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THE GREAT WINTER BEARDOFF

The five founding members of League of Bearded Gentlemen (From left to right: Tim Tillman, Ian Norris, Dustin Jones, David Ogden, and James Chancey) will help raise money for the Student Alliance for Equality by having attendees back their favorite beard with a donation at JC's Funky Hair Ranch, April 14. Photos provided.

BROOKS NICKELL, staff writer

The smell of coffee hangs heavy in the air. You can hear the ever-growing buzz of students momentarily breaking from their busy days to eat lunch and frantically catch up with friends.

One voice, among the noise and confusion of this beehive like environment, transcends. Timothy Tillman, the University of Central Oklahoma's sustainability coordinator or as he lightheartedly calls himself "Chief Tree Hugger" sits in a small yellow chair on the second floor of UCO's Nigh University Center.

"The preliminary poster for the Hobbit came out," he scratches his distinguished greying beard as he speaks, it's the first thing you're drawn to when you look at him. "My friend, Ian, and I always have beards and in the winter we usually grow them out. As a joke I sent him the poster and said it's on."

Tillman strikes a warm smile before releasing his next sentence. "We brought the idea of the beard competition to our wives who initially thought it was hilarious."

He allows that they were told by their wives that a real reason for joining the ranks of great beard connoisseurs like Grizzly Adams needed to be found, motivation and meaning a little stronger than their excitement for the movie adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's classic tale The Hobbit.

"More and more of us started getting together. We were drinking a few beers, which is how all great ideas get started. Look at the public library system, it was started in the back of a tavern," Tillman says. "We thought how could we make this a fundraiser?"

He says the group had to decide not only how to make their beard growing competition a fundraiser but also who they would be

fundraising for. They came to the decision that money would be raised for the Student Alliance for Equality; a decision Tillman says was an obvious one when the group really thought about it.

"The Student Alliance For Equality is a program that doesn't get much love. They're super involved and do a lot of great advocacy work, but there aren't a lot of fundraisers or things to help them out," Tillman says.

He doesn't seem to notice the glances from passers-by. Not to say he's blind to them but rather humble. The fundraiser is what's important to Tillman not the attention that his beard grabs. He continues by saying that after reaching out to the Student Alliance for Equal Rights and receiving the group's logo and information the League of Bearded Gentlemen was born and with it the Great Winter Beard Off.

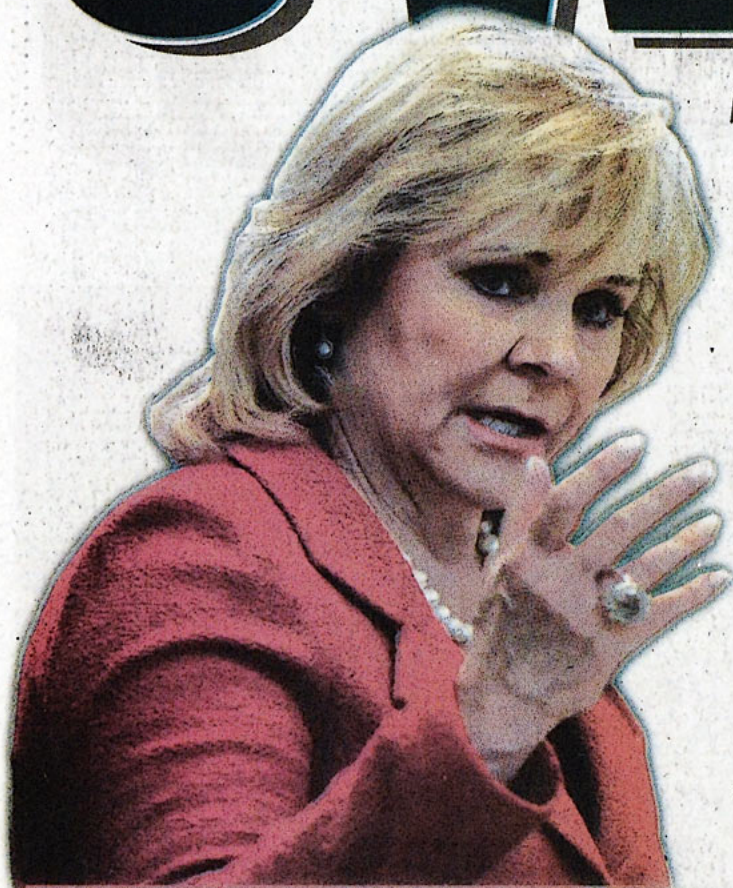
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A FULFILLED OPEN RECORDS REQUEST SHEDS LIGHT ON OKLAHOMA'S REFUSAL TO ACCEPT FEDERAL HEALTHCARE FUNDING

OLANREWAJU SULEIMAN, contributing writer



FALLIN ORIGINALLY WANTED TO ACCEPT FUNDING, EMAILS SHOW.

PHOTO BY SUE OGRÖCKI, AP

In 2012, Governor Mary Fallin became the center of controversy after she rejected \$54 million from the federal government. The funding was to be used to expand Medicaid and provide a way for lower income Oklahomans to have medical insurance.

The money came from the Patient Protection Affordable Care Act, also known as ObamaCare.

The controversy initially began because Fallin had originally accepted the money. She was in favor of a state-run health care system that would use the federal funding.

When Fallin later changed her mind, it left many people asking, why?

On Monday, November 19, 2012 the governor's office issued a press release to address some issues.

It states, "As I have stated many times before, it is my firm belief that PPACA fails to

further these goals, and will in fact decrease the quality of health care across the United States while contributing to the nation's growing deficit crisis."

The press release did not answer many questions that Oklahomans wanted answers to. This in turn led to newspapers, television stations, civil rights groups, and numerous other organizations to file multiple open record requests to view Governor Fallin's emails and documents that might have influenced her decision to turn down the Affordable Care Act.

Fallin refused to do so, citing executive privilege as her reason for not releasing any of the requested records.

As time went by, more requests had been filed. Fallin continued to claim executive privilege.

Many civil rights groups believed that she

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IN THE CLUTCHES OF QUEEN MARY

The office of Gov. Mary continues to defy terms of the Oklahoma Open Records Act, fogging the transparency of our state government.

On December 10, 2012, Fallin's office received an open records request from Patrick Riley, publisher of the satirical, Oklahoma City-based blog The Lost Ogle.

Riley's request was due to interest in the governor's reversal of position on creating a state health care exchange and her refusal of federal funding for the expansion of Medicaid. The inquiry asked for documents and emails containing the words or phrases "health care exchange," "Affordable Care Act," "Obamacare," "Obama" and "Medicaid" since January of 2010.

For nearly four months Riley received no word from the governor's office. Enlisting the help of Brady Henderson, legal director of the ACLU of Oklahoma, the duo continued to write and call Fallin's office for information. Fallin's office continued to dance around the issue with vague answers that can basically be summed up as "call back later."

On Mar. 21, 101 days after the initial request, Henderson visited the governor's office to inspect any records on hand. In an ACLU press release, he states the office told him he would

have to speak to Steve Mullins, general counsel to the Office of the Governor, who was out of the office and he would need to set an appointment.

This is a major breach of the Oklahoma Open Records Act. The measure requires that all public bodies with offices maintaining full regular business hours keep their public records available for public inspection at all times during those hours. The act also mandates that all public offices not only designate specific person(s) authorized to release records, but that at least one such person be available at all times.

Either Fallin, the head executive officer of our state, has no idea of the importance of allowing the public to be watchdogs of government power and tax dollars, or there is information the administration does not want people to see.

