

# What's Happening

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Award winning journalist Mike Boettcher spoke at the Carl and Carolyn Renfro Endowed Lectureship Tuesday night at the KPAC. Boettcher (left) is shown with Carolyn and Carl Renfro. (photo by John Pickard/Northern Oklahoma College)



Ponca City native Mike Boettcher is shown with NOC President Dr. Clark Harris who presented Boettcher with a Pioneer Woman Statue for his presentation at the KPAC. (photo by John Pickard/Northern Oklahoma College)

## Mike Boettcher lectures on U.S. war in Afghanistan

Award winning journalist Mike Boettcher spoke at Northern Oklahoma College Tuesday night on the War in Afghanistan for the Carl and Carolyn Renfro Endowed Lectureship Series.

Boettcher's 90-minute lecture highlighted his experiences imbedded with United States forces in the War in Afghanistan and what went wrong.

In his lecture, Boettcher explained a number of issues regarding the war including the lack of a cohesive strategy both militarily and diplomatically, the impact of neighboring country Pakistan on the war, and corruption of the Afghan government.

He showed four videos that characterized what U.S. forces were doing during the war including clearing enemy outposts and protecting U.S. in-

terests in Afghanistan.

Boettcher is recognized as one of the world's most experienced foreign correspondents, covering wars and revolutions in every part of the globe since 1980. He spent four of the past 20 years in Afghanistan covering America's longest war.

Boettcher helped launch the era of 24-hour live news coverage when on June 1, 1980, he

performed the first live satellite report for a fledgling network called CNN. In almost four decades of assignments covering global conflict for NBC News, CNN and ABC, Mike Boettcher has witnessed, investigated and been a victim of terrorism himself. He was kidnapped and threatened with execution in El Salvador in

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# Boettcher

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1985.

Boettcher is the winner of six national Emmys and a Peabody award. He is one of 5 reporters in history to win national Emmy's for three different networks. He teaches journalism at his alma mater, the University of Oklahoma, and serves as a Senior Fellow at the OU Center for Intelligence and National Security. The next event in the Renfro Endowed Lectureship series is the Jimmy Webb concert on March 8.

## NOC October Birthdays



Tracy McCune	Oct. 3	Tammy Davis	Oct. 24
Kyle Smith	Oct. 4	Jennifer Lechtenberg	Oct. 25
Jayne Orgain	Oct. 4	Julie Baggett	Oct. 26
Blair Turney	Oct. 6	Gene Mayo	Oct. 27
Troy Turner Ryan	Oct. 9	Wendy O'Neill	Oct. 27
Tony Coleman	Oct. 10	Stephanie Dow	Oct. 27
Mary Gard	Oct. 15	Tammy Boyea	Oct. 28
Stephanie Weckler	Oct. 15	Courtney Miller	Oct. 28
John Pickard	Oct. 16	Pam Keeler	Oct. 28
Tricia Moore	Oct. 17	Eddie Dixon	Oct. 29
Lori Erasmus	Oct. 17	Darryl Rogers	Oct. 30
Alyce Webb	Oct. 22		



**GATEWAY**  
PROGRAM



# TAILGATE in Style

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2021



### Oklahoma State vs. Baylor

On game day, tailgate with NOC family and friends! Experience gameday tradition with OSU Athletics.

*"The Walk" Spirited Parade of OSU team, followed by Marching Band.*

**Premium Reserved Location**

**Full Dish Media Package**

**Large Screen TV**

**20' x 20' Tent**

**Catered food and beverages at 4 p.m. provided for the first 100 tailgaters.**



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**and NOC Foundation**



For more information contact the Development Office at 580.628.6473 or visit the office located in the Vineyard Library-Administration Building, NOC Tonkawa

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# Chikaskia Literary Festival Oct. 8-9

The 7th Annual Chikaskia Literary Festival will be held inside the Renfro Center at Northern Oklahoma College Oct. 8-9.

Featured readers include Maryann Hurtt, Paul Juhasz, and Ken Hada.

The following is the schedule for the 7th annual festival.

