

What's Happening September 8, 2023

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# NOC announces foundation trustees for 2023-24

(NOCF) announced their Board of Trustees for 2023-24 as approved by the NOC Board of Regents this summer.

The NOC Regents approved a change in the Foundation's By-laws increasing the number of trustees to 20 for the Foundation adding more community leadership to the board.

Two Regents, Bradley Fox of Ponca City and Oklahoma College." Jason Turnbow of Enid serve on the Board as well as the NOC leadership that includes President Dr. Clark Harris, NOCF Executive Director Sheri Snyder, Treasurer Anita Simpson, Director of Development & Donor Relations Candy Oller and Director of Alumni and Community Relations Kayla Wooderson.

Trustees Mark Detten, Brad Purdy, Jodi Cline, and Ken Bellmard from the Tonkawa area. Trustees from the Enid area include Peter Dillingham, LynnDe Funk, Cheryl Evans, and Patrick Anderson. Trustees from the Stillwater area include Dr. Gordon Laird and Patrick Zimmerman. Trustees at-large include Misty Diemer Thurman, Tom Poole, and Jackie Conrady.

Sheri Snyder, Executive Director for the Foundation and NOC Vice President for Development and Community Relations stated, "Our NOC and its students.

Northern Oklahoma College Foundation NOCF Executive Committee believes that we have selected appropriate community leaders from our service areas to assist us in the upcoming years as we explore the vision and future of the Northern Oklahoma College Foundation. We are excited to work together continuing to build our strong foundation in support of the many students and programs at Northern

The NOCF currently manages over \$15 million in unaudited net assets and awarded 361 scholarships totaling \$228,450 in the 2022-2023 FY. 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 given but also increase Community leaders on the Board include the dollar amount awarded. Snyder commented, "The Foundation's goal is to maximize the financial assistance provided to each student through private awards, thus reducing any out-of-pocket expenses for our students. The Foundation has increased scholarship award amounts with an additional \$75,000 in potential scholarship support to be awarded this year to students at NOC."

> The purpose of the Foundation enhances the educational opportunities and environment at the college and is organized for the benefit of



NOC Administration and the NOCF Trustees for 2023-24. The NOCF manages over \$15 million in assets. Front Row (L-R): Misty Diemer Thurman, Vice President for Financial Affairs Anita Simpson, Director of Development and Donor Relations Candy Oller, Rachel Love, Cheryl Evans, Ken Bellmard, Jackie Conrady, Vice President for Academic Affairs Diana Watkins. Back Row (L-R): Left to right Back Row: Patrick Zimmerman, Regent Jason Turnbow, NOC President Dr. Clark Harris, Jodi Cline, Patrick Anderson, NOC Vice President for Community Relations & Development Sheri Snyder, Mark Detten, Tom Poole, Vice President for Enrollment Management Dr. Rick Edgington. NOCF Trustees not pictured: Regent Brad Fox, LynnDe Funk, Dr. Gordon Laird, Peter Dillingham, Brad Purdy, Kayla Wooderson, and Foundation Board Secretary, Heather Swain. (photo by Shiloh Martin/Northern Oklahoma College).

## Sept. 15 deadline 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.

Please find attached the Foundation Grant Policy and Procedures and the request forms for the two funds. The request forms are to be

completed and returned to the Office of Development and Community Relations.

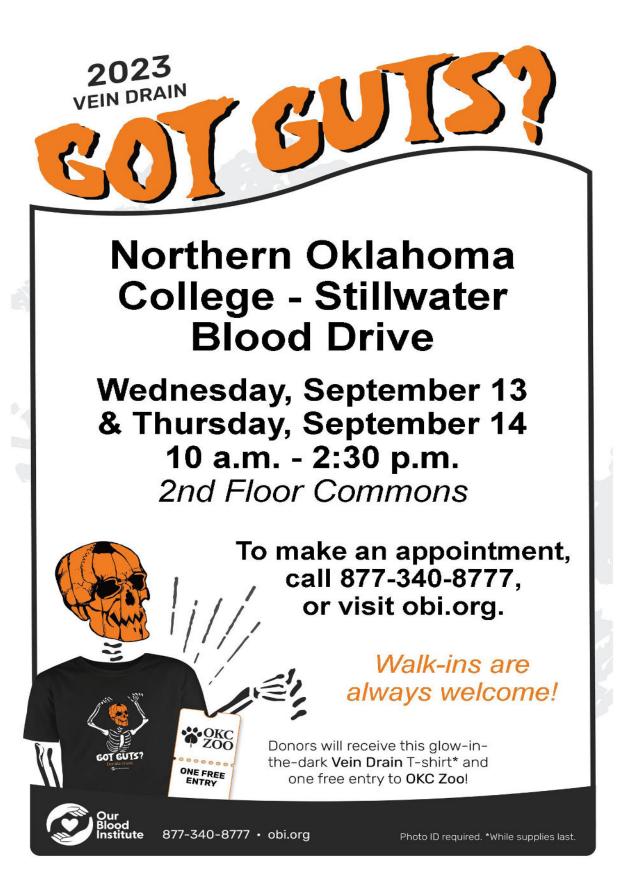
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> Presidential Partners funds may be used for student or employee support. Presidential Partners Grant requests may be submitted any time during the year.

