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UCO Wrestling Team recruits seven new members

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LIBERTYFEST ENDS WITH A BANG: A week of Independence Day celebrations in review





The annual LibertyFest celebration kicked off on June 23 with a rodeo and ended with a Fireworks display on the evening of July 4. Edmond's LibertyFest celebration has been named one of America's best July Fourth celebrations by CNN and USA Today. Left: The fireworks display began at 10 p.m. on July 4 and continued for 30 minutes. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista. Above: Parade participants drive through the streets of downtown Edmond during the LibertyFest parade on the morning of July 4. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.

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UCO POLICE HIT THE STREETS IN NEW CRUISER

Natalie Cartwright

Contributing Writer

· University of Central Oklahoma Campus Police purchased a new, all black 2013 Ford Police Interceptor Sedan in mid April. The Interceptor was purchased from John Vance Auto Group of Guthrie, Okla. for

"We were looking for a change," Officer Aaron Meadows, a three and a half-year employee of Police Services at UCO, said. The Interceptor's appearance differs from UCO's past three white, yellow and blue patrol vehicles.

With Ford's new eco-boost engine this vehicle helps to improve UCO's already award-winning green campus, winning the Green Award for Sustainability at Oklahoma State University in 2008 and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Green Power Leadership Award in 2011. A 6-cyclinder cruiser, having the same horsepower as a V8 engine, conserves on gas consumption and contributing fossil fuels.

"Many departments are switching to black and that is what was available from the dealer based simply on demand," Jeffrey Harp, Executive Director of Safety and Transportation at UCO, said. "We have purchased single color cars rather than black and white for more than a decade because they

are hundreds of dollars less expen-

Purchasing and using all black cars eliminates an additional white paint job. UCO's campus police plan is to eventually change to all black cruisers like the new Inter-

Besides price, another contributing factor to the purchase of the Interceptor is size. "We were having a lot of complaints about size," Meadows, a 6'4" officer, said.

In all police vehicles, the builtin cage that separates and protects the officer from their passenger is not adjustable, so the seat can only slide back so far, making it less spacious for the taller driver.

The Interceptor has many more helpful features for comfort, including pedal and steering wheel adjust.

With the pedal adjust, you can slide the brake and acceleration forward or backward to accommodate the leg length of the driver. Also, the steering wheel moves up and down but also slides in and

A safety feature now equipped on a lot of newer cars is the reverse motion sensor that beeps when encountering any obstacle. This provides security when reversing in a car with poor rear visuals.



Officer Aaron Meadows stands next to UCO's new police cruiser, the 2013 Ford Police Interceptor Sedan. Photo by Natalie Cartwright.

Brighter lights and a louder siren are increased features that come with the Interceptor, as well as

twice as many take down lights. The vehicle also has push bars that encase the entire front of the vehicle for aiding motorists who experience malfunctions and need help getting off the road. The push bars wrap around the front tires for

tactical vehicle intervention. This new cruiser now makes four active patrol vehicles on campus. A in the Interceptor like a radar sytem and a gun rack.

"We just ordered camera equipment for all the cas," Meadows explained, which would increase safety measures for the officers.

Meadows is on a committee systems, which would make the Harp said. ticket process a lot laster, more

convenient and efficien. Having computer systems put

few things have yet to be installed in every patrol vehicle would also allow the option of pairing UCO's Police System with that of Edmond Police. Having a paired server with Edmond would provide UCO Police with more information on their subjects.

"We expect this vehicle to help working to get in-car computer us serve UCO for many years,"

Chief Academic Officer of ACM@UCO earns acceptance for Fullbright Scholar Program



Dr. Gayle Kearns is one of 20 university administrators to receive the Fullbright grant. Photo provided.

Tyler Talley

Contributing Writer

Gayle Kearns, Ed.D., was re-. cently selected as one of 20 international university administrators to receive the Fulbright Scholar grant.

Kearns, the Chief Academic Officer of the Academy of Contemporary Music at the University of Central Oklahoma (ACM@UCO), was chosen from a pool of more than 1,000 applicants by the J. William Fubright Foreign Scholarship Board. The board consists of 12 nembers appointed by the Presdent of the United States. They work together to select recipients of the grant and establish polices for the Fulbright Program

The Fulbright Program is an

American international educational exchange program that works to increase mutual understanding between the educators of the United States and the 150 other participating countries through an exchange of persons, knowledge, and skills, according to the program's website.

The grants from the program are made to provide numerous educational activities including lecturing, research, and teaching for U.S. citizens and nationals of other countries.

In order to apply for the grant, Kearns said that she was required to fill out a comprehensive résumé that included three professional references and a position statement. She said the process took several weeks, and she finally submitted her application on January 31.

"I found out in Apil that I had made the finalist listand that my submission packet was sent to the European Fulbight delegation for review," Keans said.

Kearns was officilly selected for the Fulbright in une, and is currently waiting fo her itinerary to come in the mail.

As a Fulbright Scholar, Kearns will travel to Germany and France in October with the other 19 U.S. administrators to take part in a two-week group seminar on both countries' higher education and international education opportunities. She will visit educationa institutions and participate in various cultural events. Kearns vill also have the opportunity to meet with government officials to discuss in-

ternational higher education. "To be able to meet and collaborate with other U.S. and European administrators about international education will be so beneficial to me and to the university as we continue with our global initiative," Kearns said.

