Aggie Football Comes Out on Top

The Oklahoma Panhandle State Aggies earned their first win of the season this past Saturday in Waxahachie, Texas against the Southwest Assembly of God Lions. The much-needed 50 to 48 win came in 3 overtimes.

Before OPSU even got down to Waxahachie, it seemed like luck was just not on their side. The bus the Aggies were riding on was involved in an accident around Decatur, Texas. Nobody on the bus was injured in the accident.

The Aggies started out the game strong taking the lead with 1:41 left to go in the first period. OPSU scored another quick touchdown early in the second quarter to go up 14-0, but the Lions answered with a 85-yard return on the kickoff for a touchdown to make the game 14-7. The Aggies took the lead into halftime 21-14.

The third quarter went by scoreless, but it picked up early in the 4th quarter when one of SAGU’s receivers caught a touchdown pass to tie the game up at 21-21. OPSU’s Darrell Brister answered with a 10-yard touchdown to give the Aggies the lead, but it didn’t last long as the Lions found their way into the end zone once again to knot the game up at 28-28. The Aggies attempted a long field goal with 12 seconds left to play in the fourth quarter to win the game, and came up short, sending the game into overtime.

In the first overtime, OPSU started with the ball and Brister found the touchdown from 14 yards out to give the Aggies the lead. SAGU answered with a 21-yard touchdown run to send the game into its second overtime period. The Lions started with the ball and got it into the end zone to go up 42-35. OPSU needed to score to keep their hopes of winning the game alive, and did just that on a 13-yard touchdown pass from Vinnie Gay to Doug Williams. The Lions started with the ball in the 3rd overtime, and scored a touchdown, but were held short of the 2 point conversion. It was the Aggies turn, and they took advantage with a touchdown run from Brister, who also punched it in for the 2 point conversion, to give OPSU the win 50-48.

The Aggies look to continue winning next week at home against Incarnate Word. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m.

From Coast to Coast, Katie Visco is following her passion.

How far would you go to follow your passion? Katie Visco, 24, found what keeps her alive.
Who would you most like and least like to be stuck in an elevator with?

Most – Brad Pitt and Least – one of the football boys after they get out of practice.

Michelle Kent

Most – any sexy girl and Least – any hot old guy.

Isaiah Warren

Most – plantation and Least – Marion Manson.

Mert vanFredenberg


Tyler Harper

Saunders Leads the Way

The human heart creates enough pressure when it pumps out to the body to squirt blood 30 feet.

A cockroach will live nine days without its head before it starves to death.

Butterflies taste with their feet.

An ostrich’s eye is bigger than its brain.

The longest recorded flight of a chicken was 7.9 seconds.

Your nails grow faster in outer space.

Mario, from Super Mario, was originally named “Jumpman”, although his name was later changed to honor Nintendo of America’s landlord, Mario Segali.

The most children born to one woman was 69, she was a peasant who lived an 80 year life, in which she had 16 twins, 7 triplets, and 4 quadruplets.

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KPSU Begins Webcasting All Programming

Article Courtesy of Russell Guthrie

Goodwell, Okla. — KPSU FM 88.7, Oklahoma Panhandle State University’s radio station, has begun webcasting all of its broadcast programming. While still in an experimental stage, KPSU may be found on the world-wide web by entering http://164.58.210.185/opsu into your web browser, or going to the OPSU home page (www.opsu.edu) and clicking on Listen To KPSU Live in the left column. As soon as an appropriate web page can be built, the station programming schedule will be posted.

KPSU began webcasting home football and basketball games last year. Parents in Missoula, Montana, and Canada were able to listen to their sons and daughters playing for the Aggies, and alumni scattered around the world were able to listen live events at their alma mater. With initial success in the effort, management began exploring the possibility of webcasting all programming. The equipment needs met and music licensing questions dealt with, KPSU is ready to be a contender in the internet community.

Student manager Josh Armstrong of Boise City commented, “Now is a very exciting time for KPSU; we can be heard all around the world. We have tons of wonderful DJs, and they’re bringing engaging programming to our audience.” Currently KPSU broadcasts 10 a.m. to midnight Monday through Saturday, and 2 p.m. to midnight on Sundays.