Riley's story hit the media and the office released all the requested records. Well, almost all of them.

In the 51,000 documents released, it is revealed that Fallin initially wanted to set up a state health care exchange, but flip-flopped when Republican state senators wanted to distance from anything resembling the Affordable Care Act. Similar bickering between the governor and state Republicans is seen in the discussion of Medicaid and other issues.

Fallin's office held about 31 documents from the records request. Mullins cites "executive privilege," "deliberative process privilege" and "attorney-client privilege" as reasons to not release the documents.

Riley and the ACLU have filed a lawsuit to have the documents released.

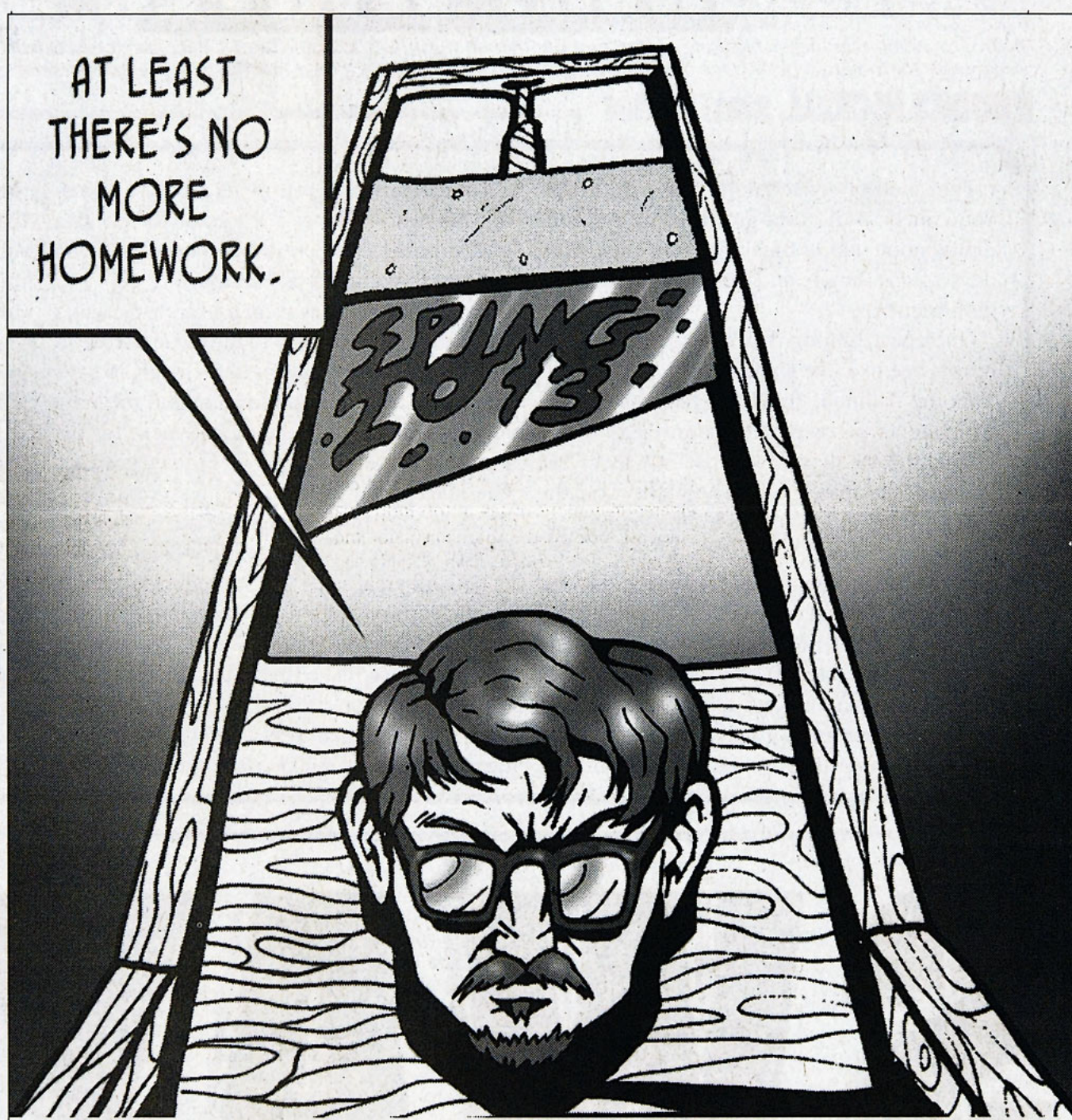
One may ask why 31 documents are causing a problem when 51,000 were released.

These are not private documents. Employees of the state created them during time of work on devices provided by the state. No subject, whether it is private information or embarrassing discussions of any kind is immune from the label of "government property."

The privileges cited by Mullins are neither protected in the Oklahoma Open Records Act or the state constitution. As a lawyer, you would think Mullins would understand that, but apparently not.

The governor is purposely skirting the law to show she did not put politics over Oklahomans, and by doing that she once again is putting politics over her constituents. May The Lost Ogle prevail.

ADAM HOLT, staff writer



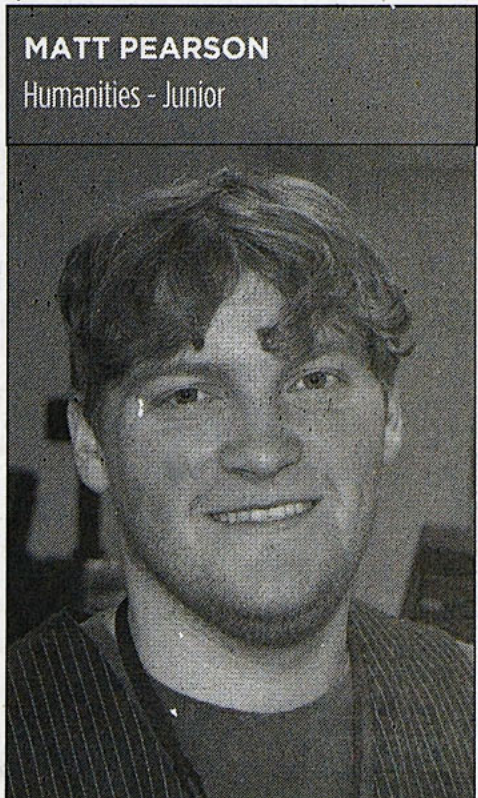
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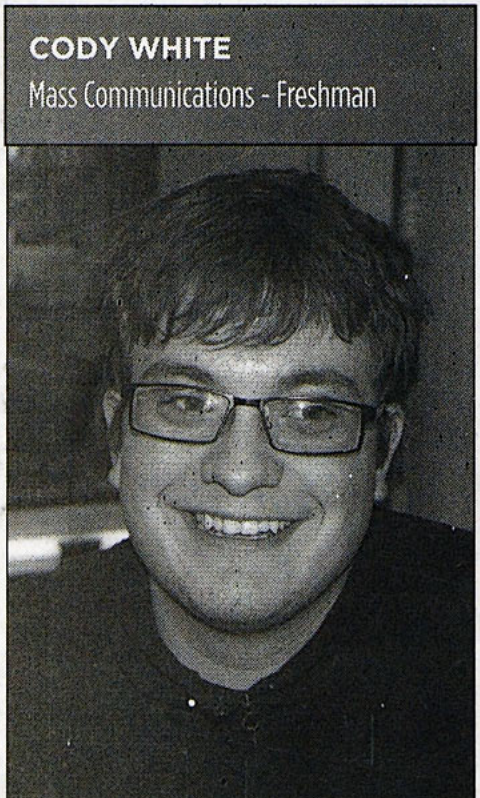
Do you agree with MTV's decision to cancel its show "Buck Wild" following the death of the show's star?



