Regents discuss tuition increase.

Although the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education have clearly requested that the Legislature increase tuition limits to generate $20 million, they are equally clear that tuition hikes should depend on state fund increases.

Specifically, the ORRHE budget requests $55 million more in state funds and a $20 million increase in tuition fee revenue.

"We have asked the Legislature for authority to increase tuition by an amount that would make $20 million, but that would be the maximum level, and to be determined by the amount of state funding we receive," Ed Coryl, vice-Chancellor later explained to the regents.

Regents have the constitutional responsibility to set tuition and fees, but only within limits approved by the Legislature.

Specifically, the Legislature has set the ORRHE at the legislative maximum.

However, a tuition increase bill approved by the House is a dramatic departure from previous experience.

Instead of specifying maximums by type of institution and level of study, the pending bill abolishes references to types of institution and lists only graduate and undergraduate division fees.

Thus eliminating any reference to upper and lower division.

In addition to the general enrollment fees, there are many specific limits established for a variety of special fees.

Regents' opinions explained they were requesting the new limits to have flexibility to adjust fees by level and type of institution in the future to reflect similar fees at other type institutions within comparison groups chosen by the regents.

Specific increases discussed by the House are necessary to reach the $20 million maximum which would be similar to those implemented this year and which resulted in an increase of about 25 percent.

Though the increases have been talked about for about a week, the reactions are mixed and vary from school to school, from town to town and even from person to person.

According to headlines in major state newspapers, tuition increase plans either are 'supported' or receive 'poor marks'.

We third major daily's headline said a student leader 'backs' or praises, the proposed ORRHE tuition plan tied to state funding.

Fitting the sense of an event in a few words of a headline is a challenge, but it is unusual to see such diversity in perspective.

Articles under the headlines were more complete and balanced, although journalism studies indicate average readers only scan about 25 percent.

The most positive headline was in The Tulsa Tribune and read: "College tuition increases supported."

It was over a story by Rebecca Martin which began: "Two college students and the president of Tulsa Junior College told a state regents panel today that they supported tuition increases as long as these increases are linked to a greater state commitment to higher education."

The Tulsa World's headline read: "Student Leader Leads Plan Linking Tution Increases to State Fundings."

The Associated Press lead on that story began: "University of Oklahoma Student Association President Terry Carr applauded Monday the Oklahoma Higher Education Regents' decision to tie tuition increases to state funding, bringing both up to regional averages."

The Daily Oklahoman's headline said: "Plan to Hike Tuition Goes Past Mark."

A story by Jim Kilcabney began: "Either don't raise student tuition at all or make sure that any tuition hike is accompanied by a significant increase in state appropriations to Oklahoma's colleges and universities."

Through the comparisons of headlines are different the stories are the same.

So basically, everyone sees the tuition hike the same light, but have different opinions about the effect on themselves and the schools, according to the ORRHE.
Drop out rate rises drastically

All kinds of students drop out of college for all kinds of reasons. The main reason, as far as I can see, is to get married. The next is accounting, followed by marriage. There are also many students who drop out, but I forget what they do. There are two main reasons, however, which may lead to all of these reasons. The first is economic, and the other is lack of intelligence.

There are many factors that contribute to these reasons. Students don't work hard at things that they believe to be beyond their capabilities. In absolute no situation is this truer than in this season's assessment. Tubs, for example, Steed Webb and Mugsy Boggs. The two seniors who are in the National at 5-7 and 5-3. These seniors worked hard at something at one time or another, but in college they found that they were not as intelligent as they thought they were. Tubs and Boggs were successful for two main reasons. They had high expectations for themselves, and they had the determination to do what they wanted.

There are many other famous people who have overcome great odds to be successful. Elvis Presley and Whoopie Goldberg are two examples of low-income childhoods that did not leave them with low expectations. Goldberg worked hard at something at one time or another, but he was successful. Tubs and Webb were successful for two main reasons. They had high expectations for themselves, and they had the determination to do what they wanted.

Many children raised in low-income settings, such as black and Hispanic, find that they are not having as many of the good things in life as a form of discrimination. These people need to realize that the limited opportunities are the fault of society, and that there are ways to rise above such circumstances.

