

Smile of the Week



Photo by Angel Perez

Agriculture major Caden Church says he is smiling because the people he is around and the atmosphere he is involved in.

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Photo by Jordan Green

Community members line up to watch the drag race that took place Saturday evening at the car show. See pages 6 and 7 for additional photos.

Grant helps universities fight opioid addiction

By **BRYANT VENOSDEL**
Student Reporter

Northwestern Oklahoma State University and Northern Oklahoma College have received a grant that the schools will use to prevent opioid addiction and substance abuse on their campuses.

The Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services has given a \$250,000 grant to the universities. The grant will provide funding to train counselors and students on responding to addictions, and it will pay for other services to combat opioid addiction.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Bo Hannaford said he is excited that Northwestern has the ability to prevent opioid addiction on campus.

"We've already done training with staff and faculty, and we are also going to be doing Narcan training," he said.

Narcan is a medication given to opioid users who have overdosed. It reverses the effects of opioids in the nervous system.

According to the National Institute of Drug Abuse, a total of 388 deaths involving opioids were reported in Oklahoma in 2017.

"According to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Oklahoma ranks sixth in the nation in the number of opioid prescriptions, with eight out of 10



Dr. Bo Hannaford

residents having a prescription," said NWOSU President Dr. Janet Cunningham. "In addition, more overdose deaths in our state involve prescription opioids than all illicit drugs combined. We have a responsibility to help prevent opioid abuse and provide resources to help those who are addicted."

Leaders at both NWOSU and NOC say they will use funding from the grant to educate students about opioid abuse — and to deter students from using opioids.

"We are pleased that as a result of this grant, students will have more access to resources that can help prevent addiction and also help those in need of treatment identify recovery services," said Dr. Cheryl Evans, president of Northern Oklahoma College.

"NOC is pleased to partner with Northwestern Oklahoma State University on this important

initiative to help our students."

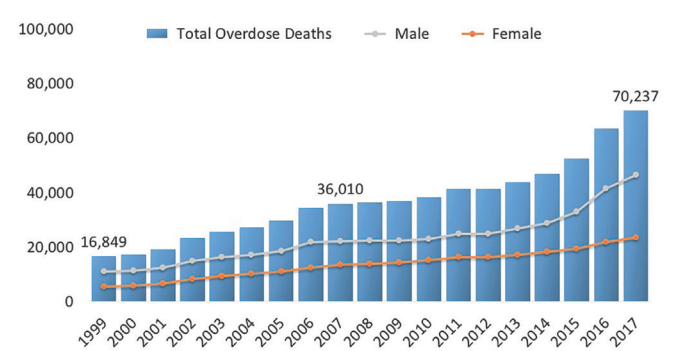
Faculty training has already started at NWOSU.

"We have already had one training for some of our staff and faculty," Hannaford said. "We really started with student services, and we are also doing CPR training along with the Narcan training. We have some training already with our police chief and our officers, but we're going to have it to where anyone can give it, so everyone can know what to look for, which we will be doing this semester and next."

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Figure 1. National Drug Overdose Deaths Number Among All Ages, by Gender, 1999-2017



Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. Multiple Cause of Death 1999-2017 on CDC WONDER Online Database, released December, 2018

Graphic provided by drugabuse.gov

News

‘God is at work’

Bible study helps students connect

By **ASHLEY WATTS**
Student Reporter

Ninety percent of youth who are active in church as children stop attending church by their sophomore year of college.

This may be the case at other colleges, but at Northwestern Oklahoma State University, the number of students who attend Bible studies has actually increased in recent years.

“We have had more people come to our Bible studies in the last two years,” said Ronnie Payne, director of the Baptist Collegiate Ministries.

The BCM is one of many faith-based organizations on campus. The BCM holds Bible studies each Wednesday, and it hosts worship sessions on Thursdays. The BCM also hosts “Noonday” on Wednesday, an event in which local churches provide food to college students.

“I think there are a lot of people on campus that are believers, and they need a place to go where they feel comfortable,” Payne said.

The BCM is not the only place

hosting Bible study sessions and offering free meals. The Wesley House hosts similar events.

“Every semester, you have a new group, and this year we have had more people show up than in past years,” said Sara Houchin, house resident at the Wesley House. “It is really amazing to see that, on this campus, we have so many active and thriving studies. It shows that God is at work on this campus.”

The Wesley House holds worship sessions on Mondays at 7:30 p.m., and it holds Bible studies on Tuesdays at 8:17 a.m.

The Wesley House, which is located west of campus, offers free lunch each Wednesday.

Although the Wesley House and BCM are the biggest Christian organizations on campus, the Bible Chair also offers free meals.

The Bible Chair is located across from the campus on College Avenue. It is open from 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. daily.

Whether students are looking for a place to relax or make new friends, they say they can find what they are looking for at places like the Wesley House and the BCM.

