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Welcoming art exhibits on campus

By **KRISTEN KIRTLEY**
Assistant Editor

Northwestern Oklahoma State University's Wisdom Family Foundation Visual Arts Program had several events going on this week.

The Art Society's Annual Student Art Show began on Monday in the library on campus and will end at the end of March.

On Wednesday, representatives from the University of Oklahoma's Art Program visited for an artist's demonstration and talk at the Science Amphitheatre.

The event was open to both the campus and the public.

Following the talk and demonstration, another demonstration took place for glass slumping technique at 6:55 p.m. in Room 325 Jesse Dunn Annex during the Fundamentals of 3D and Sculpture class.

This event was also open to both the campus and the public.

Glass slumping is a technique where you shape the glass over a mold and it is formed in a kiln.



Photos by Alli Schieber

Jesse Dunn 218 is being prepped for the new art gallery, which will open Friday and contain art work from students at OU.

The mold can be ceramic, sand or metal.

Leticia Bajuyo, assistant professor of sculpture in the School of Visual Arts at OU, and Emma Moorman, who is currently earning her master of fine art in sculpture, led the demonstration.

Although Bajuyo now resides in Oklahoma, she is originally

from Metropolis, a town that is located on the border of Illinois and Kentucky.

Moorman is originally from Fort Worth, Texas, and has already earned a bachelor of science in visualization with a focus in 3D animation and graphic design.

An art exhibit that will be dis-

playing a variety of work from OU artists will begin on today and be available for viewing until April 5.

The exhibit will take place in the new gallery space for the Visual Arts Program.

A reception will also take place today, outside of the new gallery space, which is located in room 218 of Jesse Dunn.

The reception will begin at 5 p.m., and the exhibit will be open for viewing from Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. until April 5.

"It's great to have the opportunity to interact with artists of Oklahoma and around the United States," said Thomas Cornell, assistant professor of visual arts



"Pete" and "Waterbird" at the 21st annual art show.

in the Department of Fine Arts at NWOSU.

Cornell said one of the goals for the Visual Arts Program is to give students the opportunity to meet a variety of artists from different places around the nation. This first show, he said, is a great first step in the process for introducing more art to campus.

Both Rangers, Lady Rangers off to GAC tourney

By **ALLI SCHIEBER**
Editor-in-Chief

Northwestern Rangers and Lady Ranger basketball teams head to the GAC tournament together for the first time since NWOSU joined the GAC.

The Lady Rangers have had a successful season with Coach Tasha Diesselhorst getting 100 career wins and winning GAC

coach of the week and Faith Simpson winning GAC player of the week six times.

The Lady Rangers did not make it to the GAC tournament last year by a tie breaker.

When the Lady Rangers were last at the tournament, they lost to Harding 67-50 in the first round.

Junior Carly Craig said she thinks that being so close to making it to the tournament last year opened their eyes.

"I think we came in this year

even more focused to not only make the tournament but to try and put us in the best position to win it, and I believe we've done that," Craig said. "I don't think this team is ready — I know this team is ready."

Diesselhorst said she thinks that the success from the season is largely due to the team being more experienced this season than they were last year. Most of the team this year are upperclassmen.

Craig said the coaches this year have also done a great job at preparing them for the tournament.

The men's basketball team has also made it to the GAC tournament this year.

The men's team last made it to the GAC tournament two years ago, where they lost to Southern Arkansas University 72-63 in the first round.

Both the men and women's team will take on Northwester's

biggest rival, Southwestern Oklahoma State University on Friday.

The men play first at 2:15 p.m. and the women play at 8 p.m. on Friday.

In the regular season, the Lady Rangers defeated SWOSU by more than 10 points both times they have played them. The men's team lost by three to SWOSU the first time they played them this season.

The second time however, Northwestern won 78-72.

Super Tuesday

State Republican ballot

Asa Hutchinson	431	Vivek Ramaswamy	1,020
Ron DeSantis	3,942	Ryan L. Binkley	303
David Stuckenberg	397	Donald J. Trump	254,688
Nikki Haley	49,373	Chris Christie	1,095

State Libertarian ballot

Chase Oliver	569
Jacob Hornberger	360

Woods County: Winners

Donald J. Trump	728	80.98%
Joseph R. Biden Jr.	97	68.79%

State Democratic ballot

Joseph R. Biden Jr.	66,924
Marianne Williamson	8,349
Cenk Uygur	1,971
Stephen Lyons	4,435
Armando Mando Perez-Serrato	1,805
Dean Phillips	8,177

43 Republican delegates and 36 Democratic delegates available in Oklahoma; winners takes all

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Upcoming entrepreneur seminar free to students

March 7th - March 13th

WHAT'S UP?

