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Regents approve 7% tuition hike for fall semester

By Mark Stack
Editor

For the second consecutive year, the OKCCC Board of Regents has approved a tuition increase effective for the fall semester.

The Board of Regents approved the measure during its May 13 meeting to increase in-state tuition by 7 percent, and out-of-state tuition by 9 percent. This is the maximum increase allowed by law.

Art Bode, vice president for business and finance, said the tuition increase is essential in helping make up the \$373,000 budget shortfall in state appropriations that OKCCC is faced with during the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

"Based on our enrollment projections for next year, the tuition increase will generate approximately

\$550,000," Bode said.

"These funds will offset the reductions in state appropriations and allow the college to provide for increased enrollment and mandatory cost increases," he said.

Bode said resident students would see an increase of \$2.35 per credit hour, totaling \$36.05 per credit hour.

Bode said a resident student enrolled in 12 hours can expect a \$28.20 increase from last year's tuition.

Non-resident students can expect an increase of \$8.95 per credit hour, totaling \$116.20, said Bode.

Non-resident students enrolled in 12 hours should expect a rate increase of \$107.40 compared to

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Budget woes eliminate possible employee raises

By Mark Stack
Editor

OKCCC employees will have to pinch a few more pennies this year as no college employees will be receiving raises for the upcoming fiscal year.

The OKCCC Board of Regents met to review OKCCC's budget for the fiscal year 2002-2003 during their Committee of the Whole meeting June

10.

The regents are expected to discuss and approve the new budget June 17.

Dr. Paul Sechrist said that due to increased health insurance premiums, the college would be making up the cost for employee co-payments.

Sechrist said the college will be using the money that would have gone towards pay raises to make up the increased co-payments.

Employee co-payments rose 21 percent for health insurance, and 20 percent for dental insurance.

In previous years, employees received raises dependent upon workplace performance.

Last year, OKCCC received \$18.8 million of its \$32 million budget in state appropriations.

This year, due to the

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Photo by Kat Mohr

I know the answer! Julia Skelly, 6, anxiously raises her hand to answer a question during a College for Kids math class. College for Kids is a tutoring program that strengthens kids' abilities in subjects such as reading, algebra and Spanish. "It's for kids who need enhancement in a certain area of learning," said Kelie Solis, sports and recreation specialist. College for Kids will be held from June 10 to July 15. Parents can still enroll their children. The cost is \$35 to \$45. Anyone interested should contact Solis at 682-1611, ext. 7786.

Todd celebrates 30 years

By Mark Stack
Editor

It was the day after Thanksgiving in 1971. When most people were enjoying the holiday with family and friends, recovering from indigestion or watching the annual Oklahoma-Nebraska football game, Dr. Robert P. Todd was busy helping bring a college to the south Oklahoma City area.

"It was one of the most rewarding experiences in life creating something that didn't exist and

participating with people with such tremendous minds," said Todd.

His labor bore fruit in 1972 when the college, then known as South Oklahoma City Junior College, opened its doors.

Todd, along with help of Dr. Bruce Owen and several other area residents, helped form the first community college in the south Oklahoma City area.

"These people complemented each other so well that it really was

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Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

Where has all the time gone?

I have begun my second summer at the Pioneer. This last year has flown by amazingly fast, and it boggles my mind to remember all of the things that have happened on campus since my first day behind this desk.

The disappearance of Mayuko Kawase, the Japanese OKCCC student who went missing the first week of school last fall, was the first major event I covered for the Pioneer.

I still think of Mayuko from time to time and wonder how her family is coping. I wonder if they've given up hope on ever seeing her again or if they think it may be possible she's still alive.

Although I did not know Mayuko, I became attached to her quickly through her friends and family because of the research I did for my stories.

When a search party was organized three months after she disappeared, I walked the disgusting drainage ditches and the wooded areas, scraped up and bleeding; not as a reporter looking for a story, but as someone who wanted to find Mayuko.