### Friday, Oct. 8

#### Morning Session

9:30 a.m. – Book Table and Conversation

10 a.m. – Introductions and Welcome

10:15 a.m. -- Cullen Whisenhunt, Noah Milligan, Markham Johnson, Richard Dixon

#### Afternoon Session

1:30 p.m. – Featured Reader, Maryann Hurtt

2:30 p.m. – Ky George, Bill McCloud, Sharon Martin

3:30 p.m. – Robert L. Dean, Julie Chappell, Ron Wallace

4:30 p.m. – Open Mic

5:30 p.m. – Featured Reader, Paul Juhasz

### Saturday, Oct. 9

9:30 – Coffee and Light Breakfast

#### Morning session:

10 a.m. – Joey Brown, Yvonne Carpenter, Kathleen Kelly

11:15 a.m. – Alumni Showcase (Katy Anderson, Melissa Cottle, Phillip Hudson, Holly Mayfield, Alisha Karee McClelland, Mary Means, Susy Smith, and Julie Tate)

12:30 p.m. – Lunch

1:45 p.m. -- Featured Reader, Ken Hada

Also, the Pueblo Pottery Art Exhibit opens at the Eleanor Hays Art Gallery in the Kinzer Performing Arts Center. Viewing hours are Monday - Friday from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. and during performances.



Paul Juhasz



Ken Hada



Maryann Hurtt

## NOC Tonkawa intramural sign-ups

NOC Tonkawa Resident Life Coordinator Renna Bowers announced that intramural football sign-ups have started. Students may register at the Student Affairs Office or on-line.



## Enter Online to **WIN** 65" Smart TV



**I GOT  
MY COVID-19  
VACCINE**

**INCENTIVE  
CONTEST**



Each NOC campus will give away one 65" Smart TV and one 32" Smart TV. Any student that is fully vaccinated against COVID-19 may go to the link for more details and register.

<https://www.noc.edu/emergency/vaccination/contest/>



# Gateway Tailgate planned Saturday

NOC Gateway and Oklahoma State University are hosting a Tailgate prior to the OSU-Baylor game on Saturday.

The tailgate, located just south of Boone Pickens Stadium, runs from 3 p.m. – 8 p.m. Kick-off is set for 6 p.m.

Catered food and beverages at 4 p.m. for the

first 100 tailgaters. The tailgate has a 20x20 tent, Full DISH Media Package, and Large Screen TV.

The event is hosted by the NOC Alumni and Friends Association and NOC Foundation.

For more information, contact the Development Office at 580.628.6473.



NOC Tonkawa hosted a College Fair Tuesday at Foster-Piper Fieldhouse. Over 200 area high school students attended the event (photo provided)

## College Fair held in Tonkawa

Northern Oklahoma College Tonkawa hosted a College Fair Tuesday at the Foster-Piper Fieldhouse.

The college fair is organized through the Great Plains Association for College Admission Counseling (GPACA) which NOC is a member. NOC hosts this event annually and invites area high schools to campus to visit with over 30 different colleges present.

Schools included Perry, Woodland/Fairfax, Newkirk, Tonkawa and Blackwell. There were 200 students at this year's fair.

NOC recruiters Blair Turney and Madison Green represented NOC at the event.

In 1966, Great Plains was formed with Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and North Dakota. Texas formed its own affiliate (TACAC) in October of 1979. In the Spring of 1993, North Dakota and South Dakota formed their own affiliate, DACAC. GPACAC is now comprised of members and member institutions in Kansas, Nebraska, and Oklahoma, as well as affiliate members who work with students in our tri-state region.



## NOC Enid Blood Drive

Tuesday, October 5  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
*Gantz Center Ballroom*

To schedule an appointment, sign up with the PLC students or Freshman Orientation class.

*Get Community Service hours for giving blood!*

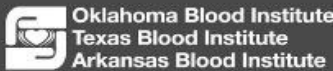


All donors receive this *glow-in-the-dark* t-shirt\*.

Plus, Hemoglobin A1c blood sugar testing will be performed, which can help monitor diabetes risk.



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\*While supplies last. Photo ID required.





