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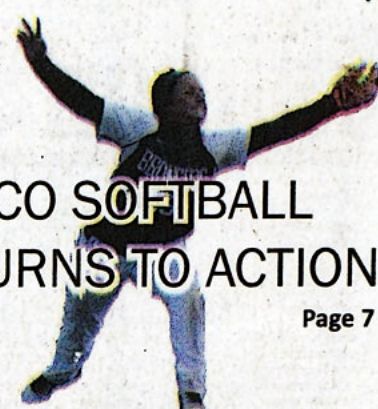
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NO PARTICULAR PLACE TO GO

A WANDERER'S GUIDE TO TRAVELING THE PLAINS OF THE SOONER STATE

• JOSH HUTTON, Editor-in-Chief •

Whether a simple lack of plans or a tight budget is keeping you in Oklahoma this Spring Break, The Vista offers a few tips and locations to combat cabin fever.

THE ATLAS

Four unusual locations to consider for your road trip.

GOAT ISLAND, Tenkiller Lake

One of many islands located within Tenkiller Lake, the six-acre Goat Island is home to a family of unexplained goats. Goat Island is not the only tourist attraction, however, the lake also offers divers the opportunity to see the underwater remnants of the original town of Tenkiller before the dam was built, and the area subsequently flooded by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1952.

THE CHAT PILES, Picher

Called the "most toxic place in America" by the Environmental Protection Agency, Picher, Okla. may have the smallest population in the state. Once the chat piles, piles of mine waste, turned a local creek red, it became the apparent that the area was contaminated with lead. The federal government began a buyout program, relocating the town's residents. Six people remain in Picher. Only one business still operates, the Old Miner's Pharmacy.

BOMBING SITE, Boise City

Boise City, Okla. was the only continental U.S. city bombed during WWII. During a training mission on July 5, 1943, a bomber based out of the Dalhart Army Air Field in Texas mistook Boise City for Conlen, Texas. A rooking navigator missed the targeted site by 30 miles. Since the flight was a training run, the bombs were primarily filled with sand. Some areas hit in Boise City have been preserved to honor veterans of WWII.

ABANDONED CIRCUS, Edmond

If you'll be sticking around Edmond over the break, take an adventure to find the abandoned Gandini's Circus. Located just off Kelly between Danforth and 2nd St., the site is littered with trailers where the performers were housed and animal cages. Many of the trailers have been burnt from the inside, leaving many to speculate the area is haunted.

THE KNAPSACK



Five apps to take with you on the journey.

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TRIPOMATIC

After typing in a destination and the length of stay, this app suggests attractions and things to do on a map, simplifying the planning process.

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Editorial

Scouting for a desegregated future

2001 was a confusing year for me. Two major events happened that I could recall with crystal clarity. First off, I signed up and attended my first Cub Scouts meeting with the full intention of becoming a hardened survivalist and nature expert, only to be greeted by a female troop leader and our first Cub Scout expedition, macaroni art.

The second event was a late night sleepover where Matt Stone and Trey Parkers newest episode of South Park, a raunchy cartoon exploding with social commentary that I was not allowed to watch, criticized the Boy Scouts of America's intolerance for not allowing homosexuals into their organization.

I cherish these memories. Growing up in a small town with very few "open minds." I can honestly say that 2001 was the start of something that would shape my life for years to come.

It only took about three Cub Scout meetings before I decided that the odds of us attacking bigfoot with a machete or even roasting hot-dogs over a camp fire were slim to none.

My father asked why I wanted to quit the Cub Scouts and in my youthful ignorance I replied with "No woman can teach me how to be a wilderness man."

He laughed and then took the "your about to learn something" tone of voice. My father explained that the woman was the only person who volunteered to lead the troop and that she was doing a great job. He told me that women were just as equal as men and that the Scouts were a place for not just young men to learn but anyone.

I sheepishly admitted that I had watched South Park and then inquired that if the scouts were for everyone why weren't homosexuals allowed to join? And why were current members found out to be homosexuals getting kicked out? This was one of the few times in my life my father had no answer.

He didn't have to be the one to teach me a lesson though. Television had already done that; inequality in any form is oppression.

12 years later as I'm Face-booking and surfing the Flip-board applica-

tion on my smartphone. I stumble across a news story talking once again about the Boy Scouts of America and how they are still trying to decide whether or not to allow homosexuals into their ranks. Granted, they are a private organization and their exclusion is permissible and even protected by the Constitution. Still, their newest survey asking existing scout members and parents how they feel about allowing homosexual scouts to sleep in the same tent as heterosexual scouts, and the admittance of homosexual scouts period, appalls me.

The fact that the Boy Scouts of America can't look past a religious belief to realize that all people deserve the pursuit of happiness is upsetting. Force homosexual scouts to sleep in different tents and then maybe get them their own water fountains. Because lets face it, the private organization is really just denying civil rights. Segregation is not a healthy replacement for exclusion.

BROOKS NICKELL
Staff Writer



Cartoon by Evan Oldham



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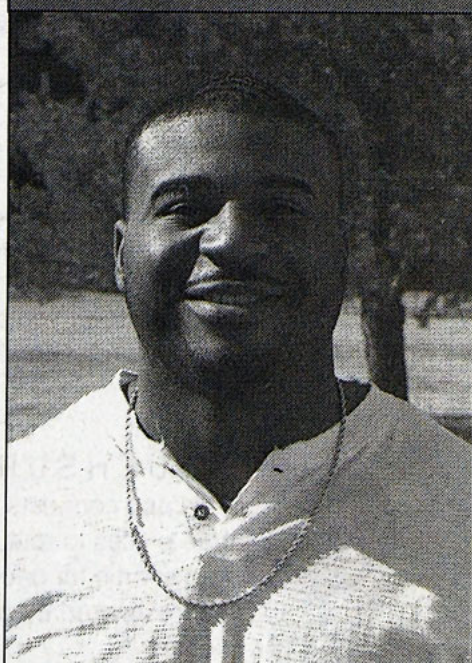
What are you doing on spring break?

KEN PLETZ
Broadcasting -Senior



"Many manly things like dishes, laundry, catching up on homework and maybe starting a blog."

MARC ROBINSON
Business Management- Freshman



"I'm going to Florida for the beach."

STEPHANIE SMITH
Sociology - Junior



"Catching up on homework."

JALECCIA ATEs
Advertising -Senior



"I'm doing some stuff with my church youth group."

