you call "cuffed". I cannot express enough how important it is to know that being single is OK. It's cold and you may think the "normal" thing to do is to grab a random person and do cool seasonal stuff with them.

That is not right. This will not fill any void you have inside of you. I know you may think you want a boyfriend or girlfriend to do all that stuff with but if you have that sort of mindset you are getting with someone for all the wrong reasons. You should be with someone because you both have the same dreams and fears. Not because they would look super cute next to a pumpkin.

When you truly love someone, not for his or her looks, but for their heart, spending time together just sitting around doing nothing is just as if not more special than going on a hay ride or going to a haunted house. It's spooky season, and the spookiest thing of all is when an individual is with someone who does not make them happy because they are afraid of being alone. I've learned that when being in your own company you can experience the truest of love between you and yourself.

Anyways, enough of that cheesy stuff, back to fall break. I cannot wait to get out of Alva and just have fun for once, with no worries, no school work, no work, and no responsibilities.

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Don Tripp

Senior: History

“I like being a history major at Northwestern because of the knowledgeable professors, such as Professors Schmaltz and Kelsey. The history department is a hidden gem. It’s a lot better than you would think for a small college.”



Katie McAdams

Freshman: Elementary Education

“I have always wanted to be a teacher and I love kids.”



Sydney Endsley

Freshman: Speech Theatre

“I want to bring joy to others who watch me perform.”



Peyton Lucas

Sophomore: Psychology

“I like that it gives me the opportunity to help people. I have always had a passion for helping others. This is a great way to do that.”



Crystal Castillo

Junior: Health and Sports Science

“I enjoy being a health and sports Science major because I love helping people. I will get to show them how to be healthy.”



Kayla Gourley

Senior: Health and Sports Science

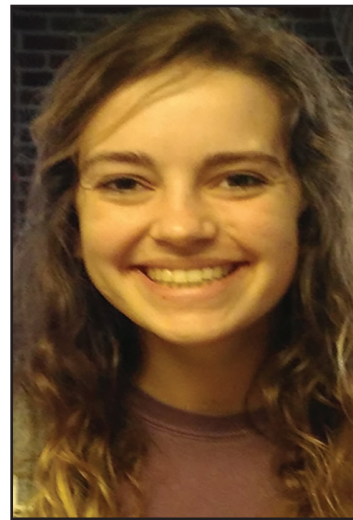
“With health and sports science education, I like learning about the human body and how to stay fit and active. In the future, I can teach children how to do the same.”



Jessica Reeves

Sophomore: English

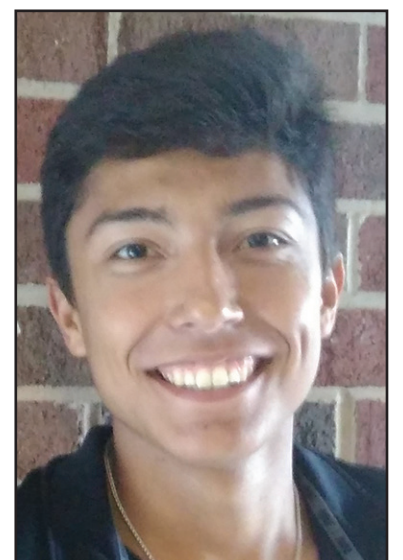
“I really like grammar and spelling”



Jacey Bales

Senior: Elementary Education

“I love being an education major because I like getting to teach the future leaders of the world. It’s a good major to choose because it has a tangible impact on the future.”



Bryce Koenig

Junior: Criminal Justice

“I enjoy and chose being a criminal justice major because I like knowing what I can get away with.”



Feature

International Smile Day Oct. 7

'You are never fully dressed without a smile'

By TAYLOR ALEXANDER
Student Reporter

WHAT MAKES YOU SMILE?



