Scholarship deadline nears

By Henry Gann

Deadlines for making applications for numerous scholarships at this college are rapidly approaching, according to Karen Key, scholarship coordinator.

For students interested in applying for the $1,200 Dobson Presidential Scholarship, the deadline is April 1.

Freshmen need to have a 2- plus ACT composite score and be in the top 25 percent of their class. Sophomores need to have a 3.5+ GPA, a better than average ACT composite and demonstrated leadership abilities to be eligible for this scholarship.

Both freshmen and sophomores must attach a resume to their application. According to Key the resume should include activities they are involved in, grades, and accomplishments.

For students interested in applying for the $800 Marriott Residential Scholarship, the application deadline is April 15.

Freshman need to have a 2- plus ACT composite score and live in campus housing to be eligible for this scholarship.

The scholarship is intended for the first 100 applicants who complete the following by May 15:

1. Enroll full-time
2. Submit a housing application
3. Pay the housing deposit

Sophomores must have received this scholarship as a freshman, must have earned 24 credit hours with a 3.0 cumulative GPA and live in campus housing.

The deadline for the $400 freshman and $400 Sophomore Scholarships is also April 15.

Freshman need a 3.0+ GPA and sophomores need a 3.25+ GPA to be eligible.

For nonresidential students wanting a waiver of out-of-state fees, the deadline for Fall 1997 is August 25. The deadline is January 20 for Spring 1998.

Freshman nonresidents must have a 3.0+ ACT composite and 2- plus GPA. Sophomore nonresidents must have a 3.25+ GPA.

Late applications will be considered subject to the availability of funds.

Judges win top honors in contest

By Casey Adkins

Managing Editor

The livestock judging team received top team overall honors as it dominated each category of competition during the Diva National Livestock Judging Contest held in Jackson, Miss.

Topping 12 other schools to place high team overall in all five contest categories which include market beef, English beef, continental beef, Brahman influenced beef and oral reasons.

Renae Lynn, sophomore from Virginia, Ill., finished the competition with a first-place individual overall, first in market beef, fourth in English beef, first in continental beef, first in oral reasons.

Russell Fent, sophomore from Wynadotte placed second in oral reasons.

The team placed third in Brahman influenced beef and fourth in continental beef.

Mid-term courses scheduled

Enrollment concludes today

By Brandy McComb

News Editor

Classes are available for students interested in enrolling at mid-term. These classes will begin March 17 for a duration of 8 weeks.

Twenty-five classes will be offered. Students interested, may complete an "audit slip" with their academic advisor and return the slip to the Admissions and Records Office. New students should contact the Admissions and Records Office in the Library Administration Building.

For specific interests, there are courses offered, such as

Special Problems/ "Tour of Europe" which is instructed by Dr. Glucksman in the Music Hall room 108.

Other courses offered are:

Artificial Insemination Practice in Ables Hall room 134 which is instructed by Dr. Pete Smith. Also, classes offered are Agriculture/ Special Problems. This course is offered twice, for 1 credit hour and then again for 2 credit hours.

For the English department, basic composition, is offered by Dr. Sue Ssham. A reading course is offered by Carla Bummel. Also available is World Literature II by Dr. Robert Byrnes and Composition I by Lomme Spence.

Cardio-activity is available at mid-term by Nancy Bishop.

Four different Algebra courses are also offered. Two of these are lab courses. They consist of both introductory and intermediate classes. Also available is Pre-Calculus taught by Dr. Fred Parish.

Two different Study Skills courses will be offered and they will be taught by Cheryl Butler and Theresa Thompson. A course in Test Taking Skills will also be offered.

For the music department, an introduction to Music Appreciation taught by Mary Susan Whaley will be available.

Fine Arts Special Problems will also be held in the Music Hall for students interested.

A course in First Aid will be instructed by Mike Barlow for those interested in taking First Aid courses.

Other courses available are:

Understanding Government issues instructed by Jeff Birdsong and Social Science Special Problems by Dr. George Largent. Also available are American History since 1865 by Allen Lachner. Two more mid-term courses available are Natural Resources Field Applications by Dr. Jim Glucksman and Micro Speed Reading by Ruth Ann Maxwell.