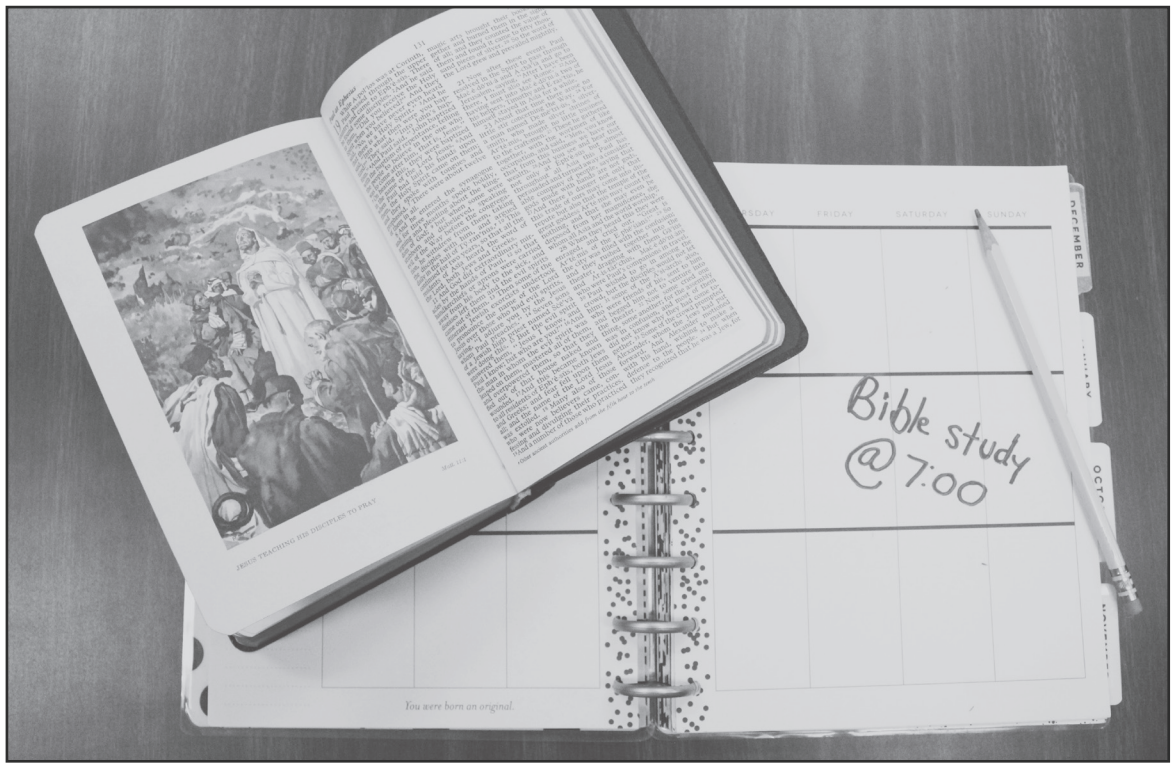


Illustration by Jordan Green

Bible study is helping NWOSU students make new friends and learn more about maintaining their faith.

“Bible studies are a good place to ‘recharge’ for me,” April Burchfiel said. “It’s really easy for me to isolate myself and stay in my dorm with school work and

Netflix all the time. Places like the BCM and Wesley House give me a second home where I connect with other people and feel supported. Opening God’s word with fellow

Christians is so encouraging in the midst of a busy life. I love the challenge of bettering myself that it brings as well.” The BCM is located east of campus.

Blood donations benefit Murray family



Photo by Leah Darnell

Hunter McEachern donated blood Monday as part of a blood-drive hosted by Northwestern Oklahoma State University’s President’s Leadership Class. The blood-drive was held Monday and Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. – 4 p.m. in the Ranger Room, located in the Student Center. More than 70 people donated blood Monday, and more than 30 donated Tuesday. The event was held to benefit Ethan and Bailey Murray, who are expecting to have a baby in October. “Baby Murray” and his mother, Bailey, will need blood transfusions for three months after his birth. The Oklahoma Blood Institute oversaw the event.

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This event will be filled with classic tailgating food, corn hole and much more! We will be hosting a contest for the student with the best school spirit! The winner will be chosen by the students.

This will be done by polls through our Facebook and Instagram Accounts. NWOSU Dining Services and @NwosuDiningServices. Students will still have to swipe their student ID and use a meal just like they would for any other meal. Cost for others is \$8.74 (after tax).

5 p.m.



Ranger Royalty Applications Due

Northwestern students wishing to be considered for Ranger King, Ranger Queen and Freshman Queen must turn in their applications by 5 p.m. in Fine Arts 126

Oct. 1



Grocery Bingo

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Oct. 2
7 p.m.



South Hall September birthday party

South Hall residents are invited to celebrate all September birthday residents with cake and ice cream in the South Hall Lobby!

Sept. 30
7 p.m.



Left: The participants gather together for a group picture after a night full of talent.

Bottom Left: Dakota Retherford playing and performing a rock song on the piano.

Bottom Right: Tanya Crain performing the song, Never Enough from the movie, The Greatest Showman.

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Left: After performing for the judges, the winners of the night was announced. Winning first place and people's choice, Nick Dill, featuring Sam Gentry and winning second place, Sara Houchin.

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Editorial

Southern Kindness

By JORDAN GREEN
News Editor

If I could use one word to describe myself, it would be "southern."

I was born in Oklahoma, and I've lived here for my entire life. Since I was a wee little kid, I've chowed down on homemade biscuits and gravy. I've lived in small towns, worked on farms, driven four-wheelers, and spoken with a soft, low drawl. Most importantly, it's in my nature to greet folks I meet with a firm handshake and a warm "Howdy!"