7th Thursday

- Free lunch at The Wesley House starting at 11:30 a.m.
- GSA meeting at 5 p.m. in Jesse Dunn
- Chemistry Club Candy Making Event at 5 p.m. in the Science Amphitheater
- Bible Chair Round Up Night at 7 p.m.
- BCM Video Game Night at 7 p.m.
- Monetary Donation Fundraiser to benefit local Fire Departments in Carter Hall, make donations by 5 p.m.

8th Friday

- Ranger Baseball at 6 p.m. at Glass family Field

9th Saturday

- Ranger Baseball at 1 and 4 p.m. at Glass Family Field

11th Monday

- Bible Chair Round Up at 7 p.m.
- BCM Women's Bible Study at 7:30 p.m.
- Wesley House Women's Bible Study at 8 p.m.
- BCM Men's Bible study at 10 p.m. in Coronado Hall 4th floor

12th Tuesday

- Free Lunch at the Bible Chair starting at 11:30 a.m.
- Wesley House Bible Study at 7 p.m
- Fall Enrollement Opens

13th Wednesday

- BCM Free Lunch starting at 11:30 a.m.
- Visiting Writer's Series at 5:30 p.m.
- Bible Chair Bible Study at 7 p.m.
- BCM Bible Study at 8 p.m.

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12:30 pm	Dr. Tony Woodlief State Policy Network	9 am	Dr. Tony Woodlief State Policy Network
1:30 pm	David & Jennifer Lawrence Dense Mechanical	10 am	Curtis Tucker Enid Buzz
2:30 pm	Stela Jantzen Park Avenue Thrift	11 am	Aaron Fuksa Unique Addresses & Headlight Restoration
3:30 pm	Brady Sidwell Sidwell Strategies	Noon	NWSU Division of Business Faculty Panel Discussion for Entrepreneurs
4:30 pm	Debbie Maxey Northwest Oklahoma Association of Realtors, Inc.	1 pm	Yulissa Sweeney, Cory Nickelson, & Brad Wallace Stride Bank
6:00 pm	Curtis Tucker Enid Buzz **IN PERSON-ENID ONLY**	2 pm	Heather Palmer Marketing Consultant

Northwestern's Entrepreneur Seminar will be held on March 7 and 8 located in the Enid campus.

The program is free to the public and can be attend both in person or online. This year, the keynote speakers will be Dr. Tony Woodlief and Curtis Tucker from the Enid Buzz. Students also have the opportunity to use this seminar to receive higher-level business credit.

"It's a great opportunity to make connections," said Secretary of the Division of Business, Carli Seabolt.

Seabolt attended the seminar when she was a business student

and explained that the conference had benefited her. Students will have the opportunity to learn from business leaders and small business experts.

"The speakers have real life experience, and it allows for students to be able to ask questions to professionals," said Seabolt.

The seminar will be held on Enid's campus in room 218. It will also be available on zoom in the Alva campus in IE131.


To attend and receive a university credit, there is a fee. For more information contact Dr. Jerry Gustafson at jjgustafson@nwsu.edu or Carli Seabolt at cj-seabolt@nwsu.edu

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OPINION

Respectful representation?

By **KEN IRVING**
Guest Columnist

It is no secret that Native American heritage has been exploited and abused for centuries since the beginning of time.

From the moment European natives set foot at Plymouth Rock, the Native Americans have been treated unfairly. We've slaughtered millions and ended billions of bloodlines for our Native American counterparts.

Throughout our time in history, the relationship between Native American's and the government has been unstable because of colonization and Manifest Destiny. These concepts doomed the natives.

While the growing population in America grew, they wanted to expand westward. Treaties were signed, but the government repeatedly went back on their word. They needed land and looked at the Native American's as inferior beings, but you can't completely blame the Europeans.

They lived during a different time than us. Heroes in their time are criminals in ours. It's unfair to judge the generation of yesterday by today's standards.

Okay, so how does this tie into sports? Well in 1933 the Boston Braves changed their name to the Redskins in an honor to their Indian coach at the time.

Their brand was already among a Native American theme, and they thought the name Redskins was fitting.

As I said earlier, it is unfair to judge decisions made yesterday with today's standard. The term "Redskin" today may be racist and prejudice, however it wasn't created in that light.

The term "Redskin" and

"whites" were not what people labeled themselves until slave owners began to make distinctions between them and slaves.

Just because the term Redskin wasn't racist at first, does that make it acceptable? Absolutely not. It is ignorant to ignore a term that degrades a kind just because of its origins.

With that being said, in 2020 the Washington Redskins changed their name due to economic pressure from sponsors. The Cleveland Indians also followed suit in changing their name and mascot from Chief Wahoo.

Within a few years, major sports clubs began renovating their names and traditions: but is renaming and rebranding really a good thing?

The Washington Redskins revenue was \$545 million, and the Cleveland Indians revenue was \$268 million. Millions of people tune in to watch those teams play. The Redskins even made it and won the Superbowl at one time.