Assisting Armstrong in management are Sports Director Ty McBride, News Director Stephen Skarske, and Hispanic Director Reyna Aranda. The Faculty Advisor is Russell Guthrie. KPSU has been continuously on-air since 1977 and is staffed by OPSU students, faculty, and staff. For further information, contact Russell Guthrie at 888-349-1478.

No Man’s Land Historical Society Celebrates 75 Years

Article Courtesy of Laura Hays

Goodwell, Okla. — The No Man’s Land Historical Society celebrates 75 years of preserving history in the Oklahoma Panhandle this year! On May 2, 1932, the society was created to safeguard the First No Man’s Land Museum in the Sewell-Loobourn building on the OPSU campus. Later, the Group approached three pioneering groups that helped establish the Society: the Dewey County Historical Society, the Pioneers of No Man’s Land of Beaver County, and the Texas County Settlers Association. The society raised $30,000 that was matched by the Oklahoma legislature, and in the late 1940s, the current museum was constructed. The Society has several events planned this fall and encourages anyone interested to attend and aid their efforts in preserving the history of the area.

The Society invites their members as well as the public to enjoy a special performance this year at their annual meeting scheduled for Sunday, October 4. Marc Ferguson, a performer from Meade, Kansas, will portray Bill Tilghman, a lawman. Oklahoma Territory during his early years as a lawman.

While members may attend the meeting for free, non-members can either pay $15 per person to attend, or may join that day. For only $15 per year, an individual may join with the rate set for families at $25, or $100 for corporate membership. The bulls will be weighed on test October 10, 2009 and cost for first place, $300 for second, and $200 for third. The top 70 bulls will sell in the 58th Annual OPSU Bull Test Sale on February 22, 2010. Those interested in following the status of the program may contact Gwen Martin at (580) 349-1500 or e-mail gwen@opsu.edu.

The Performance Test delivered their bulls to the OPSU Central Testing Station this past Saturday. The bulls were weighed, tagged and then the best weight-per-day-of-age calculated. The bulls will be weighed again on October 16-20, after a 21 day wean-up period. The tests will run for 112 days during which data will be collected on their growth, feed intake, and feed efficiency on a pen basis. Also data will be collected on their scrotal circumference, semen quality, fat thickness, eye area and marbling score.

Bulls Weighed for 58th Annual Test

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Wanted: Homecoming Parade Entries

Article Courtesy of Campus Communications

Goodwell, Okla. — Oklahoma Panhandle State University’s Centennial Homecoming promises to be a great one this year! Help celebrate by entering a float in this year’s parade with the theme “100 Years of History.” OPSU Student Senate sponsors these events and will accept entries with $5 for first place, $300 for second, and $200 for third place. Complete an entry form on the OPSU website. You can also contact their office at 580-349-2002, or email Josh Tingley at jtingley@opsu.edu.

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Should troops move out of Iraq? Is prayer okay in schools?

Do you have an opinion or comment about something on campus? Is there something we should know or an issue to be addressed? Write your letter to the editor, e-mail it, or bring it to the Student Senate Office on the first floor of Hamilton Hall. Letters and phone numbers will not be printed. The editor reserves the right to edit letters for length, libelous statements, and personal attacks.

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Coast to Coast

By Rachael Beck

A journey of three thousand miles begins with just one step. Well, what about about 3,200 miles? Katie Vasco says it’s the same thing. Just over five months ago, on March 29th, she broke world records merely making the decision to take the journey trekking the country side from Boston to San Diego. That one step alone was enough to put her in the Guinness Book of World Records for being the only woman to ever attempt the feat. She inspired me to begin and to always follow my dreams no matter how difficult they seem.

Highway 54 and the Oklahoma Panhandle? Check. Up next? San Diego, California. That’s range miles of the journey with plans from Guymon to Goodwell. Katie Vasco is doing just that; putting her in the Guinness Book of World Records for being the only woman as well as the youngest person to ever attempt the feat. Her goal is simple; to inspire, to find their passion and follow it. It’s definitely inspiring. It’s that’s an amazing task to attempt let alone achieve. To think this girl is running clear around the country. It’s definitely inspiring. As instinctively as we lived, we played music with such passion that’s hard to believe anyone held a pencil in your hand, they were, saw no limit. You are, and we are meant to follow these.”