For me, greeting people is just a part of my daily life. Whether I'm walking down the street or just across campus, I smile and wave to the folks I see, even if they don't do it in return. I've never done it for any particular reason. I guess I just do it because my dad and mom raised me that way.

To me, being courteous is nothing out-of-the-ordinary. I never thought any of that would be meaningful to anyone else. But I've since learned differently.

On Thursday afternoon, I was sitting in my freshman orientation class. It's where we learn about how to manage our busy college lives – and it's filled with people I don't know. I've seen them around school and greeted them like I would anyone else, but that's about it.

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In class that day, we played a "game" of sorts. Each person was to take a card, write down something nice about another person in the room, and then take the card to that person.

I thought it was a well-intentioned game, but I really didn't expect much to come of it for me. I hardly knew anyone there. What could they even say about me? Would they even know who I am?

I wrote down a compliment about the lady I sat next to, and she liked it. Then I opened up a book and started reading. For me, I thought the game was over.

But then, out of the blue, someone came up and handed me a card.

"I appreciate how nice and welcoming you are to everyone around you," the card said.

"Sometimes it takes only one act of kindness and caring to change a person's life."

– Jackie Chan

I turned around to say "Thank you" to the writer. Just as I did that, someone else came up with another one.

"I appreciate your good attitude all the time," it said.

I was surprised. Two people whom I barely knew said I had done something to make their days better. But that wasn't the end of it.

Another card said, "I appreciate how you talk to everyone enthusiastically." And another said: "I appreciate how positive you are. You always put me in a better mood every time I talk to you."

I was shocked. Here I am, just doing what I've always done, and people say I've made a positive difference in their lives. Just by flashing a smile and speaking a kind word or two, I made someone's day better.

And the best part? So can you.

Being friendly is more important to people than you might think. People want to know that someone cares about them. In some cases, knowing that someone values you is the difference between life and death. More often than not, people are facing problems we have no idea about. They feel alone, hurt, and broken. They need to know that someone is there for them. You can show them that you are with just a few words and a hug.

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Even if you're having a bad day, that doesn't mean you have a reason to be rude. I believe that what goes around, comes around. If you're nice to people on their "down" days, they'll be nice to you in return. Seems to work for me.

Here's the best part about all of this: You don't have to take any time out of your day to do it. You can greet people as you walk to the break-room, and you can greet them in the grocery store. Better yet, it's free. It costs nothing to greet someone and show them that they matter to you.

Today, I hope you'll get out, greet some people, and make their day a little bit better. They'll appreciate it, and you'll be glad you did. Few things are more important in life than helping others, so let's set out to do that today: Let's all show someone we care about them. After all, that's what we southern folk do.

"Love and kindness are never wasted. They always make a difference. They bless the one who receives them, and they bless you, the giver."

– Barbara De Angelis

EDITOR'S RANT OF THE WEEK

By ASHLEY STREHL
Editor-in-Chief

This week I thought I'd take a trip down memory lane and present you all my VERY FIRST editorial I wrote when I was a freshman.

Oh how I long for the days when life was this simple. I hope you all enjoy reading this as much as I did.

Back in these 'good-ol' days I always knew what to write about. I feel like, now, my mind is clouded and I just can't think of anything!

However, I think that reading my old editorials can actually help me come up with ideas for new ones.

Maybe every other week I will post an old editorial. I always look for every chance I can to feel young again, whether it be eating a food I used to love, visiting a place I used to play at, or in this case, I look at an example of my old writing.

So, without further a-do, here is my first ever editorial that was published in the spring of 2017.

Greasy, salty, finger foods are a MUST for any fast-food loving American. But what is it about McDonald's fries in particular that makes the world go 'round? There are more than 10 ingredients in your average McDonald's fry.

According to several studies some of these ingredients can actually be cancerous. So why do we keep eating them?

According to a poll by "Business Insider", 34 out of 40 fast food patrons preferred McDonald's over twelve other fast food chain restaurants.

According to a study from "Business Week" McDonald's buys 34 billion pounds of potatoes in America each year, and there are 2-3 potatoes in a large French fry.

I know what you're thinking by this point in the story, "Why didn't she just title the article, 'What would the world do without potatoes?'" That's a good question folks; I'm not sure if even I can answer that question. Americans do a lot of things that are bad for them, is it because we are stupid? Maybe.

Or is it because we believe in living life to the fullest? The way I see it, we don't live forever, so we can either eat fries, or not. It's just that simple.

Do what makes you happy, and for me, my happiness is found when I hear a soft voice speak to me through a speaker saying "Thank you for choosing McDonald's. What can I get for you today?"

The End.

What sucks is that I can't even stand to eat McDonald's anymore ... Woops.

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Editorial

Life after sports

By **TREYVON ANDRES**
Student Reporter

Life after sports for some student athletes can be hard, and trying to figure out what you want to do when it's done can be challenging.

Just think about it, you've been doing something your whole life and suddenly it just stops happening. No coach is telling you to go to class, no more team meetings, no more bus rides with your friends.

Creating those special bonds with your teammates is what sports is about and why some of us play. To have that just be gone the next year can be difficult to adjust.

Most athletes after they're done the school stops caring about them, the coach could care less about that person because they don't need him anymore. Leaving them without the support they were promised they would have when they were given the schol-

arship. Many student athletes face these struggles every day.

Creating those special bonds with your teammates is what sports is about and why some of us play.