What better way can you showcase the Native American tradition than at the pinnacle of sports?

The Native American tradition in those clubs was on display for the world to see. You would think this would be prideful for those Indians, however you would be wrong.

Every Sunday when the Redskins played, and every day when the Indians played, fans from all around would prance around and participate in Indian traditions while men wore Indian logos on their uniforms.

The only thing is, these traditions are fake and are a mockery of the actual Indian traditions. These clubs use the Indian name, image and likeness and don't even have the decency to use the

correct Indian traditions.

Native American groups and progressive parties made it their mission to rebrand these professional sports team identity's-- now what? Do they stop there? What about the hundreds of thousands of high schools that use the Native American brand?

Are they going to make them stop using the logos and traditions as well? Or was this whole thing just a sham for money and to attack the "big corporations"?

My problem is if they're going to complain that Native American traditions are being devalued and are offensive to why stop fighting for their rights?

They've already brought down the big dogs so why not continue the mission? Is it that they "got the job done" or do they not really care about Native American problems at all.

Plenty of high schools around the country use the Indian logo and traditions in the same way the NFL and MLB did yet you don't hear about them being sued or court cases on them.

Yes, it's a fact the MLB and NFL make a vastly more amount than a high school, however it's under the same principles. If you're going to attack one, you must attack all.

I believe that some of these organizations are filled with fake progressives. I don't believe that these organizations really care about the causes they fight for because if they did, they would see what the real solution is.

The real solution is to allow teams to use the Native American image and likeness, BUT they must abide by the real traditions and donate to the tribes.

Major sport leagues make too much money to not donate to reservations. We can learn so much

from the Indians instead of distancing away from their culture.

If the Native American's think it's insulting that people mock their traditions like that than we should listen to them, but I think removing their image and likeness from sports all together is wrong and not beneficial at all.

If we kept their image and likeness but used their customs correctly and gave back to their reservations, then I think it could be a win win for both sides.

They could help us understand and learn more about the Native American heritage.

Think about the next generation. If there are no sports teams having the likeness of the Indians than won't the Indian culture die out?

Why don't we just come together and attempt to understand the Indians instead of getting rid. Has history not taught us anything?

Any school with an Indian mascot and logo should be taught about those Indians. Anytime we disagree or have a problem with something we just want to get rid of it.

As we fade the Indian name and likeness, future generations will never learn about why their school is named after the Indians or who the Indians are.

Don't you think being progressive towards removing their image and likeness is doing more harm than good now? Why dismantle something when we can learn from it instead?

I say we leave it up to the Native Americans to decide if they want their name and likeness used.

We should allow them to teach their culture to us. After all, haven't we buried and mocked the Indian tradition enough?

Love yourself, it's well deserved

By **CHLOE GRUSING**
Editorial Editor

The semester is half over and finding the strength to finish the semester is getting harder by the day. The weather is too nice to be inside for class and summer break is just within reach. Staying motivated and keeping a strong academic performance can be extremely hard this time of year.

A student must stay motivated and finish their work, which can be very challenging. On top of classes, many students work or are participating in sports and in some cases both. Keeping one's mental health in check is key to successfully finishing the semester.

Throughout the day checking in with yourself can be very helpful in gauging the condition of your brain. Take a step back and a deep breath and gauge your current mental state.

Positive thoughts and reinforcement are very beneficial. According to Medical News Today, self talk is defined as a person's communication to themselves, and can be positive

or negative.

The impact of self talk is extensive, and how one chooses to express themselves is important. The article, What is Positive Self Talk, outlines that negative self talk can lead to self esteem issues and higher anxiety or stress.

Discounting your abilities or downplaying your achievements can lead to a self fulfilling prophecy of negative results. Speaking to yourself in a deprecating way will only reinforce that fact in your mind, causing it to become true.

Students that practiced positive self talk before a presentation were less likely to have anxiety than their peers that did not. Before an exam tell yourself you got it, because you do. After give yourself a pat on the back for trying. It can be hard, but don't allow yourself to go down a negative spiral.

Positive self talk is also vital for athletes. The mental aspect of sports is just as important as physical and being able to maintain composure in competition is key. It is important to stay positive and move forward, not only for yourself but also your team.

One person's attitude can influence the entire field, so staying upbeat and ready will be more beneficial. No matter the score, positive self talk can help keep your head in the game. Cheering on your teammates and giving them positive reinforcement can also improve their game as well.

It may be easier said than done, but practicing positive self talk can only benefit you. From reducing stress to improving a person's everyday mood, there are many ways this can be helpful to anyone.

Throughout the day, gauge how you speak to yourself. Take into account your reactions to stress and how you are processing them. If you find yourself struggling to be positive, work on replacing.