Students should speak with their academic advisor now to enroll in any of these courses.
Everybody deserves a trial

By James O'Neal

Once upon a time there was such a thing as a fair and speedy trial. This was the beginning of stories we tell our children when we speak to them about many of the criminal trials that have occurred in our time. Such is the recent case of the Timothy McVeigh trial. As you probably are aware, McVeigh is the prime suspect in the Oklahoma City bombing. The trial was already delayed with the move to Colorado, then it was slightly halted when the Dallas Morning News ran a story of McVeigh's admission to the crime.

Of course his defense attorneys, all five of them, decided to retard, stating that the facts were inadmissible because they got the statement of the Internet. This makes it impossible to issue McVeigh's conviction as evidence in a court of law. This will also give his attorneys more time to figure out an alibi that will allow the final sentencing to be less harsh, and possibly let him walk away without being penalized if he was actually guilty of the crime.

It is a more recent note, however, that the presiding judge of the case will not let the defendant be found guilty of the murder of Ron Goldman and his estranged wife, Nicole Brown-Simpson. Those words to be held for a trial by J. F. Brown. Facing those charges, he was forced to pay about $13 million to Goldman and Goldman families.

If a man is found not guilty, then he shall not be held responsible for bringing a large bill to pay for the legal fees of the victim's family. Instead of trying to re-convict a presumably innocent man, something should be done to bring the true person at fault for the murder.

In response to the decision of the jury, Simpson will return trial for Goldman and Goldman families, so that the unnecessary legal suits will not need to be paid. This will be another two years to accomplish. It will also be two more years of useless tax monies spent on paying the judicial committee involved in the case.

The two cases included above are not the only crack in the judicial system. In the cases of many murder trials, the person involved gets thrown in prison. There is another waste of our tax dollars.

Recent play Cloning requires further study before acceptance

By James O'Neal

A recent scientific study has greatly decreased our already low moral standards of our society. The topic of which I speak is the recent cloning of animals for scientific research. Not only is it morally wrong, it is going beyond the idea of one wishing to play God. The first cloning of animals was to expose the public to the cloning of sheep in Scotland. Through the cloning process, the owners of the sheep were supposedly getting a sheep that was genetically superior to other sheep. This makes absolutely no sense at all to me. To me this is somewhat of the preceding process that has already been used for centuries.

The most recent cloning was that of monkeys in Oregon. This was done, because monkeys are supposedly similar to humans. I am not to stop at lowest as to compare myself to a monkey. The researchers who are performing the process claim that it will be a great leap in the medical field. With cloning they will be able to clone human tissue samples.

With this process, significant research can be done with the samples. The idea of cloning human tissue samples is much more feasible than to clone a monkey or sheep. Another use for cloning that is to appear soon is in areas such as horse racing. The idea of doing such a thing is too easy to dismiss, says a cloning expert. With the cloning process, the horses would have favorable traits. The process would be similar to selective breeding.

All of the scientists that are in the cloning process do agree that the actual cloning of humans beings is far in the future and is impossible. I do agree that the cloning of humans is not a good idea. It is not a good idea to cut off the cloned human parts.

In relation to the progress of cloning, the Pope himself stated that cloning is wrong and unethical.

College creates special fund for guest speakers

By Henry Gann

The Northeastern Oklahoma Development Foundation is busy working on a project that would help attract some of America's brightest minds and greatest talent to the campus for special presentations.

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education has established an Endowment Program designed to help state colleges host guest lecturers and visiting artists. The Regents' Endowment Program matches dollar for dollar, what colleges raise to establish permanent funding for these special academic projects. According to Jim Gerhardt, NED Development Foundation director, NED has set a goal of raising $50,000 by May 1.

The college's amount will then be matched by the state regents with an additional $50,000. The interest earned from the endowment of these funds will be available to the college each year.

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The bankroll of students was issued in honor of the students who have worked to bring in nationally renowned personalities in business, science, the arts and other highly regarded professionals. These individuals would be selected by the college faculty to recognize and honor the academic accomplishments of students, a banquet was held Thursday in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom.

"Students who were honored at the banquet have succeeded academically and are leaders throughout the campus," said Dr. Jerry Carroll, president.

