

Women Who Dared to Survive

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Contributing Writer

Speakers at the Women Who Dared to Survive luncheon spoke about the over 325 prostitutes and trafficking victims on Robinson Street in Oklahoma City as part of a three-part Women Who Dared series held by the University of Central Oklahoma's Women's Outreach Center (WOC).

The three-part series was created to promote women involvement, inspire others, and improve self-image and personal care, said Tess Bromme, Student Coordinator for WOC.

Women Who Dared to Survive, an informational session about human trafficking, hosted speakers Lori Basey, President of No Boundaries International, a faith-based non-profit organization that attends to natural and manmade disasters, and Craig Williams, senior agent at the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics.

Basey pressed the fact that human trafficking is prevalent in Oklahoma. NBI current focus is on how to help these victims and prevent this "manmade disaster," she said.

Basey also showed a video about three women victims, their faces and names omitted, which explained how these women were

tricked into prostitution and beaten into compliance.

One of these woman said she became a prostitute at the age of 16. "Probably too young to know any better," according to her voiceover on the video. Other women taught her how to dress, what to say and do and she was sent out to make money. Others on the video said they are beaten and threatened by pimps and those who purchased their services.

"Those johns, they are no better than the pimps," said one voiceover.

Basey concluded her speech by talking about a billboard that was in Oklahoma City encouraging women to get a "sugar daddy" for extra money and provided a dating website. NBI complained to the billboard company, had it removed and replaced it with a billboard advertising neverforsale.com, a website that protests human trafficking.

Basey said the next billboard that went up, from the same company, in another city said, "The best job is a blow job."

Williams educated the attendants on the differences between human trafficking and human smuggling. Trafficking involves force, fraud or coercion or all three while smuggling is consensual. He said that the reason trafficking is becoming popular



Lori Basey (left), of No Boundaries International, gives a talk over human trafficking in the Nigh University Center on Monday, November 4, 2013. Photo by Alike Dyer, The Vista.

is because the traffickers pay very little if anything when getting a victim but use them continuously to make money.

Williams gave an example of a women's body being sold 15 times a day, six days a week. The trafficker made over \$200,000 in a year from one woman.

Victims are usually chosen because of their lack of self-confidence and they're targeted online through social media and other sites, said Williams. He said wom-

en are solicited on websites including backpage.com, myproviderguide.com and craigslist.com.

Williams said that prevention starts with organizations such as the Y and Big Brothers Big Sisters by keeping the youth involved and away from this danger.

The Women Who Dared series will include two other events.

Women Who Dared to Be More, will host speaker Jennifer O'Connor, Sam's Club manager of the I-35 Frontage Rd store off

of 15th St., who will speak about women empowerment at noon on Nov. 13 in the Heritage Room of the University Center.

Women Who Dared to be Fit, will take place Nov. 19 in the Henry Bellmon Room of the University Center from 5 to 6 p.m. The event will provide students, faculty and staff a chance to experience Piloxing, a mix of boxing and Pilates, said Bromme.

UCO Diversity and Inclusion Discussion Series Kicks Off



Participants carrying placards reading: "We love our gay friends" march during the 11th LGBT pride parade in Taipei, Taiwan, Saturday, Oct. 26, 2013. This year, the Taiwan LGBT Pride group launched the annual parade with the theme of iMake LGBT Visible 2.0-- The Voice of Sexual Sufferer.i (AP Photo/Lin Jui-ching)

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The University of Central Oklahoma's office of Diversity and Inclusion, under the Department of Student Affairs, kicked off their Diversity Peer Educators discussion series Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2013, with a presentation on Stereotypes in the media.

Diversity Peer Educators is in its second year as a program at UCO. The second year has been benchmarked by the addition of the discussion series.

According to UCO's Office of Diversity and Inclusion Director Meshawn Conley, the choice to include the discussion series was hinged on accessibility.

"Last year the only way you could hear diversity peer educators was if you requested them," Conley said. "This is an opportunity to help the peer educators get more experience with delivering these presentations, as well as keeping everyone from being confined to a classroom or student organization. Anyone is able to hear these discussion topics."

The next discussion, titled Heterosexual Questioning, will be held Tuesday, Nov. 12, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in room 312 of the Nigh University Center located on UCO's campus.

Conley expressed that this discussion would be solidly geared towards conversation surrounding common questions asked to members of the Lesbian Gay Bisexual and Transgender community.

"During this workshop they will ask questions geared towards heterosexuals that many times people in the LGBT community are asked," Conley said.

She furthered her description of the discussion with an example of questions that might be asked, such as turning the often posed inquisition, "When did you know you were gay?" into "When did you know you were straight?"

"The point of it is to have a conversation about how you're asking these questions

because it seems strange to you," Conley said.

The next discussion, Diversity in a Box, will take place Thursday, Nov. 14 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in room 202 of the NUC.

"Diversity in a Box is kind of a tongue and cheek thing. When we talk about diversity, we're usually asked to give a presentation that lasts about an hour," Conley said. "It's really hard to address diversity in that time. During this time we will touch on a lot of diversity in general, but we will also talk a lot about stereotypes."

Conley said that discussing stereotypes rung true with the title of this presentation.

"It fits into the in-a-box idea," Conley said. "The root of a lot of our misunderstanding of each other comes from stereotypes."

Conley continued, stating that the benefit in students, faculty and staff attending these presentations was one of great importance.

"As a university, we believe in the importance of cultural competence and developing culturally competent leaders. We believe in the importance of being able to work well with people from different backgrounds," Conley said. "Even though we live in a society where we all believe that everyone should be created equally and everything should be fair, we believe this, but sometimes our society isn't necessarily made up of that. We were born in a society that wasn't necessarily fair."

Conley expressed that these discussion were a step in working everyday towards building a more equal society.

"Having conversations and discussions and putting it out there so that we can verbalize and better understand our differences is our first step to having a better understanding of each other," Conley said.

For a complete list of the remaining events or to request a diversity peer educator presentation, you can log on to www.uco.edu/DPE.com.

From Banner to Body: UCO students transform trash into fashion treasure

Stevie Armstrong

Copy Editor

UCO's Creative Problem Solving class, a required course for fashion marketing students, recently used old vinyl banners to create clothing designs, which are displayed on the first floor of the Human Environmental Sciences building.

