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H&8th Night Market takes place monthly on Hudson and 8th every last Friday. There are a variety of food trucks, as well as local vendors. Photo by Lauren Capraro, The Vista.

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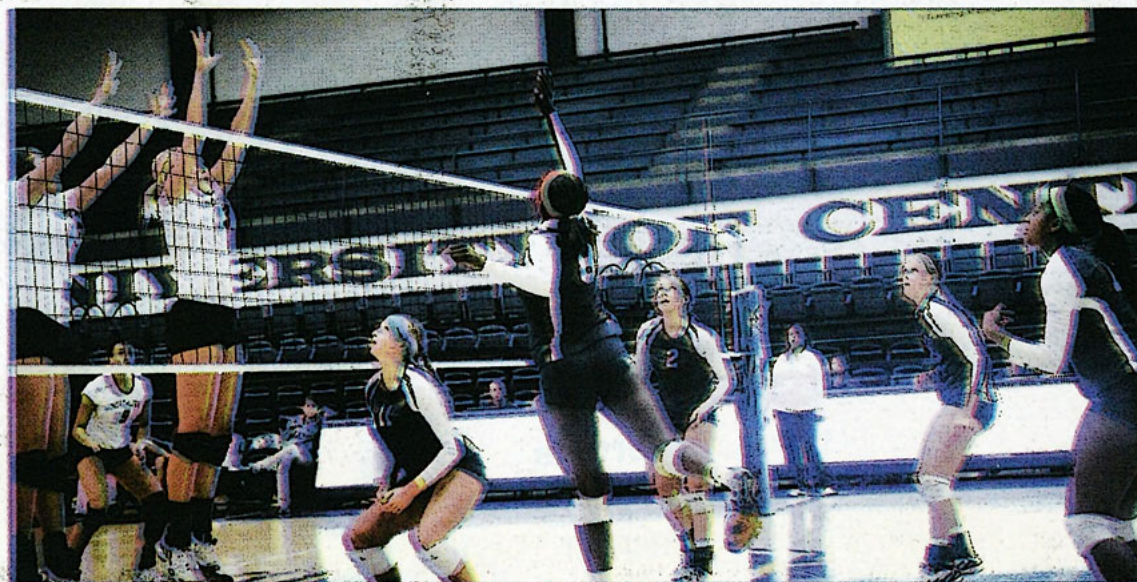
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Junior Tommy Cooper is judged by the Harry Potter sorting hat in front of the Communications Building on Sept. 29. Photo by Ryan Naeve, The Vista.



UCO strengthens the community through volunteering

Emily Smith - Contributing Writer

UCO Volunteer Services is taking the month of October to raise awareness and do more to service those less fortunate in our community.

Poverty Awareness Month will span the whole of October with several events that students can get involved in to learn more about the plight of those in our community who go without things most of us take for granted.

"It is a great opportunity for students to get involved, not only to get involved, but to try out service if you haven't before and to keep going with it if you're really into it," said Eric Hemphill, coordinator for the Volunteer and Service Learning Center.

During the first event, students can get involved with a hunger simulation and the SNAP (The Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program) Challenge. The SNAP Challenge is a voluntary simulation, in which participants eat only food they can buy with food stamps, with is equal to about \$4 a day, for a week.

They must budget how much they spend at the store and plan out their meals accordingly; they then blog, Tweet or Facebook about the experience. The simulation is used to make participants aware of how stressful living with

the worry of where or when your next meal might be.

The big event for the month starts on Oct. 4, when UCO volunteers will team up with Turning Pointe Ministries of Edmond, a program that builds houses for people who cannot afford to buy one on their own. At the intersection of Broadway and Edwards, the organizations will be working together to build two new houses for families in need.