"I have never heard of the show but that is so sad."



"I don't watch the show but it's horrible what happened."



"He didn't make the show so they shouldn't cancel it."



"I don't think they should cancel the show."

Opinion

Little Miss



SUNSHINE

By Kara Stewart

Give me Debt Freedom, or Give me Death

In that case, prepare to place all of your financial burdens on your family, kid, because you're going in a casket.

There are a million different people out there who will tell you how to become debt-free, and usually that involves giving up all of your luxuries. You read their advice, you're fantasizing about paying off your student loans, and you think that it doesn't sound half-bad. You need to quit Starbucks anyway.

Consider this: in some countries, shoes are considered luxuries. Toilet paper, running water, a house are all luxuries.

For the price of not being in debt, you can give up your car, house, nice clothes, eating out, and most social functions. Instead, swap all of that free time you typically spend sleeping with your professors and get another job—one that actually pays.

I don't know about you, but I'm not trying to kid myself: I love material things. If I had to choose, I would of course choose family over material things. But that's not the choice here, is it?

Before you plot to toss eggs on my car or send me delightfully hateful letters (thanks for reading!), ask yourself: are you really so far above material things that you wouldn't prefer to keep your car? Your wedding that daddy paid for? The divorce he'll pay for later? Don't crucify me just be-

cause it seems like the thing to do. The last time we did that it didn't work out too well.

I'm not saying it has to be black or white: you can reduce your debt and still have fun, certainly. I have my student loans and credit cards I pay off every month, and still manage to indulge in shoe shopping. I'm not debt free—in fact, I'm quite a few thousand dollars from it—but I'm also not unhappy.

As much as I hate owing the school for my education, I know I would hate sitting at home constantly more. If we're honest with ourselves, we're all the same: you work to pay off debt, but you also have to play to endure the work.

Let's consider, for a moment, if America prioritized that way: let's not get rid of

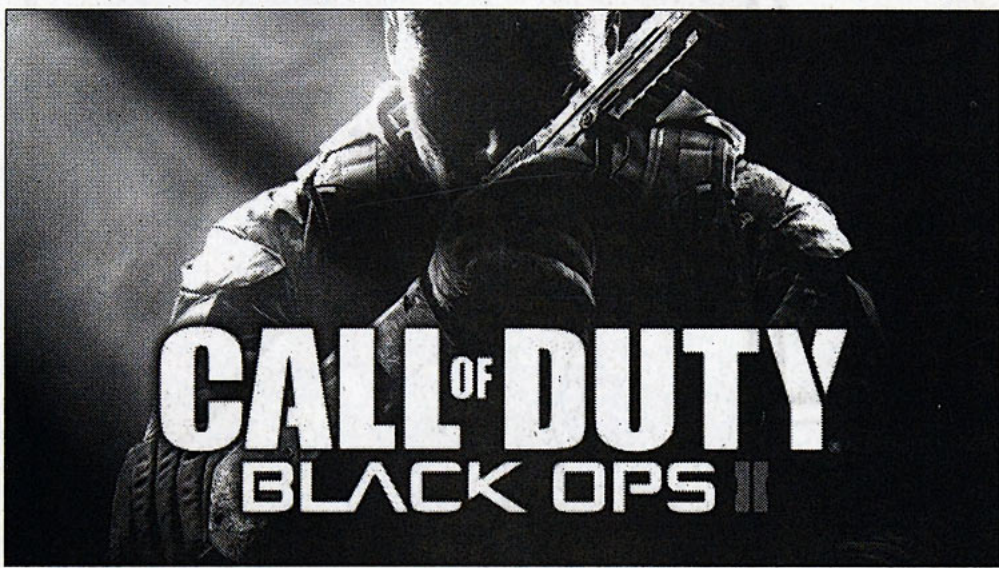
defense spending altogether, but can't we allocate a little bit more to education or research? What about paying off all that interest we owe?

Instead of funding wars overseas that increase our debt (and really, we are not the International Police), let's channel some of that back into our country. After all, world peace is like the elusive freedom from debt: it isn't happening.

America, I admire our efforts to stick up for underdogs everywhere, I truly do. It's heartwarming, like slobbery puppy kisses. But it's also idealistic, and potentially dangerous when you have so many people right here at home that need your attention.

Your choice: the casket or those Jimmy Choos?

Call of Duty tournament next friday



Leslie Nation, Contributing Writer

UCO Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP) hosts their first annual Call of Duty: Black Ops II videogame tournament at 7 p.m. on Friday, Apr. 19.

Call of Duty: Black Ops II is the ninth installment in this franchise, and has sold just over 11 million copies in the first week of its release in Nov. 2012.

The game makes its way to UCO to bring students, staff and faculty together for competitive gaming. This tournament will feature four-on-four competition with limited space available to register. AITP hopes to see 48 teams of four at the tournament.

"Because we've seen hesitation about getting a team together in time for the tournament, we are now allowing individuals to sign-up as well," Kathy Orr, treasurer of UCO AITP, said.

The tournament is open to UCO students, staff and faculty only. In order for teams and individuals to participate in the event, they must have a student or faculty ID and supply their own Xbox controller. Entry fee is \$5 per person and \$20 per team.

AITP will supply the event with Xbox 360 consoles and games, along with food and drinks on sale for the players. Players will

also be provided with entertainment as they wait their turn in the tournament.

Prizes will be given to the top three teams of the tournament. Each member of the team will receive their entry fee back or gift cards to Xbox Live, GameStop or other retailers.

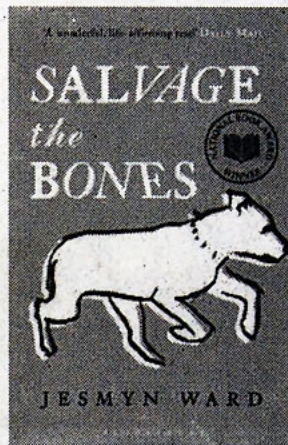
"The prizes they receive really depends on the turnout," Orr said. "We have also considered giving out prizes to top individuals since we opened the tournament for individual players. We don't have specifics yet."

The tournament is a fundraiser event to raise money for UCO AITP events and for AITP's officers to attend the AITP National Collegiate Conference in Atlanta, Ga. during the next school year.

Registration for the event will end soon, with only three registration dates available. Teams can register in the Business Building outside Troy Smith Lecture Hall, Room 113. Dates available to register are: Apr. 11 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m., Apr. 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Apr. 17 from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

The tournament will be held on the first floor of the Business Building. The event will begin at 7 p.m. and continue until midnight.

Book Review



Salvage the Bones

Jesmyn Ward

Review by Emily Brown

There is something about *Salvage the Bones* that is beautiful and graceful, almost lyrical. But there is something savage and desperate in the pages as well. There is a sadness here, and tentative beauty, that any reader of fiction could embrace.

Salvage the Bones is set in the southern Mississippi town of Bois Sauvage (literally, savage wood in French) on the eve of Hurricane Katrina. Esch is pregnant, scared, and in love. She scrapes out an existence with her father and three brothers who swirl around her like planets flying around the sun.

I found myself embroiled in these characters—invested in their survival. The things that remain unspoken between them often highlight their loyalty and love for one another. I wanted to crawl into

the pages and hug little Junior, the youngest brother whose birth led to the death of their mother. Junior is sweet and innocent, and his suffering floats through the pages, a by-product of their poverty. Each character has been richly developed; each is an individual with complexity. I could almost expect to find this family still living on the Gulf Coast if I were to travel south and look for them.

