

# Presidential Investiture in Tonkawa

## *Dr. Clark Harris 14th president at NOC*

Dr. Clark Harris officially became the 14<sup>th</sup> President for Northern Oklahoma College on Friday during an Investiture Ceremony in Tonkawa at Foster-Piper Fieldhouse.

In his address to NOC faculty, staff, students, dignitaries and guests, Harris encouraged the audience to be proud of Northern Oklahoma College.

"We need you to be our champions, we need all of you to tell your stories," he said.

Harris said he wanted NOC to become student friendly with more campus activities in order to retain current students and recruit new students to NOC.

"We must provide an engaging college experience while students are here at NOC," he said.

"Everything we do should lead to student success," he said. "Whether that is in their education, their careers, or their lives."

In presenting the symbols to Harris, Dr. Evans reflected on her 10 years at NOC as the 13th president.

"I hope that Dr. Harris will find that NOC is a very special place that truly creates life changing experiences for everyone who has the opportunity to be part of the campus community."

"I am truly humbled to and honored that you are here sharing this moment with me, with us,

thank you," he said.

The investiture was tied to the school's 120-year anniversary. A short video played before the video recounting the school's long and storied history.

Harris was officially presented the symbols of the office by President Emeritus Dr. Cheryl Evans and Board of Regent Chairman Michael Martin.

Also speaking were Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Pam Stinson and Glenn D. Johnson, Chancellor for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

Linda Brown also spoke on behalf of the Northern Oklahoma Foundation Board of Trustees.

The NOC College Choir and Concert Band performed the NOC "Alma Mater" and "Oklahoma Rising."

T. L. Walker, Executive Director of the Standing Bear Foundation in Ponca City, also provided a Native American blessing for Dr. Harris.

NOC faculty dressed in their Academic Regalia, the Executive Council and Board of Regents sat on the platform with the investiture speakers.

An open reception was held on the college circle lawn after the ceremony.



Dr. Harris presented with the NOC College Seal by Board of Regent Chairman Michael Martin (photo by John Pickard/Northern Oklahoma College)

*Don't Forget to Fall Back*  
**Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday!!**

# Native American Month continues

Northern Oklahoma College is celebrating Native American Heritage Month for November. Activities planned for Native American Heritage Month are as follows:


Nov. 10 – The Pot Speaks by NOC Visual Arts Instructor Audrey Schmitz inside the Eleanor Hays Gallery at the KPAC at 1 p.m. or via Livestream at: <https://www.noc.edu/athletics/streaming/>

Nov. 18 – Stickball – A Social Game presented by Jake Roberts. There will be a lecture and demonstration on the lawn west of Central Hall. All month, Native American Factoids will be on KAYE The Source FM Radio 90.7 and Native American Music will be played across campus on Tuesday and Thursday from 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. during November.

## NOC November Birthdays



Alison Mark	Nov. 7	Elva Lara	Nov. 22
Cecil Phibbs	Nov. 7	Lynn Kinzie	Nov. 22
Tiffany Meacham	Nov. 7	Peggy Emde	Nov. 23
Melonee Spurlock	Nov. 7	Don Stinson	Nov. 24
Mardeena Huschka	Nov. 10	Summer McClure	Nov. 24
Sandra Jensen	Nov. 19	Dee Cooper	Nov. 25
John Kuhlmann	Nov. 20	Shaen McMurtrie	Nov. 26
Shannon Lorg	Nov. 20	Paul Nhuyen	Nov. 26



# NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

**Wednesday  
November 10**  
1:00 – 1:30 p.m.  
Plus Q&A


Eleanor Hays  
Art Gallery  
and Live  
Streamed

Audrey Schmitz  
*presents*  

# The Pot Speaks

Join Gallery Director, Audrey Schmitz, to learn about Native American symbols and belief systems through the distinctive designs they applied to pottery.

This engaging talk will be illustrated by examining ancient and contemporary Pueblo vessels that are currently on exhibit in the Eleanor Hays Art Gallery located in KPAC on the NOC Tonkawa campus.



