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Nite Lite returning in August

By ALLI SCHIEBER
Editor-in-Chief

The Nite Lite, located in Alva, has had its ups and downs.

The Nite Lite was an 18+ night club that was meant to be a place for college students to hang out on the weekends.

That is exactly what it was for 30 years, even though it had different owners and two different buildings as the first one burned down in 1999.

It eventually closed its doors in 2018. Now it is coming back.

Connor Martin has bought the property and is working to restore the Nite Lite building to become a nightclub once again in Alva. It is located south of Family Dollar/Dollar Tree at 1263 Lane Blvd.

The original Nite Lite was essentially for the college community, giving students a place to come together and socialize.

Northwestern alumni Montana McCullough was a bouncer at the Nite Lite for four years before it shut down. She said it was overall a fun time unless the football and rodeo guys wanted to get into it



Photo provided

The Nite Lite logo is painted on the wall above the dance floor and stage as a worker cuts wood for some of the remodeling that has been done in preparation for the reopening of the night club, which is set for August.

that night and cause trouble.

It was also fun to see who was going to come out that night be-

cause anyone from freshmen to graduate assistants would show up, she recalled.

"It was just like a place where you could go be with your friends, have fun and let of steam from

the week you had during school," McCullough said.

She said under the ownership at the time she worked there, employees would put wristbands on those 21 or older and stamps on customers 18-20 in order to keep track of who was able to legally drink.

The Nite Lite will remain an 18+ club, have a capacity of 1,000 people, and have live music and a DJ, Martin said. However, some things will change compared to the old Nite Lite.

Martin, 32, owns Nitram, a company that takes existing properties, rehabs them and gives them their life back. So, owning and operating the Nite Lite will be a little different than what he is used to.

"The Nite Lite is not the end-all, be-all for us," Martin said. "The Nite Lite is just a step toward the overall goal, which is improving Alva as a whole. ... I think the entire community will benefit from it not just the university."

In remodeling, the Nite Lite, Martin has also been revamping
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Economic growth

Beer hub planned on Alva Square

By MALLORY PARUSZEWSKI
Senior Reporter

The buzz in town is intense as residents eagerly await the grand opening of a new beer hub on the Square that promises to revolutionize the local social scene.

With beer enthusiasts and community members alike eagerly anticipating the arrival of this unique establishment, the stage is set for a refreshing addition to Alva's landscape. Opening day is planned for late summer or early fall, and owners Cody and Carly Williams are hopeful that Alva Beer Co will bring a new outlook to Alva.

"We are hoping to attract more people down here and give people

on the square more things to do," Cody Williams said.

Cody and Carly Williams met at OSU in 2003. Carly Williams' father was a home brewer in the '90s and gave Cody his own home brewer kit in 2004. He tinkered with it while in college.

When the Williams lived in Colorado in 2008-2009, they got to enjoy the small beer hubs around town. An award winning beer hub in particular sparked the Williams' interest in what it would be like to start their own.

Post COVID-19 is when they finally decided to start their own brewery in Alva. They wanted to be downtown to bring it to life with music, and the atmosphere.

The building known as Devery Implement on the corner of Fourth and Barnes, is to be the fu-

ture home for craft beer and soda, artisan pizza, sandwiches, appetizers, wine and seltzers.

"We want to start our own events and piggyback off what's already happening in Alva and hopefully supply a little piece that's been missing," Cody Williams said.

Repurposing a building from the community to start a new business can have several significant benefits. By utilizing an existing structure, they are not only preserving the town's history and character but also contributing to sustainable development.

It can help in revitalizing the area, creating a sense of continuity. Additionally, it can often be more cost-effective than constructing a new one from scratch,

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Photo by Alli Schieber

Cody Williams, owner of Alva Beer Co., points at one of the beer tanks.

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NEWS

April 25th- May 4th

WHAT'S UP?

25th Thursday

- Bahama Breakaway 5-8:30 p.m. at downtown square
- Spring band concert 7 p.m. at Herod Hall

27th Saturday

- Spring Alumni Reunion 3:30-9 p.m.

