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#### Weekly Weather

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY APRIL 18 APRIL 17







SATURDAY APRIL 20







**MONDAY** APRIL 21 APRIL 22









The annual SWOSU Rodeo was April 11-13 at the Don Mitchell Rodeo Arena in Weatherford.

Photo by Melissa Javorsky

### SWOSU blood drive saves lives

Lexi Clark

**Editor** 

SWOSU hosted a blood drive 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 8-9 in the Wellness Center. According to Oklahoma Blood Institute

Account Consultant Emma Meyer, this season has been especially hard in terms of blood donations, with widespread sickness and weather conditions.

Although the last blood drive of the SWOSU spring semester did not bring as many donors as expected, Meyer said the OBI had 114 successful donations during the twoday event. As each donation saves 3 lives, this blood drive resulted in 342 lives saved from donors' generosity.

Meyer also emphasized OBI provides blood for more than 95 percent of medical facilities in Oklahoma, and all hospitals west of I-35. Because of this, donations to the OBI help save lives of fellow Oklahomans. Meyer said it takes about 1,200 donors per day to meet the needs of patients in regional hospitals.

Meyer said the donations from the April blood drive brought the total to 640 donations for the SWOSU school year.

Meyer reminded donors and others about subscribing to the OBI's newsletter, "Drawing Together", which highlights patients thanking their donors for a life-saving gift. As she described it, "this newsletter can serve as a monthly reminder of why we do what we do, to save lives through blood donation."

The goal of the newsletter is to inspire and spread an attitude of gratitude. Anyone is welcome to subscribe at https://bit.ly/Subscribe4Gratitude.





Students, faculty and other donors took time to donate blood at SWOSU April 8-9. The OBI collected 114 successful donations during the two-day event.



Photos by Zachary Hokeah

# Professor spotlight: Dr. Landrum-Geyer

**Kiersten Stone** 

Southwestern Reporter

Denise Landrum-Geyer, a professor in the language and literature department, has been part of the SWOSU faculty since August 2010.

One of her favorite memories at SWOSU is the first graduation she attended as a professor at the university.

She achieved both her undergraduate and Master's degree from the University of Kentucky. Then, she received her Ph.D. from the University of Miami, Ohio.

Some of Landrum-Geyer's interests and hobbies include watching college sports such as basketball and football, outdoor activities, movies, reading and spending time with her family.

During Oklahoma sports, she roots for the University of Okla-

Landrum-Geyer doesn't have a favorite color, because she likes all

During high school, she was involved in choir, musical theatre, basketball, National Honor Society and other volunteer activities and organizations.

She was also involved in the Girl Scouts.

Growing up, Landrum-Geyer wanted to be a multitude of things.

First, she wanted to be a ma-



Denise Landrum-Geyer

rine biologist. Then, she decided she wanted to be a dermatologist, then horse veterinarian.

During college, she was studying pre-law, but fell in love with teaching instead.

Her favorite place she has traveled to is New Zealand.

Some interesting facts about Landrum-Geyer are that she's left-handed, her parents owned bars and she attended an all-girls Catholic school in Louisville, Kentucky.

She also owns a pair of hiking boots she's been using since 1994 and has taken to three different continents.

When asked what advice she would give to students on campus, she said, "Always communicate with your professors, as well as others on campus."



#### **SGA OFFICER ELECTIONS:**

SWOSU's Student Government Association officer election opened April 11 for student to vote on next year's SGA leaders.

**During Student Government** 

Association elections on April 11, SWOSU student Jaycie Brown was elected as the new president of the SGA. Page 3

**NEW SGA OFFICERS: PBL COMPETITION:** 

Lambda chapter recently won 15 state championship awards at the 2019 Oklahoma FBLA-PBL State Leadership Conference.

Members of SWOSU's Phi Beta

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With spring football under-

**SWOSU FOOTBALL:** 

way, the Bulldogs are optimistic about what the next season holds.

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# News

## SGA officer elections determine future student leaders

**Keaton Kardokus** 

For The Southwestern

With the Student Government Association elections to fill officer positions including president, vice president and treasurer on April 11, students interested in the club can begin to plan whether to run for vacant senate seats next fall.

The SGA Senate is a student led body comprised of 50 elected SWOSU student senators who represent all colleges on cam-

Natalee Karcher, a first-year senator, represents the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences as a biology major.

She broke down the role of an individ-

"As a senator, we meet every Thursday to discuss and vote on legislation that hopefully could have a positive impact on our great campus," Karcher said.

"I have been given the privilege to serve my peers and that is a responsibility that I take in consideration before I vote on a given topic to ensure that the best possible decision is made," Karcher said.

