Discussions center on free tuition

By Pam Kennedy

A new plan that would allow low-income students an opportunity to attend a state college for free may go into effect around September of next year. According to George Keiser, chairman-elect of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, around 500 students would attend college under the half-million-dollar plan if they had good grades and a clean record.

The plan first came about when Louisiana Attorney General Patrick Taylor helped to send low-income students in Louisiana to attend college. The Oklahoma plan is to be similar to that of Taylor's, however the state's still have to work out a few details before the plan can go into effect.

Supporters of the new plan feel that this could help to reduce the high dropout rate in Oklahoma as well as help the unfortunate go to college. Currently in the state of Oklahoma, low-income students have the opportunity to have about 75 percent of their tuition paid by the Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant. "Now the state is looking at 100 percent, the new plan to help more students attend college," said Provost Ehr. financial aid director.

"Under the old plan, about 38,295 students went to those 10,295 students," Ehr. said.

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Yearbook captures OCPA's top award

The 1990 edition of the Viking yearbook appeared on time and the members of the Norse Wind student newspaper received several notices during its annual Oklahoma Collegiate Press Association spring convention last month at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater.

Approximately 30 journals, from B state junior and senior colleges attended the day long convention.

Several speakers made presentations throughout the day concerning the different aspects of the journalism profession.

Keynote speaker for the meeting was the 1989 Pulitzer Prize winning journalist for the Associated Press, Robert Trumbull. Trumbull was the first

Grads get letters

Letters detailing graduation requirements were sent out last week by the registrar's office to prospective candidates.

Anyone projecting a graduate who did not receive a letter should check with the registrar's office immediately.

The office is located on the first floor of the Creech Library Administration building.

Enrollment continues

Debra Scott, a freshman from Tulsa, has completed enrollment in the Metting College, a reception in the registrar's office located in the Creech Library Administration building. Enrollment continues Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. until May 9.

Honor society inducts members

By Angela Stubbs

New members of the Phi Theta Kappa, the national honor fraternity for academic excellence, were inducted Thursday in the Bruce G. Carter hall. Approximately 42 students were present at the ceremonies.

Included were 6 students who were inducted on the honor fraternity, including span. Porters, Scott, Jonathon Jackson, Proctor, Wade Bady, Janice Brown.

Other freshmen were Deborah

Ronals-Miami: Sheryl Miler, Allie. Smith, Miami: Anil Anon, Errol Smith, Miami: Harri Smith, Miami: Also inducted were included James Span, Tens, Melinda Tappan, Commerce: Cindy Walton, Bartlesville, George West, Vinita, and Shelley Weaver, Weeds.

Others include Kathy Yout, Miami: Debra Jarrat, Miami: Duena Lound, Muskogee: Dama Molenaar, El Paso, Texas, and Jasmine Fields, Miami: Also inducted was James Mace. Miami: Ricky Edwards, Vinita; Andrea Benjamin, Miami: Lisa Brantner, Vinita; Dixie Clark, Miami: Steven Benson, Cameron, MO, and James Ferris, Miami.

Others include Amy Johnson, Atoka; Jennifer Wilson, Miami; Janet Shewron, Bartlesville, Lesleigh Hulse, Commerce: Frederick Koper, Miami: Donna Chamberlain, Blanchard, Chad Frye, Fort Scott, Anon; Jonathon Jacks, Proctor, Wade Bady, Janice Brown, Miami.

It is a great honor for these students as well as being beneficial when they apply for scholarships and loans according to the registrar's office.

Baseball norm continues

Candidates for offices. See page 4.

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Opinion

Volunteers make clean sweep

As you know, this past Thursday, the Student Body Government lead a campus clean-up NEO's campus. Various jobs were done such as picking up trash, planting grass in worn out lawn spots and picking up trash across the campus. The people who volunteered their extra time should be given a pat on the back for donating their hands, backs, and muscles to help beautify this campus.

Perhaps by helping clean-up the campus, those who participated in taking up NEO will be hesitant in throwing down cigarettes butts or that candy wrapper.

Editorial

And maybe those who didn't join the clean-up force will refrain from littering the grounds or vandalizing the buildings on this campus. After all, don't we all want a clean and beautiful campus to attend?

Littering and vandalism is a terrible act of negligence. When a person defaces a piece of land by littering it with waste and defaces a building by spray painting obscene messages or his initials on it, they are not only injuring the area but also wasting other people's property, and not to mention the earth itself.