30th Tuesday

- Final Exams start
- NWOSU employee retirement reception 3-4 p.m. in the Ranger Room
- First Gen club meeting 5-6:30 p.m. in the Student Center

3rd Friday

- Division of nursing convocation 6-7:30 p.m. in Perceful Fieldhouse

4th Saturday

- Spring comencement 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Ranger Field

Brace, to give speech at NWOSU graduation

Northwestern Oklahoma State University will be holding their commencement ceremony, celebrating their spring graduates on Saturday, May 4 at the Ranger football field.

As of recent reports, 170 seniors will be present at commencement, receiving their specific honors. Of that group, 33 seniors will receive their Masters and 12 will be receiving their Doctor of Nursing Practice.

Along with this, a previous graduate will speak at commence-

ment, as is tradition at NWOSU. The speaker at commencement will be Mark Brace.

Brace is from Vici and graduated from Northwestern with a Bachelor of Science in Economics and Finance in 1982.

Brace is also the president of BancFirst in Lawton.

He met his wife, Sandra, at Northwestern 45 years ago.

A senior, vocal performance major Draven Hidalgo from Hooker, will be performing the Alma Mater in the ceremony.

Alumni spring reunion events

President's reception and pinning

Location: **Student Center Ballroom**

Time: **3:30-5 p.m.**

Student award ceremony

Location: **Student Center Ranger Room**

Time: **5-6 p.m.**

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OPINION

Careers through the years

By **CHLOE GRUSING**
Editorial Editor

End of the year is fast approaching, and
with that comes the stress of finding a career
and job. This can be a stressful task, especial-
ly with graduating seniors, so here are some
stories from staff members at Northwestern
about what career they were interested in
during their childhood versus the jobs they
work now.



Keith Wear, head athletic trainer

“When I was a child I wanted to be a professional athlete,
but then I got an injury and saw the injury side of sports.”

Keith’s advice: Be prepared for stress and if you see a
trainer working hard it means things aren’t going right.



Mistie Kline, MCP

“Growing up I wanted to be a Dallas Cowboys cheerlead-
er. I think it was the shiny pom poms.”

Parallels to current job: I’m a cheerleader for my students,
I approach my class with the same enthusiam and positiv-
ity a cheerleader would.



Michelle Kingcade, store manager of the bookstore

“I wanted to be an equine massage therapist”

Michelle’s advice: Everything happens for a reason,
where you are is where you are meant to be.



Tamaj Gordon, assistant track coach

“When I was a child I wanted to be a doctor, then it
changed to sports as I got older.”

Major: Changed over the course of college, as well
changing minors too.



Brad Franz, director of athletics

“Being a farmer and basketball coach is what I want-
ed to do as a kid.”

Brad’s advice: Continue to be patient and work hard
at being successful. Success is gained by continually
seeking knowledge and growth in the profession. You
will never know it all just keep gaining knowledge
and working with the changing times of the world.



Venkata Moorthy, professor of biology

“When I was younger I wanted to be a teacher, then I
broke my arm and changed it to doctor.”

Why teaching: Wanted to emulate teachers I previ-
ously had, and wanted to teach students more things.

Cinderella

Behind the scenes

'Cinderella' cast gets ready for show



Top left: Cast members get ready for the show. Brooklyn Parker, left, who played the part of one of the stepsisters Gabrielle, does her makeup while Jaden Matthews helps Rylee Ott with the wig for her character, the other stepsister Charlotte.



Kathi Jenlink, left, helps Emily Smith get into her costume as Cinderella.



Center left: Lena Aguilar gets props ready for the show during a rehearsal.

Photos by Asa Williams

Bottom left: Braylon Bradt, behind, helps Kevin Jaquez, right, place his microphone, while Noah Voth waits his turn. Voth was also the understudy for Prince Topher.

Bottom right: Erin Davis, who worked with the choreography for the show and then portrayed one of the townspeople, helps Jameson Hale, who played Prince Topher, style his hair around his mic before the Friday show.



