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Off Course
Reading instructor Lasharn Alexander (left) and her son Micah enjoy some hamburgers along with Kim Roland, a freshman from Ponca City, and Steve Richhey, a freshman from Enid, during a picnic on the main mall.
Just About anybody or anything

By Sammi Johnson
Executive Editor

Spirit, academic achievement, and student involvement in the various activities were all a main part of NEO's campus. But the majority of schools have active, spirited students, and high achievers are becoming more common.

Northeastern Oklahoma A&M still stood out above the rest because we were OFF COURSE.

First of all, being “Off Course” was not a negative thing. Taking a new path, laying the pavement instead of just following the road, setting trends instead of getting sucked into fads! This was NEO!

Although people came to school with different beliefs and attitudes, they used their different viewpoints to accent one another and unite the group into one strong force.

Cowboy boots to polo shirts to black leather. Activists to study buffs to partiers. Athletes to artists to avid TV watchers. All of these went into the potpourri known as NEO.

Nearly every nationality and religion were also a part of this college.

Every type of person attended NEO; every group of people was represented.

Besides just coming together as individuals, the students also came together as a group, setting this year apart from others.

For the first time in history it seemed like more students stayed for Family Day than went home.

Homecoming added a few new twists since this was the first year students had any say in the choosing of the queen, beyond nominations.

Club attendance grew and the clubs themselves became more involved.

No more was the air of unity apparent than when the student body government hosted the annual Children's Christmas Party.

Students of all sizes, shapes and colors banded together to give underprivileged kids in the area a meaningful Christmas.

As the staff of the Viking we hope you enjoy this roadmap for your journey through Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College.
Two students take a leisurely stroll by the fountain located between the Dayle Creech Library/Administration building and the Fine Arts Auditorium.

**Wall sustains major damage**

Three college students were heading Eastbound on Second street Oct. 7 at approximately 2:38 a.m., when they crashed into the wall in front of Shipley Hall.

According to police reports, a 1986 Dodge Daytona was traveling at an estimated 70 miles per hour, going 45 feet of rubber on the pavement racing towards the campus.

The tires of the vehicle went flat and Abella locked his brakes, sliding 33 feet. The car traveled over the curb and on the sidewalk before it made impact with the wall.

The collision destroyed 10 feet of the wall. Damage to the wall was estimated at $300.

The driver was cited with driving under the influence and driving the opposite direction on a one-way street at an unsafe speed.

The significance of the accident was that it destroyed a portion of a landmark for this institution.

The wall was constructed in 1938 as a WPA project and has withstood the generations of NEO graduates to serve as a reference point.

Taking timeout from the rigors of cheerleading at a home football game are, from left: Jennifer Clemons, Quapaw, sophomore; Melissa Hart, Cushing, freshman, and Regina Turner, Tulsa, freshman.

Christina Porter, a freshman from Grove, goes through the morning ritual of checking for that much-needed letter from a loved one.
Special visitors
Family Day!

By Holli Wilkins
Associate Editor

After undergoing a name change from Parent's Day to Family Day, day-long festivities began with registration in the lobby of the Bruce G. Carter Student Union building as more than 500 people checked in.

The mall down the center of campus was dotted with various booths representing college organizations. One of the added features was a booth which featured crafts.

Another main attraction of the campus-wide activities was the second-annual Auto Show sponsored by the automotive department.

"They had some real neat old cars on display and it was enjoyable to just stand around and look at them," said Paul Harper, a sophomore from Miami.

The 45-member college choir, under the direction of Mary Susan Whaley, presented a half-hour concert in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

"They had some real neat old cars on display and it was enjoyable to just stand around and look at them," said Paul Harper, a sophomore from Miami.

Visitors were also treated to scrimmages by the Golden Norse and Lady Norse basketball teams in the college fieldhouse.

"We went to both scrimmages and they were pretty good," said Todd Nickels, a freshman from Stillwater.

Following lunch, a half-hour concert by the Golden Norse band was presented on the stage in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Members of the RisQue Business touring group presented a sample of their program after the band concert.

The day-long event concluded with the Golden Norse defeating Navarro, Texas, 20-15, at Robertson Field.
Several area car buffs looked over some of the more than 30 antique cars that participated in the annual Family Day Car Show sponsored by the automotive/technology club.

Members of the college Baptist Student Union donned clown outfits and provided face painting for visiting youngsters during Family Day activities on the main mall.

Family members and friends waited patiently as lines formed to get into Robertson Field for the traditional barbecue before the NEO-Navarro, Texas football game.
No Toto
this is not
Kansas!

By Pamela Leach
Associate Editor

Which side of the room do you want, or which
bed do you want? These were all decisions
we had to make.

Remember the day we moved in to our dorms,
we were nervous about meeting our roommates.
Wondering if we would like them, what they looked
like, and how we would get along with them. This
was something everyone had to go through with
roommates.

There was shared space, messy closets, dirty
clothes, and trash. Taking turns cleaning the room
and taking out trash was one major duty of each
roommate.

With joint effort you and your roommate made
your room look as close to home as possible.

"To make my dorm room more like
home I brought my posters, my teddy
bear and baby blanket," said
Kathleen Kennedy, a freshman
from Broken Arrow.

Sherry Layman, freshman of Tulsa, and roommate,
Debbie Loudermilk, freshman of Muskogee, both
agreed they made their room look like home by bring-
ing lots of pictures and making the room up with
their most comfortable things.

"To make my dorm room more like home I brought
my posters, my teddy bear and baby blanket. I also
brought along pictures of my friends and family and
a refrigerator that I won at a graduation party," said
Kathleen Kennedy, freshman of Broken Arrow.

The majority of people had posters of men or
women, contact paper, trophies, pictures of family
and friends, and their dearest momentos. Some even
brought home computers, refrigerators, bean bags,
stereos, and televisions.
Angie Murphy, a sophomore from Tulsa, listens intently to a phone conversation in her room located on the third floor of Dobson Hall.

As I, most students did not realize what it would be like to move in with a new person. If they knew their roommate or just went pot-luck, there was no absolute way to prepare for hardships. For instance, my roommate and I met our senior year and did stuff together from buying matching bed-spreads to going to the movies. We thought we were perfect for each other. We didn’t necessarily agree on everything, but we did have common interests and we were equally excited about leaving home and going to school.

Soon our politeness wore off and we started getting on each other nerves, we were both so stubborn that neither would give on a single disagreement. We had a couple of talks and shared a few secrets, but I don’t think we were ever meant to become close by any stretch of the imagination.

We did make it through the semester, although I do think neither of us would agree to room together again.

Freshmen Christie Patton, of Pryor, and Nichole Phillips, of Owasso, swap stories about daily happenings while taking a break from studying in their Dobson dorm room.

Nichole Phillips, a freshman from Owasso, sinks into her wicker pillow chair while relaxing in her dorm room.
Party harty... all night long!

By Lisa Stewart
Associate Editor

When you were tired of studying and pressures of jobs and etc. were getting you down, what was the first thing that came to a student's mind when they were about to be STRESSED OUT? Well, two of the popular questions were “Where can we go?” or “What can we do?”

For many of the students attending NEO, off-campus life was very active. Two of the major hot spots for NEO students were the Rocking K and Characters, where many students took that mid-week break to get away from college pressures.

“A place to party and not get caught was Characters,” said sophomore Gary Hungate, of Drumright. “That was the hot spot. However, not everyone was into the partying lifestyle. Many students liked to take advantage of the warm sun and lounge around out at the park or be courageous and jump off the cliffs at Twin Bridges.”

“Going out and being with friends made it a lot easier to study when I did,” said Lisa Stewart.

Although some people thought college was all work and no play, many students felt getting out with their friends released some of the tension and pressure of schoolwork.

“Going out and being with my friends made it a lot easier to study when I did. I wasn’t thinking about what I could of been doing, but I was thinking about the moment,” said Lisa Stewart, a freshman from Bartlesville.

Tari Tarochine, a sophomore from Tulsa Union, said, “She enjoyed spending time with her boyfriend, going to Kansas, Thursday night Knots Landing and late night talks with her friends.”

College was supposed to be a new experience. So, most of us went ahead and splurged.
Activities abound on campus

After finding out the shocking truth that, yes, NEO did have an on-campus life, we decided to check out some of the happening events.

People did not seem to realize all the activities that took place. At all times there was something going on. All people had to do was ask someone.

Activities ranged from campus clubs to intramural sports to spending extra hours studying in the library. "On campus life for me consisted of school work, Norse Stars, and spending time with my boyfriend," said Leah Taylor, a freshman from Tulsa Central.

One of the activities that took up students' free time was Ninetiendo. A favorite game was Super Mario Brothers Two.

When worst came to worst everyone needed a study break.

Many students found a change of scenery from the dull, dreary dorm room to the lighted exposure of the Learning Resources Center. Every student had a part in campus life. All they had to do was get out of their dorm room and get involved in what was going on.

Two Russell Hall residents take advantage of a fall downpour to get in some football action during a mud-bowl game played between Russell and Harrill Halls.
Queen for a day... highlights homecoming

By Holli Wilkins
Associate Editor

NEO, A Tradition-Homecoming 90 started a three-day run Thursday with the annual queen pageant.

Activities continued Friday with a raffle for those wearing blue and gold or school logo clothing. The raffle was held during the pep rally, giving away prizes from Sprite to NEO sweatshirts.

Other activities Friday included a cook-out on the mall and a pep rally.

The queen candidates were introduced during the rally and students voted for Sharrri Robinson as "Miss Norse Spirit".

The decoration contest winner, Vann Hall, was announced, and they received $50.

"I'm glad we won because it gave us money to improve our dorm," Lisa Thompson, a Bartlesville freshman said.

After the pep rally a disc jockey set up on the Fine Arts Center steps and played for students enjoyment until late into the night.

Several floats and area high school bands, along with the Norse Stars and the Golden Norse Marching Band, participated in a parade starting on South Main Street.

The queen was announced and crowned during halftime of the NEO vs Grand Rapids, Mich., football game, which the Golden Norse dominated, 55-3.

Sophomore Delana Pitcher of Welch was crowned queen while third runner-up was Stephanie Newcomb from Drumright who is a sophomore. Andrea Bertolino, a freshman from Miami received second runner up. First runner up was Mandy O'Banion, from Joy and she is also a sophomore.
Sophomore Delaina Pitcher, of Welch, answers a question from a judge during the annual homecoming pageant held in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

Queen shocked at selection

As Delaina Pitcher walked to center court to receive her crown and title as 1990 homecoming queen, an awe fell over her as she heard the loud applause of the crowd.

"I never expected to win. It was as big a shock to me as anyone else in the crowd," Pitcher said.

The 19-year-old Pitcher is the daughter of Doug and Linda Pitcher of Welch, and was representing the Phi Theta Kappa organization while running for queen.

"My parents were so proud that I was a candidate that they videotaped the entire ceremony. It was definitely an experience that I will never forget," said Pitcher.

Pitcher served as Phi Theta Kappa president and that was where she concentrated all of her efforts for school year. While at NEO Pitcher was also a member of the Chemistry Club and Student Senate as well as being listed on the deans and presidents honor rolls.

"My father attended NEO, then of course I followed, and more than likely my brother Kevin will come here next year," Pitcher said.

Defensive secondary coach Travis Hill issues some instructions while the offense is on the field during the NEO-Grand Rapids game. The Norse trounced the Raiders, 55-3, to the delight of more than 3,000 fans.

Members of both the Golden Norse Marching Band and the chorus collaborated on a float which won first place in the annual homecoming parade.
Everyone benefits from numerous activities

By Sammi Johnson
Executive editor

Most students are not fully aware of the activities which took place throughout the school year that were actually sponsored by campus clubs or organizations.

Students had many activities to select from. There were activities ranging from drug awareness to activities designed for nothing but pure fun.

"The OWLS set up activities to help support older students. It was like a support group for those who needed help in certain areas," said Larry Moore, a freshman from Miami.

Another activity that turned out to be a big success was Family Day. Individual clubs set up booths all up and down the main mall to promote unity and spirit.

"I was surprised at the good turnout for Family Day. It was also nice to win the football game at the end of the day. It boosted everyone's spirits," Erika Rinehart, a freshman from Fairland said.

"One of the best sponsored activities on campus was Red Ribbon Week. The symbolism of the Red and the universal dedication to all police officers made me proud to be a part of it," said Dana Jim, a freshman from Bluejacket.

No matter what type of activity it is, from service to entertainment, as long as it got students involved or aware of a situation, it served the purpose of bringing all of the campus closer together.
Members of the Kah-Ne dormitory receive some last-minute instructions from team captains prior to the yell-like-hell contest during homecoming week. Kah-Ne won the overall contest.

Adonna Helmig (left), coordinator of counseling, and Jay Parmley, Student Body Government president, tie a ribbon around a maple tree to indicate the start of Red Ribbon Week on campus.

Red Ribbon Week, the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse was observed Oct. 22 through Oct. 26.

"All faculty and students were encouraged to wear red ribbons to show their support of responsible drinking and all other efforts made during the campaign," said Adonna Helmig, coordinator of counseling.

There will be several activities going on that centered around the goal of the campaign.

Decoration day was Monday. All buildings on campus were red ribboned.

The theme for Tuesday was Reach Out Day. There were noon services given by Charlie Jones in the Baptist Student Union.