Professor of Fashion Marketing Susan Miller, Ed. D. has been teaching at UCO for seven years. She said the students were required to use the vinyl banners and had the option to use one other material to create their clothing design. The students were not allowed to sew their clothing. Therefore, many used staples, duct tape or glue.

Miller said she wanted to "have them do something sort of like Project Runway."

Peyton Groce, a junior Fashion Marketing major, said this project gave "students the ability to create something out of material that wouldn't normally be an outfit."

Miller encourages her students to "think outside the box," while staying within certain boundaries.

Maria Gallegos, a junior Fashion Marketing major, said, "I never would've thought I could make a clothing item out of a vinyl banner."

Because UCO does not have an independent design program, Miller tries incorporating projects that have to do with design, especially be-

cause she's aware of how many of her students are interested in that type of profession.

"I would love to be a stylist for a company or work in the catalog department," Groce said. "Playing with clothes and putting outfits together would be a dream."

The students are randomly broken into groups that they work in the entire semester. Miller said having her students work together helps them practice problem solving and prepares them for the professional world.

Dr. Miller



wants us to be professionals," Groce said, "that all starts with respect of others and ourselves."

Miller's class is not about completing projects. It is about how to solve problems. The skills taught in this class can be applied to daily situations.

Gallegos said, "...creatively solving a problem is a great life skill to have. I actually use the creative problem solving process to solve problems in my everyday life."

The group projects are used

as a tool for her students to practice the most efficient ways to problem solve. Because the class is broken into groups, the students also learn how to handle solving problems with others.

"I feel like Dr. Miller's class has prepared me professionally

by teaching me that being creative and thinking outside the box is what can make you stand out from other applicants applying for the same job as you," said Gallegos.

Miller said that she enjoys seeing each group progress and grow throughout the semester. She

also enjoys witnessing how the students work together to solve problems.

Groce said, "She gives us problems and wants us to find the solution. It is helpful for our future because we face problems every day. If we care enough about those problems, we'll find a way to fix them."

A group of UCO fashion marketing students created vinyl banner dresses, pictured above and to the right, as part of their Creative Problem Solving Class. Photos by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista.



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My Wednesday morning routine followed its regular course without a hitch.

I successfully readied myself, watered and walked my dog before making my forty-five-minute commute to Edmond.

Traffic was consistently heavy for a weekday morning.

I complied by tuning into National Public Radio for my familiar distraction from the raging roadies and the temptations of becoming one myself.

The discussion I found most interesting focused on scientists' newest estimates of twenty billion earth-like planets in our galaxy.

According to NPR, a team of astronomers from the University of California, Berkeley and the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, used the Kepler space telescope to survey 42,000 sun-like stars looking for a telltale dimming caused by an orbiting planet, as it crosses between us and the parent star.

Kepler's main mission has focused on finding planets in what is referred to as the "Goldilocks Zone," which could potentially host a not-too-hot and not-too-cold planet of the right size for life, as we know it to evolve on.

The team looked for tell-tales by how frequently the dimmings took place to determine the orbital period, distance from the star and size of the planet.

The team claims to have found 603 planets, 10 of which are earth size and orbit in the habitable zone.

One of the study's co-authors, Andrew Howard, was quoted to have said, "With about one hundred billion stars in our Milky Way galaxy, that's about twenty billion such planets. That's a few earth-sized planets for every human being on planet earth."

I peered out of my windshield to the influx of various vehicles encompassing diverse drivers with distinctly different destinations.

I contemplated the possibility of twenty billion earth-like planets being home to trillions or quadrillions of other life forms, each of them diverse and with various destinations and purposes.

The thought reset my mindset and made me reevaluate my most recent concerns. My boyfriend likes to remind me of our vast universe and its many unknown and undiscovered aspects, when I dwell on my minuscule life problems.

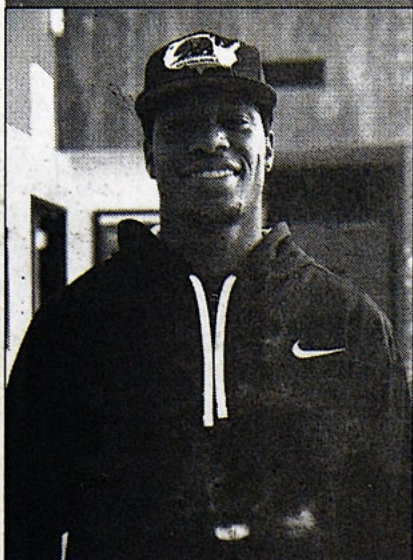
To rebut, I like to remind him that the facts we do know best are our own.

Something to think about: it is silly to worry about the little things when we don't fully understand the grander scale, but it is also silly to take this life and its beautiful little features for granted because it's what we've got.

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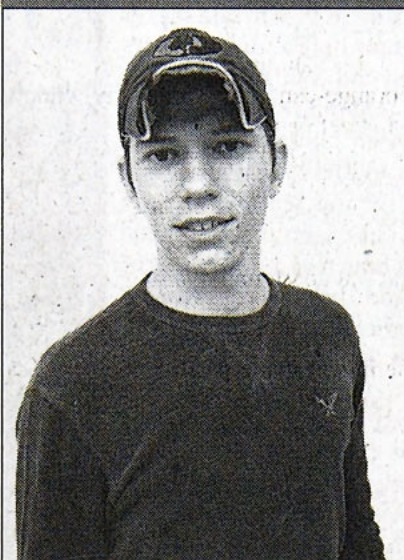
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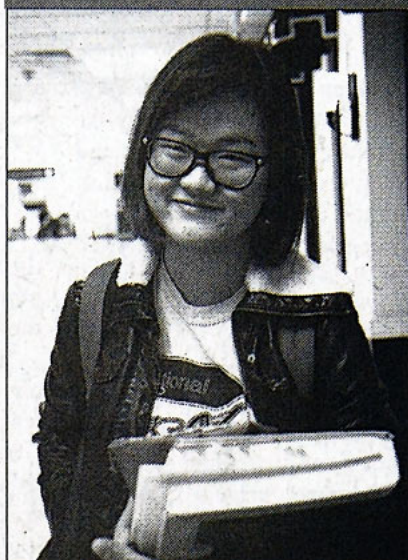
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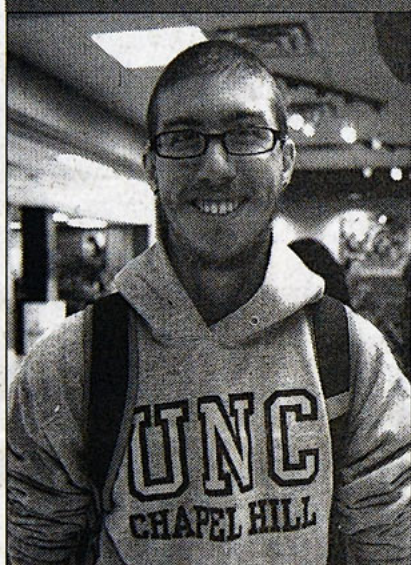
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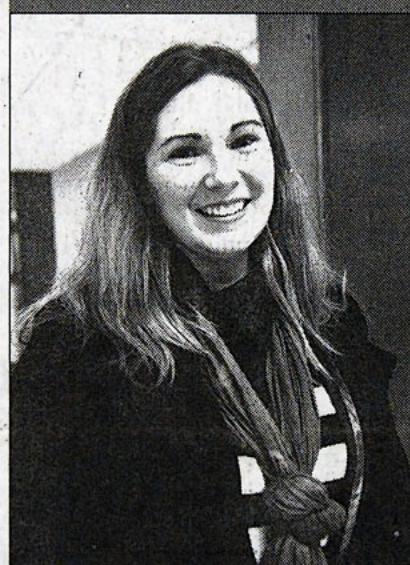
"I think 2 weeks before Christmas."

