

Register to vote: Gain a voice

Brooks Nickell

Staff Writer

To kick off Constitution Week, the American Democracy Project (ADP) at the University of Central Oklahoma began a voter registration drive yesterday, Sept. 16, that will continue on until Sept. 20.

Students were stopped by those working at these voter registration booths and asked if they were registered to vote yet or if they needed to update their voter information, such as their current address.

Matt Janey, a senior strategic communications student at UCO, was a student working one of the many booths Monday and spoke as to why it was important for students to be registered voters.

"It's important to have a say in what goes on in our country," Janey said.

Those working the booths were also reaching out to international students to help educate on the

way that the American voting process works.

"We're giving information on what it is to vote. We have a binder full of stuff that students can look

Theater, located in the Liberal Arts building on UCO's campus, the ADP will be presenting a question and answer session with Ms. Cyndi Munson.

she will be discussing her journey in community involvement and her decision to run for a seat as an Oklahoma State Representative for House District 85.

As stated on the ADP website, Munson developed her passion for public service at an early age and began applying her enthusiasm for public service, serving in student government at Eisenhower High School and UCO's student government where she developed leadership skills to be an active member of the community.

On Sept. 19, 2013, there will be a Faculty Lunch and Learn, during which ADP, with the New York Times, will discuss how to use the Times in the classroom.

Alongside these events, ADP says that locations across campus will invite students to let their voice be heard through the "Not Voiceless" Freedom of Speech Boards, where students are encouraged to share what the constitution and free speech mean to them.

For more information on any of the events encompassing constitution week you can email ADP at adp@uco.edu.



UCO's American Democracy Project is hosting Constitution Week in an effort to get students to register to vote. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.

at," Amanda Johnson, also a UCO student working with ADP, said. Today, at 2 p.m. in the Pegasus

Munson is a UCO alumni and former vice president of UCOSA, and according to ADP's website

Munson currently holds the title of Community Programs Manager for Girl Scouts Western Oklahoma.

UCO NAMED MILITARY FRIENDLY SCHOOL

Olanrewaju Suleiman

Staff Writer

The University of Central Oklahoma has been awarded as a military friendly school for the second year in a row.

The honor is given to the top 20 percent of universities with active military and veteran students. It is given to distinguished schools that embrace military students and encourage them to be successful in all aspects of college life.

The Central Veterans Higher Education Resources Office, also known as VetHERO, has resources for student veterans and military members.

Lieutenant Colonel Michael Teifke is a professor of Military Science, as well as the Military Science Department Chair.

"The ROTC program fosters a healthy environment for student

cadets," he said. "We are one of over 200 hosts with student cadets."

Teifke agrees that UCO is a military friendly school.

"The cadets do great here," he said. "Many of them go into the military when they graduate. We produce officers for the Army and Army Reserves."

The majority of the military members and veterans at Central utilize the on campus resources.

"The school is great about support and the students know it," Teifke said.

John Bray, a freshman history major, is currently a cadet in UCO's ROTC program.

"I wanted to join because they help pay for college," he said. "Since I've been here, it's been more than that. I really feel as if I'm growing as a person."

Bray plans on being one of the

many active UCO military members to fully join when he graduates.

"Right now I'm in college, but I know I won't be in college forever," he said. "When I graduate I want to be a second lieutenant in the Armed Forces."

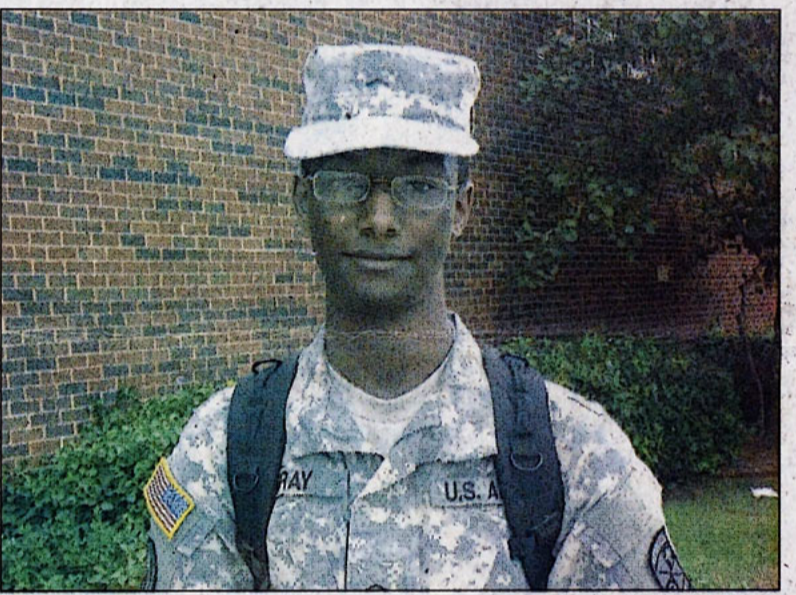
While he is a full-time student, Bray is also in the National Guard and is grateful for the support that he gets from the Central faculty and staff.

"The faculty and staff are so supportive, they're awesome really," he said. "I can understand why UCO was picked as a military friendly school."

The Military Friendly Schools list is compiled by Victory Media Inc., one of the main media outlets for military and civilian life.

"It's a great honor, and I'm glad UCO was recognized," Teifke said.

For a full list of schools, visit militaryfriendlyschools.com. The list can also be seen in the military and veteran magazine, G.I. Jobs.



John Bray, a freshman history major, is currently in UCO's ROTC program. Photo by Olanrewaju Suleiman, The Vista.

More information on Central's

veteran or military life can be found by visiting vethero.uco.edu, emailing VetHERO@uco.edu, or by calling 405-974-3686.

Melton Gallery to kick off performance series

Tyler Talley

Staff Writer

The Melton Gallery will kick off the first event of the Melton Gallery Performance Series at 4 p.m. on Sep. 19 in the UCO Arts and Design Building.

Staff Writer for the College of Fine Arts and Design Angela Morris stated the inaugural event will be a "college showcase," and will feature works

bits from the "Great American Songbook" and other sources. Five theatre arts department majors that received departmental scholarships will each perform a brief monologue.

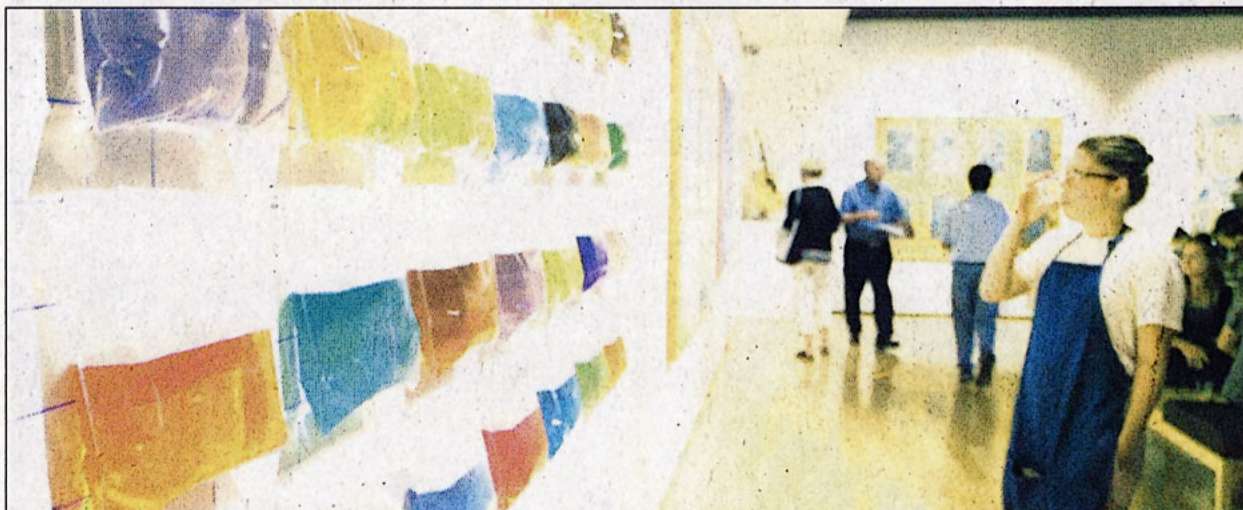
Faculty members from the School of Music's Center Historical Performance are scheduled to perform various classical pieces on historical instruments and the Department of Dance will perform a quartet, choreographed by dance lecturer Hui Cha Poos.