Opinion

Little Miss



SUNSHINE

By Kara Stewart

Hostess with the Mostest

In case any of you were as distraught when Hostess was shut down as I was, I have great news.

The world isn't ending, the Twinkie isn't about to join the land of the extinct, and there may have been some truth to Zombieland's thinking.

Homegrown companies Apollo Global Management and Metropoulos & Co put in a \$410 million bid for the Hostess business. The companies won by default, after no other bids were made during the bankruptcy court's auction for Hostess.

Twinkies have been saved!

As if that wasn't enough, the new owners have already told media they plan on having the delicious snack cakes back on store shelves by summer of 2013. Let's just add that to the list of why summer needs to hurry the heck up.

Admittedly, I previously took Hostess' bankruptcy as a sign of impending doom for our society. Surely, in a world that allows Justin Bieber to become popular and Hostess products to die out, there can be no good chance of survival.

Now, I'm taking their return as a sign of imminent success for society. Contributing to my optimism is the fabulous return of one Mr. Justin Timberlake, whose collaboration with Jay-Z has me giddy. Add a dash of

wonderful in the film industry with the much-anticipated The Great Gatsby, my favorite childhood book, and we're talking high hopes.

Okay, okay—this could all be some sort of regression as I near graduation. The realization that, at some near point in my life, surviving off of Ramen and macaroni, picking change off the sidewalk to buy Big Gulps, and late-night cram sessions will no longer be acceptable has me acting like a four year-old.

A really adult four-year old, but I digress.

I could simply be seeking out a return to a time when things were easier. Sure, that's possible. Who wouldn't want to go back to a time when dinner was cooked for you and all you had

to worry about was coloring inside the lines?

But I also find it hard to believe how things are stacking up; I'm not one for coincidences. My favorite book being turned into a movie, my teenage heartthrob going back on tour, and the world's favorite snack cakes making a comeback all in the same year?

Surely I've died and gone straight to heaven.

If that's the case, my midterms are part of some weird heaven-induced dream and I will not be going. As for the rest of you, study hard and have a well-deserved Spring Break!

On Campus

Students give back through UCO's Big Event



Photo provided.

•OLANREWAJU SULEIMAN, Contributing Writer •

This past Saturday, on Mar. 9, UCO held its annual day of service, Big Event. This year Big Event attracted over 750 people, who volunteered at 55 different work sites.

Senior Human Resource Management major Whitney Anderson was the 2013 Big Event chairperson.

"This year's Big Event was wonderful," she said. "I loved the volume of people who say that Saturday made them want to volunteer

more."

Anderson, along with the rest of the Big Event executive committee, wanted this year to be bigger and better than ever.

The sites ranged from handing out fliers to repotting soil.

Sophomore Child Development major Cydni Johnson worked at one such site. She and the rest of her teammates cleared out an old shed at one of the local churches. This

included clearing out decade-old debris and working with sludge.

Johnson has no complaints though.

"It was fun, I wanted to help out my community," she said. "I heard about the Big Event last year and wasn't able to do it, so I made sure to do it this year."

Johnson believed that her site was a challenge, but that through teamwork, she and the other volunteers were able to find solutions.

"It was a great day. The people over our site were very nice and helpful," she said. "It was nice to see people helping people."

Junior Finance major Kevin Chandler also volunteered this year. He chose to volunteer because he lives in a neighborhood with a community outreach.

"I wanted to help because people can only do so much," he said. "Once we are able to reach out to people they will be able to get the help they need."

Chandler assets that he will continue to do Big Event until he graduates.

"It was a lot of hard work, but it felt good," he said. "I would love to do it again."

Many volunteers made friendships that will live beyond this past weekend.

"Several volunteers said that they made connections with people and that they will continue to serve their community," Anderson said.

There was a lot of work put into this year's Big Event.

"Last Saturday had been planned for months," said the 2014 Big Event chair-elect Joel Richardson. "We started in the summer and began to scout for sites last semester."

This was the first year that Big Event volunteered in neighborhoods. In past years, they have only done work for non-profit organizations.

The executive team worked together to make sure everything went well. Each person had an equal part whether it was publicizing or recruiting.

"We did everything together," Richardson said. "The hardest part was making sure everything went smoothly the day of."

"Although, I'm not saying there weren't fun parts," he continued. "Everyone was interacting with each other. We learned each others' strengths and weaknesses and how they would contribute to Big Event."

As each year goes by, UCO's Big Event numbers increase. It has not even been one week and The Volunteer and Service Learning Center has already started planning for next year.

Anderson wants every person in the UCO community to participate in next year's Big Event.

"If you want to get involved and engage with the UCO community then Big Event is the place for you," she said. "It's so much fun. Dr. Betz did the Wobble, who knows what might happen next year!"

Oklahoma News

Tulsa Zoo's new exhibit



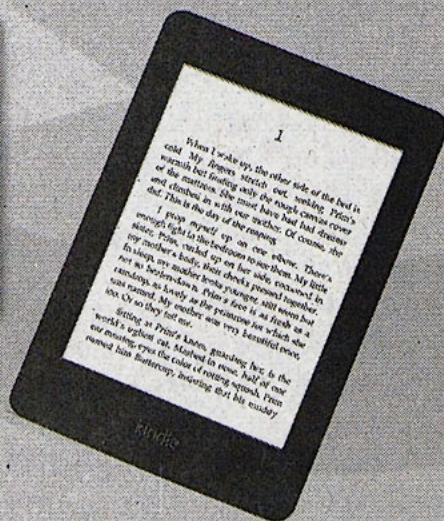
Nat Burgess, reptiles/aquatics zookeeper, works to get a turtle display ready at the Tulsa Zoo's new WildLife Trek Monday, March 13, 2013. (AP Photo/Tulsa World, Mike Simons)

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UCO OFFICIALS ENTICED BY VETERAN HOUSING, BUT UNCERTAIN OF DEMAND



Photo by Cyn Sheng Ling, The Vista

..... BROOKS NICKELL, Staff Writer

New Mexico State University is trying to better accommodate veteran students with on-campus housing. A new model, intended to integrate veterans and make them feel more at home on campus, will offer actual homes built in a neighborhood-like setting.

The houses have their own driveways and backyards and will allow veteran students to live near each other and campus, while still having room for their families or service animals.

Over the last decade of conflicts, involving United States military forces, colleges across the U.S.

have been working towards better integrating returning veterans as students.

While there is no current veteran housing at the University of Central Oklahoma there are other measures that have been taken to ease the transition back into school for veteran students.