The Northern Oklahoma College Livestock Judging Team traveled to Grand Island, Nebraska for the first judging contest of the year. At the Aksarben National Contest, both NOC freshmen and sophomores scored well. The team results are as follows: Freshmen: Team Sheep (3rd); Team Reasons (3rd), Team Overall (3rd). Sophomores - Team Overall (9th).

## First Northern Encounter event Oct. 6

Northern Oklahoma College has announced three Northern Encounter dates for Fall 2021.

The dates are as follows: Oct. 6 – Stillwater (NOC Classroom Building); Oct. 20 – Tonkawa (Renfro Center); and Oct. 27 – Enid (Gantz Center).

Northern Encounter is designated as a day for high school juniors, seniors, and their parents to get an up-close look at the programs and services that Northern has to offer.

Students will receive free t-shirts and door prizes. They will discover programs, services, clubs and organizations at NOC. They will also meet NOC faculty, students, and take a campus tour.

For more information about Northern Encounter, contact Diana Watkins (580.628.6905), Blair Turney (580.628.6668), or Madison Green (580.548.2353).

Pre-register Online at <https://noc.secure.force.com/events/#/list>.



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## NOC SMS RESOURCE SERVICES

Advocacy, Help  
and Resources for  
Single Parents



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We recognize how important it is for single parents to get an education. Being a college student and a single parent is difficult. Often times students will think about dropping out because of unexpected events or financial strain.

See what NOC SMS Resource Services can do for you.

Contact your  
NOC SMS  
Resource advisor  
for assistance and  
resources.

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Monday - Friday  
8 am - 5 pm



# NOC Calendar

Oct. 2 -8

**October 2**

Away Jets' Baseball Scrimmage vs. Labette (KS) at Joplin (MO) Juco Festival, 10 a.m.  
Away Jets' Softball Scrimmage vs. Oklahoma Wesleyan, 1 p.m.  
Away Jets' Baseball Scrimmage vs. Pratt (KS) at Joplin (MO) Juco Festival, 2 p.m.  
NOC/OSU Gateway Tailgate, Boone Pickens Stadium, 3 p.m., Stillwater

**October 3**

Away Men's and Women's Soccer vs. Murray, 2 p.m.

**October 4**

No Activities Scheduled

**October 5**

OBI Blood Drive, Montgomery Hall, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Enid  
Free Lunch, BCM, 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m., Tonkawa  
Runner Girls, Wesley House, 3 p.m., Tonkawa  
Renew at the BCM, BCM, 6:30 p.m., Tonkawa  
Bingo for Food, East Gym, 7 p.m.

**October 6**

The Maverick Published Online  
Northern Encounter, Commons Area, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m., Stillwater  
Away Jets' Baseball Scrimmage vs. Butler (KS) at UCO Festival, 9 a.m.  
Free Student Lunch, Wesley House, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Tonkawa  
Away Jets' Baseball Scrimmage vs. Barton (KS) at UCO Festival, 11:30 a.m.  
Free Lunch, Gantz Center (James Room), 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.  
Home Men's Soccer vs. Oklahoma Wesleyan, 3 p.m.  
Away Mavs' Baseball Scrimmage vs. Barton at UCO Festival, 4:30 p.m.  
Away Mavs' Baseball Scrimmage vs. Murray State at UCO Festival, 7 p.m.  
BCM Gathering, BCM, 7 p.m., Enid

**October 7**

OBI Blood Drive, East Gym, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Tonkawa  
Away Women's Soccer vs. Seminole, 1 p.m.  
Away Mavs' Softball Scrimmage vs. Mid-America, 1 p.m.

**October 8**

End First Eight Weeks

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



## NOC Tonkawa Blood Drive

Thursday, October 7  
10 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
*East Gym*

To schedule an appointment, sign up with  
the PLC students or Freshman  
Orientation class.

*Get Community Service hours for giving blood!*

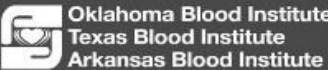


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# Vaccination Incentive Contest ends Oct. 6

Northern Oklahoma College is offering a COVID-19 Vaccine Incentive Program for students and employees.