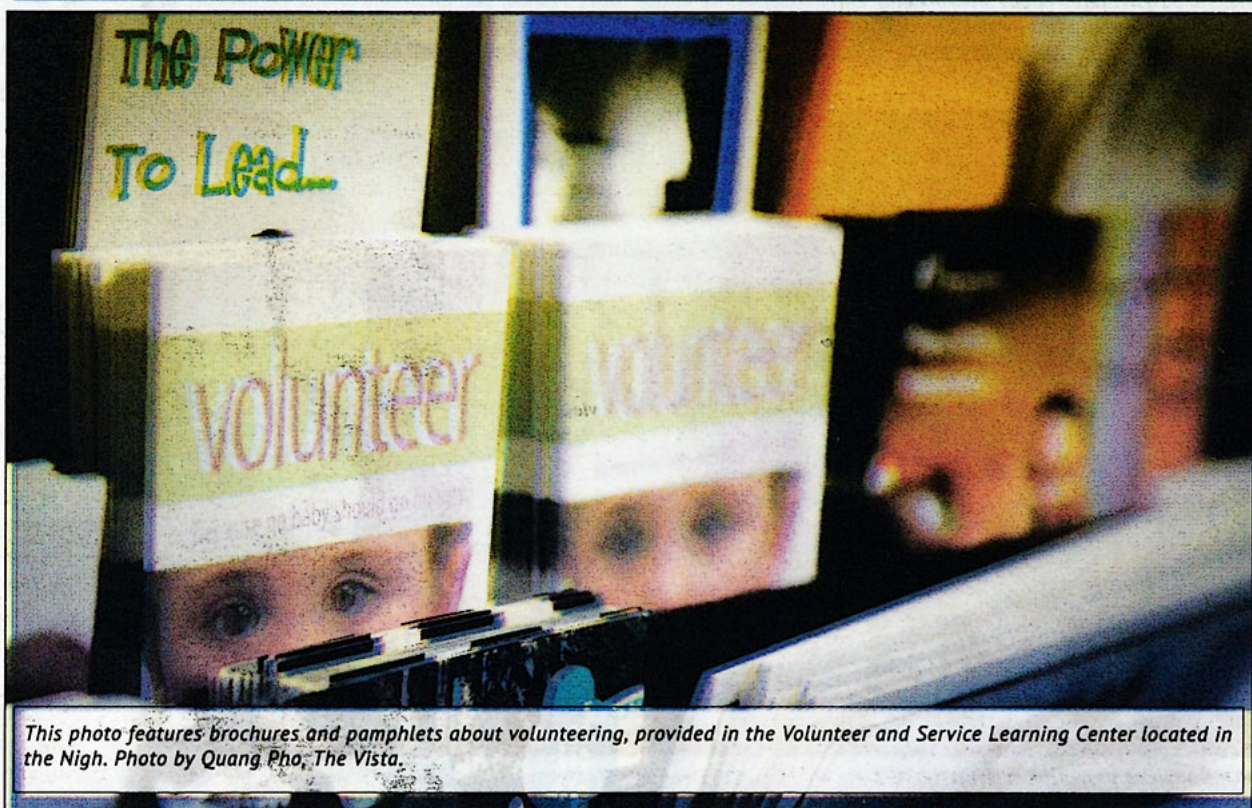
UCO is looking for 60 volunteers to work on the project by painting, clearing debris, putting up walls and anything else that Turning Pointe will need help with. This will be a two-week project, with students needed on Oct. 6-10 and Oct. 13-15 from 1-5 p.m.

For those who think they cannot get involved because of homecoming, UCO has started a friendly competition with Northeastern State University (NESU) to see who can raise the most canned goods and non-perishable food items for their campus food pantries. This will take place the week before UCO plays the NESU River Hawks for our Homecoming football game on Nov. 1.

For more information or to sign up to volunteer, call Volunteer Services at (405) 972-2622 or visit www.uco.edu/volunteering.

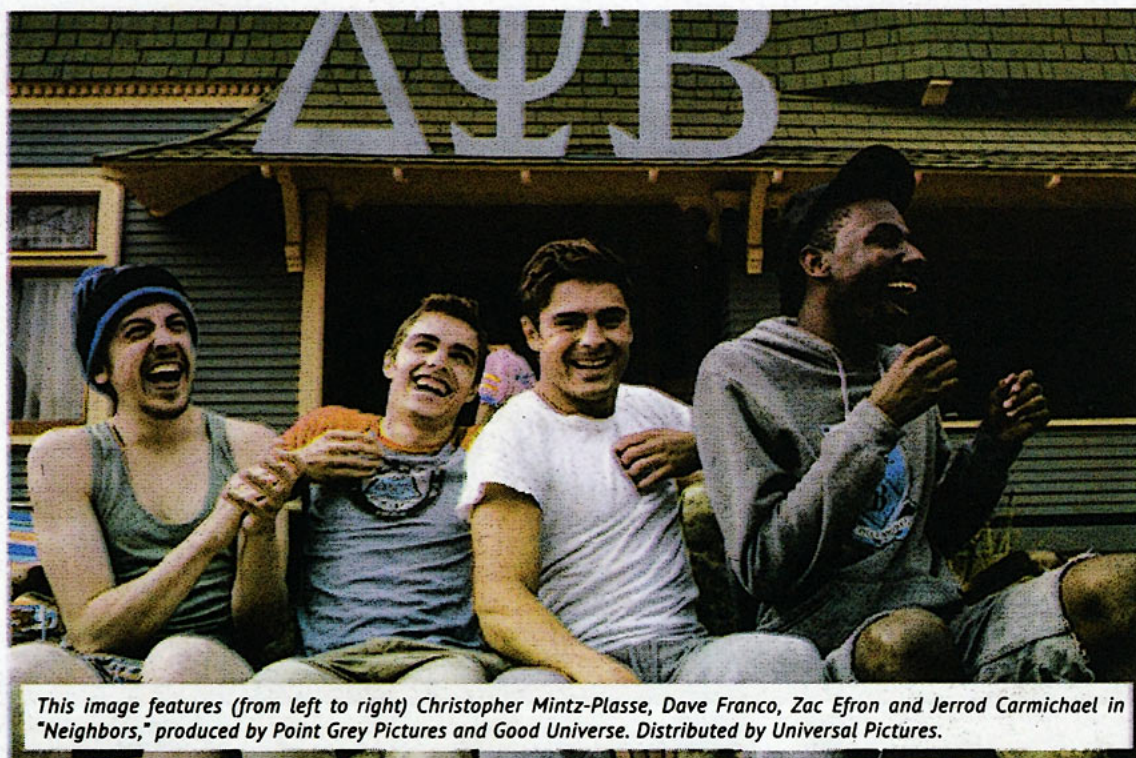


This photo features Stephanie Gutierrez and Kenedie McAdams working in the Volunteer and Service Learning Center on Sept. 29. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.