Josh Overocker, UCO's Executive Director of Business Enterprises for Housing and Dining, said that three to four years ago criteria was added to housing applications that gave veteran students the option of self selecting to live with other veterans. He added that while this allowed for selective

living situations for veteran students it couldn't quite offer up the same options the proposed model at New Mexico State can.

"Veteran housing could be very worthwhile."

— Josh Overocker, Exec. Director of Business Enterprises for Housing and Dining

"There is the opportunity to live with a fellow veteran, but the whole floor of that housing building may not all be veterans," Overocker said.

He added that while there are clear benefits to veteran housing UCO is unlikely to see an exclusively veteran housing structure. All of UCO's lodgings hold over 300 students apiece. Overocker allowed the number of veterans at UCO interested in campus housing fails to reach that number.

"Veteran housing could be very worthwhile," Overocker said. "Here at UCO we just don't really have a large enough market to convert one of our housing buildings into veteran housing though."

Without enough interested veteran students to repurpose a housing building, the next option would be to construct new housing options. Overocker said that building new housing structures is a much more difficult task to achieve and more costly than repurposing existing buildings. Ultimately, Overocker expressed that his department's main goal was to help students graduate.

"There are other ways to assist returning veteran students in graduating. UCO continues to expand the services provided to veterans," Overocker said. "We have had a growing number of veteran students over the last ten years. I'm not sure that designating a particular housing unit as veteran is the only way for us to accomplish a support system."

FRATERNITY HOSTING WORSHIP EVENT TONIGHT

..... MERVYN CHUA, Staff Writer

UCO fraternity Beta Upsilon Chi (BYX) will partner with LifeChurch OKC in having a Worship Night Thursday from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Constitution Hall at UCO. Admission is free.

The program will include worship, a devotional message and time for prayer. A member of BYX and LifeChurch OKC will give the devotional.

"The worship night is a night where we want it to be open to all of campus. We want everyone to come," Darrell Potter, LifeChurch OKC attendee and vice president of BYX said. "The idea was BYX partnered with Life Church OKC to put this thing on and it's important for people to know that it's not about BYX, it's not about Life Church, but it's about praising the name of Christ and shining the light of Christ on campus."

LifeChurch OKC had a Worship Night as part of a campus connection program last spring, which clashed with BYX's spring rush week worship night. They explained to LifeChurch their predicament and came up with the idea of co-hosting a worship night on the UCO campus.

"It's very exciting for our fraternity to have the opportunity to serve alongside a great ministry such as LifeChurch," Tylar Claypool, former president and founder of UCO BYX said.

Potter added, "I think it's something you don't see. You don't see fraternities and churches partnering together to put on things. We want to break ground and do something new. We're hoping to fill up Constitution Hall. I know Constitution Hall can hold 300- 400 people. Want to see it full."

Caleb Glennie, President of BYX said that the purpose of the event is to unite the entire campus that wants to be involved to worship God together and give glory to his name. He thinks that it might even help bring in people who would not step into a church or a specific denomination. It will help them come to a very non-threatening worship event that is for everyone.

"It's important because there's a lot of division, a lot of stuff that goes on within campus. Everyone tries to do their own worship night, but there hasn't been one huge big worship event. So I think it's important that everybody doesn't feel like it's just a church thing, a denominational thing. It's about worshipping God, coming together as believers and doing that," Glennie said.

BYX, also known as Brothers Under Christ, is a relatively new chapter, coming to UCO just two years ago. They currently have 28 active members and are hoping to have more brothers join them.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS VISIT FIREHOUSE



Photo by Larisa McClellin, The Vista

..... LARISA MCCLELLIN, Staff Writer

UCO international students were able to tour Edmond Fire Station 1 last week as part of an ongoing cultural program.

Station 1 is located on the edge of campus at the corner of Second Street and Bauman. Station 1 resides over UCO and the surrounding community calls and assists other stations in time of need.

Baptist Collegiate Ministry (BCM) set up a tour, on Friday, for the students to see the entire station and experience demonstrations done by the firefighters.

"A tour like this is a great way for international students to step into our culture and see how comfortable we are with the people who could be saving our lives one day" Hailey Cox, a sophomore at UCO, said.

The BCM is located on the southeast side of the UCO campus. BCM has cultural meetings every Friday for international students to understand the culture. This ministry wants the students to enjoy the surroundings and have a form of transportation so they will have a way to take a break from campus.

This tour explains what the job of a firefighter consists of. From their daily routines to what would happen if the station were to get a call during the tour.

As the tour went along, the stu-

dents were allowed to see how much time the firefighters devote to their job. Many of the firefighters call the station their second home.

"Somehow I felt they do not have their lives," Ada Huang, a UCO international student, said.

The firefighters brought out equipment to show the tools that are used for different emergencies. As the tools were being explained, the firefighters let the students see how heavy the equipment really is.

Each student was able to sit in the engines to see all the equipment, gear and technology that is used. Each individual had their picture taken in the engines and with multiple firefighters.

"The best experience occurred when the firefighters allowed everyone to sit in the engines because it will be a memory we will never forget," Cox said.

This allowed the students to get hands-on learning experience and better insight about the people who could be saving their lives.

If you would like more information or to get involved with BCM, contact Chad Coleman at (405) 341-1232 or ccoleman@bgco.org.