Anyone is capable of being their best self. In and out of work, sports and school strive to be more kind to yourself. If you find yourself struggling, that's okay, just try again.

Progress is not linear, you should be proud of yourself for trying. Give yourself credit for all the things you have and will achieve. You have the opportunity to make every day a great one, so take it.

Day in the life of Jiffy Trip employee



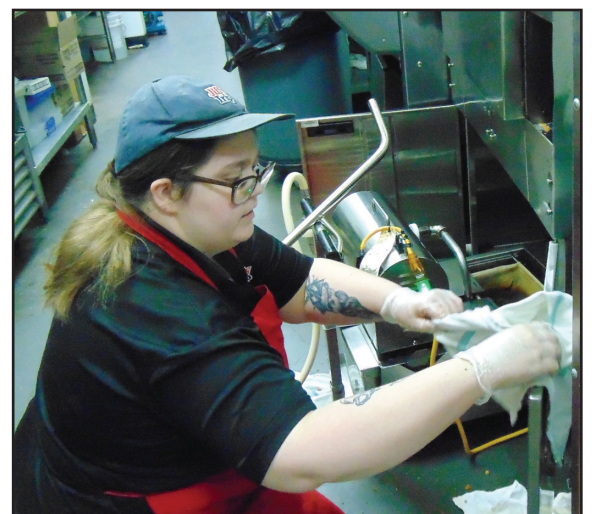
Klaycie Rauch, who works at Cherokee Jiffy Trip, checks out customers during her regular shift, which starts at 2 p.m. She has worked at the convenience store for about five years.

Time to get working!

Klaycie Rauch, a Jiffy Trip employee who graduated from NWOSU, works to get the Cherokee store clean and ready for the next shift.

Her job requires her to check trash, clean dishes, restock shelves and condiments, clean bathrooms, and many other chores.

She greets customers, helps them check out and find where products are.



- Left: Klaycie Rauch stocks shelves.
- Upper left: Rauch checks the trash.
- Middle: Rauch makes sure the BIBs for the drink fountains are full.
- Bottom right: Rauch cleans the fryer.

Photo essay by
Kayleigh Rauch

Annual Art Show



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Photo by Alli Schieber

21st Annual Art Show

When:
March 4-29
Where:
J.W. Martin Library
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Above: An art piece entered in the non-student category of miscellaneous/other titled "Paper Tubes."

Left: A photo titled "Hello" entered in the non-student photo category of animals/creatures.

Below: An art piece submitted by a non-student, titled "Losing of One's Self," in the painting/portrait category.



Photo by Alli Schieber



Photo by Kayleigh Rauch

Archer Bohlen helps make picture labels for the art show.



Photo by Kayleigh Rauch

NAS members checks picture labels for the Art Show, which opened Monday in the library.



Photo by Alli Schieber

The student photography section of art show with categories of nature and people

FEATURE

Some movie adaptations don't work

In all my 19 years of living, I've seen many attempts by movie studios to adapt a popular book or video game and turn it into a movie or TV series.

And from what I've seen, rarely does it work. Sure, there are some good movies adapted from books and games, take the "Harry Potter" series or the new "Super Mario Brothers" movie.

But when you look at Hollywood's history of movies they've made based off

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KEVIN KAUMANS

of books, most of them are disregarded by critics as quick cash grabs with no heart or loyalty to the source material. Take the new "Avatar" series on Netflix, many fans hate it due to the "creative" changes they made by changing up the source material. I won't get into all the details, but basically the live-action version took away many things from the source material and changed it.

The same thing happened with live-action "Percy Jackson" movies. Even the author of the books, Rick Riordan, denounced the movies, saying the people making the movies completely disregarded all the things he said during production and made it into a typical teen drama with a nonsensical plot.

And that's the main problem with movies based on books: They don't stick to the source material because they think they know better than the person who made the characters in the first place.

The same thing goes with video game adaptations. Well, kind of.

Not only is sticking to the source material a big problem with movie producers, but how to go about with making the game into a movie or series. Take the Fallout or Elder Scroll games for example: these are RPG games that feature a protagonist with no set gender, look, or voice.

If someone were to make Fallout: New Vegas, for example, into a TV series, how would that even work? The game allows players to be either a heroic savior of the wastelands or an apathetic psychopath who kills everyone they come across just because they can. Fallout: New Vegas has so many moral choices in it there's no way the producers can make it where the Courier makes a choice that doesn't at least enrage one part of the fandom because "That's not the right choice to make."

NPR program records at NWOSU

By **DERRICK GALINDO**
Student Reporter

Which president of the United States was an architect, an expert in library science, one of the first to learn calculus and one of the fathers of modern paleontology and archaeology practices?

Students and all those in attendance at the Presidential Lecture Series learned all this and more about the third American president, Thomas Jefferson.