I was saddened when we turned up nothing.

In my time here, I was also privileged enough to be asked to do a piece on Linda Thornton, the OKCCC English professor who died of breast cancer last February.

I wasn't sure I could handle talking to someone about how they came to grips with realizing their own mortality. It was unbelievably hard to ask her what it felt like to be dying and what her thoughts were about it, how she was preparing for it.

Professor Thornton was one of the strongest people I ever met. Unfortunately, I met her only once. But I feel like I got to know her well, perhaps better than some who had known her for years.

I was here on Sept. 11 and the long days that followed, one eye on my computer screen and one on the TV, watching with the rest of the world as history was made.

Just like many schools and other public places, OKCCC dealt with its fair share of problems following Sept. 11, including disruptive bomb threats.

The Pioneer received one of those threatening calls, and I was the person who happened to pick up the phone. I just added it to my list of interesting occurrences that have taken place since I started here.

I could go on and on about all of the wonderful and not-so-wonderful experiences I've had since starting work at the Pioneer, but they would take up an entire issue and then some.

What it all comes down to is this: I'm grateful for the experiences and thankful for the friends I've made (some of my best — that means you, Kat.) I'm looking forward to writing many more stories and meeting even more new people. What a great job this is.

—Ashley Martin
Staff Writer

Detour routes available for I-40

To the editor:

While the repair of the I-40 bridge over the Arkansas River at Webbers Falls is ongoing, alternate routes have been established that should not cause visitors serious problems when traveling to eastern Oklahoma State Parks, lakes and attractions. In spite of the damaged roadway approximately 40 miles from the eastern border of Oklahoma, many popular spots in the area can be easily reached from detour routes.

Travelers are encouraged to stop at tourist information centers, such as the I-40 Sallisaw center near the Arkansas border for detailed directions and an Oklahoma state map.

Eastbound I-40 travelers can reach Greenleaf and Tenkiller State Parks by taking exit 278 to Warner on northbound SH-2 and then travelling on eastbound US-64 to Gore. To reach Tenkiller, take SH-100 northeast from Gore. To Greenleaf, take northbound SH-10 from Gore.

Eastbound I-40 travelers to Tahlequah and the Illinois River area can take exit 264 to Muskogee on northbound US-69 and eastbound US-62 to Fort

Gibson and Tahlequah.

Westbound I-40 travelers from Arkansas can take exit 297 north on SH-82 to Vian and follow SH-82 approximately eight miles north. To Tenkiller, take SH-100 west. To Greenleaf, take SH-100 west approximately six miles, then take SH-10A northwest.

Westbound I-40 travelers from Arkansas to Arrowhead and Fountainhead State Parks and Lake Eufaula can take exit 308 south on US-59 from I-40 approximately 15 miles. To Arrowhead, take westbound SH-9 to SH-9A. Go southwest on SH-9A to southbound US-69 to Arrowhead. To Fountainhead, take westbound SH-9 to the town of Eufaula. Travel on northbound US-69 to northbound SH-150.

Westbound I-40 travelers from Arkansas to Tahlequah and the Illinois River Recreation Area should not expect detours.

The signed detour for westbound I-40 takes drivers northbound on SH-10 (exit 291), westbound on US-64 and southbound on SH-100 to I-40. The westbound detour is approximately seven miles.

The signed detour for

eastbound I-40 allows travelers to exit at Warner (exit 278) to southbound SH-2 for 17 miles, then to eastbound SH-9 for 28 miles and to northbound US-59 for 15 miles to I-40. The eastbound detour is approximately 60 miles.

—Lori Nelson
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WWW.KANIAMANIA.COM by Chris Kania



Why won't you just admit we're lost, and stop and ask someone for directions.

Comments and Reviews

Sisterhood simply 'Divine'

Of all the secrets revealed during the course of the movie "Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood," the one that remains firm is that friendship is a bond that can weather any storm.

Based on the best-selling novel by Rebecca Wells, "The Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood" is a Southern tale of life, love and family.