As she prepares to research the itinerary for her trip, Kearns said that she looks to the upcoming experience with excitement and as a highlight in her professional

"This is one of the top two highlights of my 38 years in higher education," Kearns said. "My other highlight has been my experience working at ACM and especially my experience with the College of Fine Arts and Design for the past eight years as a part of a great college and a great faculty."

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Editorial

On my way out of town I stopped at the gas station to stock up on necessities for my two and a half hour road trip to my hometown. My total tallied up to \$3.99. I handed the cashier four dollars. "Would you like your penny?" she asked. "No thanks, let the next person who needs a penny use it." I replied leaving the station.

I know I am not The Lone Penny Abandoner. It is standard to see multiple cents in the 'Take a Penny, Leave a Penny" tray at gas stations, as well as on sidewalks, and certainly under couch cushions.

I began to think of how recurrently items other than pennies make their way from one person to another, intently and accidently, and how this exchange often impacts those involved. Keep in mind that exchanges made do not solely appear in a material form.

My parents gave me a vehicle years back, that without I would be catching rides, walking, or cycling. The other night I gave a coworker a ride home in that vehicle, saving him a tedious walk home. He allowed his brother to crash at his

TWO CENTS

home for a couple of weeks, without the assistance it's unclear to say where he would have stayed.

These are not unordinary events circling our society. It is more common for family members and friends to help one another than not.

When it comes to strangers helping strangers I like to refer back to the Liberty Mutual Responsibility Matters commercials that ran about five years ago.

The commercial I am referring to begins with a woman stopping the pizza man from walking out into a busy intersection, followed by a man helping a mother to take her baby-stroller off of a bus, succeeded by a man who helps a coworker grab a bowl that is on an out of reach shelf.

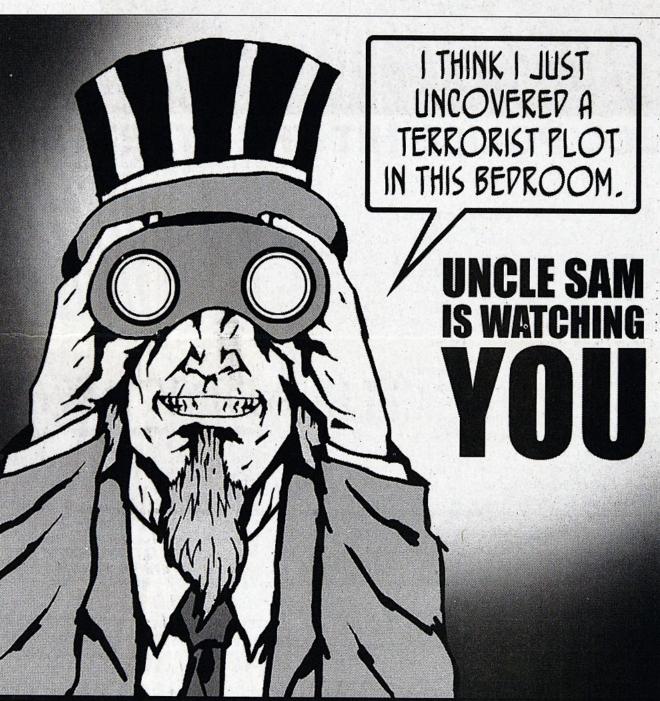
After one good deed was done a witness to the deed would go on to help someone else. Multiple good deed examples spread throughout the commercial influencing viewers to go out and help someone in

While there are times when we go out of our way to help one another, I do believe at times we forget to extend a helping hand to our fellow man. I also believe at times we forget how much that hand has done for us and we lack appreciation of the little details.

Upon arrival in my hometown I stopped at a gas station for a few more supplies. My total came to \$7.99. I gave the cashier a ten-dollar bill and with a smile he handed change back of \$2. We both knew he was using a left over cent to make sure I didn't have to jingle around with 99 of them.

Some claim these instances to be karma, destiny or fate. Do we make our own karma destiny and fate, or do they make us? Either way I encourage you to be more thoughtful and thankful of others. Lets make our world go round one cent at a time.

LINDSEY RICKARDS managing editor



Cartoon by Evan Oldham

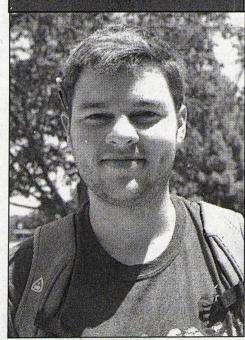
CAMPUS QUOTES

Have you been affected by the recent tuition increase? If so, how?



MITCH WYNN

Business Finance-Senior



"No because this is my last semester" here."

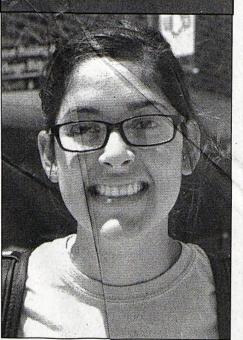
ARIEL WEBB lutrition- Junior



"My parents had been paying. I'm sure hey have been affected."

TRICIA DYE

Nutrition Dietetic- Graduate



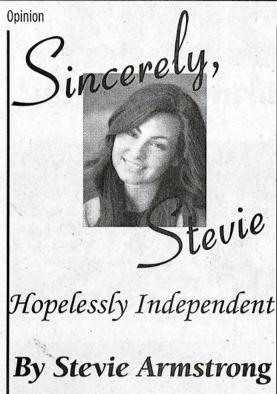
"Since I'm in griduate school, I'm more aware of it, and I'll have to take out more loans."

