

What's Happening February 21, 2025

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Williams, O'Brien earn scholarship awards



Xon Williams received the Jared Weiberg Endowed Memorial Scholarship at NOC's game against Murray State Monday night. Pictured (L-R): NOC Vice President for Community Relations & Development Sheri Snyder; NOC President Diana Morris Watkins, William's father Xon, Xon Williams, Ryan Paul (representing the Weiberg family), and Mavs' coach Brandon Gossett. (photo by Shiloh Martin/Northern Oklahoma College)



Levi O'Brien was named the winner of the Donald Hays Scholarship for the 2024-25 season. Pictured (L-R): Sheri Snyder, Vice President for Development & Community Relations; NOC President Diana Morris Watkins, Levi O'Brien, Mays Coach Brandon Gossett, Ryan Paul, NOC Dean of Students. (photo by Shiloh Martin/NOC)

Jared Weiberg Scholarship

Northern Oklahoma College Men's Basketball School in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. player Xon Williams was awarded the Jared Weiberg Endowed Memorial Scholarship Monday night before the NOC men faced Murray

Williams is a freshman from Millwood High

The Jared Weiberg Endowed Scholarship is presented to a walk-on player or student assistant manager of the Maverick team whose qual-

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Donald Hays Scholarship

Northern Oklahoma College sophomore basketball player Levi O'Brien received the Donald R. Hays Thursday night.

The late Ms. Eleanor Hays established this

scholarship is 1991 in memory of her husband, Mr. Donald R. Hays, who was a former basketball player at Northern (at the time it was called The scholarship is for the 2024-25 academic the University Preparatory School) and the

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ities include a strong work ethic, loyalty, unselfishness, and a passion for basketball. Williams will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

Weiberg's father Mick, coached the Mavs from 1987-2006 and also served NOC as Dean of Student Affairs.

Presenting the scholarship award certificate were NOC President Diana Morris Watkins, Sheri Snyder, Vice President for Development & Community Relations, Ryan Paul (representing the Weiberg family), and NOC Mavs coach Brandon Gossett.

Williams was joined by his father, Xon Williams.

Williams' name will be inscribed on the Jared Weiberg Memorial Plaque which is on display in the Vineyard Library/Administration Building.

"Xon is a high character student athlete whose relentless drive and positive attitude make him the perfect recipient of the Jared Weiberg Memorial Scholarship," said coach Gossett.

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University of Oklahoma.

O'Brien receives the \$1,000 scholarship award for being a male sophomore basketball player who attained the highest-grade point average during the fall semester at Northern Oklahoma College. He is an Arts and Science major who graduated from Columbine High School in Columbine, Colorado.

Presenting the scholarship certificate is Diana Morris Watkins, NOC President; Sheri Snyder, Vice President for Development & Community Relations; Mavs' Coach Brandon Gossett, and Ryan Paul, NOC Dean of Students.

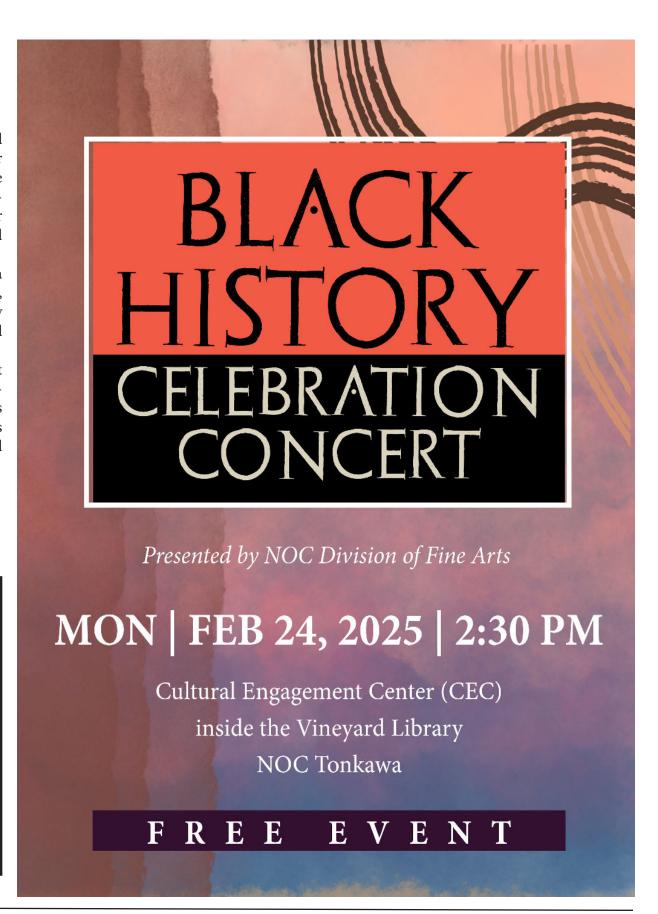
"Levi is the greatest representation of what a student athlete embodies," said coach Brandon Gossett. "His commitment to academics alongside with his hard work on the court, has earned him the honor of receiving the Donald R. Hays Scholarship."

