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Women’ Basketball Home Opener!
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On This Day, 1620
The Mayflower Compact is signed in what is now Provincetown Harbor near Cape Cod.

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OPSU Birthday Bash
OPSU just celebrated its 100th birthday. Bipolar Echo performed, President Bryant addressed the students, and students enjoyed a great time at the newly dedicated Centennial Park.

What you didn’t know about Thanksgiving.

Turkey anyone? Yeah, we know that Thanksgiving means plenty of food, family, and fun, but do you really know all you need to about this holiday? See what it was like in OPSU’s beginnings!

Good Weather
What do a tornado, a hurricane and a redneck divorce have in common? Look for the answer on the back page.

Wednesday, November 11
Thursday, November 12
Friday, November 13
Saturday, November 14
Sunday, November 15
Monday, November 16
Tuesday, November 17
Sunny 58°-32°
Sunny 73°-52°
Sunny 69°-36°
Sunny 58°-37°
Sunny 43°-29°
Sunny 56°-38°
Sunny 55°-30°
Straight From the Horse’s Mouth

If you could pick a reality show to be on what would it be and why??

"I would start my own and call it For the Love of Micah."

Mical Oates Jenkins

"Fairy of Love because they sing!"

Alex Lapinsky

"Wheel of Fortune, to spin that giant wheel."

Chase Jones

"Who Wants to be a Millionaire, to win some money!"

Amber Romero

"My brother because I want it."

Shelby Davis

THINGS THAT MAKE
You Go Hmm...

Lime beans contain cyanide.

McDonald’s salads contain up to 60% more fat than their burgers.

To burn off one plain M&M candy, you need to walk the full length of a football field.

George Washington grew marijuana in his garden.

In 1897, Bayer, who is the maker of Aspirin, marketed the drug heroin.

In 1998, Sony accidentally sold 700,000 camcorders that had the technology to see through people’s clothes.

Infants spend more time dreaming than adults do.

Paper money is not made from wood pulp but from cotton. This means that it will not disintegrate as fast if it is put in the laundry.

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Saunders Leads the Way with OPSU BAND

A football or basketball game is not complete without the music from the OPSU Band, led by Dr. Matthew Saunders.

Oklahoma Panhandle State University
Student Health Clinic/Wellness Center
Staff Nurse: Florence Wesley BSN, RN

Urineysis $1.00
FSM $1.00
Consult $3.00
FLU SHOT $0
OTC MEDS $0
Weight Check $0
Pregnancy Test Free
Blood Sugar Check Free
Diet Consult $10.00
TB Tests Free

Asthmatics
Immunizations
Flemish Parenthood
Consult
Oral Contraceptives

Wednesday November 9
OPSU College Fair
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Noble Center

Thursday November 9
Musical Rehearsal
in H-S Aud.
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
High-Strung Auditorium

Friday November 6
Volleyball at Tarelton State University Tournament
12:00 PM
Stephenville, TX

Saturday November 7
Volleyball
Tarelton State University Tournament
12:00 PM
Stephenville, TX
Cross Country
West Texas A&M

Sunday November 8
Women’s Golf NSU Golf Classic
1:00 PM
Tulsa, Ok

Monday November 9
Musical Rehearsal in H-S Aud.
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Tuesday November 10
Chili Time!

Goodwell, Okla. — The Oklahoma Panhandle State University Aggies will be stirring it up on the football field during the last game of the season on November 14 and prior to kick-off, other teams will be cooking up some great chili for everyone to taste! Several teams have already entered and everyone is invited to sample the offerings and vote on the best-tasting chili and the best presentation. From noon until 1:30, the teams will have the chili ready for tasting and there is no charge to the public to try them all. While not entered in the competition, President Dave Bryant’s OPSU team will serve the crowd favorite for the past two years, Chile Verde, as well as Chili Colorado and warm flour tortillas.

Cash prizes are on the line for the cook-off teams, so come out and vote for your favorite! Game time is set for 2 p.m. against Northwestern Oklahoma State University and admission is free thanks to the sponsorship of Tri-County Electric.