> 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.

# **NOC September Birthdays**





#### Interim Enid soccer coaches named

Northern O k l a h o m a College Enid has announced Cesar Zepeda and Aron Bassoff as interim soccer coaches for the 2023 season.

Zepeda will lead the women's program this season while Bassoff will lead the men.



Cesar Zepeda

They replace Michael DuRoy who resigned Aug. 25.

"Coach Zepeda has done an incredible job holding things together this past week," NOC Athetic Alan Foster said. "I feel with him taking over as interim women's head coach will allow him to focus more on one team but still assist with the men whom he has some familiarity with. He was put in a difficult position but has performed exceptionally well."

"I am excited to bring someone like Aron to help lead our men's soccer program and assist with our women's program," he said. "His experience as a head coach at the college level in both men and women's soccer is just what we needed in this situation. We were fortunate to get him on board as quickly as we did. I look forward to working with him."

Foster said his concern is for the student athletes.

"As athletic director, one of my main concerns with the transition, especially given the timing, was to make sure that the student athletes continue to have an incredible student athlete experience at NOC. I feel like the re-structuring

of the coaching duties with each team having a head coach whose primary focus is a specific team will be an improvement. Secondary duties of assisting the other team only helps our entire program."



**Aron Bassoff** 

Zepeda, in his

second year at NOC, is a 2015 NOC graduate coming from Oklahoma City's Western Heights High School.

Zepeda played at Northern Oklahoma College and then continued his career at Oklahoma Christian University where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Sports, Wellness, and Recreation Management.

He then earned his Masters of Education at East Central University in Sports Administration. Additionally, he is certified in the US soccer national D license.

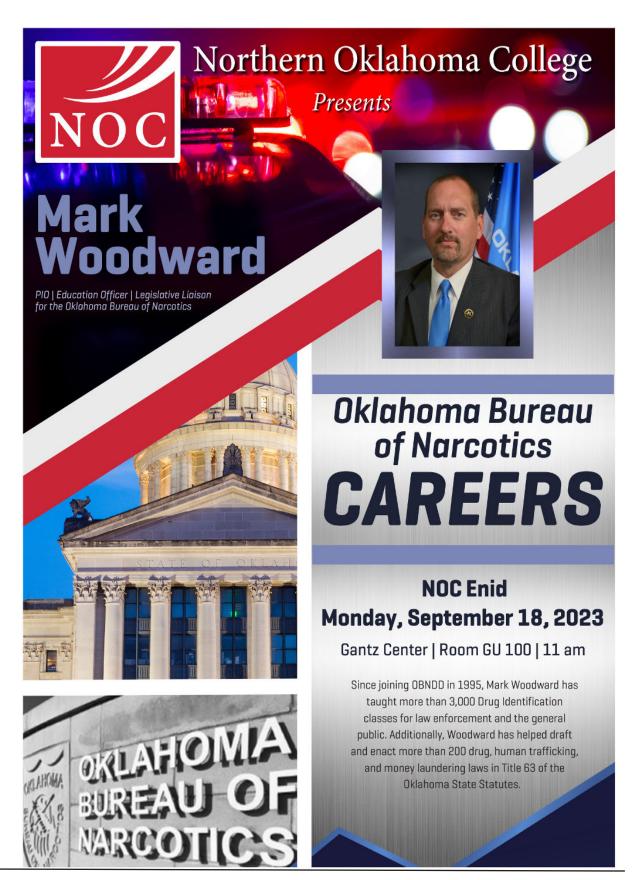
He coached for years at Western Heights High School before coming to NOC.