CAMPUS LIFE

Freshman Connection



Photo by Ingrid Maldonado

High school seniors who plan to attend NWOSU next semester meet in the Student Center Ballroom as they wait for Freshman Connection to begin. During freshman connection they meet their advisors enroll for the fall semester and get to visit Northwesterns campus.



Photo by Ingrid Maldonado

Chance Love, senior, spreads mulch at campus beautification day.

Campus beautification day

Campus beautification day is an event held by Northwestern every year where sports teams, clubs and organizations of the university come together to give back to campus by planting flowers in flower beds around campus.

NITE LITE

Nite Lite causes controversy in neighborhood

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their social media presence by creating Facebook and Instagram accounts.

Both accounts have in their bios “Local legend. Worldwide known. Make Thursday nites in Alva fun again.” Which are exactly what Martin’s plans for the business are.

“We are going to keep a lot of nostalgia of previous Nite Lite’s, so to speak, but we are also going to put our own spin on it,” Martinsaid. “I think that it’s going to be a big thing and it’s probably going to be one of the coolest things the community’s ever seen.”

The original Nite Lite just sold beer and was cash only. Martin plans on selling bar-style food along with beer and liquor.

Martin said this could mean that on Thursday night they have something like pizza and different food the next night.

However, it will be a simple small menu.

The bar area will also be separate from the dance floor and rest of the building, and you will have to be over 21 to enter that area.

Martin said with 18-year-olds being allowed in the building, it will be closely monitored, and they will not tolerate underage drinking.

Martin also said with incidents that has happened at the original Nite Lite that safety is their No. 1 priority.

“Before you do anything, it has to be a safe place,” Martin said. “Anybody that wants to go out and have fun needs to feel

safe before they’re going to show up.”

Martin went on to say that, they will have staff and training methods in place, so that if a fight happens it would be controlled quickly before it gets out of hand.

“I think it’s great that it’s re-opening,” said Kaylyn Aldrich a freshman, early education major from Okeene. “It will give people a fun place to go and do something here in Alva.”

Haley Combs a sophomore heath and sports science major from Hinton said she thinks that the Nite Lite holds a lot of potential for a fun evening, and she is looking forward to it.

While many members of the Northwestern and Alva communities are excited for the reopening of Nite Lite, not everyone is.

Residents of Magnolia Drive are not as happy about it because the location of the Nite Lite is at the east end of their street.

Magnolia Drive has been a quiet neighborhood since the closing of the Nite Lite seven years ago.

Cindy Smiley, a resident of Magnolia Drive, said their street might be the quietest in Alva now.

But when the Nite Lite was open, people in the neighborhood did not enjoy how loud it was with the volume keeping them and their children up at night.

Smiley said she moved here during winter break in 2016 and was unaware of the Nite Lite when she bought her house.

“Shortly after my first month in my home, I thought somebody was parked in my driveway with

the bass on,” Smiley said.

They also had issues with people leaving trash in their yards along with people hitting their mailboxes and cars when they left the Nite Lite and tried to avoid Oklahoma Boulevard.

Danielle Longhurst, another resident of Magnolia Drive, said her husband had his mirror taken off his car one weekend by a drunk driver. They would have to remember to park in their driveways on the weekends.

“It would be trashy all around that area on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday night,” Longhurst said. “We ride bikes and run and walk a lot on that road, and it was just sad to see how little care they had for what was going on there.”

Smiley said she is hoping that the new owner keeps the parking lot and street cleaner.

Though the noise is the biggest complaints from the Nite Lite’s neighbors, it is likely that nothing can be done about that situation.

This is because the club is just outside Alva city limits, which means the city has no control over how loud the Nite Lite is.

That would be up to the county, if anything can be done. However, Woods County does not have any sound ordinances listed on its website.

“We would hope to petition that there should be required to be sound barriers, which I know are expensive, all around that area,” Longhurst said.

Longhurst also said it would be nice for the owner to communicate with them, especially



Photos provided

Conner Martin, new owner of Nite Lite, stands by some railings added to block off an area from the dance floor.

since he is going forward with this project and will be disrupting their quiet neighborhood whether they like it or not.