Being a former athlete, I know from experience that it can be a hard time getting used to not being a part of something bigger than yourself. Not feeling that connection of having a family while being away from your actual family. The chances of going pro in any sport according to the NCAA is less than 2% for all sports besides baseball.

Having a plan and being ready for when the time comes is important. Sports may seem like everything, but your education is way more important. The average pro

career for football is three years and basketball 4.9 years. Your body will come to a point where it is breaking down, but having knowledge and applying yourself allows you to do anything you want.

Learning to deal with adversity is one of many things student athletes must do. Even when the athlete part of the title is taken out, as a student you still have adversity and you still have to push through and be more focused.

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Bees are important

By **MCKAYLA HOLSON**
Editorial Editor

You probably guessed it folks, this is another article about bees.

Don't like the bees? That's OK, they are not everyone's cup of honey. See what I did there?

Even if you don't like bees, you have to acknowledge how vitally important they are to the world around us.

According to a New York Times article by Tammy Horn, honeybees came to North America during the 17th century. Within two centuries, the bee was found all around the globe.

Because of this, some people argue "we lived without bees before, we can live without them again," but that is not how this works.

Bees have become the main source of pollination. Bats, butterflies and others pollinate, yes, but not to the extent bees do.

In an article on One Green Planet's website, Jessica Tucker, author of the article, says bees are responsible for pollinating about one-sixth of the flowering plant species worldwide and approximately 400 different agricultural types of plant.

Without bees, the world would be dull, gray and bland.

I, personally, would be miserable in a world without bees.

Besides being a powerhouse in the pollination game, bees also give us honey and beeswax; two beneficial products.

Honey is a natural sweetener that is popular in the kitchen. It is not only nutritional; it also has medicinal properties.

A tablespoon of raw honey contains 64 calories, is fat-free, cholesterol-free and sodium-free according to the National Honey Board.

Honey also has antibacterial properties. It helps

protect wounds from infection and helps heal and repair wounds.

I, personally, would be miserable in a world without bees.

Because honey is antibacterial, many people think it can help with acne. I haven't found any scientifically based evidence that supports this, but there are people who say it works, or at least helps. But, there are also people who say it doesn't work. I think whether it works or not depends on the individual person.

Similar to honey, people use beeswax to soothe and heal wounds. It is also used in makeup products to help moisturize.

Many lips products use beeswax. Even some eye makeup uses beeswax. Beeswax creates a barrier that prevents harmful outside elements from getting into the barrier while still allowing the skin to breathe.

Since coming to North America during the 17th century, bees have taken the world by swarm.

Did you catch that one?

In short, bees are important and vital to our world. There's a stigma around bees that needs to be broken. They don't want to sting you; they aren't out to get you. In fact, a honeybee dies if they sting you.

Because of its design, the bee cannot pull the stinger out. The bee pulls away and the stinger is ripped from its body. Not only is the stinger left behind, but its muscles, nerves and digestive tract are left behind. Basically, their abdomen is ripped apart.

Just know that bees don't want to sting you. They sting to protect their hive. They sting when they feel threatened.

Just let bees do their thing. Leave them alone and they'll leave you alone. They were brought here, they do a job and they do that job well.

Get inspired!

My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style.

-Maya Angelou

Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened. Happiness never decreases by being shared.

-Buddha

Keep your feet on the ground, but let your heart soar as high as it will. Refuse to be average or to surrender to the chill of your spiritual environment.

-Arthur Helps

Have a poem you would like to share? An opinion in need of expressing? A topic you find interesting and think more people should know about? Send it in!

If you would like your work to be shown in the pages of the Northwestern newspaper, don't be afraid to send it in. We'd love to hear what you have to say!

If you would like your work to be shown, email me at mrholson30@rangers.nwosu.edu or the newspaper at nwnews@nwosu.edu.

Hot Rod City: Alva hosts 19th annual car show



A shiny, red Chevy Camaro with pin-striped tires was parked in the square during Saturday's car show.

Lovers of vintage cars from across the southwest came to Alva Sept. 20 – 22 for the annual Big Cruise and Car Show, which takes place in the town square. On Friday, drivers took their cars for a cruise around downtown Alva. On Saturday, spectators came in droves to admire the automobiles, eat food served by local food-trucks, and watch the evening's tire-burnout competition. On Sunday, drivers were invited to a morning chapel service before packing up their belongings and "hitting the road." According to the organization's website, local restaurant manager Jim Clemons came up with the idea to hold a car show in Alva. In Sept. 2001, that idea came to fruition thanks to the creation of the Racing and Cruising Enthusiast club. The show has grown in size each year since the first event. — From staff reports



A sleek, black Chevy Impala with shiny chrome wheels was parked in the square during Saturday's car show.



This 1956 Chevy Bel-Air had freshly-polished chrome and a shiny coat of orange paint.