ZACH TIGER

Career in Health- Post Business Bachelor



"They got you. You gotta pay it. College is like a scam. They could've integrated high school with college and save some time to get a degree."



I'm afraid the years of independence beginning at age 18 are long gone. I am a walking example of this new aged dependence on parents. At 20 years old, I understand that I'm still young and need financial help. Tuition, gas, living expenses, and the price of food continue to rise. Being a full-time student with a couple part-time jobs, there seems to be no way I would be able to support myself right now. Although I would love to say I'm on my own, going home to a beautiful house that I live in for free is pretty nice.

Honestly, I do get embarrassed when I tell other people that I still live with my parents. But research says I am part of the majority instead of the minority, these days. Kids are fleeing the coop later and later in life.

When my mom turned 18, she knew it was her time to pack up and so did my grandparents. Now being two years older than she was then, my mom wants me to stay home until I at least graduate. I think this comparison really shows the generational difference. According to The New York Times, my generation isn't completing the same milestones in life until around age 30 that my parents' generation completed by the time they were 25. These milestones are things such as graduating college, moving out, getting married and having kids.

I agree with this statistic just from looking at my friends' situations, along with my own life. Yes, I'm getting through college just fine and plan on finishing by the time I'm 22, but marriage and kids are not in my foreseeable future. I haven't even figured out my own life, let alone give someone else life!

Let's be real with each other. Living with your parents has a lot of pros and cons and being young adults, we see the bad more clearly than the good. Some of these cons are your parents being in your 20-something business that you would rather keep to yourself, not being able to come and go as you please without being questioned, and continuing to live under some of the same rules you were under when you were in high school. These are my biggest frustrations when it comes to still living at home.

Now to look on the positive side that seems to continue to win these days. Money, money, and a whole lot of money; oh, and love, I guess. Every time I debate with myself about why I'm still living at home, it always roles back towards money. I'm not surprised. Isn't that what rotates this world? Because money is such a huge issue and continues to become a bigger issue, my generation and me are moving out later and later. Maybe instead of being embarrassed about living with my parents, I'll start calling it "prolonged bonding

Sincerely, Stevie

UCO's Department of Design Takes Twelve Awards

LARISA LEICHTER, Staff Writer

UCO's Department of Design traveled to the American Advertising Federation's annual national conference in Phoenix, Ariz. to receive 12 national Student ADDY Awards.

Alice Wolf won two awards, a student gold for her invitation design "Eat at Home UCO!" and student silver for her package design "Storybook Forest Chocolates."

"Winning a National ADDY has helped me realize how special I am to be here at The University of Central Oklahoma. My teachers and fellow students are all passionate in what they do here, and they have all helped me every step of the way to be where I am right now. I would specifically like to thank Kathleen Shannon from Faid Creative, who has helped me conceptuate and create my ADDY winning piece 'Eat at Home UCO," Wolf said.

Mary Collins, of Oklahoma City, won a student gold for her invitation design "National Annual Paleontology Conference"

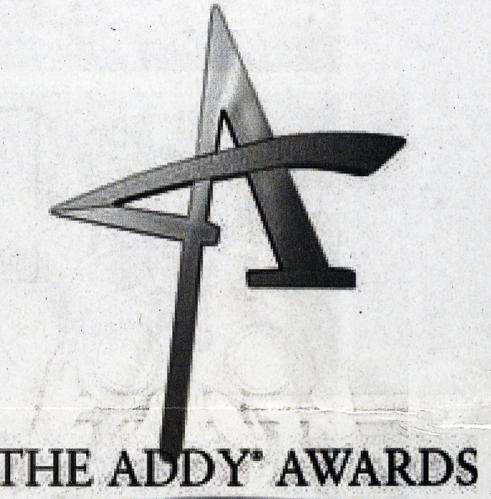
Jasmine Summers won two awards, a student gold for her magazine design "Seeker Magazine" and a student silver for her poster campaign "Paper Jam Posters: Drop Dead Charming."

Charity Mauch won student silver for her book design "Dangers of Drunk Driving."

Kimberly Vautrin won a student silver for her book cover design "Night Book Cover."

Kristin Tate won student silver for her package design "Dr. McFluff's Cure-All Cup-

Kenna Baker won student silver for her branding and package design "Brain Candy Office Supplies."



Lacey Leach of Norman won a student silver for her package design "Torched."

Shelbi Rosa won two awards, a student gold for her invitation design "Steampunk Steamy Weekend" and student silver for her package design "Pungent Candle Company."

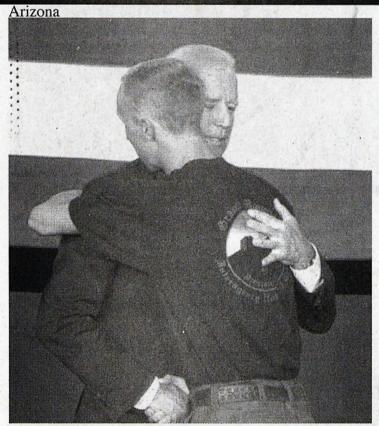
"It's an unbelievable experience to be a National Gold ADDY Winner!! It's a great motivation to continue in my studies and doing what I love because we work ourselves to the bone for these projects. It's a fantastic feeling to be able to reap the benefits of hard work and perseverance, plus, how cool is it to be able to say 'I'm a national award winning designer,' and not even out of college, amazing, "Rosa said.

During the 2013 Oklahoma City ADDY Awards, UCO won the "Braggy" Award with a total of 88 student awards and the most student winners.