The NWOSU Institute for Citizenship Studies and Department of Social Sciences sponsored the Presidential Lecture Series on Tuesday. Students in attendance were part of the recording of Clay Jenkinson's podcast "Listening to America."

Jenkinson is a native of North Dakota and a humanities scholar. His many works include books covering topics about Thomas Jefferson, the Lewis and Clark Expedition, Theodore Roosevelt and many more. He is also a historical impersonator, or Chautauqua. He has performed as many historical figures all over the United States.

During this lecture, Dr. Aaron Mason, professor of political science, joined Jenkinson in discussion of Thomas Jefferson and the American West.

Over the 1 1/2 hours, they discussed Jefferson's presidency and the work he did in securing the Louisiana Purchase. Despite neither of Jefferson or Bonaparte knowing what was in the area up for purchase, this opened America to what lay in the west.

The topic of the West led to discussion of Theodore Roosevelt, the 26th president, and the clash of ideals between Jefferson and Roosevelt. Despite the time between Jefferson's death and Roosevelt's birth, Jefferson and Roosevelt held different beliefs.

From lifestyle to government, they could not be more different. They were so different that Roosevelt even despised Jefferson and his ideas.

One of the last major topics covered that afternoon was very topical to today's society. The concept of American Exceptionalism.

"... Name another nation that's tried to do



Photo by Derrick Galindo

Scholar and author Clay Jenkinson discusses Thomas Jefferson and the American West for an episode of his NPR program "Listening to America."

the things we do," Jenkinson said. "You can't drive this country without being filled with a sense of joy and wonder of the things we have. You could spend years just getting to know Wyoming. You could spend years getting to know Oklahoma. The historic sites, the different rivers, the landscapes, the mountains, the

prairies, the indigenous people who've been here. This is a very remarkable experience. In America, you could go to a national park, sit around a campfire at night, eat canned beans, drink canned coffee, and look under the stars and be filled with joy and wonder that you live in the United States of America."

March 8 celebrates 114th Women's Day

By **KATELYN FINDLEY**
Features Editor

1 The theme for the 2024 celebration, March 8, is "Inspire Inclusion." According to internationalwomensday.com, "When we inspire others to understand and value women's inclusion, we forge a better world."

2 When did this day begin? On March 8, 1908, women marched down through the streets of the Lower East Side of New York in protest of child labor, sweatshop working conditions, and women's suffrage demands.

Two years later March 8, 1910, became the annually observed International Women's Day.

3 What is the purpose of recognizing this day?

For IWD the purpose is to bring people together to create a world with gender quality. "Re-

gardless of gender, everyone is granted the same rights, privileges, and access to opportunities," the IWD website said.

4 Where can you celebrate IWD?

International Women's Day can be celebrated by everyone from anywhere in the world at any time. However, the Official UN International Women's Day Commemoration will be held in person and live broadcast. Many Women and Men choose to celebrate this day on their own.

5 Celebrities you know who celebrate IWD.

With the spread of knowledge about International Women's Day, you can get more support. A few supporters you may not have known include celebrities Emma Watson, Rihanna, Dolly Parton, Michelle Obama, and Nina Simone. Such actors as Chris Pratt, Mark Ruffalo, and Ryan Gosling also lend their support

Top grossing movies March 1-3

- "Dune: Part Two" \$83 million
- "Bob Marley: One Love" \$7.4 million
- "Ordinary Angels" \$3.7 million

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SPORTS

Spring season starts for rodeo, they're ready

By LUCIA BARRANTES VEGA
Sports Editor

Northwestern Rodeo teams started the spring season on Feb. 15-17, with both men's and women's teams traveling to Manhattan, Kansas, for their first event.

In that weekend, freshman, Savannah Greenfield earned points in the three women's events: barrel racing, goat-tying and breakaway roping.

Greenfield stopped the clock in 3.2 seconds to secure her spot in the championship round.

She was 3.4 seconds in the final performance to finish fourth in the short round and in the two-run aggregate.

Ranger Trisyn Kalawaia continued his dominance in steer wrestling. He led the way for three Rangers steer wrestlers in the short round, joined by Grady Aasby and Cam Fox.

Kalawaia knocked his steer down in 4.4 seconds to share the first-round win, and then was 6.5 seconds to finish fourth in the final round. His two-run cumulative time of 10.9 seconds held up for third place overall.

He added 125 points to his season total to extend his lead in the Central Plains Region standings. He has 610 points, twice as many as his teammate, Fox, who is second.



Jaci Traul
Senior
Agriculture/
Business

Senior Jaci Traul has been competing with Northwestern for two years now.

Talking about the last season, she said it was a good one.

"I think our men's team ended decently," she said.

"We had about three kids make it to the college finals. Our women's team did well too. Overall we could have done better, but it was good."

The rodeo goal this season is to win.