Photos by Jordan Green

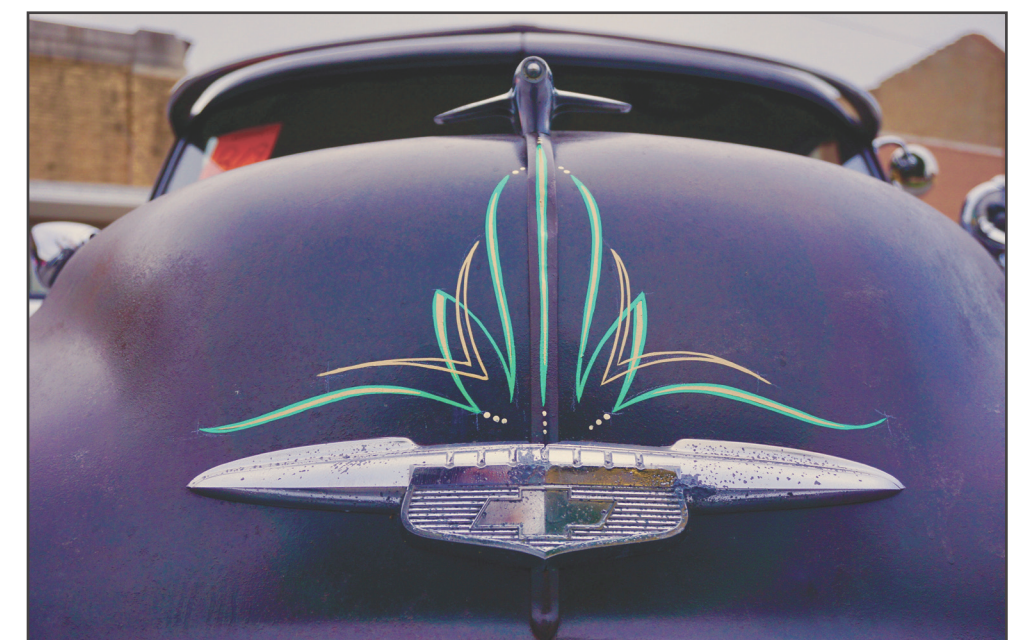
From left to right: Brenner Clark, Daxton Alcorn, and Diane Todd admire a "chopped" 1937 Dodge truck owned by Lawrence Tull of Conway Springs, KS. Tony Morris, also of Conway Springs, drove the truck in Saturday's parade. A "chopped" vehicle is one that has been heavily modified. Owners cut the cab of the vehicle, making it shorter. This truck has less than five inches of clearance between the body of the car and the roadway.



Kathy Reese drove from Wichita, KS to display her 1977 Volkswagen Microbus. According to Reese, this is the first trip she has taken the van on. So far, the biggest problem she has had with it is following the speed limit. "It's hard to keep it under 60 miles per hour," she said. "But above that, it's a bumpy ride." Reese keeps a scale-model of the van on the dashboard.



Cars coast down Flynn Street after Saturday's burnout competition.



Ornate pin-striping is shown on the hood of this vintage Chevy sedan.

Feature



Photos Provided by Katelyn Pierce

Student teacher Katelyn Pierce teaches her students musical notes

Being Mrs. Pierce

By **CHUY DOMINGUEZ**
Student Reporter

It's surprising how many people aren't sure of the role a student teacher has in the classroom. What precisely is it that they do? What responsibilities do they have? Do they get paid? The list continues.

Here, we look to address as many of these questions as possible, by assessing in greater depth a student teacher's position as a staff member.

Others don't know what a student teacher was or why they even need to do it. Being a student teacher normally indicates that you are an individual studying at college or graduate level.

Student teachers do not manage classes on their own at first, but rather under the supervision of a qualified professional. The experienced teacher normally makes notes of some description relating to the student's performance along the way, which are submitted to their tutor at the end of the work placement.

The placement process normally allocates the student teacher to a class containing pupils who are studying the subject that they wish to teach upon their qualification.

They may also be matched to an age group they would like to work with; preschool, elementary and secondary are the main choices for this, but the final decision depends on availability and acceptance by the host school at the time of subscription.

The influences in your life can really affect anyone's career interest. But for Katelyn Pierce, one of many student teachers for NWOSU, said that her third grade



Student teacher Katelyn Pierce presents a lesson for her elementary class

teacher, Mrs. Halderman, has influenced her greatly.

"She influenced me by being such a role model for myself and for almost every student in my class and in the school," Pierce said. "She teaches with so much love and passion for her students. Her classroom always had a warm home-y feel to it that made you feel comfortable and ready to learn. I want my future students to feel that way in my classroom."

It is such a wonderful feeling to have knowing your teacher is the place you can go in and de-stress.

Many don't actually know that the student teachers don't get paid.

"The student teaching semester is equivalent to an unpaid internship, with the emphasis on gaining experience in the classroom before someone goes out on their own," Pierce said.

As the end of their stay continues to come closer, the student teacher's list of responsibilities will persistently expand.

Ultimately, they will begin to plan lessons and carry them off without supervision of such a high intensity as was insisted upon in the beginning. Lesson plans will be stored as part of their records, and later marked on their detail, purpose and impact.

Exploring majors

Sports Administration

Getting a sneak peak into a different major every week.

By **ANGEL PEREZ**
Student Reporter



Daschal Johnson

Why did you choose this major?

I chose this major because I want to learn the business side of sports. I've been an athlete my whole life, and I know all the on the field tasks. Now with this major I am able to understand the business side and behind the scenes work of coaches and sports administrators.

What is your favorite class?

My favorite class was facilities management with Mr. Hansen. The class goes into detail about how to care for sports facilities and how to build and structure new facilities.

What is the best part of being in your major?

The best part of this major is it sets me up and prepares me for my future goals and aspirations.

Tips for underclassmen in this major?

