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International Affairs

REBUILDING

TRUST

Former chief of staff to Colin Powell, Col. Lawrence Wilkerson, addressed the need for peaceful relations between the U.S. and Iran in the University Ballrooms Feb. 5.

• ALEX CIFUENTES, Contributing Writer •



Lawrence Wilkerson delivers his speech entitled "We Need Not Be Enemies: Iran and the U.S. in the 21st Century" Feb. 5, 2013. Photo by Alik Dyer, The Vista

Former chief of staff to Colin Powell, Col. Lawrence Wilkerson, spoke Tuesday night regarding current relations between the United States and Iran. Wilkerson's presentation "We Need Not Be Enemies: Iran and the U.S. in the 21st Century," outlined his views on how to mend relations between the two nations, and avoid another war in the Middle East.

The high-tension relationship between Iran and the U.S. stemmed from the current nuclear development that is taking place in Iran. Although Iran has maintained that the Uranium enrichment, which is taking place at their nuclear development plants, has been for the sole purpose of nuclear energy,

many sanctions that isolate Iran's economy have been placed pending negotiations regarding exactly what Iran plans to do with its nuclear capabilities.

According to Wilkerson, these sanctions are placing a chokehold not on those in power, but instead onto the Iranian people.

"Sanctions that are indeed so crippling, and so harmfully crafted, bringing in much of the world to enforce them, that they now are doing what sanctions did in Iraq prior to the second Iraq war. They are hurting Iranian children, sick people in hospitals, and hurting the Iranian people who by and large still don't look on the United States as an enemy," said Wilkerson.

Wilkerson explained that the U.S. has been unwilling to meet with Iran, because of its strong ties to Israel, a nation currently at odds with Iran.

"No one in that senate or that house was willing to make a decision, or even talk about a strategic situation that was going to lead the United States into another catastrophic war in Western Asia because of Israel," said Wilkerson.

Although the struggle between the U.S. and Iran has been portrayed as a fight over nuclear capabilities, Wilkerson explained its true root to be about who will control the Persian Gulf. Saudi Arabia, Israel, and Iran are all competing for the control of the region, and the U.S. is waiting to align itself with whoever comes out on top.

"The United States wants to be able to play with whichever regimen wins, and fulfill its interests," said Wilkerson.

Wilkerson explained that the number one goal between Iran and the U.S. needs to be the rebuilding of trust between two nations that have not felt trust for one another for many years. Wilkerson said that the U.S. should enter into talks with Iran not with guns drawn, but instead use the military as a last resort.

"You don't put your gun down. You still

got it, and if you have to use it, you use it. But you do start by talking, then you build trust through that talking and maybe eventually you get to a point where you can actually achieve something," said Wilkerson.

If talks between Iran and world powers are unsuccessful, then Wilkerson described a lengthy and expensive war that would result from the fallout. The result of this war would be unsuccessful because the next person to take control of the government would eventually also want nuclear capability, and the U.S. would be back at square one.

Iranian officials are currently poised to meet later this month with world powers to discuss the possibility of accepting limits on its nuclear program in order to lift the sanctions currently placed on the nation. Although Iran has not officially accepted the invitation to meet with the European Union on Feb. 25 and 26, Iran's Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Salehi said that he thought the dates were good news when speaking Sunday at the 49th Munich Security Conference.

Campus

CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES TO BENEFIT COMMUNITY

Center for eLearning and Continuing Education



Photo by Alik Dyer, The Vista

• BROOKS NICKELL, Staff Writer •

One of the primary functions of the Center for eLearning and Continuing Education at the University of Central Oklahoma is providing a support role for online and hybrid course training. They deliver workshops from certifying instructors to teaching online to assisting with turning traditional classes into online courses. But, that's not all the office does.

John Gillmore and Bucky Dodd, Assistant Directors of Instructional Technology at UCO, explained a continuing education program that is just in the beginning stages.

"It's in its infancy right now. We're determining which kind of direction we want to go with it and how we want it to work," Gillmore said.

Dodd explained the variety of avenues for continuing education and outlined where the program was as far as possible paths available for the future.

"The continuing education at vari-

ous institutions is viewed in different ways. I think at UCO we're in that process of imagining what that might look like for us. We're looking at ways of exploring various opportunities that serve UCO students and the community in a variety of ways."

According to Gillmore, continuing education is educational offerings that are not connected to a college credit hour.

"For example, we might offer a Microsoft certification course. You won't get any credit hours but it looks great on your résumé and you'll be prepared to pass the certification test."

Some of the traditional forms of continuing education offered at other universities include shorter-term personal enrichment and vocational programs from CLEET, law enforcement training, courses and nursing certifications, to yoga and painting classes. Dodd explained that while some universities may implicate a more vocationally

driven approach to continuing education, others are looking at it from a cultural enrichment stand point, both having their own advantages, and how UCO looks to build their own example of what continuing education can offer those in the community.

"At the center of everything, we're looking at what this might look like for UCO," Dodd said. "How do you best support students from that continuing education side of the community where an academic credit may not be their end goal? Maybe they want to own their own business. It's about supporting that process."

Gillmore expressed how an important part of a continuing education program at UCO would be to look at things the university naturally has. He communicated that there are outstanding programs within the university already that could be easily exploited for

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Crime

SEX ASSAULT SUSPECT RELEASED

• BRYAN TRUDE, Senior Staff Writer •

A suspect arrested in connection with a September sexual assault in Murdaugh Hall was released late last week after posting bail.

Elvis Perkins, 34, was arrested by Oklahoma County Sheriff's deputies in Oklahoma County on Oct. 12, 2012 on the complaint. The complaint stemmed from a Sept. 23, 2012 incident in Murdaugh where a male victim was assaulted in his dorm room. Perkins was held in the Oklahoma County Detention Center on \$5,000 bond.

Perkins was charged with one count of sexual battery. He is currently awaiting trial, with a pretrial conference scheduled with Oklahoma County Judge Jerry Bass on Mar. 20.

The September incident was the first of two sexual assaults reported in campus housing last semester; an assault of a female by a male student was reported Oct. 19 in Central Plaza.

In the months since, UCO has worked to enhance procedures for handling reports of sexual assault. On Jan. 11, the UCO Board of Regents approved changes to the Regional University System of Oklahoma. The changes added language that requires University employees to notify campus police when they are notified or suspect a sexual assault has occurred. The changes also added a provision prohibiting sexual relations between students and employees and their supervisors or instructors, as well as any person who may impact their academic or professional advancement.

"As an institution of higher education, UCO must dedicate itself to providing a safe, fair and equitable educational and employment environment," UCO President Don Betz wrote in a Feb. 5 Centralities announcing the changes. "This is mandated by federal and state law, but more importantly is the right thing to do."

There are also efforts in the state legislature to change how campuses handle sexual assault and other violent crimes. Senate Bill 312, authored by Senator Tom Ivester (D) would, if passed, require campus police and university employees to notify municipal police or the county sheriff's office when they receive a report of sexual assault or other violent crime.