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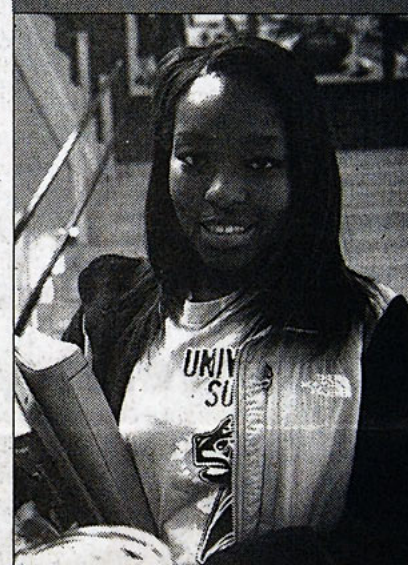
"I usually start decorating after Thanksgiving."

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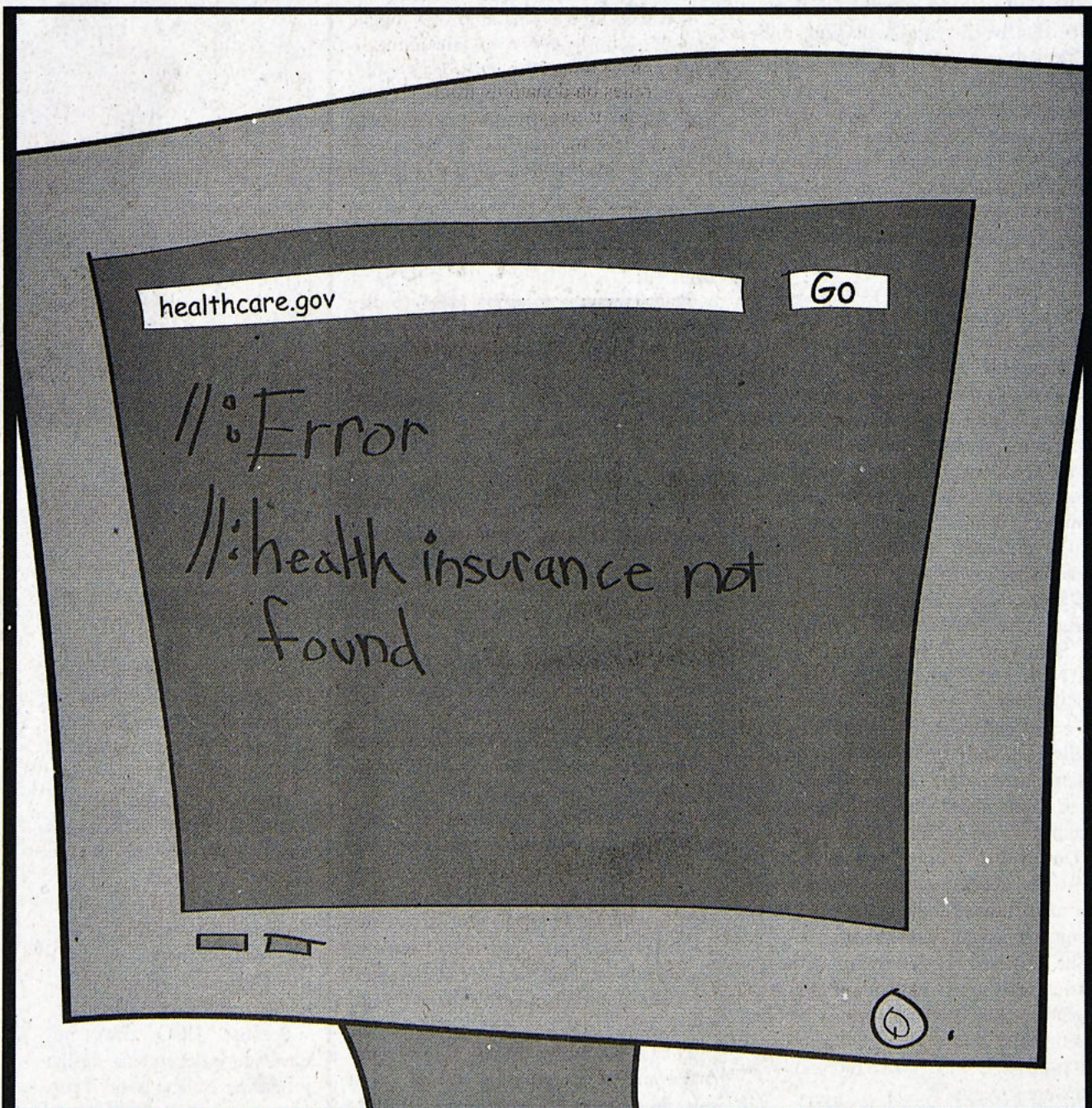
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"On Thanksgiving or the day after."