UCO Galleries and Collections

last five hundred years of European and American art, according to the gallery's official website. The collection was a gift from Howard and Merle Melton, and was brought to the College of Fine Arts and Design by Suzanne Silvester.

Morris added that the series serves as an evolution for the Melton Gallery. "It was shut down for two years, and reopened last October after a complete face-lift," Morris said.

Morris concluded by saying all UCO students interested in becom-



The UCO Melton Gallery will host the first of its Performance Series events on Sept. 19 at 4 p.m. in the UCO Arts and Design Building. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.

from multiple departments within the College of Fine Arts and Design.

The exhibit displayed at the event will be "Route 44 - A Journey" which will serve as retrospective, featuring paintings from design professor Larry Hefner. The premiere night will also include four 15-minute slots that will showcase each of the departments.

Morris said that some of the entertainment at the event will include musical theatre majors performing

Coordinator Zina Gelona said in a press release written by Morris, that the series will open the gallery to an entirely new audience.

"Using the gallery for performances not only provides an artistic venue with great acoustics, it also brings people into the gallery that might not normally attend the exhibits we host," Gelona said.

The gallery also hosts the legacy collection which contains more than 60 paintings and drawings from the

ing members of the gallery, can join after a \$5 donation. With membership comes first priority entrance to all events hosted at the gallery, and other perks.

All of the performances in the series will take place from 4-6 p.m. on Thursdays throughout the school year, and will be free and open to the public. For more information about the Melton Gallery Performance Series, visit www.uco.edu/cfad/melton-gallery.



UCO Melton Gallery will host performances beginning Sept. 19, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. The gallery will hold art and music. Photos by Quang Pho, The Vista.

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Do you think Miss America contestants should have to cover their tattoos before competing?

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Nursing - Freshman



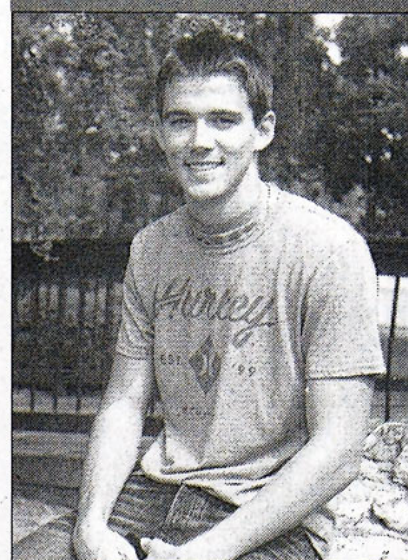
"No, tattoos are a way of expressing themselves. If you can't be real in a competition you shouldn't be in it."

VANESSA MIDDAGH
Nursing - Freshman



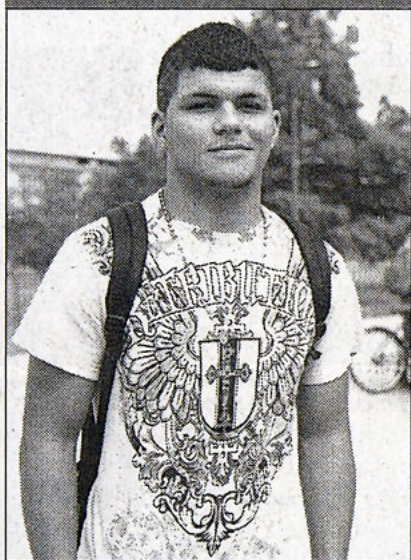
"I don't think so, it's part of their individuality. It's kind of like an accessory that describes her."

JOSH WORLEY
International Business - Sophomore



"No, because it shows their character. It's a reflection of their personality."

D.J. WILSON
Kinesiology - Sophomore



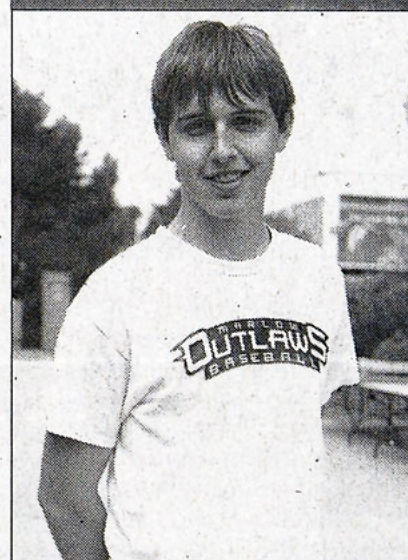
"It's a part of them, they shouldn't have to cover it up."

VICTORIA DEMAR
Business - Freshman



"No, because that makes them who they are."

KOLTON JONES
Criminal Justice - Freshman



"No, it's their body, they can do what they want with it."

Corrections:

In the Thursday, September 12, Issue of The Vista the following names and titles were listed incorrectly:

Student Affairs' Budget Coordinator
Teresa Metzger

Chair of Student Congress
Kory Atcuson

What is going on at the library computer lab?

Letter to the Editor

Hello, my name is Sarah and I'm a junior nursing student. I've been coming to the library computer lab since 2010 and even though that computer lab is the worst one at UCO (old computers, can't print from the internet, scanners don't work, misspelled signs - BTW, it's so shameful that a state university like UCO isn't able to write signs using proper english) it's pretty much the only one that is open until late.

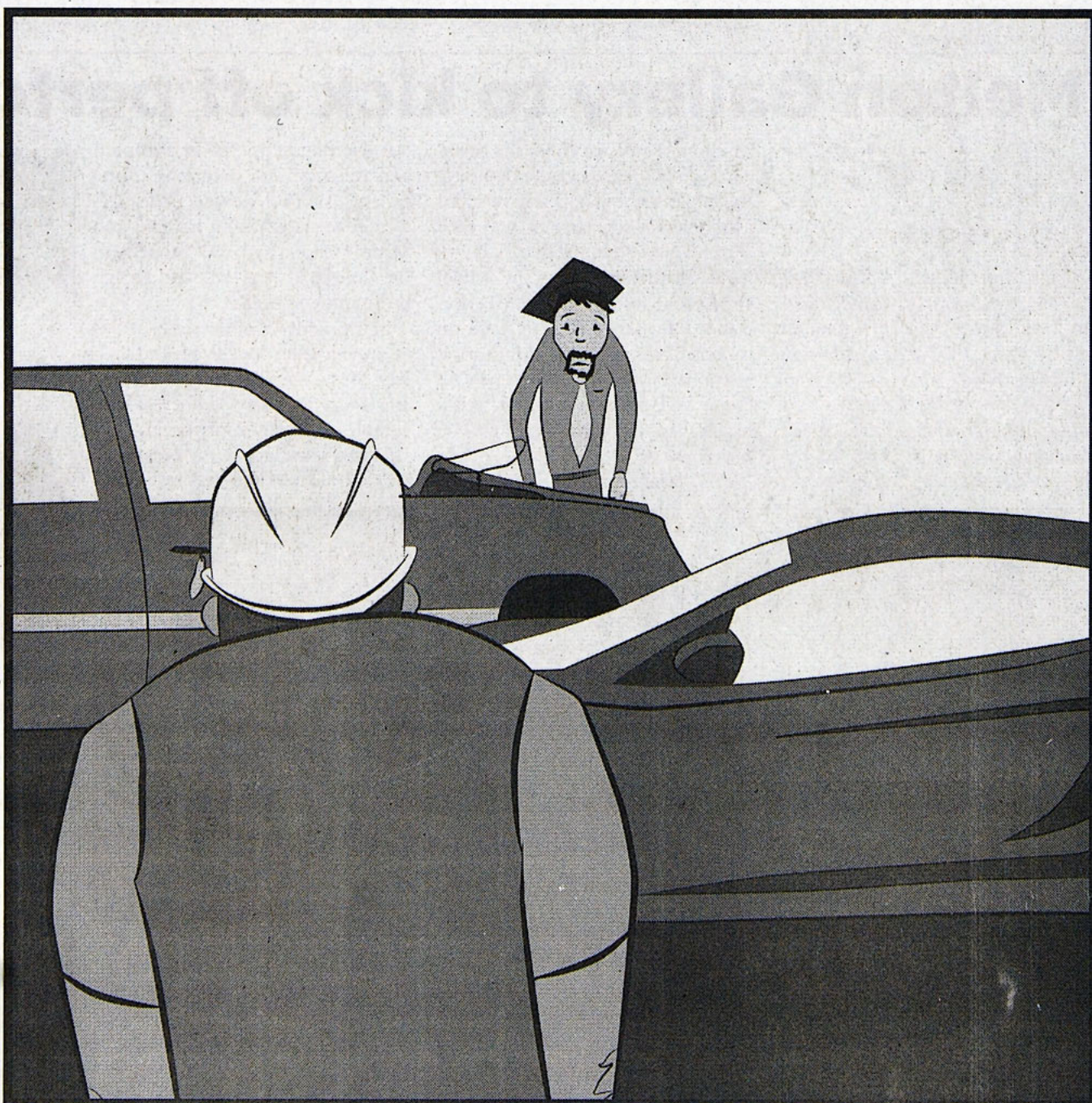
This semester they came up with a new rule, students without their UCO IDs cannot come in and the lab monitor has to sign them in manually.