This photo features brochures and pamphlets about volunteering, provided in the Volunteer and Service Learning Center located in the Nigh. Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.

University Stereotypes: Mythbusting Greek Life



This image features (from left to right) Christopher Mintz-Plasse, Dave Franco, Zac Efron and Jerrod Carmichael in "Neighbors," produced by Point Grey Pictures and Good Universe. Distributed by Universal Pictures.



This pictures shows (from left to right) Kiely Williams, Kat Dennings, Katharine McPhee, Emma Stone and Rumer Willis in "The House Bunny," produced by Relativity Media, Happy Madison Productions and Alta Loma Entertainment. Distributed by Columbia Pictures.



Danielle York

Contributing Writer

Over the years, the reputation of sororities and fraternities has been questioned by negative stereotypes, and members of the Greek community at the University of Central Oklahoma are fighting against these stereotypes.

"Most people, before even introducing themselves, seem to have a pre-conceived notion that they know who you are and how you act because you're in a fraternity," said Jason Mathis, Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity president. "Stereotypes from movies seem to have more of an impact on the public opinion of Greek life than it should."

Movies like "The House Bunny," "The Neighbors" and "Animal House" add to the negative stereotype by portraying Greek life as a social group that revolves around parties and social status. A common assumption is that sororities and fraternities enforce hazing among incoming freshman and potential members. Both Oklahoma State University and Northeastern State University have suspended a Greek organization this year due to hazing. UCO has a zero hazing policy that will result in suspension or termination of an organization.

"People think we are hazed or participate in hazing rituals, but as young men striving to be gentlemen, we discourage such acts and hold each other to a higher standard," said Cameron Stamps, Pi Kappa Alpha 2014 Pledge Class president.

To be a member of a Greek organization at UCO, members must pay monthly dues and other fees that benefit the organization. This is where the stereotype

"paying for your friends" is formed. The idea behind it is that members are spending hundreds of dollars a year in order to not only make friends, but to keep them as well.

"In no way do I pay for my friends," Mathis said. "I pay dues throughout the semester to fund all the activities and philanthropy events that we put on. What we put into the fraternity through dues is directly given back to us through experiences."

As hazing scandals make headlines, philanthropic events tend to fall in the shadows. Throughout the year, Greek organizations host philanthropic events and fundraisers that benefit a charity or organization of their choice. Members are also involved in community and school events such as Winter-Glow, Big Event and other smaller events throughout the year.

"Greek life is so much more than the stereotype," said Audrey Biggs, Alpha Gamma Delta president. "Many of our core values revolve around community service, philanthropy, and scholarship. We pride ourselves on our sisterhood and our ability to help the community."

Although the stereotypes still exist, Greek life at UCO is so much more to its members than that. To them it is about making connections with others, bettering themselves and their community.

"I encourage people to go Greek because you become close with and impact people you wouldn't have expected," Stamps said. "The amount of time and effort you put in to the organization, you get so much more back."

Foster the People comes to OKC Airpark



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On Oct. 2, Foster the People will be performing at the Oklahoma City Downtown Airpark along with "Fitz & The Tantrums."

Foster the People is an American indie pop band formed in Los Angeles in 2009. The group composed by four musicians is described as melodic dance-infused pop and rock and spans many genres.

"I'm really excited that they will stop

in Oklahoma City, because a lot of bands, honestly, don't come to Oklahoma. We have to travel to neighboring states if we really love the band. Just the fact that they are coming to Oklahoma City means a lot," said Sammy Butler, a music business major at ACM@UCO.

After spending several years in Los Angeles struggling to make a living out of commercial jingles and songs, the band produced their first single and soon became a viral success.

The song "Pumped Up Kicks" gave the band a record deal with Startime International and a fan base. It reached number one on Billboard's Alternative Songs

chart, number three on the RockSongs chart, and number three on the Billboard Hot 100.

In March of this year, the band released their second album, "Supermodel," and their songs soon became a hit. Their album can be found on iTunes or Amazon.

"You know, music is such a huge part of our daily life, no matter if you are a student or a middle-aged adult. We use music all throughout the day," Butler said. "It's important because it brings joy to our lives. It also brings a sense of community, and I think that sometimes we can just get disconnected from one another. And so, having that sense of community, and

being able to share the music that we love is really important for students."