Along with weekly meetings, SGA sponsors booths at events such as Relay for Life, Project Blue and the Organization

While the exact dates for Senate filings are not available yet, current President Marshall Wallace elaborated on the process stating, "typically filing for Senate begins around the time Project Blue is (in the Fall) and ends soon after the Org Fair."

Wallace said a definite date for filing will be set by the upcoming elected officer

Upon filing for the Senate, SWOSU students will proceed to vote on who they would like to have represent them.

Students who vote are only permitted to vote on candidates that represent their given college such as Pharmacy, and Liberal Arts and Sciences.

In the meantime, students seeking to



become more involved in campus affairs can vote on who will be the next leaders

# Campus safety: Knowing who to call in emergency situations

Chief Kendra Brown

For The Southwestern

Do you know who to call in an emergency?

When do you use 911?

Any emergency you witness can be called into 911. It can be an on- or off-campus emergency.

Emergency calls might require the assistance of police, fire, and/or medical

Medical calls will alert Lifeguard Ambulance services. An emergency medical call might be due to a traffic collision with injuries, choking, heart issues or any other serious medical problem.

911 calls will initially be received at Weatherford Communications Center. The dispatchers are certified Emergency Medical Dispatchers. They will send Lifeguard to you as they are asking medical information to help you until Lifeguard arrives on scene.

Fire calls might range from a vehicle fire, a full blown fire alarm, a small grease fire, and anything in between.

911 calls to Weatherford Communications Center will get dispatched to Weatherford Fire Department and they will respond to your location.

Police 911 calls can range from a violent crime in progress, a prowler or even a 911 hang-up.

911 calls received by Weatherford Communications will be dispatched to the appropriate agency, such as SWSOU PD, Weatherford PD, Custer County, Highway Patrol, etc.

If you are confronted with danger and can call 911 but your safety would be jeopardized if you spoke on the phone, leave an open phone line.

If you are on a landline, dispatch



should be able to see your number on a

If you are on a cell phone, cell towers will pin point an area of your location, but not necessarily the exact address.

When you call 911 and leave an open line, try to give the dispatcher your location and the nature of the call.

If you are in an urgent or violent situation and can dial 911 and set the phone down with the line open, you might be able to say "No, Joe Smith, don't hit me. Joe, please leave my house, here at 305 Jupiter St."

Any clues you can give dispatch will help them in determining the nature and location of your call.

If you are on campus and near a University land-line, like in an office, you do NOT need to dial an additional number to transmit a 911 call like you would have to so with a normal number. Just dial "911". That's it.

Never hesitate to call SWOSU PD if we may be of service to you.

Weatherford Communication Center (for police, fire, and ambulance): 580-772-7791

SWOSU PD: 580-774-3111 Emergency: 911

## Guest speaker discusses importance of news

**Hector Lucas** 

Southwestern Reporter

What do we gain from and why does news matter?

These are two of the main questions that general manager of KGOU Radio Dick Pryor, answered during his presentation here at SWOSU.

"It promotes enlightened civic engagement and meaningful civil discussion about many topics," said Pryor.

In this day and age, a multitude of information is available right at our fingertips, but what does all of this news mean?

A journalist's job is to gather the information, interpret the facts, and provide context and meaning. As for news media, their job is to serve you the truth.

Journalist's have the ability to go places that the public can't. They hold elected officials accountable and act as a surrogate

"People want news right now. They want it when they want it and the way they want it," said Pryor.

By listening to the news that you want to hear, Pryor suggests that this inevitably leads you to be put into an echo chamber.

It is important for the public to be able to distinguish reputable and actual news from false and irresponsible reporting.

Pryor made it a point in his presentation to go through and determine what are real news media. He asked the audience whether Facebook, Twitter, Huffington Post, InfoWars, CBS, Washington Post, etc are news media.

Pryor then went on to explain the difference between these as being either news media, news aggregators, and news commentators.

To help distinguish between good and bad news, people can start by listening to news outside of what they want to hear. Doing so can prevent people from falling



Photo by Kiersten Stone

Dick Pryor, general manager of KGOU Radio, spoke about a journalist's job and the importance of news during a recent presentation at SWOSU.

into confirmation bias.

Fact checking is the most important thing one can do when looking through the news. What takes mere seconds to do can help from spreading misinformation.

Pryor made suggested that people should seek the truth, ask questions, share great stories and support great journalism.

By being informed and focusing on the facts, not emotions, it can help the public have more productive and civil conversa-

While a journalist's main job is to tell a story by reporting the facts, the public's has a responsibility to be as informed as they can either help spread verifiable information or help stop the spread of misinformation.

With over 40 years of experience in television, radio, public relations, law and government service, Pryor started his career at KGOU during his time studying at the University of Oklahoma.

As the current general manager of KGOU Radio Pryor helps serve more than one million Oklahomans with news, public affairs and entertainment program-

# SWOSU Foundation, Alumni Association support students, university

Lexi Clark

**Editor** 

At SWOSU, there are two independent partner organizations who work constantly to support the university and its students.

