Student Body Government reveals outstanding honorees

James O'Neal
Managing Editor

A three-day seminar designed to educate and help four state area agencies deal with domestic violence issues started Thursday and continues through Saturday.

The symposium entitled "Domestic Violence, a Multicultural Approach," is a joint effort between the NEO and the National Domestic Violence Emergency Shelter Services.

The symposium is designed to help educate a multitude of area services on how to recognize and deal with domestic violence from various cooperative efforts.

Along with the education, law enforcement officers, judges, nurses and hospital staff will conduct a general public is invited to attend the three-day seminar.

"As we society must understand that domestic violence is not acceptable by any means," said Diana Collings.

The idea of this symposium is to help area agencies deal with this problem on a multi-agency approach..." says Collings.

Collings also said, "It takes judicial support, law enforcement, mental health agencies, and the medical community all working together.

The domestic violence symposium began Thursday with registration at 8 a.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

Friday began with national and state awareness speaker Michael Lindsey, Lindsey is a psychologist with 18 years experience in domestic violence, substance abuse intervention and counseling.

Monday, September 22
Students may pick up financial aid grant checks beginning at 8 a.m. in the business office located in the Doyle Czech Library/Administration building.

A meeting of the college psychology club will be at noon in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union faculty lounge.

The weekly tree meeting of Hot Topics and Cold Cubes will be held at noon in the Christian Student Fellowship's room 106 H Northeast.

Lady Norse volleyball team will be at noon on the Fort Scott, Kan.

Tuesday, September 23
Noonday luncheon at the Baptist Student Union located just north of the main campus.

A reception for the homecoming queen candidates will be held at 4 p.m. in the Carter Student Union Ballroom.

Wednesday, September 24
Financial aid student loans for the first semester are available at the business office located in the Doyle Czech Library/Administration building.

Feastly on the Word will be held at noon by the Christian Student Fellowship at 106 H Northeast.

The Baptist Student Union Noonday activities will be held just north of the main campus.

Pictures for homecoming queen contestants will be taken at 3:30 p.m. on the steps of the Czech Library/Administration building.

Thursday, September 25
Noonday activities at the Baptist Student Union located just north of the main campus.

Lunch Plus at the Christian Student Fellowship at noon located at 106 H Northeast.

Lady Norse volleyball’s Lady Scots, Kan. at 7 p.m.

Friday, September 26
Noonday luncheon at the Baptist Student Union located just north of the main campus.

Student union discounts for the supervisor by 4 p.m.

Baptist Student Union store at Grand Lake.

OUTSTANDING HONOREES
Receiving certificates from the Student Body Government for their contributions to the campus for the month of September are:

from left, Doug Walls, outstanding staff member; Antonio Wells, outstanding graduate student; Rheta Shields, Student Body Government president; Tandl McCracken, outstanding athlete, and Roger Fent, outstanding faculty member.

Seventy members from Wheaton, Mo., were chosen outstanding student athletes. McCracken is a member of the Lady Norse volleyball team and is a computer science major.

"We want to encourage everyone on campus to become involved in the process of making these selections each month," said Rheta Shields, SBO president.

"We think that this recognition will help promote school spirit and a pride in what we accomplish as members of the NEO community," Shields said.

The Student Body Government also established two working committees during their annual meeting.

The student activities board and the student union board are committees that are open to anyone interested in participating in committee work.

The next scheduled meeting of the Student Body Government is Tuesday, Oct. 7, at 4:30 p.m. at the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Faculty Lounge.
Life requires people to take responsibility

By Billy Buby

Those looking for answers to the rapidly declining state of our country can look to the lack of responsibilities taken by our society.

People today do not know how to accept the responsibilities for the actions they take, the blame is constantly shifted to others for their failures.

That's the problem, we don't want to accept the consequences, or admit that we were wrong.

Lack of responsibilities have allowed us to sue anyone around any time we make a stupid mistake and try to make a quick buck.

People today sue bars if their loved ones went into the bar, drank to much and died in a car crash, the bar didn't pour the liquor down their throat but somebody needs to be blamed, certainly not the victim.

It's absurd to think that one can sue because coffee is to hot, coffee's supposed to be hot that's the point of coffee.

