Cooperation Aids OSU Research

Goodwell, Okla. — The Oklahoma Panhandle State University Farm cooperates with Oklahoma State University’s Panhandle Research and Extension Center located on the school’s farm. OSU uses OPSU facilities in some of their research, and Britt Hicks, the Area Extension Livestock Specialist, has recently been studying the use of distillers’ grains in beef cattle feeding rations. A by-product of ethanol production, distillers’ grains have become readily available locally through Conestoga Energy in Liberal, Kansas.

According to Hicks, distillers’ grains research in beef cattle feed has been ongoing for several years. Earlier trials showed that use of high levels of the by-product in cattle feed decreased the shelf life of the final meat products. It apparently changes the structure of the fatty acids by making it less unsaturated.

This leads to the raw meat darkening more quickly and become less appealing to consumers, resulting in an adverse economic impact to the retailer. He recently shipped the final pen of cattle in the latest trial which involved using increased supplemental Vitamin E to counteract that effect. The OSU Meats Group in Stillwater will conduct shelf life trials on the beef to determine the results of the increased Vitamin E in the feeding trial.

For more information about the trial, contact Hicks at 580-349-5439 or by email at britt.hicks@okstate.edu. OPSU supports OSU’s research at the farm and looks forward to continued collaboration.
Straight From the Horse’s Mouth

You can choose your method of dying and the place. Where and how?

“I want to drown in maple syrup on a clound of marshmallows.”

Aaron Ruiz

“Sitting in the mountains eating mushrooms where I ate mushrooms to survive, but I ate the wrong ones and was poisoned.”

Rachel Adaza

“I want to die in the back of Cold Stone Creamery from its cream soaked.”

Josey Peterson

“I want to die in the mountains of Canada being eaten by a polar bear.”

Hillary Isleifson

“I would like to die in my sleep wrapped in the arms of the one I love like in the notebook.”

Stephen Calvin

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THINGS THAT MAKE You Go Hmm...

Random thoughts for random people

In general, most healthy adults need seven to nine hours of sleep a night. However, some individuals are able to function without sleepiness or drowsiness after as little as six hours of sleep. Others can’t perform at their peak unless they’ve slept ten hours.

In 1888, Hollywood was founded by Harvey and Ouida Wilcox, who named the city after their summer home in Chicago.

The name “Muppet” was coined by Jim Henson. The word was made from a combination of the word “marionette” and “puppet.”

In 1893, the first mosque in the United States was built.

Kite flying is a professional sport in Thailand.

A squash ball moving at 150 kilometers per hour has the same impact of a .22 bullet.

A yarn usually lasts for approximately six seconds.

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Guest Speaker Motivates Students to “Stop Crying, Start Trying”

By Jennifer Banner

A dedicated professional motivational speaker, Jimmy Cabrera visited OPSU for a presentation last Wednesday in the Centennial Theatre in Hughes-Strong Hall. Cabrera brought eight sides to motivational speaking and he involved the crowd with his presentation.

Among the students present, a number of Guymon students came to listen to Cabrera speak. We all received a full experience listening to Mr. Cabrera walk us through vital steps to becoming successful.

Mr. Cabrera’s speaking career started as pro bono “tobit’s” when he was about 30 years old, working in sales. According to him, “Actually doing it” was his training. He attended workshops put on by other speakers to help improve his public speaking and presentation skills. He says the key to speaking to crowds like this is “Speaking. You have to get in front of people.” He finds the fact that students actually learn in and listen to his words and believe them most rewarding, and the letters he gets from such students later as they’ve become more successful in life keep him motivated to, well, keep motivating. When asked what his favorite age group to speak to is, he says, “Oh, oh my goodness. I pause because I don’t want… that to seem that’s all I like to speak to… but I have to say middle school, then general audiences, and then adults. They’re hungry, and they’re making heavy transitions.”

When asked what their favorite parts of the presentation were, two Guymon students both said that Cabrera’s “Stop crying, start trying” is the most meaningful effective message Cabrera could send. They said that that message really tells you to suck it up and actually get started, and that applies to all aspects of life, not just homework.

