

What's Happening

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Roustabout alums to appear in Tonkawa Aug. 31

The Guys featuring NOC Roustabout Alumni will headline the Full Moon Concert on Thursday, August 31 in Tonkawa Centennial Park, 301 East Grand, Tonkawa, OK. The musically eclectic band features four NOC Roustabout alumni including Brandon Haynes (lead-vocals/piano), Brad Matson, (auxiliary percussion), John Shwayat (bass), Hunter Vogeles (drum-set), and Erik Willadsen (guitar) who is also a NOC graduate. The audience will enjoy a broad selection of covers including pop, rock, and some good ole' oldies! Roustabout alumni include Krista Hembree, Tim Muniz, Christopher James, Taryn Pruett, Kenneth Thomas, Alyssa Baker, Faith Crum, Regan Clapper, and more!

Haynes teaches music and is the vocal director and musical arranger for the Roustabouts at Northern Oklahoma College (NOC). He is also the director of music and worship arts at First United Methodist Church in Tonkawa and the artistic director for the Choral Arts Society of Northern Oklahoma (CASANO) Ponca City community choir. Haynes also performs frequently at TS Fork Restaurant in Tonkawa. His debut album entitled Brandon Haynes: With a Little Help from my Friends is soon to be released! The album features many of Haynes' musician friends and local artists including Ciara Brooke of Five-Year Gap and Broadway-performing friend Isaiah Bailey.

Vogele (aka Hunter Grant in the music realm) connected with Haynes through church praise-band collaborations and the NOC Roustabouts. In 2019, he co-produced his debut solo album with Haynes entitled Hunter Grant: Pieces and is available on various streaming platforms including Spotify and Apple Music. Shwayat is a music graduate from NOC and frequently performs bass guitar in the area for various groups. Outside of music, Shwayat is a deputy treasurer at the Kay County Treasurer's Office. Willadsen is a personal banker at Gateway First Bank in Tonkawa and also works as a ranch hand. He relishes performing guitar with The Guys and also in the band Hambone.

The family-friendly outdoor concert begins at 7 p.m. at the Heart in the Park Pavilion and is free to all. NOC is supporting this community event and will host an information booth with giveaways, bottled water and games.

Since bench seating in the park is limited, the public is invited to bring lawn chairs or blankets. Pets on leashes are welcome and restroom facilities are located across the street in the Santa Fe Depot. Throughout the evening, concertgoers may walk the world's only heart-shaped labyrinth, and the evening concludes with the traditional group howl at the full moon.

Northern Oklahoma College and NOC Foundation joins North Central Oklahoma Arts Council and Heart in the Park Committee to



The Guys featuring NOC Roustabout Alumni will perform a broad selection of pop and rock covers at the Full Moon Concert, Thursday, August 31 sponsored by North Central Oklahoma Arts Council, Heart in the Park committee and Northern Oklahoma College Foundation. Music begins at 7:00 p.m. with free admission in Tonkawa Centennial Park. Band members from left: Hunter Vogeles, Erik Willadsen, Brandon Haynes, and John Shwayat.

sponsor this event. Next month's Full Moon Concert is scheduled for 6:30 pm Friday, September 29. In case of inclement weather or for more information, check for Full Moon Con-

cert updates at <https://heartinthepark.org/> and on NCOAC Facebook: www.facebook.com/TonkawaArts/ or by messaging 580-628-0108.

Enid Soccer season starts Sunday

NOC Enid Soccer opens their inaugural season Sunday evening as the Jets women host Redlands Community College at 7 p.m.

The Jets schedule is available at www.nocjets.com.

Home games are available on livestream at <https://www.noc.edu/athletics/streaming/enid-athletics-streaming/>.

August Schedule Men	
Aug. 28 – Pratt (H), 7 p.m.	
Aug. 30 – Eastern (A), 4 p.m.	
August Schedule Women	
Aug. 27 – Redlands (H), 7 p.m.	
Aug. 30 – Eastern (A), 2 p.m.	



Life changing.