Anyone who has been the victim of a sexual assault or knows of someone who has is urged to contact UCO Police at 974-2345.

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The Absurdity of the National Rifle Association

The preposterous public relations parade of the National Rifle Association (NRA) continues with scare tactics and paranoia as grand marshals.

After the school shootings in Newtown, Conn. on Dec. 14, 2012, Wayne LaPierre, executive vice president and CEO of the NRA, spoke at a press conference that became a PR nightmare.

LaPierre's blame game ran the gamut, even mentioning hurricanes and man-made disasters as instigators of gun violence. He also insists that a nationwide database of the mentally ill should be created. It is interesting that LaPierre pouts the moment someone wants real dialogue about gun control, yet sees no importance in doctor/patient privilege.

Throughout the approximately 25-minute rant, LaPierre uses scare tactics and name-calling to deflect any attention to firearms themselves. Video game companies become a "shadow industry." National media owners and their stockholders became "co-conspirators." The NRA comes across more as a tin foil hat wearing crackpot rather than an organization trying to solve a problem.

The buffoonery of the association

was once again on display when a post on the organization's legislative action website, nraia.org, made the rounds. It is a list containing the names of close to 500 individuals, groups and organizations that have supposedly lent their name to help pass anti-gun legislation.

Brace yourself, here is an example of the mind-blowing "co-conspirators" the NRA feels you must keep an eye one.

Barry Manilow, the Temptations, and Boyz II Men.

Yes, the ground did just move beneath your feet. Hold on tight.

St. Louis Rams of the NFL.

Yes, former Oklahoma Sooners quarterback Sam Bradford and his offensive line want to take away your guns. The Kansas City Chiefs and the Kansas City Royals of Major League Baseball also have their eye on your 12-gauge shotgun.

What was these professional sports team's crime against the NRA? Apparently the organizations voiced concern about the passage of a Missouri concealed weapon bill in 2003. They did not want people bringing firearms into stadiums. NRA enemy? Check!

Though these examples are humorous, there are entrants that are disturbing. The National Parent Teacher Association, the American Medical Association, the American Psychological Association, and the National Black Churches, Inc., to name a few.

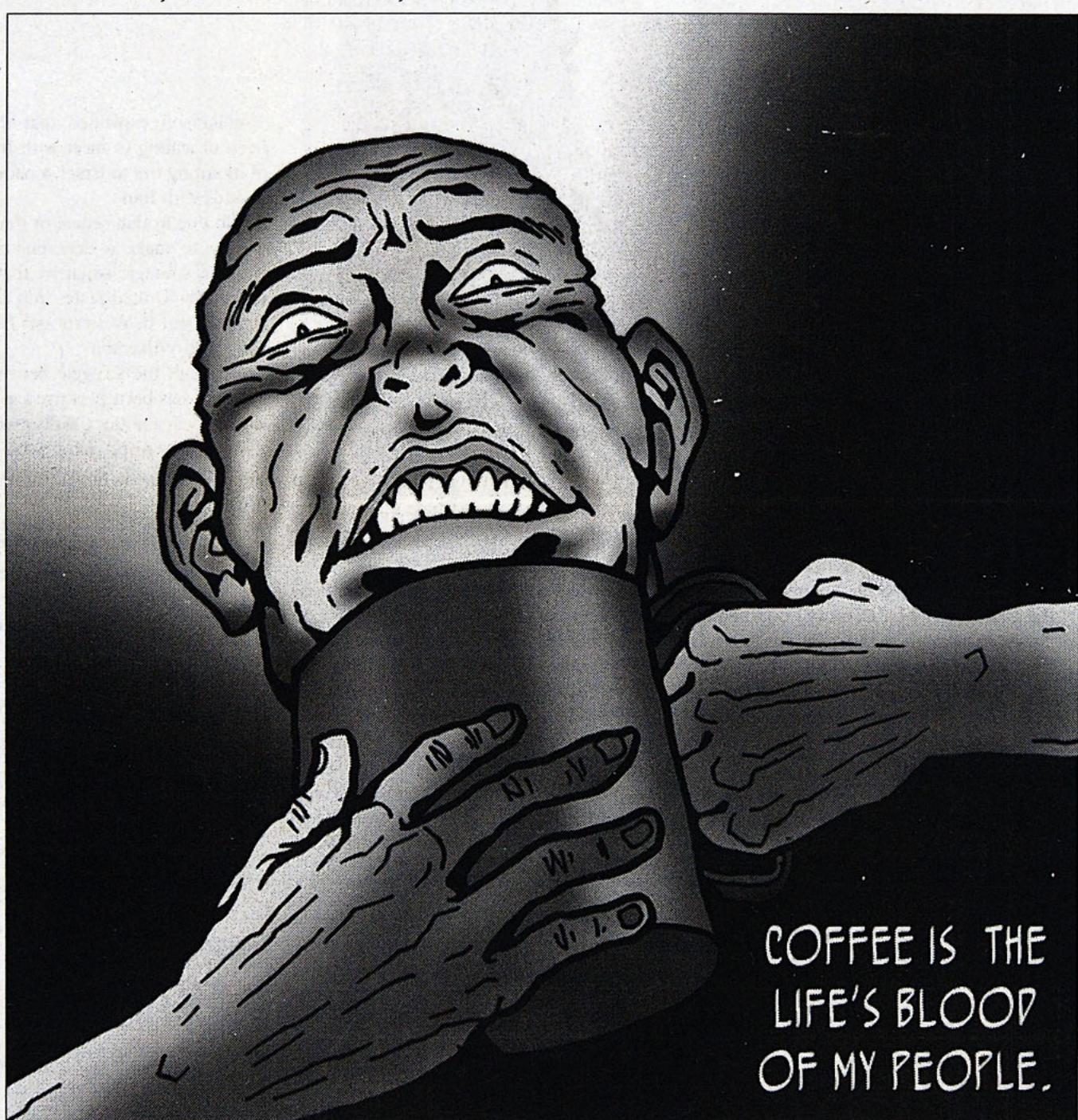
Why is the NRA singling out teachers, medical practitioners and clergy? These are groups of citizens who spend their lives educating, improving our health and helping us gain peace of mind.

Is it a stretch to say that the NRA believes guns are more important than education, health or belief? I believe the argument can be made.

Meanwhile, the NRA sells ideas of gun-toting hurricanes and anti-second amendment sports teams.

For an organization whose mission of protecting gun rights would benefit by relating to the public and gaining support, the NRA is the master of alienation.

Adam Holt
Staff Writer



Cartoon by Evan Oldham

“ CAMPUS QUOTES ”

Do you use D2L? What's your overall opinion of it?

CHELSEA SCHAFFSTALL

Early Childhood Education - Freshman



"Yes, I have. I think it has promise but still has some work to do."

