



## Southeastern at Choctaw Nation program established

A new partnership to provide academic advisement and educational guidance to one of the area's largest employers was announced between Southeastern Oklahoma State University and Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (CNO) Oct. 13. The collaboration, "Southeastern at Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma" was made official in a joint announcement from Southeastern Oklahoma State University president Thomas Newsom and Choctaw Nation Chief Gary Batton.

"Education has always been a prime priority for the Choctaw Nation," said Chief Batton. "Offering more educational guidance and access to a high-quality collegiate program for our associates and others makes for a tremendous partnership and a mutually beneficial program."

"We are proud to work with the Choctaw Nation on this new, innovative program," said Southeastern president Thomas Newsom. "The Choctaw Nation does so much to support this region of the state, and this program will provide us

with additional resources to better serve the needs of students. At the end of the day, it's a win-win situation for everyone involved. We couldn't be more excited about working with the Nation on this project."

Under the agreement, Southeastern will provide an on-site coordinator at CNO headquarters. The coordinator will serve as the liaison for university students and prospective students who are employed by CNO and who are known as student-associates.

The coordinator will provide admissions and enrollment services, registrar services, transfer curriculum review/articulation services, learning management assistance, technology support services, billing, and collection services, tutoring services, and career management services.

Although the coordinator will be housed at the CNO headquarters, the position will serve student-associates at all CNO locations.



*Choctaw chief Gary Batton and Southeastern president Thomas Newsom sign the agreement.*



# A grand time

*Seiple Museum of Native American Art holds grand opening at Homecoming*



*The official grand opening of the Seiple Family Museum of Native American Art was held Saturday, Oct. 16, with alumni, faculty, staff, students, and friends in attendance.*



*Among those in attendance at the grand opening museum were founders Janie Seiple Umsted and Frank Seiple, and Southeastern president Thomas Newsom.*



*The beautiful new museum, located on Montgomery Drive, houses a unique Native American art collection.*

# Beautiful fall weather greets alumni at Homecoming

Alumni and friends were greeted with beautiful fall weather Oct. 15-16 as Southeastern Oklahoma State University celebrated homecoming.

The annual celebration featured something for everyone – from golf to awards to a bonfire to football to even a museum opening.

Friday night's Alumni Awards Banquet honored three individuals with the Distinguished Alumnus Award -- Bill Brock, Greg Duffy, and Mike Metheny.

Brock ('76,'81) is a legend in women's basketball coaching circles, having most recently been a part of three national championships as associate head coach/assistant coach at Baylor under Kim Mulkey.

Duffy ('73) served as the director of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation for 16 years before retiring in 2009.

Metheny ('69,'70), is a retired Southeastern baseball coach who is a member of three halls of fame, served the University for 40 years, and ended his career as the winningest coach in NCAA Division II baseball with 1,324 victories.

Following the banquet, the annual bonfire was held at the amphitheatre on campus.

Earlier on Friday, the Whang Bang alumni golf tournament was played at Chickasaw Pointe. Winning team members included Corey Gilbert, Cody Hogue, Shawn Stovall, Tim Pickens, Tyler Adamson, and Brad Aycock.

The official grand opening of the Semple Family Museum of Native American Art was held Saturday morning with alumni, faculty, staff, students, and friends in attendance.

On Saturday afternoon, the Savage Storm defeated Northwestern 43-10 in football action at Paul Laird Field. The victory boosted Southeastern into a four-way tie for first place in the Great American Conference.

Named as homecoming royalty at halftime were Haley Hostetler and James Quarles. Hostetler is a senior communication – media studies major from Burleson, Texas, while Quarles is a senior biology-biological health sciences major and graduate of Achille High School.



*Southeastern president Thomas Newsom, second from left, congratulates Distinguished Alumni Award recipients Bill Brock, Mike Metheny, and Greg Duffy.*



*Members of the winning team at the Whang Bang were Corey Gilbert, Cody Hogue, Shawn Stovall, Tim Pickens, Tyler Adamson, and Brad Aycock.*



*Haley Hostetler and James Quarles were honored as Homecoming Royalty at halftime with Southeastern president Thomas Newsom.*

# Calendar of Events

## November

- 2 -- First-Generation Celebration Luncheon, Hallie McKinney Ballroom A, 11 a.m.
- 3 -- Vaccination event, in front of student union, 10 a.m. -- 2 p.m.
- 6 -- Football at Ouachita Baptist, 1 p.m.
- 6 -- Rodeo Hall of Fame banquet, 6 p.m.
- 12 -- Native American Symposium
- 13 -- Football vs. East Central, here, 2 p.m.
- 17 -- Vaccination event, in front of student union, 10 a.m. -- 2 p.m.
- 22-26 -- Thanksgiving holidays

## December

- 6 -- Candlelighting, Montgomery Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- 10 -- Commencement, Master's degrees, Bloomer Sullivan Arena, 6 p.m.
- 11 -- Commencement, Bachelor's degrees, Bloomer Sullivan Arena, 9 a.m.

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*SE Live attracted high school students from Oklahoma and Texas to campus on Oct. 6.*

## *More than 200 area high school students attend SE Live event*

A beautiful fall day greeted 200 high school students from southern Oklahoma and north Texas at SE Live in Durant on Oct. 6.

SE Live is the largest recruiting event for high school and transfer students interested in attending Southeastern Oklahoma State University.

Students had the opportunity to tour the campus, learn about academic and social life, meet current SE students, faculty and staff members, check out residence halls, and learn about admissions, scholarships, and financial aid.



*It's group photo time at SE Live.*

A variety of breakout sessions were held in the Student Union and Russell Building. Lunch was served on the front lawn of campus. The event was sponsored by the Office of Admissions and Recruitment.