Dropping out of school, job losses, juvenile delinquency, and early pregnancy are not due to discrimination. These situations are caused by the lack of effort. There is a minority group in America that is steadily increasing. As Asian-Americans are coming out of the highest SAT scores, high academic awards, and admissions to some of the most prestigious colleges. There is a significant difference between the Asian-Americans and the native Americans. Those who were born and raised in America tend to focus on their disadvantages rather than their opportunities, whereas outsiders see America as the land of opportunity and freedom, and they take advantage of these privileges.

It has been said over and over again, and it has been proven time and time again, that all are capable of doing absolutely anything we put our minds to. Setting high expectations for yourself is important, especially while attending college. It can really get tough. But if your expectations are realistic, you're going to have no trouble coming out on top.

Children raising children

There is a tragedy occurring in the lives of American teenagers today.

This unfortunate thing is the ever growing number of teenage pregnancies. This problem is, in part, due to parents that do not communicate and don't set reasonable goals that go along with sex.

The physical act of sex, without contraception aid, can produce pregnancy.

Although some teenage girls possibly want to have a baby to love, most probably do not realize the terrible responsibility that comes along with childbearing and raising.

To be in charge of a new life is a very, very large duty, so to not even think about becoming a parent, in this case is an avoidance of responsibility.

Parenting is an excellent school for older, more mature individuals. There are sleepless nights, terrible illnesses, and numerous other factors that make parenting a full-time job.

There are tasks and responsibilities that numerous to list here, that come with having a child. Although parents are partly to blame for children being unaware of the side effects of pre-marital sex, the information and contraceptives needed to combat this growing trend in America is available.

Responsibility is a must.

If a teenager is bound and determined to engage in pre-marital sex, they should at least take the time to protect themselves from pregnancy and disease.

Raising children is expensive, and it is for no other reason than this, people should protect themselves.

But, money is only one small thing to be concerned about. Be aware of the possible consequences of your actions. Those actions may affect the rest of your natural life.

Entertainment levels fluctuate during break

Another spring break has come and gone, and like usual, many of the regular hot spots were hit.

We have learned some basic hints throughout the years, which give us good ideas as to where most of these party animals go.

When there is a warm weather and people walking around in shorts, that is a sure sign that they are trying to off their tropical tunes. Which is a basic hint at where they might have gone over their vacation.

The more things to do is to give them something for their efforts—honor them and politely express gratitude on their part, and ask where they went to get so far.

The most common answers will most likely be: Padre Island, Myrtle Beach, Daytona Beach, Port Ludlow, Virginia Beach and Cabrillo.

Most won't admit it, but other favor testing her spot might include, Lake Sun Lamp, Tanning Beach, and Tanning Bed Island. It is best not to suggest where these places were visited, because for some reason, the alternate response tended to make people happy.

The next group of spring breakers will be the ones wearing sunglasses in and out of doors, and usually keeping their necks completely covered.

These are the sure signs of a skier. The sunglasses are to disguise the ever present raccoon eyes that all typical skiers get.

The necks are covered so someone will notice the dramatic difference in color in the skier's face and neck.

Blistered tips and sun burn eyelids can be found on two different types of skiers. The beginning dare devils who don't think to pack any sunscreen, and the skiers who try to get a nice even tan on their faces by not wearing goggles or sunglasses.

Another type of vacationer that is easily recognized by his appearance, is the one who went to visit relatives over spring break.

The physical appearance is changed slightly by the addition of a few pounds.

Relatives are notorious for forcing food down the throats of visiting family. And in most cases, eating is the only form of entertainment on these trips.

When everyone gets back to school, it is completely normal for more people to have a rather difficult time getting up in the morning.

All the partying, playing, and excitement can tend to make a person want to. But there will be a minority group of people who have absolutely no problem with this, and are the first ones up in the morning.

Without a doubt, these people enjoyed a nice relaxing, long vacation in the comfort of their own humble abode.

Where ever it was we ended up, it was nice to get away from the stress and strain for awhile. But time is to get back into the swing of things and start planning spring break for next year.
**Switchboard operator enjoys conversation**

By Carolyn Arends

"If I was not working, I probably would be doing the same thing," said Ross, assistant switchboard operator. "I have four children and we live in a house with a pool." 

"I have often thought of becoming a teacher," she said. "I enjoy working with people and I find it fulfilling to be able to help others."

**Family inspires custodian**

Being a family man just comes natural for Don Jones, who is the custodian in the Fine Arts building.