This is one of the reasons it is so difficult to run a small business because people are suing for small things.

The state and federal governments have began to take part in this removal of responsibilities.

Anyone ever heard of the seat belt law? I was under the impression that if I didn't want to walk away from an auto accident it was my choice.

Who in their right mind would want to kill all the doughnuts because we blame them for the hole in the ozone.

It couldn't happen anyway ever hear of the Niecy? That's why they experimented the Jews, because they blamed them for the loss of World War one.

When will we decide to stand up and say that I made a mistake, I got it, I made that decision because I wasn't thinking, and I accept the consequences.

That's what we all boils down to choice, whether we choose to accept the blame or not we just going to push it off on someone else.

No one knows where it started, it really doesn't matter, what matters is that we have got to stop and stand up.
Technology plays a major part in higher education

By James O’Heel
Managing Editor

According to a recent report released by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the most rapidly increasing factor in Oklahoma is technology in relation to higher education programs and services.

A total of 20 recommendations have been received in relation to technology and higher education programs and services.

Recommendations range from how academic programs delivered through technology should be evaluated and funded, to the creation of "laptop universities," to electronic applications and course registration for students.

The study, which was requested by the council of college and university presidents, was conducted by Dr. James R. Morgan, executive director of the State Higher Education Executive officers, and was presented to the State Regents during their meeting on Sep. 5 at Oklahoma Panhandle State University located in Goodwell.

Regents charged a task force as soon as possible with various higher education advisory groups to formulate suggestions for action.

One set of recommendations addresses funding and approval of academic programs offered electronically. A recommendation encourages the Regents to decrease and eventually eliminate the regulation of where courses and programs are delivered electronically.

This would allow colleges and universities to open programs and courses throughout the state, whereas the current policy limits delivery to geographical areas, unless arrangements are worked out with area colleges.

The study also suggested that State Regents should extend their current academic program and review and approval process to requests by colleges to deliver programs electronically, even if it was previously approved for on-campus delivery.

The study also recommends the review process places more emphasis on the quality of the academic program, whether the student receives a similar education.

Another recommendation suggests that the Regents provide funding for colleges to bring in financial incentives for the state’s smaller colleges and universities to electronically merge certain administrative functions or to identify sister institutions to provide electronic services covering areas such as personnel management, purchasing, and financial aid.

The report also recommends that the State Regents strengthen their management and support of one-of-a-kind, the state’s telecommunications and information network for education and government.

The State Regents and the Office of State Finance currently oversee the system that serves nearly 1,000 client organizations and is recognized as one of the most comprehensive, fastest, and least expensive statewide networks in the nation.

The study recommends increased staffing to respond to demand.

A final recommendation suggests that higher education use technology to better support the state’s economic development efforts by developing academic and career preparation programs in areas identified as potential growth industries and then using technology to deliver programs to employers at the work site.

Universities can also use technology to provide applied research to Oklahoma companies and businesses, the report says.

The technology report presented to the State Regents incorporates the results of a survey on the technology and network capacity and use at all colleges and universities in the state’s higher education system.

That information was supplemented with visits to various Oklahoma campuses and to colleges and universities in other states that are recognized as leaders in the development and use of technology.

Recommendations for the report were also submitted by the higher education Council of Presidents, Faculty Advisory Committee, Student Advisory Board, Library Advisory Group and the Council on Student Affairs. The Council on Instruction and a new group of continuing education directors also provided input.

The full report, Technology 2000: Recommendations on the Utilization of Information Technology in the Oklahoma higher Education System, can be viewed on the internet at www.okregent.edu under ‘What's New,’ for those interested in more information.
Phi Theta Kappa sponsors bike ride

Applications are available for the Phi Theta Kappa Mu Chapter Bike-A-Thon scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 27.

"We'll gather as a group at 10 a.m. Saturday in the parking lot next to the Health Science building," said Greg Lippe, a sophomore from Wyandotte, and coordinator of the event.

The Bike-A-Thon will benefit St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

St. Jude's is dedicated to treating children stricken with cancer. The hospital also performs many types of cancer research," Lippe said.