NOC August, September Birthdays



Jennifer Hammons	Aug. 26	Cathy Ballard	Sept. 14
Anna Roland	Aug. 26	Wendy Spiva	Sept. 18
Rachel Kroemer	Aug. 27	Tori Green	Sept. 18
Candy Oller	Sept. 1	Stony Jones	Sept. 18
Crystal Smith	Sept. 1	Jeff Tate	Sept. 19
Mary Morris	Sept. 3	Belinda Horinek	Sept. 20
Suzanne Stergas	Sept. 4	Cara Beth Johnson	Sept. 20
Shannon Cranford	Sept. 5	Jill Harmon	Sept. 21
Kenneth Headrick	Sept. 6	Anna McGehee	Sept. 24
Sarah Machia	Sept. 6	Jerry Hawkins	Sept. 26
Frankie Wood-Black	Sept. 6	Christi Hook	Sept. 26
Kathleen Swain	Sept. 8	Kelley Larkin	Sept. 26
Stacey Frazier	Sept. 9	Chad Anderson	Sept. 26
Gene Long	Sept. 11	Luke Kruse	Sept. 26
Jennifer Bedwell	Sept. 11		

NEED MONEY FOR COLLEGE?

If so, complete the following steps below

NOC Students:
Samantha Smith, Mia-Claire Jones
and Emma Valgora

1 Apply for admissions to NOC
www.noc.edu/future-students

2 Complete FAFSA
studentaid.gov
NOC School Code: 003162

3 Complete Scholarship Form
www.noc.edu/scholarships

IMPORTANT DATES:

AUGUST 25
Deadline for all Fall scholarships, except PLC Scholarship.

DECEMBER
Scholarship application opens. Apply for FAFSA.

JANUARY 25
Deadline to apply for scholarships for the Spring semester for new or transfer students.

FEBRUARY 20
PLC Scholarship deadline and priority date (early acceptance) for all other scholarships for Fall.

Contact the Scholarship Office
580.628.6760
Email: scholarships@noc.edu

Need help or have questions?

SCAN TO VISIT OUR SCHOLARSHIP WEBPAGE

www.noc.edu/scholarships

Steve Kissel to head Jets Softball

Steve Kissel has been named as the NOC Enid Jets Softball coach replacing Megan Hill.

NOC Athletic Director Alan Foster announced the hiring on Friday.

Kissel comes to NOC from Colorado Northwestern Community College.

“I want to thank Mr. Foster and the committee for giving me this great opportunity,” Kissel said. “I’m excited to be the new head softball coach at NOC Enid. I know there is tremendous potential in this program.”

NOC Athletic Director Alan Foster is excited for Kissel joining the Jets program.

“I feel fortunate that we are able to hire someone with coach Kissel’s experience and connections in college softball. He has experience in taking over programs late in the cycle and having success immediately. I feel there will be little disruption for the athletes in adjusting to a new coach which is important. I believe he will be able to help our student athletes achieve and further their goals both on the field and off,” Foster said.

Kissel is a Colorado native, and has coached for seven different colleges. He has amassed 610 wins and will be entering his 30th season as a collegiate head coach.

He began his collegiate head coaching career at his alma mater - Dana College - from 1987 through 1994. He received his undergraduate degree in Physical Education from the institution, leading his alma mater to six conference championships in eight years (1987-91 and 1994), along with qualifying for district tournaments all eight years. The 1994 team won a district championship and advanced to the ‘Elite Eight’ of the NAIA National Tournament.

Kissel won league coaching honors six times while coaching at Dana. He was also a two-time ‘District Coach-of-the-Year’ in 1991 and 1994.

After receiving his Masters’ Degree in Health

E d u c a t i o n from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in 1994, Kissel next coached at Minot State (N.D.) for one year as head softball coach and assistant football coach.

That year, the football team made it all the way to the ‘Elite Eight’ in the NAIA playoffs and the softball team qualified for its first-ever regional tournament.

Kissel’s next coaching stint was at Pittsburg State University in Kansas. His squad qualified for the NCAA Division II regional tournament during his tenure.

In 1998, Kissel joined Oklahoma Panhandle State, where he was the head softball and men’s/women’s cross-country coach. He spent the next seven years rebuilding a program that had won less than ten games per year to a program that consistently won 30 games per year. Kissel also served in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation (HPER) department, was the NCAA Compliance Coordinator, a member of the Teacher Education Council and the Athletic Committee.

He replaces Megan Hill left the NOC program for a return to Emporia State, her alma mater, where she will be an assistant.