The band, Foster the People, will donate two graphic-signed posters to students at UCO, with the same artwork from their album cover.

Gates for the event will open at 5:30p.m and the concert will start at 7:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased online at their official band page www.fosterthepeople.com.

For more information about the band visit <http://www.facebook.com/fosterthepeople> or <http://www.twitter.com/fosterthepeople>.



Photo provided.

Additional ID requirement coming to Oklahoma next year



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Starting in 2015, a federal law, called the REAL ID Act, will make it harder for some Oklahomans to get through security.

Congress passed the act in 2005, in an effort to make entrance into federal buildings and airports more secure.

In 2007, however, the Oklahoma legislature passed a bill that denied certain compliance with the act. The reasons are probably related to a perception of federal government overreach and concerns over privacy of personal data, Captain George Brown of the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety (DPS) said.

Because of this, a passport or another form of identification will be required in addition to an Oklahoma driver's license to go inside a state or national building. In 2016, the mandate will extend to airports.

"The deficiencies are not limited to the actual license itself. As far as the license, it may very well already contain all of the security features and requirements found in the act, but the manner in which licenses are issued, methods of verification of personal information, etcetera are areas where Oklahoma may not be compliant with the act," Brown said. "Therefore, these deficiencies would render the actual license itself insufficient pursuant to the act."

Oklahoma was given time to comply with the act, which is why it is just now going into effect, Brown said.

"States did not have to comply at first, but those that didn't would not receive federal funds, and states were warned that licenses and identification issued by noncompliant states would eventually not be accepted by federal agencies," he said. "The deadline for compliance is no longer being extended, so persons with a license or ID issued by a noncompliant state, such as Oklahoma, will no longer be permitted to fly or enter certain federal facilities, without an ID that complies with the REAL ID Act."

Brown and the DPS take the act as a way for the federal government to buckle down on security following the events of 9/11.

If the Oklahoma government continues to not comply in the future, it is possible that Oklahomans will need additional forms of identification to enter more than just federal buildings and airports.

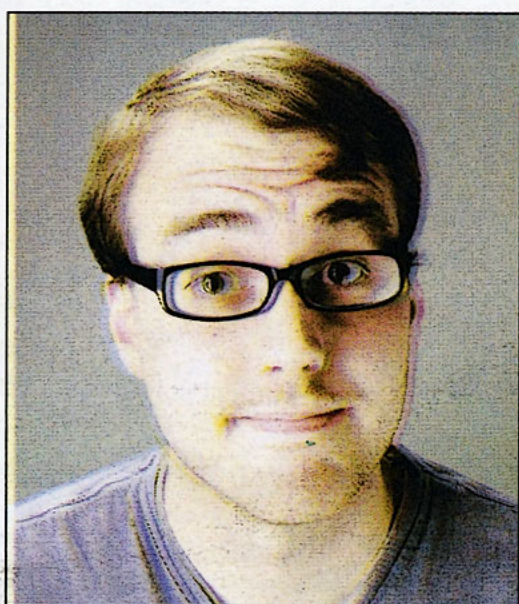
*This photo features the Edmond DPS building located on 28th East Main Street.
Photo by Quang Pho, The Vista.*



A MULTITUDE OF DROPS

By Tyler Talley

TALLEY



MARKS

I view other people's successes, and I wonder if I can ever achieve the happiness they seem to exude from their achievements. I could simply suffer from "the grass is always greener" syndrome.

With the introduction of social media, the pressure has gone even further. You have to matter. You have to go places, see new things, and meet new people. Not only that, but you have to make the best connections, get the best paying job and experience the world. Life has almost become a contest. As if you don't have a life unless you have the Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram to prove it.

I've discussed my struggles with suicidal thoughts before, and my insecurities on this matter relate back to them.

The simple fact is this though: I do matter, and you matter. We all matter. Out of the billions of people that have walked on this planet, there has never been someone that was unimportant. As small as we feel in the grand scheme of things, we are adding to the great tapestry of life in some form.

No man or woman can see the path led before him. Will you ever be completely comfortable with your place in the world? Who is to say? Is anyone ever really comfortable with themselves? Life is always going to be a struggle. The important thing is that I keep going. That I do not surrender to thoughts of ineptitude or pointlessness.

I may not believe in a literal afterlife, where I reunite with loved ones, but I do believe there is a definite form of life after death. People remain immortal through the actions they chose in their short stay on this planet. We even define people by the actions they took long after they have left their mortal coil. I am here to tell you that there is no such thing as "no strings attached." Every-

thing you do with another person is like wrapping a string around them. Sometimes these strings are barely connected at all, and others, they might be unbreakable knots.

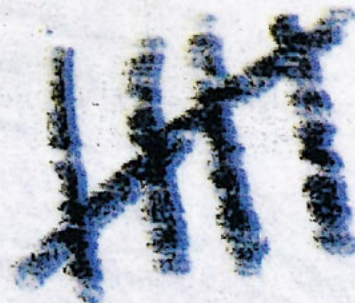
There really is no better visual metaphor for life than a tapestry. Each thread represents a person, and each thread is needed to complete the rest of the work. By simply sharing this story with you, I have made a connection with you, dear reader. Our paths have crossed, never to be untied.