"One way to raise money to continue the research is through the volunteer groups like ours. We would appreciate the help from anyone interested in this worthy cause," said Lippe.

Pledge sheets are available by contacting Kendra Grover, sponsor of Phi Theta Kappa at 540-6237 or Teresa Thompson at 540-6246.

"People can participate by riding, walking, or running. We also would accept monetary donations," said Lippe.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Recipients of the Rosetta Seat Memorial Nursing Scholarship are, from left: Teresa Duboise, Miami; Wendy Besly, Welch, and Kathy Cookerly, Joplin, Mo.

Regents study highlights tuition

Fixed rate for four years will be considered by group

By James O’Neil
Managing Editor

Helping Oklahoma students plan for the cost of college and providing financial incentives for students to complete their degrees within four years, a comprehensive study has been undertaken by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

During their regularly scheduled meeting, the Regents announced they will examine the feasibility of establishing a four-year fixed tuition rate and a block tuition plan for students entering college in fall 1998 or after.

Under a four-year fixed tuition rate, for example, full-time entering freshmen would either pay the same tuition rate for up to four years or receive a guarantee that tuition would not increase more than a specified amount during the four-year period.

Under a block tuition plan, students taking a specified number of credit hours would pay one flat fee per semester.

"Essentially, the Regents are looking at innovative ways to help Oklahoma families and students prepare for the investment in a college education," said Chancellor Hans Brosch. "We want to make it easier for students to prepare for the cost of college, and at the same time, encourage students to complete their degrees within a reasonable time."

As part of the study, the Regents will examine the constitutional authority and statutory responsibility to set rates and decide what rate colleges and universities will play in the process. In addition, the Regents will study existing structures in other states.

Currently, tuition rates for Oklahoma colleges and universities are set by the State Regents within limits established by Legislature. In addition, tuition at Oklahoma colleges and universities is currently based on a per credit hour charge, except at Oklahoma’s professional schools, law schools, medical, dentistry, pharmacy, and optometry, which use block tuition plans.

The study will also examine the consolidation of special fees, such as technology materials and copying fees, revenue implications, transfers and potential issues. The Regents announced that they will submit the findings of their study to the governor, speaker of the house, and president pro tempore in January 1998.

"The State Regents welcome the opportunity for wide-ranging discussion and structure of tuition fees," said State Regents’ chairman Robert L. McCornick.

"While Oklahoma public colleges and universities are among the most affordable in the nation, we must continue to look for ways to help Oklahoma students and their families plan for the cost of college."

McCornick noted that tuition and fees for in-state residents at Oklahoma’s four-year universities were fourth lowest in the nation in 1996-97.

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**Norse race past Fort Scott Hounds**

By Josh Maxson

The Golden Norsemen used a 27-play fourth-quarter explosion to put the game out of reach in a 48-16 romp over Fort Scott (Kan.) last Saturday at Robertson Field.

Head coach Dale Patterson and the Norsemen improved to 2-0 on the season, heading into conference play.

“We’ve been telling our kids all year that their preparation and physical condition would pay off for them in the fourth quarter and I think it did against Fort Scott,” Patterson said.

NCE got on the board first with a 2:22 left in the first quarter after veteran backerbacker Michael Stamps stepped in front of freshman quarterback Amos Betts pass and raced 85 yards for the touchdown and a early 7-0 lead.

The Greyhounds pulled within 7-6 when Betts raced around the corner after being flushed from the pocket for a 17-yard touchdown run with 12:57 left in the second quarter.

The Golden Norsemen then went on a monster 91-yard, 4-play drive that consumed almost eight minutes. The drive culminated in a 5-yard TD run by sophomore tailback Desean English.

Matt Reeves nailed the extra point to extend the Norsemen lead to 14-6.

The Greyhounds Brandon Holiday connected on a 37-yard field goal with 1:18 until intermission to pull the Fort Scott within 14-9.

Sophomore quarterback Andy Coiler guided the Golden Norsemen on a 69-yard drive in only three plays. A key play coming when Coiler connected with freshman wide out Tequan Love on a 45-yard pass play.