NOC Faculty/Staff February Birthdays



Audra Biggs Jimmy Dickinson Jeremy Hise

Feb. 23 Feb. 24 Feb. 24 Tony Barnes Jonie Johnson Feb. 25 Feb. 28



Black History Month program Feb. 26

Norwood will speak at Black History Month on Thursday, Feb. 26 at NOC Enid.

The program will begin at 11:30 a.m. in Mont- will be provided. gomery Hall in the Gantz Center.

Norwood will speak on "African Americans

City of Enid Ward 2 Commissioner Derwin and Labor." All NOC students, faculty, staff, and the public are invited.

A free lunch serving 'Down Home Soul Food'

The event will be streamed by NOC. The event was originally scheduled for Feb. 20.

Fine Arts Student Recitals Monday

The Northern Oklahoma College of Fine Arts is presenting a Black History Month Fine Arts Student Recital on Monday, Feb. 24.

The recital will be held at the Vineyard Library Cultural Engagement Center at 2:30 p.m.

The choir, vocal, instrumental soloists, and the jazz band will perform songs in African American traditions or by African American composers.

The event is free and open to the public.

Distinguished Alum Banquet March 29

Northern Oklahoma College alumni Marcus Chapman, Dineo Heilmann, and Marshall Reigh will be inducted into the NOC Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame March 29 at NOC Tonkawa.

The three inductees will be honored in ceremonies during the NOC Alumni and Friends Reunion Dinner in the Renfro Center at NOC Tonkawa at 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 29.

The public is invited to the event and all NOC Alumni and Friends of the college are encouraged to attend, according to Kayla Wooderson, Director of Alumni and Community Relations. The deadline for reservations is March 14. Reservations are required; Tickets for the Dinner lic.

and Banquet are \$25 per person.

NOC will present the Alumni Legacy Scholarship as well as recognize the Class of 1975.

For reservations or for more information, contact Wooderson at 580-628-6473 or e-mail kayla.wooderson@noc.edu. To make reservations online, visit www.noc.edu/alumni and then click on "Alumni and Friends Reunion Form."

The event registration will be held from 4:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. in the Renfro Center lobby with dinner at 5 p.m. in the banquet room. The NOC Division of Fine Arts is hosting a "Play in a Day" event at the Kinzer Performing Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. The event is free to the pub-



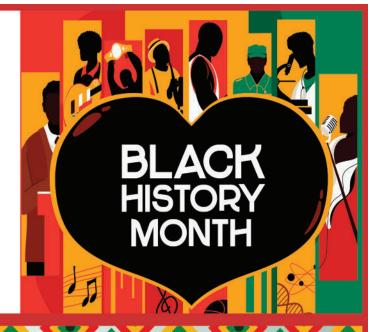




Please Join Us For A

Soul Food Luncheon

AND BLACK HISTORY **PROGRAM**





African Americans and Labor

Guest Speaker

Derwin Norwood

Ward Two Commissioner City of Enid



All NOC Students, Faculty and Staff, and the general public are invited to attend.

Free Lunch Serving Down Home Soul Food and Free Presentation.



FEBRUARY 26, 2025, 11:30 am Montgomery Hall, Gantz Center | NOC Enid

Livestream:

https://www.noc.edu/athletics/streaming/noc-events-streaming/



NOC Tonkawa offers tax assistance

Northern Oklahoma College Tonkawa is providing free basic income tax return preparation for students, NOC employees, and area residents starting Feb. 13 at NOC Tonkawa.

Singles or families making less than \$75,000 per year qualify for the free service.

Trained tax preparers from the NOC Business Division and area volunteers will be available for tax assistance beginning on specific Thursdays starting Feb. 13. Taxpayers also have an option to prepare their own basic federal and state tax return using the free e-filing software.