"I am pleased to be named the interim women's coach," Zepeda said. "I am excited to have the opportunity to work with this group of players this year."

Bassoff comes to NOC from Alderson Broaddus in West Virginia.

Bassoff has extensive intercollegiate soccer coaching experience completing 19 seasons at

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#### Soccer

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18 seasons as a head coach, 13 years as a head Conference Players of The Year, and averaged men's coach.

"I am very excited to be here," Bassoff said. It is unique set of circumstances that brought me here (his former school closed) but I am deeply excited for a program that I believe has a lot of potential and can accomplish great things both this year and in the future."

across his career, winning three conference/regional championships, and 11 second place fin-

the NCAA II, NCAA III and NAIA levels with ishes. Bassoff's teams have also produced three more than 10 wins a season across his tenure.

Bassoff earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Sport and Exercise Science from Messiah College in Grantham, Pennsylvania and a Masters of Science in Sport Management from Nova Southeastern in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. His successful career has led Bassoff to several in-He has coached seven nationally-ranked teams stitutions, most notably Davis & Elkins, where he guided the Senators to a 47-22-6 record over five seasons.

# Jets Soccer Take-Off Event Sept. 20

NOC Jets Soccer will be officially welcomed to Enid and the Advance Soccer Complex on Sept. 20 in Jets Soccer Take Off Event.

The event starts at 3 p.m. with short remarks set for 4:30 p.m. Then, the Jets host Connors State College at 5 p.m. for a women's game and 7 p.m. for the men.

The Sept. 20 event will have activities for young fans as well as informational booths. Remarks from NOC Enid Vice President Jeremy Hise and athletic director Alan Foster as well as complex manager Mike Steinke.

NOC currently plays their home games at the \$20 million complex which has six natural grass fields and one turf championship field with a press box, electronic scoreboard, and seating for 1400 person.

These fields can be reconfigured to allow all age group's proper size fields, from PeeWee to adult league. The complex also has a clubhouse complete with four locker rooms, conference rooms seating 60 people, an indoor futsol field, a concession stand, public restrooms, offices and more. The complex is located at 1526 Garland Road.

## Constitution Day activities next week

All three NOC campuses are hosting Constitution Day activities next week.

Stillwater

Commons Area, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Tonkawa** 

Clocktower, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Enid** 

Zollars Library from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.



#### **NOC Calendar**

Sept. 9

Home Men's Soccer vs. Coffeyville (KS), 7 p.m.

Sept. 10

Home Women's Soccer vs. Seminole, 6 p.m.

Sept. 12

Voter Registration Day, Commons Area, Stillwater Free Lunch, BCM, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tonkawa Pizza and Letters Home, Student Union, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa

**Sept. 13** 

Blood Drive, Commons Area, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Stillwater Free BCM Lunch, Gantz Center, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Enid Board of Regents Meeting, Gantz Center, 2 p.m., Enid Home Mavs Baseball Scrimmage vs. PBR Scout Day, 3 p.m. Home Men's and Women's Soccer vs. Rich Mountain (AR), 2 p.m./4p.m. The Gathering, BCM, 7 p.m., Enid The Gathering, BCM, 7:30 p.m., Tonkawa

Sept. 14

Away Jets Baseball Scrimmage vs. Seminole, 1 p.m. Blood Drive, Commons Area, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Stillwater Hispanic Heritage Club Meeting, Harmon 103, 2:30 p.m., Enid

Sept. 15

Voter Registration Day, Clock Tower, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tonkawa Voter Registration Day, Zollars Library, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Enid Scoops Ice Cream Truck, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Tonkawa

For additional information, visit the following links: NOC Calendar

## OBN officer to speak at NOC Enid

NOC Enid is hosting Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics Public Information Officer Mark Woodward on Monday, Sept. 18 at the Gantz Center at NOC Enid.

Woodward will discuss law enforcement careers with criminal justice students. The event is set for 11 a.m. in Room 100.

TOUR DE QUARTZ SEPTEMBER 5-OCTOBER 6 A selection of paintings and photographs created by students at the 2023 Oklahoma Summer Arts Institute at Quartz Mountain Viewing Hours: 1-5 pm, Monday - Friday and during performances Eleanor Hays

Kinzer Performing Art Center, NOC Tonkawa

# FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS

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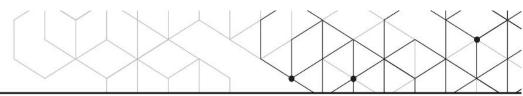
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