I am not religious. I do, however, believe in miracles. The tiny moments that connect us as beings together, the events that led to us as individuals; these are true miracles. Against all odds of probability, and failure, we are here. If life has taught me anything, it is that my ideas, words, actions, and even the time in which I was born can affect other people on even a subliminal level. We may not see it, and the world may not see it, but this happens all the time.

This is what shapes our lives and humanity as a whole.

To deny the world the experience of a person is regrettable, because for all we know, that person could have shaped our lives in a new and positive way. The possibilities of life are limitless. This is what I draw on to keep moving forward, when the darkness begins to become almost unbearable. I will not go until I am forced, and when I do, those around me can take comfort in the fact that I was here, and whether it was big or small, I made a difference.

As David Mitchell wrote in his 2004 novel, "Cloud Atlas," "My life amounts to no more than one drop in a limitless ocean. Yet what is any ocean, but a multitude of drops?"



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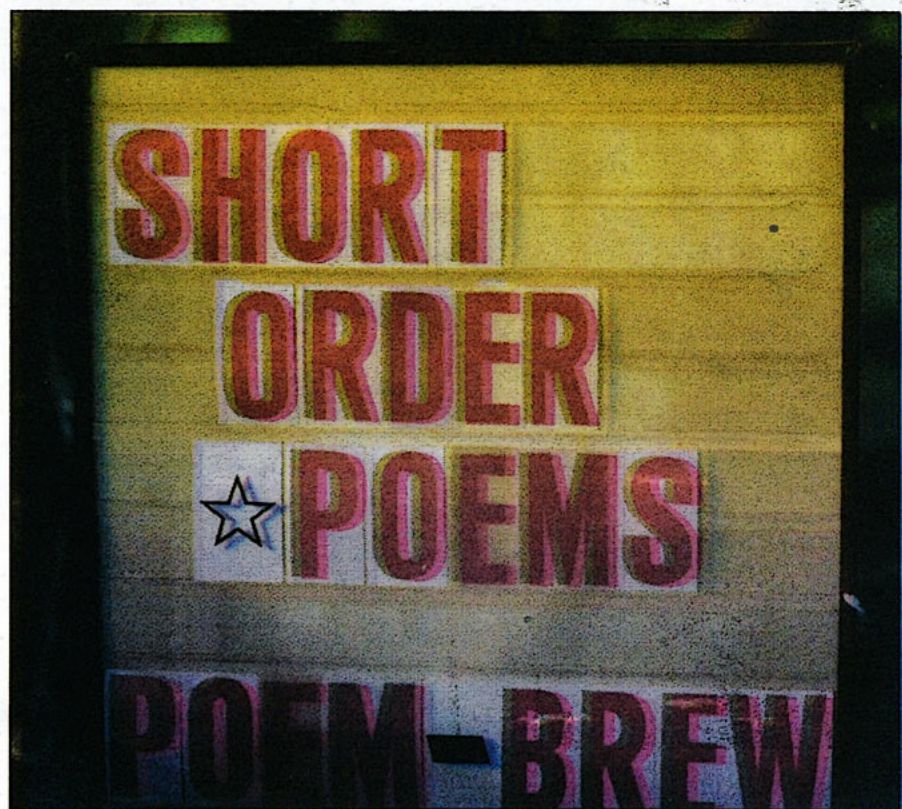
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H&8th Night Market brings OKC together



Above: H&8th attendees wait for their food outside of the El Reno Original Onion Fried Burgers truck, one of 50 food truck vendors that participated in the event. Below: The short-order poem table offers customers a chance to buy custom-made poems, which poets at the table write in front of customers on typewriters. Photos by Lauren Capraro, The Vista.



On the last Friday of each month, Midtown Oklahoma City hosts one of the most extensive food truck gatherings in the nation. H&8th Night Market is a food truck festival that boasts over 50 different food trucks, live music, and locally-crafted goods.

"H&8th is a blast. I love getting to listen to the live music and hang out with friends. There are such unique people here," said Madi Hardin, a resident of Norman. "Hall's Pizza Kitchen is definitely my favorite truck."

Even though the name references Hudson Avenue and NW 8th street, the market has expanded to include all blocks of Hudson Avenue from NW 6th to NW 10th. The monthly event has been so successful, that people come from out of state to sample all of the different cuisines.

"It's definitely an experience. I love getting to taste what all the food trucks have to offer. I'm from Los Angeles, and I have to say that H&8th is amazing," Walter Marshall said.

Some of the unique cuisine includes wood-fired pizza, chicken and waffles, homemade ice cream, gourmet ramen and tacos.

Allie, employee of Pagoda Pizza said the festival is great for their business, "Coming to the festival is really fun. We've had our truck at every H&8th since the beginning of the summer. It really gives us an extra kick at the end of the month."