**Live Stream Link:**  
<https://www.noc.edu/athletics/streaming/noc-events-streaming/>



# NOC Enid host Veteran's Day speaker

NOC Enid will host a Veteran's Day presentation Thursday, Nov. 11 at the Gantz Center (Room 100) from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The event will also be available on Zoom (Meeting 944 8751 8473).

The guest speaker is George C. Pankonin.

Pankonin entered the Air Force in 1970 and served as an enlisted member in the supply career field for 8 years. He attended OTS and was commissioned as a supply officer in 1978.

He retired as the Commander of the 3345 Supply Squadron at Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois in 1993. He also worked as a logistics manager for Northrop at Vance Air Force Base and adjunct instructor for Embry Riddle Aeronautical University post Air Force retirement. George now serves as a volunteer for many organizations in Enid and at Vance Air Force Base.

Mr. Pankonin has a BS in Criminal Justice from the University of Nebraska at Omaha;

Master of Science in Logistics Management from Air Force Institute of Technology.

The lecture will be available on Livestream at Tonkawa and Stillwater.

At NOC Stillwater, the lecture will be available in Room 495.

In Tonkawa, the livestream will be available at the Walcher Conference Center in the Memorial Student Union.



George Pankonin

## Legally Blonde set for Nov. 11-14

The NOC Division of Fine Arts presents “Legally Blonde, The Musical” Nov. 11-14 at the Kinzer Performing Arts Center in Tonkawa.

Show times are 7:30 p.m. Thursday – Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

The musical is directed by NOC Fine Arts Instructor Chad Anderson.

Music and lyrics by Laurence O’Keefe and

Nell Benjamin. Based on the novel by Amanda Brown and the Metro-Goldwyn Mayer motion picture. The book is by Heather Hach.

Admission is free, there is limited seating. Social distancing and face masks are strongly encouraged. Children Under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

## NOC Tonkawa Veteran's Day plans

NOC Tonkawa Resident Life will have a tent on Veteran's Day Thursday, Nov. 11 where students can dedicate a flag to a veteran.

The flags will be planted in the flower bed near

the Clock Tower.

Cake will also be served.

NOC faculty/staff/students may watch George Pankonin's talk via Livestream.

Northern Oklahoma College Division of Fine Arts  
*presents*

# LEGALLY *Blonde*

THE MUSICAL

Directed by Chad Anderson

Kinzer Performing Arts Center  
NOC Tonkawa

November 11-14  
Thursday-Saturday 7:30 pm  
Sunday 2 pm

**Free Admission**  
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Nell Benjamin**

Book by  
**Heather Hach**

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**Amanda Brown**  
and the Metro-GoldwynMayer motion picture

Presented through Special Arrangement with Music Theatre International

Northern Oklahoma College cannot prevent you and/or any other attendees from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while attending this event. Attendees choose to accept the risk of contracting COVID-19 and indemnify and hold NOC harmless from all liability. NOC will be following NOC's Pandemic Response Plan.




NOC Enid Jets 2021-22

# Jets' basketball off to 1-1 start

The NOC Enid Jets are 1-1 on the young season having won at home against Pratt and losing on the road to Cowley (KS). Last year, under the tutelage of first year head coach Chris Gerber, the Jets reached the Region 2 Conference title game losing to NOC Tonkawa. This year, the Jets have a number of new faces as only four players return. Key returnees include Dakoda Joachim and Quentin Harvey while Matus Skuben saw some time as a freshman. Alex Raiford also will provide leadership. "I am excited about the returnees," Gerber said. "We are counting on their experience and maturity from last year to lead this team. We're a young group and we need that leadership on the floor and in the locker room. They each have expanded roles this year and I am excited

to see how they grow this year." Gerber said patience is going to be a key with this group. "We have so many players that are just learning to be college athletes and basketball players," Gerber said. "The physical pounding, attention to detail, and demands on them are new and they are adjusting. I've been very pleased with their progress, we just have to keep that going in the right direction." He added the players have responded in a positive way. "We've preached to play good defense and move the ball on offense and if we do those two things, good things will happen," he added. The Jets are in the UCO Classic Sunday and Monday and the Tonkawa Classic next Friday and Saturday.



