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**NEWS**

Festivities Planned Celebrating 100 Years of Education

Article Courtesy of Laura Hays

Goodwell, Okla. — The Oklahoma Panhandle State University Centennial Committee is planning three events during the 2009 fall semester. The celebrations begin Thursday, October 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Centennial Theatre located in Hughes-Strong Hall with the “Centennial Celebration Concert” featuring Concert Band, Concert Choir and guests. The concert will include the Centennial commission, Progress Through Knowledge for band and chorus. The original music was written by OPSU’s Music Department Chair, Dr. Matthew Saunders and with lyrics by OPSU’s Electronic Resources and Systems Librarian Elaina Bell Stewart, winner of the OPSU Centennial Poetry Contest. The concert will also feature other music with links to OPSU history.

Two days later, on Saturday, October 10, the football Homecoming events will center on the Centennial as well as celibrating not only OPSU’s past, but that of the entire zón de OPSU.

Sunday, November 1, marks OPSU’s one hundredth birthday! While the details are still being ironed out, BHolar Echo, a rock band that includes several OPSU faculty, staff, and students will perform. Also, a time capsule will be filled with historic items and placed on campus for future generations to enjoy.

Please contact Dr. Sara Jane Richter, Centennial Committee chair at 580-349-1472 if you would like more information about these activities or would like to help. Thanks to her leadership, the Centennial Committee continues its great service to OPSU, preserving history and planning events directed at celebrating not only OPSU’s past, but that of the entire region.

**Noble Center Hours Fall 2009**

**Monday-Thursdays:**

**Gym:** 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

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**Gym:** 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

**Sunday:**

Closed

**Open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday**

Wednesday August 12

First Day of Fall Classes

Ice Cream Social

6:30PM-8:00PM

Garden Club Park

Thursday August 13

Music Forum in H-S Aud.

2:00PM-3:00PM

Friday August 14

Ninth’s planned, go out and meet someone new.

Saturday August 15

Yes. Tumbleweeds exist more than just in western movies. You can go play with one if you’d like. They don’t bite.

Sunday August 16

This place is a college. Take some of your downtime to look at the assignments you are sure to put off in the future.

Monday August 17

Here we go again. Almost one complete weak down.

Tuesday August 18

Musical Rehearsal in H-S Aud.

3:00PM-6:00PM
Fall sports seasons are in full swing. Even though summer is still with us, it won't be long before the new school year begins. New students, and good luck to all of the Aggie sports in the fall. At this point in the article I would like to say welcome to all new students, and good luck to all of the Aggie sports in the fall. By Josh Edenborough

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As far back as I can remember I have been a player and fan of sports. When I was little all I could think about was going pro in every major sport known to man. My high school dreams changed from being a super athlete to simply playing college basketball. Like everyone who wants to play college basketball, I wanted to play somewhere major such as Duke, although I wasn't quite good enough to play there. I am living my dream here at OPSU.

This summer I helped coach an AUK basketball team. Coaching them made me realize that my HFPER major is definitely right for me. I love basketball, but many of you may be surprised to know that golf is my favorite sport. There is nothing in the world like a relaxing round of golf on an 80 degree day with absolutely no wind at all, which if you have not already found out about the Panhandle, a day with no wind happens about 10 times a year.

My name is Josh Edenborough. I am a redshirt freshman this year and I will be the new sports writer for the Collegian. Writing, while it's not exactly the love of my life, is something that I enjoy doing especially when I am writing about things I love such as sports. I was born and raised 10 miles away in the big town of Guymon, Oklahoma. I turn 20 on September 7. I will cover every sport that OPSU has to offer with the best of my ability. If there is anything that you would like to see on my page please feel free to email me at joshu edenborough@students.opsu.edu. Meet me up on facebook or MySpace, or stop me around campus if you don't know who I am just ask any member of the basketball team.

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Welcome to Oklahoma Panhandle State University!

Left: Aggies look to move into their new homes. Above: this is the first time away from home. Centre — a football player from freshman. It is well equipped with basketball in hand. Right: As a third of the team made up of transfer students, every support Aggie athletes!

AGGIE FOOTBALL
09/19/2009 6:00 PM Langston University at home (coached by Roger McKinnon) also will be played by Craig Latham) and the men's golf team will pit them against both Mid-America Christian University and Southwest Assemblies of God.

In addition, though they compete more heavily in the spring, the OPSU men's and women's rodeo teams (coached by Craig Latham) and the men's golf team (coached by Roger McKinnon) also will be in competition.

For Lady Aggie and Aggie sports news all year long, check out the school website at www.opsu.edu.

Collegian’s Caption Contest
We Need Your Help!

They say a picture speaks a thousand words. Well sometimes pictures are screaming at us but it's hard to tell what it is exactly that they are saying. We've given up, and now we're putting it in your hands. It's up to you to decipher the message. Each week we will place a new picture that we will give you the opportunity to decode. If you can come up with winning catchphrase or caption for the photo, your entry will be published in the following week's newspaper along with your name being placed in a drawing to win something at the end of the semester! Here's your first picture to the left, enjoy!

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)!
Body of the document:

Horoscopes

Aries
Stop bouncing off the walls for just one minute. The anticipation of coming to school has come to a close. Settle down and get comfortable, enjoy yourself and get involved. Use some of that pent up energy on your homework!

Taurus
Do this, do that! Does it feel like everything everyone tells you is followed by an explanation mark? Is your boss or professor under the impression that they’re in charge? Yell back! Just kidding, don’t do that. Find the balance between getting things done and getting them done on time. Remember, they are somewhat in control of things.

Gemini
Hey lazy, get up and do something! Yea, you’re in college now, you’ve signed the papers, and canceled your plans for the next year. High five, do you want a cookie now too? Being there and being present are two very different concepts.

Cancer
You’re right! You’ve got an itch, now scratch it! It’s been bugging you long enough. Say something already.

Leo
If you don’t look at the trash, it will still be there. It’s getting a bit stinky now too. Hmm... What to do, what to do. Here’s an idea; take it out! Today, you could have fun doing just about anything, so why not knock out a few of the necessary chores.

Virgo
Ouch. Okay, so that lashing may have totally been coming, but remember, they’re human too. Take it easy. Plus, sympathy is a good teammate, and they’re already ganging up on you. Empathy is key in this situation.

Libra
A lot of people coming to you for advice now? Maybe that’s because you have something good to say. Just a thought, listen to yourself. Just try not to have these conversations in public. People don’t look fondly upon those talking to themselves.

Scorpio
How long have you been going down this road? So there’s dirt on the right and you’re not sure if your tires can handle it. Get your oil changed and rotate your tires. What’s the worst that could happen? A blow out, run out of gas, etc. Bad example, but there’s less traffic out there anyway, so just watch out for telephone poles!

Sagittarius
You’re not on drugs. There’s nothing wrong with dancing while doing the dishes and vacuuming. Well, maybe you should close your blinds. The neighbors might look at you funny if you’re naked. Is that public indecency?

Capricorn
Burger King or McDonalds? Well that’s easy, Guymon only has a McDonalds. Big Mac it is. McFlurrys are always a favorite anyway. The answer’s already in front of you, stop complicating things.

Aquarius
Your superhuman abilities may even be surprising you now. Just a thought, listen to yourself. Just try not to have these conversations in public. People don’t look fondly upon those talking to themselves.

Pisces
Let them know you’re onto them. Everyone else sees it too, but if you don’t say anything, neither will they. It’s a dirty job, but someone’s gotta do it.