Not only does that generate lines but it also makes the lab monitor unable to leave their desk to help the students, and all of that translates into worse service. I still cannot believe a university the size of UCO has no means of upgrading the computers on that computer lab or automating the signing in process (like they do at the gym), which BTW is somewhat stupid.

Here's my rant, every time I come to the computer lab I'm asked to show my ID, which I promptly do. Now that I got the new one that happens to also be my credit card I feel uncomfortable to handle it to the lab monitor.

So mind you that I come to that computer lab almost every day, I know most of the lab assistants and they obviously know me. So, late at night I'm in this line to get in, I talk to the guy who signs people in and tell him that I got the new ID and etc., I tell him my ID number, he says that unfortunately he can't let me in without seeing my ID card. I ask why (as he knows me) and he says that he may get fired for doing so as this new rule is being enforced and he has already been reprimanded by his boss for not following the procedure before. I cannot believe the idiocy in what he's saying as he sees me every day! I don't want to show him my credit card especially because they write down a lot of info!

He told me to write a complaint to his boss, which I did but



Cartoon by Matthew Gossom

got no response. When I came back the other day, I spoke to another lab monitor and she said they are all tired of these new crazy rules but that they can't do anything about them.

Long story short, they wouldn't let me in that night.

I spoke with my friends and classmates and they all feel the same way.

Why is that computer lab the only one that is different from the other ones? Why can't UCO standardize the computer lab procedures? Is someone actually in charge of those computer


labs???

They can't spell the signs right but they for sure can enforce those draconian rules.

Sincerely,

Sarah

Opinion

Sincerely,

Stevie
Two-Way Street
 By Stevie Armstrong

They say college is an experience where you will make friends that stay with you for the rest of your life. Whether you are a new freshman or a fifth year senior, true friendship remains the same.

In my opinion, a true friend is someone you can count on. You can call them for a simple favor, like to feed your dog when you're caught at work, or you could call them to talk when life becomes too hard to handle alone.

A true friend is someone who is loyal. When you trust a friend with the rawness of your life, you shouldn't have to worry about it being shared with outside parties.

I also believe a true friend never judges you. You

know you have a real friend when you just ate six donuts and instead of them criticizing you about it, you notice that they ate a dozen and a half donut holes. No one is perfect and we all make stupid decisions. A real friend will never judge you on those choices, but instead, made those same stupid decisions with you.

Most importantly, to me anyway, you should be 100 percent comfortable with a true friend. You should be able to say your true thoughts, look homeless, and raid their fridge without them thinking anything of it.

Hopefully, you're picturing the person that portrays these characteristics. If you have not yet found that true friend, you're not alone. There

are many students walking around campus who haven't quite made that connection with someone. Perhaps they have, but unfortunate events caused the friendship to dissolve or crumble.

Forming lifelong friendships, whether in your college career or not, is a two-way street. You can't expect someone to be there for you, to be loyal, to not judge you, to be loyal, to be comforting when you don't reciprocate those attributes back.

College is a time of learning, loving and growing. Yes, learn in the classroom of course, but take the time to learn who you are as an individual. Once you can do that, allow yourself to share it with that true friend. You will love

them, as you love yourself. Then, the friendship will take off and grow.

True friends are there when you're down, when you're up, when your life is ugly and when it's beautiful. But remember what Ralph Emerson said, "The only way to have a friend is to be one."

Sincerely, Stevie

Sixth annual Language and Linguistics Student Conference at UCO

Rachel Brocklehurst

Contributing Writer

The Language Society along with the English Society will be hosting the sixth annual Language and Linguistics Student Conference Nov. 16. Corey Hamilton, originally from Edmond, Okla., is in his second year as a Graduate Teaching Assistant for the Department of English, at UCO. He hopes to be a professor of English Comp. and Rhetoric classes. Hamilton is the President of the Language Society on campus.

The Language Society works with the English Department in hosting two workshops, leading up to a conference. The conference is specifically called the Language and Linguistic Student Conference because, as Hamilton said, "we're trying to make the conference more student involved this year."

The English Society is the oldest society at UCO and this is currently the sixth or seventh year for the Language Society.

The first workshop, held on Sept. 5, helped the students learn how to write an abstract,

which is different from a summary in the sense that it is targeting the scope of research and begging the question of, why does the topic at hand matter.

The second workshop will be held Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. in L.A. 119. This workshop will be about presenting the abstract and is helpful for teaching majors, business majors, or any other major that will require presenting in front of a crowd of other students.

The conference will be held Nov. 16 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the third floor of the Nigh. The workshops help as a two-part system, as in to get students out of their comfort zone.

The abstract will consist of 150 words and there is no such thing as a rejected abstract. Before final submission, the student may send in a rough draft to be reviewed and sent back with feedback. The conference will be a relaxed environment with three to four students who are accepted for the conference, a professor moderating it, students sitting in as peers listening and a Q&A at the end. Co-adviser for the English Society Dr. Timothy Petete will be in charge of designing a PowerPoint or other ways to present research, other than reading a paper to the audience.



UCO English Department Graduate Teaching Assistant Corey Hamilton. Photo by Aliko Dyer, The Vista.

Hamilton said, "The PowerPoint, along with multiple ways of presenting the works, allows the audience to be engaged and it's more interactive. It will be the first time for a lot of the presenters at the conference."

It helps that the workshops and conferences are internationally open, especially from last year's attendance being 82 people. They are expecting more this year.

One does not have to be an English major to attend the workshops. As long as the individual is a student, they can be from any university, from Korea to Italy. There is a \$50.00 fee for students presenting, but after the conference, the dean of L.A. will give a form for

the reimbursements.

The deans have been supportive of both the workshops and conferences, all the way from Dean Washington to Dean Stewart.

Hamilton said, "My favorite part of the conferences is the process of providing the opportunity for students to go through the process of presenting their piece in public. Only then are they able to say 'I did it.'"