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Common sense plays big role in achieving good grades

Grades mean everything when you attend college. Grades get you into graduate school, and grades get you good jobs. So obviously, a person would want to achieve grades. Here are three great rules for great grades.

1. Always attend class.
2. Always be on time. Be on class with assignments.
3. Do something extra.

By obeying these three rules you will get great grades. If your school has a 2.0 GPA policy, then you are in luck. All you have to do is commit yourself to these three rules. If your team commits, then everyone will be eligible and you will have a much better chance of making a championship happen next season.

The first rule is always attend class. For and after the most common reason for a D or F is missing many classes. Don’t sleep around. Don’t skid off to movie or your room class for any reason.

Plan doctor appointments or any other appointments very carefully. Don’t look for an excuse to miss class, but take pride in perfect attendance.

If you’re not feeling well, sick up and go to class. If you’re really, really sick, stay home, get well and responsible for getting your homework assignment.

If you are one of these people who lounge around and watch TV all day, don’t stay around in your car at night, then you made a plan to fail. Women plans to win.

The second rule is always be on time.

The second most common reason for bad grades is tardiness. Don’t sleep around in the halls.

Most teachers hate to give good grades to someone who is late all the time, so you must show that person you can be punctual.

If you are between A and D at grade time and you have done extra work on your own, the big majority of teachers will give you the higher grade.

After all, don’t you expect athletes to give extra effort?

Illinois River faces uncertain fate

The fate of one of Southeastern Oklahoma’s favorite recreational spots, the Illinois River, is in the hands of the U.S. Supreme Court. Last July, the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled the Illinois River was a tributary of the Illinois River in a lawsuit filed by the city of Fayetteville.

Once again, the U.S. Supreme Court has chosen to hear a case which many people feel that the outcome will be a landmark decision.

The Illinois River case will define the legal rights of downstream states throughout the nation. How is this legal right defined? The water by itself is not the water. It is a valuable river resource. The river, however, is the source of petroleum products that are valuable to the water below.

A few days ago, the Illinois River case was heard in the U.S. Supreme Court. The river is a source of entertainment and recreation and the courts and government will be involved in the case.

The Illinois River case is a perfect place to start. We can begin on the human environment by valley preserving the limited river.

Environmental laws should force the government to properly dispose of waste in a controlled manner.

If it means that local government has to spend money to dispose of waste properly, then so be it.

Fayetteville’s city officials should set an example and get the ball rolling in steps to protect the environment around them. It would also give Fayetteville the notoriety of being the city that saves the Illinois River.

If the appeals court ruling is upheld, then Fayetteville will be forced to find a much more costly way of disposing of their waste.

But if Fayetteville is granted permission to dump waste into a naturally preserved river, a river that hosts such summer activities as swimming and float trips, then the courts and government will be involved in the real case. After all so the courts and government for the people.

Soon the people will be flocking into town. Let the Illinois River have its chance at being a U.S. Supreme Court case. Let us support the Illinois River. Let us save the Illinois River.

Imagine the Earth with no life, no fresh waters, or few living rivers. Just shade ponds and vast areas of dead vegetation and sand dunes.

Everyone has a voice in government’s decision making processes. So express yourself. Let your opinions be heard and have an impact on our health environment.

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Students participate in vocal/instrumental day-long activities

Approximately 1,000 junior high-school students will compete in the 70th annual vocal music festival Tuesday at the State Fair Music Building, 3520 Doc Evins Avenue.

"Students will be here to compete," said Charles Whaley, "This should be an exciting opportunity for these young students to exhibit their talents."

Students will compete for ratings in choir, solo, and small ensemble.

Winning will provide about 65 choirs, 240 ensembles, and 300 individuals to be invited to the semi-final, where they will be judged for their performance.

The 70th annual Oklahoma State Music Festival will be held this week, with choirs from across the state.

The festival is organized by the Oklahoma State Music Festival, which has been held every year since 1950. The festival features a variety of choral, instrumental, and solo competitions, with winners advancing to the state finals.

Students will compete in various categories, including choirs, small ensembles, and soloists.

The festival is open to all high school choral and instrumental groups, with winners advancing to the state finals.

The Oklahoma State Music Festival is one of the oldest and most respected music festivals in the country, and attracts students from across the state.

CAMPUS-WIDE CLEANSUP

Taking a break while participating in Thursday's campus-wide cleanup by students and faculty were, from left, Robbie Williams, maintenance supervisor, Jay Parrish, Wyandotte, organizer of the event, Katie Freyman, Salina; Andy Nelson, Kansas City, Kan.; and Morgan Scobell, Belton.