Martin is not letting the complaints from some of the residents stop him. He said he is excited for the opportunities this project will bring to both Alva and the Northwestern community.

He also said his goal is to bring something to Alva that will help the town as a whole.

“It’s just the beginning,” Martin said. “Once this kicks off, we are going to be on to the next project to build off. We are excited; it’s going to be a great thing for Northwestern, the Alva community and Woods County.”

FEATURE

Bahama Breakaway brings a sweet relief

By **Katelyn Findley**
Features Editor

Are you feeling stressed from finals and the nearing of the semester?

Thursday April 25, 2024 is your day and here's why. This Thursday NWOSU's SGA is hosting Bahama Breakaway.

Bahama Breakaway this year is located in Alva down town square. The event is located on the east side between the police station and the Post office. There is no entry fee to attend the fun.

"Bahama Breakaway has a standing history," said SGA Sponsor Olivia Yandel. "It has been going on for over 20 years.

It started out as an event for the SGA to host for the students, as a way to break from the stress of finals. It has always been on the Thursday right before finals week to give student something to do to destress."

Bahama break away is an event that holds something for everyone. During this event there will be two food trucks, 505 Taco's and Wicked Grind as well as a snow cone stand. The First \$450 at these food truck and the first 400 snow cones are paid by SGA.

There are games hosted such as corn hole, free for all water volleyball, water volleyball tournament, nine squares in the air, a dunk tank and axe throwing.

"To kind of fill time, we do little games in between such as a

watermelon eating contest, water balloon toss, wheel barrel contest and water relay challenge," Yandel said.

Throughout the night for the competing games players are able to win cash prizes.

"If your team wins, you win different cash prizes. You can win \$10 or \$20," Yandel said.

"Will be handing out different gift cards throughout the day from different restraints from Alva. They sign and put their name in," Yandel said.

The drawing for these gift cards will be done every thirty minutes during Bahama Breakaway. The event will be night full of fun NWOSU student. So stop by for a few minutes to give the mind a break.

Blood Drive



Photo by Katelyn Findley

Members of NWOSU Ranger Business Club, Student Nurses Association and Pre-Nursing Association sign in patients Oklahoma Blood Institute hand on April 23-24 for an on-campus blood drive.

Dad Joke of the week:

Why is Cinderella bad at soccer?

She kept running away from the ball!

Graphic by Katelyn Findley

Do's and Don'ts of writing a query letter

Now, before we begin this reading, I have to put a bit of a disclaimer: I'm in no way, nor do I claim to be, an expert in the publication field. However, I do have experience in writing a query letter and scouting literary agents. Which is why in this episode of "Words With Mr. Kaumans", I'll be

giving some tips on writing a query letter, as well as what to look for in an agent.

First thing's first, in order to find the right literary agent for you, we first need to put your novel in a category. For example, if your book is about a mid-western detective hunting down a

serial killer, then you wouldn't want a literary agent who specializes in science fiction to represent you. Instead, search specifically for agents who usually represent authors of the mystery or thriller genre.

When writing a query letter, it's important to keep it as short as possible, while at the same time describing your book's story in a way that your agent can perfectly understand what it is you're trying to do. Most query letters are--at maximum--two pages long. So, if your current draft of your query letter is longer than that, you might want to consider heavily editing it, else it's more than likely the literary agent you're reaching out to will ball up your query letter and throw it in the trash.

Finally--and this is the most important advice I can give--be patient. Most literary agents will take months to get back to you. No matter what, do act rude or

disrespectful towards the agents you're querying. Literary agents work in small circles, and if you are a bad employee, odds are that word will spread around and before you know it, no literary agent will want to accept your novel.

Also, I would like to thank Dr. Brendan Stephens, who helped me write my first query letter. If you want any more advice on how to make a good query letter or how to find a good agent, there are plenty of videos on Youtube. And remember: A good author writes, rewrites, and self-reflects on all their works.