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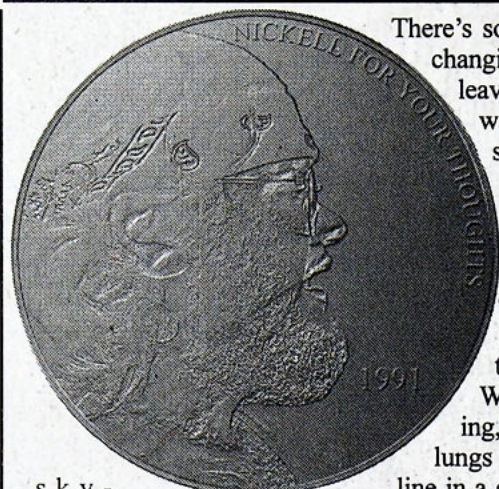


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Opinion

WHAT'S AROUND THE NEXT BEND?

By Brooks Nickell



There's something in the changing colors of the leaves that's ripe to wake my bones. I start to feel more and more alive with every unique golden, red and brown parachute that floats listlessly to the ground. Winter is grinding, longing to chill lungs and paint the line in a glistening white shell. This is my time. I thrive in this season.

I typically take the turnpike to my parent's house when I return home for a weekend stay. But when Oklahoma transforms itself into a beautiful medley of orange-canopied oak trees and hillside splendor, I'll jump a street or two north and hit Highway 66 until I can find a navigable dirt stretch.

I decided to cut out of the concrete expanse a little early this past week. I couldn't look at the buildings anymore and traffic was pushing my patience heavy. The entire city was wearing me down. So on Thursday, I lit out and found that little stretch of dirt I was looking for.

I drove for miles, dipping in and out of ruts, hitting the brakes a bit too hard from time to time to find that a patch of gravel would best me. Every so often, I'd catch a flash

of white or see something scurry, so I'd stop to observe a small group of deer or a skunk or opossum crossing the road.

Nature seems to come alive this time of year. Maybe it's just the hustle and bustle of preparing for winter. Regardless, when I pulled my car over to the side of the road and killed the engine, the forest exploded. Squirrels chattered at one another and birds serenaded.

Opening the door of my automobile, I started to feel something that I thought to be long lost; something that I hadn't experienced since my childhood, a sense of belonging.

I stepped out and walked the ditch a moment, pondering thoughts of trespassing until my mind conjured the idea that no man should own nature. I crossed four strands of barbed wire. And the feeling of belonging seemed to fleet, as I reached into my shoulder bag to unsheathe the camera that rest there.

My life, until the last few years, has always been born of lady wilderness. And I've cultivated my best ideas within her majesty. My intention was to capture what I had been neglecting for the past few years, encapsulate it in photos and restore the part of myself that the city was so desperately trying to suffocate with vehicle exhaust and fast food.

As I walked under the forest canopy, catching leaves on my shoulders, the wind gently puffed its chilly breath, forcing the hair on my arms and neck to stand at attention. I gazed around the woods through a viewfinder, looking for the perfect shot and the perfect frame.

When I finally gave up playing photographer, the sun

held close to ducking behind the hills for a spell and I was catching little slivers of light snaking through the trees.

I snapped the lens cap back on and returned my camera to its bag. As I turned to head back to the car, that feeling of belonging crept back on me and I realized that the true beauty of solidarity within nature couldn't be captured, not by me, at least.

And in all honesty, I returned to my car empty handed. No matter how hard I tried, I just couldn't find an accurate representation for even that brief moment of submersion into nature. There was no way I could share the holistic sense of belonging, the feeling of being born from the dirt of the forest floor.

We tend to get distracted in life. We don't stop and take the time to appreciate the simple beauty behind existing. We come up with causes and ask one another, "What do you live for?" Even in a place void of distractions, I still found a way to cloud my mind.

I'm not saying that you shouldn't take opportunities to do what you love. I find a sincere source of pride in writing, in taking photos and sharing them with others. But one thing I've recently learned is that we have to step back and take it all in every once in a while.

I don't live to write. I don't live to take photos. I live, simply to live and love life. And let me tell you that life looks a lot better if you back off the viewfinder every once and a while. Let your eyes wander, babies.

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SAFE Hosted BGLTQ Trivia Competition

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Staff Writer

The Student Alliance for Equality hosted a BGLTQ trivia competition at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 5.

"BGLTQ" stands for "Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian, Transgender and Questioning," and SAFE is UCO campus's BGLTQ student organization.

SAFE provides educational programs and advocates tolerance to all people no matter what their sexual or gender identity. As a link between the UCO campus and the wider community, UCO creates social events in a safe environment to maintain a good relationship with student government and campus committees.

Further more, LGBT members and their allies have a long history of campaigning for what is now generally called LGBT rights, sometimes also called gay rights or gay and lesbian rights.

The Oklahoma LGBT College Summit discusses a wide range of topics related to BGLTQ. They present some issues about marriage equality and bisexuality.

SAFE also provides information on LGBT issues through forums, public speakers, a

resource library and support groups.

"Students who attend the LGBT College Summit will learn about the important work that is taking place on campuses across our state to support bisexual, gay, lesbian, transgender and questioning students and faculty and staff members," said faculty advisor for SAFE David Macey, Ph.D.

LGBT movements organized today are made up of a wide range of political activism and cultural activity, including lobbying, street marches, social groups, media, art and research.

Macey said, "We'll be playing a competitive trivia game this evening in which our members and guests will test their knowledge about BGLTQ history."

The organization on Tuesday is a weekly general meeting. All members of the Central community are welcome to join the discussion. This social event exists not only to engage in education and advocacy about and on behalf of BGLTQ students, but also to provide a safe and affirmative social environment for our BGLTQ students.

The Student Alliance for Equality organization will meet every Tuesday at 7 p.m. this semester in the Cherokee Room, room 213 of the Nigh



Two female students hold hands while walking across campus. Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista.

STARS Fundraiser Supports Women and Children's Shelter

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STARS Multicultural Honor Society hosted the first ever potluck fundraiser Nov. 4 at 6 p.m., not only for a cultural awareness project, but also as a way to receive funds to make care packages for the victims who enter the YWCA Women and Children's Shelter.

STARS stands for Striving Toward Academic and Renowned Success.

The YWCA is the only certified shelter in

Oklahoma County offering free-of-cost services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking.

Programs offered at the YWCA include counseling, children's counseling, prevention education, victim assistance program, sexual assault examinations and economic empowerment to victims who may not have experience in the work force.