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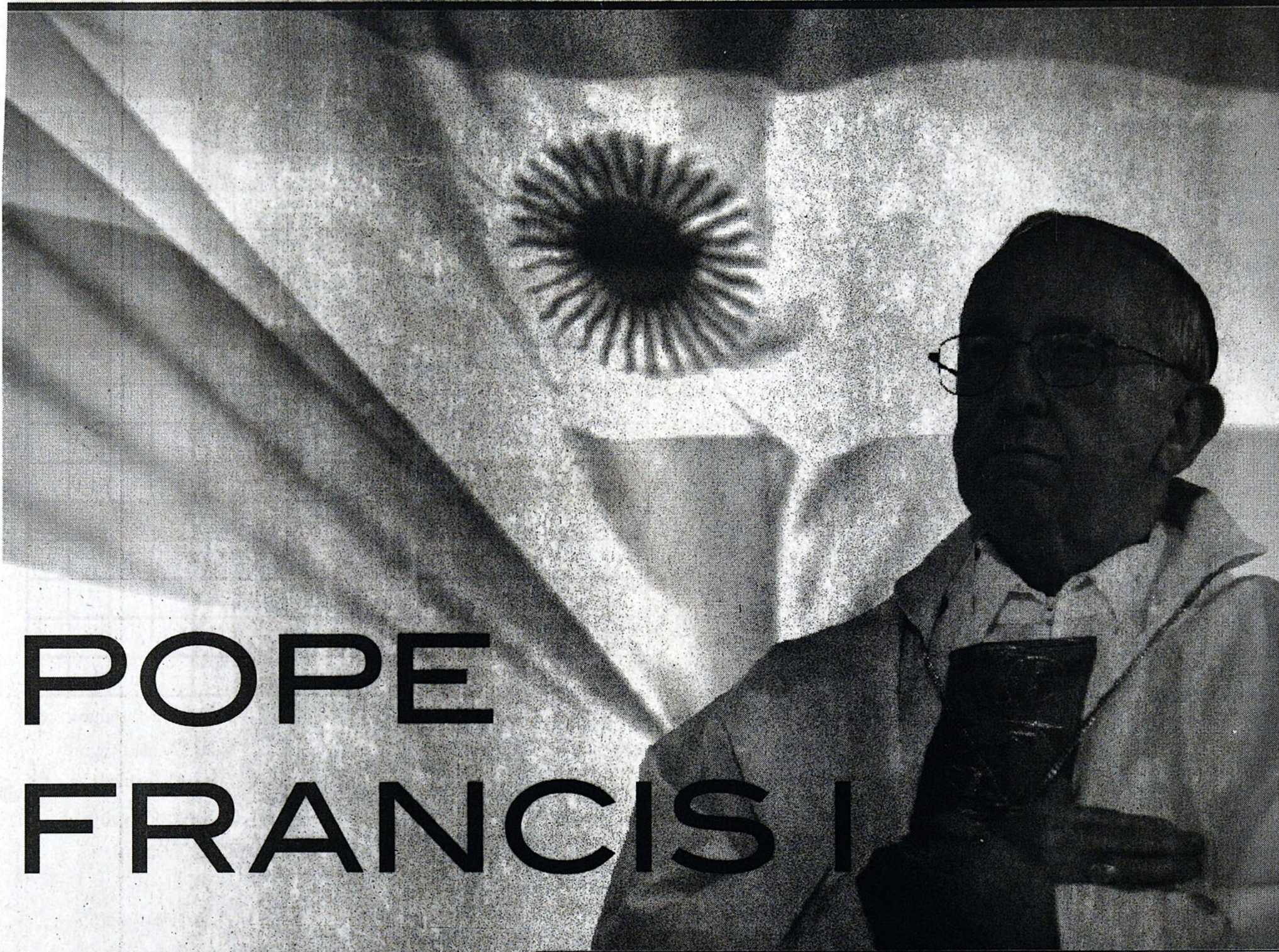
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POPE FRANCIS I

Frances I, whose civilian name is Jorge Bergoglio, from Argentina, is the first pope from the Americas. Election of the 76-year-old comes as a surprise for those who expected a younger face for the Catholic church.

List of 20th & 21st Century Popes

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Nicole Winfield, Associated Press

Francis I
March 13, 2013-

Benedict XVI
April 19, 2005-Feb. 28, 2013.

John Paul II
Oct. 16, 1978-April 2, 2005.

John Paul I
Aug. 26-Sept. 28, 1978.

Paul VI
June 21, 1963-Aug. 6, 1978.

John XXIII
Oct. 28, 1958-June 3, 1963.

Pius XII
March 2, 1939-Oct. 9, 1958.

Pius XI
Feb. 6, 1922-Feb. 10, 1939.

Benedict XV
Sept. 3, 1914-Jan. 22, 1922.

Pius X
Aug. 4, 1903-Aug. 20, 1914.

Leo XIII
Feb. 20, 1878-July 20, 1903.

Length of Average Reign
13 years, 5 months

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Jorge Bergoglio of Argentina was elected pope Wednesday and chose the name Francis, becoming the first pontiff from the Americas and the first from outside Europe in more than a millennium.

Looking stunned, Francis shyly waved to the crowd of tens of thousands of people who gathered in St. Peter's Square, marveling that the cardinals needed to look to "the end of the earth" to find a bishop of Rome.

In choosing a 76-year-old pope, the cardinals clearly decided that they didn't need a vigorous, young pope who would reign for decades but rather a seasoned, popular pastor who would draw followers to the faith. The cardinal electors overcame deep divisions to select the 266th pontiff in a remarkably fast, five-ballot conclave.

Francis asked for prayers for himself, and for retired Pope Benedict XVI, whose surprising resignation paved the way for the conclave that brought the first Jesuit to the papacy.

"Brothers and sisters, good evening," Francis said to wild cheers in his first public remarks as pontiff. "You know that the work of the conclave is to give a bishop to Rome. It seems as if my brother cardinals went to find him from the end of the earth. Thank you for the welcome."

Bergoglio had reportedly finished second in the 2005 conclave that produced Benedict — who last month became the first pope to resign in 600 years.

After announcing "Habemus Papam" — "We have a pope!" — a cardinal standing on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica on Wednesday revealed the identity of the new pontiff, using his Latin name.

The longtime archbishop of Buenos Aires has spent nearly his entire career at home in Argentina, overseeing churches and shoe-leather priests.

Like other Jesuit intellectuals, Bergoglio has focused on social outreach. Catholics are still buzzing over his speech last year accusing fellow church officials of hypocrisy for forgetting that Jesus Christ bathed lepers and ate with prostitutes.

Bergoglio has slowed a bit with age and is feeling the effects of having a lung removed due to infection when he was a teenager.

In a lifetime of teaching and leading priests in Latin America, which has the largest share of the world's Catholics, Bergoglio has also shown a keen political sensibility as well as the kind of self-effacing humility that fellow cardinals value highly, according to his official biographer, Sergio Rubin.

He showed that humility on Wednesday, saying that before he blessed the crowd he wanted their prayers for him and bowed his head.

"Good night, and have a good rest," he said before going back into the palace.

Tens of thousands of people who braved cold rain to watch the smokestack atop the Sistine Chapel jumped in joy when white smoke poured out a few minutes past 7 p.m., many shouting "Habemus Papam!" or "We have a pope!" — as the bells of St. Peter's Basilica and churches across Rome pealed.

They cheered again when the doors to the loggia opened, and again when Bergoglio's name was announced.

"I can't explain how happy I am right now," said Ben Canete, a 32-year-old Filipino, jumping up and down in excitement.

Elected on the fifth ballot, Francis was chosen in one of the fastest conclaves in years, remarkable given there was no clear front-runner going into the vote and that the church had been in turmoil following the upheaval unleashed by Pope Benedict XVI's surprise resignation.