Underclassmen, whatever class you take really invest your time and use it to your benefit. You get out what you put in, so if you're paying for the class might as well actually buy in 100% and learn new things.

What is your dream job within this career?

My dream job is to become an athletic director of a university. This job will allow me to continue to be around sports and be able to help student athletes reach their maximum potential. Also, I don't have a specific sport that I only want to work with, because I love all sports, and Athletic Directors are able to work with every sport that is offered at that campus.

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Entertainment

Students share what they Binge Watch in their free time

By **AUSTIN MORTON**
Student Reporter

W asked students around campus what their favorite show to binge watch was, and I got quite a few different answers. From shows on Hulu or Netflix, here is what they responded with:



Justin Meyer

Business administration
"Supernatural"



Dakota Retherford
Sophomore
Vocal Music Education
"Hells Kitchen"



Kylie Hicks

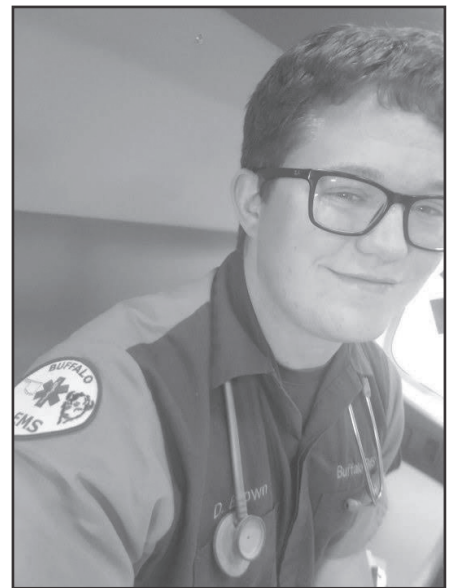
Business major
"Friends"



Shyann Vaughn
Sophomore
Political science & Criminal Justice
"Rick and Morty"



Maleah Shmitz
Sophomore
Speech theatre
"Game of Thrones"




Duncan Brown
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Sports



Photo by Leah Darnell

The lady Rangers will play their second Great American Conference game on Sept. 24 against Oklahoma Baptist.

Volleyball shines at tournament

By **ASHLEY WATTS**
Sports Editor

Northwestern Oklahoma State University had a stellar weekend as they played in Bethany, Okla. at the OBU/SNU Tournament. The Rangers continued to show off with some new faces who got action through the weekend. Northwestern was able to improve their overall record to 9-5, with a 1-0 record in the Great American Conference.

They earned a three and one record over four games in two days. Friday was a split day with a great team win against Randall University 3-1 and hard-fought loss to Drury University 1-3. Saturday consisted of two wins against Southwest Baptist University 3-0 and William Jewell University, with the latter that went to a five-set tiebreaker 3-2.

The Black-and-Red senior class continue to step-up when the team needs them most. Kiauna Clark led the way with two 17 kill

games against Drury and William Jewell, with hitting percentages of .517 and .306 respectively. Clark had a total of 32 kills on the weekend, with 11 total blocks and 31 total digs.

Kaydee Honeycutt had a team leading 39 total kills with a 19-kill game against William Jewell. She totaled 42 digs; the team high for the weekend. Jennifer Eubanks continued her roll from last week as she earned 34 kills and a team-high 16 blocks. Kaitlyn Robinson led the team with 112 assists on the weekend.

The Rangers had some new faces appear in the match against Randall University. Freshman Jessica Thompson had her first start of the year with 15 kills, four blocks, and a .433 hit percentage which helped the Black-and-Red earn their first victory of the tournament. Maggie Peterson also earned her first start in the libero position and had a team-high 15 digs in the game. Freshman Abby Davis earned 21 assists throughout the match.

Northwestern used their momentum from the first game of the tournament to come out hot against Drury, but ended up losing the game 1-3.

The Rangers played Southwest Baptist University and William Jewell University on the second day of the tournament. The lady Rangers won both games on day two.

Eubanks continued her streak from the last week with eleven kills in this match alone with a hit percentage of .529. Eubanks and Clark dominated the net with five blocks each to help the Rangers dominate the Bearcats in the first match of the second day.

The last game of the weekend was a full out battle between William Jewell and Northwestern. Between the two teams there were 35 tied scores and 12 lead changes.

Northwestern will play their second Great American Conference match-up of the season as they face Oklahoma Baptist University Tuesday evening in Shawnee.

Soccer wins last non conference game

By **NICK DILL**
Student Reporter

Northwestern Women's Soccer Team had a strong showing Saturday, Sept. 21 against Texas A&M International University in San Antonio, Texas with a 3-1 win for the Rangers.

Yazmin Gomez scored first early for Northwestern in the 14th minute. The Dust Devils of Texas A&M International University would score and tie the game in the 35th minute.

The Rangers responded immediately after that goal. Mikayla Barrientos would score a minute later to make the score 2-1 and give the Rangers the lead. North-

western led 2-1 going into half-time.

The Rangers defense was solid throughout the second half and only allowed 2 more shots for the Dust Devils. The Dust Devils would not score another goal in the game. Freshman midfielder Carlie Massingale would secure the win for the Rangers with a goal in the 88th minute.

The Rangers would finish victorious with a 3-1 win. Head Coach Eric Solberg was pleased with the win.