It follows the lives of four sassy lifelong friends as they make the journey from childhood to adulthood.

"The Ya-Ya Sisterhood" was founded by Necie (Shirley Knight), Teensy (Fionla Flanagan), Vivi (Ellen Burstyn) and Caro, (Maggie Smith).

The movie begins when a battle is waged between Siddalee, played by Sandra Bullock, and her mother Vivi, a hard-drinking tantrum thrower, over a Time magazine article in which Sidda reveals secrets about her childhood and what it was like to grow up with her mother.

Vivi's fellow Ya-Ya sisters are called to duty after they realize that Sidda and Vivi might sever ties forever.

In a desperate attempt to reconcile the feud, they stage an unorthodox intervention to help Sidda un-



ravel the truth about her eccentric mother.

Sidda spends the remainder of the movie trying to come to terms with her painful past.

The Ya-Yas help Sidda work through the remnants of her past by letting her view their sacred Ya-Ya Sisterhood book while they fill her head with stories about her mother's life.

While the Ya-Yas tell their stories, the movie flashes back to the past where the wild antics of their youth are revealed.

The stories also reveal the hardships endured by a troubled younger Vivi, played by Ashley Judd, which caused her to have a breakdown and become unstable.

Throughout all the ups and downs, Vivi's friends were always there.

They were true Ya-Yas in every sense of the word for

the simple reason that they were her closest friends.

A Ya-Ya is a friend you can party, cry, laugh and share

your deepest moments with.

A Ya-Ya will never judge you and they will support and love you no matter what happens.

This film shows how love and friendship are essential when it comes to surviving the hardships of everyday life.

This film also gives a better understanding of the turbulent relationship all daughters tend to have with their mothers.

Bring some Kleenex to this film because there are some tear-jerking scenes.

With all the witty one-liners that fill this script, viewers are sure to experience the best emotion there is — laughter through tears.

One thing is for sure: after seeing this film, women will want to form their own Ya-Ya sisterhood.

—Kat Mohr
Staff Writer

Long-awaited HBO comedy series released on DVD

The dynamic comic duo of "Mr. Show," starring Bob Odenkirk and David Cross, have finally received the respect they deserve with their own DVD.

HBO released the first and second seasons of "Mr. Show," after years of being in the doghouse.

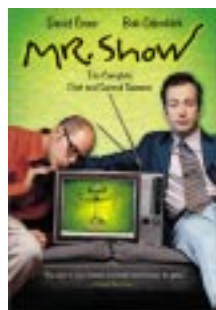
"Mr. Show" never received the respect or attention it deserved from HBO, as HBO gave them a \$20 weekly budget and a café to record their show.

"Mr. Show" has show-

cased some of the funniest sketch comedy since Monty Python.

Bob and David used their creative juices to produce three musical parodies. "The Joke," "Fuzz, the Musical," and "Jeepers Creepers" all appear on this DVD.

Guest starring in several of the musicals is master lyricist Jack Black. Black and Cross give the musicals a true sense of legiti-



macy with their excellent singing voices, while maintaining several hilarious moments.

"Mr. Show" is definitely a must for all sketch show fans.

This way, true fans can watch whenever they want, and not have to wait until 3 a.m. when HBO usually plays it.

—Mark Stack
Editor

Restaurant offers great Mexican food

After a long and tiresome search for good Mexican food in Norman, I've discovered that it does indeed exist.

Tarahumara's, located at 702 N. Porter, can be found on the east side of town.

For my first experience, I picked up a take-out order.

I didn't call in my order ahead of time because I wanted to test the wait for a walk-in.

Surprisingly, I didn't have to wait long — about 10 minutes. The host was polite and attentive and got my order to me quickly.

I have discovered in the past that take-out isn't as good as dining in. The drive home takes its toll on a meal, and even re-heating can't always save it.

Tarahumara's take-out is the exception to the rule.