My name is Kevin A. Kaumans, thank you for tuning into this week's column. Make sure to pick up a new newspaper from NWOSU News every week, and until next time friends:

Stay Educated

Burger's last hurrah with NWOSU bands

By **DERRICK GALINDO**
Student Reporter

Northwestern Oklahoma State University's concert band and jazz ensemble will be holding their final concert of the spring semester April 25, 7 p.m. in Herod Hall.

This concert is free to the public and refreshments will be provided during an intermission.

NWOSU's band director, Eric Burger is excited for this upcoming performance. Especially since there were challenges he set for

this spring semester's band students.

"The challenge has been for my ensembles to play collegiate level material," he said, "and we've really challenged them this semester. And I think they've risen to the challenge."

Along with this, Burger said there was a greater diversity in the list of music the bands will be playing. From genre to time period, the diversity is vast. Two of the works in the list were created by Julie Giroux. A New Orleans native, Giroux is an award winning composer of wind band, film and video game music.

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SPORTS

Bulldoggers take top spots at Fort Hays

NWOSU steer wrestlers were the star of the show at the Fort Hays (Kansas) State University rodeo April 19-20.

Seven of the 12 cowboys in the final round were Rangers, with five walking away with prize money. NWOSU students also hold the top five spots in the regional standing and will likely be off to the College National Finals Rodeo in June in Casper, Wyoming.



Trisyn Kalawaia

Senior Trisyn Kalawaia of Waiakea, Hawaii, won the bulldogging title at Fort Hays and sits in first place for the Central Plains Region and first in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association rankings.



Cameron Fox

Cameron Fox is second in the region, with Jacob Haren at third, Emmett Edler at fourth and Quade Potter at fifth.

Northwestern men's team now sits in fourth place in the Central Plains Region. Haren, is in second place for the men's all-around award.

Other region standings include Terrell Stokes in sixth place for bull riding, Haren in fifth place in tie down roping, Sierra Schott seventh in barrel racing, Lauren Hopkins first in breakaway roping, Jayden Jensen fourth in breakaway, Jaci Traul ninth in breakaway.

The final rodeo of the season is Thursday through Saturday at Panhandle State University in Guymon.

- Fort Hays Top Results:**
- **Tie Down:** Kerry Duvall, 12th
 - **Breakaway:** Jaci Traul, 2nd; Lauren Hopkins, 11th (ranked 22nd nationally)
 - **Steer wrestling:** Trisyn Kalawaia, 1st; Sterling Lee, 2nd; Jacob Haren, 4th; Emmett Edler, 6th; Cameron Fox, 7th (ranked 10th nationally); Tanner Meier, 8th.
 - **Bull riding:** Terrell Stokes, 3rd.

Track, field break records

Track and field athletes broke three school records at meets last weekend.

Hannah Appleton set a new women's hammer record at 45.55 meters.

Munee Suied set a new men's record of 9:38:93 in the 3000 steeple chase, and Salat Ibrahim turned in a 15:38:77 in the 5000 meter to claim the school record.

Results Women

Ford Mastin Twilight, in Shawnee, April 18

100 meters: Diamond Hilton, 5th; Deja Lacy, 6th; Skyler Tillery, 8th.

200 meters: Deja Lacy, 3rd; Diamond Hilton, 6th; Shakira Lane, 8th, Skyler Tillery, 9th; Darianne Thompson, 10th.

400 meters: Shakira Lane, 5th; Renaja Engermann, 7th

800 meters: Cadence Long-Torres, 9th.

100 hurdles: Gina Wilson, 8th
High jump: Macy Schreffler, 5th; Gina Wilson and Maryann Dianka, tied for 8th

Pole Vault: Olivia Saner, 3rd
Long jump: Darianne Thompson, 5th; Maryann Dianka, 7th