"I think it's always important to score the first goal, really pleased with the way we came out and fought, we were very energized in the beginning of the match today, being the better team from the be-

ginning," Solberg said

"I am very pleased with how we responded to the defeat Thursday night in a positive way came back and grabbed a win and really looking forward to see what this team can do once we start conference play next week, but definitely a great way to end non-conference play," Solberg said

Northwestern closes non-conference play with a record of 3-3 and already equaling the amount of wins last season.

Northwestern will play next when conference games begin on Friday, Sept. 27 on the road at Southwestern Oklahoma State University.



Photo by Angel Perez

NWOSU will take on Arkansas-Monticello at Ranger Field on Sept. 28.

Football falls to Ouachita

By **ASHLEY WATTS**
Sports Editor

Northwestern Oklahoma State University fell to No.4 Ouachita Baptist last Saturday, 31-11.

The first half of play was all Tigers. The Tigers scored 21 of their 31 points in the first half. The red and black did not score until the beginning of the third quarter.

The Ranger defense came to play Saturday night as they forced two fumbles and recovered both of them. Redshirt junior, James Ellis forced and recovered a fumble at Northwestern's 47 yard line, and this got the momentum going for the Rangers.

NWOSU went on a 56 yard drive to score their first touchdown of the game.

The very next possession by Ouachita Baptist also ended in a fumble for the Tigers. Senior Marcus Brent forced and recovered a fumble at the Ouachita Baptist 34 yard line.

The Rangers then drove it down to their own one yard line before settling for a 20 yard field goal by Nick Dill.

The fourth quarter for the Rangers was not as impressive as the first as they did not score another point. Ouachita Baptist recovered a fumble that ended the Ranger 11 play drive.

Even though it was a tough loss for the Rangers, they continued to

battle even when they faced a significant deficit.

Ouachita Baptist only scored 10 points in the second half of the game thanks to the Ranger defense.

Trent Easley finished the game with 146 yards on 18 completions, while Torrence Stevens went one for one with a lone touchdown. Easley was also the lead rusher of the game with 53 yards. Jacob Peyton had nine attempts on the ground for 38 yards, and Calion Baker collected 20 yards on three carries.

On the defensive side of the ball Ellis led the Rangers with 12 tackles and forced and recovered a fumble. The Rangers also forced five fumbles and recovered three of them, which are Ouachita Baptist's only turnovers so far in the season.

Northwestern will take the field Sept. 28 hosting Arkansas-Monticello at Ranger Field, kickoff is set for 6 p.m.



Sports

Rodeo has good start to season

By **TED HARBIN**
TwistedRodeo.com

While Amber Scales didn't gain the title in the northwest Kansas community this past weekend, Scales posted the fastest time in the championship round and earned all-important points that have her sitting fourth in the Central Plains Region standings.

Scales was riding for the Northwestern Oklahoma State University rodeo team, and she did well.

After failing to finish atop the leaderboard in the opening round with a 17.41-second run, Scales turned up the heat in the short round, stopping the clock in 16.95 seconds.

She finished fourth overall with a two-run cumulative time of 34.36 seconds.

Like Scales, senior goat-tier Megan Turek of St. Paul, Nebraska, squeaked into the short round with an 8.2-second run, then made a solid run of 7.6 seconds on the final day to finish second in the championship round.

Her two-run total of 15.8 seconds was good enough for fifth in the aggregate.

She and Scales weren't the only cowgirls to make a big move. Reigning national champion breakaway roper Taylor Munsell of Arnett, Oklahoma, failed to finish among the top six in the first round, then shared the fastest-run in the short round with a 2.6.

That pushed Munsell two-run cumulative time to 5.6 seconds, good enough for second place overall. She sits second in the regional standings.

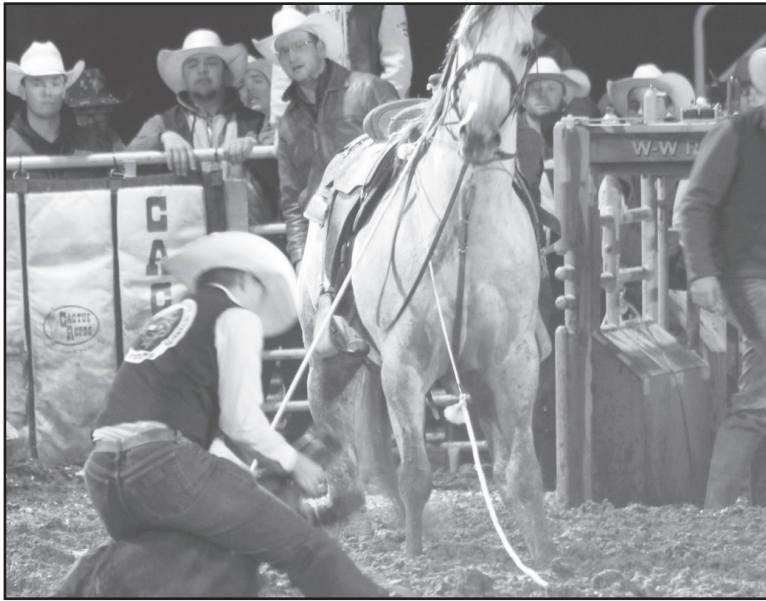


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Northwestern Rodeo will host its own rodeo on October 31- November 2.

