



# Mallory Riley to edit The Maverick in 2023

by Mallory Riley  
The Maverick Editor

My name is Mallory Riley, I am from Ponca City and your new fall 2023 Maverick newspaper editor.

I graduated from Ponca City High School in 2022. I was one of two of the *Cat Tale* yearbook editors for 2021-2022 who made "Capturing This Moment in Time," which won two awards from Jostens Yearbook Company that our high school has never received before. I was a part of the Ponca City High School girls bowling team for 3 years. In 2022, for the first time in over a decade, we won first place in both regionals and state championships, our banners and trophies are still on display at the Hub.

I am majoring in Mass Communications with the hope of starting my own photography business in the future by the name of Mallyjean Photography. I love photography and having the chance to create and capture pure emotions that are not staged. Photography lets out a whole other creative side of me that nothing else can compare too.

When I am not photographing or doing class work, you can catch me gardening, propagating plants, canning jams, or baking bread and other sweet treats... except on Tuesdays when I play *Magic: The Gathering* with my friends.

I enjoy going to downtown Ponca to see plays at the Ponca Playhouse and the High School when they have plays as well. I also love going

to and supporting all the small businesses at the events Ponca City holds including the Farmers Market, Herb Festival, First Lutheran Church craft show, Crazy days, flea market, and so much more.

Most importantly I love spending time with my family, with all my family having a busy life the time we spend together holds so much meaning deep in my heart. Sometimes the time we have together is not enough, and they slip away before you know it. A day may seem long, but in a year, you will wonder where the time went.

I look forward to being your new editor of the Maverick Newspaper and hope you enjoy for what is to come.



Mallory Riley

## Welcome Back Mavericks!!





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# Get back in the swing of studying

by Audrey Pegg  
The Maverick Staff Writer

It's coming to the end of summer and the start  
of a new school semester. While it was fun hav-  
ing those endless summer nights its time get  
back in the groove and start this school semes-  
ter off right.

Here are some tips on how to be prepared for  
classes.

1. Make sure to create a schedule when it  
comes to managing time and homework. It is  
very important to put down all classes and as-  
signments into a calendar along with work and  
other activities outside of school, so tasks are  
completed.

2. Find someone in class and make them  
study buddies. Classes and assignments can be-  
come a bit stressful at times, so having someone  
to ask for help or study with can be very im-  
portant. Having a friend in class can also come  
in handy whenever someone must miss class,  
just ask for the rundown of lecture and borrow  
notes.

3. Taking notes would be the most import-  
ant tip. Everything that is said or taught in class  
needs to be written down in a notebook or lap-  
top, they also need to be saved for the future  
because they will be very important for home-  
work or when it comes time to take finals.

Lastly don't forget to relax, sometimes home-  
work can be stressful and overwhelming so it's  
best to take a minute to clear the mind. So, here  
are a few tips on how to be a bit better prepared  
for school.

Life changing.



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## You Could Be The Next MISS NOC

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



Miss NOC Tonkawa 2023  
Kira Pendleton

\$1,000 Scholarship

\$600 Scholarship

\$400 Scholarship



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

### INFORMATION SESSION

Thursday, September 7, 2023

11:30 am

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](mailto:shannon.varner@noc.edu)





Kira Pendleton, Miss NOC Tonkawa 2023

## You could be the next Miss NOC

by Mallory Riley  
The Maverick Editor

Represent Northern at the Miss Oklahoma Competition!

Miss NOC is a women's pageant held to give women an opportunity to gain scholarships and represent NOC throughout all campuses for a year.

Information session will be held Thurs, Sep. 7, 2023, 11:30 a.m. in the Kinzer Performing Arts Center, Room 118.

For those unable to attend the meeting or have questions, contact Miss NOC Director, Shannon Varner, office in Kinzer Performing Arts Center room 115; Phone: 580.628.6365; Email: Shannon.varner@noc.edu.

Competition will be held Oct. 17, 2023, KPAC 7:30 p.m., NOC Tonkawa.

Miss NOC 2024 will receive \$1,000 Scholarship; 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up, \$600 Scholarship; 2nd runner-up, \$400 Scholarship.

Will you represent NOC?



## NOC Bookstore - Tonkawa

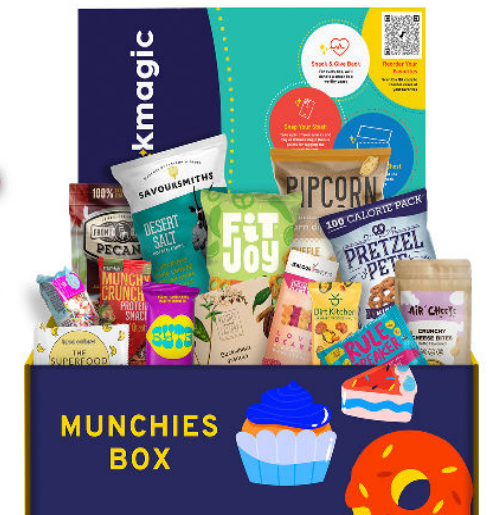
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**We have supplies, apparel, gifts, books and more.**

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# Tonkawa Student Activities



## NEED MONEY FOR COLLEGE?

*If so, complete the following steps below*



**1 Apply for admissions to NOC**  
[www.noc.edu/future-students](http://www.noc.edu/future-students)

**2 Complete FAFSA**  
[studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov)  
NOC School Code: 003162

**3 Complete Scholarship Form**  
[www.noc.edu/scholarships](http://www.noc.edu/scholarships)



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

### 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**

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or have  
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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





## NOC Calendar

Aug. 30

The Maverick Published Online  
Free Lunch, Wesley House, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.,  
Tonkawa  
Bible Study, BCM, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa

Aug. 31

Nursing and Pre-Engineering Professional  
Day, Renfro Center, 9 a.m.  
Full Moon Concert, Centennial Park in  
Tonkawa, 7 p.m.,

Sept. 1

Final Day to Withdraw with a Full Refund

Sept. 4

Labor Day, No Classes/Offices Closed

Sept. 5

Tour de Quartz Art Exhibit Opens, KAPC  
Gallery through Oct. 6

Sept. 15

Voter Registration Day, Clock Tower, 9 a.m. –  
1 p.m.  
Scoops Ice Cream Truck, Circle Drive, 10 a.m.  
– 1 p.m.

For additional information, visit the following  
links: NOC Calendar



## Roustabout alums performing in Tonkawa Aug. 31 at Centennial Park

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 Voge (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 per-

forms 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 7:00 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 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 Concert updates at <https://heartinthepark.org/> and on NCOAC Facebook: [www.facebook.com/TonkawaArts/](https://www.facebook.com/TonkawaArts/) or by messaging 580-628-0108.