## NOC VETERANS DAY PRESENTATION

Thursday, November 11, 11:30 am-1 pm  
Zoom Streaming  
Enid, Gantz Student Union, Room GU100  
Tonkawa, Walcher Conference Center  
Stillwater, Room 495

*Guest Speaker* **George C. Pankonin**

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Additional Information:

- Enlisted Appreciation Night Committee since 2006 including 12 years as Chairman
- Founding Trustee, 4RKids Foundation
- Active member of Air Force Association
  - Board Member, Enid Chapter, AFA since 1993 (several terms as President)
  - Board Member, OK State including State President 2000-2002
- Founder for the Enid High Alumni Special Olympics Team
- Trustee, Vance Development Authority

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Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/94487518473>  
Meeting ID: 944 8751 8473



# Melea Hoffman speaks on lasting impressions of Indian Boarding Schools

Otoe-Missouria member Melea Hoffman spoke Thursday morning on Indian Boarding Schools and the Lasting Repercussions on the Indigenous People as part of Native American Heritage Month.

Hoffman spoke via Zoom to students and guests at NOC.

She started her lecture with the number 7,310. That is the number of currently unidentified victims unearthed from Canadian Indian Boarding Schools.

What is the number in the United States? “I don’t know the number in the United States,” she said. “There is 350 so far but I see that number increasing as more research is completed but it would not surprise me to see the number increase to a number similar than Canada.”

Hoffman focused on the Carlyle Indian Boarding School in Pennsylvania ran by Capt. Richard Pratt. The school was opened, according to Hoffman, to place Native American prisoners, but soon became a school designed to re-educate Native American youth.

“Children were taken from their homes and placed in schools like Carlyle all over the country,” she said. “Children were not allowed to speak their own language, their hair was cut, they were placed with others who did not speak their language. It was designed to remove their heritage. Their names, that meant something to their families, were taken away and they were given random names that meant nothing.”

She added that when students returned to their families they were often ostracized because their families did not recognize them.

“They were totally different,” she said. “Their heritage was gone.”

Hoffman added that Native Americans who did not allow their children to be taken were imprisoned.

“The conditions at the schools were deplorable,” she said. “Many died of sickness and were never returned to their families. Propaganda photos were taken of students claiming they enjoyed their time at the schools.

Now, many are trying to bring back that heritage lost during that time.

“Many tribes are trying to reinstall their languages,” she said. “It is hoped that through some new legislation, these people can be brought home.”

The Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies in the United States Act, was first introduced last year by then Rep. Deb Haaland (D-N. M.), now secretary of the U.S. Dept. of the Interior. This bill would establish a formal commission to investigate, document, and acknowledge past injustices of the federal government’s Indian Boarding School Policies. This includes attempts to terminate Native cultures, religions, and languages; assimilation practices; and human rights violations. The commission would also develop recommendations for Congress to aid in healing of the historical and intergenerational trauma



Melea Hoffman

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# Cultural Engagement Center



# Free Tutoring Available

*in the Cultural Engagement Center*

Writing/English	Mathematics	Chemistry & Physics I
<b>Monday:</b> 9:30 to 11:30 am (*WC) 11:30 am to 2:30 pm <b>Tuesday:</b> 2:00 to 6:00 pm <b>Wednesday</b> 9:30 to 11:30 am (*WC) 11:30 am to 2:30 pm <b>Thursday</b> 2:00 to 6:00 pm <b>Friday</b> 9:30 to 11:30 am (*WC) 11:30 am to 2:30 pm <small>*Writing Center: Central 100</small>	<b>Monday:</b> 11:30 am to 5:00 pm <b>Tuesday:</b> 10:30 am to 12:30 pm 2:00 to 5:00 pm <b>Wednesday:</b> 11:30 am to 3:00 pm <b>Thursday:</b> 9:00 to 11:00 am 2:00 to 5:00 pm <b>Friday:</b> 1:00 to 3:00 pm	<b>Monday:</b> 6:00 to 8:00 pm <b>Tuesday:</b> 11:00 am to 1:00 pm 6:00 to 8:00 pm <b>Wednesday:</b> 6:00 to 8:00 pm <b>Thursday:</b> No Tutor Available <b>Friday:</b> No Tutor Available