Shot put: Hannah Appleton, 9th; Emmalee Osborn, 10th

Discus: Hannah Appleton, 5th; Chloe Grusing, 9th

Hammer: Hannah Appleton, 4th; Temi Michaels, 10th

12 Personal Bests

100 meters: Skyler Tillery, 12.62

High jump: Macy Schreffler, 1.53m; Asia Hicks, 1.53m

Long jump: Darianne Thompson, 5.42m; Maryann Dianka, 5.27 m

Shot put: Emmalee Osborn, 11.07m; Samantha Grimes, 10.04m

Discus: Temi Michaels, 33.19m; Kaylen Swindle, 31.07m

Hammer: Hannah Appleton, 45.55m; Temi Michaels, 37.30m

Javelin: Gina Wilson, 23.47m

Men

Buffalo Invitational in Canyon, Texas, April 21

100 meter: Trevor Montayne, 2nd

200 meter: Trevor Montayne, 5th

Montayne is the only Ranger to hit a NCAA Division 2 qualifying standard.

Kansas Relays in Lawrence, Kansas April 18-20

5000 meter: Salat Ibrahim 16th, set school record at 15:38:77

3000 steeple chase: Munee Suied, 3rd, set new school record at 9:38:93; Edward Robledo-Gonzalez, 10th.

Distance medley relay: 7th with athletes Munee Suied, Crispus Atukwatse, Riley Herndon, Brandon Adolphus.



Photo by Asia Williams

Macy Schreffler sails over the bar in the high jump during the Ford Mastin Twilight meet April 18 in Shawnee. She set a personal best at 1.53 meters.

Upcoming meets

Men

Thursday, Fort Hays, Kansas
May 1-3: GAC, Magnolia, Ark.
May 10-11: West Texas A&M
May 23-25: NCAA, Emporia

Women

May 1-3: GAC, Magnolia, Ark.
May 10-11: West Texas A&M
May 23-25: NCAA, Emporia

Ranger softball, baseball both lose weekend series against S. Arkansas

Both women's softball and men's baseball had a tough weekend April 19 and 20 as both teams lost all their games.

The women were scoreless in three games against Southern Arkansas: 4-0, 9-0, 13-0. Tuesday games against Northeastern State University were canceled.

The men only played two of the three games scheduled in Magnolia, Arkansas, also against Southern Arkansas, losing both with scores 2-4 and 0-1.

Despite two losses Friday, Ranger baseball (17-12) is ranked seventh in the Great American Conference and is assured of a berth in the 2024 baseball championships that begin May 3-4.

Women's softball

The Lady Rangers sit in 11th place in the GAC, with a GAC record of 7-23, 17-30 overall.

Ouachita Baptist, 5-25 GAC and 10-37 overall, brings up the rear at 12th place.

Men's baseball

Game 1: S. Ark 4, NWOSU 2

NWOSU scored first. In the third inning, Hagen Barcello singled to left field, allowing Dylan Bradford on third base to make the first run. The second NWOSU score came in the sixth inning. With runners on first and second, Paul Sachen singled to right field, and Trevor Stile went on to score.

Southern Arkansas put up one run in the third, two in the fourth and the last one in the fifth to win 4-2.

The Rangers managed 7 hits and 0 errors. Southern Arkansas had 12 hits and 1 error.

Game 2: S. Ark. 1, NWOSU 0

Southern Arkansas put its only score on the board in the first inning of the second game. Neither team could muster a score after that and the game ended 1-0 after six and half innings.

The Rangers saw three hits: one each from Dylan Bradford, Trevor Saire and Chad Green.

The Muleriders had five hits and one error.

Rangers beat Rogers, 4-3

Rogers State opened the baseball game Tuesday with a score in the first inning, but the Rangers fired back with three, then added a fourth in the third inning and held on to win, 4-3.

Rogers also scored one each in the fourth and ninth innings, but couldn't wrest the lead away.

The Rangers had 7 hits while Rogers State managed 8 hits.

NWOSU wraps up the baseball season with a three-game series against Southwestern Oklahoma in Weatherford, Friday 2 p.m. and Saturday 1 and 4 p.m.

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BEER HUB

New owners hope to create a lively scene

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 allowing resources to be put towards enhancing the business itself rather than starting from the ground up.