In the lobby of Dobson/Harrill Louis Torres, youth pastor and ex-heroin addict spoke on drug abuse.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes met in the Fine Arts building and the Baptist Student Union sponsored a concert featuring "Song of Praise."

"Wear Red Day" was Wednesday. Risque Business performed in the Fine Arts building.

Freshmen Randall Colbert of Oklahoma City and Michelle Bianchi of Enid during the annual visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile.

Observance focused on abuse
Hi-Ho
Hi-Ho
it’s off to
work we go!

@ By Sammi Johnson
Executive Editor

The new responsibilities of living alone could be extremely overwhelming. Some students never realized actually how much their parents helped out financially. And still other students were accustomed to paying for any extras they needed through high school. Either way, college students are often forced into getting jobs.

"With the money I made from working on the Norse Wind I helped pay for my tuition," Clark Sherman, a freshman from Jay said.

Parents often paid for tuition and room and board but any extras were often up to the student.

"Since I wanted gas in my car and clothes on my back, I worked in the school bookstore," J.J. Hurt, a sophomore from Wyandotte said.

"It also helped me when I was buying birthday gifts for friends and I even managed to put a little away for savings."

Although the money was good, oftentimes working became a big hassle. The pressure was already hard to handle when a student had homework, club meetings, a social life and a job.

"It was pretty tough for my wife and I since I went to school and worked during the day and my wife worked nights, so we rarely got to see each other," Chris Cook, a freshman from Picher said.

While some students found work on campus, several held jobs at such Miami businesses as the Pizza Hut Express, Hill's of Miami, McDonald's, Taco Tico, Arby's and Wal-Mart.

It made no difference the reason for the need of money, or the inconvenience of the job, most students agreed the paycheck they received made it all worth it.
Working after class and on weekends at the local Wal-Mart store provided living expenses for freshman Audrey Russell of Terlton.

Steven Hoyt, a sophomore from Miami, tries to fit the feet of Melinda Sly in the shoe department of Hill's of Miami.

Campus jobs come in all sizes

From the first day of classes in August until the final day in May, work on this campus took on several different meanings. Students were employed in a variety of jobs ranging from working as a secretary in the financial aid office to working for the maintenance department.

"I worked as a custodian for the maintenance department an average of nine hours a week," said Eddie Williams, a freshman from Calumet. "Not only was I going to school full time and raising my son, but I also worked nine hours a week as a custodian," Daleene Davis, a freshman from Miami said. One of the more interesting student jobs on campus was working in the office of High School and College Relations. "You got to meet a lot of different and interesting people working in this department," said Kenda Myers, a sophomore from Miami.

Students were also paid a salary for working at the college farm as well as serving as proctors in the dormitories and tutors for several different college classes.
Eating was more than just puttin' on the ritz

By Holli Wilkins
Associate Editor

Now that you have moved away from home and settled in a college, you should have discovered that meal time was an increasingly important social affair.

Each meal you made an important decision on what to put into your body. While you may have eaten something only because it tasted good, there are other things that you should have considered. Everyone knew the effects of consuming more calories than your burned and nobody wanted to gain the notorious "freshman 15."

But you must also eat enough to give you the energy to last throughout the day. All of these factors aside, most students use their meal times as a relaxation period.

"I liked going into the cafeteria to get away from the stress of my classes and to sit and relax with my friends," said Todd Nickels, a freshman from Stillwater.

There was a choice of eating spots though, you weren't forced to eat in the cafeteria. 'The Pit' in the basement of Dobson-Harrill was nearly always packed. Also, there was the Student Union Snack Bar and quite a few area fast food restaurants, but there is always home cooked meals.

"Since I'm a married student I didn't get a meal ticket and I usually cooked, which made me appreciate the convenience of the cafeteria," Chris Cook, a freshman from Quapaw said.

So no matter what you're hungry for, there are a variety of choices and most are extremely affordable.
Andy Dick and Craig Dickson, both sophomores from Vinita, enjoy an evening meal in the spacious college cafeteria.

**Pit and snack bar offered alternatives**

Whenever cafeteria food got to be a humdrum or the weather wouldn’t allow us a chance to navigate to the cafeteria, we could deal with the alternatives.

“Whenever I didn’t want to eat in the cafeteria, I just fixed the handy peanut butter and jelly sandwich,” said Clark Sherman, a freshman from Jay.

While some people illegally prepared food on such things as hot plates and popcorn poppers, others made the journey down to the bowels and depths of the area underneath the Harrill-Dobson lounge known affectionately as “The Pit.”

“Eating at The Pit was a lot simpler than going to the cafeteria because you didn’t have to dress nice and chances were you weren’t going to run into anyone anyway,” said Holli Barron, a sophomore from Tulsa.

Such delicacies as hamburgers, hotdogs, chicken stripes and nachos were readily available. And for those who were adventurous, there was always the traditional Frito Chili Pie.

Sometimes the alarm was late going off or your roommate left without waking you, so you trudged down the steps to partake from the breakfast menu at The Pit.

“They fixed great breakfasts down there. Not only were their eggs and bacon fresh, but their coffee was guaranteed to put a hop in your get-along,” said Kyle Hale, a freshman from Chandler.

One of the drawbacks to eating at The Pit was the lack of ventilation. “You couldn’t hardly breathe in there if someone came in that was smoking. Even though they didn’t stay long, the smoke just lingered and caused a lot of breathing and eating problems for non-smokers,” said Donna Mack, a freshman from Grove.
New program proves RisQue

By Holli Wilkins
Associate Editor

Developing an innovative program that addressed contemporary issues, RisQue Business began their initial tour to more than 50 area junior high and high school on a very positive note. Consisting of five specially trained actors, the program was designed by speech and humanities instructor Patti Beth Abbott. The project was designed after a pilot program in New England and was funded from private donations and some federal funding.

"The production was designed to address contemporary issues such as drinking and driving, date rape, suicide, drugs and safe sex," said Abbott.

Auditions for the five-member cast were held during the summer. Selected as cast members were Matthew Reese, Miami; Kent Chrismon, Commerce; Dana Shelby, Elk City; and Chris Adams and Christi Hudson, both of Tulsa. All of the cast members were freshmen.

The cast was allowed to write the entire script and help with the choreography of the production. After writing and rewriting the scripts, the group arranged each segment to last approximately six to eight minutes.

Each performance lasted approximately 45 minutes and a question and answer session was held after each performance.

"We hoped to be able to conduct about 20 performances a semester around the four-state area," said Brian Hauck, head of the speech and drama department.
Freshman Chris Adams, of Tulsa, receives a stern word from his girlfriend Dana Shelby, an Elk City freshman, during a skit from RisQue Business.

Hudson adapted to character

There were five very special people at NEO that had the ability to make an impact on the majority of the student body. This was the first year the RisQue Business program had been put into production.

“My favorite part of the program we put on was the question and answer session afterwards. It gave us a chance to let the audience ask whatever was on their minds,” said Christi Hudson, a freshman from Tulsa Webster.

“I love the feeling of satisfaction I got from getting to talk to kids and trying to help counsel them through their problems,” Hudson said.

The show was targeted toward high school and junior high students. With the hopes that by starting to educate and entertain them now, that they will be better able to deal with problems later.

“The auditions for the troupe were fun but I was incredibly nervous. I remember looking around at the other applicants and trying to decide which ones of us would make it,” Hudson said.

Having a long discussion about teenage pregnancy during a skit for RisQue Business are freshmen, from left; Kent Chrismon, Commerce; Christi Hudson, Tulsa, and Matthew Beese, Miami.

Providing the lyrics for the tune that opened RisQue Business was freshman Kent Chrismon of Commerce.
Opening

Ghosts, gobblins, and ghouls

By Holli Wikins
Associate Editor

One of the most visited areas on campus during the fall was the annual Spook House sponsored by the Golden Norse baseball squad during the week of Halloween.

All of the old ghosts of Commons Hall came to life as the baseball team converted two floors and the basement into a living nightmare.

The construction on converting the athletic dormitory into the living quarters for spooks took four days to complete. By the time the fright house was completed, everything from sheets to a bathtub were put into use.

"It took 10 minutes for people to go through and it was so scary that a lot of people couldn't make the entire house," said Matt Herndon, a freshman from Moore.

Visitors to the house were greeted by such characters as Jason with a chainsaw wearing his hockey mask, a gorilla with a weird sense of humor and a hunchback lying in a bathtub.

Other inhabitants included such notable celebrities as Freddy Kruger, a real live mummy, ghouls with four working chain saws, and a machete-wielding ghost.

Participants entering the house started in a maze upstairs. After cruising through the maze the participant proceeded downstairs into the cemetery located in the lobby.

Once through the goofy cemetery the participant traveled down the stairway to hell located in the basement.

"People didn't stay downstairs too long before they were back up and out the door. You can't blame them for not wanting hang around very long," said Rick Ritschel, baseball coach and director of the house.
Someone you wouldn’t want to take home to mom was ape-man Steven Surles, a freshman from Fayetteville, Ark.

Hunchback Hector Hernandez, a freshman from Carolina, Puerto Rico, takes a brief break from scaring people by lying in a bathtub.

On the cutting edge was Jason, portrayed by Matt Herndon, a freshman from Moore.

One of the biggest attractions in the northeastern Oklahoma area was the infamous Spooklight.

Floating around the county roads northeast of Miami, the Spooklight has been one of the great unsolved mysteries in recent history.

The light has been studied by some of the finest minds in the country and has kept them all baffled.

In the tradition of all the great scientists of the world, many of the students at NEO took it upon themselves to conduct their own sort of research on the subject.

The results of these intense "studies" did not find any plausible explanation as to the exact nature of the light. But it did raise a few eyebrows to say the least.

We shouldn’t feel too terrible though, even the Army Corps of Engineers failed to come up with any explanation for the strange light.

Looking back we might have to ask ourselves if we looked hard enough. It might have helped if we would have looked out of the car windows while we were there.

When it was all said and done we all found tales to tell the folks at home.
Offering theatre goers a wide variety of subjects, Theatre NEO presented five productions throughout the 1990-91 school year. Performances for students were free of charge and were held in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

The season opened in October with A Place on the Magdalena Flats. Set in the New Mexico flatlands during the drought of 1956, the play featured David Custer, a sophomore from Felt, in the lead role of Carl Grey and Wendy Murdock, a freshman from Tulsa, as his wife Charlene.

"I played a 38-year old rancher in New Mexico during the 50's who ran into conflict everywhere he turned," said David Custer, a sophomore from Felt.

The second production of the season was a children's play entitled Land of the Dragon presented in December. Based loosely on Chinese Opera, the play featured a young hero named Road Wander portrayed by Todd Stogner, a sophomore from McCloud. Road Wander met and fell in love with Princess Jade Pure, played by Cynthia Baker, a freshman from Miami.

A Broadway musical Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat was the third production scheduled for the first of March. The production featured music by Andrew Lloyd Webber. Closing out the regular season was a dinner-theatre experience entitled The Nerd presented in mid April. The audience received a steak dinner before the production under the guidance of Chris Willard who was presented in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom.

The Magic Square Players scheduled a tour of area high schools during the spring to present Come to the Wishing Place.
Booger, played by Tim Jolly, a freshman from McCoud, gets another cup of coffee from Wanda, portrayed by Lee Ann Barber, a sophomore from Greenville, Texas, during a scene from A Place on the Magdalena Flats.

Charlene, played by Wendy Murdock, a freshman from Tulsa, waits for instructions from her husband Carl, played by David Custer, a sophomore from Felt, and Frank, played by David Karleskint, a sophomore from Tulsa.

Custer develops acting career

Versatility was a trademark of sophomore David Custer in his lead role as Carl in A Place on the Magdalena Flats.

Custer began his acting career at an early age and the last two years as a student at Felt High School were spent competing in state drama competitions.

During the summer Custer was a regular in the production of Dogpatch USA in Harrison, Ark. All of this preparation led to his decision to come to NEO.

"It was really an easy choice because I already had friends here and besides, I thought starting off at a small college would help my acting career since I came from a school with only three graduating seniors," Custer said.

As a freshman Custer had a major role in the children's production Charlotte's Web. "Our director Tom Green really helped things come together fast. We attempted to create a production that the cast could be proud of and the audience would enjoy and I think we achieved that goal from the crowds that we had," Custer said.

Mary Helen, portrayed by Heather Clark, a freshman from Miami, steals a kiss from Frank, played by David Karleskint, a sophomore from Tulsa, in a kitchen scene from A Place on the Magdalena Flats.
With a student population of more than 2,500 and approximately 300 faculty, staff and administrators, Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College has all the diversity and mixture of cultures to rival any four-year college or university.

The diverse backgrounds that converged on this campus were reflected in the fact that 1,899 students of Caucasian decent attended NEO during the fall.

According to a report released by the registrar’s office, 14 students were of Hispanic American decent, 11 Asian Pacific decent, 357 Native Americans, 259 African Americans, and 19 non-resident aliens.

Not only did the population reflect a diversity of cultures, but the ratio of men-to-women and full-time to part-time students was equally as interesting.

Women out-numbered men 1,321 to 1,233 with 1,020 of those women being full-time students. Men enrolled in more than 12 credit hours as full-time totaled 1,031.

Seven residence halls provide living space for more than 1,000 students, making NEO one of the largest residential housing colleges in the nation. The college also features three housing units for married students.