I almost didn't read this book—but I'm glad I did. The truth is some things are hard to read. I hope that you pick up *Salvage the Bones* and enjoy it thoroughly. A good book doesn't always leave you feeling happy—but, in my mind, when one leaves you feeling is when you know you've really found a treasure.

Recipe

CAMPUS COOK

Peanut Butter Macaroons

by Michael Chiarello

Makes 30 cookies
48 Calories per cookie

Ingredients

- 2 egg whites
- 1/8 teaspoon cream of tartar
- Dash salt
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup creamy peanut butter
- 2 cups chocolate-flavored crisp rice cereal
- 1/3 cup chopped, honey-roasted peanuts

Preparation

Preheat oven to 300 degrees Fahrenheit. Lightly grease two cookie sheets or line with parchment paper and set aside.

In a medium mixing bowl, beat egg whites, cream of tartar and salt with an electric mixer on high speed until soft peaks form (tips curl). Gradually add sugar, about one tablespoon at a time, beating until stiff peaks form (tips stand straight). Gently fold in peanut butter. Fold in cereal. Drop mixture by rounded teaspoons two inches apart onto the prepared cookie sheets. Sprinkle with chopped peanuts.

Bake for 10 minutes. Turn oven off and let cookies dry in oven with door closed for 15 minutes. Remove macaroons from cookie sheets to a wire rack to cool completely.

BLOCKBUSTERS



Actors Robert Downey Jr., right, and Ben Kingsley share a joke as they pose during a photo call to promote their new movie *Iron Man 3*, on the roof of a hotel in Moscow, with Kremlin in the background, on Wednesday, April 10, 2013. (AP Photo/Ivan Sekretarev)

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WINTER MAKES A COMEBACK AT UCO

By Cyn Sheng Lin



On Campus

SPRING POWWOW AT UCO

Alex Cifuentes, Contributing Writer

The University of Central Oklahoma held its annual Spring Powwow on Sunday at Hamilton Field House. The event displayed a vast array of Native American singing, dancing, traditions, and cuisine.

Powwows are traditional Native American social gatherings that put on display the traditions of Native Americans so that they may preserve the traditions that trace back to the founding of this nation. Powwows are also a way to allow different cultures to experience the traditions of the Native American culture.

"This year there were a lot of students at the Powwow, and last year there weren't any students. Everyone that I heard from said, 'This is so neat, I've never been to anything like this.' This is a great opportunity for students to experience the culture for themselves, and feel included," Taylor Casady, Native American Student Association president, said.

The day's events began with a Gourd Dance. Although the Gourd Dance is not a traditional Powwow dance, it is typical for it to precede the Powwow's events. The gourd dance is believed to have originated from the Kiowa tribe, and is a men's dance, but women may participate by dancing behind their male counterparts.

The Powwow started off with the grand entry, where those participating enter the dance arena in a procession. The grand entry was led by soldiers carrying the eagle staff, a staff which represents a particular tribe or tribes, along with the U.S. flag. Following the flags was a line of dancers in traditional Native American regalia, which followed the leader of the grand entry in a circular dance surrounding the drum group, which provided music for the entry.

The grand entry provided a chance to view the variety of the regalia from different tribes. The regalia varied anywhere from brightly colored feather headdresses, to long buckskin dresses decorated in beading. The variety in regalia indicates the difference in region of tribes, and some even showed a blending of traditional with a more contemporary style. One outfit was decorated with popular Japanese cartoon, Hello Kitty beading, and even displayed Hello Kitty's iconic bow beaded onto the headpiece.

Following the grand entry, the dance competition began. The dance competition took place in the dance arena, and had all the competitors dancing simultaneously during their respected dance. The competitors danced around the drum group, located at the center of the dance arena, while judges looked on from the outer edges. Judges are chosen specifically for each dance, and typically the judge has expertise in the dance so that they may judge fairly. The dances are typically judged on a criterion of intricacy of the dancer's footwork and style, the dancer's ability to stay in rhythm with the drum group, the quality of the dancer's regalia, and whether or not the dancer finishes their dance of the final drum beat.

The competition began with the tiny tots division, which allowed the younger children to dance all together in their regalia. Next was the women's dance competition which included fancy shawl, traditional buckskin, jingle dress, and southern cloth dance. Once the women completed their competitions, the men took their turn with dances including southern straight, fancy dance, traditional, and grass dances.

UCO AFSP HOSTS OUT OF DARKNESS WALK

Oz Perez, Contributing Writer

The University of Central Oklahoma will host the 2nd annual Out of the Darkness Campus Walk this Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., where thousands of students nationwide participate in a 3-5 mile walk to raise money for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP).

Walk Chair, David Theatt, says the event will begin with a few speakers, light entertainment from UCO's open mic group, a poem reading, Zumba warm-up instructed by Thunder girl Ashley Mills, followed by a balloon release with notes to loved ones who have committed suicide.

AFSP use the funds for research and education programs to prevent suicide while promoting national awareness about depression and provide support for survivors of suicide loss.

Edmond Police Department 2012 crime statistics report that, in mental health incidents, there have been 13 suicides, 55 attempted suicides, 106 emergency detentions, and 49 as all other mental incidents. City Leaders and community members formed a Suicide Prevention Task Force in early 2012.

To register online visit UCO's homepage or <https://afsp.org> before noon this Friday. Registration begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday for those who want to register in person at the event. Donations will continue to be accepted through June 30, 2013.

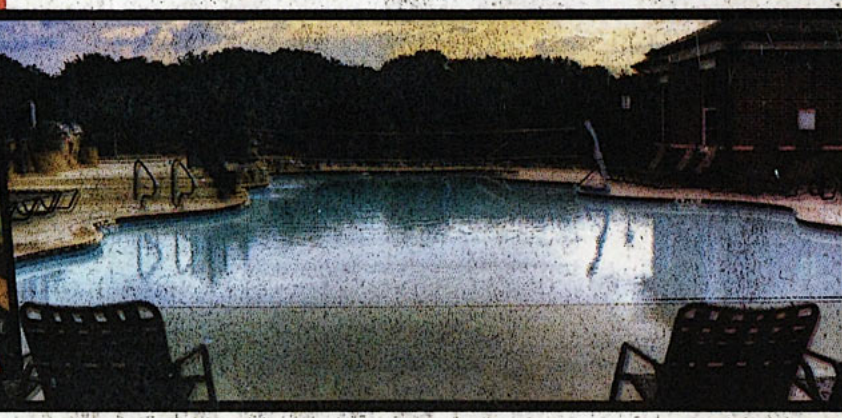
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UCOSA ELECTION RESULTS

Larisa McClellin, Staff Writer

Yesterday, UCOSA elections came to an end and the results are in.

The new president-elect of UCOSA and winner of the election was announced as Zack Milvo alongside his running mate, fellow winner and the UCOSA vice-president-elect, Jillian Goodman.

- The election ballot allowed the student body to decide on the future direction of UCOSA's governing body.
- Voters also decided on a proposal to end the UCOSA bicameral house system, changing to a unicameral system.
- The proposal passed by 1.3 percent.
- The tallies for the vote came out to 459 for the proposal and 216 against, 675 votes in total.

"The reason this vote was so important is because this change will make progress in the student government. It enables us as a governing body to pass more legislation to better the student body," Colt Coldren said.

- During the UCOSA's time of transition between the new system and new leadership, Jasmin Worthy and Jason Robinson will serve as leadership for the rest of the semester.
- On Monday, UCOSA will meet to nominate candidates to lead the new unicameral system.
- The following Monday, UCOSA will take a vote, electing the new leaders responsible for governing the body for the upcoming fall and spring semesters.