Ate before you came? There are many other options to keep you entertained, including a short-order poem table. Customers can watch poets ticker away on typewriters to produce custom-made poems about any subject.

Local clothing vendors also set up shop in the heart of the market. Shanna Paddock, owner of Shanna Banana Clothing, loves the atmosphere of the night market.

"I get to make money sitting outside listening to great live music and eating awesome food. I get to sell to customers that I would never see if it wasn't for H&8th," Paddock said.

The family-friendly and pet-friendly event will continue in October, and start again next spring.

To find out more information and schedules, visit their website, H8thokc.com, or find them on twitter @h_n_8th

Photo by Lauren Capraro, The Vista.





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Top: H&8th Night Market shirts and merchandise are available for customers to purchase during the festival. Middle: Attendees of H&8th play chess during the night, while also enjoying food and beer. Bottom: Over 50 vendors, including Pagoda Pizza, offer food and drinks to attendees of the H&8th Night Market on Friday, Sept. 26, 2014 in Midtown Oklahoma City. Photos by Lauren Capraro, The Vista.



Above: Customers line up in front of Lalo's I Love My Taco Chop & Grill at H&8th Night Market in Midtown Oklahoma City on Friday, Sept. 26, 2014. Below: The Mob Grill food truck is one of many themed trucks that participated in the night market, which boasts the largest food truck gathering in the country. Photos by Lauren Capraro, The Vista.



HOROSCOPES

October 2014 — Week 1



CAPRICORN
December 22–
January 19

Come on, Capricorn. The obstacles are not as insurmountable as you think. Dig deep, and you will succeed. Changes are brewing at work. Don't fight them.



ARIES
March 21–
April 19

Emotions run high at an event. Don't bother playing peacemaker, Aries. Some things are meant to be. A last-moment trip uncovers quite the find.



CANCER
June 22–
July 22

Watch it, Cancer. You're playing with fire. A superior sends out a memo. Read between the lines. There is much more to the situation than stated.



LIBRA
September 23–
October 22

Press on, Libra. Your team is counting on you, and remember, no matter how bad it gets, it could always be worse. Persevere, and you will be rewarded.



AQUARIUS
January 20–
February 18

Doing more than your fair share of the work, Aquarius? Perhaps it's time you got help outside of the family. Just make sure you split the costs.



TAURUS
April 20–
May 20

Time to yourself is rare these days, Taurus. Steal moments where you can. A loved one makes an unusual request. Honor it only if you can.



LEO
July 23–
August 22

Fess up, Leo. You were in on it the whole time and you know it. A special event goes off without a hitch. It may be time for a little getaway.



SCORPIO
October 23–
November 21

One man's trash is another's treasure. Remember that as you begin to sort through the clutter, Scorpio. Donate or sell whatever you can.



PISCES
February 19–
March 20

Lunacy surrounds you this week, Pisces. Don't let it drive you batty. Find something lucrative to focus on. A service is expanded. Enjoy the perks.



GEMINI
May 21–
June 21

Memories of another time and place haunt you. Relax, Gemini. It is not an omen, just a chance for you to revisit some fun. A secret is revealed.



VIRGO
August 23–
September 22

Are you in or out, Virgo? This is not the time to be wishy-washy. Revenue increases, and a promotion may be in order. Someone needs a favor.



SAGITTARIUS
November 22–
December 21

Sagittarians don't always get their way. Learn to compromise, or prepare to face the consequences. A message is received loud and clear at home.

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VISTA SPORTS



UCO GAMES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY:

- Women's Golf at MIAA Fall Preview (Hays Country Club in Hays, Kansas)

WEDNESDAY:

- No Events Scheduled

THURSDAY:

- No Events Scheduled

UCO TENNIS NAMES NEW HEAD COACH

The UCO Tennis team has officially ended its search for a new head coach. Cari Groce, who has experience at three different Division-I programs, as well as a long-time connection with the state of Oklahoma, makes her a perfect fit for a program that she describes as "contenders for championships." VistaSports writer Austin Littrell talks one-on-one with the new coach about her expectations and vision for the program.

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UCO HOCKEY NEEDS OVERTIME TO WIN IN LINDENWOOD

The UCO hockey team's Missouri road trip became very interesting over the weekend with the team needing a sudden-death overtime goal on Saturday, and grinding out a gritty one-goal win on Sunday. VistaSports writer Austin Littrell takes us inside the hockey team's performance and how they are preparing for their 10-game home stand that starts this weekend.

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Sports Writer

UCO tennis team introduces new head coach



The University of Central Oklahoma has found their new tennis coach. It was announced on Thursday that the athletic department has hired long-time coach Cari Groce to take over the program.

Groce will be replacing Natalya Nikitina-Helvey, who left to take a job at Cameron University. Nikitina-Helvey helped build a respectable program in her eight years at UCO. During her tenure, she went 109-67 with five national tournament appearances. The team finished with a 15-9 record last season.