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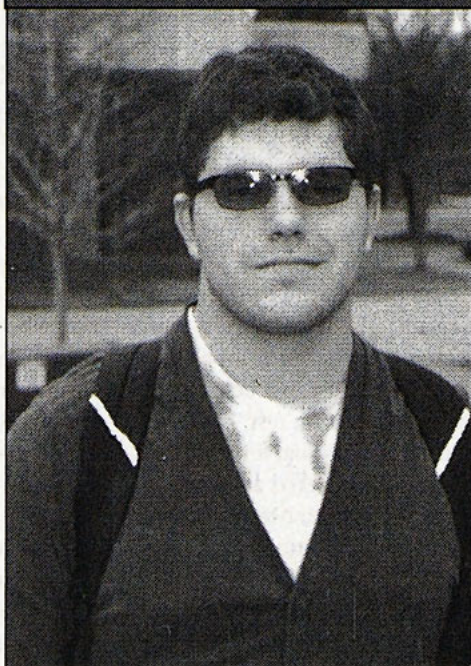
Engineering Physics - Freshman



"Yeah, I do [like it]. I guess because it organizes my classes."

AUSTIN OLIVER

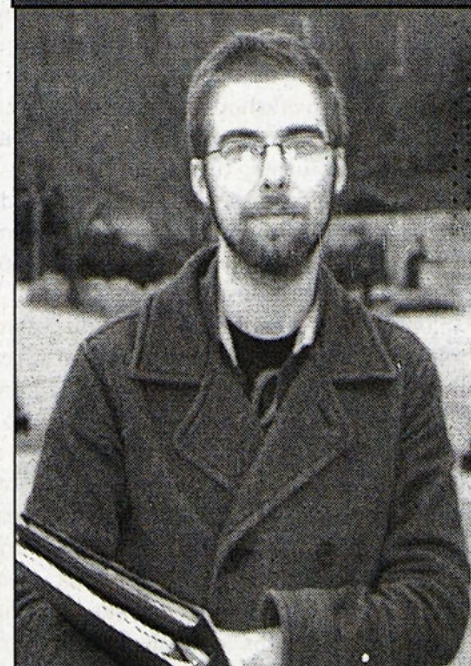
Theater Education - Freshman



"I do. I think it was a great concept but it could use some work."

CHRIS KORTJENS

Undecided-Freshman



"I use D2L just to communicate with teachers but I wish the layout was a little more clear."

Campus

Opinion

MISS BLACK UCO PAGEANT TO TAKE PLACE FRIDAY



Miss Black UCO participants stand on stage during last year's competition, Feb. 4, 2012. Contestants will take to the stage Friday at 7:00 p.m. Photo by Cyn Sheng, The Vista

• LINDSEY RICKARDS, Staff Writer •

10 contestants will compete for the title of Miss Black UCO 2013 in Constitution Hall of the Nigh University Center at 7:00 p.m. Feb. 9.

The contenders are full-time UCO students who have met the required 2.0 GPA to compete in the scholarship pageant.

This is "an opportunity for the UCO population to view these women as they celebrate African American culture," said NeShawn Conley UCO Director, Office of Diversity and Inclusion.

The program includes the 10's participation in interview, swimsuit, talent, evening gown and on-stage question.

A panel of five judges, who are each members of the Oklahoma community, will choose the winner, as well as first and second runner up of the pageant.

Conley said that once crowned, the Queen will be required to implement two programs during her reign that highlight her platform, attend Homecoming and be in attendance of all pageants.

According to Conley, Miss Black UCO is a

preliminary to Miss Black Oklahoma, which is a preliminary to Miss Black International.

Conley, accompanied by Tanisha Williams, Miss Black UCO 2005 and Director of Miss Black UCO 2013, make up the pageant committee.

Williams did prep work with the contestants ranging from walking to interviewing.

In the previous months, Williams held review and rehearsals for the 10 to work on the opening number she choreographed, as well as preparation for their on stage debut.

Williams said this was done to "make sure they feel confident when they go on stage."

Sarah Smith, Miss Black UCO 2011, and Jonathan Naugles, UCO kinesiology major, will host the event that is free to UCO students with a student ID and \$5 to the public.

Conley said that she encourages everyone to come out.

Conley said that Miss Black UCO is a pageant for the contestants to share their culture, influence and ideas.



Little Miss SUNSHINE

By Kara Stewart

Screens of Death

I don't like technology.

You don't hear many people nowadays saying that, and before you whip out your label-maker, hear me out. I'm not one of those people that dress in thrift store clothes and claim their "vintage," that claim to read the classics and find profound meaning in poor hygiene.

I know those people, and I cannot stand to be around them. So how could I be one?

It's not that I don't adore my Mac, or that a single touch on my phone will connect me with friends that have moved thousands of miles away. I relish in being able to watch The Food Network after a long day of work, and I can't tell you how thankful I am for running water and electricity.

That's not the kind of technology I can't stand. To be more accurate, I suppose, it's the kind of dependency technology creates.

My father, a farming man who works with his hands and keeps dirt under his nails, suddenly has a television in nearly every room of the house. In fact, a few Christmases ago, I had to get a smartphone I didn't want, simply because he thought it was necessary.

As human beings, we need to be entertained. Constantly, consistently, to the point where if there is nothing new on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, we get annoyed. We need all the comforting interaction that the internet provides: instant access, instant entertainment, but without all of the awkwardness of personal interaction.

We all joke about the impending apocalypse of the dead, but if we're being completely honest, how many of us could survive?

Could you handle running for your life, or will your couch-cushioned legs fail you? Could you sleep without the dim glow of your phone? Pass the time in the woods without hearing music or watching a movie?

Do you even remember how to do things organically, remember life before the Internet? What if you had to write your thesis paper but could not use the Internet at all?

Don't mistake me: technology is a blessing. But, like all good things, it has its limits. It should connect you with the rest of the world, not keep you from it.

Film Review

Tokyo Zombie

A Film By Sakichi Sato

The dreaded "Black Fuji", created from years of trash and dead bodies being buried at city dump, has spawned the zombie apocalypse in the middle of Tokyo. The hapless hero of Tokyo Zombie (2005), Fujio story begins with him learning the art of Jujutsu from his mentor and best friend Mitsuo. They soon discover that the city is being overrun by zombies after they finish making a deposit at the same landfill that caused the catastrophe. The rest of movie consists of the pair trying to make it to Russia so Fujio can finish his Jujutsu training, with many hilarious hiccups on their way there.

This movie was based on a manga of the same name, so of course the subject matter is over the top. Regardless of that fact, the film also is full of political and social satire. The two heroes are played by the excellent actors Tadanobu Asano and Shō Aikawa, both of whom are seasoned actors within Japan. Tadanobu Asano has recently been in several American made films including Thor (2011) and Battleship (2012).