For more information, contact Kathleen Swain at 580.628.6258  
or Gina Conneywerdy at 580.628.6384

# Schools

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passed down in Native families and communities. It would also provide a forum for victims to speak about personal experiences tied to these human rights violations.

Hoffman is not interested in financial reparations but to recognize what happened.

“We are fighting to get our culture back,” she said.

Hoffman graduated with a degree in cultural anthropology from the University of Oklahoma. She is a researcher for the Otoe-Missouria Tribal Historian Preservation Office and serves on the Otoe-Missouria Tribal Election Board.

Other events for Native American Heritage Month include a lecture on Native American Pottery by NOC Visual Arts Instructor Audrey Schmitz on Wednesday, Nov. 10 at 1:30 p.m.

Also, “Stickball – A Social Game” demonstration will be held by Jake Roberts on Thursday, Nov. 18 at 10:30 a.m. on the lawn west of Central Hall.

During November on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Native American Music will be played on the Tonkawa campus and factoids will be played on KAYE FM 90.7.

# Soccer seasons end in region tourney

The Northern Oklahoma College men’s and women’s soccer teams were eliminated from the Region 2 Playoffs this weekend in Enid.

The #16 men’s team lost in the Region 2 Finals to Rich Mountain (AR) 3-1 on Saturday while the #15 women’s team lost to #5 Seminole State 2-1 in two overtimes Friday night.


NOC’s men advanced to the Region 2 Finals with a 3-0 win over Eastern last Friday morning while the Mavs’ women defeated NEO 3-0 Thursday night to advance to the Region 2 Semi-Finals on Friday.

The women finished the season at 15-4, all four losses were to ranked teams.


The men finished the season at 13-4-2.

In post season awards, Damorney Hutchinson was named the Player of the Year for Region 2. Others named to the first team include Marcovich Brown, Kareem Williams, and Jesus Aleman. Jaron Frye and Daniel Clarke were named to the second team.

For the women, Milica Bulatovic, Janet Moreno, and Josie Jarvis were named first team all region.



# Cultural Engagement Center



# Laptops Available

*For use in the CEC or Library*

**Stop by the CEC Desk  
located in the Gathering Space**

Must have NOC or government issued ID to check out a laptop

For more information, contact Gina Conneywerdy  
580.628.6384





# NOC Calendar

*Nov. 6 - Nov. 12*

## November 6

Jets Res-Life Northern Hills Fall Open Classic Golf Tournament, 9 a.m., Enid  
Away Mavs' Basketball vs. Hutchinson (KS), 7:30 p.m.

## November 7

Away Jets' Basketball vs. South Plains (TX) at UCO, 1 p.m. (Sunday)

## November 8

Away Jets' Basketball vs. Kilgore (TX), 11 a.m.  
Home Lady Mavs' Basketball vs. Clarendon (TX), 5:30 p.m.  
Away Lady Jets' Basketball vs. Cowley (KS), 7:30 p.m.