"We strive to get good grades, go to class— why we are here, the main reason," Traul said. "We want to show up. We want to win."

The teams are getting ready for the upcoming events.

"We practice every day," she said. "Practice, practice. We make sure our grades are good and we practice every day to be ready for what are we going for."

Five events remain in the spring semester. The next one will be at Fort Scott Community College this weekend.

Men split last regular games 1-1

The last home game for the Rangers basketball team was on Thursday night at the Pit. After a memorable senior night, the Rangers closed their regular home games for the season with a win, 82-74 against Southern Nazarene. They wrapped the season with a 10-4 home record.

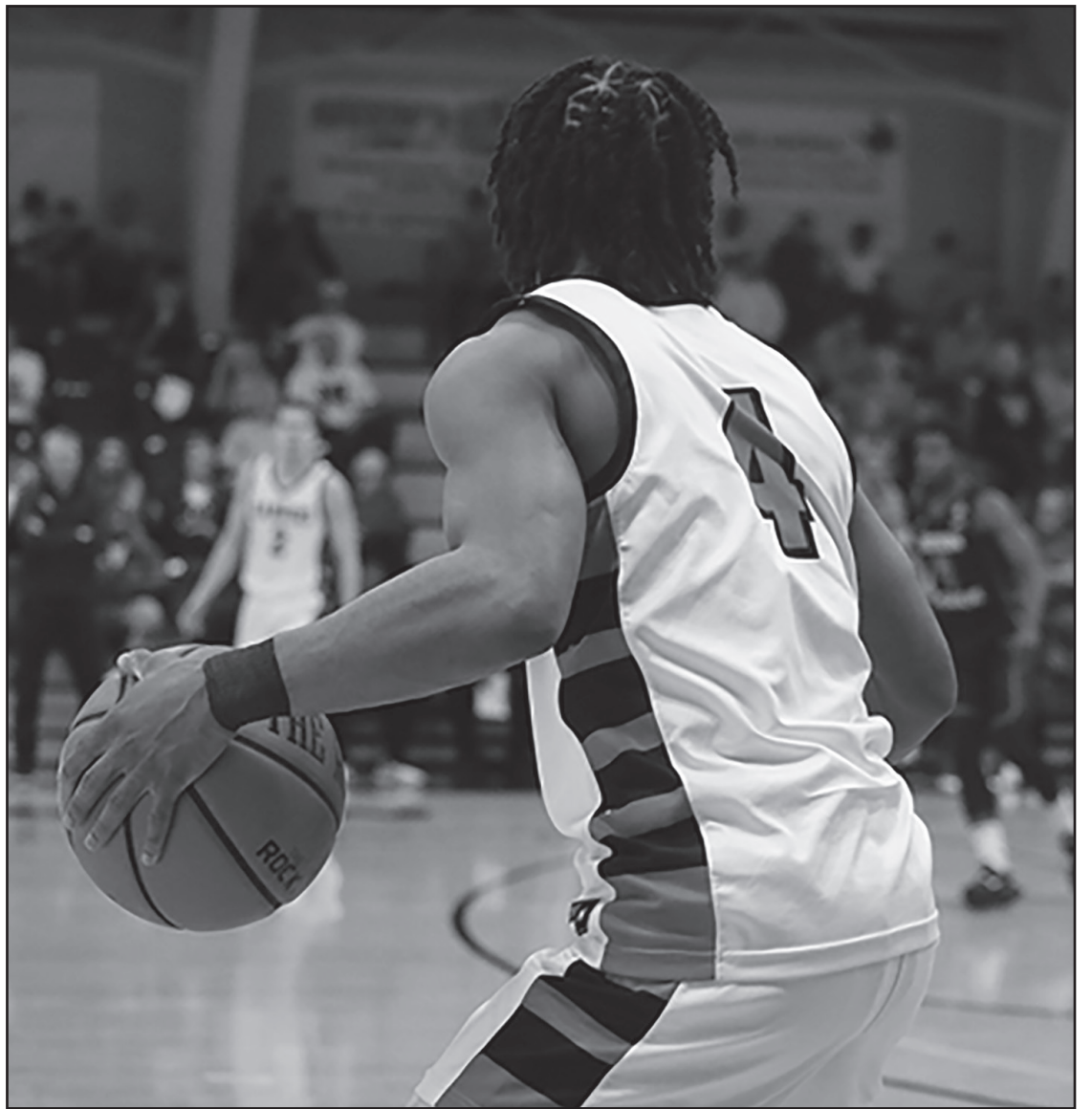
It was a good night for the Rangers and four players with a double digit score by the end of the game. Kennedy Milton led with 18 points, followed by Camron McDowell with 17, Larry White with 15 and Brian Free with 14.

On Saturday, the basketball team visited the No. 1 team in the GAC, Southeastern, but came up short four points. The Savage Storm won 89-93.