“I appreciate everything Coach Hill has done for the Jets softball program and I wish her nothing but the best in her endeavors,” Foster said. “I really enjoyed working with her.”



Steve Kissel

FULL MOON

CONCERT

Thursday,
August 31, 2023
at Heart in the Park
Tonkawa Centennial Park | 301 East Grand
7:00 pm

“The Guys”
featuring
NOC Roustabouts Alumni

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The Guys

Brandon Haynes, *lead-vocals/piano* | **Brad Matson**, *auxiliary percussion*
John Shwayat, *bass* | **Hunter Voge**, *drum-set* | **Erik Willadsen**, *guitar*

Scholarship deadline is Aug. 25

Northern Oklahoma College is continuing to accept scholarship applications for Fall 2023.

The Presidential Leadership Scholarship, the NOC/OSU Gateway Ambassadors Scholarship and the State Regents Academic Scholarship application deadline is closed. Priority deadline for all other scholarships opened Feb. 21 with scholarships awarded to qualified applicants on a first come, first serve basis and closes this Friday, Aug. 25. To apply, simply apply for admission to NOC, apply for financial aid and then fill out the scholarship form online.

For last year's fiscal year budget, the college allocated over \$2.8 million in waivers and scholarships support, which is 12% of our operational budget. For this 2023-2024 fiscal year budget, the college allocated over \$2.9 million in waivers and scholarship support, which is 12.1% of our operational budget. These waivers and scholarships continue to assist our students with academic accomplishments and participation in college activities.

Additionally, through the NOC Foundation during the 2022-2023 academic year, the Foundation awarded over \$228,450 in scholarships to 361 recipients from the Tonkawa, Enid and Stillwater campuses. For this 2023-2024 fiscal year, the NOC Foundation Board has been working with our private donors to increase not only the number of scholarship awards giv-

en but also increase the dollar amount awarded. The Foundation's goal is to maximize the financial assistance provided to each student through private awards, thus reducing any out-of-pocket expenses.

According to Sheri Snyder, Vice President for Development and Community Relations, "We are pleased to announce that there are some institutional scholarships along with numerous private scholarships through the NOC Foundation still available. Scholarships will be awarded to qualified applicants on a first come, first serve basis through August 25 for the fall semester. We encourage everyone to apply. The Foundation alone has increased scholarship award amounts with an additional \$75,000 in potential scholarship support to be awarded this year to students at NOC."

To be considered for scholarships, applicants are required to complete the Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA) at studentaid.gov (Northern's Title IV Institutional Code is 003162) within 30 days of accepting a scholarship award.

For a complete listing of all scholarships available, please visit our website at www.noc.edu/scholarships. For more information contact the NOC Scholarship Office at 580-628-6760 or scholarships@noc.edu.



STARTING THE SEMESTER OFF IN A COOL WAY!

Ice Cream
Treats!

NOC FACULTY & STAFF

COME & GO!

AUG 28 | STILLWATER | BROWN BOARD ROOM
AUG 29 | TONKAWA | PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM
AUG 30 | ENID | PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE ROOM

2:00 - 3:30 PM



Deadline nears for Masonic grants

The Northern Oklahoma College Foundation is offering grants through the Masonic Fraternity of Oklahoma Endowment and the Presidential Partners Program.

These funds are made available to Northern Oklahoma College programs, students and employees whose proposed projects support the Foundation's mission of providing quality educational experiences.

NOCF annually determines fund availability and will award grants based on annual earnings of the endowments.

The Masonic Endowment request is to be used

exclusively for student support. Deadline for Masonic Endowment Grant consideration is September 15.

Presidential Partners funds may be used for student or employee support. Presidential Partners Grant requests may be submitted any time during the year.

The Foundation will do its best to provide full or partial funding for all requests; however, submission does not guarantee any funding will be granted.

If any further information is needed, please call the Development Office at 580.628.6214.

NOC Calendar

Aug. 25
Scholarship Priority Deadline
Final Day to Add 16-Week Courses
Final Day to Add 8-Week Courses
Final Day to Return Books for a Full Refund

Aug. 26
Maverick Sheep Show, 9 a.m., Tonkawa

Aug. 27
Home Women's Soccer vs. Redlands, 7 p.m.