- Will McLain

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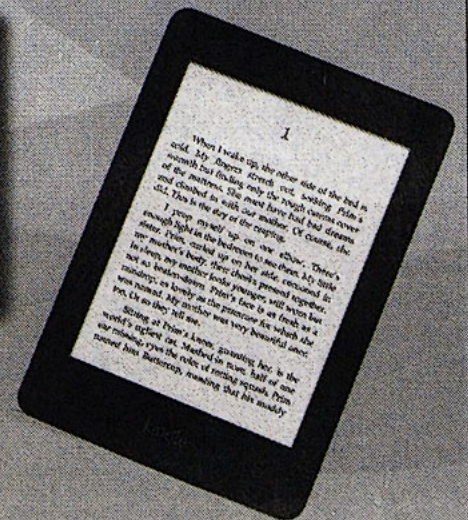
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UCO recognizes

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with Vagina Monologues program

• OLANREWAJU SULEIMAN, Contributing Wrtier •

The UCO Women's Outreach Center is partnering with the Office of Diversity and Inclusion to sponsor V-Week.

V-Week is a way to bring awareness to UCO of international violence against women.

Women's Outreach Center student coordinator, Tess Bromme is the head of this year's V-Week.

"This week is an international campaign to stop violence against young girls and women," she said. "This years V-Week takes place between Feb. 12 through Feb. 14."

Bromme wants students to participate in the numerous activities taking place during the week. Activities include two documentaries on violence against women and a performance of the Off Broadway play The Vagina Monologues.

"Both documentaries are about the V-Week campaign," she said. "On billion rising is a gentle call to action."

One of V-Week's main attractions is the performance of The Vagina Monologues. Activist and playwright Eve Ensler established the Vagina Monologues in 1996. The play includes various monologues performed by different women about female empowerment.

It has been performed in over 100 countries. Several celebrities, including Oprah Winfrey and Meryl Streep, have done monologues from the play.

Eight women attended the first rehearsal of The UCO performance of The Vagina Monologues. The group was made up of both students and faculty.

Philosophy professor Eva M. Dadlez is one of the performers. She is in full support of V-Week and wants all people in the UCO community to participate in the activities. This is not the first time Dadlez has done The Vagina Monologues.

She has both performed in the play, and has

assisted in the production. One year, Dadlez assisted in raising \$3,000 for women's rights.

She says that she will continue to participate in The Vagina Monologues for as long as she can.

"I'm a feminist," she said. "By doing play, I want people to take away the bizarre squeamishness they have towards talking about women's rights."

It is Dadlez's hope that people will respond positively to the play. Since its' debut in 1996, The Vagina Monologues has raised over \$75 million for women's rights group across the world.

The play will take place Wednesday Feb. 13 in the Radke Recital Hall in the Center for Women's Learning.

The group Women of Many Ethnic Nationalities is cosponsoring V-Week activities. Jackie Hines, a sophomore nursing major, is this year's W.O.M.E.N. president.

She has been preparing with Women's Outreach Center to have a successful V-Week.

"We have been planning V-Week for a while," she said. "This is UCO's second or third time to have it."

Hines wants the UCO community to have a positive V-Week experience, and to leave with a better understanding of women's rights and violence against women.

"V-Week has a point," she says. "It stands for violence prevention, and that's what we want people to take away from it."

The first V-Week event is the screening of the documentary "Until The Violence Stops," which begins at 11 a.m. in the Heritage Room of The Nigh University Center on Tuesday, Feb. 12.

For a full schedule of the week's events contact Tess Bromme at (405) 974-3626, or by visiting www.uco.edu/student-life/woc.



AP Photo

KOREA STYLE

UCO KOREAN NIGHT IS SUNDAY

• MERVYN CHUA, Staff Wrtier •

The Korean Student Association (KSA) will be hosting the annual Korean Night Sunday, Feb. 10 at the Constitution Hall starting 6 p.m.

Admission is free but tickets must be collected from the KSA booth at the NUC. The booth will be available from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. this week.

Food will be served to the first 300 people.

Performances for the night will include a Korean drum performance, K-pop singing and dancing, and a traditional show.

This year's theme will focus on K-pop, or Korean popular music and culture. Do Yeon Kim, the Public Relations officer of Korean Night, says that this night will be an exciting opportunity to explore Korean pop culture.

"Korean music is getting popular, especially Gangnam Style. Their music chart has been off the roof. It is obvious that people like Korean bands more and more. I think that this is a good chance to celebrate the future. Korea is a country blessed with

beautiful history and culture. In the past years, we have had the opportunity to explore the older traditions and cultures. That is why we decided to go with this theme."

Kim said that practices began two months ago and a lot of preparation has been done to ensure a great night.

Jin Jin Paine, a speech pathology freshman, is excited about the theme too.

"I think that this would be a good time for UCO students to recognize Korean music and culture together. I looked up Korean music and bands recently and have been very fascinated by them. This will be a good event to experience new culture and music."

Hyunhye Yoo, a Korean International Junior in Finance urges people to come for the event.

"I really like the idea of a Korean Night. It gives us the opportunity as Koreans to share our culture to everyone at UCO. There is so much more to Korea than people realize. I hope that as many people would come. It's free, and there's food." So, why not?

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eLearning

continuing education in a way where everyone wins.

Dodd described why incorporating sources inside the university for continuing education programs is a positive endeavor as well as briefly outlining the benefits behind a future cooperative effort.

"There is a support function in continuing education," Dodd said. "We want to find the strengths that are in existing departments and really support them in doing these sorts of things. They are the experts in their area after all."

Feb. 25 and 26 the Center for eLearning and Continuing Education will be hosting the Heartland eLearning conference, featuring keynote speakers Michael Wesch and Dr. Mark David Milliron.

Wesch, a cultural Anthropologist who explores the effects of new media on soci-

ety and culture has been dubbed by Wired magazine as "the explainer" and was recently named an Emerging Explorer by National Geographic.

Dr. Milliron served as the Deputy Director for Postsecondary Improvement with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation before being named Chancellor of WGU Texas, a nonprofit university dedicated to providing affordable, accredited and high quality online and hybrid degree programs in high demand fields.

"This is a world class eLearning conference brought straight to UCO. It's another way to bring experts in the online teaching realm here," Gillmore said. "The people who are really interested in making their online classes better can learn a lot. The hard part is deciding which sessions to attend."

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MAD WORLD

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Judge falls asleep

MOSCOW (AP) — A Russian judge has been fired after he caught 40 winks in court and then sentenced an outraged defendant to five years in prison.

Judge Yevgeny Makhno of Blagoveshchensk City Court in Russia's Far East was

forced to resign Friday for obviously falling asleep several times while trying a businessman on charges of fraud.

The case became a national scandal after the defendant's lawyer posted several videos online of Makhno asleep in court. The videos

were then shown on state television.

Makhno claimed that he was not sleeping, but listening with his eyes closed, the reports said.

But since a higher court decided not to punish him, Makhno only has to take an

exam to be reinstated.

The defendant, however, will be given a new trial.



Nudists arrested

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Four protesters were arrested entirely in the buff as they took to the steps of San Francisco City Hall in a brazen challenge of the city's ban on public nudity on Friday, the first day it went into effect.

One woman and three men — one wearing just a mesh thong — were taken into custody as about a dozen other protesters in various states of undress paraded around with painted slogans on their bodies, holding up signs with messages

such as "The Human Body is Beautiful."

Police gave them a 15-minute warning to disperse or put pants on before officers arrested those who failed to cover themselves. The protesters said their arrest would advance the cause of "body freedom."