"NEO was a good place to start college at because you got a chance to meet people from all walks of life," said Melinda Hardy, a sophomore from Pryor.
Members of the cast of the children's play *Land of the Dragon* await the arrival of the beast.

Abie, Dustin-Weich
Acree, Chad-Clarenmore
Adair, David-Tulsa
Adams, Christopher-Tulsa
Akins, Kimberly-Seminole

Alexander, Marvin-Tulsa
Alexander, Michael-Mt. Clemons
Allmon, Jeremy-Little Rock, Ark.
Alsbury, Serena-Picher
Alsip, Bradley-Chandler

Amyx, Tammy-Columbus, Kan.
Anderson, Erich-Wyandotte
Anderson, Harold Joe-Picher
Anderson, Kassie-Marlow
Anderson, Kurt-Drumright

Anderson, Patricia-Miami
Anderson, Sam-Bartlesville
Andrews, Ricky-Vinita
Anglen, Krista-Afton
Antle, Robert-Bartlesville
Beck, Gina-Jay
Beehler, Tonya-Fairland
Beese, Matthew-Miami
Berry, Amber-South Coffeyville
Berry, Mary-Commerce

Berryman, Jody-North Miami
Bertalotto, Andrea-Miami
Best, Chad-Tulsa
Bianchi, Michelle-Edmond
Bets, William-Wyandotte

Billy, Chad-Rosendale, Mo.
Bingham, Misty-Jay
Birdsell, Portia-Grove
Birnie, Janet-Tulsa
Bishop, Tracy-Grove

Bivins, Mary-Fairland
Blakely, Tisha-Miami
Blalock, Chebon-Inola
Blandamer, Misty-Miami
Blaylock, Jeneva-Miami

Blevins, Traci-Miami
Blunk, Judy-Miami
Bohnstedt, Ryan-Miami
Bell, Brianna-Salina
Boren, Dana-Broken Arrow

Bowens, Ronald-Tulsa
Bowens, Sam-Commerce
Bott, Jeff-Talala
Boutot, Kristi-Miami
Bowens, Ronald-Tulsa

28/Freshmen
Clerks in the registrar's office Tammy Cornassel (seated) and Michele Miller, a sophomore from Miami, check the records as freshman Ebitha Brown, of Pawhuska, and her father complete enrollment information.

Bowman, Michelle-Tulsa
Bowman, Scott-Skiatook
Boyce, Montoya-Cornelia, Ga.
Brake, Jennifer-Coyil
Branen, Stan-Collinsville

Breeden, Danny-Midwest City
Breeden, Tammy-Miami
Breuil, Vickie-Quapaw
Brewer, John-Tulsa
Brewer, Kerri-Tulsa

Broades, Deon-Idabel
Brooks, Faith-Fort Worth, Texas
Bruner, Nick-Oklahoma City
Brou, Tobey-Guthrie
Brown, Billy-Bluejacket

Brown, Chris-Tulsa
Brown, Curtis-Grove
Brown, Jimmy-Noblesville, Ind.
Brown, Justin-Miami
Brown, Lisa-Miami
Brown, Mike-Grove
Brown, Steve-Nowata
Brown, Tabitha-Pawhuska
Brown, Victoria-Vinita
Brunner, Dirhonda-Tulsa

Bryan, Angela-Copan
Bryan, Jennifer-Picher
Burdine, Stanley-Oklahoma City
Bullock, Alicia-Tulsa
Burge, Rhonda-Joy

Burks, William-Malvern, Ark.
Burns, Tracy-Salina
Burris, Angela-Miami
Busch, Jennifer-Oklahoma City
Butler, Brice-Enid

Butler, John-Idabel
Buxton, Brad-Miami
Buzzard, Bobby-Miami
Byrd, Marcus-St. Petersburg, Fla.
Cackler, William-Grove

Campbell, Holly-Hydro
Campbell, Robin-Iola
Cantrell, Angie-Fairland
Capansky, Jody-Miami
Capansky, Steve-Miami

Carlson, Michael-Grove
Carnes, Paul-Rose
Carr, Brent-Foyil
Carr, Kent-Foyil
Carse, Tim-Bartlesville

30/Freshmen
Carter, Park-Vinita
Cathey, Brian-Stilwater
Casey, Cheatum-Quapaw
Cervantes, Mary-Wyandotte
Chamberlain, Shayne-Moore

Chance, Scott-Nash
Chandler, Jerry-Afton
Chrismon, Kent-Commerce
Christian, Angie-Bluejet
Christman, Lance-Tulsa

Chuculate, Candle-Vinita
Chupp, Keith-Chouteau
Chupp, Loretta-Inola
Cinnamon, Pat-Perry
Clark, Melinda-Quapaw

Clark, Nathan-Lockwood, Mo.
Clark, Tina-Jay
Clay, Cassius-Cedartown, Ga.
Clay, Dickie-Miami
Clemens, Charlie-Griffin, Ga.

Clemens, Scott-Tulsa
Clonts, Cynthia-Blackwell
Cochran, Heather-Tuttle
Cody, Jeremy-Taft
Coffey, Scott-Perry

Colbert, Michelle-Legg
Cole, Karla-Miami
Colley, Brian-Oklahoma City
Collins, Mike-Tuttle
Compton, Travis-Kingfisher
Students get to know each other during the get-acquainted dance at the beginning of the school year in the Carter Student Union ballroom.

Consuegra, Laura-Duluth, Ga.
Cook, Aram-Marlow
Cook, Chris-Quapaw
Coones, Saundja-Grove
Cope, Raymond-Disney

Corbett, David-Bartlesville
Corcoran, Lindsay-Anderson Mo.
Cordry, Jennifer-Miami
Costanza, Malissa-Okmulgee
Cox, Jason-Chandler

Cox, Joe-Cardin
Cox, Kent-Vinita
Craig, Brent-Pryor
Craig, Marsha-Miami
Craig, Mechelle-Gravette, Ark.

Crampton, Elizabeth-Tulsa
Crane, Adam-Afton
Creason, John-Elk City
Crocketer, Chris-Bartlesville
Crocketer, Tammy-Jay
Drake, Richard-Jay
Duboise, Artie-Commerce
Duncan, Gary-Tuskahoma
Duncan, Larry-Miami
Duncan, Lisa-Bartlesville

Durham, Toni-Seneca, Mo.
Ecker, Tim-Muskingum
Edens, Tim-Picher
Edmondson, Sharon-Miami
Eller, Dawn-Tulsa

Ellis, Christy-Springfield, Mo.
Enoch, Duane-Wyandotte
Enyart, Keith-Wyandotte
Eskandari, Fatemeh-Joplin, Mo.
Estes, Sean-Bartlesville

Evans, Travis-Choctaw
Fair, Stephen-Tulsa
Farris, Bruce-Quapaw
Feldman, Michelle-Quapaw
Ferguson, Denise-Bartlesville

Ferris, Janice-Miami
Fina, Mike-Peadmont
Fisher, Bill-Jenks
Fisher, Bryant-Tulsa
Fisher, Stephen-Jay

Fitzgerald, Jason-Tulsa
Fitzgibbon, Shawna-Miami
Fleming, James-Langley
Fletcher, Courtney-Anderson Ind.
Flick, David-Tulsa

14/Freshmen
Adoptive children Samantha Devine (left) and Tina Corkrin (right) enjoy a pizza with their "parents" Mary Gallagher, a freshman from Jenks, and Michael Whaley, a sophomore from Miami, during the annual children's Christmas party.

Flippo, Tony-Collinsville
Floyd, Marie-Wyandotte
Fluke, Natasha-Miami
Ford, George-Ochelata
Ford, Kelli-Vinita

Fortune, Crystal-Miami
Foster, Christie-Miami
Foster, Jimmie-Broken Arrow
Foster, Tim-Griffin, Ga.
Fowler, Michael-Stillwater

Frank, Jeff-Glenpool
Franklin, Ray-Oklahoma City
Freeman, Dan-Bartlesville
Fry, Shay-Vinita
Fry, Chad-Fort Scott, Kan.

Fugate, Kristi-Miami
Fuller, Brett-Depew
Fuller, Lance-Tulsa
Fuser, Darrin-Afton
Fuser, Kimberly-Afton
Grover, Dustin-Miami
Guinn, Denise-Jay
Hackett, Frederick-Chicago, Ill.
Hager, Tammy-Miami
Hailey, Shelly-Miami
Hale, Jackie-Welch
Haley, Kyle-Chandler
Hall, Beverly-Acton
Hall, Billy-Stillwater
Hall, Chris-Chotctaw

Hamby, Ryan-Henryetta
Hamilton, Brian-Idabel
Hamilton, Sharon-Wyandotte
Hammack, John-Collinsville
Hammer, Johnny-Tahlequah

Hansen, Lance-Shattuck
Hardage, Debbie-Quapaw
Hardman, Rusean-Tulsa
Hardy, Treva-Tulsa
Harger, Justin-Dewey

Harjo, Kimberly-Okahoma City
Harper, Tara-Lanagen, Mo.
Harris, Angela-Chelsea
Harris, Everett-Lawton
Harrison, Penny-Miami

Hart, Melissa-Cushing
Harvey, Mark-Tulsa
Hasher, Carrie-Kansas
Hass, Melissa-Salina
Hatfield, Chad-Bentonville, Ark.
Freshmen Bill Baker (left) and Jerry Young, both of Tulsa, take advantage of some quality study time in the library.

Haynes, Gene-Miami
Haynes, Lois-Miami
Hayworth, Mary Ann-Wyandotte
Headlee, Nicole-Miami
Heard, Jimmy-Jay

Heatherly, Teresa-Picher
Hegler, Judd-Mount Vernon, Mo.
Helm, Amie-Big Cabin
Hesler, Tricia-Midwest City
Henderson, Johnathon-Wilson

Henry, Jamie-Alcoa, Tenn.
Hensley, Tammy-Kansas
Henson, Steve-Tuttle
Herndon, Matt-Moore
Herndon, Scott-Moore

Hilderbrand, Missy-Baxter Springs
Hill, Brian-Enid
Hill, Shanna-Bartlesville
Hill, Wes-Tulsa
Hitower, Penny-Muskogee
Hobbs, Jolynn-Collinsville
Hodge, Jason-Claremore
Holden, Steve-Miami
Holderfield, Marc-Miami
Hollenback, Jimmie-Spavinaw
Honeycutt, Russell-South Coffeyville
Hornsby, Toni-Tulsa
House, Chopper-Tulsa
Howard, Jermaine-Athens, Ga.
Howard, Verna-Chicago, Ill.
Howell, Charles-Miami
Hoyt, Leslie-Vinita
Hudson, Christi-Tulsa
Hudson, Jacob-Miami
Hughes, Vernon-Miami
Hughes, Vickie-Miami
Hurst, Billy-Cushing
Hutchison, Kim-Grove
Hutchison, Tracy-Jay
Ingels, Eric-Tulsa
Irby, Larry-Sapulpa
Irvin, Traci-Miami
Iverson, Stacy-Owasso
Jack, Christopher-Joplin, Mo.
Jack, Jeffrey-Joplin, Mo.
Jacks, Jon-Pryor
Jackson, Anthony-Oklahoma City
Jackson, Frankie-Tulsa
Jackson, Kelly-Jay
Jackson, Ross-Noble

Freshmen/3
James Reese, Vice President for Student Affairs, hands an orange to freshman Morris Johnson, of Clyde, N.Y., during a school-wide picnic held prior to Family Day.

Kelley, Brian-Haskell
Kelley, Scott-Drumright
Kelly, Leonana-Monett, Mo.
Kelly, Michelle-Commerce
Kelly, Mike-Tulsa

Kemp, David-Bland, Mo.
Kennedy, Kathleen-Broken Arrow
Kennedy, Pam-Jay
Kerbs, Gretchen-Bartlesville
Kerr, Sean-Miami

Key, Chris-Miami
Khan, Selena-Tulsa
Killerlain, Grant-Tulsa
Kimman, Angie-Miami
Kimrey, Lilly-Welch

Kingfisher, Ronnie-Wyandotte
Kirk, Joyce-Miami
Kirkland, Shera-Grove
Klaus, Kim-Miami
Klingaman, Scott-Perry
Kloehr, Anthony-Bartlesville
Knifechief, Marcus-Pawnee
Knight, Katherine-Picher
Kragel, Tanya-Glenpool
Kreider, Kortney-Miami

Krill, Richard-Oilton
Kunkler, Leon-Athon
Kuehn, Carol-Baxter Springs, Kan.
Kulchinski, Lisa-Nowata
Lacy, Teresa-Miami

Landrum, Jason-Welston
Lane, Nathan-Pryor
Langley, Trenton-Bluejacket
Law, Darren-Colcord
Lawley, Charles-Sapulpa

Lawson, Holly-Columbus, Kan.
Lawson, Kevin-Commerce
Laxton, Kenneth-Fairland
Laxton, Regina-Fairland
Layman, Sherry-Tulsa

Leach, Pamela-Chelsea
Lee, April-Vinita
Lee, Eric-Broken Arrow
Legg, Amy-Vinita
Lenaburg, Kendall-Catoosa

Leoford, Ron-Tulsa
Letterman, Doug-Pryor
Lewis, Angel-Crowe
Lewis, Justin-Bartlesville
Lewis, Sherese-Tulsa

42/Freshmen
Wetting his whistle is Booger, portrayed by freshman Tim Jolly, of McClo, as Wanda the bartender, played by freshman Leeann Bibee, of Commerce, during a scene from A Place on the Magdalena Flats.