More than 250 students were honored at the banquet which featured Dr. Clark Osborn, an NED alum, and physician in the city of Miami.
Local Phi Beta Lambda chapter hosted the Mountain Plains Regional meeting

By Henry Gann
Feature Editor

The regional conference of the Phi Beta Lambda Mountain Plains Region Officer retreat was held recently at the NEO Ballroom. The states that attended the conference were: Texas (Howard Payne University, West Texas and UNK), Wyoming, Nebraska State University, and Afton Area Vo-Tech.

The conference was attended by state and local officers. The speakers for the local Phi Beta Lambda chapter attending were Dr. Fred Patrick and Mrs. Jan Staley. The conference was attended by twenty-seven people.

Staley provided a good, strenuous exercise session to loosen the stress of all the attending officers. This exercise was called Team Building. The Team Building exercise was enjoyable and enjoyable.

The guest speaker at the Phi Beta Lambda Mountain Plains Officer Retreat was Dr. James Lovell, NEO Vice President for Academic Affairs. Dr. Lovell led off the day's events with a speech on the world of business and education. The speech was punctuated by Dr. Lovell's humor and insight.

Dr. Jerry Carroll, President of NEO, was the keynote speaker at the conference. In his speech, Dr. Carroll discussed his steps up the ladder of success from childhood to NEO. Dr. Carroll also discussed goal-setting and stressed the importance of teamwork and leadership in relation to total quality management.

Dr. Carroll also spoke on his five steps to success as a leader, which are: 1) set your goal and never stray from what you want to do; 2) listen to others; 3) learn to empower others; 4) lead by example; 5) set a high standard for yourself, and be never, ever give up.

Another speaker at the conference was Rich Lillard, Executive Director of the Miami Chamber of Commerce. He spoke on leadership in Miami, Oklahoma. An empowerment workshop was also held at the conference.

Kim Shutt's and Trevon Mueller's Phi Beta Lambda state officers spoke on the keys to success, the seven habits of highly effective people, and the importance of fund raising.

Attending the conference from the NEO chapter of Phi Beta Lambda were: Liz Gibson, historian; Angela Pence, treasurer; Candice Epsilon, secretary, Michael Hayes, president, Kimberly Sandoz, parliamentarian; Sherry Gannon, reporter and Peggy Owings, SIG representative.
Six players earn cage honors

By Billy Bury
Staff Writer

Five players from Northeastern A&M received recognition on the Region II and Bi-State Athletic Conference all-star teams. Sophomore forward Nathan Binam (9-4 from Claremore) was selected to the first team of both the Region II and Bi-State East All-Conference squads. Binam led the Golden Norse in scoring with a 15.1 average while grabbing 4.3 rebounds per game. Binam recorded 89 assists and 30 blocks.

Other selections of the first team All-Region II squad were William Slackness (6-10 from Muskogee), Derick White and John Woods, both from Connors State, Jason Stewart, St. Gregory's, Casey Carwright, Seminole; Blake Somm, Northern; Dion Edwards, Westark; Keith Code, Rose State, and Merlin Thomas, Shorter, Ark.

Selected to the All-Region II second team were Clifton Thompson, Murray State; Heath Whitmore, Northern, and Shane Gaston, Jackson and Curtis Williams, David, all of Shorter. Earning first team honors on the women's Region II team were Kamara Sladie and Neisha Onoko, both from Connors State; Shaista Pendley, Seminole; Kim Tarkington, Westark, and Shawa Tavers, Northpark.

Lady Norse sophomore forward Tasha Barnett (5-10 from San Diego, Calif.) earned second team All-Region II recognition. Barnett averaged 10 points and 6.8 rebounds per game while leading the team with 28 blocked shots.

Joining Barnett on the second team were former NEO player Diana Hubbert, St. Gregory's; Lynetta Geter, Northern; Kenyra McCallum, Westark, and Charity Zuke, Eastern.

Gladness, Binam, White, Woods and Edwards comprised the final team of the Bi-State All-Conference Eastern Division team. Named to the second team All-Conference squad were Curtis Haywood and Reggie Freuler, both of Bacone; Aaron Bates, Carl Albert; Keith Hodge, Eastern; and Eric Beattie, Connors.