Duncan
Chemistry major
"My girlfriend"



Colton Reed
Pre Engineering major
"Mildly discomfoting things happening to my friends"



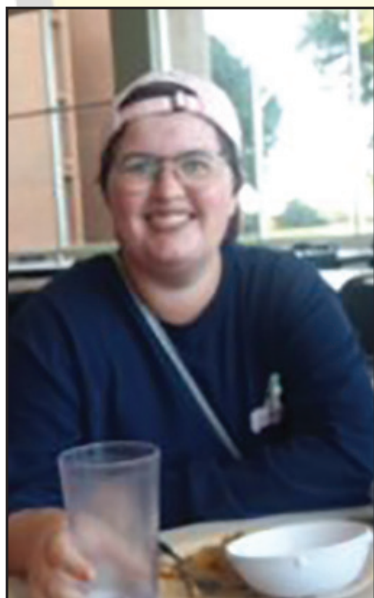
Laura Reed
Elementary Education major
"Kdramas"



Jake Lee
Business major
"Cooking"



Josiah Marshall
Instrumental Music Education major
"Motionless in white"



Chloe Nuttly
Math major
"My cat, Pancake"



Chris Chauncey
Pre Engineering major
"Playing Mafia with my friends"



Kerstyn Eiklor
Nursing major
"dogs and babies and baby dogs"



Nick Wygles
Biology Natural History major
"Hanging out with my friends"



Madeline McInthrye
Biology major
"Good Food"

Feature

National Ghost Hunting Day Sept. 30

Where to go if you want a scare

Haunted places near Alva

By **Baley Garza**
Student Reporter

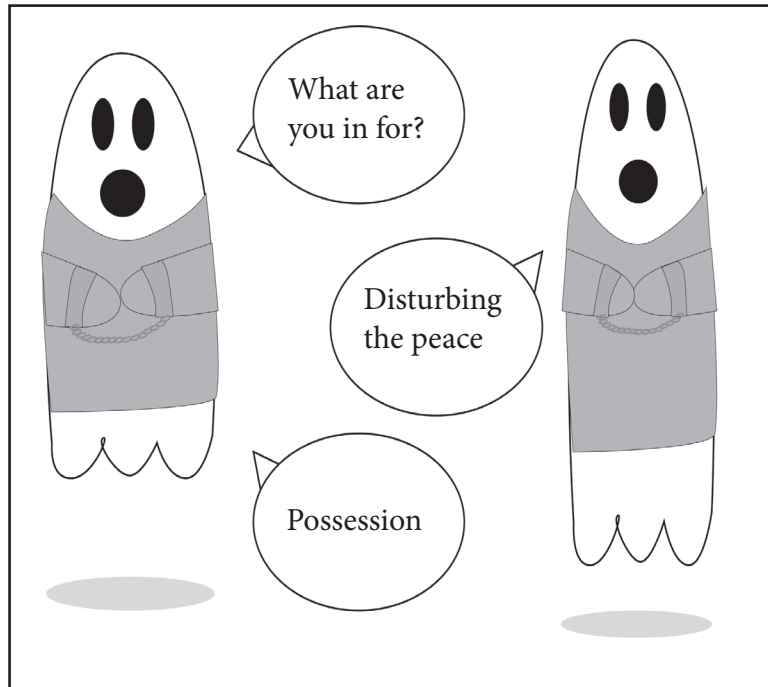
Many interesting and unusual national days exist. For instance, national days like, Winnie the Pooh day and kiss a ginger day. One interesting day that is coming up this month is national ghost hunting day.

National ghost hunting day is the day that where people explore the most haunted properties throughout the world. Haunted Journeys founded national ghost hunting day in July of 2016 and celebrate it every year to kick off the month of October.

Haunted Journeys is a travel company founded in 2014 that presents the haunted destinations and getaways with the help from haunted inns, ghost tours, and events.

One might say a haunted destination is right here in Alva. The Cherokee Strip Museum is the third most haunted place in Oklahoma. Ghost Hunters from all over come to visit the Cherokee Strip Museum to see if the stories are true. People who work there say the ghost hunters never leave disappointed.

The Cherokee Strip Museum preserves the history of the Cherokee Strip in Oklahoma. Before becoming a museum, it was



the general hospital of Alva. At the time, Alva also had a POW camp during WWII that held Nazis. Some of prisoners would come to the general hospital, and some of them died in there.

Not only is the Cherokee Strip museum a museum now, a head start program is ran in the basement. Employee Beth Smith said that the children that are in head start there always talk about a little girl that no adults can see.

There are five confirmed ghosts in the museum. A little girl, doctor, nurse, an Indian, and the most famous ghost, Trapper. The employees believe that Trapper is the ghost of the Nazi POW who died in the hospital.

Employees Beth Smith and Elaine Graybill told a story about a POW who came back to see the museum and he noticed a picture that was in the Nazi memorabilia, and he pointed who Trapper was. They said that every night the picture would mysteriously come off the wall.