Coiler found Michael Brooks alone in the back corner of the end zone for a 15-yard touchdown, with the Reeves extra point the Norsemen had a 21-6 advantage with 6:15 remaining in the third quarter.

The Greyhounds took use a hurried punt by Stamps to convert their final score of the night when Jason Graham punched it in from 6-yards out with 9:07 remaining in the game.

“They defense got tired and we wore them down by the fourth quarter,” Patterson said. “Once we had the punt, I think we would have scored on every possession.”

“I don’t think Fort Scott gave us the four-yards we were entitled to catch the punt and that led to the fumble,”

“but there were several times throughout the game that I felt like we weren’t focused on what our job was supposed to be,” said Patterson.

NCE’s fourth quarter explosion started when freshman tailback Kevin Proster broke free on a 31-yard TD run.

Jeremy Avellio returned an interception 36-yards for NCE’s next touchdown.

The Golden Norsemen were able to put too many on the board when sophomore Cody Sensinger scored from 6-yards out.

Freshman strong safety Willie Mendes scored the Golden Norseman’s final touchdown on a 59-yard return.

“We stressed all along that every play is important. Fort Scott was like a couple of times and we took advantage of it.”

But we’ve got to play every play and not let up because it can get you beat in our conference,” Patterson said.

Coiler completed 13 of 15 passes for 181 yards and one touchdown before giving way to freshman Grant Potter in the final series. Potter completed 2 of 5 passes for 22 yards.

“I was really pleased with the way Andy (Coiler) bounced back after his first game. He kept his composure and ran the team efficiently.”

“We did a good job of balancing our run with the pass to keep them off balance. Our backs ran hard and our interior line continues to improve. But I was really pleased with the performance of our wide receivers,” said Patterson.

Paul Jones led NCE with five catches for 45 yards while Lockett caught three passes for 52 yards and Shewin Mills added three catches for 36 yards.

“Definitely, I’m still a little concerned about our tackling, we had a couple of times to make some plays and we didn’t. There was too much arm tackling instead of using the helmet and shoulder pads,” Patterson said.

Avellio led the defensive unit with eight tackles and three assists, while linebacker Linnness added seven tackles and one assist, linebacker J.C. Thomas made six tackles and five assists.

**TOUGH RETURN**

Ruth Beal (23), a freshman from Wyandotte, awaits the return from Kathy Johnson of Allen County (Kan.) Community College during a match Monday night in the NEO Fieldhouse. The Lady Norse won 15-5, 15-11, and 15-11 to extend their winning streak to four matches.

**LADY NORSE EXTEND WIN STREAK**

The Lady Norse opened pool play with a 15-10 and 15-12 victory over Nesho County (Kan.) Community College.

After dropping a 13-15 and 13-15 decision to Butler County, Kan., the Lady Norse suffered a 7-15 and 9-15 loss to Raytown Community College prior to Monday’s match with Allen County Community College.

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**SPECIAL**

By John Finelli

Riding a four-match winning streak, the Lady Norse volleyball team travels to Fort Scott, Kan., Monday, for a dual match with Fort Scott Community College followed by a match with Allen County Community College (Kan.). The Lady Norse stood 9-5 in dual match competition.

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Concluding pool play in the tournament the Lady Norse sustained a 10-15 and 3-15 loss to Fort Scott, Kan., before gaining a 15-10, 13-15 and 15-9 victory over Labette (Kan.) Community College.

“Last year we didn’t win a match in the tournament and this year we came within one game of advancing to the final round,” Skuley said.

Freshmen Anna Horsevly of Edmond North and Leslie Berenson of Putnam City West carried the Lady Norse to a 15-11 and 15-4 victory over Redlands College in Sunday’s match.

Horsevly scored 8 of 15 points in the second game while Beesman made several key defensive blocks on the right front row.

Both of these kids had several family and friends at this match, so they were pumped up and really played well. We also got some great sets from junior Amy Plunkett of Sedan Springs,” said Skuley.

The Lady Norse sustained a 2-15 and 11-15 loss to 12th-ranked Seward County Community College in a dual match.

Competing in the Coffeyville tri-meet, the Lady Norse needed three matches to defeat the Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College-Lady Ravens 6-15, 15-9, 15-10 in a two-game sweep.