"No matter what, we're going to continue practicing body freedom," said Gypsy Taub, a mother of two who hosts a local cable program devoted to the nudist cause. "In a society that's repressed and

crazy, that glorifies war and at the same time criminalizes the human body ... nudity is a political statement."

In December, the Board of Supervisors voted 7-4 in favor of the ordinance, which prohibits exposed genitals in most public places, including streets, sidewalks and public transit. A federal judge ruled Tuesday that nudity was not protected free speech and upheld San Francisco's ban on most displays of public nudity.

Sculpture thief

BERLIN (AP) — German police have recovered a cookie sculpture that may have been stolen by someone impersonating the Cookie Monster.

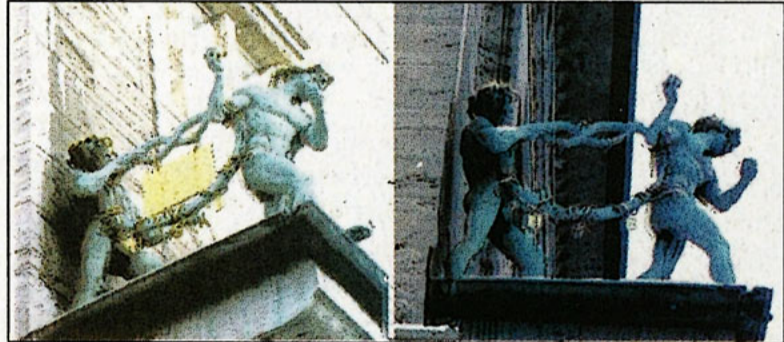
Spokeswoman Jacobe Heers says the 20-kilogram (44 pound) gilded sculpture was found Tuesday morning outside a university. It was hanging from the neck of a horse sculpture with a red ribbon.

The century-old cookie was reported stolen last month from the office of a bakery company in Hannover.

A local newspaper later received a letter demanding cookies be delivered to children at a hospital. The paper also received a picture of someone dressed like Sesame Street's Cookie Monster holding what appeared to be the stolen cookie.

The Bahlsen company promised a reward of 52,000 packets of cookies for a charitable cause if their emblem turned up.

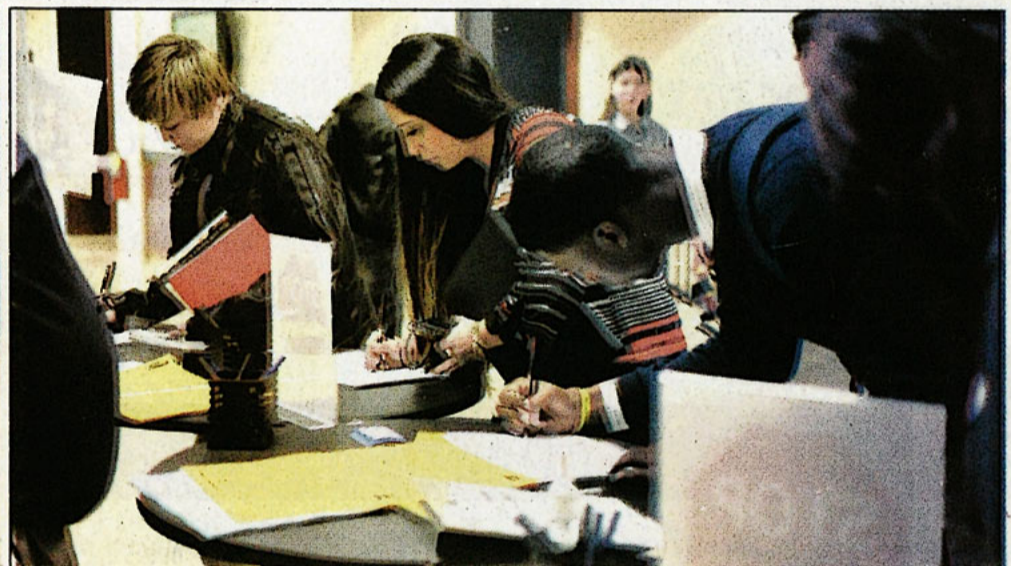
No suspect has been apprehended.



Opportunity sought at 2013 Career and Internship Fair



Students talk to organizations' representatives at Career and Internship Fair at NUC Ballroom, Feb. 6, 2013. Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista



Students sign up for the Career and Internship Fair at NUC Ballroom, Feb. 6, 2013. Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista

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Across

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- "Dig in!"
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RANDOM FACTS

The 1904 Summer Olympic Games, held in St. Louis, included greased pole climbing, rock throwing, and even mud fighting.

Kiribati is the only country that falls in all four hemispheres

According to a 2012 New York Times story, 1% of Americans still get on the Internet with an AOL dial-up connection.

Charles Curtis, Herbert Hoover's Vice President, was a Kaw Indian. As of today, he achieved the highest elected office of any Native American.

"Aposiopesis" is the official name of the rhetorical style in which you deliberately fail to complete a sentence. ("Why you...")

DAILY QUOTE

I can forgive, but I cannot forget, is only another way of saying, I will not forgive. Forgiveness ought to be like a cancelled note - torn in two, and burned up, so that it never can be shown against one.

