Financial aids available

**Campus**

A recruiter from the Air Traffic Control Center will be on campus Wed., Mon.

The recruiter will be looking for people with a two-year associate degree, and Bob Anderson, aviation instructor, is interested in talking with women and ethnic minority students.

**Local**

Gabriella Glicker, a sophomore at NEO, will be the guest of honor during an open house on Jan. 24, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at 537 Apple Drive in Elks.

The daughter of band instructor Dr. Jim and Family Glicker, Gabriella will leave next week to serve a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She will attend the Church’s Missionary Training Center in Provo, Utah, for two weeks of travel before returning to Sacramento, Calif., for 18 months of missionary work.

**State**

After more than two years of study concerning the way judges and juries see people to prison in Oklahoma, the report of a task force is long overdue.

As part of the report, the task force has taken a look at the number of people who are serving time in prison, and the number of people who are serving time in prison who are serving time in prison for non-violent crimes. The task force has also looked at the number of people who are serving time in prison for non-violent crimes, and the number of people who are serving time in prison for non-violent crimes, and the number of people who are serving time in prison for non-violent crimes.

**National**

Former Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton was sworn in on the steps of the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C., Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. as the nation’s 42nd President. With Clinton’s ceremonial completion of the 12-year reign of the Republican Party came the inauguration of the Bush administration.

George Herbert Walker Bush took office after four years as President and four more years as senator. He is the fifth former president still living.

**WARM WELCOME**

Dr. Jerry Carroll (right) extends a warm greeting and a handshake to fresh new Lori Rupert, Miami, and sophomore Travis Bathe of Chelsea after becoming the 13th President of NEO on Jan. 1.

Dr. Carroll was selected by the Board of Regents for OSU and A&M Colleges in November to succeed interim President Dr. Clyde Jensen.

Photo by Aris Grogg
Dr. King’s crusade on civil rights issues remains vital today

Racism is a very real word evokes very emotional reactions from most people.

With the national celebration Monday of the birth of this nation’s greatest Civil Rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., there will be widespread discussion of the very topic which Dr. King fought against.

A person’s race is something that can’t be changed. In our society, we should accept it.

There are races, those who believe that their race should stand alone as the most superior, of all colors and nationalities. But, while someone seeks to prejudge by the color of their skin. People should not be treated at all because of the color of their skin.

Our melting pot society is made up of many races. Most people are descendants of more than one country, race, or heritage. Will society, as some point in the future, learn that people are human beings regardless, and everyone deserves to be treated that way?

Things like personality, similar interests, and sharing hobbies should be much more important than skin color.

When people think of racism it is usually in the terms of caucassians against another race. However, in the racism in Los Angeles, race was attributed as a contributing factor.

In Los Angeles, race is the majority of business is not the great majority of the United States. That does not mean that it is great.

What can we do to stem this seeming unkind trend and make it a reality for our society? Government has tried forced desegregation of schools and housing, but it hasn’t worked.

This unlearning should start at home and should be reinforced in order to come to a misunderstanding. Instead of a black man playing a white man for slavery that occurred hundreds of years ago, focus on the present, tell us about your heritage. As an American Indian what is your preference when being identified? Should we call you an Indian or Native American?

Are we all to become like Hitler deciding who is fit to live and who is not? Will the decision be based on color of skin, eye color, healthiness, who will live those successfully with handicaps be discriminated against?

There are some serious questions that our society has to face and it begins with what we do, how we teach our children, and what we learn from experience and history. The lessons are there, all we need is for us to be open to them.

Amelia Strode

Everchanging society places strain on Democratic system

More American citizens have rights that are guaranteed by the United States Constitution.

Problems within society arise when the laws are not clear, such as abortion or when technology is inolved that our forefathers never anticipated, such as machines that keep people alive artificially.

As a nation we are losing our basic freedoms to choose what is right or wrong.

The abortion issue is one that should be left up to the individual to the point that a fetus is viable, meaning it can live outside the mother’s womb.

Another recent development concerning our rights is the lack of public policy at high school games.

We all have the right to pray if we so desire, yet it should not be forced upon anyone who does not want to pray.

This deals with religious freedom and the separation of church and state.

The laws of our land can get real complicated, but we need to stay informed.

Dr. King’s legacy lives

In 1957 Dr. King organized the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Promoting unfair hiring practices, Dr. King was arrested in Birmingham, Ala., in 1963. Police brutality was used against television and radio stations. Demonstrations of the blacks to the nation at large, with enormous impact.

Time magazine honored Dr. King as Man of the Year in 1963. Because of his leadership in the Civil Rights Movement, Dr. King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964.

1964 was also when King’s non-violent philosophy was tested the most. He organized the Selma to Montgomery Freedom March and voter registration campaign.

Dr. King also saw the disfranchisement of young people when he visited Chicago in 1964.