Maggness, Brian-Fairland
Maxwell, Jamie-Miami
May, Stacy-Miami
Mayer, Jandra-Vinita
McAulay, Lisa-Jay

McCarty, Shannon-Vinita
McCord, Cara-Commerce
McCorkell, Brad-Commerce
McCorkell, Tina-Wyandotte
McDowell, Chris-Miami

McGuire, Clark-Eufaula
McHone, Billy-Bluejacket
McHone, Michelle-Commerce
McKeen, Earnie-Commerce
Mckinnies, Kyle-Fishers, Ind.

McMahan, Charlene-Kansas
McNack, Tawnya-Tulsa
McNeely, Kimberly-Fairland
McVay, Lanita-Tulsa
Meyer, Aaron-Miami
Murdock, Wendi-Tulsa
Murkley, Tabatha-Bartlesville
Murphy, Barbara-Kansas
Murphy, Shari-Miami
Murry, Patricia-Grove

Moyer, Frieda-Miami
Nall, Marcus-Tulsa
Nash, Kim-Vinita
Nash, Renay-Tulsa
Neal, Kimdra-Miami

Nelson, Janet-Huron
Nelson, Kristi-Grove
Nelson, Tonya-Quapaw
Newberry, Cathy-Bartlesville
Newman, Trina-Bartlesville

Newland, Steve-Pawnee
Nichols, Kent-Isabella
Nichols, Kyle-Isabella
Nickels, Todd-Stillwater
Niffen, Tammy-Miami

Northern, Sondra-Wyandotte
Nowlin, Justin-Vinita
Oakley, Craig-Fairland
Oelke, Tim-Miami
Ogle, Brandon-Weleetka

Olds, Roger-Miami
O'Neal, Jeffrey-Owasso
O'Neal, Roberto-Tulsa
Osborn, Greg-Miami
Oswald, April-Miami

46/Freshmen
Child care instructor Barbara Denny helps Lacey Ankenman arrange leaves during a session of lab school.

Oura, Kristen-Pryor
Overacre, Debbie-Fairland
Owens, Quinton-Tulsa
Padilla, Jesus-Miami
Palmer, Alisha-Crestline, Kan.

Pannell, Kasandra-Tulsa
Pannell, Latrice-Henryetta
Pannell, Patrice-Henryetta
Pannell, Shanna-Henryetta
Parker, Holly-Tulsa

Parker, Joy-Tulsa
Parker, Julie-Tulsa
Parrish, Robbie-Nowata
Partain, Becky-Sallisaw
Pathkiller, Ginger-Cardin

Patterson, Breckelyn-Commerce
Patterson, Clara-Pawhuska
Patterson, Kristy-Pryor
Patterson, Lee-Miami
Patterson, Robert-Tulsa
Paul, Marcus-Bartlesville
Pease, Kim-Fairland
Pena, Leota-Alton
Pendergrass, Woodrow-Miami
Perrier, Mike-Tulsa

Pershica, Paul-Mustang
Perry, Rhonda-Wyandotte
Peters, Chandler-Anderson, Ind.
Petty, Lori-Walters
Phillips, Nichole-Owasso

Philpott, Robert-Kansas
Pittman, Angela-Grove
Planer, Chris-Tulsa
Plasencia, Gilberto-Ft. Lauderdale
Poage, Chad-Waurika

Pogue, Dale-Vinita
Prauser, Mark-Baxter Springs, Kan.
Price, Wendy-Miami
Pride, Doug-Jenks
Prince, Jason-Tulsa

Prine, Chad-Miami
Pryer, Todd-Fairland
Pryor, Tammy-Grove
Pyle, Joshua-Miami
Queen, Jennifer-Pawnee

Quick, Jon-Fairland
Quick, Shawna-Watts
Radford, Sarah-Quapaw
Ramsey, Tara-Vinita

48/Freshmen
Freshman Angela Stroble, of Miami, center, receives a scholarship from members of the Business and Professional Women's organization for the spring semester.

Ross, Adam-Tulsa
Ross, Alex-Commerce
Ross, Malcolm-Tulsa
Ross, Shane-Broken Arrow
Rotery, Brian-Tulsa

Rudd, Shawn-Ada
Russell, Anthony-Lawton
Russell, Audrey-Terlton
Russo, Vicki-Sand Springs
Russow, Jenny-Gravette, Ark.

Rust, Darla-Tulsa
Saffell, Clay-Locust Grove
Sajalga, Stephanie-Miami
Sample, Rogilyn-Stillwater
Sanders, Loretta-Eucha

Sanford, Brian-Miami
Sanger, Troy-Vinita
Sapp, Lori-Miami
Schell, William-Nowata
Schnakenberg, Courine-Miami
Scott, Angela-Tulsa
Scott, Darren-Tulsa
Scott, Jacob-Broken Arrow
Seals, Ron-Bartlesville
Sekiya, Yuko-Meguro-Ku, Japan

Selby, Dana-Elk City
Seubold, Morgan-Roland
Shackleford, Lonnie-Collinsville
Shamblin, Jason-Bluejacket
Sharp, Noelle-Pryor

Sharpe, Jared-Tulsa
Shaw, Richard-Miami
Shawnee, Darren-Anadarko
Shelby, Catina-Afton
Shell, Cary-Glencoe

Shepherd, Pete-Springdale, Ark.
Shepherd, Teresa-Miami
Sherman, Clark-Jay
Shirley, Rebecca-Tulsa
Shockley, Eddie-Springdale, Ark.

Shorter, Rick-Tuttle
Shroyer, Katie-Bartlesville
Sides, Carla-Miami
Siler, Kim-Anlers
Simmons, Chris-Kiefer

Simmons, Nikki-Muskogee
Simon, Chris-Perry
Simpson, Matt-Wyandotte
Sisson, Randella-Ficher
Sizemore, Daniel-Bonaire, Ga.
Skocdopole, Brent-Bixby
Slaton, Machelle-North Miami
Slaun, Royce-Miami
Smiley, Yvette-Detroit, Mich.
Smith, Allen-Miami

Smith, Bradley-Miami
Smith, Byron-Chandler
Smith, Connie-Tulsa
Smith, Gwyn-Galena, Kan.
Smith, Harold-Miami

Smith, Jason-Welch
Smith, Michael-Pawnee
Smith, Scott-Frankfort, Ind.
Smith, Teanee-Commerce
Smith, Trisha-Miami

Southard, Keith-Picher
Spainhower, Jeff-Baxter Springs, Ks.
Spalding, Jennifer-Dewey
Spencer, Hank-Broken Arrow
Spiva, Ron-Ripley

Spradling, Rebecca-Big Cabin
Spradling, Robert-Locust Grove
Spruce, Debra-Wyandotte
Stanley, Mike-Mustang
Stanley, Nikki-Jenks

Starr, Thomas-Jay
Steele, Dannah-Tulsa
Steeley, Cheryl-Broken Arrow
Stephens, Ray-Manford
Stephenson, Myles-Anadarko

52/Freshmen
Tiger, Tom-Seminole
Tipton, Greg-Fairland
Tipton, Jeff-Allum
Townsend, Carla-Langley
Toy, Catina-Cool Valley, Mo.

Troyer, Thaddeus-Springfield, Ohio
Tritthart, Carrie-Miami
Troglin, Jackie-Collinsville
True, Shelley-Pryor

Tyler, Jason-Tulsa
Tullis, Leon-Oklahoma City
Turley, Greg-Pryor
Turner, Regina-Tulsa
Tyler, Sheryl-Rose

Tyler, Terry-Choctaw
U, Wan-Tulsa
Underwood, John-Markleville, Ind.
Vandermark, Shane-Afton
Vanderpool, Brooke-Vinita

Varner, Troy-Ardmore
Vasser, Lisa-Miami
Veale, Aaron-Mounds
Villarreal, Brenda-Fairland
Vowels, Shawn-Wyandotte

Wade, Joe-Commerce
Waldron, James-Dologah
Walker, Amy-Vinita
Walker, Bryan-Miami
Walker, Carl-Bristow
Wilkett, David-McAlester
Wilkins, Brian-Hugo
Wilkins, Holli-Hugo
Williams, David-Ripley
Williams, Eddie-Calumet

Williams, Jeff-Fort Gibson
Williams, JoQuita-Commerce
Willy, Brian-Vinita
Wilson, Alisha-Tulsa
Wilson, Ashlee-Commerce

Wilson, Jennifer-Tulsa
Wilson, Tony-Chandler
Wilson, Vickie-Jay
Wood, Robert-Blackwell
Woodard, Ed-Collinsville

Woods, Dirk-Miami
Woodson, Resh-Bixby
Workman, Toni-Stilwell
Wray, Shannon-Inola
Wright, Lloyd-Collinsville

Wright, Rodney-Wynnewood
Wych, Camisha-Beggs
Young, Jerry-Tulsa
Members of the college choir flag down traffic outside the front of McDonald's on Miami's North Main Street. The group staged a day-long rock-a-thon to raise money for semester activities planned by the group. More than $150 was collected during the fund-raising activity.

Adolph, Chris-Tulala
Alleman, Chris-Fairland
Allen, Terri-Fairland
Allford, Clint-McAlester
Anderson, Channa-Miami

Anderson, Steve-Miami
Anderson, Jason-Miami
Andrews, James-Maysville
Andrews, Volvonda-Spiro
Arnold, Amy Jo-Collinsville

Arnold, April-Miami
Ashford, Craig-Tulsa
Bachman, Cinnamon-Miami
Barron, Holly-Tulsa
Barron, Misty-Tulsa

Bartlett, Chace-Tulsa
Bates, Jane-Miami
Bates, Susan-Miami
Bergman, Trish-Grove
Best, Brian-Tulsa

Sophomore/5
Sophomore Misty Barron, of Tulsa, waves to the crowd during the annual homecoming parade down Miami's Main Street. Barron portrayed a school teacher on the float sponsored by Dobson Hall dormitory.

Caudill, Lynda-Grove
Cram, Brett-Loch Gove
Chakenato, Mary-Jones
Chambers, Tim-Tulsa
Chandler, Gayla-Grove

Chin, Kar Choon-Slim River
Chrisco, Lisa-Fairland
Clark, David-Quapaw
Clemens, Rebecca-Oilton
Clinton, Danny-Miami

Conard, Lisa-Fairland
Conner, Richard-Pawhuska
Copas, Gary-Oklahoma City
Cox, Justin-Vinita
Darrough, Danny-Miami

Daugherty, Eric-Fairland
Davis Chad-Bartlesville
Davis, Eddie-Jenks
Davis, Scott-Tulsa
Devine, Lanna-Waynoka

Sophomore/5!
Working on recording grades in the registrar's office at midterm are Miami sophomores Stacie Patterson and Michelle Miller. Students pre-enrolled during December for the spring semester which began Jan. 10.
Members of the college automotive club check under the hood of a 1951 Cadillac during the third-annual Auto Show held in the parking lot of Copen Hall as part of Family Day activities on campus. The Caddy was owned by Miamian Karl Blade.
Marshall, Katrina-Broken Arrow
Martin, Jeffrey-Tulsa
Masters, Matt-Beggs
Matthews, Kristi-Fairland
Matthews, Russell-Bluejacket

McCord, Diana-Miami
McCoy, Kathy-Cardin
McCoy, Machelle-Tulsa
McCoy, Shelley-Commerce
McFall, Connie-Commerce

McGuire, Tina-Glenpool
McKay, Machelle-Ponca City
McMullen, Aneta-Tulsa
McNabb, Cameron-Perry
McNack, Tawnya-Tulsa

Meeks, Tami-Miami
Miller, Donna-Grove
Miller, Michelle-Miami
Mobley, Eddie-Vinita
Moffatt, Sharolyn-Miami

Monroe, Paula-Keifer
Moore, Heather-Baxter Springs
Morgan, Ernie-Tecumseh
Morgan, Melissa-Miami
Morgan, Sharon-Morris

Musso, Nicole-Chickasha
Myers, James-Miami
Myers, Jerry-Commerce
Nall, Steve-Tulsa
Nash, Kathern-Grove
Price, Mieke-McAlester
Quick, Nancy-Fairland
Quimby, Gannon-Drumright
Rader, Sheree-Edmond
Rainbolt, Robin-Milan, Mo.

Randall, Mitch-Broken Arrow
Reed, Amy-Wyandotte
Reyes, Martha-Miami
Rhodes, David-Tulsa
Rice, Lance-Mannford

Ridgley, Karen-Vinita
Roberson, Justin-Collinsville
Roberts, Elmer-Claremore
Robertson, Corina-Grove
Rogers, Brandi-Mannford

Rowe, Lori-Vinita
Rubey, Kimberly-Mounds
Rupert, Rachelle-Miami
Russell, Audrey-Terlton
Satterwhite, Janie-Welch

Saulsbury, Melody-Sapulpa
Scott, Dana-Tulsa
Seaver, Kenton-Miami
Settles, Karolyn Kay-Mannford
Self, Becky-Miami

Sharp, Rachelle-Afton
Sherwood, Cale-Sapulpa
Shoemaker, Tammy-Miami
Simmons, Kim Natalie-Tulsa
Simmons, Mirakal-Oklahoma City

66/Sophomore
Offering the state of Oklahoma a "very dynamic, active four-year period of time," David Walters was inaugurated Jan. 14 as the state's 24th Chief Executive.