These organizations are the SWOSU Alumni Association, Inc., and the SWOSU Foundation, Inc.

For almost four decades, the SWOSU Foundation has worked tirelessly to provide additional funding to Southwestern.

By providing these funds in addition to state funds, the SWOSU Foundation and those who contribute to the foundation provide the resources needed for students and faculty to advance and

succeed.

The Alumni Association provides an opportunity for alumni and emeriti to get involved with their alma mater. This provides an opportunity for SWOSU graduates and emeriti faculty to stay connected to "The Hilltop" while also making a positive impact on current students and faculty.

Although these two organizations may seem similar, their purposes are slightly different. Both are separate from the university and are public charities working to strengthen SWOSU. However, the Foundation raises funds to benefit SWOSU, and Alumni Association "raises friends" to benefit SWOSU.

SWOSU alumni, emeriti and friends who wish to contribute to the SWOSU Foundation can make a donation online at www.standingfirmly.com.

Those who want to get involved in the Alumni Association are required to pay membership dues.

Yearly membership dues are \$35, a single lifetime membership is \$375 and a couple's lifetime membership is \$600. Dues-paying members gain access to all member benefits.

Donors can also donate directly to one of the SWOSU Foundation's scholarship fund. These funds will be immediately made available to various academic departments on campus to be distributed to students' efforts to pursue higher education.

Both incoming freshman and current SWOSU students can apply each year to qualify for scholarships from the SWOSU Foundation.

These applications can be completed online or through a print application, and are located at www.standingfirmly.com/ scholarships.

For more information on these organizations or ways to contribute, visit www.standingfirmly.com or call 580-774-3267.

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# Campus Life

# Music department continues activities through out the semester

**Hector Lucas** 

For the Southwestern

Even as the end of the semester approaches, SWOSU's Department of Music has plenty of events left for the campus and residents of Weatherford to enjoy.

From symphonies to senior recitals, the Department of Music has no shortage of events planned for the last few weeks of the semester.

On April 18, a Choral Concert will be put on at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center and a Wind Symphony Concert honoring David Maslanka the following day at 7 p.m.

Seniors and juniors of the Department of Music will also have a chance to show off their skills.

Students such as Andrew Carlson, Elizabeth Edge, Gina Paterson, Gabriella Perez, will perform on April 20 at 3, 5 and 7 p.m. respectively.

To finish up the senior recitals, Jia-Rou Zoe Lin will perform their recital at 2 p.m. on April 21 and Aaron Edge will perform on April 26.

Lastly, the music therapy pinning ceremony for the graduate students will take place on May 3 headed by Dr. Sophia Lee.

Throughout the semester the Department of Music has put on quite a few notable events.

The Jazz Festival was held in February.

"That event had guest artist and fantastic trumpet player Sean Jones," said Dr. David Bessinger chairman of the Department of Music.

Other events held included the Orphic Percussion ensemble's percussion instruments program, as well as the opera production of "The Little Match Girl" composed by David Lang and collaborated with the Oklahoma City Youth Ballet.

"That was really fantastic because we had ballet in addition to opera, and it was really super," Bessinger said.

As for next year, the Panorama committee has contracted the Oklahoma City Philharmonic Orchestra early in the fall semester, the 50th annual Jazz Festival will



**SWOSU Symphonic Orcherstra** 

Photo provided

take place in February and the annual Holliday Collage Concert in December.

"We are just as busy as can be performing and rehearsing. I think the level of performance by the students and the challenges presented by the music faculty is tremendous. I'm just really proud to be working with this group of musicians both students and faculty," Bessinger said.

"The university is so supportive of the things that we do and we're very appreciative of that. I would encourage the students to come and listen to our concerts. We would appreciate their attendance and I think they would likely find something that they would enjoy and appreciate."

For questions or to learn more about a particular event, contact Rhyesa Hamilton, administrative assistant for the Department of Music, at 580-774-3708 or rhyesa.hamilton@swosu.edu.

# SWOSU student success center is looking for a new name

**Provided by SWOSU Public Relations** 

The new Student Success Center (SSC) at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford is seeking a new name for its lab and having a name contest for the center.

The lab is currently being constructed in Parker 223. Dr. Veronica McGowan, director of the center, said an

awesome prize basket will be given to the winning entrant.

"We would like a name that reflects an engaged, upbeat and energetic learning space with a strong emphasis on adult learning and flexible use of the space," McGowan

Entries can be emailed to Veronica.McGowan@swo-

su.edu. Everyone who submits a name will be entered into a drawing to receive a SWOSU t-shirt and mug. Individuals can submit an unlimited number of entries. She said the center is looking for a short, catchy name.