The food tasted fresh and was still warm. They wrapped it up nicely in foil before putting it in the styrofoam box to avoid the dreaded condensation that would dampen the food. The packaging also prevented it from getting tossed around easily in the car.

For my next meal, I dined at the restaurant. I chose a busy time — Sunday after the "church crowd" came out, about 1 p.m. I wanted to see how these guys handled themselves under pressure.

Again the wait staff was polite, quick and accurate, even with a near-full house.

When it comes to Mexican food, my biggest fear is grease. There's nothing that can kill an appetite more quickly than having a plate arrive, only to find its contents floating.

At Tarahumara's, I needn't have worried about that. The enchiladas were perfect, not flat and soggy.

The rice wasn't too dry or too sticky.

On my third visit, I gave Tarahumara's the final test — catering to my four-year-old, Lauryn. A restaurant is a good one when its staff can handle children and keep them happy.

In order to accomplish that almost impossible feat, food must be served quickly so the kids won't get bored. Again, the food was brought out in a timely matter.

It was hot, but not too hot, which is usually a problem when dining with a child. Lauryn was able to begin her meal with me, not 10 minutes later after her food had cooled off.

My daughter loved the queso sauce, even though Tarahumara's makes theirs a little spicier than most places. She chose the cheese quesadillas from the children's menu, and she gobbled them right up.

I tried the tacos supreme, and to my surprise, they were crispy when they arrived at the table, not soggy and falling apart.

Tarahumara's will definitely be my Mexican restaurant of choice from now on. I recommend it to anyone who is tired of looking for "perfect" Mexican food. It has been found and I believe it is here to stay.

—Ashley Martin
Staff Writer

More than \$500 stolen from college desk, safe

**By Kate Brennan
Staff Writer**

Five hundred forty-eight dollars was stolen from the recreation and community services office between Friday, May 24, and Wednesday, May 29.

According to an Oklahoma City police report, money totaling \$179 was stolen Friday, May 24, from the desk of Kathy Plummer, recreation and community services secretary. A key to Plummer's desk also was

taken from a normally secured keybox in the office. That went unnoticed until Wednesday.

The money had been placed in her desk drawer at around 11:30 a.m. When later deposited, Plummer was notified that the money was missing from the deposit bag, according to the OKCCC incident report.

Plummer's desk was broken into a second time on Wednesday, May 29. The office safe combination was taken from a piece of paper in her desk. Later, \$369 was taken from the safe.

The college has changed the safe combination, although Keith Bourque, coordinator of campus safety and security, said "other security measures have been put in place."

"We have no suspects at this time," said Bourque.

The recreation and community services office collects money from the use of the aquatics center, the gym and community activities.

Chris Moler, director of recreation and community services declined to comment on the thefts.

OKCCC, tech center join forces

**By Will Patterson
News Writing I Student**



A shortage of trained emergency medical personnel has prompted two schools with a common education goal to join forces.

An agreement between the EMS programs of OKCCC and Moore Norman Technology Center has since proven to be a "win-win" situation since the project was implemented 18 months ago.

MNTC administrators began looking at ways to continue its emergency medicine services program when their EMT coordinator left in the summer of 2000.

Janice Berry, health program coordinator at MNTC, defined the major areas of concern to be "finding

qualified instructors and adequate clinical experiences for our EMT students, along with ensuring our curriculum is on the cutting edge."

Romeo Opichka, OKCCC EMS program director, said he became aware of MNTC's changing program and believed OKCCC might be able to offer coordination to MNTC in a way previously

untried between a college and technology center in Oklahoma.

Opichka said he believed MNTC could benefit from his knowledge and professional contacts.

In turn, he said, OKCCC also could benefit from having an increased enrollment of EMT degree seeking students through MNTC.

Former U.S. Senator discusses Democratic topics

**By Scott M. Everett
Contributing Writer**

About 200 members of the Oklahoma Democratic Party gathered in the college union Saturday, June 8 for "An Evening with Fred Harris."