UCO Design state winners went to the AAF District 10 competition, including Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and Northwest Louisiana. In this competition the design students totaled 57 awards at the district level.

The ADDY Awards are the advertising industry's largest competition, attracting more than 50,000 entries every year in the local competitions throughout the nation. The Student ADDY Awards are a three-tier national competition sponsored by the American Advertising Federation and National Ad 2, and recognizes and rewards creative excellence by students.

For further information about the UCO Department of Design, visit www.uco.edu/cfad/academics/design.



(Right) Anti-abortion supporters pray outside the Texas Capitol as the Texas House debates HB 2, a bill that will place restrictions on abortion in the state, Tuesday, July 9, 2013, in Austin, Texas. (AP Photo/Eric Gay)

News Around the Nation

(Left) Brendan McDonough, the sole surviving member of the Granite Mountain Hotshots crew hugs Vice-President Joe Biden during the "Our Fallen Brothers" memorial service for the 19 fallen firefighters at Tim's Toyota Center in Prescott Valley, Ariz. on Tuesday, July 9, 2013. Prescott's Granite Mountain Hotshots were overrun by smoke and fire while battling a blaze on a ridge in Yarnell, about 80 miles northwest of Phoenix on June 30, 2013. (AP Photo/The Arizona Republic, David Wallace, Pool)



New Budget Brings Rise in Student Tuition and Fees

Josh Wallace, Staff Writer

In June, the University of Central Oklahoma's 2013-2014 budget was approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

The budget approval allows UCO to fill a \$2.8 million gap in funding from mandatory costs, which comes from a rise in health insurance and supplemental retirement accounts costs. \$548,100 in support from the state was give to the university, lowering the amount of the mandatory increase from \$3.3 to \$2.8 million.

The budget includes the increase in student tuition and fees of \$11.50 per credit hour, \$3 an hour of which was voted for by UCO students in the Spring of 2012 in the proposal to increase the Student Activity Fee. The remaining increase in tuition costs was added last year.

In a press release, UCO's President, Don Betz said, "Students and families invest in a college education, and it is up to us to ensure a quality return on that investment. We pledge to be good stewards of the hard-earned dollars entrusted to us by not just maintaining the quality of Central degree, but advancing it in the manner expected from Oklahoma's metropolitan university."

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After the increase in tuition was announced last year, Betz added, "I'm incredibly sensitive to the cost of education, I got through school because I worked and was able to get scholarships, my parents didn't have funds to send me to school. There's probably no one out there that understands the sacrifices you make to be able to go to school."

Over the last five years, the number of tuition waivers and scholarships awarded to UCO students has gone up 90 percent, with over \$9 million of scholarships awarded for the fiscal year of 2013.

The approved budget allows for UCO to fund the hiring of four new faculty members, four student success advisers, as well

"We pledge to be good stewards of the hard-earned dollars entrusted to us by not just maintaining the quality of Central degree, but advancing it in the manner expected from Oklahoma's metropolitan university."

-President Don Betz-

as hiring an additional police officer. Other aspects of the budget allow UCO to increase the pay for staff members to a more competitive rate and faculty salaries to within 92 percent of the College and University Professors Association average.

UCO will also reclassify 28 former adjunct professors to a non-tenure, full-time faculty status to meet the Affordable Healthcare Act definitions for benefits.

Betz emphasized the importance of the increases aimed at faculty and staff, adding, "The quality of the Central experience remains contingent on the quality of our faculty and staff, all of whom have put teaching students first and remained focused during our financial challenges. Compensating that commitment in some way was a top priority of the university's Budget Task Force."

LIBERTYFEST 2013

Edmond's annual July Fourth celebration brings crowds

CONCERT IN THE PARK:

Kandice McClain

Contributing Writer

Edmond's LibertyFest 2013 came to a close on Independence Day with ParkFest and a firework show at the University of Central Oklahoma.

After a week full of activities that kicked off with a rodeo June 22 and 23. LibertyFest events included:

- Rodeo
- · Concert in the Park
- · Car Show • KiteFest
- Scholarship Pageant
- · Road Rally
- · A Taste of Edmond
- Parade
- · ParkFest at UCO
- Fireworks show Edmond's LibertyFest has been named one of the "Top 10 July 4th Festivals in the United States" by CNN and USA Today. The festival entertains over 125,000 people throughout the week as the community celebrates the nation's birthday.

ParkFest offers a safe and fun place for families and students to celebrate the men and women who serve our country. "My family loves to come to LibertyFest, we always like seeing the community come together," UCO student Joyclin Jacksons said.

ParkFest offers entertainment for the entire family with events such as:

- Temporary Tattoos and Faux Hair Painting
- Free watermelon

- · Family activities:
- 60' Mega Obstacle Course, 18' Giant Slide, Beagle Belly Bounce, Toddler Time, Jitterbug Swing
- · Balloon Artist provided by
- John Pansze · Enjoy Music provided by a
- local DJ · Vendors: Food, Refresh-
- ments, Patriotic items • Fireworks

To close a week full of fun the LibertyFest puts on the largest firework show in the Oklahoma City Metro area. The fireworks show is synchronized to music, through KCSC FM 90.1, to bring the entire event together.

"Fourth of July is usually just another day I work. I haven't had a fourth of July in two years," Trent Farris said, as he enjoyed an overdue fireworks show this

LibertyFest has been part of the Edmond community for 41 years thanks to countless volunteers and sponsors throughout the Edmond and Oklahoma City area. Earning the Redbud Award for Outstanding Event in 2012, the LibertFest has been dedicated to sending their audience into a state of shock and awe.