Deadline for entries must be received before midnight on or before Tuesday, April 30.

# Student Government Association conducts 2019-2020 elections

Melissa Javorsky

For the Southwestern

Some individuals strive to make a difference in the world around them by getting involved in community activities and surrounding organizations, and SWOSU students are no exception to this.

One example of an organization with students such as these is SWOSU's Student Government Association, which recently held elections.

"SGA is the advocate for student interests, a powerful voice for change and progress, and a dedicated provider of student services and resources," according to the SGA page on the SWOSU website.

SGA aims to be the voice of students and acts as the bridge between the student body and the administration.

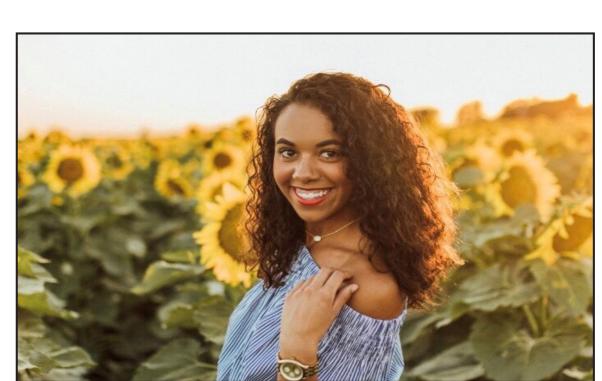
"I wanted to get involved in SGA because I wanted to be able to affect positive change on SWOSU's campus," former SGA President Marshall Wallace said. "I have a deep passion for this university as well as the students of SWOSU and wanted to be able to represent them."

The elections were held via Canvas on April 11 from 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 p.m.

"I think it is very important for students to vote and participate in SGA elections," Wallace said. "If you want your voice to be heard, then I encourage you to vote."

Jaycie Brown, who previously served as the special projects chair for SGA and is the Student Athlete Advisory Committee vice president, ran unopposed for the office of president. Elah Alcuitas and Jace Zacharias ran against each other for the office of vice president. Jimmie Dollins ran for treasurer.

"I decided to run for president of our SGA because I have a true passion for this



Jaycie Brown, 2019-2020 SGA President

Photo provided

university," Brown said. "I hope to create and spark pride in all our students." Brown has big plans for SWOSU in the upcoming year.

"One of my ideas as president is to establish a student section to have a major presence at our sporting events," Brown said.

For more information about SGA, go to https://www.swosu.edu/administration/studentdean/sga/index.aspx.

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# Student Culture

# Upcoming **Events**

#### Wednesday, April 17, 2019

**SWOSU Cornhole Tournament** 10:00 AM 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM Free College Lunch 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM SWOSU Staff Appreciation Luncheon

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Retirement Reception

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Biology Department Meeting

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM GSM Project Meeting 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Music - Symphonic and

Community Bands Concert, FAC Auditorium

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM SWOSU Theatre Production:

Performances of 10-Minute Plays

8:30 PM - 11:00 PM Phi Delta Theta Executive Committee

#### Thursday, April 18, 2019

All Day Women's Track and Field at 2019 GAC Championships

8:00 AM - 8:50 AM AM Fitness

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM April Office Personnel Lunch

1:30 PM - 5:00 PM TOEFL ITP

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM SGA Senate Meeting

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM SWOSU SGA Banquet

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Social Sciences Banquet 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM SWOSU Honors Banquet

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Music - Choral Concert, 7PM,

FAC Auditorium

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM SWOSU Theatre Production: Performances of 10-Minute Plays

#### Friday, April 19, 2019

All Day Baseball at Southern Nazarene University All Day Pork-A-Palooza

All Day Rodeo Team at Fort Hays State

All Day Women's Track and Field at 2019 GAC Championships

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Castle Testing

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM NSO OPEN HOUSE

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM New Student Orientation Session

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM SAGE-STEAM Camp Planning Meeting

2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Softball vs. Southern Nazarene University

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Alfalfa Alumni Banquet 6:00 PM - 3:00 AM SWOSU Computer Club

Fundraiser Event

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM Blue/White SWOSU Football

Game

#### Saturday, April 20, 2019 All Day Baseball at Southern Nazarene University

All Day Pork-A-Palooza

All Day Rodeo Team at Fort Hays State

All Day Women's Track and Field at 2019 GAC Championships

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Softball vs. Southern Nazarene University

#### Sunday, April 21, 2019

All Day Rodeo Team at Fort Hays State 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM Sigma Sigma Chi Meeting

7:00 PM - 11:00 PM Zeta Phi meeting

8:00 PM - 11:30 PM Eta Iota Sigma Weekly Meet-

8:00 PM - 11:00 PM TKE Weekly Meeting

#### Monday, April 22, 2019

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Civil Support Team Meeting

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM HISET

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Executive Council Meeting 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Administrative Council Meeting