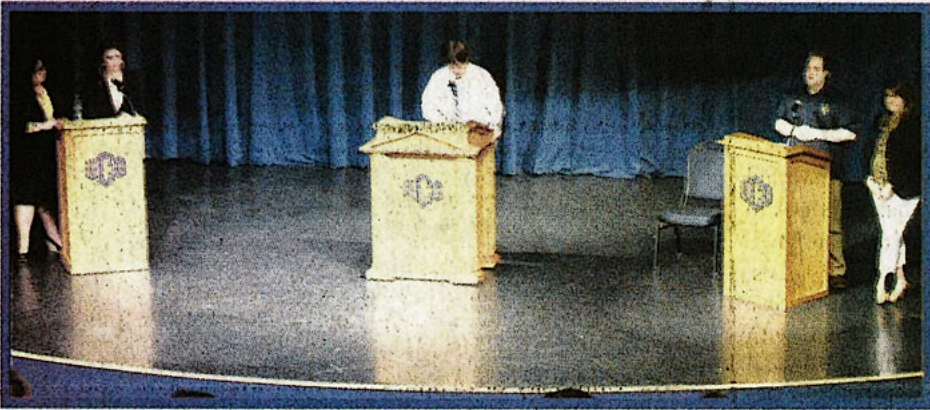


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Beardoff

Tillman opens a case containing his iPad and starts to pull up an event flyer as he furthers details for the upcoming Great Winter Beard Off.

He explains that that on April 14, 2013 the League of Bearded Gentlemen has invited one and all to join them at JC's Funky Hair Ranch for its 15-year anniversary and the Student Alliance for Equality fundraiser. All the competitors' beards will be styled and then crowd members can vote with donations to pick the participant they want to win. Some of the League members will also be auctioning off "beard trimming rights."

"The RSVP list is hilarious," Tillman says. "Half of campus administration is coming so it's turned into a cool deal. We hope to raise as much awareness for the Student Alliance for Equality as possible."

Tillman says that there is an element of making a statement involved. "We want people to know that it's perfectly ok to support things that may be outside your realm of experience," he said. "Equal rights and fair treatment of all humanity is ever bodies concern, not just the particular group you might belong to."

Emails

was not allowed to use the claim because executive privilege can only be applied to the President of the United States and other members of his executive cabinet.

The privilege allows them to withhold information from the legislative and judicial branches of government that has been requested of them.

Fallin's refusal to release her records led to statewide backlash and cast a negative cloud above her administration.

It was soon becoming an embarrassing situation for her cabinet, and some national news organizations began to report about it.

Amidst averse attention from the public, the governor's office finally released what had been requested from prior months.

On March 29, 2013 Fallin's office gave more than 50,000 pages of public records in regards to her decision to reject the \$54 million.

The documents ranged from personal to official.

The majority of the emails, memos, and governmental notices detailed how Fallin had initially wanted to accept the federal funding.

They then began to show how her aids advised her to turn down the money due to the fact that they felt it would show that she supported Obamacare.

An email sent from state representative Randy Grau to the Fallin Cabinet on April 14, 2011 says, "As you know, several GOP freshman, most of who support the Oklahoma health insurance exchange, issued a statement encouraging the rejection of the federal funds."

Another email sent on May 05, 2011 by Deputy Policy Director Andrew Silvestri, details how accepting the funding would hinder the governor's agenda.

"The legislature is not going to touch this issue with a ten foot poll next year, which likely means we're only creating another task force to write another report," he wrote. "The end goal is to create something that will ultimately keep Obamacare out."

A document sent to Fallin by one of her top advisers also states that, "Americans are no closer to affordable health care with the passage of PPACA than they were before the debate began."

Prior to the decision being made some of Fallin's cabinet members anticipated the negative feedback.

State representative Mark McCullough sent an email about the potential feedback.

"I'm not trying to cause trouble by saying anything, but we may need to get out in front of this before it blows up," he wrote.

Both conservatives and democrats were opposed to her decision.

Fallin has still not released a definite reason for rejecting the \$54 million, but many of the emails detail how her advisers felt that if she accepted the money she would have gone against everything she campaigned for during her initial run for governor.

The governor's office, once again claiming executive privilege, has still not released crucial records that might have the exact answer.

Oklahomans may never know why Governor Fallin rejected the federal funding, but it is very clear that her opposition to Obamacare was the key factor in her decision.

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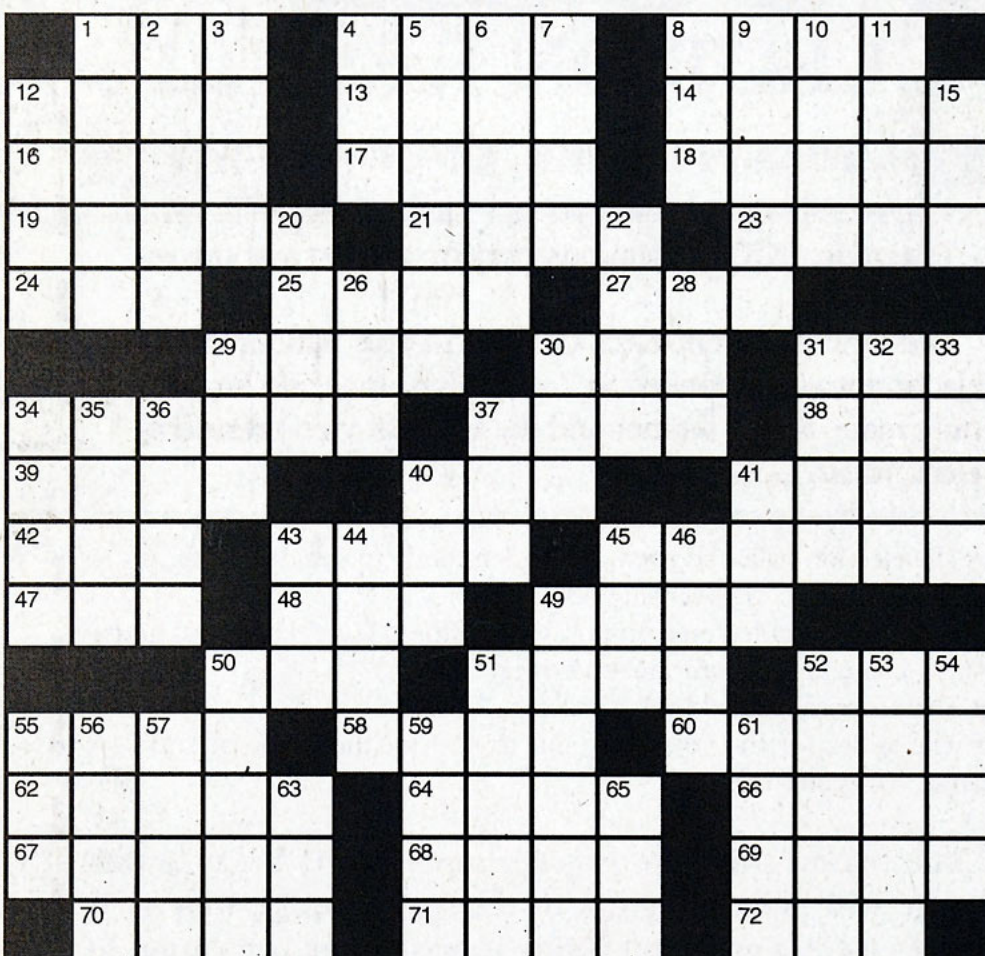
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8. Breakfast choice
12. Breathe hard
13. Acquire
14. Angers
16. "Cogito ___ sum"
17. A lot of lot
18. Blue hue
19. Knife or short dagger used among the Highlanders of Scotland
21. Arch type
23. Cold cuts, e.g.
24. Propel, in a way
25. Bad marks
27. Amateur video subject, maybe
29. Tater
30. Car accessory
31. Blubber
34. Certain boxer, informally
37. Brawl
38. Flatter, in a way
39. Comply with
40. Bestseller
41. Fingerboard ridge
42. Brouhaha
43. Theda Bara, e.g.
45. Improve, in a way
47. Armageddon
48. Electrical unit
49. Latitude
50. Quip, part 3