"The health of our students and employees in our NOC Family is of critical importance," said NOC President Dr. Clark Harris. "As the cases decreased this summer many people dropped their guard to COVID-19, although we are learning that the variants have increased transmission rates and that people that are testing positive is back to the November 2020 levels. We have learned that people that are vaccinated are less likely to become infected, and if infected the severity of their illness is greatly reduced."

"NOC wants to help keep you healthy, keep you learning in the classrooms, and allow you to stay active in college athletics and activities," Harris added. "We can best accomplish this by having as many people vaccinated as possible at all NOC campuses. We are incentivizing this by creating a COVID-19 Vaccination Incentive Contest."

A student from each campus of the contest will receive a 65-inch Smart TV and another student will receive a 32-inch Smart TV. One



employee from each campus will receive a \$500 Pre-Paid Visa while another employee will receive a \$200 Pre-Paid Visa.

Students and employees may enter through Oct. 6.

He said the goal of NOC COVID-19 Vaccination Incentive Contest is to substantially increase the number of fully vaccinated people who are teaching, working, learning, socializing, and living on our campuses.

Below are vaccine incentive details and frequently asked questions for both students and employees at Northern Oklahoma College.

Vaccinations may be scheduled through the Kay County Health Department.

<https://www.noc.edu/emergency/vaccination/contest/>

# Presidential Investiture Oct. 29

The investiture for Dr. Clark Harris, the 14<sup>th</sup> president for Northern Oklahoma College, will be held Friday, Oct. 29, in the Foster-Piper Fieldhouse on the Northern Oklahoma College Tonkawa campus at 2 p.m.

The event also coincides with the 120-year anniversary of Northern Oklahoma College.

Dr. Harris assumed the NOC presidency on July 1, 2021 following Dr. Cheryl Evans who held the post for 10 years.

The tradition of an investiture officially marks the beginning of a new leader's administration. Sometimes referred to as an "inauguration", the investiture is an academic ceremony held

to confer the official power of the office upon a new college president, usually held during their first year in office. An investiture reflects academic traditions, celebrates institutional history, and symbolizes a new era in the life of the institution.

The ceremony begins with a formal procession, much like a commencement. The procession includes the individuals in the platform party participating in the ceremony, delegates from the other Oklahoma colleges and universities, and from NOC faculty. Faculty will wear full academic regalia during the investiture procession and ceremony that follows.



## STUDY ABROAD 2022

### CREDITS EASILY TRANSFER

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#### THE ALPS: GERMANY, AUSTRIA & SWITZERLAND

**MAY 18 - 26, 2022**

**AN NOC GLOBAL COMMUNITY PROGRAM (OPEN TO STUDENTS & NON-STUDENTS)**

**TOP SITES INCLUDE:**

- Munich Cathedral and New Town Hall
- Hofbräuhaus, a famous tavern
- Olympic Stadium
- Residenz, a former royal palace
- Mozart's birthplace
- Cable car ride to top of the Karwendel Mountain Chain
- Neuschwanstein Castle, commissioned by King Ludwig and the inspiration for Disneyland's iconic Sleeping Beauty Castle

**COST:** \$3,635 includes: air, local transportation and lodging, breakfast daily and select dinners, full-time tour director, daily activities, entry fees to attractions, early bird discount of \$150 and insurance, 3 Hours Academic Credit Hours from NOC available for approximately \$515\*.

#### SCOTLAND AND ENGLAND

**SPRING BREAK 2022, MARCH 11-18**

Two of Europe's most spellbinding cities. First, Edinburgh, Scotland with its dramatic cityscape includes a medley of tangled cobbled streets in Old Town and the quiet elegance of New Town. Then take a scenic train ride to London where you'll visit many famous attractions including Big Ben, Houses of Parliament, Piccadilly Circus, St. Paul's Cathedral and Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace.