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Music - Wind Symphony Con-

cert, 7PM, FAC Auditorium 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Pre-Law Student Association

Meeting

#### Tuesday, April 23, 2019

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Civil Support Team Meeting 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Weekly Free Lunch

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Baseball at Emporia State 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Founder's Day Banquet

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Hi Steppers Square Dancing

8:00 PM - 11:00 PM Phi Delta Theta Executive

Committee Meeting



SWOSU students won many top awards at the recent 2019 Oklahoma FBLA-PBL State Leadership Conference. Winning were (front from left): Kendra Gift, Grace Seelke and Breane Smith. Back row from left—Dr. Todd Wiggen (co-advisor), Ethan Mazzio, Edwin Martinez, and Cassandra Purintun. Not pictured are Dr. Holly McKee (co-advisor), Cassie Bobbitt, Carlie McKinney and Brooke Tignor.

# SWOSU Students compete in PBL

Members of the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Phi Beta Lambda chapter in Weatherford recently won 15 state championship awards and seven runner-up awards at the 2019 Oklahoma FBLA-PBL State Leadership Conference held in Oklahoma City.

The SWOSU students competed in numerous events that consisted of objective tests and live performance events focused on a variety of business and leadership topics.

SWOSU PBL competed against other collegiate chapters from the state of Oklahoma. Eight SWOSU students qualified to compete at the 2019 PBL National Leadership Conference that will be held June 24-27 in

San Antonio.

**SWOSU** students winning awards were:

- Smith, Chicka-• Breane sha—1st place: Hospitality Management; 2nd place: Job Interview; 4th Place: Retail Management.
- **Brooke Tignor**, Sayre—1st place: Management Concepts; 2nd place: Marketing Concepts and Computer Concepts; 3rd place: Entrepreneurship Concepts.
- Carlie McKinney, Minco-1st place: Project Management, Sports Management and Marketing; 2nd place, Retail Management.
- Cassie Bobbitt, Yukon—1st place: Personal Finance and Justice Administration; 2nd place: Information Manage-

ment; 3rd place: Computer Applications.

- Cassandra Purintun, Hinton—1st place: Accounting for Professionals; 2nd Place: Accounting Principles and Insurance Concepts.
- Edwin Martinez, ton—1st place: Public Speaking, Financial Analysis & Decision Making, and Insurance Concepts. 3rd Place: Statistical Analysis.
- Ethan Mazzio, Moore—1st place: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Statistical Analysis.
- Grace Seelke, Okeene—4th place: Accounting Principles.
- Kendra Gift, Balko—1st place: Business Presentation and Organizational Behavior & Leadership

# New Student Orientation sessions begin

By Ethan Nickel Sports Editor

New Student Orientation is under way as high school students are now piling in as enrollment begins.

More than 200 students were at the first new student session of 2019, which occurred for the first time on April 5.

There will be one more session in the spring, which will come on April 19 and will be the last session until June.

"New Student Orientation includes an orientation session prior to the beginning of the fall semester, Mass Orientation, a one-hour freshman orientation course, and Dawg Days (planned activities during the first few weeks of the fall semester)," Taler Alexander said via the SWOSU website.

Alexander has been the orientation leader director for six years now, taking a break for about a year from fall 2017 through spring 2018.

Now back as the OL director, she is back to doing what she loves here at SWOSU.

There are four new student orientation days remaining, April 19, June 17, July 15, and Aug. 14. Students should plan to enroll as soon as possible whether they are incoming students or transfers.

At these sessions there will be different tables set up from different organizations on campus, these organizations will be advertising themselves to incoming students as well as current

These organizations include the BCM, Bulldogs for Christ, TKE, Eta Sigma, Sigma Chi, and

"Being an orientation leader was some of the best times of my college experience so far" Holly Johnson said.

Johnson was an orientation leader from spring 2017 through the fall 2018 and is now encouraging all incoming freshman to attend Camp Duke and apply to be an orientation leader.

"I encourage all incoming freshman to attend Camp Duke in July, this is a great way to get a head start on campus and make new friends before you even start classes," Johnson said.

She went on to describe how incredible it is to be an orientation leader for those two years.

"Orientation leaders become a big family," she said. "It makes you the best version of yourself, knowing that you are helping others, along with having friends for life."

#### Tips for moving out of the dorms this year

By David Toelle

For The Southwestern

Official move out day for students in dorms is Saturday, May

All students must be moved out by 6 p.m. that day but are allowed to move out anytime during finals week.

"Students will not be allowed to check out if their room is not satisfactory, which will just make the process for students and inconvenient," Mann and Jefferson Housing Coordinator Alyssa Bane said.

In order to move out, residents must have all of their belongings and furniture out of

their room and the it must be

cleaned well.