51. Ceremonial splendor

52. Addis Ababa's land: Abbr.
55. Greek cheese
58. Canine cry
60. Acquiesce
62. A very slow movement
64. Eastern music
66. Department store department
67. Dull and tiresome but with pretensions of significance or originality
68. Give the cold shoulder
69. ___ of the Apostles
70. Eye affliction
71. "Empedocles on ___" (Matthew Arnold poem)
72. ___ power

20. Back of the neck

22. 100 cents
26. Blackguard
28. ___ Tuesday (Mardi Gras)
29. Chester White's home
30. It may be boring
31. Dress worn primarily by Hindu women
32. Gp. with Indonesia and Algeria as members
33. "Little Women" woman
34. Had on
35. Black, in poetry
36. Bawdy
37. Cheat, slangily
40. Gentle utterance use to call someone's attention.
41. Swelter
43. "I do," for one
44. Call to a mate
45. "A Nightmare on ___ Street"
46. Auto parts giant
49. Noisy toy
50. Lion-colored
51. Place into a river
52. At attention
53. Extra inning
54. Amerada ___ (Fortune 500 company)
55. TV monitor?
56. "Aeneid" figure
57. Bakery buy
59. European language
61. F.B.I. operative
63. Alkaline liquid

RANDOM QUOTE

Men acquire a particular quality by constantly acting a particular way... you become just by performing just actions, temperate by performing temperate actions, brave by performing brave actions.

- Aristotle

RANDOM FACTS

The Taj Mahal was originally called the Rauza-I Munavvara which means "Tomb of Light."

The string attached to boxes of animal crackers was originally placed there so that the container could be hung from the branches of a Christmas tree.

Delaware is the only state that does not have a National Park.

In 2009, researchers at Newcastle University's Centre for Life said that eating a bacon sandwich can help cure a hangover.

WORD SEARCH

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RIDDLE

If you throw me from the window,
I will leave a grieving wife.
Bring me back, but in the door, and
You'll see someone giving life!

What am I?

- Answer in next weeks issue.

Baseball

Bronchos split doubleheader with NSU



UCO junior pitcher Kylar Trumbula pitches in a game against Pittsburg State on Tuesday, March 26, 2013. Photo by Kyle Schwab, The Vista.

Chris Brannick & Cody Johnson

Sports Staff

The hits keep coming for the UCO Baseball team. Some good, some really far, but some are bad. The kind of hits you do not want in the middle of the season. The Bronchos hosted in-state rival Northeastern on Tuesday afternoon and were forced to endure a grueling 12-4

loss. That was game one and the Bronchos found themselves 0-3 against the Riverhawks. Game two followed and ended the same way game two of the teams' first series ended back on Mar. 12. Then in Tahlequah, and winning 7-6 in the bottom of the ninth an error and a three-run homerun gave NSU the win. But on Tuesday in the bottom of the ninth and trailing 6-4, it was UCO who

pumped the last fist. "It was good," Dax Leone said. "Our guys, the ball hadn't been bouncing our way, we kind of gave into the game but our guys rallied." Junior infielder Cesar Wong found himself at the plate in the bottom of the ninth with two runners on base, one in scoring position, two outs and his Bronchos trailing by just one run. Wong had two runs batted in in the first game

but had not done so in game two. Until he saw a pitch and sent the ball down the right field line to score the two Central base runners and give the Bronchos their first victory over Northeastern State since Tuesday, April 17, 2012. "Cesar's been our most consistent hitter lately," Leone said. Wong finished the day 4-6 with four RBIs and three runs scored. Jake Tuck was credited with the win for UCO after an inning pitched. The Bronchos used a slew of pitchers in game two, a vast difference from game one, which saw senior Edgar Lopez go 5 1/3, giving up nine hits and nine runs scored. The loss dropped Lopez to 4-3 on the season. Fellow senior Ethan Sharp took the start in game two and struck out six batters in six innings. Sharp gave up three runs, one earned, and four hits. Landon Hallam and Mikel Beltran were also used in relief and Joe Hollowell pitched in relief in game one. The Riverhawks got their momentum in game one from their shortstop, senior Kegan Knight. Knight went 4-4 with two homeruns and a double while accounting for seven of Northeastern State's runs. It would be night and day in the second game however, the junior went 0-4. The win improved UCO's record to 19-16 and 15-15 in the Mid-American Intercollegiate Athletic Association, good for ninth place.

The Riverhawks stand in seventh place with a 19-16, 19-16 record. With 11 of the Bronchos 14 remaining games in conference, Central has the opportunity to gain ground in the playoff mix. The top eight teams make the postseason and only UCO trials Fort Hays State by only two games. "The top-four, those guys are going to be tough to catch," Leone said. "5-11 though, nobody is safe." This weekend the Bronchos will host Nebraska-Kearney for a three-game series. Central Oklahoma is currently three rankings behind the Lopers in the MIAA standings. UNK has a 16-12 conference record. "We just got to worry about ourselves," Leone said. Junior Tyler Crabtree leads the Bronchos with 33 runs scored for this season followed closely by junior Matt Johnson, with 25, and senior Jared Wright, with 24. The homerun record is lead by Wright who has hit nine homeruns this season. Senior Edgar Lopez has been the best batter this season for the Bronchos, with a .333 batting average (BA). Wright holds a .325 BA while Crabtree closely follows with a .314 BA. After the first game on Saturday, there will be a 30-minute break before the start of second game. The Bronchos' action will then continue on Sunday at noon with a single game versus Nebraska-Kearney again on Wendell Simmons Field.

Softball

Bronchos welcome top-three conference opponent



UCO freshman Brooke Zuckerman readies for a pitch in a game against Southern Nazarene University on Tuesday, March 5, 2013. Photo by Kyle Schwab, The Vista

Sam Philbeck

Contributing Writer

Tenth-ranked Central Oklahoma finishes up a six-game home stretch this weekend with doubleheader matchups against Emporia State and Washburn University. The Bronchos (27-7) come into the weekend action following a

doubleheader matchup yesterday against conference rivals Northeastern State. Heading into the matchup against the RiverHawks, UCO had won seven straight, including three straight shutouts against Oklahoma Christian and shutting out Lincoln University in a doubleheader sweep. Friday's matchup features two of the top three teams in the MIAA standings at this point in the sea-

son with Emporia State heading into Edmond looking to exact some revenge after going 2-5 against the Bronchos last season. The Hornets (26-9) were on a four-game winning streak heading into their Wednesday doubleheader against Newman University yesterday evening. Emporia was sitting in the third spot in MIAA standings, two games behind Fort Hays State and UCO. ESU is led by freshman Cacy Williams and sophomore Stephanie Goodwin, who rank in the top five in eight offensive categories for the Hornets. Williams is leading the team in hitting with a .430 average, RBIs (36), slugging percentage (.840), total bases (84) and is second in home runs with nine. Goodwin is hitting .379 for the season and is tops on the team in home runs with ten, second in runs scored (31), RBIs (34) and on-base percentage (.476). Karley Schmelzer posts an impressive 19-4 record for Emporia this season. The senior right-hander posts a terrific 1.93 ERA on the season and averages seven strikeouts per game.