Mr. Cabrera brings not only a light energy to the crowd, but also a desire to soak in his words and apply them to our own lives. He speaks from experience as well as observation, and after reading success letter after success letter, Cabrera can say he speaks the truth.
Concert This Thursday Premiers Centennial Music

By Laura Hays

Goodwell, Okla. — Oklahoma Panhandle State University President Dave Bryant invites everyone to attend the Music Department’s Centennial Concert plan this Thursday, October 8 at 7 p.m. in the Centennial Theatre inside Hughes-Strong Hall. The OPSU Bands and Choir will present music from 1909 and from the history of OPSU to celebrate 100 years of higher education in the Panhandle and will premiere the Centennial commissioned music, “Progress through Knowledge” for band and chorus. The music was written by Dr. Matthew Saunders, Music Dept. Chair with lyrics by Elaina Bell Stewart, Electronic Resources and Systems Librarian. Admission is $5 for Adults, $3 for Seniors ($5 and over), is free for public school and OPSU students, staff and faculty. Plan now to enjoy this historic concert prior to the Homecoming festivities.

Ben Lane
Ben is the 21 year old HPER major from Alvin, Texas. Ben is the son of Don and Maxie Lane. His activities include playing football for the Aggies, being a Senator for Student Senate and FCA. His honors include being First Team ICAA DB.

Dee McChesney
Dee is the 19 year old Criminal Justice major from Alvin, Texas. Dee is the daughter of Rusty and and Dale McChesney. Her activities include being on BA and the Hall Student Basketball for the Lady Aggies, and being a Student Senator. Her honors include being on the Dean’s List, and the Chuck Norris Award. The Dean would like to say that “Dee is a Ninjaluke”. 

Gus Overstreet
Gus is the 2 year old Biology major from Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is the son of Reba and Teresa Overstreet. His activities include playing football for the Aggies, Holter Hall, and Men’s Basketball. He is a member of the Science Club. His honors include being named to the All-Conference 2008 and Lettering in Football in 2007 and 2008. He also enjoys star gazing for long periods of time in the summer nights, and enjoys seeing Milky ways everyday!

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Milica Rogic
Milica is the 24 year old Psychology major from Banja Luka, Bosnia. She is the daughter of Danijka and Vladimir Rogic. Her activities include being a member of the Science Club and Telomere Project. She enjoys learning music, watching movies, and playing basketball when she’s not at school. Her hobbies include being on the Deans List.

Carlee Scofield
Carlee is the 23 year old Biology major from Gaymont, Oklahoma. She is the daughter of Steve and Pat Scofield. She is the student body President, Science Club, Holter Hall, and OPSU Student Senate. Her activities include being on the Deans List.

Princess Joy Usher
Joy is the 20 year old Physical Therapy major from North Chicago, Illinois. She is the daughter of Sharon and Jimmy Usher. Her activities include playing tennis and entertaining others. She also says that she is the most unique person one will ever meet.

Leslie Bledsoe
Leslie is the 20 year old Psychology major from Gaymont, Oklahoma. She is the daughter of Ron and June Bledsoe. Her activities include, President of AAGIE Peers, a member of the Psychology Club, and is on the Governmental Elections Committee. She says that she is a fun loving, outgoing caring person who loves life.

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Student Athletes of the Week

GOODWILL, OKLA. — During the school year, Oklahoma Panhandle State University recognizes Student Athletes of the Week – an honor based upon leadership, academic accomplishment, athletic performance, and citizenship.

THIS WEEK, Wesley Wilson of the Lady Aggie rodeo team and football player William Tumbo have earned the honors.

WESLEY WILSON is a hard-working junior who competes for the Aggie rodeo team in barrel racing as well as breakaway and team roping. Her very solid work ethic carries over into the classroom and the junior is majoring in Elementary Education and she has her sights on a career in teaching. She calls Arthur, Nebraska home.

SOFT-SPOKEN WILLIAM Tumbo is a big man (6'4" and 287 pounds) who plays with a big heart on the Aggie defensive line. He gets the job done with equal dedication in the classroom as he pursues a degree in Industrial Technology. Tumbo (a junior from Wesson, Mississippi) earned postseason honors for his rugged play last fall and should do the same in the 2009 football campaign.

THERE ARE many fine young people participating in intercollegiate athletics who represent Oklahoma Panhandle State University and Tumbo and Wilson are two of them.
SPORTS

Second Rodeo of the Season
By Cheney Latham

ALTHOUGH PRAY, Kansas was cold and windy this past weekend it was the place to be for this year’s second Central Plains region college rodeo of the season. Entries were the highest they have been for Pratt’s 44th anniversary rodeo.