The game had two Rangers with double-digit scores. Camron McDowell led with 41 points and Larry with 16 points. He also added a team high eight rebounds and three assists.

This improved the record to 16-11 on the season and a 14-7 in the conference record.

Northwestern, the No. 3 team in the GAC, will be playing Friday afternoon in the GAC tournament against rival Southwestern Oklahoma State. NWOSU lost one and won one against the Bulldogs in regular season play.



Senior Brian Free (4) plays Thursday one last time on senior night against Southern Nazarene. Photo by JD Eddy

3 losses, 2 wins for softball

Last Friday the Lady Rangers softball team visited the Oklahoma Baptist campus to play the second series of the GAC.

The Lady Rangers fell to the Bisons 0-3 for the series.

On Tuesday, the softball team played at Newman University. The doubleheader finished 2-0 for the Lady Rangers.

The NWOSU season record is 10-8 and 2-4 in the GAC.

vs Oklahoma Baptist
Friday game

	NWOSU	OKB
Game 1	0	8

Pitching:

Ireland Caro, Hannah Howell-

Baserunning:

CS: Macy Spearman, 1

Saturday games:

	NWOSU	OKB
Game 2	0	7
Game 3	1	9

Game 2:

Pitching:

Ireland Caro, Molly Dolan, Alyssa Baldenegro

Batting:

2B: Rachel Sherwood, 1

SH: Avery Clark, 1

Game 3:

Pitching:

Molly Dolan, Hannah Howell

Batting:

2B: Rachel Sherwood, 1

Baserunning:

RUNS: Dylan Bradford, 2; Carson Wri

Rachel Sherwood, 1

HBP: Gabrielle Sanchez, 1

Fielding:

E: Rosemary Rivera, 1; Gabrielle Sanchez, 1

Tuesday games:

vs Newman University

	NWOSU	NU
Game 1	9	4
Game 2	10	1

Game 1

Pitching:

Hannah Howell, Ireland Caro

Batting:

2B: Rachel Sherwood, 1; Laney Anderson, 1

3B: Rachel Sherwood, 1

RBI: Macy Spearman, 1; Rachel Sherwood, 4; Hannah Howell, 1; Rosemary Rivera, 1; Shyanna Stopp, 1; Tatum Winters, 1

SF: Rachel Sherwood, 1

Baserunning:

RUNS: Macy Spearman, 2; Ra-

chel Sherwood, 3; Avery Clark, 3; Tatum Winters, 1

SB: Macy Spearman, 2; Rachel Sherwood, 1; Tatum Winters, 1

HBP: Rosemary Rivera, 1

Game 1

Pitching:

Ireland Caro

Batting:

2B: Rachel Sherwood, 1; Macy Spearman, 1; Cameron Alexander, 2

3B: Rachel Sherwood, 1

RBI: Macy Spearman, 3; Rachel Sherwood, 6; Hannah Howell, 1

Baserunning:

RUNS: Macy Spearman, 4; Rachel Sherwood, 1; Avery Clark, 1; Shyanna Stopp, 1; Devynn Raile, 1; Cameron Alexander, 2

HBP: Rosemary Rivera, 1; Macy Spearman, 1; Shyanna Stopp, 1

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SPORTS

Women lose 1, win 1 to close regular season; head to GAC tourney

By **LUCIA BARRANTES VEGA**
Sports Editor

Thursday night the Lady Rangers basketball closed their regular home games of the season. This was their first loss at home, finishing with a home re-



Photo by Ingrid Maldonado
Nikya Orange is focused on playing defense against SNU Feb. 29.

cord of 13-1.

The game against Southern Nazarene finished 47-60 in favor of the Crimson Storm.

Faith Simpson led the scoreboard with a total of 18 points. Following her is Payton Jones with 10 points and Carly Craig with 4 points.

The Lady Rangers also traveled to Durant on Saturday for the last regular season game.

The game against Southeastern Oklahoma State University finished 78-74 for the Lady Rangers.

Also leading in this game, Faith Simpson scored 22 points, Carly Craig 18 points and Payton Jones again with 10 points.

The Lady Rangers finish the season 24-6 and 16-6 in the GAC. The Lady Rangers will play their next game at the GAC tournament on Friday.

Last time the Women's team went to the GAC tournament was in 2019.

They will be competing at the FireLake Arena on Friday at 8 p.m. in the Great American Conference against Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

Softball field gets new turf, forcing team to play away

By **MALLORY PARUSZEWSKI**
Student Reporter

The Northwestern softball field's last renovation was the summer of 2018. The dirt and grass field has covered dugouts, a fully enclosed press box, state-of-the-art stadium lights and covered grandstands.

Now, the NWOSU softball fields are getting another makeover and adding a turf field.

Though workers broke ground on the upgrade in November of 2023, they didn't make much progress until December 2023 and are still busy with construction for the time being.