Bringing the family and enjoying a good time is exactly what Jeremy Medders does every year. "LibertyFest. There's only one bad thing about it. It's only once a year," Medders said.





Players performed during the music concert at UCO. The band is conducted by Dr. Brian Lamb, UCC Wind Symphony Conductor. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista



Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista



A group of clarinet players join in for the concert in the park. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista



Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista

CAR SHOW:



Rain falls lightly at Hafer Park during Edmond's LibertyFest Car Show on June 29. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista

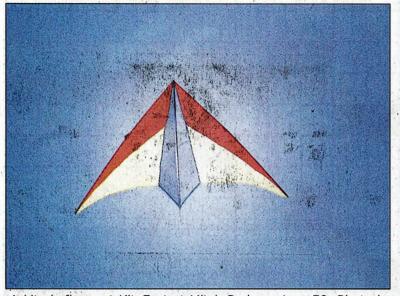


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AN AMERICAN CELEBRATION Celebrating Independence Day with various festivities



A kite is flown at KiteFest at Mitch Park on June 30. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista



Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista



A woman lifts her kite to the wind at the annual KiteFest at Mitch Park on June 30. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista

TASTE OF EDMOND:



Crowds gather to taste different dishes from around Edmond at Taste of Edmond on June 30 at the Farmer's Parket Pavillion. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista

LIBERTYFEST PARADE:



A line of cars travel down Univeristy Drive for the annual 4th of July Parade in Edmond Okla:



A group of kids ride on a float during the LibertyFest Parade. Photo by Quang Pho



Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista



A local Edmondite plays in the drumline with a band during the annual Fourth of July parade. Photo by Quang Pho



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RANDOM FACTS

The only mammals that don't have an umbilical scar, or "belly button," are the platypus and echidna. Unlike the rest of us mammalians, these two species lay eggs.

After the Stooges mercilessly mocked Adolf Hitler in a 1940 short, they allegedly earned spots on the Nazi leader's personal enemies list.

A sardine is not a species of fish, but a name that can apply to many small varieties of pickled fish, including herring and pilchard.

RANDOM QUOTE

Politics ought to be the part-time profession of every citizen who would protect the rights and privileges of free people and who would preserve what is good and fruitful in our national heritage.

- Dwight D. Eisenhower

RIDDLE

I am one simple word, but I mean different things One of my meanings brings great forceful swings, The other of me, may have curve, like the first... But only one meaning can help quench a thirst. One of my meanings will often bring cheers, Either of them could hold a few beers.

- Answer in the next issue.

RIDDLE ANSWER

He told them to switch camels.

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Across

- 1. Shoestring
- 5. Chowder morsel
- 9. Carry away, in a way
- 14. Alternative to Windows
- 15. Bottom
- 16. Doofus
- 17. Collection of criminal pictures
- 20. University in Worcester, Mass.
- 21. Moving
- 22. U.S. composer and conductor noted for his comic operas
- 25. Calendar square
- 26. Debaucher
- 28. Face-to-face exam
- 32. Separate into parts or portions
- 37. Absurd
- 38. Skills
- 41. Dabbling ducks
- 42. Examination of tissues to determine the cause of a disease
- 43. Halftime lead, e.g.
- 44. Muscular
- 46. Elephant's weight, maybe
- 47. Feeling
- 53. Butterfly blue or pink mist
- 58. Andrea Doria's

- domain
- 59. Noisy confusion
- 62. Avid
- 63. Vex, with "at"
- 64. Deteriorate
- 65. Movable articles on a movie set
- 66. Home, informally
- 67. "Iliad" warrior

Down

- 1. Move forward suddenly
- 2. American chameleon
- 3. Humidor item
- 4. Region beyond the suburbs of a city
- 5. "60 Minutes" network
- 6. Delay
- 7. "By yesterday!"
- 8. Strain
- 9. Plaintive piece
- 10. Desolate
- 11. ___ Minor
- 12. Freshman, prob-
- ably
- 13. At one time, at one
- 18. Barely get, with
- "out"
- 19. Pinocchio, at times
- 23. Common request
- 24. Old Chinese money

- 27. Extended family
- 28. Aces, sometimes
- 29. Feminine of raja
- 30. A chip, maybe 31. Amount to make do
- with
- 32. Anniversary, e.g.
- 33. Decorated, as a cake
- 34. Heroin, slangily
- 35. Exclusive
- 36. Dash lengths
- 37. Babysitter's handful
- 39. Move as if through a sieve
- 40. Georgetown athlete
- 44. Crude dude
- 45. Banner
- 46. Layers
- 48. Computer Generated Imagery
- 49. ___ cotta
- 50. Bring upon oneself
- 51. Spoil, with "up"
- 52. Bridge positions
- 53. Musical interval of two semitones
- 54. Blacken 55. Cornstarch brand
- 56. Page
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The Rounds: Breaking Bad- NFL Edition



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· Waking up a couple of Wednesdays ago, I layed on my couch and did my morning routine of turning to ESPN to catch up on any late sports action I may have missed the night before.

This was a unique day though on the worldwide leader in sports.

What unfolded throughout the 'day was less like an episode of First Take and more like an episode of AMC's critically acclaimed hit "Breaking Bad."

I watched Massachusetts police escort former Patriots tight end Aaron Hernandez to a squad car, cuffed with a white v-neck covering his tattoed physique in what has now been described by the public as "Hernandezing" to an arraignment in a Attleboro court house that many thought would

lead to the three-year pro being charged with obstruction of jus-

Then the prosecutor dropped the shocking revelation.