PANHANDEE COWBOY Seth Hardwick made two solid rides in the bareback riding with two scores of 69 points securing him a fifth place finish overall.

IN THE saddle bronc riding, four OPSU Cowboys qualified for the short round on Sunday. Troy Crowrey, Tyrel Larsen, Seth Glaze, and Guest Forney. Troy made a great ride on his big horse with a score of 74 in the short go and a 67 in the first go making him the top cowboy in the saddle bronc riding for the weekend. Tyrel Larsen posted two good scores to finish fourth place, and Seth Glaze pulled in a sixth place finish.

STEER WRESTLERS Ryan Hinton, Weston Taylor, and Jesse Britton all qualified for the short round. Hinton posted a time of 4.16 in the first go and a 4.9 in the short go to secure a fourth place finish. Britton had a fast time of 4.6 in the first go, but failed to take one down in the short go. Weston Taylor had two consecutive runs of 5.1 and 5.3 just short of placing.

SETH GLAZE was a solo act in the barrel riding for the Aggies on Sunday with a score of 69 in the first go, but despite a great attempt he didn’t manage to cover his bull in the short round.

AS FOR the women, Hannah Harrington and Shannon Howell qualified for the short round in the goat tying event. Both had some tough luck in the short go, but in the first go Harrington ended up fourth with a run of 6.3 and Shannon posted a time of 8.5. In the barrel racing, Jordan Muney and her horse “Smoke” had a quick time of 17.42 in the short go, that ran along with a 17.90 to put them in a third place finish overall.

THIS COMING weekend the rodeo team travels to Durant, Oklahoma for the third rodeo of the season. Good luck to all cowboys and cowgirls! There is some ground to cover, but the teams are ready to cover it. Both men and women’s teams have the talent, effort, and hard work it took to succeed.

Saturday’s Aggie Futures v. New Mexico Prep Cancelled
Article Courtesy of Scott Foyyear

GOODWELL, OKLA. — The Aggie Futures football game, originally scheduled for this Saturday against New Mexico Prep, has been cancelled. The contest was to be played after the need.

THE AGGIE Futures football games feature Oklahoma Panhandle State reserves getting some playing time under game conditions.

THE NEXT Futures game will be an intra-squad contest and is set for October 26 at 7:00 p.m. at Carl Woest Field on the OPSU Campus. •

Another OT for OPSU
By Josh Edensborough

The Oklahoma Panhandle State University football team played this past Saturday looking to even their season record at 4-4. The Aggies took on the Cardinals from Incarnate Word, and playing to win in overtime for the third straight week.

The Aggies started out the game firing, and took the lead with 7:52 remaining in the first quarter after running back Darrell Britzer broke for a 55-yard touchdown run to make the score 7-0. Later in the quarter, the Aggie offense put together a nice drive capped by a 12-yard touchdown pass from Vinnie Gay to Doug Williams.

In the second quarter the Cardinals found the end zone for the first time to make the score 14-7 with 6:27 seconds remaining in the half. The Aggies responded on their next possession with a 54-yard Taft long, and took the half with the score 21-14.

The second half started out almost identical to the first half. Britzer, who had 230 rushing yards on the day, scammed into the end zone from 82 yards out with the score 28-14. The Cardinals responded later in the half with a 18-yard touchdown pass from quarterback on the ground. The Aggies offense again found the touchdown when Gay connected with Williams for the second time, from 18-yards out, and with 8 minutes remaining in the third.

“The Aggies dominated for the majority of the game, but just could not close. Look for OPSU to bounce back next week for homecoming.”

OPSU had the lead 35-7. It appeared to most that the game was in the bag with the way the offense was rolling, and the defense had been holding strong. The Cardinals had different ideas however and found their way into the end zone twice to close out the third quarter making the game 35-21.

In the fourth quarter, the Aggie offense just couldn’t seem to get anything going, while the Cardinals found away to earn 14 more points off of two Aggie turnovers of their own to lead the game 49-21. Later on in the game, the Aggies, who lost a heart breaker 2 weeks ago in double OT, and fast week turnovers cost them.