OPSU’s Birthday Bash

Centennial festivities have been in full swing for the last year, but on Sunday, November 1, Oklahoma Panhandle State University celebrated its actual birthday. The afternoon turned out to be a beautiful one with beautiful blue skies. The shock of being a birthday party and guest speakers raising from Representative Gary Blackwell to our very own Student Senate officers spoke of the impact OPSU on the area. A good number of supporters, professors, and students all came to see first-hand the new band stage right outside Hughes-Strong Auditorium along with the opening of the new Centennial Park.

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

Do you have an opinion or comment about something on campus? Is there something we should know or is an issue to be addressed? Write your letter to the editor, e-mail it to the editor, or bring it to Muller Hall. Letters must include writer’s name, signature, and phone number (phone numbers will not be printed). The editor reserves the right to edit letters for length, libelous statements, and personal attacks.
**Bull Test Update**

Submitted by Gwen Martin

Goodwill, Okla. — The 85 head of beef bulls consigned to the 58th Annual OPSU Bull Test were weighed Saturday, November 7, 2009 after 28 days on the 112-day test. At the end of the test, measurements will be made on the frame score, scrotal circumference, semen characteristics, fat thickness, rib-eye area and marbling in the ribeye area. Expected progeny differences (EPDs) will be computed on most of the bulls for calving ease, weaning weight, yearling weight and milk production on their heifer offspring. This performance data is available for the producer's evaluation of their cattle and for use by prospective buyers in their bull selection.

The top end of these bulls will be consigned to the 58th Annual OPSU Performance Tested Bull Sale. The sale is set for Monday, February 22, 2010 at 100 p.m. (CST) in the England Activity Building, University Farm, Goodwell, Okla. The bulls are being cared for by OPSU student employees: Zachary Harlow, Satanta, Kansas; Ryan Imler, Satanta, Kansas; and Shane Lyons, Enid, Okla.

In the junior age division, the top pen of bulls with an ADG of 5.07 lbs, is consigned by B&M Angus of Edmond, Okla. Spur Success 2801 is the sire of these bulls. Phil Light, Turpin, Okla. has the second place junior pen with an ADG of 4.77 lbs. on three Angus sired by Connealy Danny S398. In third place is a pen of three Angus bulls consigned by OPSU. These bulls, with an ADG of 4.76 lbs., are sired by B&M Right Time 667. The top individual junior-age bulls with ADGs of 6.11 lbs. were consigned by Wink Farms, Panhandle, Texas; Test #30-2 and OPSU, Goodwell, Okla., Test #15-1.

In the senior age division, a Rutledge Angus pen leads the way with an ADG of 5.90 lbs. The bulls in this pen were sired by GAR Predestined, a son of B/R New Design 036. In second place with an ADG of 5.38 lbs. is a pen of three Angus consigned by OPSU. The sire of these bulls is GAR Grade Yield Grade S96. A Tim Meier pen of three Angus, sired by Bar M New Design S188, is in third place with an ADG of 5.27 lbs. B&M's Test No. 11-2 is the top senior age bull with an ADG of 7.21 lbs. This Angus bull is sired by TC Total 410.

Those interested in following the performance of the bulls through the test can contact Gwen Martin, Animal Science Department, OPSU (580) 349-1500. To be placed on the mailing list to receive the performance reports.
OPSU's Williams Ranked Nationally

Goodwell, Okla. — Oklahoma Panhandle State University's talented 6'7" wide receiver Doug Williams ranks seventh in the country in receiving yards per game, according to statistics released on Monday by the NCAA Division II. For the season, Williams is now averaging 150.7 yards per game.

In last Saturday's game against Southern Nazarene, Williams caught eight passes from quarterback Vincent Gay for 104 yards and a touchdown. With these numbers, the Williams combination has totaled 64 receptions for 1,073 yards and 14 touchdowns.

Williams, Gay, and the rest of the Aggies will be in action this coming Saturday afternoon against Northwestern Oklahoma State University. The Aggies are 5-5 this fall and 2-1 in conference play for their first winning season since 2004. The opening kickoff is set for 2:00 p.m.
New Faculty Member in Nursing Department at OPSU Campus

Article Courtesy of Dawn Hemphill, MS, RN

The new school year brings a new face to the Associate Degree nursing department based on the OPSU campus. Joining the faculty as part time instructor is Margy Cox, RN, BSN of Guymon, OK. Margy is teaching the 4th semester course of Advanced Nursing this fall. Margy is working towards her Nurse Practitioner degree and plans to graduate with her master’s degree in the summer of 2010. She received her Associate’s Degree in nursing from Redlands Community College and her Bachelor’s Degree through OPSU’s online RN to BSN program.