Because these services are at no charge to all victims, regardless of gender, the YWCA relies on donations from generous organizations to provide victims with basic hygiene necessities.

Oklahoma is currently third in the nation

in the number of women murdered by men and 1 in 4 women/ 1 in 33 men experience sexual assault or rape. The YWCA is in a constant struggle battling these statistics and STARS Multicultural Honor Society wants to show their support and set a new standard for the community.

Members of the honor society made dishes custom to various cultures based on everything from different countries, religions and political belief systems around the world because diet is a significant part of every lifestyle.

The potluck was free, but donations were greatly appreciated. The funds raised went to the Wish Upon a Star project that will be happening in December.

From the funds, gift bags were purchased for personal care packages for the YWCA. The society has received active participation in acquiring donations from numerous organizations from UCO, as well as the

Women's Outreach Center at the University of Central Oklahoma.

The personal care packages met the basic needs of the victims who seek shelter at the YWCA.

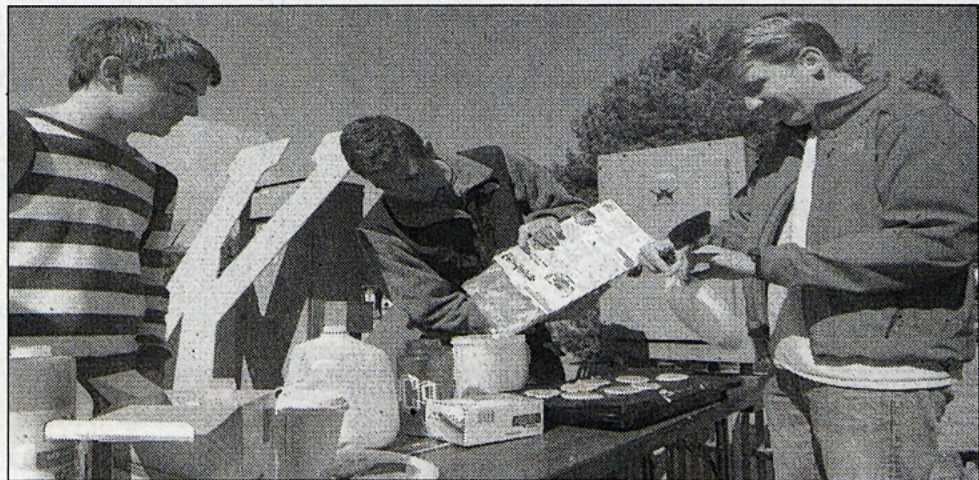
Products donated included, but were not limited to: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, feminine hygiene products and inspirational messages from STARS.

Volunteer Coordinator of STARS Marina Hernandez said, "We hope to make this an annual event."

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Pike's Pancakes



(Left) From left: Danial Woods, Jackson Dyer and Trey Roberts enjoy pancakes by the clocktower during Pancakes with Pi Kappa Alpha on Wednesday, November 6, 2013. (Right) Members of Pi Kappa Alpha cook up some pancakes for passing students during their Pancakes with Pi Kappa Alpha event on Wednesday, November 6, 2013. Photos by Aliko Dyer, The Vista.

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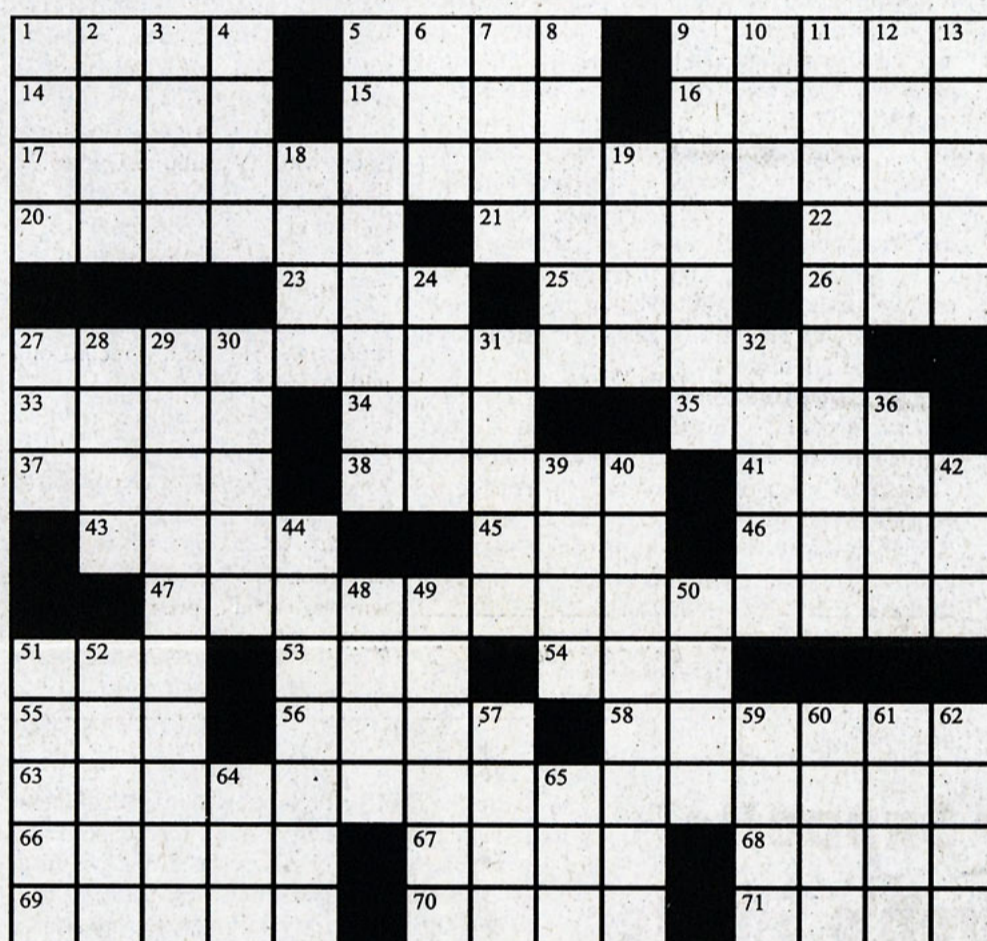
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14. Endangered species
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20. Make camp
21. Fraudulent scheme
22. Belongs to it
23. International Labor Organization
25. Mischievous child
26. Interjection
27. Inhabitant of Sierra leon
33. Common teen problem
34. Nothing
35. Dull
37. Make rotate
38. Sycophant
41. Large wading bird
43. Louse eggs
45. Also
46. Lowest female voice
47. Politeness
51. Cheer