Groce comes into the program with years of playing and coaching experience. Groce, an Oklahoma native, was an All-American at the University of Nebraska in the 1980s. After a brief professional stint in Europe, she began her coaching career as an assistant at Oklahoma State University.

Groce has spent 19 seasons as a college head coach at three different Division I schools, while racking up over 300 wins in her coaching career. She got her first head-coaching job in 1990 at the University of Tulsa, where she spent one season.

Groce spent her next two college stints rebuilding major programs. After Tulsa, she moved on to Washington State where she spent 12 seasons. She took a struggling program to four national tournament appearances.

Her next position was in Lubbock, Texas,

where she spent five seasons coaching Texas Tech. She led the Red Raiders to a .500 record in four of her five seasons in Lubbock. In 2009, she left Texas Tech for California State University of Los Angeles, where she spent one season.

She comes to UCO after coaching at Stillwater High School. She said her relationship with athletic director Joe Muller was a key factor in her taking the position.

"His vision for the tennis program is exciting. UCO has become one of the most beautiful campuses in the state and the academics are amazing. Along with the city vibe, I jumped at the opportunity," Groce said.

Groce is not only bringing experience to the program, but the program is bringing plenty of experience as well. Four players from last season's team are returning for the 2014-15 season, including two all-conference honorable mention selections. Alina Gorina finished last season with a 19-3 record, and Emile Semo finished 8-2 in singles. Unsurprisingly, Coach Groce has high expectations for her first season.

"The current players along with the combination of everything UCO offers makes us contenders for championships, which was huge in my decision," Groce said.

UCO hockey wins gritty two-game road trip

Story by Austin Littrell

The University of Central Oklahoma swept a two-game series with the Lindenwood Lions this past weekend. The Broncos moved to 4-0 on the young season and sent the Lions to a 0-4 record.

Both games were extremely close, but the first game was an overtime thriller. UCO came out on top 6-5 over the Lions in an offensive explosion. UCO won another close games in the second matchup.

Lindenwood got off to a quick start in an intense first period with 32 combined shots on goal. Former UCO Broncho player Riley Spraggs got the scoring started with a goal just a minute and a half into the game. Michael Lozano scored a few minutes later to put the Lions up 2-0 to begin the game. Left Wing Gaven Hohl finally got the Broncos on the board to cut into the Lions' lead.

UCO was able to take control in the second period. The Broncos outscored the Lions two goals to zero. Sophomore forward Sam Rice tied the game with his goal, just 24 seconds into the period. Trevor Yee, along with an assist from Nolan Grauer, put UCO in the lead going into the final period.

The third period would prove to be an exciting one with five combined goals between the teams. Lindenwood would score three unanswered goals to take a two goal lead over the Broncos. UCO would find a way to answer with two unanswered goals of their own. Gaven Hohl would find the back of the net for the second time in the game, and Brandon Harley would tie the game at five with an unassisted goal.

Overtime would last only 17 seconds before the game was over. Center Brandon Formosa would

score the game winning goal; he was assisted by Gaven Hohl and Chad Roorda.

The Broncos continued their winning ways on Sunday defeating Lindenwood 3-2. There would prove to be a little more defense in this one.

Rice put UCO up early with his third goal of the season. Ryan Duley chipped in, putting UCO up two early in the game. Jeremy Edwards scored the first goal for the Lions.

Harley second period would give UCO some much needed insurance. Lindenwood would cut the UCO lead to one in the second period but would get no closer. Both teams were shut out in the third period.

For the undefeated Broncos, they return home for a month-long homestand. They begin with a two-game series against Missouri State this Friday and Saturday.