More importantly, the Rangers women finished third in Colby, the same as the men, who were led by the defending national champion steer wrestler, Bridger Anderson.

Anderson won the first round with a 4.3-second run, then shared the short-round title with a 4.5 to win the overall championship.

Anderson shared the final-round title with teammate Colt Madison, a senior from Whiting, Iowa; Madison finished second overall.

Another teammate, Chase Finnell, a sophomore from Freedom, Oklahoma, finished third in the opening round but was saddled with a no-time on the final day.

The Northwestern team ropers came on strong, led by the tandem of Brandon Hittle of Harveyville, Kansas, and Sean Doherty of Kim, Colorado, who finished second in the short round and the average.

Heeler Bo Yaussi of Udall, Kansas, finished third in the first round and fifth overall with header Kolton Good of Western Oklahoma State College.

It was a good start for both the Rangers men and women with nine rodeos remaining on the schedule for the year; three more will take place during the fall semester, with Northwestern hosting its rodeo Oct. 31-Nov. 2.



Photos by Angel Perez

Northwestern will play Southern Nazarene University on Sept. 26 in Alva.

Volleyball falls to OBU

By **ASHLEY WATTS**
Sports Editor

Northwestern Oklahoma State University volleyball team faced a tough opponent last Tuesday night as they played Oklahoma Baptist University.

The Rangers battled throughout the match, but eventually took the loss 3-0.

Jennifer Eubanks continued to shine as she had another fantastic day. She earned herself a team high of eight kills in three sets with a .316 hit percentage. Kaydee Honeycutt also did good at this game with eight kills, and she also led the team with 12 digs. Kaitlyn Robinson led the team in assists with a total of 22 that night.

The lady Rangers came to play in set one as they traded points

with OBU for most of the beginning half of the match. Northwestern came in strong as they snatched the first three points This wasn't enough though because the Bison took advantage of many errors by Northwestern and won the match 21-25.

During the second set the Rangers continued to struggle to find rhythm. The Bison secured the set two win, 13-25.

OBU came into the third set and took a quick lead over the Rangers. Eubanks and Kiauna Clark tried to overcome OBU's momentum, but that was not enough for the Rangers. NWOSU lost the third and final match 15-25.

Northwestern will play another Great American Conference foe, Southern Nazarene University, on Sept. 26 in Alva. This match is set to start at 7 p.m.



Photos by Angel Perez

Hudsyn Childs lines up to the ball.

Soccer falls to Saint Mary University in close game

By **NICK DILL**
Student Reporter

The Northwestern Women's Soccer Team faced off against St. Mary University in San Antonio, Texas on Thursday, Sept. 19. The Rangers fell short and loss 2-1.

Northwestern started the game off in an explosive way. The Rangers had the first three shots of the game in the first 12 minutes. Northwestern would score first and take a 1-0 lead in the 30th minute.

Freshman Whitney Blanchard was the goal scorer for the Rangers. St Mary would respond fast and tie the game up in the 31st minute.

Both teams had a great defense as there were no shots in the last 13 minutes of the first half. The score was 1-1 going into halftime. Both teams started off rough in the second half, and the first shot on goal in the second half came 12 minutes into the half.

The Rattlers of Saint Mary scored a late goal in the 79th min-

ute to lead 2-1. Northwestern had a well-balanced attack, but couldn't capitalize on their chances.

Head Coach Eric Solberg responded about the game. "So I'm obviously disappointed not to walk away with a win from the match, thought we were the better team throughout," Solberg said.

"I feel like it will help us for Saturday with some confidence especially as we walk into conference play, a moment we can learn and grow from, the good

news is this loss doesn't come from a conference team. We have to learn from our mistakes, learn to overcome them don't know if we responded well to adversity tonight. When you give a good team chances to beat you they are going to. That's the learning point right now we will regroup and get ready for the rest of the season," Solberg said.

Northwestern will look to bounce back on Saturday, Sept. 21 as they take on Texas A&M International University.

Volleyball at home:

Soccer travels:

Football at home:

Women's golf travels:

Cross Country at home:

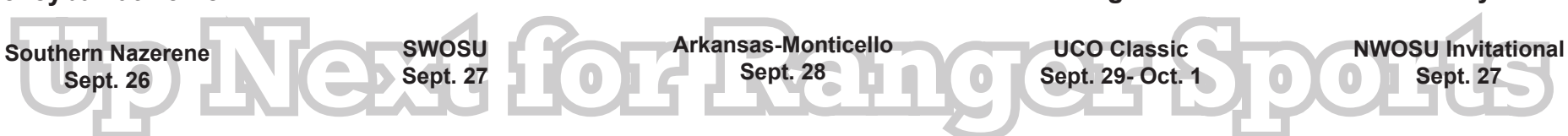
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Bible Chair hosts pingpong and pool tournaments



Top Left: Joseph Holloway shows off his juggling skills while at the Bible Chair pool and pingpong tournament.

Bottom Left: Caleb Olson and Noah Rodriguez going head to head in a game of skee ball.

Photos by Leah Darnell



South hall girls make their mark

Right: Shyanne Vaughn smiling as she becomes part of history, by placing her hand on the wall in South Hall Dormitory.



Bottom Right: As part of the pledge, the girls in South painted one hand based on the year she will graduate:
2020- Yellow
2021- Green
2022- Orange
2023- Red