Closing out the weekend on Saturday, Washburn University makes the trip to Edmond to take on the Bronchos and look to improve on their 9-21. The Lady Blues came into the week losers of five of their last six including a split between UCO rival Pittsburg State last Saturday. The Blues while 9-21, sit two games out of the final spot in the MIAA standings with the conference championships looming. Washburn is led by sophomore catcher Deidre Jones, who leads the team in hitting at .403 has five home runs with 19 RBIs and 33 hits. Jones ranks in the top five in nine of the Blues offensive categories and has been a bright spot for a rather below average team. Recently named MIAA Hitter of the Week, senior Kacie Edwards headlines an impressive UCO lineup with a mix of transfer and freshman. The all-time home run leader in UCO history and reigning Division II player leads the team in batting average at .445, home runs (10), slugging percentage (.809) on-base percentage (.512), hits (49) and doubles (10), while knocking

in 37 runs on the season. Transfers sophomore Nicole Workman and junior Hayley Hudson have provided some terrific production to the Bronchos lineup, combining for 14 of UCO's 36 home runs and knocking in 68 RBIs for the middle of the lineup. Workman is second in home runs with nine and leads the team in RBIs at 41. Freshmen Ally Dziadula, Brooke Zuckerman and Tori Collet give UCO fans big expectations for the future with a terrific first year in a Broncho uniform. The pitching staff for UCO has been unbelievable coming into the week with three straight shutouts including a five inning no-hitter from junior Amanda McClelland last Saturday. Junior transfer Kalynn Schrock has been a dominant force in the MIAA conference this season going 16-3 with a 1.88 ERA and striking out a ridiculous 153 batters this season. The Bronchos and Hornets get started at 2:00 p.m. on Friday at Edmond Field.

Opinion

Full Timeout: Venus versus Mars



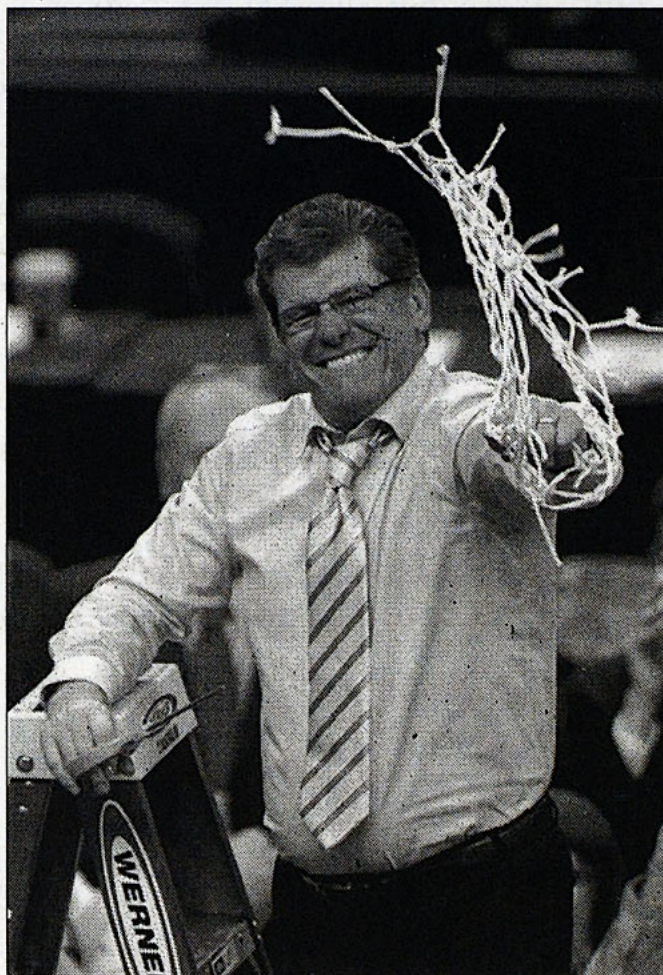
Chris Brannick

Sports Editor

Timeout. Geno Auriemma won his eighth National Championship in NCAA Women's Basketball on Tuesday night. That makes him the greatest, right? Well it puts him in a tie for the most in Women's College Basketball history. Some are asking if he can catch John Wooden, who has the most in Men's College Basketball history with 10. This is preposterous. This is also a different sport. Even if Auriemma won three more titles, which I'm predicting he will in the next seven years at least, that would be irrelevant in comparing him to the most successful coach in men's basketball. In 2009, Wooden was named The Sporting News Greatest Coach of All Time. Earning more championships

than that coach could lead you to believe somebody is better, but they're not, they can't be. It's not solely based on a number of championships won. It's also not the same sport. Yes, basketball is the same in women's and men's based on the fact they both are trying to shoot a ball through a hoop more times than their opponent. The rules are almost exactly the same, and they play on the same court, shoot from the same free-throw line. But it isn't the same sport. Before I delve into this absurdity I want to say that I hope my daughter is active in sports and I have thoroughly enjoyed covering women's sports. But it isn't the same sport. Exhibit A, Annika Sorenstam. The winner of a record eight Player of the Year awards is widely known as the best female golfer of all time. And in 2003, Sorenstam made history by becoming the first female golfer to play in a PGA Tour event since 1945. She changed the game. She also missed the cut in that event by five strokes. Michelle Wie followed in Sorenstam's footsteps and made the cut in a men's tournament but hasn't found any success there. Next up, Brittney Griner. The six foot eight inch star of women's college bas-

ketball in reaction to a seemingly joking offer to tryout said, "When are tryouts?" Seemingly joking is what we all hope for when Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban opens his mouth, especially when mentioning something of this nature. Griner is listed at 6'8" and about 200 lbs. And in the NBA, where defenders number one goal is to stop you at all costs, including throwing you down to the floor, this just won't work. Really quickly, imagine what would happen if Griner tried to stop any Blake Griffin dunk. Final exhibit, Danica Patrick. In 240 races since 1998, the 31-year old pioneer of women's racing has one victory. Griner isn't actually concerned with attempting such a stunt. And Auriemma has said himself that the only person he can compare himself to is Pat Summit, the former Tennessee Volunteers head coach who has eight National Championships herself. Again I say that instituting a female sport for every male sport is a fantastic idea. But the idea of them meshing together doesn't work. And the idea of comparing anyone's success in one sport with someone else's success in another sport is outlandish.



Connecticut head coach Geno Auriemma celebrates after defeating Louisville 93-60 in the national championship game of the women's Final Four of the NCAA college basketball tournament, Tuesday, April 9, 2013, in New Orleans. (AP Photo/Bill Haber)

Special

'A tradition like no other'

The Vista looks at The Masters

Whitt Carter

Sports Writer

It's time.

It's time to see if Tiger can finally win another major. It's time for Rory to redeem himself from his debacle in 2011. It's time for Bubba to defend his crown.

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If you're into golf at all, you understand the essence of the drive down Magnolia Lane. You know how tough the back nine plays as the sun starts creeping down into the trees on Sunday. You are fully aware of how special it is for someone to win a green jacket even one time (or four, Tiger.)