**\$3,852 includes air, lodging, early-bird discount of ~\$150, daily breakfast and select dinners, tour director, daily activities, tours and entrance fees to attractions. Estimated Additional Expenses: Passport \$110, Driver and Tour Guide Tip \$80, Money for Lunches and few dinners, Snacks, Souvenirs, and Misc. Funds. Optional 3 academic credit hours (GLBL 2113: H, I) available from NOC for approximately \$515\*.**

**AN NOC GLOBAL COMMUNITY PROGRAM (OPEN TO STUDENTS & NON-STUDENTS)**

**Contact:**  
**Dean Wade Watkins**  
**580.628.6957**  
**wade.watkins@noc.edu**  
**www.noc.edu/global**

#### CUBA

**MAY 21-28, 2022**

**AN NOC GLOBAL COMMUNITY PROGRAM (OPEN TO STUDENTS & NON-STUDENTS)**

Explore the culture and culinary delights of this controversial, yet incredible Caribbean island nation. We will explore Havana and get to enjoy the art, architecture, and culture of the Cuban capital city. Participants will have the opportunity to play dominoes with locals (the Cuban national game) and even visit the house where Ernest Hemingway wrote *The Old Man and the Sea*. The trip will include visits to the coastal city of Cienfuegos and the colonial town of Trinidad.

**\$3,800 includes round-trip airfare including taxes, full time guide, 7 nights accommodations in twin rooms/central hotels, 7 breakfasts, 7 dinners, all the activities, entrances and transport as per the itinerary, visas and other documentation needed for entry into Cuba, Cuba exit tax, all tips (including guide and driver) and medical insurance.**

#### DUBLIN, IRELAND

**JULY 3-15, 2022**

Depart July 2 (or earlier if traveling independently). Must arrive in Dublin (UCD) on Sunday, July 3.

Enjoy living on the campus of University College Dublin, one of Ireland's oldest and most prestigious colleges. Attend classes in the mornings and faculty-led or independent field practice in the afternoons. The evenings and weekends are free to explore on your own. You will enjoy single dorm rooms with private bath and common living and kitchen areas.

**SPACE IS LIMITED TO 12. CALL NOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT.**

**\$2,880\* (Airfare is separate and must be arranged by student.) Cost includes 6 credit hours (humanities w/international dimension), housing, orientation tour, local transport, out-of-town tours, travel/medical insurance, required course activities and partial meal plan. Students will need money for passport, airfare, independent travel, shopping, snacks, meals away etc. and approximately \$20 for guide/driver tips.**

#### NEW ZEALAND UNTAMED LANDSCAPES

**MAY 29-JUNE 10, 2022**

This island nation is known for its stunningly varied range of natural landscapes; you'll understand why when you cruise through the fjords of Milford Sound or ascend the peaks of the Southern Alps. Amid these spectacular untamed settings, you'll get a taste of the welcoming Kiwi culture.

**Land Only Cost \$4,049 includes accommodations and many meals. Optional 3 hours of humanities/ international credit (GLBL 2113: H, I) available from NOC for additional \$515\*. Airfare and airport transfers are additional and must be arranged by traveler unless optional air travel purchased through Go Ahead.**

**AN NOC GLOBAL COMMUNITY PROGRAM (OPEN TO STUDENTS & NON-STUDENTS)**

#### NOC LONDON SUMMER PROGRAM

**JULY 17-29, 2022**

Depart U.S. July 16 (or earlier if traveling independently). Must arrive in London on Sunday, July 17.

Northern Oklahoma College is partnering with Regent's University London to offer the 2022 NOC London Summer Program. Students will attend courses, participate in academic and cultural field trips and enjoy guest lecturers in the most cosmopolitan city in the world. Enrollment is limited. Call or email as soon as possible.

**\$2,880\* (Airfare is separate and must be organized by the student. Cost includes 6 credit hours (humanities w/international dimension), housing, orientation tour, local transport, out-of-town tours, travel/medical insurance, required course activities and partial meal plan. Students will need money for passport, airfare, independent travel, shopping, snacks, meals away etc. and approximately \$20 for guide/driver tips.**

**For More Information: [www.noc.edu/global](http://www.noc.edu/global)**

\*Approximate price. Non-Oklahoma resident fee is additional.  
 For cancellation information, contact Wade Watkins for refund/voucher options. Email: [wade.watkins@noc.edu](mailto:wade.watkins@noc.edu) or call 580.628.6957.

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