New tax provides revenue

With the state of Oklahoma constantly struggling year in and year out to find money to meet the diverse needs of its people, some good news was released Wednesday concerning the collection of sales for bingo and pull tab operations in the state.

After only one month since the passage of the law, Oklahoma’s Tax Commission has collected $596,840 from various gaming operations. According to Randy Ross, director of the business tax division, the collections were made from Dec. 19 to Dec. 31. That represents the first full month of operations.

"It will take two or three months for collections to level out so we can make projections," said Ross.

Should that figure be representative of the state of Oklahoma could generate more than the $1 million each year.

Even if the figure was more like $500,000 per month, once again the state would generate more than $9 million in advertising revenue.

Most of a realization that if the state is going to be able to lessen the pressure put on the General Fund Operating Budget, then some new methods of creating additional revenues must be found.

With Governor David Walters and the State Legislature set to do battle in a short time, it would be to our advantage to let these people know how we feel about using legalized gambling as a means to create additional revenue.

One of the areas that could benefit from these increased revenues would be public education.

One method is through the use of a state sanctioned lottery system could be adopted. But other educational systems should continue to grow into the 21st century.

Dr. King’s legacy continues to serve a beacon for the improvement of racial harmony.

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Students earn mid-term degrees

Sixty-two students completed degree requirements qualifying them for a baccalaureate degree in art or associate in applied science degree.

In order to receive their associate's degree, students must have completed at least 60 credit hours and met all the institutional requirements toward their degree plan. Oklahoma students and their home states are as follows:

Allan: Lisa Pena
Allan: Daniel Shaw
Bartlesville: Kathleen Kennedy
Bartlesville: Wendy Chlof
Bluejacket: Alan Henry
Bluejacket: Thomas Byrd
Eisenhower: Kathy Taylor and Scott Kelly
Eisenhower: Karen Diller
Eisenhower: Michael Exner
Eisenhower: Kathleen Smith, Mary Gray, Annie
Eisenhower: Karen, Leon Diller, Denise
Eisenhower: Karen, Donna Miller, Donnie Morrisson, and James Wildman.
Jay: Santa Carrell and Leonard

President releases academic honor roll

Approximately 60 students achieved academic excellence for the fall semester and were named to the president's honor roll. Students making the president's list were recognized for achieving a perfect 4.0 grade point average while carrying a minimum 12 credit hours during the semester.

The students and their home states are as follows:

Albany: Debra Delfert and Ronald Powell.
Amherst: Mary Brown and Sherry Marlett
Bartlesville: James Mohers
Computer: Linda Gilmore
Bluejacket: James Greenwood,

Dean announces fall honor roll list

One hundred and sixty-nine students were named to the dean's honor roll for the fall semester according to Dr. Cline Jensen, interim vice president for academic affairs.

The students were selected on the basis of maintaining at least a 3.5 grade point average in 12 or more credit hours.

The students and their home states are as follows:

Albany: Chris Thomas and Terrin Wagner.
Bartlesville: John Todd, Tobi Sefr, Troy Wyatt, and Patrick Bailey.
Computer: Chysy Panter
Cuban: Billy Wimbly
Delaware: John McKinney
Fairfield: Monica Dailitis, Mark Garley, Donna Hardison, Renee Stephens, and Patricia Wilson
Fort Gibson: James Foss
Graves: Martha Armitage, Kristen Armati, Kathleen Beck, Teresa Butler, Carrie Ferguson, Laura Gilman, Kim Hudelson, Cindy Kame, Ann McCracken, Tessa Sande, Amy Schneider, Gregory Smith, David Underwood, Teresa Walker, and James Weilert.
Harmonica: Rebecca Melton
Indians: Billy Cline
Kanasa: Julie Cockrell, Renee Halfford, and Jonathan

Kelliway: Stephen Harris
King: Shelly Scott
Langley: Shana
Massachusetts: Brooke Fia
Marlow: Stephanie Zorn
Miami: Nancy Abol, Ray Barnes, Julie Becher, Brian Berchella, Snow Boll, Betty Boul, Christa Bowlin, Selma Chapman, Dick Clay, Paula Coogan, Dan Cramb, Cathy Douth, Darryll Fain, Cynthia Jahn, Charles King, Lady Lipton, Brenda Maples, Christine Marshall, Jeff Myers, Jennifer Norman, Tiffany Palmer, Tricia Rew, Lori Rogers, Judy Shaw, Cristina Ting, David Way, Blake Webster, Jason Wenberg, and Annie Wight.
Muskegon: Stacy Mahler
North Miami: Tinna Burns and Tisha Tompkins.
Nowata: Tracy Tulip
Oklahoma City: Felicia Dunlop.
Oklahoman: Dick Burchett
Oklawaha: Shanna Higgin
Picher: Lesa Bates
Portland: Michael Eaves
Pratt: David Brown, Tonya Dawson, and Brian Deegan.
Quapaw: James Buttram, Karen Clines, Christ Johnson, Bashir Marshall, and Johnny Smith
Sand Springs: Tina Lathrop
Sequoyah: Douglas Cen
Sand Springs: Steven Jones
Shakok: Sheila Armstrong
Tuscola: Tony Keal
Vienna: Samanthia Artis, Sarah Fugate, Vonda Harwitz, Andrea Henry, Josette Mason, Judy Miller, and Cady Ogden.