What Would You Do? Volleyball Standings

Freshman Camille Washington (Women’s Volleyball)
Junior Josey Peterson (Volleyball)
Sophomore Jesus Uribe (Cross Country)
Freshman Cameron Benfeyton (Women’s Basketball)

Football Update

Heart stopping overtimes might become a habit for the Oklahoma Panhandle State Aggie football team and they earned their first win of the season . . . 10-48 in THREE OVERTIMES on Saturday in Washakieville, Texas. Coach South-West New Mexico who led the Aggies out of the previous week to Langston in double overtime, 27-21.

ExcerptCourtesy of Scott Puryear
SPORTS

Team Rope School

By Chaney Latham

Two-time World Champion Team Roper Matt Sherwood was at the Doc Gardner Rodeo Arena this last Tuesday, and OPSU team ropers jumped on the chance to learn all they could to become even better in this event.

Team roping is the only team event in the sport of rodeo. A team consists of a header and a healer. The header must rope the running steer from his or her horse before the heel rope is tied. Then the heel rope must be tied before the header and the real one. After both ends are caught, ropes are dallied and tightened, the judge then drops his flag, and the team awaits their time, the faster the time the better.

Tuesday morning started with roping the steer dummy on the ground. Matt began by showing the correct techniques and basics on roping, and eventually the students moved up to rope the moving dummy off of their horses before roping the real ones. Mr. Sherwood’s two world titles came in the span of three years. He is not only an exceptional team roper, but a great teacher as well. He says, “Being a professional team roper is a great blessing and great responsibility. I compete against quality people and the best ropers in the world. I also get to travel all over the United States, and it allows me to do schools like this one of Profhandle.”

When asked what he wants his students to learn from his clinic Matt says, “I hope to instill correctness, a desire to get better how to get better, and how to practice.”

Student Carissa Clark says, “It was a great school. Matt was very helpful and made everything clear.”

"Being a great roper is secondary to being a quality person with high standards and good morals.

OPSU Helps Make Golden Senior Olympics a Success

Article Courtesy of Scott Puryear

Guymon, Okla. — The Golden Senior Olympics (GSO), hosted by Dusmany Manor of Guymon, has been held each and every year for eight years and representatives from Oklahoma Panhandle State University always assist in making the event a successful one. This year’s position was held on Friday, September 11.

The event, held at the Texas County Activity Center in Guymon, features different competitions between residents of retirement care centers from Guymon, Stratford, and Spearman, Texas, and Elkhat and Liberal, Kansas. As he has all eight years of the event, Scott Puryear (OPSU Business Instructor and Sports Information Director) acted as the Master of Ceremonies. Working with the Ambassadors from the Guymon Chamber of Commerce, Puryear started things off as he declared the games “Officially Open.” From after, the participants joined in the Pledge of Allegiance, and then observed a moment of silence commemorating the anniversary of the events of September 11. Among the competitors were nearly 85 competitors. The competitors who stood straight and tall as they saluted.

The competitors — mostly past the age of 80 and some in their nineties (three who are 98) — participated in bowling, basketball, wheelchair races, bean bag and rubber chicken tossing, and a fun-filled talent contest. There were nearly 80 competitors.

Eleven OPSU student athletes gave up their day to the cause and served as officials for the different events and also assisted wheelchair-racing school. Their school was Laurena Cherry, Paige Wolsten, Christy Lang, and Deannah McChesney (all from the women’s basketball team).

Also acting as officials and assisting the competion were Kevin Godfrey, Dean Shumberger, Reggie Lechter, Marcial Marshall, Steve Miller, Chuck Salisbury, and Stephen Calvin (all from the track and field team).

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OPSU student athletes of the Week

Article Courtesy of Scott Puryear

THERE ARE football team.

Overstreet is a junior from Enid, Oklahoma who is one of the most respected members of the and has performed well over his entire career at OPSU. A good student (majoring in Biology), "Big (6’3"

Jolly (from Deer Trail, Colorado) competes in breakaway roping, barrel racing and team roping. The junior also gets the job done well in the classroom up the OPSU women's rodeo team.