"My family inspires me and I work hard to support them," said Jones. "I have two children and we live in a small town in the country."

"I have been working here for 15 years and I enjoy being a part of this community."

**Coed pursues career in aero space field**

"I am a female engineer," said Kim Coppen. "I have always been interested in aerospace engineering and I am currently pursuing a degree in the field."

"I have been working at NASA for 10 years and I enjoy the challenges that come with the job," said Coppen. "I am excited to contribute to the development of new technologies and to work with some of the brightest minds in the world."

**Forestry profession continues expansion**

By Kris Akin

"Forestry is a growing field and I am excited to be a part of it," said Thayer. "I have been working in the forestry field for 10 years and I have seen it grow from a small organization to a large one."
Coasty captures People's Choice

Bill Cosby, Cybill Shepherd, and the movie "Fatally Attracted" were all big winners during the People's Choice Awards Sunday night.

This was the 16th annual awards ceremony which CBS-TV broadcast from 20th Century Fox Studios.

Writers determined the winners by a Gallup poll of 5,000 people over the age of 12, a statistical representation of nearly 196 million people.

Cosby won four awards while the film "Fatally Attracted" claimed three awards, both leading the right in honors.

Cosby was named favorite male television performer for the fourth straight year and favorite all-around male entertainer for the third.

He also won a new award - all-time favorite television star - while his series, "The Cosby Show," won its fourth award as favorite television comedy program.

"Fatally Attracted" was the favorite dramatic motion picture, and in leads, Michael Douglas and Cybill Shepherd were named favorite motion picture actor and actress.

Miss Shepherd was named favorite female dramatic television star, and favorite female performer in a new television program for ABC's 'Dolly.'

BLOOD CHECK

Brenda Lee of Providen Hospital advocates students from left, Sylvia Fouquet, freshman from Tulsa, Julian Franching, freshman from Watts, and Jacqui Griffith, sophomore from Jay, during nursing and placement department Health Fair recently.

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Preparation begins for comedy

The drama department is in preparation for the upcoming Wall Street comedy, "The Good Doctor," which will take stage in the Play Arts Auditorium on April 1, 2, and 3.

The play will be directed by Bill Ando, the new theater and drama instructor.

"The cast of this play has a lot of potential to be very good," said Ando who is directing his first college production.

Sophomore Troy Burton, from Sand Springs, will be the writer (director) during this production.

The play has a lot of small parts that come together to form one big part," Ando said.

The first scene is entitled "The First Scene" which will star Daren Cox, a sophomore from Miami, portraying the "General;"

Karey Harris, a freshman from Panama, portraying "the Grandfather of the"; Stany Downing, a freshman from Tulsa, portraying "Sonny," and Bill Harper, a sophomore from Quapaw.

"There are several moments in this play that are exceptionally funny," Ando said.

The second scene is entitled "The Second Scene" which will star Daren Cox, a sophomore from Miami, portraying the "General;"

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Women continue pursuit of elusive national crown

Freshman center Berenice Donovan scored 15 points and grabbed 11 rebounds despite battling the flu as the Lady Norse defeated Hibbert, 72-68, in the second round of the women's NCAA basketball tournament at Seminole, Fla.

Not only has coach Brian Agler's Lady Norse had to overcome the loss of two starters and a number of injuries during the course of the season, but once they reached the pinnacle of the National Junior College Athletic Association national tournament they continued to be beset by problems.

"Before we even got to the court we had to have a doctor look at Berenice because she was running a temperature and was dizzy," said Agler. "And, then, our only sophomore in the starting lineup Donna (Harkless) suffers a right sprained ankle late in the first half.

Harkless played the first half, but was held out in the second half. "Since we had Wednesday off, I thought the rest would do her ankle good," said Agler.

With the victory over Hibbert, the Lady Norse entered Thursday's noon contest against Florida Community College with a 22-13 season record. The Lady Norse were assured of finishing in the top eight teams after earning a bye in the opening round.

Finals for the week-long tournament will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday, on the campus of Northeast Mississippi Community College.

"We didn't play well at all. Our defense played was lax and active and we were very sluggish on offense. Some of that can probably be attributed to where we are," said Agler.

During the first half against Hibbert the Lady Norse were plagued by poor shooting and 11 turnovers. Shooting a dismal 26 percent from the field in the first half, Agler said Hibbert rallied to take a 30-26 lead with 14 minutes left behind an eight-point outburst by Diane Lovelace.