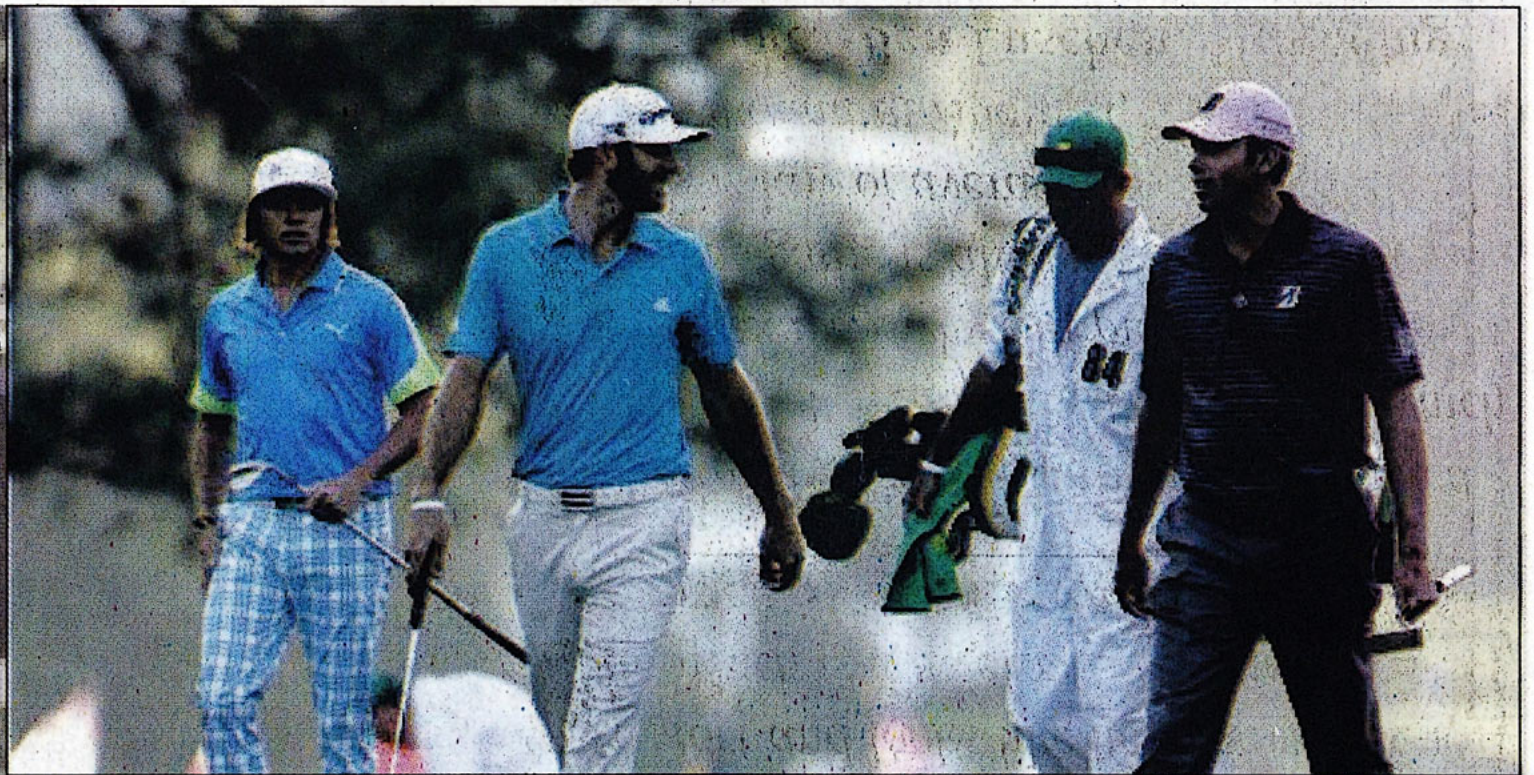
There will be memorable shots, just like there is every year. But this year seems different. This year feels like it will be one of those special Masters editions.

Maybe we'll see something like Phil's five-iron from the trees that fell to about 3 feet en route to a 2010 Masters title.

We could see a shot like last year from Bubba, when he shaped a wedge around a tree- almost at a 90 degree angle- to about seven feet on the first playoff hole, securing his first green jacket.

Or perhaps we will see one of the greatest golf shots of all time, like Tiger's miraculous chip in on 16 back in 2005. If you haven't seen it, look it up. I'm not sure anyone can do it justice by trying to put it into words.

Every year, people pick their favorites



From left, Rickie Fowler, Dustin Johnson, caddy Jim MacKay and Matt Kuchar walk down the first fairway during a practice round for the Masters golf tournament Tuesday, April 9, 2013, in Augusta, Ga. (AP Photo/Charlie Riedel)

for the Masters and most of the time, they are wrong on everyone. There will be some big time names up there, along with some guys you've probably never heard of and some guys who have maybe been forgotten.

However, it's still fun to pick your favorites, giving you some players to root for Thursday-Sunday.

Here we go:

10) K.J. Choi- He's finished in the top ten in two of his last three Masters, and played well in San Antonio last week. He is such a solid player and has a great feel on the greens at Augusta National. Don't sleep.

9) Jason Day- The Australian finished T-2 in 2011 but didn't play well last year. He's hit it better as of recent,

and he has the type of game that can win here. Plus he's a TaylorMade guy, which means I have to give him more love than I should.

8) Rickie Fowler- I think Rickie will be in contention this week. His game sets up perfectly here, and he has one of the most aggressive games on tour. If he can play smarter and get hot, he could be right in the mix come Sunday.

7) Lee Westwood- I love Lee's game, but it doesn't necessarily translate that well to Augusta. However, he is one of the best ball strikers on tour and he's finished in the top 11 three straight times. His struggle will be those greens. If he can putt well (big if), then he'll have a chance.

6) Rory McIlroy- I just don't see Rory being as much of a favorite this year. He's never finished in the top ten at Augusta (thanks to his collapse in 2011) and he's only played well in the third and fourth round last week in San Antonio. He'll have a chance- with his game, you always do- so we'll see.

5) Matt Kuchar- I love Kuch'. He is such a solid and steady player. He's got a chance to compete in whatever tournament he plays in. The only thing that might hamper him is his length. Augusta is long and sometimes gets longer, so he'll have to be great everywhere else, which he's definitely capable of.


4) Phil Mickelson- We all know about Phil's history at Augusta. He's a three-time champ and has played his best golf ever here. He dominated at TPC Scottsdale earlier this year, but hasn't really done anything since then. That will likely change, as he loves this course and always makes a run.


3) Bo Van Pelt- A guy that most won't even mention, but is one of the more underrated golfers on tour. He can string together two or three DEEP rounds on any given weekend, so I like his chances here. He's great off the tee and with his irons and we know he can putt here (see: 64 on Sunday last year.)


2) Hunter Mahan- This dude should, no question, win here at some point. He has great length off the tee and should be able to score easily on the par-5s. He's been up and down during his career at Augusta, but I think he will play well this year. If he can putt, he will have an outstanding chance to win.

1) Tiger Woods- Would you expect anything else? The guy has already won three times this year and is finally playing with the Tiger-like confidence that we are used to seeing. There's no doubt, he's the best on tour and if he plays like it, he'll don his fifth green jacket. In your life, have you ever seen anything like him?

Staff Predictions

 Tiger Woods. He is playing with comfort and looks like he is having fun, which is dangerous. -Chris Bran-
nick Sports Editor

 Angle Cabrera. Cabrera has started the golf season less than stellar, which is exactly why I'm picking him to win. His game is always up and down, so the law of averages dictates that he'll rebound at Augusta, a place he's won before. -Ben Luschen, Managing Editor

 Tiger Woods. He looks like he is in a good place on and off the course and his putter is on fire right now. -Sam Philbeck, Contributing Writer



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