The Cultural Engagement Center (CEC) is hosting the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program Feb. 27, March 13, March 27, and April 10. The CEC is located in the Vineyard Administration/Library building.

Interested parties need to provide a photo ID for all filers; Social Security cards and birthdates for taxpayer, spouse, and dependents; W-2 forms; 1099 forms; receipts for childcare costs, education expenses, and other deductions; checking account and routing number for refund; and 1095-A, -B, or -C healthcare coverage or exemption.

Tax preparation is done by appointment only. Please contact Cara Beth Johnson at 580.628.6340 or carolyn.johnson@noc.edu.

Northern Oklahoma College and the IRS are sponsoring the program.

Wrestlers set for NJCAA championships

For the 1st time in 41 years, NOC Men's Wrestling is going to the NJCAA National Wrestling Tournament.

197 pounds and Christian Clark at 285 pounds. The National Tournament is in Council Bluffs, Watson. Iowa, March 7-8.

The NOC Maverick Women Wrestlers are heading to the NJCAA National Tournament held March 7-8 in Council Bluffs Iowa.

The following wrestlers have qualified for the and Miah Kenny (145) – 6th. tournament: Bridget Bailey, Harley Brower,

Mia Cabrera, Leanna Espino, Mya Galey, Carlaeona Hockert, Miah Kenny, Porscha Kreger, Addison Polk, Natalie Puentes, Leila Rosas, Qualifying for the Mavs are Kanden Young at Adelina Valencia, Madison Welch, Carla West, Lyndey Wilda, Jordan Williams, and Alayla

> The Lady Mavs are ranked 9th in the latest poll. Ranked in the latest NJCAA rankings are the following: Lelia Rosas (103) - 9th, Addison Polk (110) – 7th, Adelina Valencia (110) – 8th;

Rock of Ages set for March 6-9

The Northern Oklahoma Division of Fine Arts presents "Rock of Ages" Mach 6-9 at the Kinzer Performing Arts Center in Tonkawa.

Showtime is 7:30 p.m. March 6-8 and 2 p.m. by an adult. on March 9.

The musical features music from the musical groups Poison, Journey, Def Leppard, and

Admission is \$10 for adults and \$7 for children. Children under 12 must be accompanied

Admission is free for NOC students, faculty, and staff with ID.



NOC Calendar

Feb. 22

Away Mavs Baseball vs. Dallas-Mountain View, 2 p.m. Home Mavs Softball vs. Cloud (KS), 2 p.m./4 p.m. Away Mavs and Lady Mavs Basketball vs. Connors, 2 p.m./4 p.m.

Feb. 23

Home Jets Baseball vs. East Central (MO), noon, 2 p.m. Home Jets Softball vs. Cloud (KS), noon/2 p.m. Away Mavs Baseball vs. Dallas-Mountain View, noon/2 p.m. Away Mavs Softball vs. SW Tennessee at Carl Albert Festival, noon Away Mavs Softball vs. Carl Albert at Carl Albert Festival, 2 p.m.

Feb. 24

Home Jets Baseball vs. East Central (MO), 11 a.m. Fine Arts Student Recitals, CEC, 2:30 p.m., Tonkawa Home Jets and Lady Jets Basketball vs. Connors, 5:30 p.m./7:30 p.m. The Gathering, BCM, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa Karaoke, Student Union, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa

Feb. 25

Free Lunch, BCM, 11:15 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tonkawa Home Mavs Baseball vs. NWOSU JV, 1 p.m. Bowling at Oakwood Bowl, 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Enid The Gathering, BCM, 8 p.m., Enid

Feb. 26

Free Lunch, Wesley House, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tonkawa Black History Month Program, Montgomery Hall, 11:30 a.m., Enid Free BCM Lunch, Gantz Center, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Enid Home Mavs Baseball vs. Southwestern (KS) JV, 1 p.m.

Feb. 27

Home Jets Baseball vs. Pratt (KS), 11 a.m./1 p.m.

Home Mavs Softball vs. Crowder (MO), 1 p.m./3 p.m.

Board of Regents Meeting, President's Large Conference Room, 2 p.m., Tonkawa Away Jets and Lady Jets Basketball vs. NOC Tonkawa, 5:30 p.m./7:30 p.m.

Home Mavs and Lady Mavs Basketball vs. NOC Enid, 5:30 p.m./7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28

Away Jets Softball vs. National Park (AR) at Branson Classic, 9 a.m. Away Jets Softball vs. Southeast (NE) at Branson Classic, 11 a.m.