The Language Society has had guest speakers within the past five years. The new motto that just came out this year is, students engaging, transforming and empowering students. That truly is the goal of both the Language, as well as English Societies.



Large bed beside Broncho Lake at last year's Sexual Health Awareness Week, Sept. 24, 2012. Photo by Aliko Dyer, The Vista.

UCO to host third annual sexual health awareness week

Kanasha Brown

Contributing Writer

Coming soon this fall, is the third annual Sexual Health Awareness Week, hosted by the University of Central Oklahoma (UCO) and UCO's Wellness Center. The week takes place on Sept. 23-27. "Let's Talk About Sex" is this year's motto.

The Big Bed and Sex in the Dark will be the two main events occurring. "We give out a lot of resources and materials letting students know where they can go on campus and off campus for health resources," said UCO Wellness health promotion coordinator Brittney Criswell.

The Big Bed event will be occurring

all week from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the clock tower near Broncho Lake. "It's a literal bed in the middle of campus," said Criswell. When explaining the activities of the event, Criswell said, "We like for students to sign the sheets of the bed with their own personal views about sex, sexuality, sexual health so we get a student's perspective."

She explained that students can learn information on healthy relationships, receive safer sex materials and other educational resources.

This year, Sex in the Dark will be held in Constitution Hall in the Nigh University Center on Sept. 26 at 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. This event will feature a panel of health professionals, also known as the "sexperts."

The health professionals will be answering questions from students through an anonymous text message system. "It's a great form to get questions asked and

answered in a safe and nonjudgmental environment," said Criswell. Criswell also mentioned that a video recording of the event will later be available for students to watch or those who were unable to attend.

She also stated that these events will be open to the community, as well.

For Sexual Health Awareness Week, UCO has partnered up with UCO Wellness Center, UCO Healthy Campus, Planned Parenthood, UCO Peer Health Leaders, Teen emPower!, UCO Community/Public Health Club, Oklahoma State Department of Health and UCO Student Alliance for Equality.

In the past, Criswell expressed that they have received appreciation and positive feedback from the students for presenting events and material that is fun and informational. Criswell said, "We're hoping that a lot of students will be able to come."



UCO students write on the sheet of a large bed beside Broncho Lake, Sept. 24, 2012. Photos by Aliko Dyer, The Vista.

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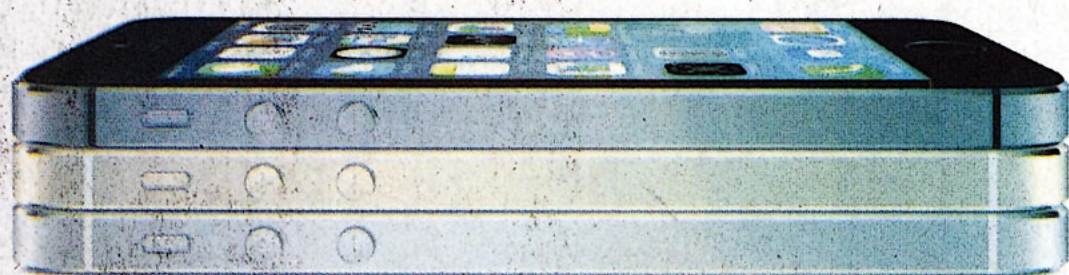


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2) New Photo Organization:

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3) New Siri Features:

"Siri in iOS 7 gets a new look, a new sound, and new capabilities. It features a redesigned interface that fades into view — on top of whatever's on your screen. A clearer, more natural-sounding female or male voice makes Siri even easier to understand. It's faster at answering questions and it checks more sources, such as Bing, Wikipedia, and Twitter. And Siri takes on extra tasks, like returning calls, playing voicemail, controlling iTunes Radio, and more."

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"Apps Near Me — a new feature of the App Store in iOS 7 — shows you a collection of popular apps relevant to your current location. And with the soon-to-come Kids category, you'll be able to browse and buy the best apps for children based on age. iOS 7 also keeps your apps up to date automatically, so you don't have to bother. Another bonus of automatic updates: no more little red, badge begging for your attention."

From apple.com

UCO's 'The Goat, or Who is Sylvia' to open this week



UCO students rehearse for 'The Goat, or Who is Sylvia,' which opens Sept. 19. Photo by Natalie Cartwright.

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Natalie Cartwright

Contributing Writer

The University of Central Oklahoma Theatre Arts Department presents the award winning play, 'The Goat, or Who is Sylvia' in Mitchell Hall Sept. 19-22.

Written by Edward Albee, 'The Goat, or Who is Sylvia' won the 2002 Tony Award for Best Play and was nominated for the 2003 Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

Martin, played by Guy Mitchell, has fallen in love with a goat. When the love affair surfaces, Martin's life and the lives of his family are shattered.

This play follows the family in crisis and the events that transpire through such an unfamiliar act of infidelity.

"I believe the play is about unconditional love," said Theatre Arts professor and director of this production Daisy Nystul, M.F.A. "When I saw it, it was one of my most favored

"The Goat, or Who is Sylvia' has been categorized as a comedic drama and widely agreed upon as "more than just a play about bestiality" by critics. The play has been seen as an attempt to expose the audience's own morality and question their views on relationships and society broad ideals.

"It's an emotional rollercoaster," said Nystul.

Kaitlin Burton stars as Martin's wife, Stevie, and Style Bivens plays Martin's son, while Tracie Lister plays Martin's best friend, Ross.

Nystul feels that the performance given by this cast of young UCO students is exceptional.

"They're giving incredible performances," Nystul said, "performances that would rival tony award winning performers."

The four-man cast began production in the summer and has been rehearsing no less than four days a week.

"We didn't want to over re-

hearse it," said Nystul. "The emotional content of the show is so high that for the actors and for the directors, you sort of need a break from it because we're going deep."

The play is approximately 65 minutes long and the script is no different from the Broadway play. Due to its content, the play is for mature audiences.

"They're laughing and they're crying at rehearsals," Nystul said. "If you can get somebody to laugh and cry in 65 minutes, as an audience member, that's pretty good."

The Goat, or Who is Sylvia' shows at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19-21 and 2 p.m. Sept. 22 in Mitchell Hall Theatre, on campus.

Tickets are now free to UCO students with a valid I.D., \$14 for adults and \$10 for senior citizens. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Mitchell Hall Theater Box Office at 405-974-3375 or by visiting www.click4tix.com/uco.

Nystul said, "Come see it. It will be the ride of your life."

Miss America 2014 Crowned

Wayne Parry

Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Moments after winning the 2014 Miss America crown, Nina Davuluri described how delighted she is that the nearly century-old pageant sees beauty and talent of all kinds.

The 24-year-old Miss New York is the first contestant of Indian heritage to become Miss America; her talent routine was a Bollywood fusion dance.

"I'm so happy this organization has embraced diversity," she said in her first press conference after winning the crown in Atlantic City, N.J.'s Boardwalk Hall. "I'm thankful there are children watching at home who can finally relate to a new Miss America."

Her pageant platform was "celebrating diversity through cultural competency."

The native of Syracuse, N.Y. wants to be a doctor, and is applying to medical school, with the help of a \$50,000 scholarship she won as part of the pageant title.

She is the second consecutive Miss New York to win the Miss America crown, succeeding Mallory Hagan, who was selected in January when the pageant was still held in Las Vegas. The Miss America Organization will compensate Hagan for her shortened reign.

Davuluri's victory led to some negative comments on Twitter from users upset that someone of Indian heritage

had won the pageant. She brushed those aside.

"I have to rise above that," she said. "I always viewed myself as first and foremost American."

Her grandmother told The Associated Press that she cried when she saw the news on television.

I am very, very, happy for the girl. It was her dream and it was fulfilled," 89-year-old V. Koteswaramma said by phone from her home in the city of Vijaywada, in the southern Indian state of Andhra Pradesh.