The anticipated completion date is March 15, but it is not for sure yet because it was supposed to be done a couple times already.

The turf field allows for fewer games being canceled because of rainouts or rain delays and is easier to maintain.

The Lady Ranger softball team is not able to practice on their home field while the construction



Photos by Karolina Juresuite

Dirt and grass covers the unfinished softball field, which is being redone.

continues.

They are currently practicing on the Rangers football field, throwing, fielding ground balls. Also they are working on technique and spend time at the Alva high school softball fields.

Senior Hannah Howell said the team misses a normal practice.

"We wish we could practice on our field, but we are making it work and are super excited for the upgrade," Howell said.

The university doesn't own the softball field. Instead, it rents the field from the Alva Recreation Complex every month.

The complex has always talked about changing all the fields to



turf, so the city is the one paying for the transformation. In a technical aspect, the rent money from Northwestern is also paying for the field.

The Lady Rangers softball team hopes to play on their new field soon.

Baseball splits 2-2

The Ranger baseball traveled last Friday to Shawnee. The series ended 2-1 for the Rangers against Oklahoma Baptist.

On Tuesday they lost against Newman University. This put the team record at 12-7 for the season.

The Rangers will be playing again on Friday at home vs Southern Nazarene.

**vs Oklahoma Baptist
Friday game:**

	NWOSU	OKB
Game 1	5	3

Pitching: Dawson Toborg, Garrett DeHaas, Cade Phelps, Jacob Shaw

Batting:

2B: Hagen Barcello, 2; Chad Green, 1

3B: Paul Sachen, 1
SH: Trevor Stiles, 1
SF: Paul Sachen, 1

Baserunning:

RUNS: Carson Wright, 3; Colby Grace, 2

SB: Carson Wright, 1

HBP: Dylan Bradford, 1

Saturday games:

	NWOSU	OKB
Game 2	4	17
Game 3	12	8

Game 2:

Pitching: Matthew Potts, Justin Dunlap, Max McClain, Myles McDermott, Drew Price

Batting:

2B: Carson Wright, 1; Chad Green, 1

HR: Paul Sachen, 1; Porter Pit-

tman, 1

Baserunning:

RUNS: Dylan Bradford, 1; Paul Sachen, 1; Chad Green, 1; Porter Pittman, 1

Fielding:

E: Hagen Barcello, 1

Game 3:

Pitching: Max McClain, Jacob Fuller, Jacob Shaw

Batting:

2B: Carson Wright, 1; Hagen Barcello, 1

SF: Chad Green, 1; Trevor Saire, 1

Baserunning:

RUNS: Dylan Bradford, 2; Carson Wright, 2; Chad Green, 2; Paul Sachen, 2; Hagen Barcello, 1; Colby Grace, 1; Trevor Stiles, 1; Trevor Saire, 1

HBP: Dylan Bradford, 2

vs Newman University

Tuesday game:

	NWOSU	NU
Score	6	7

Pitching: Colby Mitchell, Zc McEachern, Shafer Glasscock, Ben Brown, Cade Phelps

Batting:

SB: Colby Grace, 1; Hagen Barcello, 1; Trevor Saire, 1

HR: Carson Wright, 1

RBI: Carson Wright, 1; Colby Grace, 2; Hagen Barcello, 2; Chase Gordon, 1

SF: Colby Grace, 1

Baserunning:

RUNS: Carson Wright, 2; Colby Grace, 2; Paul Sachen, 1; Chad Green, 1

SB: Chad Green, 1

CS: Carson Wright, 1

Golf teams place 6th, 10th overall

Last week the Ranger golfers placed 6th and 10th in separate meets.

On Monday and Tuesday the men's team played at the Hard-scrabble Country Club. The Rangers placed 6th overall with a final total of 921 (308-311-302).

Results:

Mathieu Zerwin: 225 (72-78-75)
Noah Carpenter: 231 (79-79-73)
Davan Smith: 234 (82-73-79)
Cade Seymour: 236 (78-82-76)
Max Courange: 238 (79-81-78)

The Lady Rangers visited Southern Nazarene. Rising from 11th place last week, the women placed 10th overall with a final of 648 (324-324).

Results:

Romane Lacoste: 158 (79-79)
Tess Linden :158 (76-82)
Addison Furtick: 162 (84-78)
Amanda Lane 170 (85-85)
Agathe Lacoste: 173 (87-86)

Playmakers

Carson Wright



AB 16
R 7
H 8
RBI 3
2B 3
PO 4

Hagen Barcello



AB 17
R 1
H 5
RBI 6
2B 1
PO 6

Trevor Stiles



AB 7
R 2
H 2
RBI 1
PO 19

Dylan Bradford



AB 14
R 3
H 4
PO 21

Up next:

March 11 & 12
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