A winner must receive 77 votes, or two-thirds of the 115, to be named pope.

For comparison's sake, Benedict was elected on the fourth ballot in 2005 — but he was the clear front-runner going into the vote. Pope John Paul II was elected on the eighth ballot in 1978 to become the first non-Italian pope in 455 years.

Patrizia Rizzo ran down the main boulevard to the piazza with her two children as soon as she heard the news on the car radio. "I parked the car ... and dashed to the square, she said. "It's so exciting, as Romans we had to come."

The Vatican spokesman the Rev. Federico Lombardi said it was a "good hypothesis" that the pope would be installed next Tuesday, on the feast of St. Joseph, patron saint of the universal church.

Unlike the confusion that reigned during the 2005 conclave, the smoke this time around has been clear: black during the first two rounds of burned ballots, and then a clear white on Wednesday night — thanks to special smoke flares akin to those used in soccer matches or protests that were lit in the chapel ovens.

The Vatican on Wednesday divulged the secret recipe used: potassium perchlorate, anthracene, which is a derivative of coal tar, and sulfur for the black smoke; potassium chlorate, lactose and a pine resin for the white smoke.

The chemicals are contained in five units of a cartridge that is placed inside the stove of the Sistine Chapel. When activated, the five blocks ignite one after another for about a minute apiece, creating the steady stream of smoke that accompanies the natural smoke from the burned ballot papers.

Despite the great plumes of smoke that poured out of the chimney, neither the Sistine frescoes nor the cardinals inside the chapel suffered any smoke damage, Lombardi said.

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In 2007, researchers at Beth Israel Medical Center in New York reported that people who played video games for 3+ hours a week made better surgeons.

In 1997, Mikhail Gorbachev appeared in a Pizza Hut commercial.

DAILY QUOTE

Worry a little bit every day and in a lifetime you will lose a couple of years. If something is wrong, fix it if you can. But train yourself not to worry. Worry never fixes anything.

- Mary Hemingway

WORD SEARCH

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Across

1. Special way of doing something
6. Auspices
10. Fat unit
14. Accept
15. Aquarium
16. City near Lake Tahoe
17. Astronomers who study the physical properties of celestial bodies
20. "You ___ bother!"
21. Entreat
22. Expressed admiration of
25. Forever
26. Affirm
30. "Absolutely!"
32. Disease caused by a thiamine deficiency
35. King Mark's bride
41. Concerns for your own interests and welfare
43. Ran away from quickly
44. North America, South America and Central America
45. "La Scala di ___" (Rossini opera)
47. Formally surrender
48. Adjust, in a way
53. Sweetheart
56. Make over
58. Rapid active com-motion

63. Crude incendiary bomb

66. Aces, sometimes
67. Okla., before 1907
68. Brings home
69. Medical advice, often
70. Give the cold shoulder
71. "The Playboy of the Western World" author

Down

1. Top Tatar
2. Barely beat, with "out"
3. A chip, maybe
4. 128 cubic feet
5. Swedish money
6. Addis Ababa's land: Abbr.
7. Chipper
8. Deep down
9. Whole alternative
10. Give the third degree
11. Sow again
12. Hollow in a bone
13. Go (along)
18. "Harper Valley ___"
19. Bean counter, for short
23. "B.C." cartoonist
24. Domain controlled by an emir
26. Lying, maybe

27. Lyra's brightest star

28. "Aeneid" figure
29. Deep
31. "Good going!"
33. Buzzer
34. Aims
36. "Dear" one
37. Auditory
38. Vermin
39. Gone
40. "___ quam videri" (North Carolina's motto)
42. Mosque V.I.P.
46. Big roll
48. Knight's "suit"
49. Freetown currency unit
50. British ___
51. Hamlet's father, e.g.
52. ___ King Cole
54. "20/20" network
55. Strikes at with fire-power
57. Cookers
59. "Don't go!"
60. Mountain pool
61. Diminutive suffix
62. "... or ___!"
64. French vineyard
65. Sun, e.g.

RIDDLE

A man walks into an art gallery and concentrates on one picture in particular. The museum curator notices this and asks the man why he is so interested in that one painting. The man replies, "Brothers and sisters have I none, but that man's father is my father's son."

Who is in the painting?
- Answer in next weeks issue.

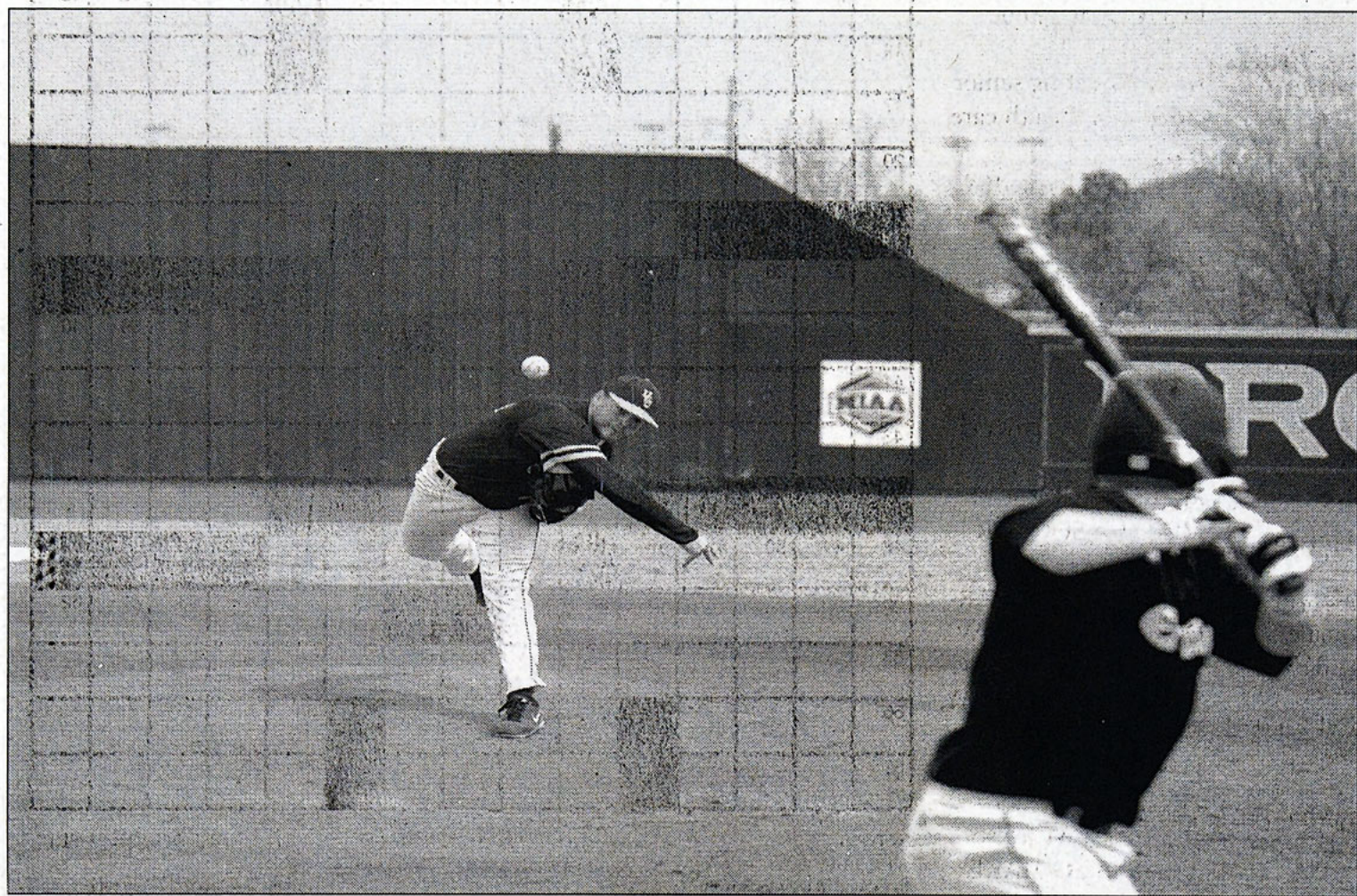
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Baseball