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54. Genetics term
55. Place to get money
56. Way down
58. Free
63. Psychoanalytic technique
66. Flimsy
67. Winter sporting good
68. Upon
69. Fills completely
70. Yes
71. Pork chops

Down

1. Netlike fabric
2. Soon
3. College training program
4. Information
5. Purple vegetable
6. Regret
7. Eye part
8. Pope's diplomatic representative
9. Fell
10. Sign of infection
11. Liable to a lawsuit
12. Amusement
13. Final authority
18. Islamic commander
19. Condemn to failure
24. Dish of many ingredients
27. Remained quiet
28. Image
29. Act of improvement
30. Right-hand page
31. Make happy
32. Pertaining to Arianism
36. Pieces
39. Entrance
40. Somewhat young
42. Help!
44. A month of ___
48. Fish eggs
49. Having long locks
50. Southern Sudan group
51. Sailing vessels
52. Skylit central courts
57. Prod
59. Smallest component
60. Prong
61. Whit
62. Insolent person
64. Direction
65. U.S. federal agency

RANDOM FACTS

Bela Lugosi became famous for playing the title character in the classic 1931 movie Dracula. When he died in 1956, he was buried wearing his Dracula cape.

The Latin version of Winnie the Pooh (Winnie ille Pu) made the New York Times bestseller list in 1960.

The early recordings made by Motown singers were produced in a studio in a converted house on West Grand Boulevard in Detroit, across from the Henry Ford Hospital. Echo effects were produced by having the singers perform under a large hole cut in the ceiling, leading to a drywalled attic "echo chamber."

Cleopatra had a special lipstick made for her, consisting of crushed ants and deep red carmine beetles.

The country with the most feral camels is Australia.

RANDOM QUOTES

The superior man, when resting in safety, does not forget that danger may come. When in a state of security he does not forget the possibility of ruin. When all is orderly, he does not forget that disorder may come. Thus his person is not endangered, and his States and all their clans are preserved.
- Confucius

There are 10¹¹ stars in the galaxy. That used to be a huge number. But it's only a hundred billion. It's less than the national deficit! We used to call them astronomical numbers. Now we should call them economical numbers.
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Struggling Sabres beat Sharks 5-4 in shootout

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SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Cory Hodgson scored in the fourth round of the shootout and Ryan Miller made 47 saves for the Buffalo Sabres, who overcame a pair of blown third-period leads to get their third win in 17 games this season, 5-4 over the San Jose Sharks on Tuesday night.

Henrik Tallinder, Cody McCormick, Drew Stafford and Tyler Ennis also scored for the Sabres, who have beaten the Sharks five straight times.

Tyler Kennedy and Tomas Hertl scored 70 seconds apart early in the third to erase a two-goal deficit for the Sharks. Tommy Wingels got another equalizer late in the third, but San Jose still lost its third straight game. Marty Havlat also scored and Antti Niemi made 32 saves.

Matt Moulson and Logan Couture each scored in the first round of the shootout, and then Miller stopped three straight shots before Hodgson beat Niemi for the winner.

The third period was filled with excitement with the teams combining for five goals starting when Ennis scored Buffalo's second road power-play goal of the season to make it 3-2. But the Sharks erased that lead in a flash.

The first goal came when Joe Pavelski won a faceoff to Marc-Edouard Vlasic, whose shot deflected toward Kennedy, who knocked it in for his second goal of the season 3:19 into the period.

Then just over a minute later, Hertl took a rebound of Scott Hannan's shot and skated around the net for a wraparound goal that was his ninth of the season.

The Sabres appeared on their way to a rare win when Tallinder scored midway through the third and then they had a two-man advantage later in the period. But Jamie McBain hit the post during the 5-on-3, and the Sharks

knocked it late in the period shortly after a penalty to Marcus Foligno ended.

Wingels dove into the crease to knock in the loose puck to tie the game and excite the loudest crowd.

What appeared to be a decided mismatch on paper between a Buffalo team that had one regulation win all season, and a San Jose team with just one regulation loss was anything but on ice. The Sabres overcame an early deficit and scored twice in the second period to take a 2-1 lead heading into the third.

The first goal came off a San Jose mistake as Jason Demers and Kennedy had trouble clearing the puck out of the defensive zone, and Stafford capitalized, beating Niemi with a quick wrist to tie the game early in the second.

Just seconds after Kennedy and Johan Larson were sent off for fighting midway through the period, Zengus Girgensons won an offensive zone faceoff from Andrew Desjardins. McCormick got the loose puck and beat Ni-

emi with a wrist shot between his pads to give Buffalo the lead.