- Henry Ward Beecher

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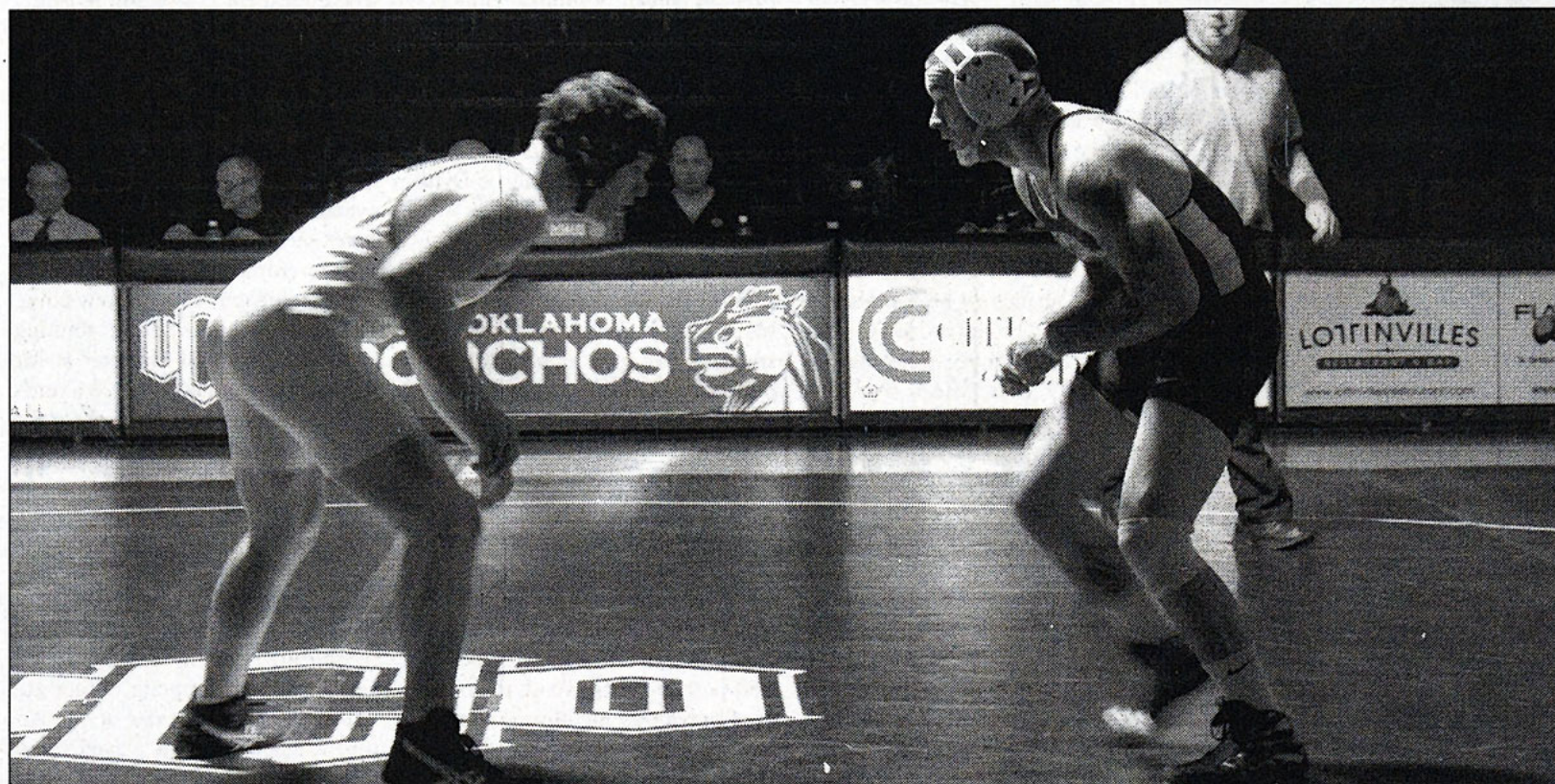
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Wrestling

MIAA Championship this Sunday



UCO Junior Znick Ferrell wrestles against Colorado State-Pueblo on Saturday, Feb. 1, 2013. Photo by Cody Johnson, The Vista

Cody Johnson

Contributing Writer

The University of Central Oklahoma will host the 2013 Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association Wrestling Championship Sunday in Hamilton Fieldhouse. Six teams, including UCO, will wrestle for the championship starting at 10 a.m.

The tournament will be comprised of wrestlers from the No. 3 ranked University of Central Oklahoma, No. 8 ranked Nebraska-Kearney, No. 17 ranked Fort Hays State, Central Missouri, Lin-

denwood, and Truman State. Each team will have one wrestler at each weight class. This is the first year UCO is wrestling in the MIAA conference.

"I'm glad and excited to host our first conference tournament" Coach David James said, "It's a positive."

The Bronchos have already been declared the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association Dual Champions and hope to take home the MIAA tournament title this weekend.

The MIAA championship is an individual style tournament, where each wrestler advances in his weight

class and wins points by advancing toward the overall tournament team score.

"One school might only have one or two good wrestlers but they are a good tournament team. Those guys can move to the finals and score a lot of tournament team points", Coach David James said. I really like this tournament being where it is in the season because it is a good simulation of regionals and nationals, which are a couple weeks away.

Two Broncho wrestlers are currently on winning streaks. 133-pounder Casey Rowell has 21 wins in a row and 149-pounder Jor-

dan Basks has 17 straight wins.

UCO also has five nationally ranked wrestlers going into the tournament, No. 3 ranked Casey Rowell (133lbs.), No. 1 ranked Jordan Basks (149lbs.), No. 3 ranked Cory Dauphin (157lbs.), No. 6 ranked Kelly Henderson (174lbs.), No. 8 ranked Cody Dauphin.

Nebraska-Kearney also has five nationally ranked wrestlers, while Fort Hays State has two nationally ranked wrestlers.

These wrestlers have met earlier in the season and are expected to face each other again this weekend.

At 125 pounds Ryan

Brooks, a sophomore for the Bronchos, defeated Jake Gentzler of Nebraska-Kearney in a 4-3 decision earlier this season.

At 141 pounds No. 5 ranked Charles Napier of Fort Hays defeated Trison Graham, a senior for the Bronchos in a 3-2 decision earlier this season

At 149 pounds No. 1 ranked Jordan Basks, a junior for the Bronchos, defeated the defending national champion from Nebraska-Kearney in a 6-3 decision earlier this season.

At 157 pounds No. 2 ranked Chase White of Nebraska-Kearney defeated No. 3 ranked Cory Dauphin, a junior for the Bronchos, in a 3-1 decision earlier this season.

At 174 pounds Travis Budke of Fort Hays defeated No. 6 ranked Kelly Henderson, a senior for the Bronchos in a 3-2 decision earlier in the season.

At 184 pounds Mark Fiala of Nebraska-Kearney defeated Tanner Keck, a senior for the Bronchos, in a 5-3 decision earlier this season.

At 197 pounds Matt Lenagh of Nebraska-Kearney defeated Znick Ferrell, a junior for the Bronchos, in a 3-2 decision earlier this season.

UCO has never been in a collegiate sports conference with enough schools that have wrestling to participate in conference championships, but that changed when UCO switched to the MIAA conference this year, Coach David James said. MIAA has 10 member schools in its conference, six of which have wrestling.

Sooners versus Bronchos in home and home series

Chris Brannick

Sports Editor

The UCO Hockey team is hosting the Oklahoma Sooners on Friday night in Edmond at the Arctic Edge Ice Arena, followed by a short trip to Oklahoma City for a second game on Saturday at the Blazers Ice Center.

"There isn't another team we would rather be playing," sophomore goalie Tory Caldwell said.

The Sooners (19-11-5) have won the previous two meetings by a combined score of 13 to three with OU shutting out the Bronchos in the second matchup 5-0. The Bronchos however are reeling this month after skating through the month of January with only one loss. Central went 10-1, including three forfeit victories and key wins over then number one ranked Arizona State and number 14 Iowa State, who defeated the Sooners the week prior.

When asked if the ISU's win over Oklahoma was relevant, Caldwell said no. "No, we are a confident group, it has been proven in this league that any team can win on a given night, if we show up and play our systems well, it will make for a couple of very entertaining games."

The Bronchos went 1-1 in Tempe, Ariz. earlier this month and last weekend defeated the Cyclones in a thrilling come from behind victory, 6-5.

As has been the theme all season for UCO, the freshman class has stepped up and became leaders of the team. Riley Spraggs has 12 goals scored this season including a hat-trick against Colorado State on Friday, Feb. 25. Rylan Duley, another freshman, is right behind Spraggs for the team lead with 11 goals scored. Jordan Bledsoe leads the team in total points with 24, most of which come from his team-leading 16 assists.