The fund-raiser dinner, one of several events in the Demo Victory '02 campaign, featured former U.S. Senator from Oklahoma and 1976 presidential candidate Fred Harris.

The \$40-a-plate event drew hopeful Democratic candidates as well as party

supporters from across the state.

The overall enthusiastic mood of those in attendance was reflected by Harris' remarks as well as the statements of others.

Harris spoke on traditional Democratic themes in an attempt to rally the troops who are still despondent about losing the 2000 presidential election as well as having only one representative in Oklahoma's caucus.

"Congratulations on electing President Gore, because we actually did elect the President of the United States," Harris said,

referring to the fact that Democratic candidate Gore received the majority of the popular vote while losing the constitutional Electoral College vote.

Harris scolded President George W. Bush for his handling of the Enron collapse.

He said too many powerful people are not being held accountable.

He also proposed that the federal government increase oversight on pension plans.

Harris also stated his opposition to school vouchers.

"We are against the

voucher system," Harris said.

Oklahoma Democratic Party Chairman and OKCCC adjunct Professor of Political Science Jay Parmley was very pleased with Harris's remarks.

"We need a Democrat back in the U. S. Senate," said Parmley. "It was great to see and hear Senator Harris."

The event also included a silent auction in which a decorated donkey brought \$210, topping the list of bids.

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Biotech program receives grant to reach minority students

The Biotechnology program at OKCCC was recently awarded \$231,000 from the National Science Foundation.

The purpose of the grant is to expand the number of qualified high school students, especially minority, able to enter the Biotechnology program.

Dr. Charlotte Mulvihill, director of the biotechnology program, began working on the grant proposal last year and was informed last month that OKCCC would receive this first-time award from the NSF.

"I wanted to contribute to the infrastructure of the high school setting, especially for the under-represented groups in higher education," said Mulvihill.

The program, entitled Biotechnology/Bioinformatics Discovery!, begins Aug. 1. Northeast Academy, Capitol Hill High School and Northwest Classen High School will be the first three Oklahoma City public schools participating in the program.

"Ultimately we hope this new initiative will bring more Oklahoma City Public School District students to campus and the biotechnology program and to science in general," said Mulvihill.

The grant will have a three-year span. During the first year, biotechnology modules will be implemented at various levels as part of existing courses. For example, Mulvihill said the students could discuss the ethics of biotechnology in their English or social studies class.

The second year and third year, the project will expand to include a full biotechnology course, additional participating high schools, more biotechnology modules with additional courses and capstone experiences.

"We want to broaden the reach and spread literacy about biotechnology beyond the science classroom," said Mulvihill.

"People need to hear more about this growing field."

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Chef's history goes beyond the kitchen

**By Matt Leveridge
News Writing I Student**

Robbie Stephenson chuckled when asked how many ways he can cook chicken.

Stephenson, as well as his menu, is versatile. The difference between the two is simply his experience.

Stephenson is the head food service chef for the college union.

Like a lot of cooks, he started at home, helping out in Altus, Okla.

In 1972, at the age of 12, Stephenson began washing dishes at El Palasio, a Tex-Mex restaurant in Altus.

The owner asked if Stephenson wanted to learn to cook. He said yes.

Throughout junior high school, Stephenson worked at the restaurant specializing in Mexican food and pizza.

He said business was good, and many nights there was a full house.

After graduating from Altus High School at 17, he made the trip to Gruber, Texas, to help his uncle on his farm.

By the age of 23, Stephenson had acquired a lot of business sense.

He had worked numerous positions, including running his own gas station at 19, to working at Stephenson's Family Restaurant in Altus, the mark of his family at the time.

"We weren't very original with the name, but this way, we really couldn't go wrong."

Stephenson worked at the family restaurant for two years.

He said while everyone else was going to college, he developed a business sense of his own.

In 1984, he took a position at Cadillac's Café in Altus where he did everything from tending bar, to cooking, to even making small acclaim as a disc jockey.