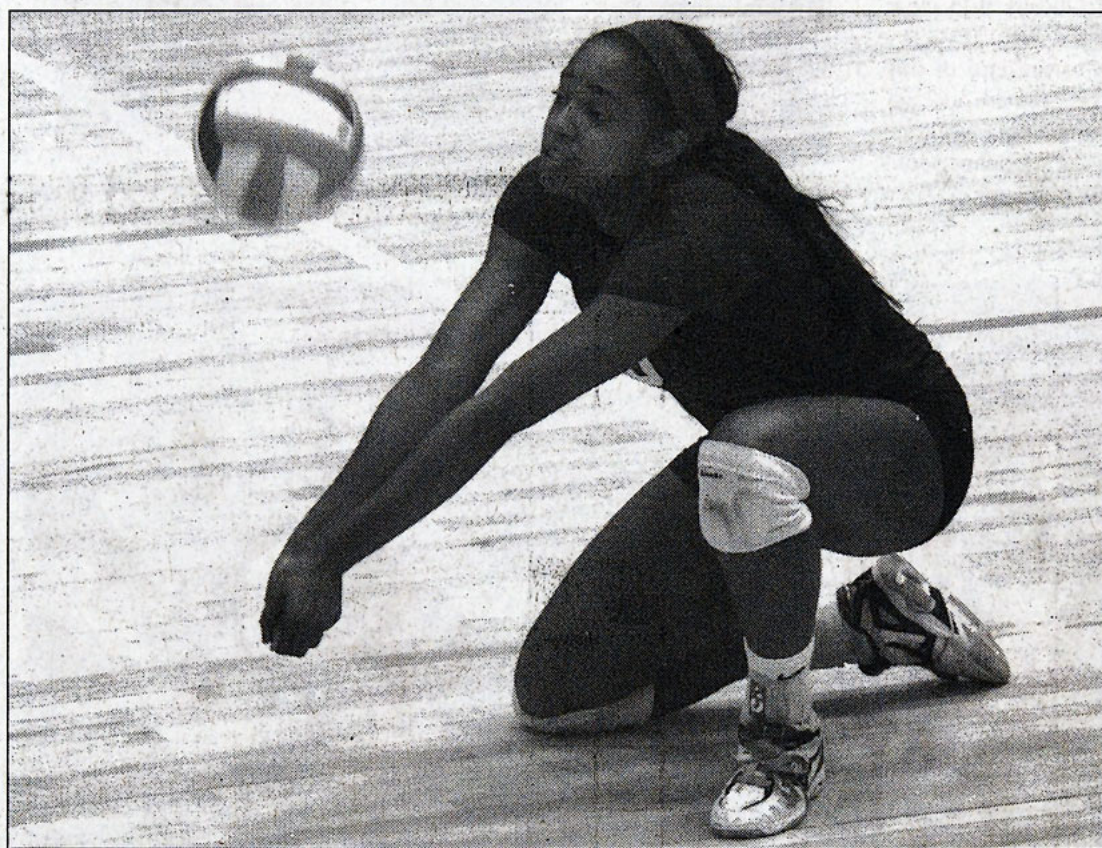
Miller took over from there with stellar play on a pair of power plays late in the second. After Wingels hit the crossbar with a nifty shot from the side of the net, Miller got his pad on Justin Braun's rebound attempt to preserve the lead.

The Sharks predictably scored first with good pressure from Couture's line paying off with a goal midway through the first period when Havlat backhanded a loose puck in front of the net off Miller and in for his first goal of the season. That ended Miller's shut-out streak against the Sharks at 139 minutes, 22 seconds and 88 straight saves.

It also marked the 15th time in 17 games that the Sabres allowed the first goal. They have been outscored 21-2 in the opening period this season, while the Sharks have outscored opponents 20-8.

Volleyball

UCO hits the road to Kansas for a two match series



Sophomore outside hitter/right-side hitter Barbara Jackson digs the ball on Friday Nov. 1, 2013. Photo by Aliko Dyer, The Vista.

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Central Oklahoma's volleyball team will hit the road this weekend and travel to Kansas for a double line-up versus Emporia State on Friday at 7 p.m. and Washburn University at 8 p.m.

Emporia State is located in Emporia, Kan., while Washburn University is located in Topeka, Kan. Both matches are conference play within the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

The Bronchos are 19-8 overall this season and hold a record of 7-6 within conference play. Central Oklahoma also holds a 5-4 record for away games.

Central Oklahoma recently lost to No. 7 ranked Nebraska-Kearney last Saturday in a four set match. The Bronchos had been on a three-match winning streak prior to Saturday's game.

Nebraska-Kearney won the first two sets, 25-19 and 25-22, respectively. The Bronchos battled back and took the third set victory, 24-26. But the Lopers came back in the fourth set to take home the win, with a final set score of 25-16.

The Emporia State Hornets are also coming off a loss to the nationally-ranked Nebraska-Kearney. Nebraska-Kearney defeated the Hornets with a home stadium advantage, allowing them to tie the score five times and take the lead only once throughout the three-set match.

The Washburn Ichabods recently won their last match on Tuesday against Fort Hays State with a 3-1 set score. The Ichabods dropped their first set against FHSU, but came back to win three in a row with an impressive 25-13, 25-19, 25-23 finish to the match. Their overall record this season now stands at 26-4 and 11-1, within MIAA conference play.



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Football

Bronchos travel to SBU after first win

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Sports Reporter

UCO football will enter into their final two games of the season on Saturday against the bearcats of Southwest Baptist.

UCO is coming off their first victory over the Blue Tigers of Lincoln. Southwest Baptist is coming off a 31-3 loss to Northeastern State and is 1-8 on the season.

UCO fell to SBU last season after giving up 16 unanswered points in the fourth quarter to fall 26-14. UCO was haunted by penalties last season. They will need to cut down on the mistakes if they hope to get revenge on the Bearcats.

Head Coach Nick Bobeck talked about the match-up against SBU on Saturday.

He said, "They have been kind of Jekyll and Hyde; they kind of bounce in and out of different things that they're doing on the offensive side of the ball and same thing on the defensive side of the ball."

He also feels that UCO should be able to compete in this one.

"We think we will get'em hammered down to what they want to do and try to keep them in that as much as we can," he said.

It has been a struggle for the bearcats this season. They did manage to beat Missouri Southern State, but have lost five straight ball games. UCO will try to carry their momentum into Bolivar, Mo to make it six straight.

Southwest Baptist ranks in the bottom of the statistics in MIAA on offense and defense. The Bearcats are giving up 43.2 points per game, which ranks 12th in the MIAA. SBU is only averaging 19.8 points per game on top of that.

Both teams should use a heavy dose of the running attack in this one. They each give up over 230 yards rushing on average. SBU only averages 77.1 yards per game so something will have to give. UCO has the running backs that can gash the SBU middle.