Hernandez was being charged with the murder of semi-pro player and former Hernandez friend Odin Lloyd along with five other gun charges.

What was supposed to be a tenminute arraignment, turned into a thirty-minute detailed tale of what happened the night of Lloyd's murder and Hernandez's alleged (innocent until proven guilty as they say, even though it doesn't look good) planned execution of his former friend.

All of this is read as Hernandez stands listening without any emotion on his face, no sign of remorse whatsoever. Matter of fact, Hernandez appeared more bored than anything.

Over the next few days, stories began to come out that Hernandez was being investigated for the double homicide in a drive-by last year and that Lloyd may have been killed because of the knowledge he had in the matter.

This was the headliner of what was an already bad off-season for the NFL and the most popular has done whatever it takes to push sport in America.

While we are supposed to be hearing about possible free agent moves or trades or what teams or players to watch the upcoming season, instead we watch and read about the end of a once promising career before it really got a chance to take off because of an act of extreme violence.

Along with Hernandez, there have been twenty-nine other players who have been arrested since the end of this year's Super Bowl.

They have ranged from counts of DUI to a bar fight (former OU standout Ronnell Lewis). One player was even arrested three times in a five-day span (Titus Young), while a rookie was recently released by the Browns for attempted murder.

The rap sheet of all the players arrested between the end of the Super Bowl and now would make Walter White smile, whether it's because he would be impressed or amused at the sheer stupidity at some of these players would still be determined.

So who's to blame for all of this? The players? That's probably a given and most likely the answer, but what about the league?

Commissioner Roger Goodell player safety and while he has been trying to take as much of the violence off the field to the point some players believe the game is heading more towards flag football than the glory days.

What if he put the violence onto the streets now?

Players now-a-days are considered prima donnas and wusses compared to their peers before

It's one thing to take it from former players calling you soft, but what about fans? Joe Schmoe standing 5'10", weighing a buckfifty comes up and starts calling you, a 6'5", 300-pound lineman, soft as Cottonelle tissue. You can't take that anger and aggression on the field like you used too.

If you do, it's fifteen yards and a lighter wallet due to a stiff fine from the commissioner's office. So you handle the heckler the only way you know how and get arrested for it and it becomes news. on the ten o' clock Sportscenter.

Maybe the league isn't doing solid enough background checks than they should and are letting in more thugs than solid football players. There's no denying Hernandez's talent, but there is also no denying his past especially now as more information forms.

Still think it's on the play-

ers? You're probably right. They should know better.

Just this past week, the NFL held their annual rookie symposium and what better lesson to be learned than watching a former star's career crumble because of awful choices he made.

While Hernandez's case has surely ruined his career, this could possibly help save another's from heading down that path.

Whether it does or not, these troubled players are going to have to answer a question that White was presented within last year's first eight episodes of the show's fifth and final season.

When is it enough? Are you going to have to lose your career, your money, maybe even your family before you realize the path or people are bad news?

Hopefully, they make the right decision and get out of the bad business sooner than later.

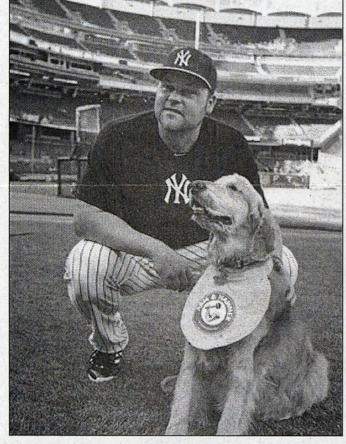


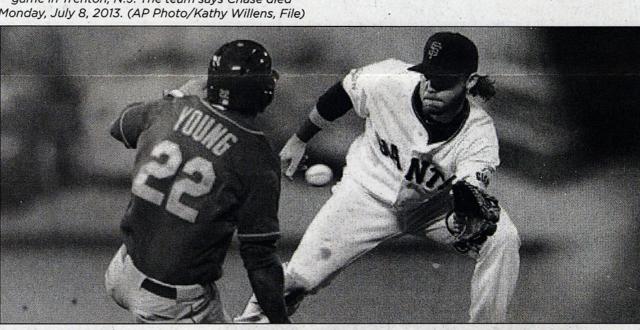
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The Associated Press

(Left) FILE - In this June 4, 2013 file photo, New York Yankees relief pitcher Joba Chamberlain poses on the field with a golden retriever named Chase that retrieves bats for the Yankees minor league team, the Trenton Thunder, before a baseball game at Yankee Stadium in New York. Chase lived just long enough to be thrown a retirement party by the Trenton Thunder. The party was held at Friday's game in Trenton, N.J. The team says Chase died

(Below) New York Mets' Eric Young Jr. (22) steals second base in front of San Francisco Giants shortstop Brandon Crawford during the sixteenth inning of a baseball game in San Francisco, Tuesday, July 9, 2013. The New York Mets and San Francisco Giants are tied 3-3 after 15 innings. (AP Photo/Jeff Chiu)





Search Warrants in Hernandez case to Go Public Judge Grants Motion by News Orginization to Lift Impoundment of Information



FILE - In this June 26, 2013, file photo, Aaron Hernandez, left, stands with his attorney, Michael Fee, right, during arraignment in Attleboro District Court in Attleboro, Mass. Since Hernandez was arrested last week in the shooting death of a friend whose body was found a mile away from his home, a portrait has emerged of a man whose life away from the field included frequent connections with police-related incidents that started as long ago as his freshman year at the University of Florida. (AP Photo/The Sun Chronicle, Mike George, Pool)

ATTLEBORO, Mass. (AP) — More details could be released soon about the murder investigation involving former New England Patriots tight end Aaron Hernandez as search warrants in the case may be unsealed.