Margy has been a nurse for 11 years and has worked in the areas of medical-surgical care, critical care and public health. Her most recent role was as night supervisor at Memorial Hospital of Texas County (MHTC). The diverse roles that she has held will be a benefit to her students. During the current semester, Margy is teaching the Advanced Nursing course. Her students have been at MHTC for their leadership rotations and ER experience. They will focus on Mental Health nursing during their time at Morton County Hospital dividing their time between the Special Care Unit and the Geropsych Unit. In addition they will travel to the Pavilion in Amarillo, TX to learn more about acute care mental health services. They will also be attending various support groups in the area in order to learn more about the nurse’s role in therapeutic communication and mental health issues. For critical care nursing they were recently able spend several 12 hour shifts honing their skills at Integris Baptist in Oklahoma City.

The semester will culminate in a Pinning Ceremony on December 19, 2009 honoring the graduates for their accomplishments over the past few years. Graduates will be eligible to take the NCLEX exam and earn their Registered Nurse license following graduation.

Travel the Globe from the OPSU Campus!

Article Courtesy of Laura Hays

Goodwell, Okla. — Get ready to depart from Oklahoma Panhandle State University on a global odyssey Monday, November 16. Award-winning author Marty Essel will present “Around the World in 90 Minutes” at 7 p.m. in Centennial Theatre inside Hughes-Strong Hall. Essel’s digital slide show includes amazing photographs he took in some of the most remote parts of the world while researching for his book, Cool Creatures, Hot Planet: Exploring the Seven Continents.

Essel’s educational, information-packed presentation covers his adventures around the planet and explores many amazing animals he met on his travels. In addition to the photos, he relates his real-life adventures with humor and provides interesting facts about a variety of animals.

The show is suitable for all ages, so take the whole family around in the world in a single evening! The price is right, too — general admission is $5, senior citizens pay only $2, and the show is free to children under 6 and to OPSU students, faculty, and staff.

Getting Involved at Panhandle State

It’s About Life!

PRESS RELEASE REGARDING BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2009
From: Coffee Memorial Blood Center
Re: OPSU Blood Drive
Contact: Suzanne Talley 351-8872 or 676-2180 Marketing and Community Relations

Thank you so much for your help in publicizing the recent blood drives in your area. We had a great turnout!

On November 9th in Goodwell, OK we had 38 donations.

Student Athletes of the Week

Article Courtesy of Scott Puyear

Goodwell, 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. To be a successful athlete at the college level takes a year around commitment of hard work, and this week two of those hard workers are being honored — football player Dyrain Wright and Katie Salazar of the Lady Aggie softball team.

Katie Salazar is a senior from Ferris, Texas who is a catcher/infielder for the OPSU softball squad. She is dedicated both on the playing field and in her studies as she pursues a degree in Health, Physical Education, and Recreation (HPER). Salazar also does a great job as a student-assistant for the OPSU Sports Information Department.

Dyrain Wright was one of the first players recruited by the current football staff (under head coach Mike Wyatt) and he was signed up to be an Aggie by assistant coach Don Goodno. Recruiting Wright (a junior from San Antonio, Texas) turned out to be an excellent decision because the 6’1” 270-pound defensive lineman has been a three-year standout and is also doing a good job in the classroom as a Business major.

There are many fine young people participating in intercollegiate athletics who represent Oklahoma Panhandle State University and Wright and Salazar are two of them.
More Than A Face

-NAOMI SELMA BALANCHANDER-

Selma Balanchander is in her first year of obtaining an elemen-
tary education degree. She came to OPSU from the distant city of Chennai, India. Selma graduated with a graphic design undergraduate degree in India before making her way to the United States. Ms. Balanchander came to America to attend VBI (Victory Bible Institute) in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She studied there for two years prior to coming to OPSU.