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) were one of the two first place awards presented last Monday at the regional competition in St. Louis, Mo., SIFE competed against eight other SIFE speaking competitions. The team competed for three parties, winning two of the three awarded.

"The students were able to present their own ideas on the national competition at Kansas City, Mo. in May. They also came home with an award for the best presentation in the national competition," said Sharon Johnson, SIFE faculty advisor.

"We're very proud of the students and their hard work," said Johnson. "They were able to secure a $500 award from the competition, which is a great accomplishment."
Sophomores face tough decisions

By DeAnn Mora
Lincoln Journal

Any student wanting a four-year degree should be deciding on which college they will attend next.

With college transfer trips planned all through the month of April and May, the decision should be easy to attain.

Adena Heling, coordinator counseling guidance, instructor offers a few steps to help students have a productive trip.

"The most important thing is to have all the papers you need," said Heling.

That usually includes your college transcript, housing and admissions packet.

"Bring the initial deposits of $40 for admissions and $30 for housing," said Heling.

This varies from universities and colleges.

"These trips are to help students make contacts with advisors and orientate the students to the campuses and instructors.

"The admissions process is over the advisor will then help with the consultation process.

"One of the common misconceptions is that colleges do not transfer college credits. The colleges themselves do not present this problem; it is usually the advisor," said Heling.

A sure way to get around this problem is to speak up and carry an NACI catalog.

"The listings in the back of the catalog will help determine if your courses will transfer. The course name may not match but the curriculum of studies may be the same," said Heling.

"Anyone planning to attend an university should consider these findings important things.

"Be sure to visit the campus and get a feel of people of important faculty and peers.

"Make sure there is an advisor that will be able to help you.

"Find out if there is funding opportunities such as work-study and scholarships.

"Getting the feel of the college is the most important aspect."

Reading courses feature several benefits

By DeAnn Mora
Lincoln Journal

Reading courses are some of the most beneficial courses students can take.

Basic reading and vocabulary are two essential skills of a successful college student.

"I offer a course in reading improvement. The reading program students work their way up to appropriate grade levels.

"This class is designed to start with the fundamentals, then gradually build up the students reading ability and self-worth.

"Reading Instructors Ruth Ann Maxwell and Ruth Ann Maxwell achieve that goal by pursuing their students self-worth.

"When students begin to improve they really start to feel better about themselves. It is very exciting to see this change," said Maxwell.

"Maxwell has been an instructor at NCC for 27 years and she has noticed the increase of non-traditional students in her classes.

"Many of my students are adults returning to the classroom for the first time in many years. Others are students who did not gain from their high school curriculums," Maxwell said.

"Many students do not get what they need from their school and simply fall through the system and do not master the basics.

"I have found that many of my students have difficulty with the comprehension and vocabulary part of the course," Maxwell said.

"With the aid of the reading lab, Maxwell's students learn many improvement skills and short success in reading improvement.

"Brian Wilkins, a freshman from Hugo, has found these techniques very useful in everyday life. The class has stressed the importance of note taking and highlighting which he has used in the day-to-day functions of courses.

"The vocabulary, part of the course, has really helped me. It has helped me to understand the words and phrases that I have encountered and assignments," said Wilkins.

"During the lab they have hands-on experience with computers. The computers allow the students to know how many words per minute they are reading.

"The lab helps out alot, knowing at what rate I am improving makes a big difference in how I feel," Wilkins said.

"Students are able to greatly increase their words per minute and most students can improve many grade levels reading through the class technique and computer technology.

"The class emphasizes the ability of the student to learn and maintain reading skills throughout their life."

"The goal of my classroom is to have my students succeed in their other classes as well as master the reading skills they might pick up," Maxwell said.

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Offensive line features maturity

Editor's note: This is the second part of a series discussing the development of the Golden Norse football team during spring drills.

By Clark Sherman

Norse fire no-hitters

Two consecutive no-hitters by Hector Hernandez and Dale Harris led the Golden Norse to a 8-4, 9-0 sweep of Crowley Community.

College Thursday at Home in Thomas Field.

The Norse pulled out the Norse in 20-12 on the season while Crowder fell to 27-7.

The Norse outplayed Tuesday at Bates Junior College in a doubleheader.

On Thursday the Norse hosted Baxter County College in a one game.

Saturday the Norse will play host to Westark for a doubleheader starting at 1:00 p.m.

The Norse came out Tuesday for a doubleheader on Crowder's Community College's 1000 p.m.