Hibbert led all scorers with double figures for Hibbert was Tina Pajuk with 20 points. Lovelace also grabbed 19 rebounds.

"The girls have been battling ... this all year. They just keep coming back," said Agler.

Ladies capture Region II title

Two harriers set indoor marks

Two members of the Lady Norse indoor track team broke the national indoor record during the finals of the 300-yard dash last Saturday, during the NCAA indoor track and field championships in Warren, Mich.

Glenda Marshall, of Muskegon, won the 300 with a time of 34.48 seconds to earn first-team All-American recognition.

Ethel Edwards finished second in the 300 with a 35.77 time to also earn first-team All-American accolades.

Marshall also finished fifth in the 60-yard dash with a time of 7.33 seconds.

Zonia Ray, of Tulsa, finished sixth in the 600 with a time of 1:33.01. Edwards was a member of the 4x400 relay team that posted a time of 3:56.03 for third place. Third place finish of the 4x400 relay team was Marshall, Nicole Ecklund, Tulsa, and Willis Wise. Broken Bow.

Bracken was second in the 400 with a time of 58.80 seconds while LaDonna Wheeler, Kansas City, Mo., placed seventh in the 600 with a 9.90 time.

Antoine Brooks, of Fort Worth, Texas, in both the long jump and triple jump. Brooks had a leap of 17 feet, 6 inches in the long jump and scored 35 feet. 3 inches in the triple jump.

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Athletic Football players national letter national letters award ceremony

Following a season which produced a 9-2 record and a fourth place finish in the Big 8 Oklahoma State University Community. Gibbons was a two-year starter at strong side guard for the Sooners.

Linebacker Terrance Cunnings (4-7, 230 lb. from Smithville, Mo.) also signed with the Cowboys. Cunnings was the first football player for the Sooners' defense with 55 unassisted tackles, 24 solos, and one interception for a total of 48 tackles as well as two fumble recoveries.

Anderson 5-11, 180 lb. from St. Petersburg, Fla., was one of four players to sign with the University of Tulsa Golden Hurricanes. As a senior starter, Anderson led the Golden Hurricanes defense with 42 tackles, 31 assists, 23 deflected passes, and one interception return for a touchdown.

Veteran linebacker Eric Bennett Powell (5-4, 180 lb. from Pittsford, Tenn.) had six tackles, five assisted tackles, and four deflected passes at free safety.

Offensive tackle Mark Williams (5-11, 230 lb. from Wichita, Kan.) had signed with Tulsa along with tight end David Owens and defensive tackle Stedman Brown.

Owens (6-3, 225 lb. from Miami) caught two passes for 34 yards as a starter in his sophomore season. Randle (5-11, 235 lb. from Chicago) recorded 34 tackles, 33 assisted tackles, and four tackles for a total of 34 yards as well as two fumble recoveries.

Former Sooner starter Scott Barber along with Willing Perry, Kenneth Richardson, Gary Powell were on all offensive scholarships from Southern Illinois University.

Barber (5-11, 225 lb. from Pampa) starred as a sophomore at free safety. Barber had two or three interceptions for a total of 20 tackles, 23 assistant tackles, and 22 deflected passes.

Perry (6-1, 190 lb. from American, Ga.) was named as a second team offensive tackle. Perry received an offer from the University of Eastern Kentucky to receive an offer from the University of Eastern Kentucky.

Richardson (6-2, 200 lb. from St. Louis, Mo.) recorded 11 tackles and 11 assists at linebacker.

Twin win All-American titles

Sophomore Tim McColl became the first two-time All-American wrestler for the Oklahoma Sooners and was selected "Most Outstanding Wrestler" at the national tournament in Clinton, Iowa.

Competing in the National Junior College Athletic Association national tournament at Dupage College, McColl was one of five Award of America for Coach Alan Lauchner.

Number one rated Northern Idaho won the title with 84 total points. Northwest Missouri finished second with 70 points. Idaho won with 64 points. Gloucher-Sowell was fifth with 57 points and Nebraska was fifth with 54 points.

McColl, a Tulsa High graduate, is a two-time All-American wrestler for the Oklahoma Sooners.

Harris and Lacey ticketed to all-conference designation

Sophomore Michael Harris and Ron Lacey received All-Sooners accolades as members of the Oklahoma State All-Sooners team.

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