Baseball team readies for Lincoln series



UCO senior Ryan Miller to an Emporia State batter on Wednesday, March 6, 2013. Photo by Kyle Schwab, The Vista

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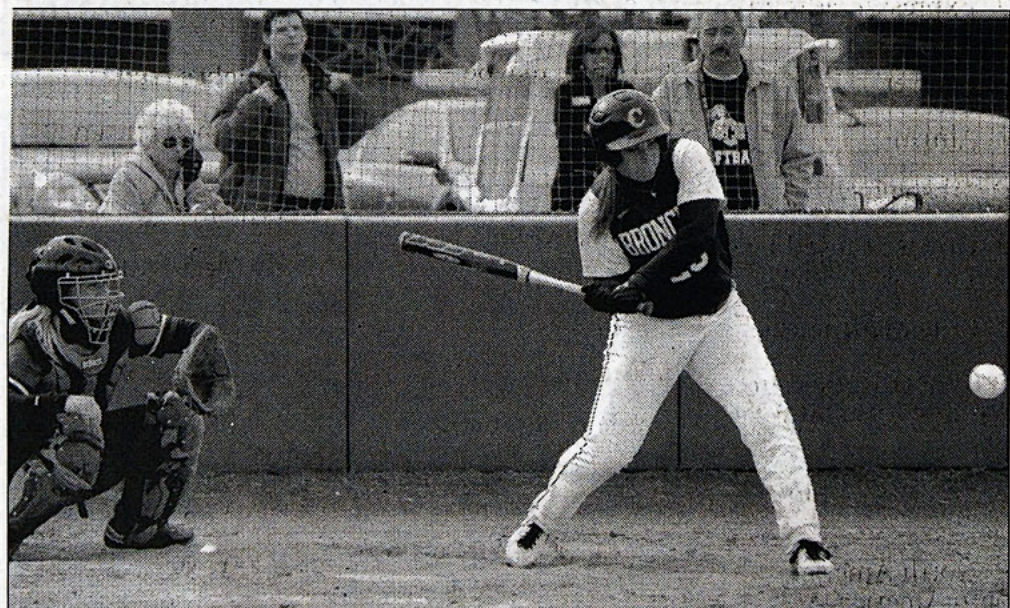
Staff Writer

UCO will be back at home this weekend, after having their seven-game winning streak snapped on Tuesday at Northeastern State.

The Bronchos (9-6) will welcome Lincoln to Wendell Simmons Field for a three-game weekend set (two on Saturday, one on Sunday), aiming to get back on the winning track after dropping two tough games in Tahlequah.

Softball

Softball team returns to action after eight day break



UCO freshman Sam Cool swings on a pitch in a game against Southern Nazarene on Wednesday, March 6, 2013. Photo by Kyle Schwab, The Vista

Sam Philbeck

Contributing Writer

Central Oklahoma is on the road this weekend following a six game home stand as they take on Missouri Southern and Pittsburgh State in their first conference matchups of the season.

The Bronchos (14-4), are coming off a 5-1 homestand with doubleheader wins over Southern Nazarene, Newman University and split a doubleheader with the University of Illinois-Springfield. The homestand was the

first home action for the Bronchos this season, as they played the first twelve games of the season on the road.

"I thought we hit well," Central Oklahoma coach Genny Stidham said of the recent homestand.

The Bronchos head to Joplin on Friday to take on Missouri Southern for their first taste of MIAA conference play this season.

The Lions (11-7), are the losers of four straight, including going 0-3 in the annual Border Battle tournament, following a 11-3 hot start to the season. MSSU hasn't had much success against the Bronchos as of late losing the last three meetings against UCO including

Wright, a two-run double from junior 3B Matt Johnson and RBI double from junior 1B Ross Rose to take a 6-3 lead.

After tying the game at 6 in the seventh inning, junior LF Tyler Crabtree blasted a solo homer to give the Bronchos a 7-6 lead.

But, in the bottom of the ninth, NSU squeezed a run across off of a UCO error and won it with a three-run walk off homer, 10-7.

"Our guys competed hard, but we didn't play well," said UCO head coach Dax Leone. "Baseball is a game of execution and making

a doubleheader sweep last season in Joplin.

Southern is led by junior Shelby Romines, who leads the Lions in ten offensive categories this season, including batting average (.458), hits (27), home runs (6) and runs batted in (20). The six home runs are a new career high for Romines, who hasn't hit more than two in her college career.

The Bronchos head off to Kansas on Saturday to take on rival Pittsburgh State.

The Gorillas (8-4), are hot coming off two wins in the Border Battle tournament before the tournament was cancelled due to inclement weather. PSU has won six of their last seven and are looking to get some payback against UCO following last season's doubleheader stomp the Bronchos put on the Gorillas last March.