A judge has granted a motion by news or-

ganizations to lift an impoundment of the material, saying he would do so by 2 p.m. Tuesday if there is no challenge by prosecutors and defense attorneys who had argued to keep it sealed.

Bristol County District Attorney Samuel

Sutter said he won't appeal the judge's Monday ruling. It wasn't immediately clear if defense attorneys would.

Hernandez has pleaded not guilty to murder and gun charges in the fatal shooting of Odin Lloyd. His lawyers argue the case against him is circumstantial and say he is eager to clear his name. A judge has denied bail for Hernandez, and he is being held in a Massachusetts jail. Police searched his home several times during the investigation.

Two other men face lesser charges in the case. One of them, Carlos Ortiz, is due in Attleboro District Court Tuesday morning to determine if he could get bail on a gun

Ortiz, who lives in Hernandez's hometown of Bristol, Conn., was arraigned last month on a charge of illegally carrying a firearm on the day of the shooting. A not guilty plea was

entered on his behalf. Ortiz has a so-called "dangerousness" hearing. Defendants who are deemed by the court to be a danger to the community may be held without bail for 90 days.

On Monday, Ernest Wallace, who is facing an accessory to murder charge, pleaded not guilty in the same court. The Miramar, Fla., man will be held without bail until another hearing on July 22, under an agreement between his attorney and prosecutors.

Details of the charge against Wallace - accessory to murder after the fact - were not released during the brief proceeding. Sutter, the district attorney, declined to comment on the specific allegations outside the courthouse, citing the ongoing investigation.

Lloyd, a semi-pro football player, was found slain on June 17 at an industrial park in North Attleborough not far from Hernandez's home. The 27-year-old Lloyd's relatives say he was dating the sister of Hernandez's fiancee and that the two men were friends.

Prosecutors say Wallace, 41, and Ortiz, were with Hernandez when they drove with Lloyd to the industrial park. Authorities say Hernandez orchestratedw the killing because he was upset at Lloyd for talking to certain people at a nightclub a few days earlier; they have not said who fired the fatal shots.

Wallace did not speak during his hearing but mouthed "I love you" to some people sitting in the courtroom before he was led out. Defense attorney David Meier did not immediately return a message seeking comment.

A member of the Lloyd family declined to comment outside the courthouse, saying she would wait until the case was over.

It was during a separate hearing Monday in the same courthouse that a judge lifted the search warrant impoundment order. Motions to unseal the material were filed by The Patriot Ledger and Taunton Gazette newspapers and their parent Gatehouse Media, supported by The Associated Press and separately by The Boston Globe.

Patriots owner Robert Kraft said Monday that if the charges against Hernandez are true, his organization has been "duped." The Patriots last year signed Hernandez to a fiveyear contract worth \$40 million but released him the day of his arrest.

"If this stuff is true, then I've been duped and our whole organization has been duped," Kraft said in a session with reporters from The Boston Globe, The Boston Herald and ESPNBoston.com. "When he was in our building, we never saw anything where he was not polite. He was always respectful to me. We only know what's going on inside the building. We don't put private eyes on

Kraft also said the Patriots will "be looking at our procedures and auditing how we do things" with regard to character reviews.

Wroctling

Broncho Wrestling Stacks its Lineup

Seven New Recruits Join UCO's 12-time National Champion Wrestling Squad

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UCO wrestling is stacking its lineup with seven new national contenders, adding more talent to the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association powerhouse.

The 2013-14 season will debut some new talent in the rotation for the 125-pound, 141-pound, 149-pound, and 157-pound classes, as well as Heavyweight. The 15-time National Champion wrestling program has five All-Staters and two All-Americans to fill positions this season.

David James, who will be in his 32nd year as head coach of Central's wrestling organization and coached the team to 12 national championships, is confident about his talented team.

"I'm excited about this group of young men who have decided to join our program," James said. "We filled some needs we had and added guys who are used to success."

New to heavyweight, but not to UCO Bronchos wrestling, will be John Jacob Finn. Finn finished a solid career as a Westmoore Jaguar with a 110-25 record, including 53 falls. He will be a fifth-generation wrestler for UCO, following in the footsteps of his father John (1978-80) and his brothers Chris (2004-06), Dustin (2007-10), and Patrick (2009-11).

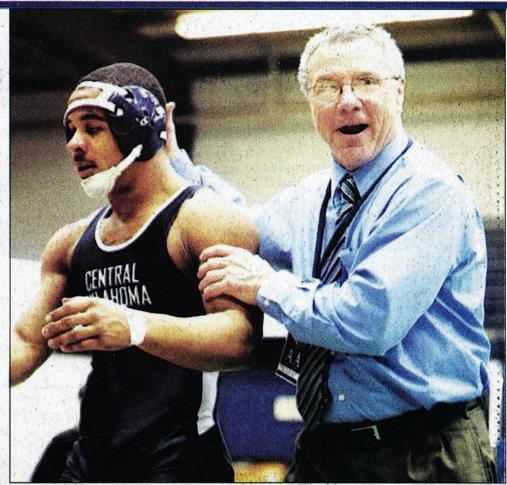
Tyler Tustin, who finished his wrestling career at Poteau with a 168-8 record, is projected to compete for the 141-pound weight class with the Bronchos. Tustin is a four-time regional champion, four-time state placer,

and was named the Outstanding Wrestler of the 4A state tournament as a junior, before finishing up his Pirate career.