"One big tip for move out is to make sure you deep clean (including sweeping and mopping) your room before you seek out an RA to check out," Bane said.

Students must check out with a residence assistant and return their keys. Once the room is inspected, approved and the key has been returned, they are officially moved out for the se-

Failure to officially check out with a residence assistant will result in a fine.

Each dorm hall has bins for trash. Cardboard boxes can be recycled in the trailer on the north side of the old science building.

"If you can't take your furniture home or don't want to transfer it, you can try selling it online to make a little extra money" junior Hal Penner suggested.

Items like chairs, couches, bookcases, or other things could be sold to people using Facebook or could be donated at the Et Cetera shop down-

"Another tip is to make sure the residents check their mailbox one last time before leaving for the summer," Bane said. For more information, con-

tact a floor RA, Alyssa Bane at alyssa.bane@swosu.edu or Jordan Barr at jordan.barr@swosu.edu.

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# Sports



SWOSU offensive line led by No. 74, Corey Ganz, takes on the defense.

# Bulldog spring football under way with new faces

Tre Evans

For the Southwestern

With Spring football under way the Bulldogs are looking strong and optimistic on what the next season

With new players and also new coaches the culture is being shifted in the bulldog football program for the

Head Coach Chet Pobolish is excited about the way his team is looking and spring ball has been a success so far.

Jake Warehime is one of the most recent hires from Trinity Valley Community College.

"We are excited about per game. adding an up-and-coming

"He comes from a four-year school. coaching family and he played to our program.

We look forward to and Have Fun.""

Last season Warehime helped guide the second- most players and should be best rushing attack in the an exciting time to see how conference with 211.9 yards much they have improved.

Following the season, coach like Jake Warehime to Warehime had four players our coaching staff,» Pobolish earn All-SWJCFC recognition and he sent nine athletes to a

With the addition of the offensive line in the premiere new coaches and players the conference in NCAA bulldogs are ready to get the Division II, which gives him 2019 season under way, and a strong background to bring the first game couldn't come soon enough.

The Bulldogs will play in watching Jake mentor our the annual Blue and White offensive linemen and game on Friday, April 19 at helping them Win, Graduate 7 p.m. The game will be at Milam Stadium.

The Bulldogs are returning



Teammates greet Samantha Householder at home after her seventh homer.

### Amanda Moreno discusses team success, motivation and leadership

By Tyler Fountain

For the Southwestern

Before the season started, the softball team was looking forward to just improving from last year, and that they did while meeting all goals that were set.

"My motivation comes from the people that play next to me. My team pushes me to be better, physically and mentally," sophomore Amanda Moreno said. "I try to fuel myself to be the best that I can for my team."

Moreno plays the role of being a leader and bringing a lot of energy to the team, the Bulldogs are now 15-26 this season on a fourgame win streak. Moreno is third on the team in

average percentage with .350, second in runs batted in, with 26 and leading in accomplished things that slugging percentage with

In Moreno's eyes the season is extremely better than last year.

"We've made large improvements from last year," Moreno said. "We're continuing to fight every pitch, every out and every

Moreno said her favorite moment from this season is winning three games out of the series against the No. 1 team in the nation, Southern Arkansas.

"We are their only three losses on the season," she

"I look up to my team as a whole. We have most people thought were out of reach for us," Moreno said.

Moreno ended with an amazing season last year and is now continuing to up great numbers while being a leader and team player, she said she looks to help the team make a strong push for the up and coming tournament, which they didn't make last year.

"She's a good teammate, a natural leader, cares a lot about her teammates and she always puts her teammates first," sophomore infielderoutfielder Hannah Franklin said of Moreno.

# Men's, womens' golf update before GAC tourney April15

By Ethan Nickel Sports Editor

SWOSU men's golf has had an up and down year, However, they are playing their best golf just at the right time.

The men's golf team started the season off with an 8th place finish in the first tournament on the year, to now having a third place finish this past week at the UAFs Hardscrabble invatational. Heston Brown

and putting together a 66 in between the five golfers.

Lady Bulldogs golf had a second round.

was the top performer for Central Region Preview at the Bulldogs shooting a 211 the same time, finishing in in the three day tournament fourth place, shooting a 620

Elin Wahlin led the That round 3 for Heston way with a 74 and 78 was the best score of anyone respectively in the two days, from any scholl in that leading the way for the Lady entire round. Heston tied Bulldogs finishing ninth for second in the entire overall in the tournament. tournament, shooting a Chloe Thackeray was right 211 with teammate Gregor nehind Wahlin, with the Weck right behind him with only difference between her and Wahlin was 79 in the



Jesse Lee pitching against USAO.