Born Nov. 20, 1951 on a farm near Canute, Okla., Walters graduated from Canute High School in 1969. He received a bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering from the University of Oklahoma in 1973.

While attending the University of Oklahoma Walters began his professional career by serving as administrator of Management Systems and Projects in 1975.

Walters served in the administration of former Governor David Boren as a project manager.

Following graduation from OU, Walters earned a masters of Business Administration from Harvard University in 1977.

From 1977 to 1982, Walters was with the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. He served as Assistant Provost from 1977 to 1980 and as Associate Provost from 1980 to 1982.

Walters joined the Burks Group, an Oklahoma City-based commercial real estate company, as president in 1982. In 1985, Walters became president of the American Fidelity Property Company.

Throughout his professional career, Walters had been active in both the community and state governments. In 1983, he was appointed as a member and later Chairman of the governing commission for the Oklahoma State Department of Human Services.

He became co-chairman of the Governor’s Commission on Government Reform in 1984.

In 1986, Walters made his first bid for the Governor's office as the nominee from the Democratic Party. He lost to former Governor Henry Bellmon in one of the closest gubernatorial races in Oklahoma’s history.

Following the 1986 election, he created The Walters Company, and as president, engaged in commercial real estate investment and commercial property management. He vowed to sell the company once he assumed the 1991 Governor’s position.

Governor Walters and his wife, Rhonda, have four children.

One of Governor Walters' administrative goals was to focus on new priorities and reallocation of funds instead of the institution of new taxes.
Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Board of Regents for OSU and the A&M College
Dr. Bobby R. Wright has provided quality leadership while offering students an opportunity to be actively involved in some of the decisions that chart the course of this institution.

A native of Santo, Texas, Dr. Wright has held Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College on a steady course heading into the 21st century.

After attending Tarleton State College in Stephenville, Texas, Dr. Wright earned a bachelor’s degree from Sam Houston State University in 1962. He remained at the Huntsville, Texas, university to earn a master’s degree in 1963.

Following teaching stints at Vernon Texas Regional Junior College and a Junior College at Olney, Texas, he began a graduate assistantship at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater in 1969.

While working in the department of agriculture at OSU, he earned a doctorate of education degree in 1971.

Resulting from a professional teaching career in agricultural education, Dr. Wright served as an assistant professor at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University at Blacksburg in 1971-72.

Dr. Wright returned to Vernon Regional Junior College to serve as Dean of Vocational Technical Education from 1972-74. While in Vernon Dr. Wright left the junior college to serve as an assistant administrator at Wilbarger General Hospital until 1976.

He joined the administration of Howard College in Big Springs, Texas as a vice president before coming to NEO as president in 1982.

During his tenure as president at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, Dr. Wright has seen a growth in the Health Science industry lead to the construction of a Health Sciences building along with the implementation of such new academic programs as aviation, tourism management and postal supervision.

Dr. Wright also has had an impact on the student population by actively seeking input from the Student Body Government organization.
Vice presidents establish itinerary

Created to efficiently and effectively carry out the daily operation of Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College are the responsibilities of the three vice presidents.

Prior to the start of the fall semester highlighted the 1990-91 school year a change was made in one of the vice president positions.

James Reese, longtime dean of admissions and records was elevated to the position of Vice President of Student Affairs. Reese had served one year on an interim basis. A member of the college staff since 1965, Reese began his career at NEO as a computer science instructor.

Reese's responsibilities include all nonacademic aspects of student life such as housing, counseling, financial aids, student government, placement, athletics, health services and student activities.

Dean of the administrative staff is Dr. Charles H. Angle, Vice President for Academic Affairs. Dr. Angle has been associated with the college as both an instructor and an administrator since 1957.

Dr. Angle is concerned with the instructional life of the student including admissions, faculty, academic advising, class scheduling, institutional programming, Learning Resources Center, continuing education, and resources for six academic divisions.

While some vice presidents are stereotyped as being detached from reality and locked in an ivory tower, Dr. Angle doesn’t fit that mold. He can be found walking across campus chatting with students or deeply involved with teaching an American Federal Government course each semester.

Controlling the financial operations of the institution is Tom Poole, Vice President for Fiscal Affairs. Poole oversees the total college budget and is involved in all of the operating expenditures the college makes during the year.

Poole is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the institution including the physical plant, bookstore, food services and printing, accounting, purchasing and computer services.

The combined effort of these men help make NEO a pacesetter in higher education.
Deans/Directors

Dennis Earp, director
Financial Aids
Sue Glenn-Stilham, director
Continuing Education
Tim Ingram, director
Public Information

Glen Kirk, director
Development Foundation
Bill Mayberry, coordinator
Athletics
Dale Patterson, dean
Records and Admissions

Rick Ritschel, director
Testing and Placement
Dr. Doris Snyder, associate
Dean for Special Problems
Mike Watson, director
Campus Safety
Student Body Government president Jay Parmley, a sophomore from Wyandotte, checks over some recruiting material with High School/College Relations secretary Susan Rhude and assistant director Dr. Bobby Woods.
Dr. Booby Wright, college president, presents plaques from the Grand National Cow Palace in San Francisco, Calif., to members of the college livestock judging team. Members of the team were, from left: Fred Slater, Waynoka, sophomore; Daren Slater, Chetopa, Kan., sophomore; Jamie Orth, San Antonio, Texas, sophomore; Kyle Schwertfeger, Aline sophomore; Shane Deering, Savannah, Mo., sophomore, and Jury Douglas, coach.
Rod Kramer (left), social science instructor, presents a gift to visiting Russian instructors, Alexander Sukharev, and his wife, Helen Podayko.
George Weaver (left), chairman of the Business division, and Shirley Coker (right), business instructor, congratulate Jay Parmley, a sophomore from Wyandotte, for placing fourth in the National Phi Beta Lambda Impromptu Speaking contest.
Harp instructor Demaris Gaines offered instruction to a class which included her granddaughter Celeste Herrera. The two presented a concert in Poine City.

Communications and Fine Arts Division/77
Bob Hetchler, an adult special student from Alton, repairs a power supply unit for the physics laboratory.

Don Caskey
Chairman

Orland Aldridge
Mathematics
Rochelle Beatty
Mathematics
Vickie Berry
Mathematics
Chester Campbell
Chemistry
David Dallas
Biological Science

Dr. Mark Grigsby
Biological Science
Donald Hendrix
Mathematics-Physics
Janie Jacks
Mathematics
Randy Jones
Chemistry
Mary Kirkpatrick
Chemistry

John Lomax
Mathematics
Betty Spradlin
Biological Science
Karen Walls
Mathematics
Herb Waring
Physics
Sam Wells
Geology

78/Science and Engineering Division
Matt Walter, a Grove freshman, checks the ignition timing on a factory donated automobile as instructor David Gilbert offers advice. The college automotive department was the only Oklahoma college to receive an Automotive Service Excellence Certificate by the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation.
Support staff

Selling a variety of items in the college bookstore were, from left; Joan Clapp, Grace Ann Combs, Jo Ann Angle, store manager, and Jane Grieshaber.

Serving as clerks in the business office were, seated, from left; Wanda Campbell, Jo Clodfelter, Mary Peterson, Judy Miller and Karen Key. Standing, Norma Laduke, Ann Snyder, Colleen Jenkins and Sandra Blevins.

Serving as directors of the cafeteria were, from left; Lloyd Ogle, director of auxiliary services; Frances Blevins, assistant cafeteria manager and Toby Lavine, manager.
Support staff

Members of the cafeteria staff were, seated, from left; Freda Grant, Laetisha Hogan, Bonnie Tyler and Lolita Rickard. Standing, Cheryl Clarke, Claudia Curnutte, Lucy Garrison, Alfreda Kelly, Geraldine Townsend and Bernice Grayson.

Members of the cafeteria staff were, seated, from left; Bobbie Carter, Joyce Hayworth, Cathy Capansky, and Helen King. Standing, Donna Stevens, Cindy Hart, Wilma Jean Gray, Mary Jane Gay, Idalis Crow, Bernice Butler, Martha York and Shirley Patterson.

Members of the cafeteria kitchen and janitorial staff were, seated, from left; Cliff Hulsey, Buster Hopkins, Wayne Lomax, Jim Howerton and Richard Wills. Standing, Raymond. Rader, Darrell Bailey, Bobby Delcour, Lloyd Mahurin, Paul Browning, Ronnie Capansky, Robert York and Randall McIntosh.
Support staff

Providing services in the college counseling center were, from left: Lonnie Spencer, counselor; Jana Lyn Thompson, foreign student advisor; Donnell Alexander, counselor, and Adonna Helmig, counseling coordinator.

Members of the Learning Resources Center staff were, front row, from left: Tom Bain, director, Mary Largent, Billie Johnson, Nancy Blackwood and Betty Snow. Back row, Alberta Hutchings, Kay Backmaster, Phyllis Rabel and Bill Pfannenstiel.

Members of the college custodial staff were, front row, from left: Imogene King, Frances Burleson, Ruby Moody, Mario Saenz, supervisor, and Darrel Blevins. Back row, Wanda Hawkins, Herb Morris, Bobby DeLCour, and Ted Damann.
Support Staff

Handling the printing chores on campus were, from left; Kevin Clodfelter, pressman; Terry Eifert, composition coordinator; and Kevin Eifert, print shop manager.

Serving as college secretaries from back row left; Barbara Orcutt, Shirley Patterson, Ann Snyder, Deanna Johnson, Meg Jones, Norma Highley, and Judy Poole; front row left; Susan Rhude, Eva Goins, Heidi Fisher, Billie Minson, Shirley Blair, and Pat Jones.

Dealing with students on a daily basis in the registrar's office were, from left; Kathy Harris, assistant to the dean for admissions and records; Kim Grimes, clerk and Tammy Corntassel, clerk.
Another major difference between high school and college is that students have the option to live away from home and in campus housing.

While the most common living quarters on campus were rooms in one of the seven residents halls, students also had a choice of residing in area apartments. Married students also had an option of residing in any of three apartment complexes located at the southern end of the main campus.

Often times life in a dorm was filled with such antics as water balloon fights in the halls, radios blasting out the latest rap music, or proctors trying to restore order by yelling over the intercom.

Each morning the sound of half-a-dozen alarm clocks going off at the same time reverberated through the hall.

“Living in the dorm is part of the college experience,” said Brent Lemay, a sophomore from Claremore.

Then came the slamming in unison of doors to try and be the first to get a warm shower. For the most part the dorms remained empty and quite during the day, except for those residents who would awake and decide that this particular day was some kind of a holiday. They weren't sure which one, only that you were required to remain in bed and miss a class or two.
Donnie Young, a sophomore from Langley, relaxes on his couch after a hard game of intramural basketball.

Serving as proctors in Russell Hall were, from left: Steven Hill, James Harding, Chris Wood, Phillip Whitehead, Barry Thompson, Harley Hungate, Gary Hungate, Scott Clemens and dorm dad Don Diveley.
Watching an afternoon soap opera in the lobby got to be quite a crowd-pleaser.

Chad Cunningham, a freshman from Billings, and Lance Schroyer, a freshman from Moore, chat while waiting for a dinner break.
Leisha Bohling, a sophomore from May, sits on her bed while typing an assignment.

Housing director Bob Hayes shows a water balloon to freshman Faith Brooks of Fort Worth, Texas while Brooks visits with the veteran administrator.
Tamara Cole, a freshman from Tulsa, writes a letter to a friend while waiting for classes to start.

Serving as proctors at Dobson Hall were, from left: Jennifer Queen, Tari Tarachione, Stephanie Newcomb and Teresa Slane.
Working on a class assignment in the lobby are Melinda Cox, a sophomore from Tulsa, and Todd Hallman, a sophomore from Drumright.

Enjoying a break between classes are freshmen Denise Ferguson, of Bartlesville, and James Fowler, of Checotah.
Sophomore Aaron Atkins, of Drumright, and Justin Cox, of Vinita, enjoy a break from the daily grind with a game of Super Mario 3.

Moving can be a stressful situation as more than 1,100 students endure the ritual every year.
Finding time for a quick shave before class is freshman Brad Alsup of Chandler.

Returning to the solitude of his dorm room after a long weekend is freshman Jesse Patterson of Perkins.
Snowy weather in March caused students to scurry from building to building.

Serving as proctors of Harrill Hall were, from left: Matt Hughes, Matt Masters, Ron Allen and Scott Sherdold.
Kevin Riddle, a freshman from Bixby, hits the books hard before going out on the town.

Freshmen Gary Armstrong, of Jay, and Chad Acree of Claremore enjoy some of the fixins during an Aggie picnic.
Getting together with some friends on a Sunday afternoon for an NFL football game became quite a ritual.

George Ford, a freshman from Ochelata, brings some boxes in the back door of the dorm.
Taking a bead on the queue ball is freshman Jeffrey Claybourn of Welch.

Enjoying some fries and a coke in his dorm room is freshman Aaron Robinson, of Midwest City.
Sophomore Stephen Fowler, of Stillwater, belts out some tones while providing his own backup.