## November 9

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  
Paint Night, East Gym, 6:30 p.m., Tonkawa

## November 10

Free Student Lunch, Wesley House, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tonkawa  
Free Lunch, Gantz Center (James Room), 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m., Enid  
Home Lady Mavs' Basketball vs. Cowley (KS), 5:30 p.m.  
Home Mavs Basketball vs. Hutchinson (KS), 7:30 p.m.  
BCM Gathering, BCM, 7 p.m., Enid

## November 11

Veteran's Day Presentation, Gantz 100 and Via Zoom, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Enid  
Legally Blond, KPAC, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa

## November 12

Final Day to Drop 16-Week Courses without Evaluation  
Away Lady Mavs' Basketball vs. Garden City, 5:30 p.m.  
Away Jets' Basketball vs. Cowley (KS) at Tonkawa, 6 p.m.  
Home Lady Jets' Basketball vs. Butler (KS), 7:30 p.m.  
Legally Blond, KPAC, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa  
Home Mavs Basketball vs. Allen (KS), 8 p.m.

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

**JETS**

# BASKETBALL

## Theme Nights

<b>November 3</b> 7:30 pm Men v Pratt Costume Night	<b>January 20</b> (W) 5:30 pm/(M) 7:30 pm Women/Men v. Eastern Oklahoma State College Homecoming White Out
<b>November 12, 7:30 pm</b> Women v Butler NEON Night	<b>January 27</b> (W) 5:30 pm/(M) 7:30 pm Women/Men v. Redlands Community College Wear Pink (Cancer Awareness)
<b>November 15, 7:30 pm</b> Men v SW Christian University MEME Night	<b>January 31</b> (W) 5:30 pm/(M) 7:30 pm Women/Men v. Murray State College Camouflage Night
<b>November 29</b> (M) 5:30 pm/(W) 7:30 pm Men/Women v Mavericks: BLACK OUT (Shirts provided)	<b>February 7</b> (W) 5:30 pm/(M) 7:30 pm Women/Men v. Western Oklahoma State College Country Western Night
<b>December 3, 8 pm</b> Men v Hill College Tie-Dye Night	<b>February 17</b> (W) 5:30 pm/(M) 7:30 pm Women/Men v. Seminole State College TOGA Night
<b>December 4, 3 pm</b> Men v OnPoint Academy Hawaiian Night	<b>February 24</b> (W) 5:30 pm/(M) 7:30 pm Women/Men v. Connors State College Flight Crew Night
<b>December 10, 5 pm</b> Men v Mid-American Christian Ugly Christmas Sweater Night	
<b>January 10</b> (W) 5:30 pm/(M) 7:30 pm Women/Men v NEO Jersey Night	

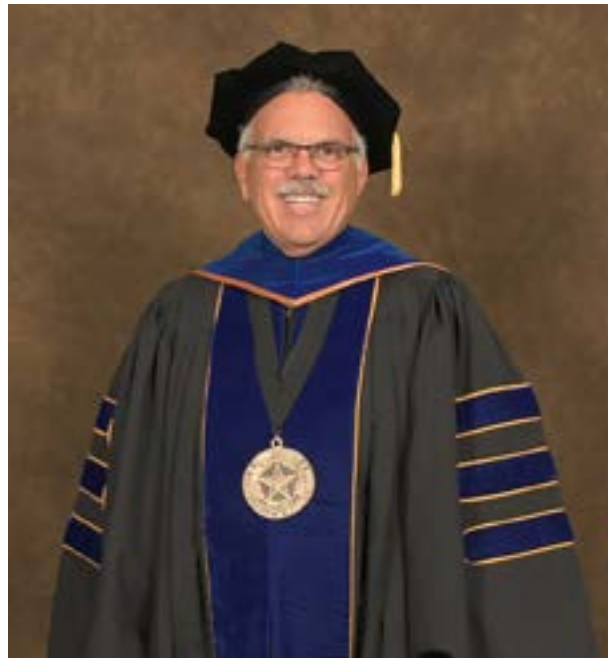
**Dress in Theme for Basketball Game**



# NOC Investiture Photos







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# PUEBLO POTTERY

Traditions of the American Southwest

Oct 7 - Dec 9  
2021



Viewing Hours: 1-5 pm  
Monday - Friday  
and during performances

Eleanor Hays Art Gallery

Kinzer Performing Art Center, Northern Oklahoma College, Tonkawa, OK