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COLLEGIAN's Caption Contest

Last Week's Winner
“Seriously, am I really going to use this information in real life?”
Submitted by Maggie Cline

How do you submit your entry?
It's easy, send your caption to Collegian@opsu.edu with the subject line reading Caption Contest. Remember, you can’t win if you don’t submit an entry (and sometimes that’s all it takes)!
Although the name Oyebola Abimbola might be difficult to say, the person behind the name is easy to get attached to. Abimbola or Bola, came to Oklahoma Panhandle State University all the way from the country of Nigeria for her freshman year of college.

Many may wonder why Bola flew the great distance of the Atlantic Ocean from the not so small city of Lagos, Nigeria, Africa to attend Panhandle. She says that a friend from Nigeria went here, and also most of her family and friends back home, but she adds, “I am glad I came here!” She says the way of life over here is very different form the Nige- rian way of life, but she is gradually getting used to it. It’s amazing how in this one world how different way of life is for everybody depending on where they live from culture to kinds of people, climates, types of food, landscapes, and beliefs. There are many dif- ferences between here and Nigeria, but two main ones are the weather climate and food she states.

Bola loves listening to hip-hop and rap music, hanging out with friends, and making new ones. There is not just one word to describe Bola, but she states three that do which are caring, honest, and friendly. When asked what one thing makes her angry Bola replied by declaring that people should not judge according to appearance. “It’s not about what you have on your face, but what you have in your head” she says. Although this freshman does not say a whole lot she conveys that one aspect about her that she wants fellow students to know is that she is a Muslim. As for one destination that Bola would like to travel to in the world is none other than Paris, France. “I want to see the Eiffel Tower” she says. A scary experience in her life that she tells about was on a trip she recently took to Toronto, Canada. She recalls how she felt while on top of the major attraction of the CN Tower. “The glass floor was so scary!” she exclaims. At approximately 1,322 feet in the air with nothing but space in between her and the ground while standing on a glass platform two and half inches thin one could see why this experience was frightening for Bola especially if one is afraid of heights. “I could see the gardens and flowers below, and all of Toronto from up there, but it was so scary on the glass!” she admits.

As you walk the campus of OPSU, remember that Bola is as well as everyone else you may pass throughout each week is more than just a face. So shout out a hello to Bola, and she is sure to give you a warm smile and hello back. She is one that is always up for making new friends.

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You know what really rubs me wrong? Interruptions! A lot of times it is an accident, most people don’t intentionally interrupt. It just ruins my milk, though when someone constantly interrupts and continues as if they are the most significant thing at that point in time, I was walking and talking to one of my buddies on the way to the cafe the other day, and we were conversing. We got interrupted four times...FOUR TIMES. Within 50 yards from Holter hall, we got interrupted four times, wouldn’t mind so much if it was just a “what’s up”, or “hey” from an acquaintance or what have you but me, these were full on conversations people were starting completely oblivious to the previous conversation that was taking place. A friend’s teasing is making you extremely uncomfortable, but you almost certainly need to take a deep breath and let them keep making a fool of themselves. It’s one of those days when silence is golden.

You’re feeling a bit more idealistic today, so you should be able to get others to see the value of taking a stand. In fact, now is a good time to lead a revolt or to guide your people spiritually.

Teamwork doesn’t go as well as you’d like today, thanks to vast gulfs between the various ideas on the table. You are usually a pretty hot negotiator, but your own unwillingness to compromise is obvious.

A big conflict is brewing, but it’s not about what you think it is. When ego gets involved, anything is possible, and right now, reality is a bit more fluid than usual — you’re getting ready for some serious weirdness!

Your regular way of getting stuff done is more open to change today, so take a new look and see what you can do. You may surprise someone at home or at work with an entirely new system.

You need to deal with your love life in one way or another — it’s staring you in the face! The simplest solution is probably best for you, and you can count on your great personal energy to make it easy.

Something very small starts to heat up midday until it is impossible to ignore by tonight, and it might interfere with your sleep. Fortunately it’s only a temporary disturbance, but you still have to face it.

Financial instruments seem to make more sense to you, whether you’re a novice or a long-time MBA. Now is the best time to consider your future, plan for retirement and take care of other long-term issues.

You’ve got lots to do and think about today, and you should be able to inspire others to take care of their ends of things, too. Big change is coming, and you are leading the push to keep it positive.