#### Softball back on track; baseball to begin road trip

**Ethan Nickel** 

Sports editor

#### Softball

The Lady Bulldogs had a successful week, playing against Northwestern Okahoma State on April 6, winning a nailbiter in Weatherford by a score of 7-6.

SWOSU took the lead early lead, but the Lady Bulldogs were up 4-2 going into the top of the seventh inning, ready to close it out. But Northwestern had other ideas, scoring four runs in the inning and taking the lead six to four.

The Lady Bulldogs stormed back in the bottom half of the seventh, Hannah Morris started things off with a triple, driving in Amanda Moreno to cut the lead to six to five. Hannah Franklin had a double that then drove in Morris, tying the score at six runs apiece.

With runners on every base Keanni Barron single to left field, sealing the deal and driving in Hannah Franklin. The Lady Bulldogs got back into action with a Sunday double header at Oklahoma Baptist in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

The first game was low-scoring with the Lady Bulldogs winning 3-2. Amanda Moreno continues to hit at an extraordinary

level, hitting a home run in the third inning to take a 2-0 lead. From then on, the Lad Bulldogs held the lead with Alisa Frieser get the win.

Two hours later, the second game began with most of the scoring occuring in the eighth inning, with the main outburs coming from Kaytlin Donaldson hitting a grand slam followed by Sidney Kirk occuring in the first scoring run in the third inning.

#### Baseball

The Bulldogs got back on the field Tuesday, April 14 against the University of Science and Arts, losing in 0 innings by score of 11-7.

The Bulldogs then had a double heade this Sunday, winning both games and scoring 17 runs combined in the process. The bat came alive against Oklahoma Baptist, with 12 hits in the first game playing small bal until the end.

Game two went close to the same way gathering 10 hits together as a team, with Tyler Tuck pitching a superb game, only giving up two earned runs in five inning pitched with the other four runs coming unnearned. The Bulldogs now go on a road trip starting against Southern Nazarene.

### **BULLDOGS' UPCOMING SPORTS SCHEDULE**

#### Track and Field

Apr. 18-20, at GAC Championships, Shawnee, Okla. Saturday, Apr. 27 at Southwestern College Relays, Winfield, Kan. Friday, May. 3 at Arkansas Twilight, Fayetteville, Ark.

#### Baseball

Friday, Apr. 19, vs Southern Nazarene, Bethany, Okla. TBA Saturday, Apr. 10, vs Southern Nazarene, Bethany, Okla., TBA (Double

Tuesday, Apr. 23, vs. Emporia State, Enid, Okla. 4 p.m.

#### Women's Golf

May. 6-8 at NCAA Tournament, Muskogee, Okla. May.14-18 at NCAA Division II championship, West Palm Beach, Flori-

#### Rodeo

Apr.19-21 at Fort Hays State, Hays, Kan. Apr. 25-27 at Panhandle State, Guymon. Okla.

#### Softball

Friday, Apr. 19, vs. Southern Nazarene, Weatherford, OK., 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. (Double Header)

Saturday, Apr. 20 vs. Southern Nazarene, Weatherford ,OK.,12 p.m. and 2 p.m. (Double Header)

#### Men's Golf

May. 9-11 at NCAA Division II Regional, Hot Springs, Ark.

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# Residence Hall Happenings

#### Easter egg hunt on April 18

Attention all students! An Easter Hunt will be held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 18, on the Stewart Hall lawn.

There will be lots of eggs, candy and prizes. It will be an awesome event and a lot of fun for you and your friends to join us.





#### 'Into Spiderverse' April 17

Join us at the clock tower for a night showing of "Spider-Man: Into the Spiderverse" at 9 p.m. April 17 on the Student Union lawn. Bring a blanket or a bag chair.

The Udderly Delish ice cream truck there serving free ice cream for all attendees.



Stewart Hall residents participated in a do-it-yourself plant growing activity



#### LAUREN BULLARD

RESIDENCE LIFE

#### Hometown: Yukon, OK

Classification: Freshman

Major: English

#### Why did you choose your major?

I've wanted to be a teacher since I was a little kid. I want to have a positive impact on the people in my life. I've wanted to be a teacher since I was a little kid. I want to have a positive impact on the people in my life.

#### What's a secret talent that you have? I can twist my arm all the way around and I can fall

asleep anywhere. Who has been a major influence in your life?

My high school principal, Mr. Holmes, had a huge impact on me. He's a big reason that I decided to be a teacher.

#### What is your favorite SWOSU memory?

My favorite SWOSU moment was holding a baby kangaroo at Project Blue.

### Two named to Foundation board

Jeff DeFehr of Weatherford and Mark Russell of Elk City have been named to the Board of Trustees of the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation Inc. DeFehr, SWOSU Class

of 1990, is a co-owner of Western Equipment, a 101-year-old John Deere dealership with 14 locations and 400 employees in Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico.