With Hernandez pitching the opener against Crowder, the Norse got a rare win in a doubleheader.

The Norse won 3-0 when Holt singled home Chris Palise and Jose Bonadio.

That war Hernandez needed as he held Crowder hitters while striking out two and walking one in five innings of work.

Crowder's only run after South Lauderdale walked, stole second and reached third on a throwing error by catcher Chris Allison.

Crowder's Bob Blackhart turned a sacrifice fly to left to score Lauderdale.

The Norsemen scored four runs in the bottom of the third when Allen had a hit and Palise reached on a fielder's choice.

Smith was back at it for a hit to score Allison. Mitch Randall singled in Palise, Holt then walked in score Bonadio and Smith came in to score on a wild pitch.

Randall led the Norse to the 8-4 win.

"Crawford played a lot of defense this season," said Hendrix.

"We have a lot of good athletes and we expect big things from the offensive line," said head coach Mike Loyd.

"We have a lot of size and they move pretty well," Hendrix said.

CLOSE CALL

Golden Norse third baseman Joe Jan - "I put a tag on Crowder's Dan Robertson on a play at third base. Robertson tried to advance on a ground ball, but was thrown out by NED's Joe Bonadio."

Photo by Jon Ellis

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Ladies win Kansas State tournament

By Kyle Realy

The Lady Norse softball team, seeded Eastern Oklahoma 8-2 in the Big-Ike Conference.

Eastern fell to 2-0 in conference play and 5-9 overall.

"We're really coming around at the plate. We're getting the timely hits that are scoring a lot of runs for us," said Lady Norse softball coach Woody Moreau.

NED traveled to Kansas City.

Ms. last night to play a doubleheader with the University of Missouri at Kansas City.

Today the Lady Norse pitched their first game against the Missouri Western Invitational. The two-game tournament started at 10 a.m. today and continues through the finals Saturday afternoon.

The Lady Norse 1-0, Eastern 0-0

Eastern started off strong by scoring two runs in the first inning, but NED responded and held them scoreless for the rest of the game.

Cary Ward started a four-run NED second inning with a walk. Marcella Boyd singled and Krista White walked to fill the bases. Dee Dee Thomas was hit by a pitch to score Ward. Natasha Fluck singled to score Boyd and White.

NED scored another run in the sixth inning to make the score 2-0. The game was called in the seventh inning due to the 10-run rule.

With the win, Bettee Rader improved her record to 12-0 on the year. Rader gave up three hits and struck out four.

Marshall led the Lady Norse offensive attack with a 3-to-4 performance at the plate and two RBIs. Boyd and Fluck added two singles apiece.

The Lady Norse continued their offensive onslaught in the second game against Eastern.

NED scored 10 runs in the first inning, with 17 batters in the plate in the first half of the first inning. Of those, 17 batters, 13 scored.

Catcher Nicole Stafford had a triple and single that drove in five of the first inning runs.

Marshall's two-run home run in the third inning highlighted the three-run third.

The game was called in the fourth because of the 10-run rule.

Stafford and Edwards each had two hits to pace the Lady Norse 8-0 victory.

Lauren Chinn threw a two-hitter as the game lasted five and did not allow a walk. Chinn's record on the year now stands at 12-2.

The Lady Norse captured tournament title by defeating Barton County Community College 10-0 Saturday in the finals of the Kansas State University Invitational Softball tournament in Manhattan, Kan.

In the first game, Rader collected her third victory of the tournament by holding Barton County scoreless on just two hits.

Rader struck out four and walked just two.

Stafford sported a two-run triple and single in the third.

In the opening game, the tournament the Lady Norse defeated Highland, Kan. 5-2.

Lynda Thomas led the Lady Norse with three hits. Ward and Stafford each had RBI doubles.

Rader came in relief of Boyd in the fourth inning to earn the victory.

The Lady Norse defeated Dodge City, Kan. 9-0 in the second game.

In the second game, Rader came back to toss a one-hit shutout to defeat Dodge City. Kan. 9-0.

Marshall and Boyd were both 3-4 at the plate. Marshall contributed four RBIs to the Lady Norse cause.

The Lady Norse defeated Howell, Iowa 8-0 in the final game Friday night.

NED led 0-2 on three runs on 0 hits on the way to a 12-1 thrashing of Ellisville, Iowa.

Chinn allowed just one run on three hits as she collected the win for the Lady Norse to boost her record to 12-1 on the year.

Flace was 5-3 at the plate with 1 RBI. White, Dee Dee Thomas, Lynda Thomas and Stafford each had two hits.

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