The first incident of something paranormal in the museum was before it turned into a museum, when three Northwestern students rented out three rooms in the basement of the building. They did not live there very long. "They left because they felt as if something was in the building," Smith said.

Just like National Ghost Hunting Day, ghost hunters come every year to try to prove that there are no ghosts in the museum but they always leave with a different point of view. "I think it's fun. They let me watch" Graybill said.

Graybill said one year a ghost hunting team out OKC came to investigate, and one of their young group members was so frightened that he had a relative drive from OKC to come pick him up in Alva at 2 AM.

There are many ghost stories about the Cherokee Strip museum. The employees interviewed seem to enjoy sharing their stories. It is almost as if the ghost sightings are normal to them.

Recipe of the week:

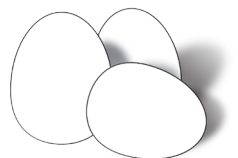
Peanut butter Cake in a mug

INGREDIENTS:

3 tbsp peanut butter creamy
1 tbsp + 1 tsp white granulated sugar
1 large egg

DIRECTIONS:

Whisk all ingredients into an oversized, microwave-safe mug until batter is smooth and egg is fully whisked in. Microwave for about 1 minute. Let cake cool a few minutes before eating.



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Entertainment



'Atypical' is a highly recommended series

By **ASHLEY WATTS**
Student Reporter

Atypical is about a high functioning autistic, teenage boy who is adjusting to life and to graduating from high school. In season one, Sam Gardner, a senior in high school, faces many obstacles when he tells his family that he wants to start dating, but the person he likes is his therapist, Julia.

When his parents refuse for him to date Julia, Sam finds a girlfriend his age and she actually likes him for all the right reasons. Sam's mom, Elsa, and his sister, Casey, are also having trouble adjusting to their new lives. Elsa starts having an affair with a bartender, and Casey receives track scholarship to a prestigious high school.

Season two starts with Sam's parents separated because of his mom's affair,

but as the season goes on they get back together. Sam's sister, Casey, is still at Clayton Preparatory School, and she is having trouble fitting in.

Casey finally befriends the captain of the track team, and her time at school slowly gets better; however, Casey realizes that she likes her friend as more as a friend and things get awkward between them.

Sam does something he wouldn't normally do at the end of the season. He breaks out of his comfort zone and gives the valedictorian speech. Paige is originally supposed to give the speech, but her voice is hoarse from yelling at other students that bullied Sam throughout high school.

Season two comes to an end with Sam graduating and getting accepted into college. Sam follows his passion for penguins and continues to learn about

them while in college.

I would give this show a rating of 4 out of 5 stars because it takes us into the life of a high functioning autistic boy and the struggle of high school. Sam Gardner shows us what it is like to be a teenager with autism.

He says everything that is on his mind, has fits if everything is exactly like it is supposed to be, and like many other high school kids he has a passion. The producers of Atypical tried to do something that other producers have failed to do.

They took us into the life of a normal family that has an autistic kid, and showed us that there are struggles with parenting these type of kids. Many shows have failed to show us this, but Atypical does it brilliantly. I would highly recommend watching this show.



Top 10 movies on Netflix now

1. Black Panther
2. To All the Boys I've loved Before
3. The Witch
4. Hercules
5. Ex Machina
6. Boogie Nights
7. Scott Pilgrim vs. The World
8. Brick
9. Coco
10. Her

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Sports

Rodeo takes team title in Durant

By **LOGAN JONES**
Asst. Sports Editor

The Northwestern rodeo team traveled down to Durant, Oklahoma to compete in the Southeastern Oklahoma State Rodeo this past weekend, and NWOSU came away with the team title.

Multiple Rangers performed well, with many appearing in the final rounds of multiple events.

Bulldoggers Devin Olsen, Jace Rutledge, Bo Yaussi and Bridger Anderson all made the championship round for steer wrestling.

Olsen eventually won the event with a cumulative time of 8.9 seconds. Rutledge placed in both rounds and finished third overall, while Yaussi finished in a tie for second in the final round to move up to fifth in the average.

Yaussi also scored well in tie-down roping.

He won the first round with an 8.6-second run but was unable to secure a time in the championship round.

Freshman Riley Wakefield placed high in both rounds to win the tie-down roping title.

Wakefield also competed in team roping.

In tandem with Southeastern's Denton Halford, the duo scored well in the first round but did not make it to the finals.