Highland Park, Mich.:
Cleveland Heights
Hebron, N.C.: Paula Lee
Lansing, Mich.: Vera Parker
Linden, Ark.: Mark Taylor
New Orleans, La.: Paul Overland
North Dakota: Arlene Jackson.

New Mexico: Carolyn Dees.

Students may return to participate in May graduation.

Willy, and Becky Walker.
Wellesley: Roberto Aske
Wayne: Travis Goss and Ryan Bellard.
Welder: Gail Hickey
Wilson: Bruce Kellor
Wyandotte: Mary Hoyt and Salma Wright.

One of the students included:
Carothers, Michael
Connor: Erin McElroy
Davis: Julie Bennett
Dawson: Julie Parson and Jason Russell.

Dean: Deborah Siewny
Deerfield: Staci Shonda
Eric: Tim Lordi

Visalia: Shirley Hicks, Leslie Gordon, Jesse James, James Mayer, Bobbi Stansell, Donald

Wynnewood: Jan Gologn

Owensville: Cindy Landkamp
Pea Ridge: Amanda Long
Sedalia: William Lewis and Arlo Gregg.
Summit: Carolyn Dees
St. Louis: Mike Smithson and Russell Cox.
Surely, British Columbia.
Canada: Annette Voss.
Washington, DC: Teresa Lee Wentworth, M.D.
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Consumer course features variety of special problems

Students still have the opportunity to enroll in a consumer education course in the spring semester. Family Consumer Problems 2113 is offered on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 11 a.m. in Copes Hall 208 by the Hospitality/Fashion Department.

"It is a realistic, practical, down to earth class," said instructor Mary Garrett. "Part of the problem with having champagne tastes on a beer budget is that people who don’t manage money do not analyze what is the most important expenditure; they are in need of money before they get paid again," said Garrett.

"This course is a requirement for Fashion Merchandising, Hospitality, Interior Design, and Home Economics Education majors," said Garrett.

Family Consumer Problems covers many topics including how to keep track of records and figuring interest rates, which are important to be an informed consumer. "We use values and goals to make a personal budget. What is important to me may not be as important to you. Then we work on money management. We work on budgets for a single person, a married couple, a married couple with children, and married couple. This allows students to have hands-on experience for all phases of the life span," Garrett said.

"The difference in saving for a major purchase versus buying on credit is emphasized so that students can see how much they pay for the purchase if they wait and save for it," Garrett said.

The course teaches students how to become informed consumers by reading labels, comparing brands, deciding if the advertising is misleading, and just having an emotional appeal. It shows how to figure center usage costs.

Play emphasizes Black heritage

By Richelle Brown

"February is national Black History Month, but NSO will be receiving early exposure to the observation Tuesday, Jan. 25 through Thursday, Jan. 28 at 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Television instructor Rodney Clark will be presenting "Experiences of Black Souls," a play based on the historic black experience in the United States.

"This play was put on by Theatre North at the Performing Arts Center in Tulsa and got rave reviews," said Clark.

The play is actually a compilation of black literature and music: "Not only is it informative from a historical standpoint, but it is entertaining." Clark said.

Members of the cast are Jayme Johnson, Franklin Jackson, and Derwin Davis. The cast also includes Derwin Davis, Oklahoma City; Jerome Jones, Tulsa; Alex Johnson, Tulsa; Shanna Lyons, Tulsa; Jackson, Tulsa, and Demetra White, Oklahoma City; Frankie Jackson, Tulsa, and Derwin Davis, Oklahoma City.

"We hope this is the highlights of Black History Month at NSO," said Clark.

"We also hope that all of the students will have their classes attend the play, maybe as an extra credit." Clark said.

"The play is free, so we hope to fill up the auditorium. We would also like for the Black community and the surrounding communities to attend," said Clark.

"We hope that this early boost will create an explosive Black History Month on this campus," Clark said.

Higher Regents propose increase

By Marti Jones

Lincoln Edens

Members of the State Regents for Higher Education announced recently that they will seek a tuition increase at state universities and colleges for the fall semester.

The state Regents for Higher Education will push for tuition increases next fall and will ask the Legislature to make permanent an additional $26.7 million budget hike that was meant to be used only one year ago. Lawmakers were told Friday.