She said there are numerous doctors in the family, both in the U.S. and India, and that if her granddaughter wants to become one "I am sure she will do it."

Davuluri had planned to go to the scene of a devastating boardwalk fire in the New Jersey communities of Seaside Park and Seaside Heights Monday afternoon. But pageant officials canceled that visit after learning that Gov. Chris Christie was making cabinet officials available at that same time to business owners victimized by the fire.

Davuluri will visit at an unscheduled future date, pageant officials said early Monday.

She will still make the traditional frolic in the Atlantic City surf Monday morning.

Her first runner-up was Miss California, Crystal Lee. Other top 5 finalists included Miss Minnesota, Rebecca Yeh; Miss Florida, Myrhandia Jories, and Miss Oklahoma, Kelsey Griswold.

In the run-up to the pageant, much

attention was given to Miss Kansas, Theresa Vail, the Army sergeant who was believed to have been the first Miss America contestant to openly display tattoos. She has the Serenity Prayer on her rib cage, and a smaller military insignia on the back of one shoulder.

Vail won a nationwide "America's Choice" vote to advance as a semi-finalist, but failed to make it into the Top 10.

In a Twitter message Sunday before the finals began, Vail wrote: "Win or not tonight, I have accomplished what I set out to do. I have empowered women. I have opened eyes."

Jones made it into the top 5 wearing a bedazzled knee brace. She tore knee ligaments Thursday while rehearsing her baton-twirling routine, which she executed flawlessly Sunday night.

The pageant had pitted 53 contestants — one from each state, plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands — in swimsuit, evening gown, talent and interview competitions.

Sam Haskell, CEO of the Miss America Organization, said he was thrilled it all played out in Atlantic City after a six-year stint in Las Vegas.

"This is where we belong," he told The Associated Press. "This is the home of Miss America, and this is where we're going to stay."

The pageant started in Atlantic City in 1921 as a way to extend the summer tourism season for an extra weekend.

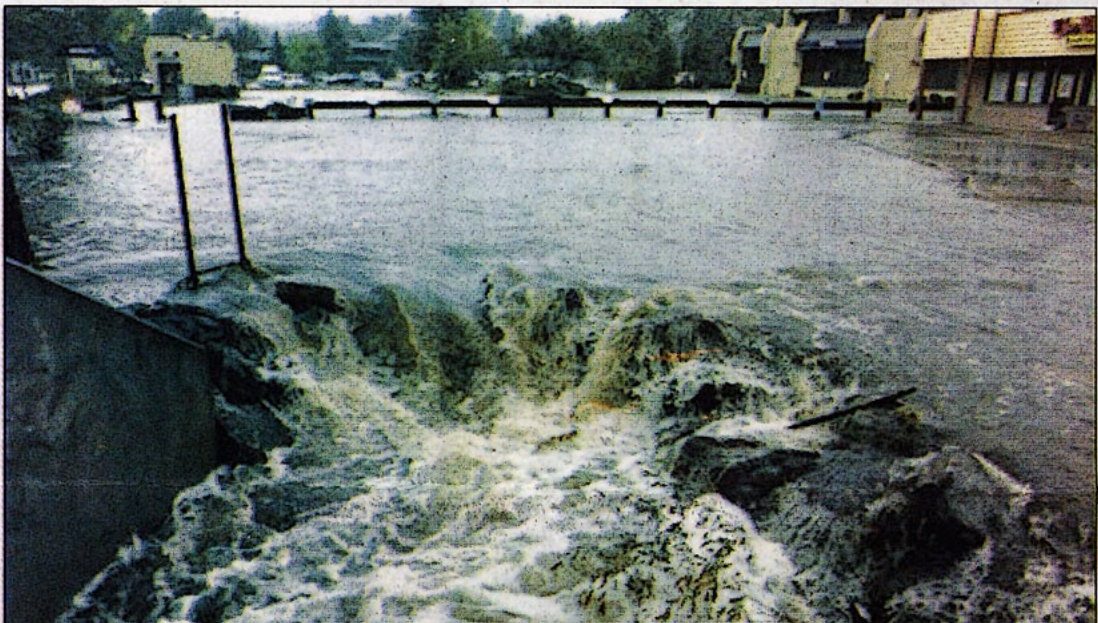


Miss New York Nina Davuluri walks down the runway after winning the Miss America 2014 pageant, Sunday, Sept. 15, 2013, in Atlantic City, N.J. (AP Photo/Mel Evans)

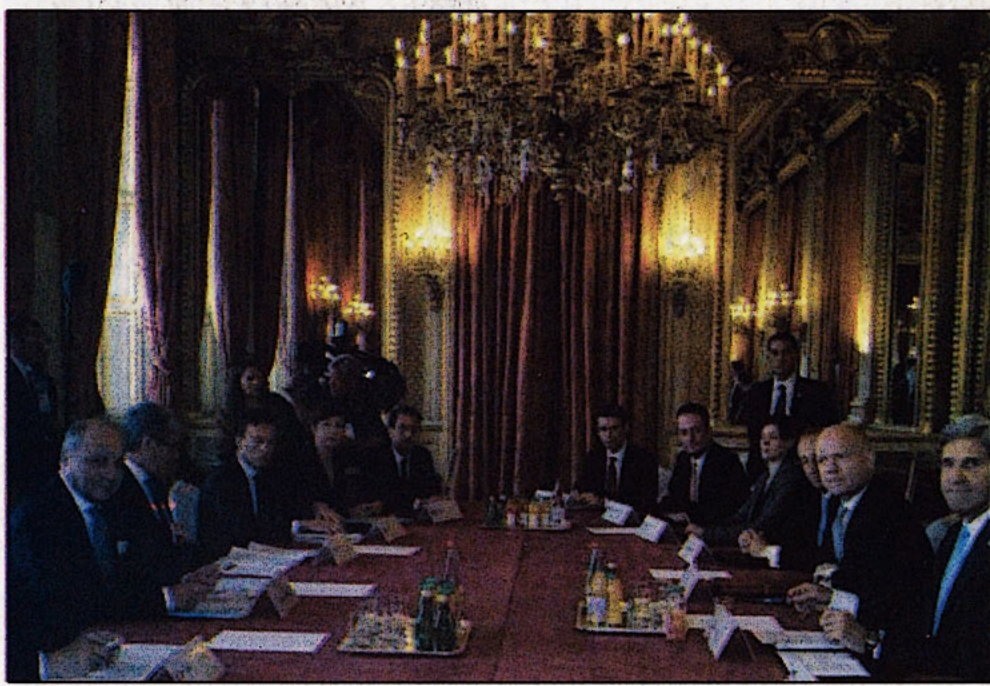
A Look Around the Nation



People hold their hands to their heads as they are escorted out of the building where a deadly shooting rampage occurred at the Washington Navy Yard in Washington, Monday, Sept. 16, 2013. One shooter was killed, but police said they were looking for two other possible gunmen wearing military-style uniforms. (AP Photo/Jacquelyn Martin)



A heavy flow of water pours out of a parking lot on E. Elkhorn Ave. overwhelming a culvert heading under the roadway. As a steady rain continues to fall, the town of Estes Park, Colo., begins Sunday Sept. 15, 2013 to clean up the flooded downtown streets and stores that are popular for visitors. (AP Photo/The Denver Post, Kathryn Scott Osler)



French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius, left, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry, right, and British Foreign Secretary William Hague, second right, pose for the media prior to a meeting on Syria at the Quai d'Orsay in Paris, Monday, Sept. 16, 2013. (AP Photo/Francois Mori, Pool)

Edith M. Lederer

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — U.N. inspectors said in a report Monday there is "clear and convincing evidence" that chemical weapons were used on a relatively large scale in an attack last month in Syria that killed hundreds of people.

The findings represent the first official confirmation by scientific experts that chemical weapons were used in the Syrian conflict, but the first page of the report, seen by The Associated Press, left the key question of who launched the attack unanswered.