Aug. 28
Ice Cream for Faculty/Staff, Brown Room, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Stillwater
Home Men's Soccer vs. Pratt (KS), 7 p.m., Enid

Aug. 29
Free Lunch, BCM, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Tonkawa
Ice Cream for Faculty/Staff, President's Room, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Enid

Aug. 30
The Maverick Published Online

Free Lunch, Wesley House, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tonkawa
Free Lunch, Gantz Center, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Enid
Away Men's and Women's Soccer vs. Eastern, 2 p.m.

Ice Cream for Faculty/Staff, President's Conference Room, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Tonkawa
Bible Study, BCM, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa

Aug. 31
Nursing and Pre-Engineering Professional Day, Tonkawa
Full Moon Concert, Centennial Park, 7 p.m., Tonkawa

Sept. 1
Final Day to Withdraw with a Full Refund
Home Men's and Women's Soccer vs. Crowder (MO), 5 p.m., 7 p.m., Enid

For additional information, visit the following links: [NOC Calendar](#)



Introducing 24x7 Blackboard Learn Support!

We are thrilled to announce that **starting August 21st**, NOC students and faculty will have access to round-the-clock support for Blackboard Learn!

Have questions about navigating the new interface, submitting assignments, or accessing course materials? Our new 24x7 support is here to help.

Additional areas of support will be available on Oct. 5th
For general Blackboard help information: help.blackboard.com

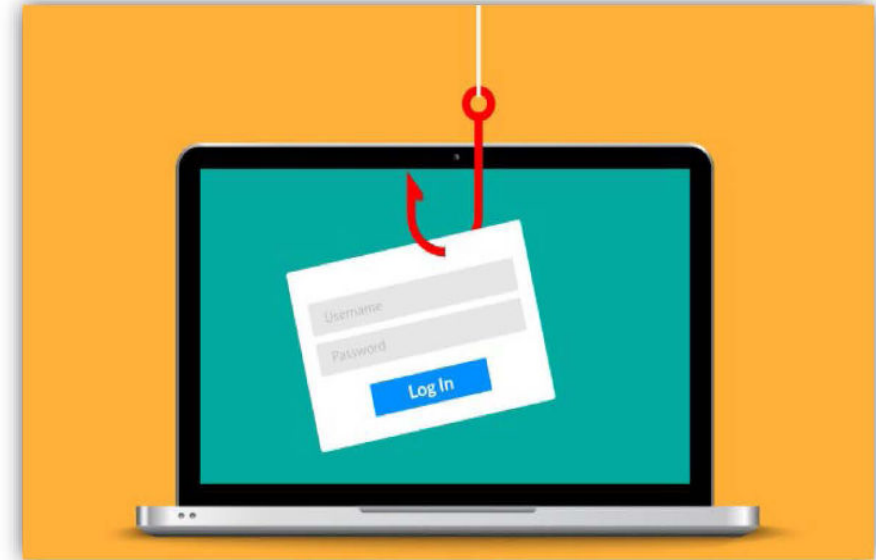
Blackboard Learn Support

Now available anytime!

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If you are needing assistance with logging into Blackboard please contact NOC's IT Help Desk. (580) 628-6291 or ITHelpDesk@noc.edu

First Day of School



DON'T TAKE THE BAIT

Not sure if the email in your
inbox is legit.

Forward it to
ITHelpDesk@noc.edu



Tonkawa Foam Party



Block Party



NORTHERN
Oklahoma College

You Could Be The Next MISS NOC

Competition will be
October 17, 2023
KPAC 7:30 pm
NOC Tonkawa



Miss NOC Enid 2023
Kaycee Babek

Miss NOC 2024
\$1,000 Scholarship

1st Runner-up
\$600 Scholarship

2nd Runner-up
\$400 Scholarship



Represent **Northern** at the
MISS OKLAHOMA COMPETITION!

INFORMATION SESSION

Thursday, September 7, 2023
11:30 am
NOC Tonkawa
Kinzer Performing Arts Center , Room 118

If you are unable to attend the meeting
or have questions, please contact:

Miss NOC Director
Shannon Varner
Kinzer Performing Arts Center, Room 115
580.628.6365 shannon.varner@noc.edu

NOC Campus Activities



*Get
Going
with
Gateway*



*Groups and
Organization Day*



*Lights on
Stillwater*



Maverick Sidewalk Chalk

(photos by Shiloh Martin/NOC)