Under the title W.W.D.J. — World's Worst Disc Jockey — he played music mostly consisting of classic

rock and blues.

Stephenson said some of the bands that performed at Cadillac's are still around. He said Second Wind and Rush are among the live bands still performing.

But, he said, the job wouldn't remain all fun and games. His wife had divorced him and times were tough.

Stephenson said he and Julia met in Pampa, Texas, then moved back to Altus when he was at the family restaurant in 1982. Then she took a vacation to Pampa, and never came back. So, he moved on.

In 1986, Stephenson took a position as the assistant manager at Hardee's.

It was a tough change for him.

"You kind of go through the valley of death, till you decide to stick your head out of there."

Stephenson advanced to General Manager at a Hardee's in Oklahoma City in 1988, where he remained until 1993.

Then, he took a position as a cook at Outback Steakhouse. In six months, he worked his way up the ranks to assistant kitchen manager.

Six months later, in the fall of 1994, he became kitchen manager and remained there for a year and a half.

Stephenson also contributed to the opening of the Outback Steakhouse on Northwest Expressway in April 1995.

This soon-to-be million-dollar restaurant would not have an opening as smooth as hoped.

"We were installing an air conditioning unit and thought it had been dropped from the crane carrying it," said Stephenson.

Later, Stephenson received the news that the sound he had heard was actually a bomb exploding in front of the Alfred P. Murrah building in downtown Oklahoma City.

Despite the struggles of that difficult month, Outback Steakhouse went



Photo by Kat Mohr

OKCCC Chef Robbie Stephenson grills a cheeseburger to satisfy a hungry OKCCC student. Stephenson said when it comes to the food in the college union, he tries not to make it too fancy because the students won't eat it.

"I make an effort to understand my co-workers better, because it's an efficient way to work with people."

— Robbie Stephenson,
Seller's chef

able because "we're all a team."

Sellers Catering is the organization the college contracts to supply food service for the college union.

Stephenson has gone to many lengths to succeed. He has also gone to the length of learning another language.

Stephenson is somewhat bilingual in Spanish. He doesn't speak the entire Spanish language, but gets key phrases and words together in order to enhance his communication with his co-workers.

Stephenson works on learning the language because, he said, there are more and more employees

who speak Spanish.

"I make an effort to understand my co-workers better, because it's an efficient way to work with people."

David Koerner, an employee for Seller's Catering and a student majoring in international studies, said Stephenson is friendly.

"You can tell right off, he has people skills."

Stephenson said he believes in every facet of the food industry, whether it is making specialty desserts, or cleaning tables.

But support is not the only aspect of his interest. Stephenson has a philosophy about his job.

"If I'm not having fun, then why am I doing it?"

Highlights

Apply now for fall fee waivers

Fall tuition fee waiver applications are available in the office of Student Financial Support Services in front of the test center by the science area. Aug. 2 will be the last day to submit applications. No applications will be accepted after 5 p.m. that day. Fee waiver recipients will be posted in student financial support services on Aug. 16.

OKCCC sponsors summer blood drive

OKCCC will host a summer blood drive from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, in room CU3. All participants will receive a free T-shirt. Everyone is encouraged to give blood.

Donate your old cell phone to City Rescue Mission

Donate your used cell phone to City Rescue Mission and get a tax deduction on your 2002 return. Call 843-2355 for phone pickup or drop off at 2921 W. Wilshire Ave. or 800 W. California Ave., Oklahoma City.

Swim into the summer with family fun

Friday Family Fun Nights will be held throughout the summer from 7 to 8:30 p.m. every Friday in the Aquatics Center. Participants should bring swimsuits and snacks. There will be games and prizes. Cost is \$2.75 for adults and \$2 for children ages 14 and under. For more information, contact Kelsey Reneau at 682-1611, ext. 7442.

Fall 2002 tuition to be paid in Bursar's office

All fall 2002 tuition and fees will be accepted only in the Bursar's office, now located in 1S7 of the main building. Payments for tuition and fees for semesters prior to fall 2002 will continue to be taken in the bookstore.