The report came as the chairman of a U.N. war crimes panel said it is investigating 14 suspected chemical attacks in Syria, dramatically escalating the stakes after diplomatic breakthroughs that saw the Syrian government agree to dismantle its chemical weapons program.

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon was scheduled to present the U.N. inspectors' report to the U.N. Security Council later Monday morning.

The inspectors said "the environmental,

chemical and medical samples we have collected provide clear and convincing evidence that surface-to-surface rockets containing the nerve agent sarin were used ... in the Ghouta area of Damascus" on Aug. 21.

"The conclusion is that chemical weapons have been used in the ongoing conflict between the parties in the Syrian Arab Republic, also against civilians, including children, on a relatively large scale," the inspectors said in their report to Ban.

"This result leaves us with the deepest concern," the inspectors said.

The inspectors were mandated to report on whether chemical weapons were used and if so which ones — not on who was responsible.

The rebels and their Western and Arab supporters blame President Bashar Assad's regime for the attack in the rebel-controlled area of Ghouta. The Assad regime insists that the attack was carried out by rebels. The U.N. report mentions the Ghouta areas of Ein Tarma, Moadamiyeh and Zamalka, all of which

Clear & Convincing Evidence

were featured in the videos of victims that emerged shortly after the attack.

The Aug. 21 chemical attack unfolded as the U.N. inspection team was in Syria to investigate earlier reported attacks. After days of delays, the inspectors were allowed access to victims, doctors and others in the Damascus suburbs.

Chief weapons inspector Ake Sellstrom handed over the report to the secretary-general on Sunday amid a flurry of diplomatic activity aimed at getting Syria to put its just-acknowledged stockpile of chemical weapons and chemical precursors under international control for destruction.

In the report, Sellstrom said the team was issuing the findings on the Ghouta attacks "without prejudice" to its continuing investigation and final report on the alleged use of chemical weapons in three other areas. The letter said it hoped to produce that report as soon as possible.

Under an Aug. 13 agreement between the U.N. and the Syrian government, Sellstrom's team was scheduled to investigate an alleged chemical weapons attack on March 19 on the village of Khan al Assal outside Aleppo and alleged attacks on two other sites which were kept secret for security reasons.

The letter for the first time identified the two sites still to be investigated as Sheik Maqsood and Saraqueb.

It also thanked the four laboratories designated by the Office for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) to examine the samples from Syria, disclosing their locations for the first time — in Finland, Germany, Sweden and Switzerland.

In Geneva, the chairman of a U.N. war crimes panel, Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, said his panel has not pinpointed the chemical used in the 14 suspected chemical attacks it said Monday it was investigating.

Pinheiro also said the panel believes Assad's government has been responsible for war crimes and crimes against humanity, while rebel groups have perpetrated war crimes but not crimes against humanity "because there is not a clear chain of command."

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry ended a weeklong diplomacy tour in Paris on Monday

after laying out with his French and British counterparts a two-pronged approach in Syria. They called for enforceable U.N. benchmarks for eradicating the chemical weapons program and an international conference bolstering the moderate opposition.

Kerry was pressing for support for the ambitious agreement that averted threatened U.S. military strikes. It calls for an inventory of Syria's chemical weapons program within one week, with all components of the program out of the country or destroyed by mid-2014.

France and the U.S. insisted that a military response to the Aug. 21 attack remained on the table, and were pressing for a U.N. resolution reflecting that in coming days.

"If Assad fails to comply ... we are all agreed, and that includes Russia," that there will be consequences," Kerry said.

But Russia's foreign minister, Sergey Lavrov, said ongoing attempts to threaten the use of force against Syria would provoke the opposition and disrupt a chance for negotiations.

Meanwhile, invitations were going out Monday to top members of the Syrian National Coalition — the main umbrella opposition group — for an international conference in New York timed to coincide with next week's U.N. General Assembly meeting, French officials said.

Bolstering the Western-backed SNC is just as crucial to Syria's future as Assad's agreement to give up chemical arms, said French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius.

"He must understand that there is no military victory, no possible military victory for him," Fabius said. He acknowledged that broad popular support for the rebels has been hampered by fears that Islamic militants are now playing a major role in the 2 1/2-year-old uprising that has left more than 100,000 dead.

Those who blame Assad for the chemical attack and supported military strikes say it is up to Assad to uphold his end of any deal.

In Geneva, Pinheiro said the "vast majority" of casualties in Syria's civil war came from conventional weapons like guns and mortars.

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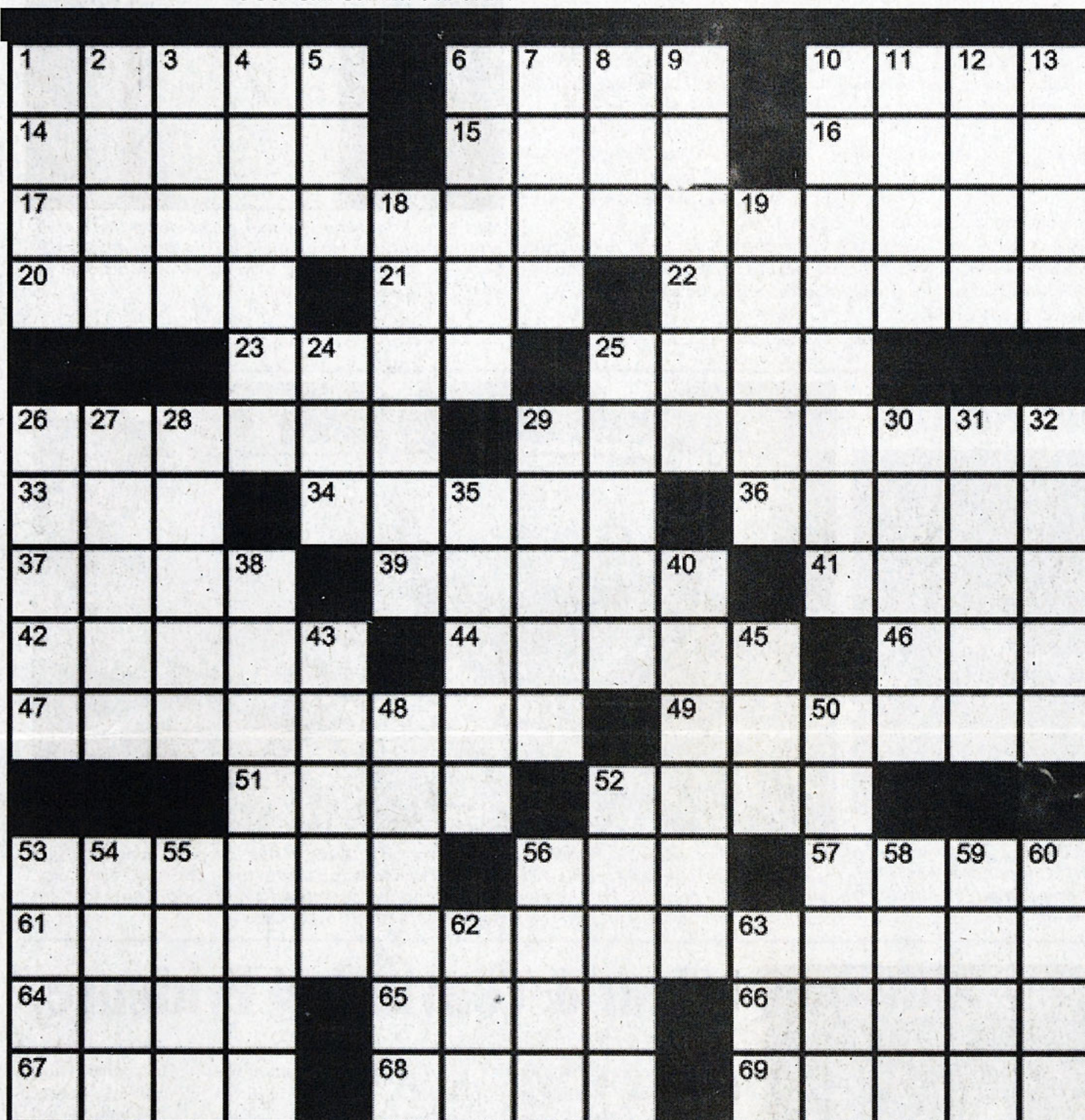
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RANDOM FACTS

Tigers, leopards, and jaguars love Calvin Klein's Obsession for Men. The scent is used to attract animals to cameras in the wilderness.