“It’s definitely good for Alva’s economy, using the resources we already have to bring something new to the community,” said Jodi Bradford-Stevison, former Executive Director of the Alva Chamber of Commerce

Before it was Devery Implements, it was a blacksmith shop. The walls in the back are wood and have cattle brands burned into them.

That wood is going to be taken apart and turned into the bar tops for Alva Beer Co.

It has so much history and the Williams want to keep that familiar feeling. Instead of making the building look all shiny and new, they are sticking with rustic farm-

house aesthetic.

“I don’t think you get the same atmosphere or character, it brings all of that into it and we want to keep it,” Carly Williams said.

The Alva community is continuing to grow, with Alva Beer Co and Nite Lite coming to town and then The Bull Smokehouse and Saloon and The Office already being here.

They give different opportunities to everyone and different experiences.

These places create a lively scene and it is a great way for residents and visitors to socialize and unwind. It gives more people to choose from based on their preference.

“We all offers different thing,” Cody Williams said. “I think we complement each other and we all excited to be encouraging other to go to all places.”



Photo by Alli Schieber

Cody Williams shows the new floors of the brewery part of the building the beer tanks will be moved here soon.

NWOSU’s 2024 outstanding seniors named

Northwestern Foundation and Alumni Association selects twelve graduates as this years outstanding seniors.

The outstanding senior reward is sponsored by the Northwestern Foundation and Alumni Association.

The recipients of this award have to have a minimum of cumulative grade point average of 3.5, completed at least 60 credits hours at Northwestern, have never been subject to academic or disciplinary action, have been involved in campus and/or community activities and show promise of future achievement.

The outstanding seniors will be recognized Saturday at the Spring Alumni Reunion banquet.

Recipients for six other rewards will also be recognized during the alumni reunion as well these include the deSERVING Ranger Award, Dr. Joe Dollins Merit Award, John Sheffield Teacher of the Year Award, John Ted Meier Student Teaching Award, Sara L. Bosworth and Mary DeLisle Scholarship, T.C. Carter Award and the John F. Kennedy Award.

Ashley Garner will be the recipient of both the deSERVING Ranger Award and the Sara

L. Bosworth and Mary DeLisle Scholarship.

Shayna Miller will be the recipient of the Dr. Joe Dollins Merit Award.

Dr. Mindi Clark will receive the John Sheffield Teacher of the Year Award. Chase McCurly will receive the John Ted Meier Student Teaching Award.

The T.C. Carter Award has six recipients which are Jonas Decker, Kynsey Dixon, Henrique Jun Koyama Date, Shayna Miller, Anna Motycka and Juliana Murray. Lastly Jillian Bouse will be the recipient of the John F. Kennedy Award.

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Austin Rankin, a native of Waynoka, will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science.



Abigail Gregory, a native of Tupelo, will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education.



Rebecca Wagner, from Pawnee, will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mass Communication.



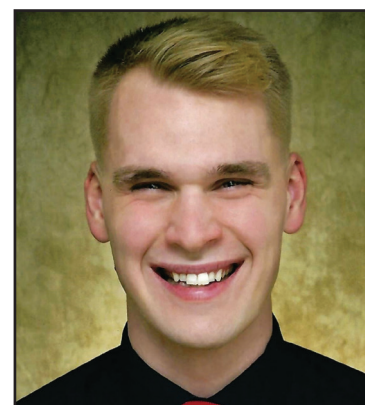
Nahi Ramirez, from Enid, will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education.



Draven Hidalgo, from Hooker, will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Vocal Music.



Tabor Budy, from Waynoka, graduated Magna Cum Laude in December with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture.



Jonas Decker, from Meno, graduated Summa Cum Laude in December with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture.



Jayden Budig, from Shattuck, will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology and Chemistry.



Jillian Bouse, from Woodward, and third generation Ranger, will graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology in May.



Shaylee Beck, from White Deer, Texas, graduated magna cum laude last December with a Bachelor of Science degree in Health and Sports Science.



Archer Bohlen, from Ringwood, will graduate Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science in May.



Alex Baxter, from Moore, will graduate in May with a Bachelor of Science degree in Health and Sports Science.