The Aggies started out the overtime with the ball, and were held scoreless by the Cardinals. It was now Incarnate Word’s turn to try and get some points on the board, and the OPSU defense held tough forcing the Cardinals to attempt a 39-yard field goal. The field goal was good giving the Cardinals the win 49-21.

The Aggies dominated for the majority of the game, but just could not close. Look for OPSU to bounce back next week for homecoming at Southwestern College of Kansas for homecoming. The game will kick off at 1 p.m.

Baseball; An American legacy

By Jennifer Banner

In the early 1900s when OPSU was founded, baseball wasn’t very popular; and baseball players were not the best athletes in upper socioeconomic classes preferred sports that were more for shine—tennis, golf, horse racing, sailing, and polo. Baseball was sweeping the nation by storms. By the turn of the century, every small town had a competitive league after watching baseball grow popular in the 1880s. In 1900, the American League was created, and by 1903, the World Series was played between the Boston Americans and the Pittsburgh Pirates. Through the next years, the World Series passed over due to a personal argument between the Giants’ player manager John McGraw and American League President Ban Johnson.

The classic combo of baseball and hot dogs became popular sometime before 1904, but this year can be seen as the original year America, as American civilization, spanning a boom in the hot dog industry and an introduction to a new, hands-on dining experience for Americans of all socioeconomic classes.

The sport is still alive and well, and a result of his theory of relativity in 1905, Christiaan Huygens’ first hitting in the Major Leagues for the first time, and Ty Cobb played his first Major League game. These two events occurred during the Great Depression and the dead-ball era, were two of the five inductees into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1936 (35 years after they started in the Major Leagues), leaving legacies as two of the best baseball players in history according to many historians and journalists.

Fast-forward a couple years, and in 1907, women were introduced to professions. One of the first women to play professional baseball when she pitched for the others for the first time, veteran Ruby Taff threw the first pitch on opening day. She was the first U.S. President to throw out the first pitch of a World Series game and the first woman to hit a home run in the World Series when she did.

Finally, in 1910, politics met the great American game. President William Howard Taft threw out the first pitch on opening day. He was the first U.S. President to throw out the first pitch and first woman to hit a home run in the World Series when she did.

Now baseball surpasses other sports by bringing together players of all races and backgrounds. It still shows off of the field, team chemistry is the key to winning, and participation regardless of positive or as well as times of need. By creating a team environment in which all players work toward success. Invented by the American Dream, early-20th-century America's number one sport further strengthens the dream and gives us, well, something to look forward to during the warm months!
Third quarter 2009 in the music industry has been one of substance over situation. For the last couple of years, it seemed a good beat and a decent hook was enough to keep saturated music on the radio stations. Sure, it was nice to dance to and the words sounded catchy enough, but did you ever take the time to really listen to what it was you were singing along to? Although it did set us up for some great karaoke nights and comical sketches upon witnessing the “Stanky Leg” among all its variations, Jay-Z says it best, Death of Autotune. Just when it looked like we’d entered a time period of stagnation on the airwaves, the static is finally clearing and you can feel free to turn the stereo up and LISTEN. From Drake to Jeezy and Jay-Z to Breaking Benjamin, music is still worth hearing.

Let’s start off on the rap scene. They all claim to be the best but how did they all end up on one track? Almost seems too good to be true but after forgiving Kanye for his antics at the VMAs, we’ve embraced Drake’s track “Forever” with the likes of West, Wayne, and Shady. Also on the hip hop end, Jay-Z released The Blue Print, which critics claimed one of his best yet.

Third quarter for R&B released some hits from veterans names as well as newcomers. Mariah Carey’s Memoirs of an Imperfect Angel released September 29th took Carey’s chart topping hits style and mixed the new with the old introducing the likes of Young Jeezy on select tracks. Drake is just all over the map on the music scene, contributing to Trey songs along with Mary J. Blige. Other albums that have dropped this year are Life Starts Now by Three Days Grace, I Look to You by Whitney Houston, Draw the Line by David Gray, Man on the Moon by Kid Cudi, The Fame by Lady Gaga, Ready to Trey Songs, and many more.