Ever wonder how Humphrey Bogart got his signature lisp? Bogart joined the US Navy after being kicked out of Phillips Academy Boarding School. He was wounded during the shelling of the Leviathan, resulting in partial facial paralysis.

TASER is an acronym for Thomas A. Swift's Electric Rifle.



64. Boosts
65. 20-20, e.g.
66. Dukes
67. High school formal dance
68. Convene
69. Aegean vacation locale

Down

1. Boor's lack
2. ___ vera
3. Tissue joining two parts of an organ
4. Bad way to go?
5. Astern
6. Brush off
7. Shoestring
8. "A jealous mistress": Emerson
9. Unmarried girl
10. Not sanctioned by law
11. "Mi chiamano Mimi," e.g.
12. Medical advice, often
13. Pigeon's home
18. Look into again, as a cold case
19. Drunk, in slang
24. "___ any drop to drink": Coleridge
25. Atlanta-based airline
26. Masters
27. "You ___ kidding!" (contraction)
28. Andean animal
29. Change, as a clock
30. Agreeing (with)
31. Except
32. Swelling
35. Noise and confusion
38. Strict adherence to the law
40. Tropical American plants with lancelike leaves
43. Beat
45. Cap
48. Modus operandi
50. Autobiography
52. About
53. "That's a ___!"
54. "Aquarius" musical
55. Taro's edible root
56. On the safe side, at sea
58. ___ line (major axis of an elliptical orbit)
59. Remaining after all deductions (var. spelling)
60. "___ quam videri" (North Carolina's motto)
62. "The Three Faces of ___"
63. Ozone enemy (abbrev.)

Across

1. Indian semi-classical vocal music
6. Brickbat
10. Bust maker
14. Cocu
15. Legal prefix
16. Sundae topper, perhaps
17. Person who interprets constitutional law strictly
20. Makeup, e.g.
21. "... ___ he drove out of sight"

22. Enlarge

23. Soon, to a bard
25. Drop
26. Horse's fast gait
29. Outlaw
33. www.yahoo.com, e.g. (acronym)
34. Riot
36. No longer in
37. "Get ___!"
39. Foul
41. Brain area
42. Not fulfilled

44. Doozie

46. "China Beach" setting
47. Scenery and props in a play
49. Photo equipment
51. ___ nitrate
52. #1 spot
53. Young offspring of a dog
56. "___ Ng" (They Might Be Giants song)
57. Challenge for a barber
61. Instruments with parabolic antennae (2 wds)

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RANDOM QUOTES

That you may retain your self-respect, it is better to displease the people by doing what you know is right, than to temporarily please them by doing what you know is wrong.

- William J. H. Boetcker

Adversity causes some men to break; others to break records.

- William Arthur Ward

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Volleyball

Volleyball continues on 8-0 undefeated streak

Cody Johnson

Sports Editor

The Central Oklahoma Volleyball team rolled on this weekend at the Tiger/Savage Storm classic in Ada and Durant, Okla. The lady Bronchos remained undefeated and are now 8-0 for the season, after taking four more wins home this weekend.

"We just need to keep working hard at getting better every time we take the court," head coach Edgar Miraku said in an interview with Bronchosports.

They took on East Central University and Northwestern Oklahoma State University on Friday and then Southern Nazarene University and Southeastern Oklahoma State University on Saturday. Central Oklahoma took the lead in the fifth set 4-1 against Eastern Central. They then pulled ahead to 12-5 lead after sophomore Barbara Jackson had back-to-back kills. The Tigers then pulled within 13-11. But sophomore Tyler Gromann and freshman Allison Barr made a match-winning block to clinch the win for the Bronchos.

Against Northwestern Oklahoma State, Central Oklahoma took the advantage winning the first two sets. In the third set, the NWOSU put up a big fight, but tying Central Oklahoma 19-19. But the sophomore Jackson quickly put the match away with back-to-back kills.

The lady Bronchos returned to the court Saturday with their match against SNU. They had a hard time with their first set, winning 26-24, but prevailed in the second set 25-17 and the final set 25-20.

In the first and only close set of the match, the lady Bronchos pulled ahead 14-6, but the SNU rallied back to tie the score at 24-24. Barbara Jackson came through for UCO again with another kill, followed by a set-

winning kill by junior Juliette Smith.

Central Oklahoma then turned around and had a tough fought match against Southeastern Oklahoma State University. The Savage Storm took the undefeated lady Bronchos to four sets before Central Oklahoma took away the win.

The lady Bronchos took an early lead in the first set, but SOSU quickly rallied to a 15-11 lead. Central Oklahoma did not back down and tied the set at 18-18. The lady Bronchos took away the first set 25-21. In the second set, the Savage Storm pulled a flip score on the lady Bronchos with a 21-25 win.

The third set found Central Oklahoma coming from behind again and finally tying the score at 21-21. The junior Juliette Smith broke the tie, though, and allowed the lady Bronchos to take the win with a 25-23 final score.

UCO once again came from behind in the fourth set with a six straight points rally to take the lead 19-18. The final score of the weekend was a kill by freshman Allison Barr, leaving the final set at 25-22.

"It was another good weekend for us and I'm really pleased with the way we're playing," Miraku said in an interview with Bronchosports.

The Lady Bronchos will make their first home game debut for this season on Tuesday versus the Pittsburg State University Gorillas in Hamilton Field House at 7 p.m., hoping to remain undefeated and tie the school record of starting a season 9-0. The last time UCO Women's Volleyball went undefeated 9-0 to start the season, was in 1994.

The likely hood of a win is in favor of the lady Bronchos with a 209-81 record in Hamilton Field House. The Gorillas opened their season with five losses, before winning three in a row to have a 3-5 record this season.

Women's Golf

Bronchos in Control

ST. PAUL, Minn. (Sept. 15) – All six Central Oklahoma players are among the top-10 individuals and the Bronchos own a commanding lead after first-round play in the season-opening Holiday Inn Invitational here Sunday.

UCO fired a 301 at the par-72 Tartan Park Golf Club, good for an 18-shot lead over Augustana. Delaware State is third in the 15-team tournament at 324, with tournament host Concordia-St. Paul and Upper Iowa tied for fourth at 325.

Final-round play begins at 9 a.m. Monday.

Junior Bethany Darrough, playing her first round with the Bronchos after sit-

ting out a redshirt year in 2012-13 following a transfer from Redlands Community College, leads the tournament with a one-over 73.

Taylor Neidy is tied for third after an opening 75, while Lindsey Bensch (76) is tied for fifth, Aly Seng (77) tied for eighth and June Tigert (79) tied for 10th. Katie Bensch also had a 75 playing as an individual medalist.

"We came out and played well," head coach Michael Bond said. "It was a great way to get the season started, but we need to make sure we stay focused and come back just as strong tomorrow."