Jeremy Carney was the biggest point earner in team roping for the Rangers, winning the first round with his partner, Laramie Warren



Rodeo will compete at home in the Northwestern Oklahoma State University rodeo on Oct. 25-27

of Southeastern. They finished third in the short round and third overall.

The Lady Rangers also performed well.

Makayla Mack led the women's team by finishing third in both the short round and average in breakaway roping.

Melissa Couture clocked in at

2.6 seconds to finish in a tie in the opening round.

Natalie Berryhill finished second in the first round of barrel racing with a 16.68-second run, while Trinity St. Andrews finished sixth in the short round and average.

Goat-tier, Megan Turek had a 9.2-second run in the first round to finish in a three-way tie for third,

but she was saddled with a no-time in the short round.

The rodeo team has two remaining competitions in the fall season.

On October 11-13, they will compete in the Oklahoma State Rodeo before finishing the fall season back in Alva for the NWO-SU Rodeo on October 25-27.

Women's golf finishes in seventh at OBU match



By **MEGAN MAHARRY**
Sports Editor

The Lady Ranger women's golf team competed in the 2018 Fall Oklahoma Baptist Invitational on Monday at the Shawnee Country Club.

The Lady Rangers shot a team score of 346.

Senior Brittani Casement recorded a team-low round of 81. Her opening round landed her in a tie for 13th place.

With only four players in the field due to a withdrawal, the Lady Rangers posted two rounds in the low 80's.

Rylie Eller ended her first round with a handful of pars and a round of 83. This score tied her for 20th place.

Cassidy Pettigrew finished her first round at 90.

Ashley Watts posted a round of 92 in her first round.

On Tuesday, the Lady Rangers closed out the OBU Invitational. They sat in seventh place after Monday's rounds, ahead of Arkansas-Monticello and one stroke behind Oklahoma Baptist.

Tuesday's results saw the Lady Rangers move up from seventh to finish in sixth overall.

The Lady Rangers posted a final round of 349 to close out the tournament with a two-round score of 695. They finished 29 strokes ahead of Arkansas-Monticello.

Casement had back-to-back rounds of 81 and led her team in scoring. She ended in a top-15 finish at 11th place, which tied a Harding competitor with a two-round cumulative of 161.

Eller had a two-round total of 167 and placed in tie for 19th place.

Pettigrew carded a round of 98 in the final.

Watts bumped up her score from the first round, finishing at 92 by three strokes. She finished in 31st place at 181.

The hosts, Oklahoma Baptist finished in first place and was twenty-five strokes over Harding University to claim team honors.

The women will next prepare for the NCAA Central Region Preview on Oct. 16-17 in Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Volleyball grabs victory in Arkansas

By **TREYVON ANDRES**
Student Reporter

The Northwestern Oklahoma State Volleyball Rangers bounced back this weekend as they beat Southern Arkansas 3-0 and Arkansas-Monticello 3-1, improving their record to 15-7 overall.

In the first set of the game, the Muleriders came out strong and ready while the Lady Rangers got off to a slow 1-6 start.

Freshmen Kaydee Honeycutt and senior Brooklyn Hesson had kills that sparked a 4-0 run, cutting Monticello's lead down to just two.

Hesson ended the game with 10 kills.

The first set was a close score of 23-22 with a Lady Ranger lead by one.

Seniors Kiauna Clark and Jennifer Eubanks come through with some clutch blocks to lead the team to a 25-23 win in the first set.

Clark and Eubanks finished with four blocks apiece, which led leading their defense.

In the second set the Lady Rangers found themselves down again early, but our Lady Rangers pushed through going on a 6-0 run that would give them the lead the rest of the way.



The Lady rangers next perform in a home match against Arkansas Tech.

In the last match, sophomore Kaitlyn Robinson assisted for 10 of her 34 assists.

The Lady Rangers would go on to post 4 aces.

The Muleriders were silenced after that being put down 25-22 to end the game.

The Lady Rangers finished

their week with a win over Monticello in a 3-1 fashion, improving their conference record to to 4-3 on the year.

"We really needed to get these two wins for the conference," head coach Jeremy White said. "We had some ups and downs but we did a great job of battling through

adversity."

The next game for the Lady Rangers will be Oct 5, as they take on Arkansas Tech in another conference matchup at home.

Tipoff is set for 6 p.m.