“I love it here,” she exclaimed. If she could say anything to the student body it would be “Our purpose is to study at such a time as this, and we must make the most of this opportu-
nity to the best of our ability.” Selma’s ultimate goal in life is to be the light and salt in this world and to share God’s gospel. Along with doing her best, she said, “God’s calling is my top priority.”

“I was crossing the road in my city, and I was very fatigued and tired, I almost fell to the ground, but out of nowhere a lady caught me. I was going to tell her thank you, but before I could, she disappeared. I knew she must have been an angel, and at that point I knew God had a purpose for me to be alive.” Her favorite verse is Psalms 119:105, “Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path.”

Future plans for Selma include starting an orphanage in India. “If I can educate children in a Christ-like manner, it’s the best education they can get.” After graduating with her degree at OPSU, Selma would like to go into ministry full time. This young lady and her brother have made their way to OPSU with the guidance and support of the McMurry family. “The McMurry’s have blessed us,” she com-
mented. Selma Balanchander is truly a special person. Every student on this campus is special and more than just a face.
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"Mediocrity knows nothing higher than itself, but talent instantly recognizes genius."
- SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE

Word of the Week

Of, relating to, or characterized by sleepiness or lethargy.

Webster.com

You know what really rubs me wrong? Sickness, or more accurately sick people that don’t comprehend the full effect of their actions. If you are sick, isolate yourself. Think about the people around you. Anything you touch, doorknobs, papers, pencils, chairs, etc... anything you breathe on, cough on, or anything you encounter becomes contaminated with your sickness and then anyone else who comes in contact with you or with what you have touched, has the potential of getting sick. Also, if you are sick walking around, being active only makes it worse.

Rub me wrong...

Horoscopes

Aries
Watch out for people with nothing better to do than complain — there are more than you can handle all at once, but if you call in reinforcements or just play defense for a while, they should settle down soon!

Taurus
Your best friends are closer than ever today, thanks in some part to your own excellent energy levels. Your social presence is even more inviting than usual, it may be a good time for a party.

Gemini
It’s a good time for studies, research and other heavy-duty intellectual endeavors — your comprehension is off the charts! You may not have as much fun as you’d like, but you do get an A for effort.

Cancer
You’re reaching more people than ever before — and you should find that they are eager for more! It’s one of those days when you can tell that your people are starving for a new form of intimacy.

Leo
Your need for control is much weaker than usual, so take the chance to review long-standing plans and arrangements with an eye to improving your position. It’s not as hard as it sounds.

Virgo
Use your amazing energy to straighten yourself into a brand-new job or social position — you can start almost anything new today, as long as you feel confident that you can handle the responsibilities.

Libra
You and your people need to deal with something that’s big and getting bigger — that nagging voice in your head isn’t going to stop any time soon! When you deal with it, all feels right in the world.

Scorpio
You’re privy to some sensitive information that comes your way early in the day — and you need to hang on to it for at least another day. You’re good with secrets, so life should just be interesting instead of perilous.

Sagittarius
You’re feeling pretty good about something that is boring to most other people — so keep with it! If you’ve got it all to yourself, so much the better. It’s one of those days when you go your own way.

Capricorn
You’re feeling a bit more clear about an issue that has been confusing you lately — but that doesn’t mean it’s exactly how you like it! If you take action today, you should find it somewhat simpler than you thought.

Aquarius
Your love life is more boring — and today is one of the hot days! If you’re seeing someone, expect some serious snazzy, but if you’re somehow single, now is the time to look for someone sparkly.

Pisces
You and your sense of poetic magic are on a tear today — so bust out the pen or the keyboard and let it flow! You may stumble on some hidden emotional truths that need exploration.

Opinion

If you are a member of the Church of Christ
If you know a member of the Church of Christ
Have you heard of the Church of Christ

then

OPSU Aggies for Christ need you!

Please come by the Student Center on Sunday at 6 for Worship and a meal, and Wednesday at 8:30 for Bible Study. Wifi, Pool, Ping Pong, TV, Cookies, Lemonade anytime

Look for The Collegian Online

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Weather Answer: In the end, someone is going to loose a house trailer.