Junior Tiffany Brown has led the Gorillas this season to their early success. Brown, a Catoosa native, leads the team in batting average (.442), hits (19) and home runs with four.

The PSU pitching staff has been a major catalyst to their success as well with a combined team ERA of 2.28. Freshman pitchers Kyndel Shelburn and Haleigh Sills have been a dynamic duo for the Gorillas staff combining for six of the eight Pittsburgh State wins and both have two of the team's lowest individual ERAs with Sills leading the way with an impressive 1.42 ERA.

The Gorillas will hope both bring their A-games against a Bronchos offense that has been red hot as of late.

The Bronchos during their six game homestand belted out seven home runs, including

routine plays and unfortunately, we did neither of those."

Looking forward: Lincoln (3 games: Sat. @ 1 p.m. & 4 p.m., Sun. @ 12 p.m.)

Lincoln (2-6) is still getting their feet wet in this 2013 season, somewhat. The Blue Tigers had eight games canceled due to snow from the end of February to the first week of March.

Lincoln also had four games canceled last week. Their last two games were on Mar. 6, a doubleheader with Southwest Baptist, in which they split.

The Blue Tigers are led by Colby Shepard, who hits .464 with six RBIs, and Ben Johnson, who bats .406 and has knocked in five runs.

Lincoln only hits a collective .276 as a team, but average six runs per game. However, opponents are hitting .310 against LU, and have scored 74 runs through eight games.

As for UCO, Wright, who has slammed eight homers and knocked in 18 runs in just 16 games, while holding a .367 average, has been the most productive Broncho hitter.

Malloy is hitting .341 and has hit three homers and knocked in 10 runs, while Johnson is batting .378 with two home runs and 13 RBIs.

UCO ace Edgar Lopez is 3-1 in four starts on the season, with a 3.38 ERA and 29 strikeouts to only 10 walks.

The Bronchos are averaging just over five runs per game, but only five up just over four per outing.

UCO is 7-2 at home on the season.

Next home games

Following the three-game weekend set with Lincoln, the Bronchos will host Arlington Baptist (9-17) for a doubleheader next Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. at Wendell Simmons Field.

two grand slams from juniors Nicole Workman and Hayley Hudson. Workman and Hudson each had two home runs during the homestand, while senior Kacie Edwards had two and freshman Brooke Zukerman had one.

"I really liked the run production," Stidham said of the team's offensive output.

Freshman Ally Dziadula has continued her terrific hitting performance and living up to her MIAA hitter of the week status from last week leading the team in batting at .463 and hits with 31. Edwards' two home runs over the last six games give her the team lead at seven for the season.

The Bronchos scored seven or more runs in five of the six home games with the one game being a 3-2 loss to Illinois-Springfield.

The pitching staff has been just as solid giving up only more than three runs once in the last six games. Junior pitcher Kalynn Schrock has claimed two wins over the homestand and has been terrific all season going 8-2 so far with an impressive 1.63 ERA, while striking out an eye popping 89 batters in 13 appearances this season.

Workman, who has been great this season at the plate batting .375 with four home runs and a team leading 21 RBIs, has been solid as well with a 3-1 record and a 2.53 ERA.

"Our defense needs work. I feel we need to be smart and improve on our mental game," Stidham said.

The Bronchos and Lions begin their Friday doubleheader at 3:00 pm and on Saturday the Bronchos and Gorillas start their doubleheader at 1:00 pm.

Opinion

Full Timeout: Ready, Break



Chris Brannick

Sports Editor

Timeout. There is no better time than mid-March to be talking about football season. Is there? I mean what else could be going on? I can only think of a few things, but I want to talk about football.

The National Football League began to intrigue the football fan in all of us this week with the beginning of free agency and trade

talks. Then the actual trades began. I mentioned this in a column about the winter meetings in baseball and surely the trade deadline in the NBA got a mention. I certainly got riled up in October about James Harden (don't forget I warned you of his exit). But football needs no explanation. Football is the glorious exception as to why a bad team is front page news.

The beginning of free-agency is like the opening of the stock market but instead of the day after day grind of buying and selling, NFL agents have some breathing room. By some I mean the amount of space between the nose you smell the chicken wings with to the mouth you devour your ever-so tasty game day snack.

We've immediately seen the action and some of the day one notables include a high-powered wide receiver and a talented line-

backer. The Miami Dolphins did good watching their basketball counterpart win game after game. Signing Mike Wallace is good for a team looking to build with a young quarterback and any defensive player who witnessed Ray Lewis in practice for any length of time is a good sign.

Also early in the free-agent frenzy, is my personal favorite. Defensive back Aaron Ross coming back to the New York Football Giants from Jacksonville. Good guy, talented and his wife is awesome on the track. We all win.

More interesting news is the Oakland Raiders releasing former top draft pick Darius Heyward-Bey. I remember that pick clearly. The entire staff of analysts' jaws simultaneously hit the table creating a loud thud heard from the draft in New York City all the way to the rough waters off of the Oakland shore.

Al Davis picked who he wanted in his time, not all bad, the guy was a great owner. But time caught up with Mr. Win-Baby-Win and post-Davis is cleaning house.

All of the action happening in the front offices of teams across the country leads up to the NFL Draft next month. Just over 40 days until we meet another group of kids and hand them outrageous expectations and then boo them when they don't meet those seemingly normal marks. But for now it's free-agency. And it's the old guys in free agency that are intriguing me.

I can clearly remember my brother and I watching Charles Woodson and David Boston going at it in Michigan versus Ohio State in the 90s. If you were too young to remember that and haven't heard about that season you should do yourself a favor and look it up. A voice will speak from inside of you with a simple thank you. My brother would then convince me to go outside and play football so he

could practice tackling like Charles Woodson did at 20.

Now Woodson, 36, has been released by the Green Bay Packers and is visiting teams, discussing his future. The 16 years he has put into this league are memorable enough but the Giants are on that list and I for one would love that kind of leadership behind our defense. And a bonus would be if he retires after this contract and it happened to be with the Giants then Woodson would be a New York Giant in the Hall of Fame. I can deal with that.

There are a large handful of free agents waiting for a new place to call home. It's a very exciting time in football. I wish all of these guys could get new contracts and none of them would be at home without a job watching the best college basketball teams in the country work their way through the greatest tournament in all of sports. Oh yeah, that thing. Good luck on your brackets everyone.