"We really needed to get these two wins for the conference. We had some ups and downs but we did a great job of battling through adversity."
Head Coach Jeremy White

Sports

Soccer drops 2 straight on road

By MEGAN MAHARRY
Sports Editor

The Lady Rangers took to the road for a long weekend in two conference matchups in Arkansas. The Lady Rangers faced Harding University and Ouachita Baptist University.

Unfortunately, the red and black came out empty-handed as they dropped both games.

On Thursday, the Lady Rangers played Harding University.

Due to heavy rains and the flooding of Harding's field, the game was relocated to the University of Arkansas-Little Rock field.

The Lady Rangers dropped the contest 3-0.

Harding managed to net a goal in the first eight minutes to drop the Lady Rangers to a quick 1-0.

The offense for the Lady Rangers fought back, but could only record six shots throughout the contest.

The Lady Rangers held Harding to a 1-0 score until the second half when Harding planted the ball twice more in the back of the net to



The Lady Ranger soccer team will look for a win at home against Oklahoma Baptist University on Oct. 4.

make it 3-0.

Freshman goalkeeper Kiara Fontanilla faced 18 shots and made six saves.

The Lady Rangers had a few opportunities to even the score.

Senior Calvinis Prentice had a

shot on goal in the second half that just bounced off the crossbar.

Junior Yazmin Gomez created another chance as she slid a cross over the eighteen to sophomore Mikayla Barrientos who just missed connecting her foot with

the ball.

The effort was not enough as the Lady Rangers ended with a 3-0 loss.

Attempting to bounce back, the Lady Rangers faced Ouachita Baptist University on Saturday.

Despite the multiple shots on goal, the black and red could not seem to find the back of the net as they dropped their second game of the week 2-0.

The first half was a struggle for the Lady Rangers as the Tigers of Ouachita netted two goals in a span of six minutes to take the lead 2-0.

The Lady Rangers regrouped at halftime and came out stronger in the second half.

The competition heated up as both sides battled back and forth.

16 fouls were recorded for both teams in the game.

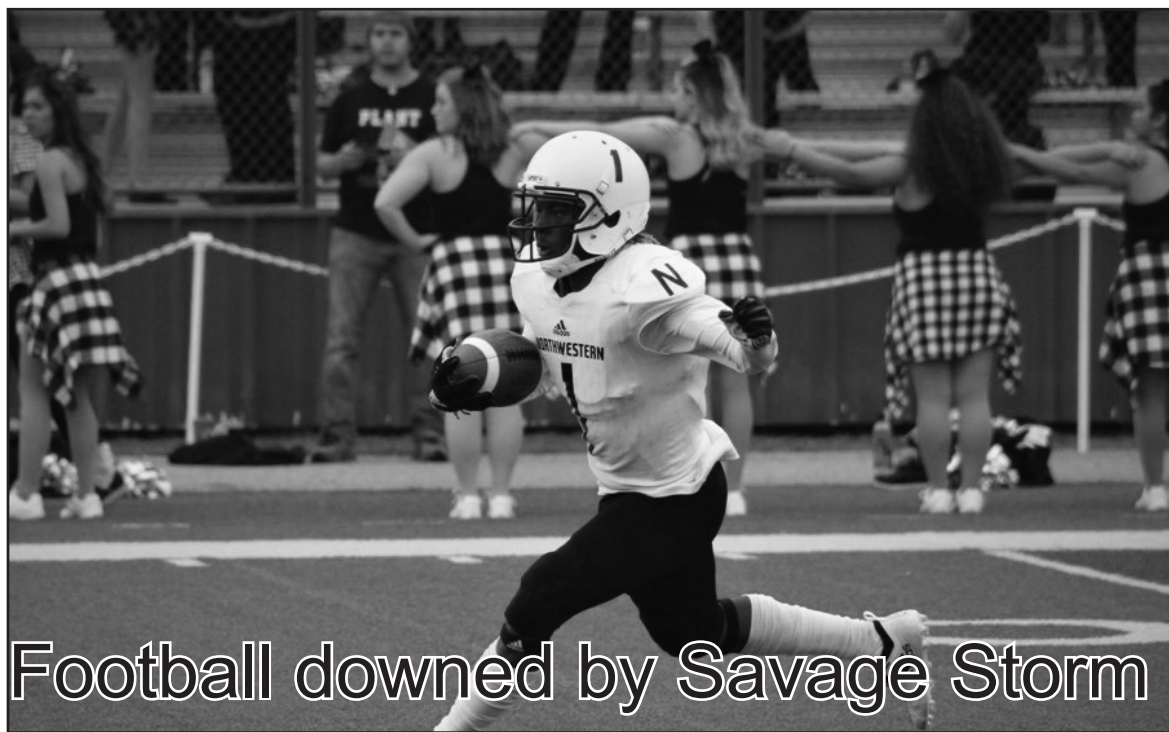
Though the Lady Rangers kept Ouachita off the board in the second half, it was not enough to nab the win.