DeFehr and his wife, Melanie, live in Weatherford.

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29. Goblin

34. Molest

42. Goulash

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47. Mistake

54. Carport

56. Amaze

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45. Blend

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28. God of love

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43. Roman moon goddess

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Russell, SWOSU Class of 1986, is CEO of Great Plains Bank, a community

bank with \$750 million in assets and 21 locations. He serves as

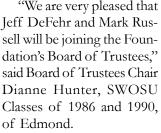
a board mem-

ber for the Community

Bankers Association of Oklahoma and the Wichita National Life Insurance Co.

Russell resides in Elk City with his wife, Tammy.

DeFehr and Russell have been assigned to the Foundation's Investments Committee.



For more information, visit www.SWOSUFoundation.com.



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# Six alumni to be added into Distinguished HoF

Six individuals are being inducted into Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame during 2019 Convocation ceremonies on the Weatherford campus.

They are:

All six will be honored by SWOSU President Randy Beutler at the SWOSU Conon the Weatherford campus.

Carl Hook At SWOSU, Carl Hook studied chemistry, math and biology. Hook's parents and older sibling were alumni of SWOSU, and his uncle, Thomas pharmacist Bert Brundage, was instrumental in the establishment of the SWOSU College of Phar-

Following just under three decades of private medical practice, Hook became president, CEO, and chairman of Physicians Liability Insurance Co., which functions as the dominant provider of medical professional liability insurance in the State of Oklahoma.

Hook is Past Chair of the SWOSU Foundation, Inc. Board of Trustees.

#### Gina Scott Ligon Gina Scott Ligon studied

psychology at SWOSU. Ligon went to the University of Oklahoma where she completed her Ph. D. in 2004. Ligon holds the Jack and Stephanie Koraleski Chair of Collaboration Science and is an Associate Professor of Organizational Behavior at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Ligon also holds faculty appointments at UNO in Industrial and Organizational Psychology, Criminology, and IT Innovation.

Ligon's research has been recognized in the New York Times, Vice News, Business Insider, and Omaha World Herald for content

about applying IO Psychology to understand terrorist groups. Since 2013, Ligon has briefed at the Pentagon and Department of Homeland Security over 40 times.

#### Kelli Litsch

Kelli Litsch graduated from Thomas Public Schools where she set the record for most points scored by any vocation activities May 3-4 player—male or female in Oklahoma high school basketball history. Litsch followed in the footsteps of her father, Jim, and mother, Peggy, and attended SWOSU where she studied education. In her freshman year at SWOSU, Litsch led the Lady Bulldogs to an undefeated 34-0 season and national championship. She would then lead the Lady Bulldogs to national championships in 1983 and 1985.

> Litsch was the first NAIA student-athlete to be named to the All-American First Team four times. She ended her time as a SWOSU student-athlete with an historic 129-5 record as the NAIA all-time record holder in points scored at 2,700.

> In 1995, Litsch was named SWOSU assistant athletic director, a post from which she directed the institution's compliance with NCAA and other applicable regulatory regimes. Litsch retired in 2014.

Jim Litsch The late Jim Litsch of Fay studied education at SWOSU. During his time as a student-athlete at SWOSU, Litsch played basketball for the university's inaugural NAIA national basketball tournament team under the legendary Coach Rankin Williams. Litsch was a model of consistency and discipline and set a number of records for the university. Following his graduation from SWOSU in 1956, Litsch served over three decades in the class-

room and as an administrator in public education in school districts at Fay and Thomas.

Litsch was an early volunteer and leader within the SWOSU Alumni Association but it was in formation of the SWOSU Athletic Association that he left his mark as a "Founding Father." A 1999 inductee into the SWOSU Athletic Hall of Fame, Litsch was posthumously honored with the Cecil Perkins Service Award by the SWOSU Athletic Association in 2017.

#### James Utterback, Seminole

James Utterback studied psychology at SWOSU, earning undergraduate and graduate degrees. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Northern Colorado. Utterback was the fourth and longest-serving president of Seminole State College.

Utterback has authored or co-authored eight journal articles, a book chapter and has made roughly three dozen professional presentations at national and international conferences in areas related to student development, gang violence, economic development, and diversity in higher education.

#### Tom Weichel Tom Weichel studied

physics and math at SWOSU. Following his graduation, Weichel joined the National Aeronautics & Space Administration where he served as a Flight Controller for, among many other professional achievements, the Gemini and Apollo missions. Weichel was retrofire officer in NASA Mission Control during the Apollo 13 mission and for his service, Weichel received the Presidential Medal of Freedom. After retiring from

NASA, Weichel returned to Washita County, Oklahoma to farm and ranch and raise his family.

#### ROSSWORD Thick slices of something (Courtesy of mirroreyes.com)

DeFehr

Russell

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