Dancing the two-step during a shin-dig in the Harrill-Dobson lounge are sophomores Tommie Kay, of Bartlesville, and Richard Conner, of Pawhuska.
Taking a nap while waiting on a call from her favorite man is sophomore Carma Turner of Broken Arrow.

Serving as proctors of Vann Hall were, from left: Julie Parker, Christy Heath, Toya Johnson, Yolvonda Andrews and Sheresa Downey.
Sophomore Shelly Eulitt, of Bartlesville, relaxes during the annual visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile in the Harrill-Dobson lounge.

Freshmen Melissa Hart (left) of Cushing, and Kristi Fugate, of Miami, frolic in the snow on their way back to the dorm.
Sophomores James Cook, of Vinita, and Rhonda Thomas, of Muskogee, listen intently during a speech at a support the troops rally held on campus.

Several college coeds raise their lighted candles during the late-night vigil held at the fountain located between the Library/Administration building and the Fine Arts Center.
Lisa Chrisco, a freshman from Fairland, displays the peace sign while other students proudly display the flag during the ceremonies.

Student Body Government president Jay Parmley, a sophomore from Wyandotte, prepares to deliver a statement during the student rally.
Involvement in various clubs and organizations on campus reached an all-time high during the fall semester because of Family Day and homecoming activities. With more than 45 clubs and organizations active on campus, most students participated in more than one. Students became involved for a variety of reasons. Some received scholarships to participate in such activities as RisQue Business and the Meistersingers. Others joined specific clubs or organizations to meet people and expand their social life while some were joiners to improve their job training, win awards and travel for competition.

Whatever activity a student became involved with taught him or her how to work with others and to assume leadership roles. While each organization specialized in its own purpose, they collectively went together to form the backbone of this institution by uniting each individual into an important part of the overall student body.

Not only were students exposed to a wide variety of social clubs and organizations, but the religious sector was also represented. The Baptist Student Union, Collegiates for Christ, Norse Campus Ministry/Wesley Foundation and Chi Alpha more than adequately provided spiritual guidance for NEO students.

These types of activities helped create lasting relationships.

"One of the enjoyable things about staying on campus was that there was always something going on," said Noelle Sharp, a freshman from Pryor.
Maintaining affiliation with a nationally known organization, the campus chapter of Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students focused on increasing alcohol awareness among NEO students.

The organization was designed to encourage students to make wise and responsible decisions concerning the use of alcohol.

"BACCHUS was in direct opposition with the belief that the excessive use of alcohol was common among college students and was readily accepted by the college society," said Kendra Daffern, president of the organization.

Two of the important functions the organization was involved with was Red Ribbon Week and Drug Awareness Week, March 4-8.
Sponsored and supported by Southern Baptist churches, the Baptist Student Union was one of several active religious organizations on campus.

Under the co-direction of Debbie and Bobby Lipscomb, the BSU services students of many different faiths and denominations.

Offering students an opportunity for religious growth during the week, the organization held noon-day services in their building located just north of the main campus.

Other activities hosted by the group were hayrides, Bible studies, camping retreats and fellowships were quite popular with students.

The group held a '50's dinner that was very well attended early in the spring semester.

Members of the Baptist Student Union were, seated, Michael Whaley and Steven Ritchey; kneeling, from left, Keith Southard, Shelly Weaver, Tonya Bechler, Dawn Miller, Lori Byrd, Rhonda Lindsey and Renee Nash. Second row, Greg Turley, Amber Berry, Scott Chance, Tonya Johnson, Angi Harris, Melinda Hardy, Tonya Dawson, and Penny Goff. Third row, Jeff Bengal, Anthony Blackbourn, Keith Philpott, Renee Carroll, Brian Hill, David Spurluck, Stephen Johnson. Denay Nash and Brice Butler.
Providing spirit and support for intercollegiate athletics at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College was the Golden Norse cheerleading squad.

Under the direction of Nancy Bishop, the 11-member squad spent countless hours prior to the start of the fall semester going through tryouts. Once the squad was selected by a panel of judges, practice sessions were established for the group to work on various stunts and gymnastics routines.

At the start of football season the squad performed at all of the 10 regular season games.

The squad also participated in the homecoming parade.

During basketball season, the squad performed during both the women's and men's games.
Recognized as the largest performance vocal ensemble on campus, the concert choir was comprised of students with a wide variety of majors and talent.

Under the watchful eye of director Mary Susan Whaley, the choir’s membership was open to any student with an interest in vocal music.

“Our primary goal was to provide both our members and our audience with an educational opportunity as well as quality musical entertainment,” said Whaley.

Earlier in the fall semester the group presented a performance for the annual Town and Gown Banquet as well as performing a concert just prior to the Christmas break.

The choir spends the spring semester preparing to compete in regional contests.

Members of the college concert choir were, kneeling, from left; Tonya Brehler, Cynthia Baker, Eric Daugherty, Michael Whaley, Melinda Hardy, Maggie Lohman, and Mary Gallagher. Second row, Heather Munn, Connie Smith, Lissa Vasser, David Spurlock, Eddie Mobley, Diana McCond, Angi Harris, Yuko Sekiya and Lilly Kimrey. Third row, Tricia Stevenson, Michelle Kiehn, Debi DeGraffenreed, Toby Fred, Todd Stogner, Scott Klingaman, John Henderson, Danny Darrough, Debbie Darrough, and Vernon Hughes.
Designed to promote and enhance career opportunities within the vast field of engineering, the Engineers Club stressed academic excellence in its membership.

Physics instructor Herb Waring served as faculty advisor to the club comprised of students that were enrolled in a minimum of three college credit hours in mathematics, physical science or chemical science.

Two of the methods the club utilized to promote academic growth within its membership were to invite renowned guest speakers to lecture and to take educational field trips to companies and businesses that incorporate engineering techniques.

The club also participated in the college science fair.
One of the newest organizations on campus was the Alpha Mu Gamma chapter of the college foreign language club.

Under the guidance of sponsor Betty Caskey, the club included students that were enrolled in French, German and Spanish courses.

"The club's main purpose was to promote foreign language study among its members," said Caskey.

"But we also tried to establish long-lasting friendships and provide an opportunity for students to get a better understanding of careers that were available in foreign languages."

Officers for the 1990-91 school year were Salem Sharp, president; Ann Boswell, vice president; Francesca Moore, treasurer, and Carol Townsend, SBG representative.
Developed to serve as an open forum for international relations between American and foreign students, the International Friends Club also involved the community in the creation of special friendships. The organization served as a center for exchange of information concerning other countries of the world. The group also discussed current events and issues vital to the well-being of students attending Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College.

Another facet the club addressed was to help create a positive self-image for students from other countries attending college in a foreign land.

The club also participated in several sporting events.
Created to serve the participants in theatre and drama, the masquers club provided several opportunities for students majoring in the theatre arts to have social interaction.

One of the many activities the masquers were involved with was the building of a float for the annual homecoming parade.

The group also held weekly meetings to discuss developments in the theatre industry and to practice for any of five regularly scheduled theatre productions throughout the school year.

Acting was an important part of the masquers club. The group studied various trends within the acting profession as well as studying films and plays.

Members of the masquers club were, kneeling, from left; Cynthia Baker, Todd Stogner, Maggie Lohman, Kent Burk, Debi DeGraffenried and John Henderson. Back row, Vernon Hughes, Gary Strickland, Carrie Meikle, Michael Whaley, Wendi Murdock, Eddie Mobley, Kaye Settles and Leeann Bybee.
A small ensemble group selected by audition from the membership of the concert choir, the meistersingers provided entertainment at such social events as the college Town and Gown banquet and the Oklahoma Junior and Community College annual meeting at Rose State College in Midwest City.

Meistersingers served as a show choir and were "ambassadors for the college" according to Mary Susan Whaley, director of the group.

Membership of the group represented a variety of majors and a diversity of the campus population.

Three members of the group, Angie Armstrong, Eric Dougherty and Michelle Kuehn, were selected to perform at the American Choral Directors national convention.

Members of the meistersingers were, first row, from left: Maggie Lohman, Eric Dougherty, Michael Whaley and Connie Smith. Second row, Michelle Kuehn, Scott Klingamon, Johnathon Henderson and Toby Ford. Third row, Debi DeGraffenreid, Todd Stogner, Eddie Mobley and Cynthia Baker.
NATIVE AMERICANS

Designed to allow American Indian students, non-Indian students and the Miami community an opportunity to build an appreciation for the Indian heritage and its great contribution to the American society.

One of the many activities the Native American Student Association participated in was an outdoor pow wow held on the practice field just east of Robertson Field. The pow wow was a showcase for the numerous Indian tribes that attended NEO.

The organization also attempted to foster self-esteem and pride among America's "first" Americans through gatherings, meetings and various other social events.

Members of the Native American Student Association were, front row, from left: Tony Tiger, Lavada Beets, Mary Hilburn, Sue Vance, Louise Moyer, Martha Reyes and Darren Shawnee. Back row, Eddie Davis, DeMaris Gaines, sponsor, Tracy Whittetree, Elizabeth Gaines, Richard Drake, Dusty Boller, Sheila Greenwood and Dana Jim.
One of the more popular college dance/drill teams in the country, the Norse Stars was an organization of dedicated young ladies whose purpose was to promote spirit and provide entertainment at athletic events and parades.

In addition to school activities, the girls appeared in civic functions and worked in benefits.

The group performed in such activities as halftime of a Tulsa Golden Hurricane football game, the Oklahoma junior college basketball playoffs and several other sporting events.

Another function the Norse Stars supported was a day-long clinic for area high school girls that stressed routines and gymnastics.

Members of the 1990-91 edition of the Norse Stars Dance-Drill Team were, bottom row, from left; Teanne Smith, Commerce; Susan Shamas, Bristow; Kindra Neal, Miami; Jolynn Hobbs, Collinsville; Tony Goforth, Miami; Jennifer Wilson, Miami; Gretchen Kerbs, Bartlesville; Anne Boswell, Tulsa; Breckelyn Patterson, Commerce; Stephanie Sajulga, Miami; Andrea Bertalotto, Miami; Shannon Dillsaver, Bartlesville; Carma Turner, Tulsa, co-captain; Teresa Heatherly, Picher; Diane Baker, Commerce, and Stacie Patterson, Miami, lieutenant. Top row, Kim Akins, Seminole; Angi Rogers, Broken Arrow; Kim Simmons, Miami; Frankie D. Jackson, Tulsa; Delena Gold, Henryetta; Kami Lagal, Bartlesville; Angela Bryan, Copan; Leah Taylor, Tulsa; Heather Moore, Baxter Springs, Kan.; Mindy Cox, Tulsa, captain; Lori Lafave, Miami, lieutenant; Sammi Johnson, Bartlesville; Lisa Thompson, Bartlesville; Kendra Montana, Vinita, and Machelle McKay, Ponca City. Missy Whitacre and Lisa Kirk serve as student managers.
Serving the Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College community as an information outlet was the Norse Wind student newspaper.

Published weekly throughout the school year, the newspaper provided coverage of news, editorials, features and sports.

Produced entirely by students, the Norse Wind offered a variety of job opportunities like artists, photographers, advertising sales people, business managers, typesetting specialists and other support staff.

Students not only gained hands-on experience working on modern computer equipment, but they also learned a sense of responsibility because the publication had to be completed each week. Work on the newspaper was considered a job and not an extension of a class.
Another new organization to spring up on campus during the fall semester was the Norse Wings Aviation Club.

Dedicated to the fundamental principles involved in learning to fly, the Norse Wings organization invited guest speakers to come on campus and deliver programs concerning employment opportunities within the field of aviation.

The group also participated in several field trips to airports to study first hand the complexities of flight.

Members of the group featured a wide variety of academic majors and a diversity of interest in the profession of aviation.

Not only did the group participate in such activities as homecoming, but they were actively involved in educational programs.
Gaining a national charter in 1986, the Phi Beta Lambda chapter was created for students interested in the business profession.

"Phi Beta Lambda was an designed for business majors, but over the years the club has grown to include anyone interested in business," said co-sponsor Shirley Coker.

Since gaining a charter the local chapter has produced two leaders at the national level while capturing numerous awards in national competitions.

Members of the organization compete in several business competitions while attending conferences concerning career opportunities within the professional business community.

The club also invited several business people to campus to speak on various topics.

Serving as officers of the Phi Beta Lambda business organization were, from left; Shirley Coker, co-sponsor; Danielle Terry, president; Mandy Spicer, treasurer; Jay Parmley, vice president; Andy Dick, parliamentarian; Karen Rodgley, Sherry Layman and Martha Reyes.
Formed as an organization to honor high academic achievement in students, Phi Theta Kappa encouraged students to strive for lofty goals through hard work and study.

A National Honor Fraternity, Phi Theta Kappa had stringent academic requirements for its membership. Only students with a 3.5 or better grade point average were invited to the spring semester initiation ceremonies.

Among the activities the organization participated in was the annual Quiz Bowl.

The group also attended the national convention in Washington.

Members of Phi Theta Kappa national honor fraternity were, kneeling, from left: Steve Brandon, Craig Dickson, Delaina Pitcher, Tami Meeks and Mandy Spicer. Second row, Amber Berry, Naomi Freeman, Marcy Pate, Toby Ford, Shawa Khan, Stacy Redden, Kendra Johnson, Dawn Miller and Tracie Good. Third row, Karen Ridgley, Dave Cook, Amy Johnson, Kim Klaus, Justin Brown, William Edwards, Kent Seaver and Brad Baxton.
Serving in the capacity of elected political officials, the Student Body Government underwent a name change in 1990 after being known as The Student Senate for more than 35 years.