The black and red had four shots and one shot on goal.

Freshman goalkeeper Reagan Allen made five saves throughout the contest.

The Lady Rangers will look to start something as they return home to face the second ranked team in the conference: Oklahoma Baptist University on Oct. 4.

Kickoff is set for 6 p.m.



Football downed by Savage Storm

The Ranger football team will play East Central University for Homecoming on Oct. 6 at 4 p.m.

By LOGAN JONES
Asst. Sports Editor

Northwestern just couldn't get anything going offensively in the 37-9 loss to the Southeastern Oklahoma State Savage Storm in Durant on Saturday.

Southeastern came out of the gate hot, scoring 27 unanswered points in the first half alone, despite an interception by Trey Merritt.

Merritt would finish the game with seven tackles.

On the offensive side of the ball, things didn't look pretty.

After a rough first quarter, the

red and black looked to Tyler Beasley, the redshirt-junior quarter back out of Cordell, Oklahoma, to change their luck.

Beasley finished the day three for eight in passing with no touchdowns but also no interceptions.

NWOSU finally found the scoreboard in the third quarter with a 37-yard field goal from Zave Goodrich, making it a 27-3 ballgame.

The Savage Storm answered back with another touchdown and a field goal in the fourth quarter, extending their lead, 37-3.

Horatio Smith had the biggest highlight of the game for Northwestern when he took a kickoff return 85-yards to the house in the

fourth quarter.

It was the first kickoff return for a touchdown for the Rangers since Jarion Tudman did so against Southern Arkansas in 2006.

With the return, the Rangers brought the game to the final score of 37-9.

With the loss, NWOSU falls to 1-4 on the season.

The red and black will return to Alva for a two-game home-stand.

The first home matchup is the annual homecoming game where the Rangers will take on the Tigers of East Central University on Oct. 6.

Kickoff is set for 6 p.m.

Cross Country competes in Red River XC Shootout

By ERIC SCOTT
Athletic Communications

In a follow-up to one of the biggest meets of the season for the Northwestern Oklahoma State University cross country teams, the Rangers and Lady Rangers each finished fourth at the Red River XC Shootout, hosted by Midwestern State.

In what turned out to be a notoriously slow course, Garrison Blanton was the top individual finisher for the men as he crossed the finish line in fourth place.

Blanton, a junior from Ponca City, Oklahoma, finished just 16-seconds behind All-American candidate James Majenge of Cameron.

Noble Buckhaults just missed a personal record as he finished the men's 8K race in the 16th spot.

Tumiso Tidimane finished the race in 25th place, with Ben Ivory placing 30th and Cody Schmidt and Bryce Keoning finishing 34th and 36th, respectively.

Kayla Gourley paced the Lady Rangers for 25th place, followed by freshman Ladasheray Bell three runners behind Gourley. Jessalyn finished just behind Bell in 30th, while Camille Lear and Claire

Theis were close behind.

"The race today was telling of how our training has improved and how our team has learned that we move as a unit," said head coach Jill Lancaster post-race. «Today we grasped that concept, were fresher and capitalized by beating some teams were having been able to beat before.»

Also competing in the meet were teams from the host Midwestern State, Oklahoma City, Science and Arts Oklahoma, Texas-Dallas and Cameron.

One of the strategic focuses for the Ranger coaches on Friday was running in packs.

Assistant coach Brock Hime echoed the Coach Lancaster in his post-race comments saying he's really excited where the team is at in the process of the season.

"We held some of our front in end back today, then kind of let them go midway through the race. The look good and we competed well. We are just now about to come out of this valley of training and head toward the peak.

"I can't wait to see what we do in five weeks."

The Rangers and Lady Rangers will have Homecoming weekend off before returning to action on Oct. 13 at the Fort Hayes State Invite.

Homecoming decorations fill campus with spirit



Photos by Ashley Strehl

Several clubs, organizations and other teams worked together to make decorations to bring life to campus during the week of homecoming.