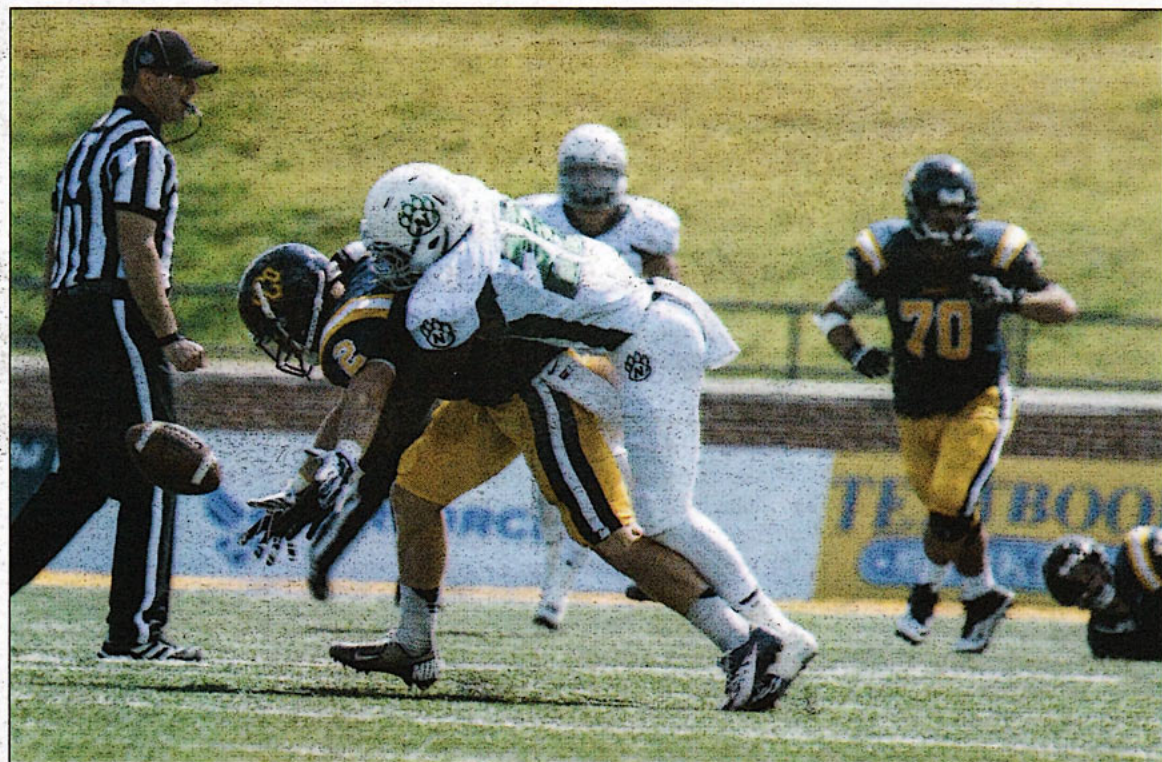
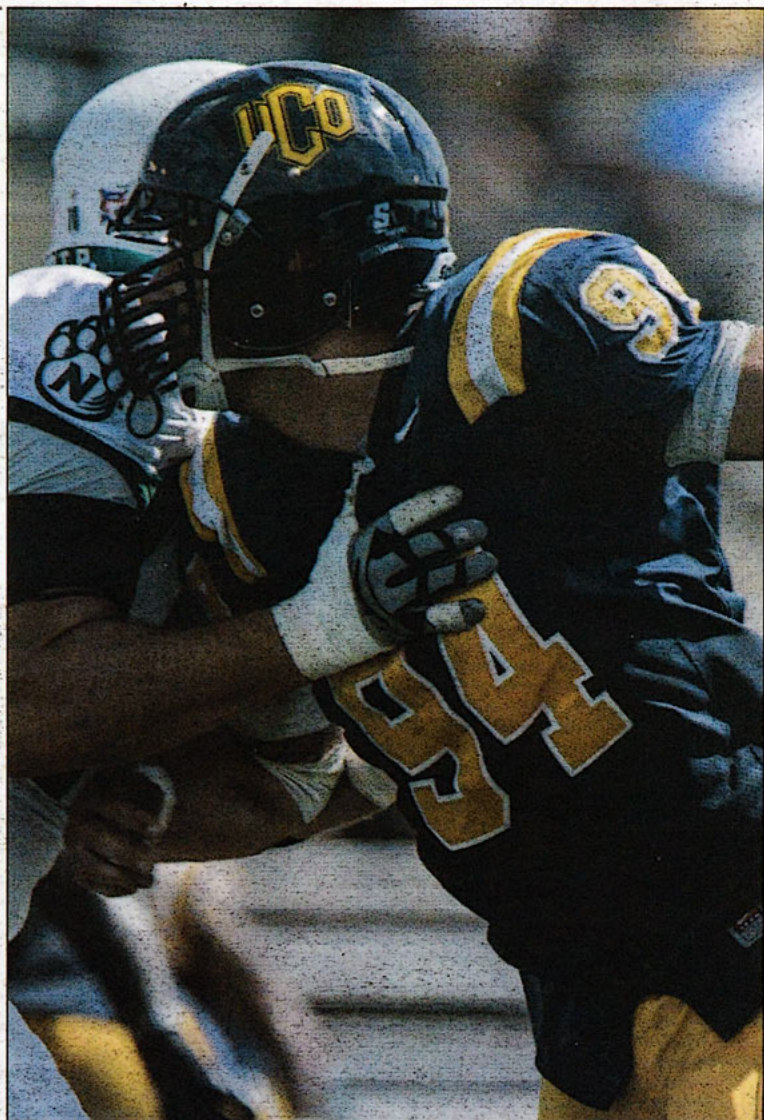
UCO Center Nolan Grauer takes the puck and looks up the ice at the Texas A&M defense. Photo by Ryan Naeve, The Vista.



In this archived photo from the 2012 season a UCo hockey player battles for the puck with the opponent. UCO Hockey is undefeated so far this season entering a ten-game home stand that lasts until the end of October. Photo from The Vista Archives.



Right: The UCO hockey team celebrates after scoring a goal in the second period of this game against Texas A&M. UCO won this game by a score of 17-0. Photo by Ryan Naeve, The Vista.



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