Tennis

Conference play rolls on in Women's Tennis

Cody Johnson

Contributing Writer

The Central Oklahoma Women's Tennis team will travel to Missouri to take on Northwest Missouri State University on Thursday and Missouri Western State University on Friday.

The lady Bronchos are currently 8-1 for the season, having defeated Washburn University last Saturday. They are ranked third in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA) conference and also ranked third in the Central Region, behind first ranked Southwest Baptist and second ranked Northeast State.

"We always have very competitive matches against Northwest Missouri State, so we are prepared to work and fight hard," Coach Natalya Nikitina-Helvey said.

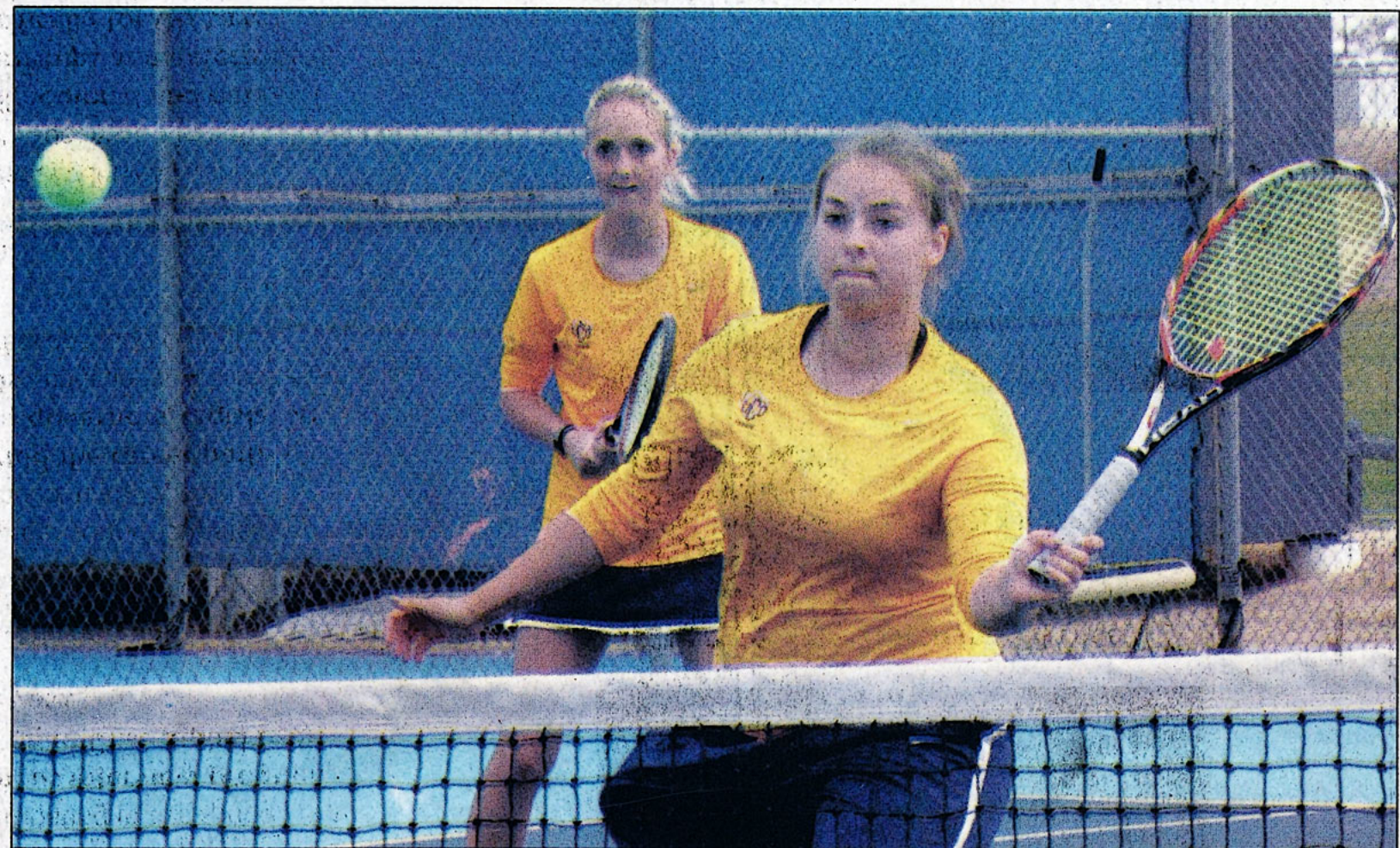
On Thursday the matches will begin at 3 p.m. in Maryville, Mo. The Bronchos doubles lineup against the Northwest Missouri Bearcats will feature seniors Antonella Rossini and Rose Cabato playing in the number one match.

Junior Petra Pesic and sophomore Alina Gorina will play in the number two match. Freshmen Laura Klingert and Ilga Racika-Racko will play in the number three match.

In singles, Antonella Rossini will have a very tough match at the number one spot, Coach Natalya Nikitina-Helvey said. The Bearcats only graduated one player last year, which held their number two spot on the team.

Northwest Missouri is currently ranked fourth, directly behind Central Oklahoma in the MIAA conference.

Central Oklahoma's singles lineup against the bearcats will feature senior Antonella Rossini in the number one match, junior Petra Pe-



UCO freshmen Ilga Racika-Racko (front) and Laura Klingert (back) play a doubles match against Emporia State on Friday, March 8, 2013. Photo by Alik Dyer, The Vista

sic in the number two match, sophomore Alina Gorina in the number three match, senior Rose Cabato in the number four match, freshman Laura Klingert in the number five match, and freshman Ilga Racika-Racko in the number six match.

On Friday the lady Bronchos will begin their matches against the Missouri Western State Griffons at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph, Mo. It has been three years since the lady Bronchos have played the Griffons and Coach Natalya Nikitina-Helvey does not expect too much trouble.

Central Oklahoma's lineup for the doubles matches against the

Griffons will be the same. Seniors Antonella Rossini and Rose Cabato will play in the number one match. Junior Petra Pesic and sophomore Alina Gorina will play in the number two match. Freshmen Laura Klingert and Ilga Racika-Racko will play in the number three match.

In singles matches lineup for the Bronchos will feature Antonella Rossini in the number one match, junior Petra Pesic in the number two match, sophomore Alina Gorina in the number three match, senior Rose Cabato in the number four match, freshman Laura Klingert in the number five match, and junior Kristin Richardson in the

number six match.

After the Friday's matches, the lady Bronchos will have a week

long break and then return to Missouri to take on Southwest Baptist on March 22 in Bolivar, Mo.

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