Occupational therapy applications available

Applications are now being accepted for enrollment in the Occupational Therapy Assistant Program. Applications for fall are due by noon on Friday, July 19. Interested persons may pick up an application in the office of admissions and records on the first floor of the main building.

Summer programs available for bored kids

OKCCC is hosting many programs for kids this summer with swimming lessons, music, art and dance classes, half-day programs and full-day sports camps as well as full day Teen Xtreme leadership program. Programs will run through Aug. 2. Costs vary. For more information call 682-7560.

Highlights are due by 5 p.m. each Tuesday for publication in the next issue of the Pioneer.

Test Center summer schedule

June 2 through Aug. 11

Monday through Thursday: 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday: closed

Students must be in the Test Center one hour before closing to receive a test, and must be finished with all testing by closing time.



Photo by Kat Mohr

The sun and the moon: Megan Lee and Aubree Martini, both 11, decorate the pinhole cameras they used to view the solar eclipse at 7 p.m. on June 10. "We made the cameras out of cardboard and covered the top with foil and the bottom with paper," said Debra Burris, OKCCC physics professor. "The foil acts as a lens which projects the image to the other end so you can see the eclipse on the paper." Burris along with bio-tech Professor Charlotte Mulvihill, chemistry Professor Kristy Bailey and biology Professor Brenda Breeding formed a four-day science camp this summer for children ages 11-15 to interest youngsters in science. "This is the age where children start getting bored with science so we are trying to show them that it can be fun," Burris said.

Summer road trip to San Antonio

CAD will head south for computer convention

**By Kate Brennan
Staff Writer**

Computer Aided Design students will be taking a field trip to San Antonio for the annual SIGGRAPH convention taking place July 21 to 26.

SIGGRAPH partially

stands for Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics and Interactive Techniques.

It was founded to improve the quality of graphics and artistry in the technological world, according to www.SIGGRAPH.org.

"Professional artists and people that build the technology come to the annual convention," said Adam Benson, OKCCC multimedia major.

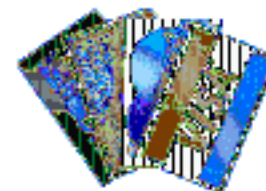
The convention is aimed at people with an interest in computer graphics and the growth of technology in general.

SIGGRAPH'S mission is to promote the generation and dissemination of information on computer graph-

ics and interactive techniques, according to www.SIGGRAPH.org.

Bensen will be there to learn and support his fellow OKCCC classmates, he said.

**The bookstore
will be closed
June 26-28.**



Please use the Bursar's office for all tuition payments during this time.

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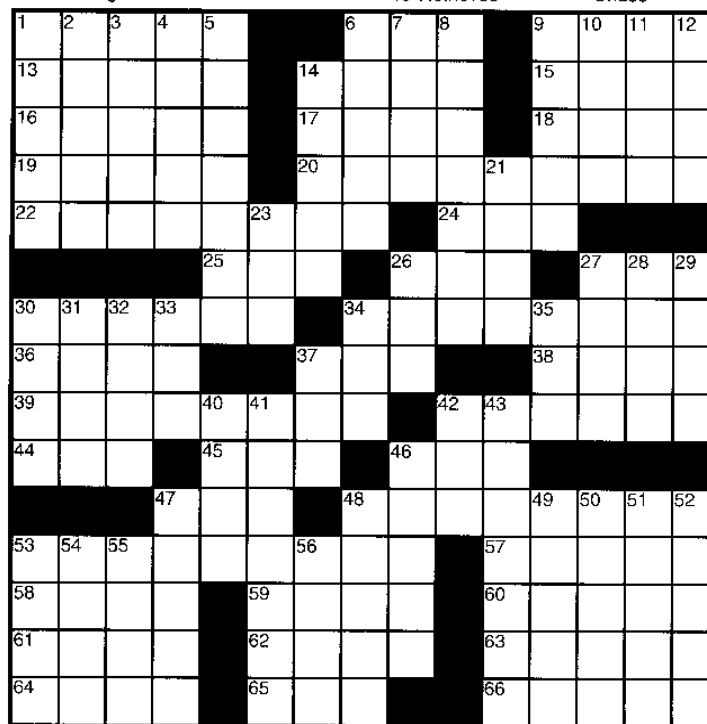
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Tuition increases to help make up deficit

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last year's rate.