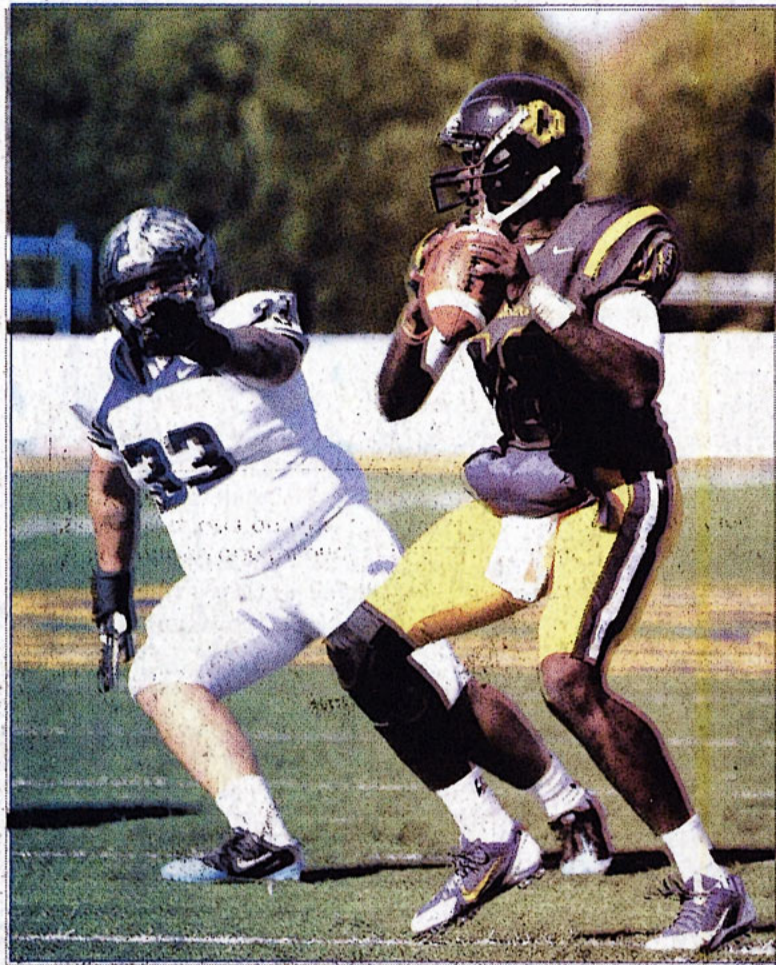
Joshua Birmingham and Jake Gandara should be able to have success in this one. Both have the ability to get to the outside and can rush up the middle against this defense. Birmingham's success against Lincoln should be able to carry over nicely in this one.

The strength of SBU's offense is their passing game. Quarterback Willie Tindal is averaging 259.8 yards per game. ViaVia Manuma will lead the rushing attack at 44.7 yards per game. The leading receiver for the Bearcats is Derwyn Lauderdale at over 100 hundred yards on average.

UCO will have to be stout on special teams in this. Against Lincoln, they had two extra points blocked and gave a punt return for a touchdown. Things like that can change momentum drastically in a close ballgame.

UCO has a great opportunity at the end of this schedule for some victories. They gained one last week and will play Northeastern State next week.

Finishing 2-1 or 3-0 will give the Bronchos some serious momentum going into the offseason.



Senior quarterback Adrian Nelson drops back in the pocket during the homecoming game against Lincoln on Nov. 2, 2013. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.



Old Blue Crew runs the UCO flags after a touchdown at homecoming on Nov. 2, 2013 versus Lincoln. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.



Junior wide receiver Marquez Clark runs the ball during the homecoming game against Lincoln on Nov. 2, 2013. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.

Soccer

UCO lady bronchos upset MIAA top-seed

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The UCO women's soccer team started their postseason with a bang Tuesday as they upset No. 12-ranked Central Missouri, 3-1, in the first round of the Mid-American Intercollegiate Athletics Association Championships.

The eighth seeded Bronchos' upset of top-seeded Central Missouri, ended the Jennies' seven-game winning streak and improves UCO's record to 8-9-2 on the season.

The three goals scored this game, ended the Bronchos three-game scoreless drought and also marks the first time since Oct. 13 the UCO recorded a multi-point game.

Even in light of the recent offensive struggles, you could tell that the Bronchos had a chance to make a good push in the offseason, based off of their last few games. UCO's last few games have shown great defense and some excellent scoring chances that just

would not go in. They were due to have a big offensive performance.

A huge offensive performance is what they got from their leading goal scorer this season, Sarah Purcell. Purcell's three-goal performance marks a career high for the junior out of Richmond, Texas. The hat-trick by Purcell wasn't the only career-making game the Bronchos had Tuesday, as goalie Brandi Bartley racked up a career-high ten saves in this game, contributing immensely to the Bronchos' upset.

The scoring came early and often for Purcell, who was able to streak by the Jennies' defenders to score unassisted, just 1:07 into the game. UCM was able to knot the game back up minutes later, though, when Abby Rhodes was able to rock home a shot from ten feet out on the left side of the net. After that game-tying goal, everything went UCO's way.

Purcell continued her scor-

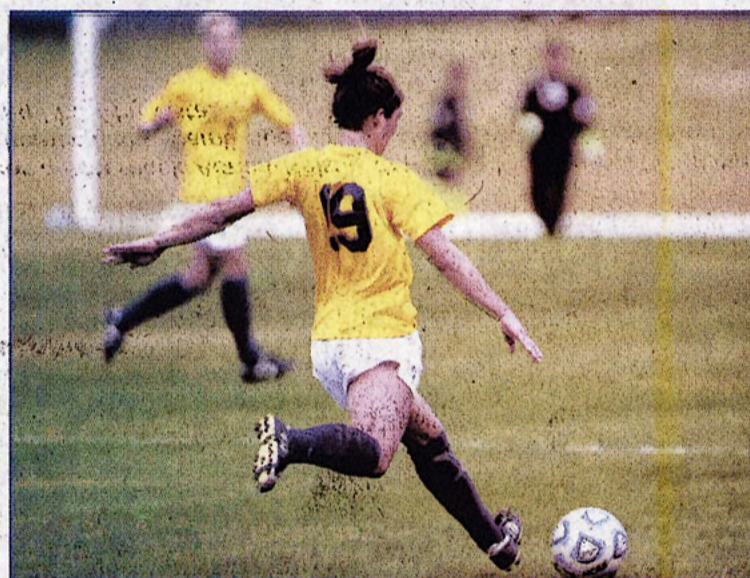
ing onslaught at the 17:41 mark when she was able to bury a shot that came off of a deflected cross, to give the Bronchos the lead again 2-1.

The hat-trick goal came for Purcell off a header right in front of the goal at the 68:55 mark. The ball bounced in the air in front of the goal and she was able to get to it before the Jennies' defenders.

Central Missouri led in shots, 17-8, but weren't able to find the back of the net past the force field that was Bartley; this game. She was able to stop all but one shot in a dominant showing in net, including two crucial saves at the seventy-ninth and eighty-ninth minutes to preserve the two-goal lead for the Bronchos.

The Bronchos now advance to the semi-finals, where they are set to play the fourth-seeded Washburn Ichabods.

That game is set for 4 p.m. Friday at College Boulevard Activities Complex in Olathe, Kan.



Junior midfielder/fullback Chandler Murphy kicks the ball against Emporia on Nov. 3, 2013. Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista.

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