Membership in the Student Body Government was comprised of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, two senators elected at-large and one representative from each of the 43 campus clubs and organizations.

Financial concerns occupied most of the 1990-91 school year for the SBG. Members worked hard to establish a funding process that would allow the creation of budgets for various clubs and organizations.

This additional revenue was generated by a 50 cent increase in the student activity fee.
Among American Junior Colleges

Each year a faculty selection committee accepts applications from sophomore students who have acquired enough credit hours to graduate in May for Who's Who Among American Junior Colleges. Applicants must have had a minimum of 15 points based on scholarship, leadership, service, loyalty and character.

Craig Dickson
Dickson, a Vinita chemical-engineering major, compiled a cumulative 3.80 grade point average over three semesters.
He served as Phi Theta Kappa vice president as well as being active in the Student Body Government and the engineer's and chemistry clubs.
Dickson appeared on both the President's and Dean's honor rolls and received the Dobson Presidential and Engineering Foundation scholarships.

Naomi Freeman
Freeman was an elementary education major from Monett, Mo. with a 4.0 grade point average while at NEO.
Her extracurricular activities included Phi Theta Kappa, Aggie Society, the Young Democrats and Order of Freyja.
She was on the Presidents Honor Roll since entering college and was a 1989-90 recipient of the Dobson Presidential Scholarship.
**Stephanie Newcomb**  
A Pre-law major from Drumright, she maintained a 3.88 grade point average at NEO.  
She was active in Phi Theta Kappa and was Dobson Hall vice president.

**Jamie Orth**  
An Animal Science/Livestock Merchandising major, she maintained a 3.93 grade point average.  
She was president of the Agriculture Economics Club, member of the Aggie Society and a member of the NEO Livestock Judging Team.  
Orth was named to the Dean's and President's Honor Roll and was a 1989-90 recipient of a Presidential Scholarship.

**Jay Parmley**  
Majoring in Business Administration, Parmley maintained a 3.74 grade point average.  
He served as 1990-91 Student Body Government president as well as being president of the Young Democrats organization.  
Other organizations that Parmley was involved with included Phi Beta Lambda, Phi Theta Kappa, Baptist Student Union and Students in Free Enterprise.
Diane Pimpton
A Business Management major from Webb, Miss., she maintained a 3.78 grade point average while at NEO.
Pimpton was a starting guard for the Lady Norse basketball team. She was also a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Phi Theta Kappa, Afro-American Society, and the Baptist Student Union.

Delaina Pitcher
Pitcher, from Welch, was an English/Secondary Education major and had a cumulative grade point average of 3.87.
She was homecoming queen and was active in Phi Theta Kappa, President's Club, Chemistry Club and Student Body Government.
She appeared on the Dean's and President's honor rolls.

Robin Rainbolt
Rainbolt was an Animal Science/Livestock Merchandising Option major from Milan, Mo. with a 3.68 grade point average over two years.
Rainbolt was active in the Aggie Society and served as vice president for the Agriculture Economic Society.
Kyle Schwerdtfeger
Schwerdtfeger, an Animal Science/Agriculture Business major from Alva, maintained a 3.7 grade point average.
He served as president of the Aggie Society and was active in the Agriculture Economics Society and was a member of the NEO livestock judging team.
Schwerdtfeger was on the Dean's and Presidents Honor Roll and last year was named Outstanding NEO Aggie Freshman.

Kent Seaver
Seaver, a Political Science major from Miami, maintained a perfect 4.0 grade point average.
His extracurricular activities included Phi Theta Kappa and the NEO College Bowl team.
Seaver appeared on the President's Honor Roll for three semesters and was a member of the Scholar Leadership Colloquium.

Fred Slater
Slater, an Animal Science/Agriculture Education major from Waynoka, maintained a 3.68 grade point average over two years.
He was active in the Aggie Society and the Agriculture Economics Society while also serving as a member of the NEO livestock judging team.
Once a student had made a choice in terms of which college to attend, the next decision that was faced involved selecting a specific major.

Involved in the selection of a major was the choice between general education courses and elective credit courses which applied towards a specific major.

There were six academic divisions within the college that offered 70 specific majors. The divisions were agricultural, behavioral science, business, communications-fine arts, science engineering, and health science/technology.

Advanced, traditional, or basic levels of courses allowed students to work at their own pace while taking the specific courses needed for a major.

In addition to the academic excellence of its students, NEO was also to brag on its' instructors, of which 11 percent had doctorate degrees.

Also contributing to the schools academic excellence was a 26-1 student-to-teacher ratio in comparison to five times as many students per faculty on the university level.

Individual assistance from teachers helped create scholastic excellence and won the school's right to once again claim to be Off Course.

"Making all the choices from the first time I came on campus was very hard for me," said Malcom Ross, a sophomore from Oakland, Calif.
An unidentified aggie practices his roping technique of a "willing subject" outside a barn at the college farm.

Dusty Whitehead corrals a calf during roping practice at the college rodeo grounds.

Jary Douglas (left) and members of the college livestock judging team display some of the many trophies they win as a group every year in contests.
My Heroes Have Always Been Cowboys

An integral part of the Agricultural and Mechanical portion of Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College is the agriculture division comprised of six faculty members and 17 different degree programs.

Designed as a traditional transfer program which allows students an opportunity to pick up several hours within the agriculture field while at the same time getting general education requirements which will transfer to a four-year institution.

Even though academics remain the cornerstone of the agriculture department, extra-curricular activities are also an important part of the program.

"Most of our students are actually activity oriented. A lot of them come in because of the good reputation of the school," said Jary Douglas, chairman of the division.

Social organizations such as the Ag Econ Club, the Animal Science Club and the Aggie Society provided an opportunity for students to be together as a group.

Extra-curricular activities included an intercollegiate rodeo program and a nationally known livestock judging team.

Meeting the needs of both men and women, the rodeo teams compete against four-year schools in 10 rodeos per year that are sanctioned by the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association.

NEO's livestock judging teams compete all around the country from places like San Francisco, Calif. to Houston, Texas. They also annually compete in the Kansas City Royale as well as several State Fairs.

While featuring an academic program which is comparable to Oklahoma State University, the NEO ag department features classes that are a lot smaller. Average class size for agriculture majors at NEO was 30 students compared to much larger at OSU.

"The main thing for us was individual attention we give to students," said Douglas.

Academically, the program offers degrees in general agriculture, farm and ranch management, agricultural business, agricultural economics, agricultural education, agronomy, agricultural science, animal science (pre-veterinary), entomology, equine, forestry, horticulture, and wildlife management.

Another major factor in the growth of farm and ranch management is the use of the college farm as a teaching laboratory. The farm covers 200 acres just east of the main campus and is utilized in all phases of agriculture.
Programs touch every aspect of life

Focusing on the complications of everyday life in a rapidly changing world, the behavioral science division features 13 separate degree programs and 19 faculty members.

Actually, the behavioral science division is a combination of three separate departments: Care and Guidance of Children, Health, Physical Education and Recreation, and Social Science.

Within the division, students majoring in any of the programs may choose between the traditional transfer program or the terminal program.

The transfer program is designed to allow the student an opportunity to complete a two-year program that will transfer to a four-year institution.

The terminal program is designed for students who want to attend college for two years and then enter the job market.

“My goal is to try to get students ready to transfer to a major university,” said Leon Manning, head of the criminal justice program. “They are 18 or 19 years of age when they come here and you have to be 21 in the state of Oklahoma to become a law enforcement officer.”

While such general education courses as American History and American Federal Government fall within the behavioral science division, such non-traditional programs as religion and philosophy can also be found.

Other programs dealing with society and changes within the structure include psychology and sociology.

Another unique program within the behavioral science division is the Care and Guidance of Children program.

With an average enrollment of 32 students, the program focuses on giving students hands-on experience in the child care field.

The program expanded in 1990 to include a one-year Nanny program.

“We just adopted all the things we normally did anyway into training nannies in two semesters,” said Dr. Maxine Edwards, child care instructor.

While most college students work hard in the classroom, keeping physically fit is equally important.

One of the more popular courses in the physical education department is the aerobics class.

“A lot of students took aerobics because they like to dance and exercise,” said instructor Nancy Bishop. “They also took it for the socialization and some even took it because they wanted to loose weight.”

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Dr. Maxine Edwards, child care instructor, displays an advertisement for the new Nanny program developed by the college.

Rod Kramer, social science instructor, presents a gift to Russian instructors Alexander Sukurev and his wife Helen Podayko during their visit to campus.

Nancy Bishop, physical education instructor, guides a student through proper CPR techniques during a first aid class.
Computers play important role in all aspects of business

Not only is the Northeastern Oklahoma A&M computer science department a front-runner within the state, but they took a giant step into the 21st century with the installation of the IBM OS2 system this year.

"The OS2 lab is the only one of its kind at an educational institution in the state of Oklahoma," said James Grover, head of the computer science department.

An estimated 700 students will be trained on the new system in the first year, and according to Grover more than 50 per cent of those people were non computer science majors.

“Our graduates are attractive to business and industry because they have had classes which provide them with a background beyond what students would probably experience at other colleges," Grover said.

While computer science is one of the three main departments contained within the business division, the diversity of the division is reflected in the 23 separate programs which are offered as either transfer or terminal.

Within the department of business students have 14 academic programs from which to select a major.

Course offerings in the business department include accounting, banking, business administration, business education, general clerical, general secretarial, legal secretary, medical secretary, management marketing, industrial management, postal supervision, tourism management, secretarial sciences and word processing.

The computer science program offers three programs known as transfer/terminal, business transfer and arts and science transfer.

The home economics department offers programs in fashion merchandising; food, nutrition and institutional administration; home economics; the hospitality industry; hotel and restaurant management, and housing design and consumer resources.

"When a student selects a career in business we want them to have a meaningful and productive experience here," said George Weaver, chairman of the business division.

Within the fields of home economics the academic emphasis has switched in recent years to provide more hands-on experience for students.

"We try to get them off campus and more involved with local merchants," said Mary Garrette, home economics instructor.

"We had great support from the Miami business community."
Fashion modeling is an important part of the fashion design course offered through the home economics department.

Business

Students listen intently as a business instructor lectures to an economics class in Copen Hall.

A student waits for a program to come up on a word processor used in the business machines class.
Members of the *RinQue Business* touring group went around to area high schools to talk about relevant social issues.

**Communications/ Fine Arts**

Several hundred junior high and high school musicians descended on campus to participate in festivals coordinated by the college music department.

A community journalism television student operates a camera during a taping for a broadcast over the college television channel in March.
Creative thinking cornerstone of diverse division

Reading and writing are two of the fundamental forms of communications stressed within the Communications/Fine Arts division.

With a faculty of 25 dedicated professionals the division features 15 academic programs.

Along with a diverse selection of courses the division also advises students interested in elementary and secondary education.

"We offer a pre-professional skills test which is an examination that determines whether a student can get into the teaching program," said Jack Rucker, chairman of the division.

Programs within the division include art, arts and sciences commercial art, community journalism, drama, English, foreign languages, graphic arts, humanities, journalism, music, reading improvement, speech, technical theater and television.

One of the programs that relies heavily on a student's creative abilities is the art department.

"The basics remain the same to me," said Dr. Nicholas Calcagno, art instructor. "We hit the fundamentals really hard so that when students transfer, they know more in some cases than students that have been there for two years."

Another area within the division that draws upon a student's creative abilities is drama.

Not only does the drama department produce an average of five plays on campus, but the group also presents a children's show at Christmas and has a touring group known as RisQue Business.

"We got 65 bookings in our first year of production and we had a waiting list for RisQue Business," said Brian Hauck, head of the speech and drama department.

Meeting the student's need to improve in the classroom, the division also offers courses in reading improvement. The reading program not only helps the student improve their ability to comprehend what they read, but it also helps improve study skills of the student.

Within the field of journalism, the division offers programs both in print and broadcast fields.

Students have an opportunity to work on the Norse Wind weekly student newspaper or the 192-page Viking yearbook.

Student participation is equally as important within the television program. The college has its own channel on the local cable network and the television department produces 12 shows per year to be broadcast locally.

"The main plus to our department is that students get to touch the equipment from the start," said Chris Willard, television instructor.
Alan Griffey, a sophomore from Lenapah, demonstrates a bee-blasting cabinet he built in the metal fabrications laboratory.

Health science/Technology

Bob Anderson (center), head of the college aviation program, pauses with some students before leaving Miami Air Port for a test flight.

Jeb DeHanas (center), electronics instructor, tests out a car built by the electronics class to be used in the Metric 500 race.
Just what the doctor ordered

With the explosion in the growth of home health care and the constant shortage of trained nurses, the Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College nursing department has experienced tremendous growth since its inception in 1973. Accredited by the National League for Nursing and the State Board of Nursing, the nursing program admits 64 applicants each year.

“We had to go to the limit because each year we have between 125 and 150 applications,” said Dr. Carol Morris, chair of the Health Science and Technology division.

The academic program within the nursing department is difficult and requires 70 credit hours to complete. General education courses comprise 34 hours and 36 hours are nursing courses.