Caldwell has been the mainstay in

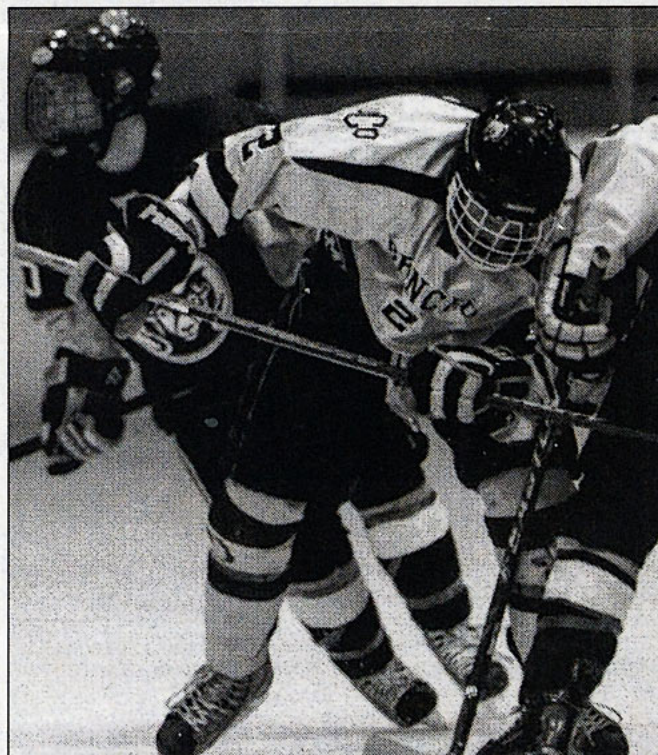
goal for Central all season and boasts a .91 save percentage to show for it.

Oklahoma is led by a freshman as well. Jordan Greenberg continues to show his talent with 31 points off of 20 assists. The Sooners are led in goals scored by a sophomore, Darrell Boldon, who has 16 this season in 35 games.

Colin Fernandez mans the net for the Sooners. The junior has a 2.48 goals allowed average and a .92 save percentage.

"We are very familiar with each other including close friendships, however that will all be forgotten when the puck drops on Friday. Hopefully we can have a big crowd and elevate this rivalry to a new level," Caldwell said.

The puck drops at 7:30 p.m. for Friday's game and on Saturday in Oklahoma City, face-off is at 4 p.m.



UCO freshman Corey Allen fights for the puck in a game against Colorado State on Friday, Jan. 25, 2013. Photo Provided

Opinion

Full Timeout: National Signing Day brings excitement



Chris Brannick

Sports Editor

Timeout. National Signing Day brought to the forefront thousands of fresh-faced soon to be freshman, who now, at least for today are celebrities. Top-shelf, cream of the crop, big man on campus football players.

One of the most exciting days in the life of a high school athlete could be the day he signs his name on a national letter of intent. Putting in ink, his decision on where he will spend the next few years or at least the next semester. You could consider this the high school version of LeBron James' "Decision."

Months and months of recruiting lead up to this day. UCO head coach Nick Bobeck guaranteed that after today there will be an empty office for a little while. From last season's recruiting to what little can be done during the most recent

season and to this offseason, football coaching staffs do not stop recruiting.

Alabama won the Division I National Championship earlier this year. Reports say they spent nearly one million dollars on recruiting. Central Oklahoma has not have spent one percent of that much but the work was the same.

"They [parents] are sending their most prized possession to college and they need to know who they are sending them to," Bobeck said. The now second-year head coach spoke about sitting in the living rooms of recruits and having to ensure those parents this was not just an okay place to let their kids come to school but the best place and the only place their kid belonged.

This year is the first time I really followed National Signing Day. I can remember when they came before but I never actually followed them with the interest that I did this year. I woke up at 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday and was already an hour behind what was happening. Twitter notifications, emails and text messages awaited me and I went from, just rolled out of bed-groggy to just drank three pots of coffee-excited.

Seeing all of these kids make the biggest decision of their early lives was fascinating. There were even negative tweets to the kids who chose one school over another. That isn't the fascinating

part to me, what's fascinating is the decision that is being made. A kid choosing where they are going to school in the fall has hundreds of different factors to consider, and because of sports, specifically football, these kids made those decisions.

It took me back to myself making a decision to come to UCO for some random reason. There will be a huge freshman class come August, 25 of those kids will be revealed to the true nature of college football.

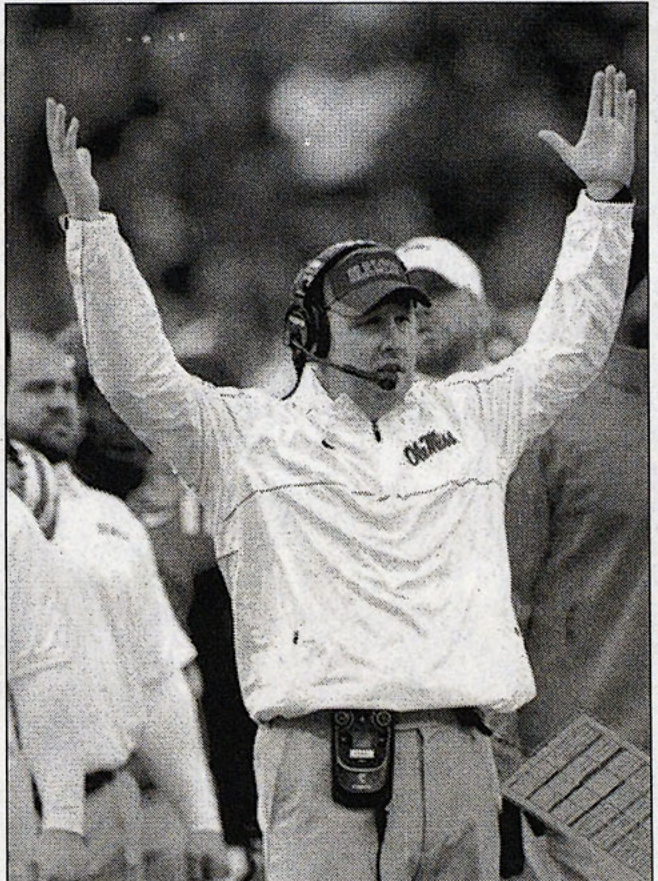
"Saturday's are the reward," Bobeck said. "There is no glitz and glamour in what goes on Monday through Friday."

Very soon this small group of kids are going to get the realization that life is hard, college is harder and well, football is football.

Follow Chris on Twitter for more on National Signing Day



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In this Jan. 5, 2013, file photo, Mississippi head coach Hugh Freeze signals touchdown following the second half of the BBVA Compass Bowl NCAA college football game at Legion Field in Birmingham, Ala. The second-year Mississippi coach is poised to haul in a mammoth recruiting class on Wednesday's National Signing Day. (AP Photo/Dave Martin, File)

Football

Bronchos ink 25 commits on Signing Day



UCO Football head coach Nick Bobeck holds up one finger as the clock winds down on his first victory at UCO. Photo by Aiki Dyer, The Vista

Whitt Carter
Sports Writer

After being named head coach at Central Oklahoma last January, Nick Bobeck showed that he could recruit in only a few weeks' time.