Jeromy Davenport, Labette College, who will compete at 157 pounds, and Spencer Rutherford, Labette College, at 149 pounds, both signed letters of intent to wrestle for the Bronchos this season. Davenport finished fifth at 157 pounds last season and fifth the year before that at 149, contributing to back-to-back junior college national championships. Before all that, he won four consecutive 4A state championships with Sallisaw High School. Also sharing a title with former Labette teammate, Rutherford placed fourth as a national contender at 149 pounds. Rutherford finished his career at Grove High School runner-up at the state championships.

Competing this upcoming season at 141 pounds for UCO will be Edmond Memorial's Alec Warren. The four-year starter for the Bulldogs, and three-time state placer, finished his career short of its potential. Missing out on the state tournament as a senior due to a head concussion, Warren completed his career at Memorial with a 130-13 record.

The battle for the 125-pound slot is going to be plentiful with two incoming standouts set to compete with each other. Josh Breece of Edmond North, a three-time state qualifier who placed third to help the Huskies earn their first Class 6A state title, will have stout competition in Southmoore's Zac D'Amico. Winning, a title with the SaberCats and compiling 126 wins, with 48 falls, D'Amico has also been named National High School Coaches Association All-American, twice.



UCO wrestling coach of 32 years, David James, adds seven new members to the team roster and looks to prove high expectations. Photo provided by Bronchosports.com

Central will begin its second season as a member of the MIAA conference in November. Seven starters, five of them All-Americans, will return from last year's fourth place NCAA Division II nationally ranked squad. "Our expectations are obviously high, but we need to do something at the end," James said. "We've got to prove it."

Soccer

Lady Broncho's Soccer Schedule Set to Intensify

Head Coach Mike Cook talks about the importance of scheduling Quality Opponents



UCO Womens Assistant Soccer Coach Amel Muhamedagic (left) and head coach Mike Cook say the Bronchos will need to be tough both mentally and Physically this season. Photo provided by Bronchosports.com

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Contributing Writer

The Lady Bronchos soccer schedule for the 2013 season has been officially released. It will not be an easy road for the squad, who will be forced to face several quality opponents throughout the season. Three out of their seven non-conference matches will be against teams who qualified for the NCAA tournament last season. Five teams on their schedule overall qualified for the tournament in 2012. Three of those matches will be on the road as well.

The Bronchos will begin their season at home against cross-town rival Oklahoma Christian on Sept. 5. Afterwards, they will have to face three returning tournament

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teams, starting with a road game against William Jewell. The team will also have to host Dallas Baptist on Sept. 12 and travel to take on Southwestern Oklahoma Sept. 22.

Coach Mike Cook gave his explanation about the tough early schedule.

"In Division II soccer, everything is really based off of the results of playing in region teams and a good strength of schedule. All of our games are tough regional games and getting good results will be very important."

It was an easy decision for Mike Cook to schedule quality opponents, saying it was something he has always done. He feels like scheduling tough is important, not just because of strength of schedule but because of the way it can help the program. Being a top-25 program, Cook wants his team to play the best teams. The difficult early schedule

is set up to help the Bronchos through the conference season and advance on into the

"We feel like our schedule really gives us two possible ways to get to the NCAA tournament," Cook said.

There is no break for the team as they enter into MIAA play at Missouri Southern on Sept. 20. There will be six home games in conference for the team with two being against former tournament teams. Slated in October is a big matchup with defending conference champion Central Missouri who qualified for the Central Regional finals last season. They will also have to face Fort Hays State the week before the matchup. The Bronchos defeated Fort Hays 2-0 in the NCAA Central Regionals last season so they will be looking for revenge.

For the Broncho program to continue the success of past seasons, they will need to have players step up from every position. Cook believes in his team and feels that they will be able to overcome the challenges ahead.

physically and mentally tough. We are going to try to play a very up tempo, aggressive and pressuring style that we hope will bring winning results. Everyone will need to play dedicated and hard as a group. We look forward to the challenge and to another successful season.

The Bronchos will return for training camp in mid-August to prepare for the upcoming season. Their full schedule can now be found on the UCO athletics website.

Lady Broncho's 2013 Soccer Schedule

- 9-5 vs. Oklahoma Christian Academy, Home
 - vs. William Jewell College, Liberty, MO
- 9-9 vs. Upper Iowa University, Fayette, Iowa
- 9-12 vs. Dallas Baptist University, Home
- 9-15 vs. Texas Womens University, Home
- 9-20 vs. Missouri Southern State University, Joplin, MO
- 9-22 vs. Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Weatherford, OKLA
- 9-29 vs. Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO
- vs. Lindenwood University, St. Charles, MO
 vs. Midwestern State University, Witchita Falls, TEXAS
- 10-4 vs. Missouri Western State University, Home
 - 0-6 vs. Northwest Missouri State University, Home
- 10-11 vs. Fort Hays State University, Hays, KAN
- 10-13 vs. University of Nebraska-Kearney, Kearney, NEB
- 10-18 vs. University of Central Missouri, Home 10-20 vs. Southwest Baptist University, Home
- 10-25 vs. Northeastern State University, Tahlequah, OKLA
- 1-1 vs. Washburn University, Home
- 11-3 vs. Emporia State University, Home