Bode said the increased enrollment requires adding more full-time and adjunct faculty.

He also said two new positions have been proposed for Campus Safety and Security to address concerns

Employees to forgo raises due to cuts

"Raise,"
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\$373,000 loss in state appropriations, Sechrist said it wasn't viable to give employees their usual raise.

Art Bode, vice president for business and finance, said an expected 7 percent enrollment increase in the fall is expected to make up the difference for the college's loss in state appropriations.

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made by students, staff and faculty.

"Positions are also proposed to be added in Student Services to better meet the needs of our students," said Bode.

After Gov. Frank Keating signed Senate Bill 596 into law last year, state legislatures no longer control tuition increases. The bill gave control of student tuition rates to the State Regents for Higher Education.

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Ever Get Somebody Totally Wasted?

OKCCC president remembers beginning

"Todd,"
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a miraculous time," said Todd.

"It truly was a team effort full of committed individuals. I can say they were the ones that made a difference," said Todd.

After 30 years with OKCCC, Todd knows it is because of the faculty, staff and most importantly students that have made OKCCC into a leader in higher education for the state.

"OKCCC has grown from being a local community college that served the direct needs of the immediate community to a major force, a major contributor in this state's higher education," said Todd.

Todd's first official role with OKCCC began in 1972 as he was named the manager for the Institute of Natural and Applied Sciences, as well as the manager for the Institute of Business and Management.

In 1977, he was named Dean of Instruction. Todd held that title for several years until he was named to a new position, vice president of Research and Planning.

After a five-year stint with research and planning, Todd became vice president for Administrative Services in 1989.

He was then given the role of vice president for Academic Affairs in 1992.

Todd stayed as the vice president for Academic Affairs until he took over as Acting President October of 1994 after then-President Bob Gaines suffered several

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health problems.

Todd was officially named President of OKCCC in July of 1995, where he has remained to this day.

Todd believes his experiences in each department prepared him for what he is doing now.

"Each of the moves has been rewarding."

To say that Todd helped put the pieces in place for OKCCC would quite literally be an understatement.

"I remember putting up paneling on the walls, rushing to help get the school ready for classes," said Todd.

One person who has known Todd through those years is his executive administrative assistant Janice Phillips.

"I have had the privilege of knowing and working with Dr. Todd for the last 27 years," said Phillips.

"From the time I first visited with him, there has never been any question about his belief in this institution.

"To him, this institution is the students it serves, the people who work here, and the community of which it is a part."

Jean Snow, senior executive secretary to the president, knows how dedicated Todd is to the college, but also knows what kind of

person he is.

"Dr. Todd excels as a college president, but, more importantly, he genuinely cares about people, our community, state, and nation," said Snow. "I am always amazed at the amount of time and energy he expends in making life better for others."

Another long-time friend of Todd is Gary Lombard, vice president for special projects. Lombard knows first-hand how Todd is always searching for ways to better the institution.

"Dr. Todd's vision for the college is outstanding," said Lombard. "It is a vision of excellence that moves far beyond the status quo."

"He is totally committed both to the college and the community we serve," Lombard said.

Todd has been president for seven years now, and loves every day even more.

"I look forward to the next year, and the next year, and the year after that," said Todd. "Someday, others will be doing the things I'm doing, and I'll be right there cheering them on."

When asked if there was anything in the past 30 years that he would have changed, Todd flashed a confident smile and replied, "No, it's been a labor of love."