Three Golden Norse sophomores earned all-conference honorable mention recognition.

Guards Shawn Williams and Reuben Turner along with center Rod Smith were named to the all-conference squad. Williams (5-10 from Stillwater) led the team with 162 assists and 52 steals while averaging 11.8 points per game. Turner (5-10 from Hugo) averaged 10.6 points with 105 assists and 24 steals. Smith (6-11 from Foxhall, N.J.) averaged 11.9 points and 9.3 rebounds per game.

Joining Barnett on the women's All-Bi-State East squad was sophomore guard Dejannette Holmes (5-8) from Tulsa. Holmes averaged 9.1 points with 72 assists and 25 steals.

Men drop Region II playoff

Billy Bury
Staff Writer

Losin three of their last four games, the Golden Norse basketball squad had their season come to an abrupt end as Northern Oklahoma College gained a 76-64 victory in a Region II Tournament elimination game recently.

With the loss, coach Lonnie Spencer's Norsemen finished with a 16-11 overall record.

Northern 76-Norse 64

With Northern leading 14-10 after hitting1nintermittent two's and three's, Shawn Williams nailed two three's and Rod Smith added a field goal and a free throw as NEO grabbed the lead back at 19-18 with 8:52 remaining until halftime.

Northern outscored NEO 36-25 over the final 13 minutes to close out the game with a 76-64 and end the Norsemen's season.

Smith led all scorers with 21 points while Williams added 18.

Bacone-60 Norse-64

Unable to take advantage of 28 points by Binam the Golden Norsemen suffered a 80-64 regular season finale loss to Bacone in Muskogee.

With contribution from all Norse starters NEO held an 18-17 lead in the first 10 minutes of the game. Binam lead all scorers with 28 points, while Punty Parker grabbed nine boards.

FINDING AN OPENING
Stella Stevenson, a guard for eventual Region II champion Seminole State College, tries to find an opening to drive to the basket despite defensive pressure from Lady Norse guard Dejannette Holmes and center Tina Clendenning.

Belles defeated the Lady Norse 67-61 in the opening round of the Region II Tournament at Shawnee before eliminating Westark Community College and defending regional champ Connors State for the title.

Belles eliminate Lady Norse

By Josh Masson
Staff Writer

With Seminole pulling away in the final minutes, the Lady Norse basketball season came to an abrupt end with a 67-61 loss in the opening round of the Region II Tournament at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee.

The Lady Norse ended the season with a 16-16 overall record.

Seminole 67- NEO 61

Seminole State overcame a four-point deficit in the final three minutes to slip past the Lady Norse 77-61.

"I'm pleased with the effort we gave. I think the kids came out and played hard and executed our game plan for the most part. Seminole is a good team and they have several ways to score," said Gibson.

Lady Belles point-guard Shantia Versant hit a 3-point field goal and added a field goal to give the Belles a 5-2 lead early on.

Seminole State extended their lead to 18-11 with 11.2 before half behind 2 points from Stella Stevenson, Shasti Pendley, Shelly Gobson and Jasoni.

Tina Clendenning and J'Swanna Smith each scored five points to pull NEO within two at 23-21 with 6:16 remaining in the first half.

Pendley connected on back-to-back freys and hit a pair of free throws for a 33-25 lead with 1:02 until intermission.

All-Region II forward sophomore Tasha Barnett scored four points and Clendenning and Brooke Carter added baskets along with free throw by Martha Burge as the Lady Norse grabbed a 39-38 lead at 12:19 showing on the clock.

Seminole is a veteran team that barely competency in the final two minutes and went the game," said Gibson.

NEO 63- Western 57

After building a 24-point halftime lead, the Lady Norse fought back a second-half rally to gain a 63-57 win over Western Oklahoma in a Region II playoff game held in the NEO Fieldhouse.

Clendenning lead all scorers with 22 points while Holmes added 13 points and Barnett scored 10 points.

NEO 79- Bacone 64

With good perimeter shooting and strong inside play the Lady Norse defeated Bacone 73-64 in the season finale at the Fieldhouse in Muskogee.
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