Story by: Bronchosports.com

Holiday Inn Invitational

Blue-Red
Dates: Sep 15 - Sep 16

Pos.	Team/Player (seed)	Rd 1	Total
1	Central Oklahoma	301	301
1	Bethany Darrough (1)	73	73
T3	Taylor Neidy (3)	75	75
T5	Lindsey Bensch (5)	76	76
T8	Aly Seng (2)	77	77
T10	June Tigert (4)	79	79

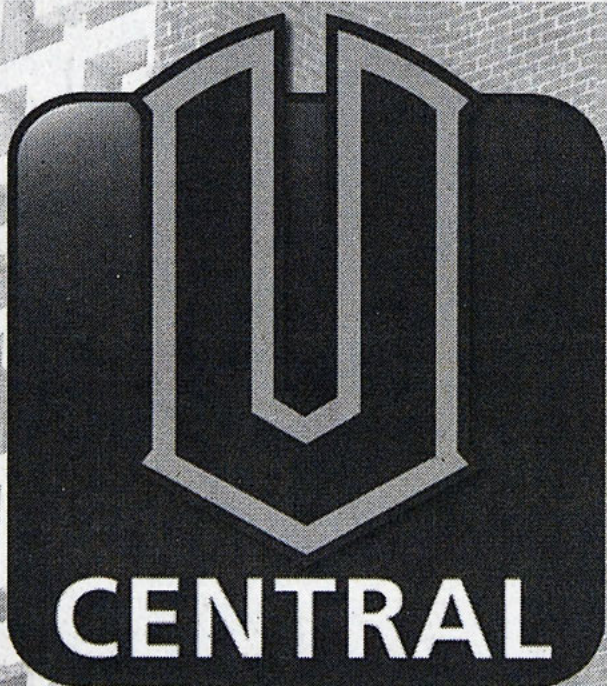
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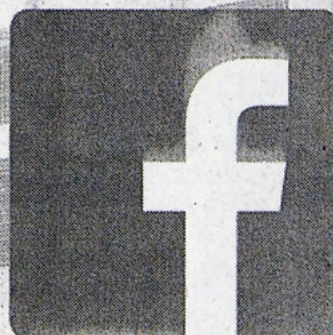
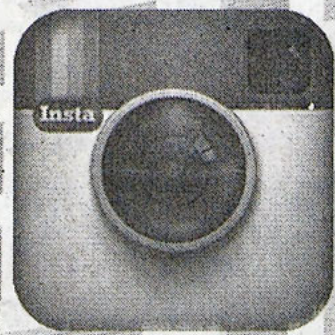
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Football

UCO football takes a hard loss in Wantland Stadium

Austin Litterell

Sports Reporter

It was a tough night for Broncho football as they fell to the 16th ranked Pittsburgh State Gorillas, Saturday night in Wantland Stadium. The Gorillas were strong on both sides of the ball and came out of Wantland with a 65-24 victory over the Bronchos.

The Gorillas got off to a quick start with a five-play, 70-yard drive on their opening possession and jumped out to an early 20-0 lead early into the second quarter. UCO finally got on the board in the second quarter with a Seth Hiddink field goal to cut the lead to 17, but Pitt State would extend that lead to

34-3 by halftime.

The Gorillas scored, once again, on their opening possession of the second half, making it 41-3. The highlight of the game came from star running back Joshua Birmingham, who answered with a 73-yard touchdown run. The lead was pushed to 51-10 by the end of the third quarter.

Birmingham added another touchdown run in the fourth quarter from 16 yards out, but it was too late. The Goril-

las added another touchdown in the fourth, making it a 65-24 final.

Third down conversions were a key factor in this game. Pittsburgh state converted 60 percent of

their third downs. They were 9-15 for the night. The Bronchos converted less than half of their third downs. So many conversions did not help the defense, as they were on the field longer. The Bronchos will have to be better on thirds on both sides of the ball if they hope to have success.

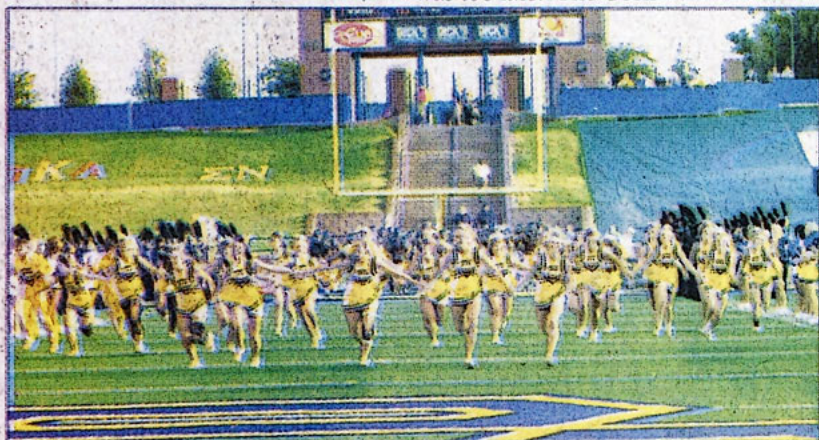
Pittsburgh State's offense and their playmakers were just too much for the defense, as they racked up a total of 599 yards. Three hundred and sixty-one of those yards came on the ground for the Gorillas. Quarterback Tony Abenoja, last week's MIAA offensive player of the week, was impressive once again. Abenoja was 19-24 for 211 yards passing and had 55 yards on eight carries in

the game.

The Bronchos had another strong game, offensively. Joshua Birmingham, who went for his tenth hundred-yard game of his career, once again led the team. Birmingham rushed for 152 yards on just 17 carries in the game. Adrian Nelson passed for 194 yards on 19-33 passing. The Bronchos finished with 431 yards of total offense.

UCO fell to 0 and 2 on the season and the same record in MIAA Play on the season, while Pittsburgh State went to 2 and 0 on the season and the same in MIAA play, as well.

The Bronchos will now have a week to refocus and bounce back from their loss. They will host Emporia State next week at Wantland Stadium at 6 p.m.



Cheerleaders run through the spirit line-up before the game against Pittsburgh State on Saturday Sept. 14, 2013. Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista.



Senior quarterback Arian Nelson, No. 18 runs the ball against Pittsburgh State on Saturday Sept. 14, 2013. Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista.

Soccer

Defense Leads the Way in 1-0 Shutout of Texas



The lady Bronchos huddle up and chant before the game Sunday, Sept 15, 2013 against Texas Women's University. Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista.

Rick Lemon

Contributing Writer

The Bronchos defense held Texas Women's at bay through an anxious second half to record the 1-0 win Sunday. Freshman Emily Thornburgh recorded her first start in the net for UCO and was rewarded with her first shutout.

The first half set the tone for the whole match, with physical defensive play leading the way and not very many shots on net for either side. This resulted in a 0-0 tie heading into halftime with both sides having three shots on net.

The tie wouldn't last long, though, as Kate Foran was able to slip the defense 3:39 into the second half to chip home an easy shot on goal. That turned out to be the only real quality chance by the Bronchos dur-

ing the game, as they found themselves fending off an aggressive counterattack by the pioneers, spearheaded by Alisa Velasquez's and pressuring the Bronchos defense after every save.

The second half was tense after the Bronchos scored what would be the game winning goal, as they then had to defend themselves from a total of eight corner kicks in the second half. When asked about how he thought his team played, TWU head coach Babak Abouzar said, "The last 35 minutes of the game was the best I have seen us play and it was fun to watch. If we play like that from the get go, I think we are a tough team to stop."

Dallas Baptist last Thursday, this win was a needed boost of momentum for the Bronchos, who now start a four game road trip to open up conference play. That game saw a back and forth battle finally go the Patriots' way, after a shot by Kimberly Linder was blocked and then taken back by the Patriots to score on a breakaway twenty seconds later. That loss, a rare one at home, ended a seven game winning streak for UCO at Tom Thompson field.

Sunday's win stopped a three game slide by the Bronchos, improving to 2-3 on the season. They will play their next four games on the road, starting with Friday's Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association opener at Missouri Southern.

Coming off of a tough 2-1 loss to



Junior Emily Hahn kicks the ball during the game Sunday, Sept 15, 2013 against Texas Women's University. Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista.

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