Now, with a full year and off-season under his belt, Bobeck and his staff have put together an impressive, young recruiting class that will solidify the Bronchos in the coming years.

"We signed a quality class," Bobeck said. "I've got a great staff that works with me. They don't work for me."

Bobek and his staff have signed 25 individuals who will join the team this summer for their first semester next fall. Many of the signees are local Oklahoma kids, something that Bobek made apparent from day one, not letting in-state talent get away.

"We're in the heart of Oklahoma. We are built on kids from the state

of Oklahoma," Bobeck said.

On the offensive side of the ball, the Bronchos welcome in state quarterbacks Chas Stallard from Cleveland and Brooks Robertson from Roland. Stallard, 6-foot-1, 195-pounds, threw for 2,079 yards and 23 touchdowns and only six picks in his senior season. Robertson was just as impressive, throwing for 2,446 yards and 35 touchdowns, with only four interceptions.

At the running back position, without a doubt UCO's best in this class, the Bronchos welcome two in-state prospects. Chavez Wyatt, from Douglas, comes to UCO after running for 1,200 yards and 10 touchdowns on only 125 carries in his senior season. Joining Wyatt will be Jake Gandara from Fort Gibson. Gandara ran for 2,234 yards and 30 touchdowns on only 243 carries. Both players averaged more than nine yards per carry.

At wide receiver, the Bronchos welcome several in-state guys, including Josh Crockett from Bristow, Braden Calip from Jenks, Zach Hill

from Blanchard and Colton Shearwood from Stigler. Hill is a big target, checking in at 6-foot-4, 205-pounds and was one of the top wideouts in Oklahoma last season.

On the offensive line, where the Bronchos return plenty of talent, Bobeck and his staff got two big-time commits from more in-state players. Sam Noble, from Oologah, turned down the chance to be a preferred walk-on at OU to attend UCO, and Brandon Waggoner, from Jenks, chose UCO over MIAA rival Pitt State. Both linemen were Oklahoma All-State selections.

Alongside Noble, UCO will see Leighton Light play offensive line in the near future. Light, a 6-foot-2, 285-pound center, was a three-year starter at Coppell High School in Coppell, Texas. The Bronchos also welcome in-state talent Hunter Chaifant from Hinton. Chaifant is a 6-foot-5, 280-pound tackle.

On defense, the Bronchos added depth at all positions, especially linebacker and defensive line, spots where UCO loses four to five starters to graduation from last season.

The Bronchos lose three starters on the defensive line, in particular inside, where they lose two of the most productive in program history. Bobeck and his staff filled the void, however, by signing several solid prospects.

One of the top prospects in the class is Dillon Rice of Muskogee. Rice was seeing Division I attention from several schools, including Tulsa, Kansas and TCU. Rice is listed at 6-foot-3, 285-pounds.

Alongside Rice will be Dominique Wyatt from Rowlett, Texas and B.J. Scott and Aaron Williams, both from Lawton. Wyatt is listed at 6-foot-3, 270-pounds and had 24 tackles last season.

UCO also got one more commitment to play defensive end next year in Lateze Clayton, a 6-foot-1, 220-pound prospect out of Waggoner.

At the linebacker spot, Edmond native Kooper Ruminer gave his commitment to the Bronchos in

mid-December. Ruminer, 6-foot-3, 225-pounds, racked up 150 tackles for Deer Creek last year. However, Ruminer could possibly play H-back for the Bronchos, which is similar to a fullback in Bobeck's system.

Alongside Ruminer will be Dylan Cantrell, another recruit from Waggoner. Cantrell is an outside linebacker, listed at 6-foot-4, 200-pounds.

UCO hit the defensive backfield harder than any other position, snagging five individuals (two from Oklahoma and three from Texas) to provide depth, as well as improve talent wise.

The Bronchos got commitments in the back end from Dedrien Nowden and Cade Shearwood, both from Oklahoma. Nowden, a native of Davis, is one of the faster recruits in this class and is a great cover guy. He is listed at 5-foot-10, 160-pounds. Shearwood, the brother of previously mentioned commitment Colton Shearwood, is listed at 6-foot-1, 190-pounds and will likely play safety.

The three Texas commits were all important grabs for UCO. The three defensive backs heading north are Dylan Ward from Flowermound, Clay McKenzie from Callisburg and Omari Cole from Coppell. Ward is a quick, cover corner that is listed at 5-foot-10, 170-pounds. McKenzie will likely join Shearwood at safety, as he is a big, rangy athlete at 6-foot, 190-pounds. Cole joins Leighton Light from Coppell, and is another cover corner, listed at 5-foot-10, 180-pounds.

"I'm really proud of the kids and that speaks to the kids and what type of kids we recruited," Bobeck said.

Also joining the class are five transfers, including three from Division-I schools. These five are already on campus and will go through spring workouts with the Bronchos.

"The thing we're most excited about is two of them have three years to play and three of them have four years to play," Bobeck said.

Donovan Roberts, a native of Norman, comes to UCO from Arkansas,

where he spent last season redshirting during his first semester. Roberts, who is listed at 6-foot, 210-pounds, rushed for over 3,600 yards and 55 touchdowns in his final two years at Norman. Roberts was a top recruit in the state as a senior, ranked #6 overall by Rivals.com and was the state's second-ranked running back.

Also returning to his home state is Southmoore graduate Andrew Long. The 5-foot-9, 185-pound running back spent his first semester at Air Force, after running for 1,084 yards and 11 touchdowns as a senior for the Sabercats. In 2011, Long ran the 40-yard dash in 4.40 seconds.

The third D-I newcomer to the UCO program will be Pittsburg transfer and linebacker Jason Frimpong. The Irving, Texas native spent last fall away from football after redshirting during his freshman year in 2011. Frimpong, 5-foot-10, 218-pounds, was a star at MacArthur High, where he played quarterback, running back and wide receiver.

Another Oklahoma native will return to the metro area along with Long and Roberts, as former Heritage Hall defensive tackle Markus Wakefield will don the bronze and blue this fall, after spending his first semester at Howard. Wakefield, 6-foot-1, 285-pounds, was rated as a two-star recruit by Rivals.com and also had offers from Colorado State and Louisiana Tech.

The final transfer in the 2013 class is defensive end Adrian Mack, who comes to UCO from Hutchison (Kan.) Community College. Mack is a 6-foot-4, 250-pound sophomore who redshirted last season after finishing his freshman campaign with 24 tackles, four of which were for a loss.

It's a very promising class for the Bronchos, as some will likely redshirt and some may have a chance to play right away. Regardless, this class sets UCO up ideally for the near future, as the Bronchos try to return to national prominence and local dominance.



Coppell High School (TX.) offensive lineman Leighton Light smiles after signing his National Letter of Intent on Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2013. Photo provided



Carl Albert High School senior Kyle Walker poses with his family after signing his National Letter of Intent on Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2013. Photo provided

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