Getting involved at Panhandle State
More Than A Face

-JORDAN FLANAGAN-

Senior Jordan Flanagan stayed close to home to attend Oklahoma Panhandle State University. This English major grew up on a farm north of Texoma with his parents, Joe and Jeannie and two older brothers, Josh and Jeff. Jordan’s grandfather attended OPSU as well as his dad. He says he likes the small campus because it allows him to get to know a lot of people, and he adds that he really likes the professors here.

Jordan explains that his cherished childhood memories are just little things on the farm from moving cattle to helping his dad with whatever needed to be done. When asked for one word to describe him, Jordan replied, “Blessed.” “I am blessed with my family, friends, different opportunities, and this school,” he said. Jordan’s main passion is to live for Christ everyday. Just this past summer, he went on a mission trip with the Baptist Student Union to Argentina for two weeks. The few weeks consisted of staying in two different villages, Villanaria and Alpecaral, and the city of Cordoba where BSU students had bible studies with different families. “I had a great time getting to know the Argentine people and their culture,” Jordan stated. One memorable moment was seeing the sun rise over the Andes Mountains from the plane he added. One destination Jordan would like to visit most in the world is Ireland because of its history and his family heritage.

Jordan’s hobbies include playing the guitar and playing any sport from basketball to ping pong. As for favorite sports teams, he has three; San Antonio Spurs, Dallas Cowboys, and Texas Rangers. He can not choose a favorite food because he says anything is good. When asked for a favorite verse he states, “There are too many good ones, but the whole book of Philippians would have to be at the top.”

Jordan would like to teach and do mission work overseas in the future. As for this month and the months to come on campus remember that everyone is more than a face. If you run into Jordan on our little campus be sure to shout out a hello. This nice guy has a great smile and a big heart to strike up a conversation with him. He is an individual who everyone should know. If you want to be the next more than face please shoot me an e-mail at chaney.lathom@opsu.edu.

OPSU Holds Emergency Management Training

Article Courtesy of Laura Hays

Goodwell, Okla. — Oklahoma Panhandle State University personnel became students one Saturday morning in August as they met in a large classroom for Incident Command System (ICS) training, a part of the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) emergency training courses under the National Incident Management System (NIMS). Oklahoma Governor Brad Henry’s Campus Life and Safety and Security (CLASS) Task Force seeks full, national NIMS compliance by December 1, 2010 throughout all state agencies. The compliance is required for recipients of federal preparedness funds as well as for several grants administered through the U.S. Department of Education.

NIMS courses provide consistent, nationwide training that enables federal, state and local governments to work together to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from any incident that may occur. It is essential that postsecondary institutions implement NIMS training and exercises to meet the compliance criteria.

Led by Harold Tyson, Texas County Emergency Management Director, ICS-100 and ICS-200 material was covered. The training ensures that OPSU personnel are prepared for major disasters or events that may occur on campus. Even though the ICS and NIMS courses are known for use in disasters and emergen-cies, the concepts also help support positive campus events, such as large gatherings during Homecoming or Commencement.

For more information about emergency management training, see FEMA’s website at www.fema.gov.

Electronic Signs Serve Students

Article Courtesy of Laura Hays

Goodwell, Okla. — The indoor and outdoor electric signs installed on the OPSU campus have become an essential form of communication. Paper flyers are quickly becoming out-of-date due, in part, to tech-savvy students who prefer to read a screen rather than printed material. The outdoor sign above the entrance to Oscar Williams Fieldhouse also informs the entire community of upcoming events and another outdoor sign is located on the south side of the Student Union Building. Jessica Lofland, Director of Student Services, changes the information often, sometimes on a daily basis. Using a central computer, she can update multiple signs simultaneously, which also allows her to notify the community of any emergency, such as severe weather. She said, “The students have mentioned how great it is to learn about campus events from the electronic signs. They can watch the screens while eating lunch, waiting for class to begin, or walking across campus.”

Two new signs, inside the Noble Center and Sewell-Loobbourou, were added to those already in place in the Hughes-Stroberg lobby, the Aggie Grill, the Science and Agriculture Building lobby, the cafeteria and Carter Hall. Doris Loop, Executive Secretary of the Panhandle State Foundation said, “The signs have been a great asset to the Foundation because the information concerning foundation scholarships and check reach students sooner. I think it’s a great way to get information to the student body, and we’ve had several students say they saw the information on the signs.”

OPSU continues to identify and improve the ways in which information is shared and the electronic signs reach today’s students in a timely and effective way.
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