The Lady Norse also defeated Central College of McKearnson, Kan., 15-5 and 15-6.

“We’re playing the best we’ve played all year. We’re really starting to come together as a team which creates several different ripples for us,” said Skuley.
Southwest conference features top-ranked teams

Blinn attempts to three-peat for national crown

Josh Maxson
Sports Editor

The second-year Southwest Junior College Football Conference once again looks to be a powerhouse. Early on in the pre-conference schedule five of the eight teams are undefeated. Included in those teams are defending national champions Blinn, NEO, Trinity Valley, Ranger, and Tyler.

With a 2-0 start the teams in the top four should once again look to be the the Blinn Buccaneers who return 13 starters from last season's 12-0 title team.

There will be a new man in the helm of the Buccaneers. Jeff Conaway replaces Willie Fritz, who moved on to Centar Missouri State.

Undersized since 1984 the Buccaneers look to follow the lead of All-American running back Mike Green (5'11, 240) who rushed for 1,018 and 24 touchdowns.

Blinn looks to make their way to the newly created Red River Bowl and their third straight national title. Coach Green will look to funnel his talent, led by offensive line Ryan Gaskin (5'10, 300) who anchors a big line which averages 300 pounds.

Tyler has started the 1st season undefeated and looks to contend for the conference title.

Coming off a 0-10 season the Mounties return 14 of 24 starters from last season's 9-0 title team.

Although the Mounties will be looking for freshman quarterback Mike Paneiro to step into a leadership role. As well they must replace three receivers who moved on to Division I.

On the defensive side of the ball Tyler will try to improve on a defense that allowed 330 yards per game. Comeback Curtis Fuller leads the defense.

Trinity Valley and second-year head coach Scott Conner return seven starters including All-Southwest Junior College Conference All-Star offensive and defensive linemen.

The Rangers return seven starters, tight and Keith Redding is the only returning starter on offensive. On defense the Rangers return eight starters and added to the mix.

Ranger looks to climb out of the cellar following a 0-9 season. Second-year head coach Phil Wilson will look to quarterback Chris Milam on the team.

Milam threw for 615 yards on 44 of 125 passing and was intercepted 12 times.

Ranger offensive line looks strong with the return of Patrick Mellon (5'3, 205)

Norse face Rangers in Texas

By John Finnell
Sports Editor

Heading the road for the first time this season, the Norsemen opened their first game Saturday at 3 p.m. in the South-west Junior College Football Conference against Ranger, Texas.

Both teams enter their conference opener with a perfect 2-0 record.

"We are really excited about being 2-0. That was our opening season goal, and that should help give us the momentum," said Golden Norse head coach Dale Patterson.

"This game against Ranger is very important. It's the first conference game of the season for us and it can help decide if we go to the playoffs or not," Patterson said.

Ranger has defeated New Mexico Military 36-34 and Cisco, Texas Junior College 33-26 last Saturday.

Leading the Norse offense is sophomore Andy Coiler. The 6-0 quarterback completed 13 of 15 passes for 181 yards and one TD in the 48-16 win over Fort Scott.

Joining Coiler in the backfield at tailback will be sophomore Dwayne English along with freshman Ramon Bates (5'0, 230, Oklahoma City) at fullback.

Starting at wide receiver for the Golden Norse will be sophomore Allen Carroll and freshman Shawn Mills.

Starting quarterback for the Rangers will be sophomore Andy Rauls (5'9, 180). Rauls has completed 28 of 48 passes for 368 yards and five touchdowns with three interceptions.

In the backfield, joining Rauls will be freshman tailback Chris Tate (5'10, 175) and sophomore Lawrence Driver (5'8, 213) at fullback.

Tate leads the conference in rushing with 322 yards on 62 carries and one TD.

Starting at defensive ends for the Golden Norse will be3-0 Junior Eddie Brooks and freshman Matt Henson with sophomores Richard McCloskey and Reese Travis at tackles.

"Anytime you go across the Red River you are in a battle. Being an afternoon game it is going to be hot. The one thing that Ranger will have going for them will be that they have a full squad while we are only able to take 50 players," said Patterson.
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