Speaking before the House Education Committee, Chancellor for Higher Education Hans Brisch gave an overview of the regents’ funding plan. He said the regents are working on a tuition plan with student leadership groups and presidents of colleges and universities. The plan will be presented Feb. 26.

When asked after the committee meeting about the regents would ask the Legislature for another increase next fall, Brisch said: "That would be my hope.

"Brisch said no final tuition increase has been worked out but added the increase could run as much as 80 percent. The last tuition hike, in 1994, averaged 7 percent, said Janeen Eddy, spokesman for the regents.

In Oklahoma, students pay about 22 percent of the total higher education cost. The Legislature appropriates money each year to pay the president.

Brisch said that if certain "peer institutions" in other states, student pay up to one-third of the cost of higher education. The regents use the "peer institutions" as a basis of comparison when they plan their budget. Ultimately, the regents want to catch up with the funding levels at the peer institutions.

"It is clear that is to get to the one-third amount by about five to seven years, tuition increases will need to be made," said the chancellor.

Brisch said.

The regents would ask the Legislature for an additional $26.7 million in one-time funding that the Legislature appropriated to higher education last year. The $26.7 million was appropriated from the state’s constitutional "Rainy Day" Reserve Fund, and the Legislature appropriated the regents to use the money for "one-time" purposes such as equipment and books so that the regents would not count on having the money again this year.

"However, $26.7 million of that amount was used for institutional operating budgets (salaries), former Rep. Sid Hudson, who helped shape the appropriation last year, said lawmakers did not intend for the "one-time" money to be used on personnel, even if they were on a yearly contract.

Brisch said the $26.7 million was not added to the higher education base budget which means it is not considered recurring funding.

Brisch said Oklahoma faculty salaries are below the national average and added that more compares for students at OU and OSU are needed.
Seminole Trojans snap streak by Golden Norse

By Chris Frank

Seminole junior college took the lead in the third quarter and then held on to defeat Tallahassee Community College 78-74 on Wednesday night.

The Trojans (11-7, 4-4) improved to 3-2 in conference play and now sit in second place in the Florida College System.

"Our defense started to pick up and we started to make some shots," said Seminole coach Randy Gipson. "We were able to get some stops and start knocking down some shots.

Tallahassee Community College (6-12, 1-7) were unable to catch up and were outscored 27-18 in the fourth quarter.

The Trojans are now in second place in the Florida College System and are looking to build on their momentum as they head into the final stretch of the regular season.

Ladies fall from unbeaten ranks and atop the poll

Tallahassee being fair play, Seminole junior college took its turn at upsetting number one by defeating the Lady Norse 79-68 last Saturday in Seminole.

The Norse dropped the Lady Norse from number one to number three with a 16-1 record.

Seminole improved to 15-2 on the year.

Coach Randy Gipson's Lady Norse open defense of their Region II crown Monday with a 6 p.m. contest against Eastern Florida State College at Winder.

Sophomore Simone Edwards (6-4) found the upset for the Bells by scoring a game high 39 points.

The Lady Norse lost to the Lady Norse in the opening round of the Region II tournament and will now face Winder in the first round.

The Lady Norse were led by Simone Edwards (6-4) with 23 points, and Tyisha White with 21 points.

The Lady Norse is 15-2 this year and is looking to repeat as Region II champions.

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Wrestlers struggle through injuries

By Jeremy Pendleton

Injuries and illness have plagued 13-man Golden Norse wrestling squad since morn-
ing from Christmas break. The Golden Norse are currently ranked sixth in the nation enter-
ing Saturday’s tournament at Garden City, Kan. The tournament will feature all four teams.

“We really won’t know what we’re going to do until we get on the mat and see how we are,” said Larson.

Northern Iowa, which has not even wrestled a complete team this season, will have a full team to compete with.

NDSU remains on the road Jan. 28-30 for the St. Louis Open Tournament.

Calloway Tournament

The Northern Iowa crew is the only team other than the Norse that will be able to field a complete team.

Top-ranked Garden City, Kan., will take the first place, followed by Lassen, Calif., and Colby, Kan. They are ranked second and third in the NCAA poll.

Warren Ward took first place at the 136-pound division on January 22-23 and third in the 135-pound division in the 107-bout tournament. Ward earned a 10-0 decision over Ryan O’Hara of the Lassen team.

Ward was a member of the first place team in the 135-pound division and third in the 138-pound division.

A pin by Johnson over Jason Hoch on the 136-pound division gave the Norse a 16-0 lead. Northern Iowa’s Steven Kuchta claimed a 14-2 victory over Washington, M. N.

Norse 138-pounder John Johnson won by decision over 138-pound Rodney Acorn. Acorn is the only Iowa Central wrestler to compete in the tournament.

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