In addition, the nursing program offers a degree for medical laboratory technicians and a one-year certificate for surgical technology.

With a curriculum of 20 different programs, the health science and technology division is comprised of 20 faculty members.

Along with the nursing program the division offers courses in automotive technology, aviation, computer engineering, construction technology, drafting and design engineering, electromechanical engineering, energy conservation technology and general technology.

Other academic programs within the division include industrial technology education, pre-allied health, machinist technology, medical laboratory, radiologic technology, refrigeration and air conditioning technology, welding and metal fabrication and woodworking.

One of the newer programs within the division is aviation which became accredited by the Federal Aviation Administration in 1990 as a pilot’s ground school.

“The school itself is not involved in flight training and there is a distinction between ground school, the academic side which prepares students to take the exam, and learning to fly the airplane,” said instructor Bob Anderson.

Another area which has undergone some change is drafting. The program has adopted Computer Aided Drafting (CAD).

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Curiosity abounds within science division

Offering students an opportunity to explore the ever-changing worlds of science and mathematics, the science and engineering division is comprised of seven separate programs taught by 16 faculty members.

Several graduates of the NEO science and engineering division have gone on to distinguishing careers. Former graduate Scott Shriver worked on the development of the Patriot missile used successfully in the Desert Storm War.

Another former student, Donald Prevett, works as an engineer with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Houston, Texas.

“The attitude we have at NEO is that we expect a great deal out of our students and we expect them to excel,” said John Lomax, head of the mathematics department.

“At the same time we know that as instructors we are here to help them excel in what they’re doing, not to impede their progress,” Lomax said.

Along with courses in mathematics the division also features programs in biological sciences, pre-professional sciences, chemistry, geology, physics and pre-engineering.

The biological science department offers courses that deal with animal and plant sciences as well as courses that meet the general education biological science requirements.

Such courses as biology, botany, microbiology, and zoology are all offered as laboratory sciences.

The division also offers programs in dental hygiene, mortuary science, pre-dentistry, physician’s associate, pre-medical, pre-optometry and pre-pharmacy.

Other laboratory sciences include chemistry and physics which offer students an opportunity to attain an associate of arts degree.

“‘To major in pre-engineering, a student should have an excellent background in math, physical science, and an aptitude for both,’” Lomax said.

Engineers are called upon to make decisions and to demonstrate a high degree of technical competence. Engineers are people who like to create, design and build.

A student with a broad mathematical training may look forward to a career as an applied mathematician, computer programmer, actuary, statistician, teacher of mathematics, or research analyst. Coursework within the science/engineering division is student oriented.
Darin Arnold (left), of Sand Springs, and James Baker, of Tulsa, work on a project in a chemistry lab.

Science/Engineering

Eric Lee, a freshman from Broken Arrow, studies a project during a physics lab.

Working hard on a med tech lab project are, from left, Stephanie Heltzel, sophomore, Miami; Bill Herford, sophomore, Overland Park, Kan., and Denise Tunc, sophomore, Miami.
Among the many activities offered on campus for the student body was a well-organized intramural program and eight intercollegiate sports.

These numerous activities allowed students an opportunity to either continue their athletic careers on an intercollegiate level, or to be an actual participant in an intramural sport.

All football games and track meets were held at Robertson Field. The east side of the stadium was considered the student section and a crowd of more than 3,000 was average for the four home football games.

Homa Thomas baseball facility was located just east of Robertson Field. The field featured a modern pressbox facility and seating capacity of approximately 200 bleacher seats.

Both men's and women's basketball, wrestling and aerobic classes were held in the New Gymnasium. The facility also featured an Olympic-size swimming pool, weight room and wrestling room.

Just east of the New Gym was the Lady Norse softball facility and intramural softball fields. The softball field featured approximately 200 bleacher seats.

Intramural sports were held in the old gym located on campus.

"I wouldn't have been able to go to college without athletics," said Cheryl Pouncil, a freshman from Grandview, Mo.
Freshman linebacker Charlie Clemons (48) assists the arrival of Kilgore, Texas running back Joey Missledine after he hurdles a would-be Norse tackler.

Members of the Golden Norse coaching staff were, bottom row, from left: Terry Moore, defensive coordinator; Tommy Kidwell, defensive ends; Max Watters, receivers, and Don Hendrix, assistant head coach. Standing are, Glen Wolfe, head coach; Kevin Grigsby, defensive tackles; Mike Loyd, offensive coordinator; and Travis Hill, defensive secondary.
Entering the 1990 campaign coach Glen Wolfe’s Golden Norse football team had been dubbed the Top Team of the Eighties by the C. Grid-Wire publication out of Santa Ana, Calif. Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College received 214 total points based on an elaborate scoring system while second place Coffeyville, Kan. was awarded 201 total points.

During the decade of the 80’s the Golden Norsemen compiled an impressive 86-13-2 overall record which meant the Norsemen won 65 percent of their game. The Norse won the coveted National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association National Championship in 1980 and 1986.

While entering the new decade ranked number three during the pre-season the Golden Norse fell victim to the nation’soughest junior college football schedule to finish the season ranked third nationally with in 8-2 record.

For only the third time during coach Wolfe’s 12-year tenure the Golden Norse did not participate in a post-season bowl game. “We felt like if we couldn’t play for the national championship in Tulsa, then there wasn’t much point in traveling 1,300 miles just to play in a bowl game,” said Wolfe.

When more than 180 prospects showed up on the first day of pre-season workouts in August, the quest for the elusive NJCAA national championship began.

Even though the prospective players agonized through three-a-day practice sessions and two pre-season scrimmages, more than 100 still remained when the Norsemen opened the season Sept. 2 in Fayetteville, Ark. against the University of Arkansas Junior Varsity.

Golden Norse 30, Arkansas JV 7

Scoring on four of their first six possessions of the first half, the Norsemen utilized most of the 72 players that made the trip. Veteran tailback LeShon Johnson scored the first touchdown of the decade after the Norse recovered a Shoate fumble at the Arkansas 18 yard line. Johnson scored on a 1-yard run. Wolfe electrified the sparse crowd with a dazzling 67-yard TD run on NEO’s next possession.

Freshman quarterback Scott Crabtree connected with freshman wide receiver Billy Williams on a 68-yard touchdown pass play the next series to give NEO a 20-0 cushion.

Another freshman, speedster Jerry Jerman, dashed 22 yards up the middle from the tailback spot to give NEO a 27-0 lead at halftime.

NEO’s lone score in the second half was a 35-yard field goal by freshman Mike Dawson.

Johnson rushed for 91 yards and Jerman added 53 as the Golden Norsemen gained 279 yards in total offense.

Golden Norse 41, Hutchinson 0

Opening the home portion of the schedule at Robertson Field, the Golden Norse racked up 530 yards in total offense while closing down the Blue Dragon offense.
Grand Rapids quarterback Lark Jones (80) is hauled down from behind by freshman defensive end Tim Foster (98).

Norse plummet in polls

“We had a couple of good individual performances, but football is a team sport, and we didn’t perform well as a team against Hutchinson,” said Wolfe.

An 82-yard run by Johnson put the Golden Norse on the scoreboard early with a 6-0 lead.
On Hutchinson’s next possession, freshman free safety Roberto O’Neal picked off an errant pass and raced 67 yards as the Golden Norse built a 12-0 lead.
Crabtree guided the Norsemen 51 yards in seven plays before connecting with flanker Chris Penn on a 25-yard touchdown pass as NEO’s lead swelled to 19-0 still in the first half.
A 17-yard run by Crabtree on NEO’s next possession gave the Norsemen a 27-0 cushion with less than two minutes until halftime.

An interception by Resh Woodson gave NEO another scoring chance before halftime. Crabtree hit Billy Williams on a 3-yard TD pass to give the Norse a 34-0 lead at half.
Freshman quarterback Todd Beasley connected with tight end Kevin Munson on a 25-yard TD pass to close out the scoring.
Johnson rushed for 94 yards on seven carries to lead the Norse offense.

Golden Norse 31, Ellsworth, Iowa 16
Second-ranked Northeastern A&M traveled to Iowa Falls, Iowa and handed fourth-ranked Ellsworth Community College a 31-16 loss.

With the victory and a 44-7 loss by top-ranked Navarro, Texas at Bakersfield, Calif., the Golden Norse climbed atop the weekly NJCAA poll.

Johnson started NEO’s scoring with a 2-yard run to cap a 76-yard drive to open the game.
Linebacker Brian Hamilton picked up a blocked punt and raced 37 yards for a TD before Crabtree hit Williams with a 35-yard touchdown pass to create a 21-0 lead.
During the second half the Norse received a 33-yard field goal by Mike Dawson and a 9-yard run by Johnson to close out the scoring.

Golden Norse 20, Navarro, Texas 15
Returning home for a big Family Day crowd the top ranked Golden Norse battled defending national champion Navarro to a 20-15 victory for their fourth straight win.

After neither team scored in the first half, NEO took the lead on a 3-yard run by Johnson early in the third quarter.

A 17-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Wendal Lowrey to flanker Gary Brown gave the Norse a 14-7 lead in the fourth quarter.
Sophomore cornerback Carlos Erving returned an intercepted pass 96 yards for the final Norse touchdown.

Once again Johnson led the Norse with 100 yards rushing on 16 carries.

Tyler, Texas 42, Golden Norse 26
Finding it almost impossible to win at Rose Stadium, the Golden Norse were knocked from atop the NJCAA standings by an explosive Apache offense.

The lead changed hands three times with the Norsemen grabbing a 26-21 lead early in the fourth quarter on a 54-yard pass from Crabtree to Williams. The pass play proved to be the final points the Norse would score on the night.
Tailback Lamar Smith drags Kilgore defensive tackle Rene Sandoval as linebackers Chris Jordan (33) and Randy Matthews (15) trail the play.

Coffeyville wide receiver Harvey Crowder (61) catches a touchdown pass as Golden Norse free safety Roberto O'Neal (28) gives chase.
Wide receiver Billy Williams does the "Icky Shuffle" and waits the glad-hand from teammate Tyrone Rogers (22) after scoring a touchdown against Kilgore, Texas.

Offensive coordinator and line coach Don Hendrix (right) diagrams a play during the Navarro, Texas game as lineman Gary Copas (58) and tight end Les Wardlow (81) watch.
“Our kids were fixed on their purpose all week and it showed in their play,” said assistant coach Don Hendrix.

Golden Norse 55, Grand Rapids, Mich. 3
Rebounding from their first loss of the season the Golden Norse treated a large homecoming crowd at Robertson Field to a 55-3 over the Grand Rapids Raiders.

Freshman tailback Lamar Smith made his debut in replace of injured Leshon Johnson and gained 147 yards on 12 carries and scored on an 8-yard run.

Reserve tailbacks Jerry Jerman and Eric Young also added touchdown runs as the Golden Norse generated 446 yards in total offense. Fullback Herbert Mingo scored on a 2-yard run.

Veteran linebacker Tyrone Carrington scored for the Norse on a 20-yard return of a blocked punt.

Another spectacular play occurred on the final play of the game. Freshman cornerback Chris Cannon stepped in front of a Raider pass and rambled 100 yards on an interception return.

Golden Norse 38, Georgia Junior Varsity 0
Climbing back to the second position in the NJCAA polls the Golden Norsemen traveled to Athens, Ga. and returned with a 38-0 shutout over the University of Georgia Junior Varsity.

Lamar Smith led the offensive onslaught by the Norsemen with 173 yards rushing and three touchdowns. Smith scored on runs of 3, 1 and 93 yards as the Golden Norse offense exploded for 357 yards on the ground.

Sophomore wide receiver Timmy Lewis scored on an 8-yard reverse and freshman cornerback Johnathon Hitchcock intercepted a pass and returned it 40 yards for a TD.

The game was played on an astroturf practice field with a continuous clock. NCAA regulations would not allow the game to be played on the natural surface of Neyland Stadium 24 hours before a varsity game so the contest was moved to the practice field.

Golden Norse 31, Kilgore, Texas 14
After trailing at halftime, the Golden Norse tallied 17 points in the third quarter on the way to a 31-14 victory over the Kilgore Rangers in the final home game of the season.

Crabtree put the Norse ahead early with a 28-yard TD pass to Jerry Jerman in the first quarter.

Two short runs by Kilgore fullback Joey Misseldine carried the Rangers to a 14-7 lead at halftime.

Lamar Smith started the Norse barrage with a 40-yard TD run. Mike Dawson kicked a 25-yard field goal and Crabtree hit Williams on a 10-yard touchdown pass to give NEO a 24-14 lead going into the fourth quarter.

Freshman Eric Young scored the final Norse touchdown on a 1-yard run late in the fourth quarter.
All-American linebacker Tyrone Carrington (47) and sophomore Tim Sefcik (50) combine to bring down Grand Rapids, Mich., tailback Rod Hudson for a loss behind the line of scrimmage.

Freshman tailback Lamar Smith (25) eludes one tackle as Kilgore, Texas, linebackers Jimmy Chism and Randy Matthews close in.
Veteran tailback Lamar Smith goes up and over for a touchdown as Kilgore cornerback Julian Richard tries to stop the play.

Veteran defensive tackle Brian Best tries to hog-tie Coffeyville fullback Farris Strambler on a run up the middle.

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Close, but no cigar!

“This game was always an exciting, thrilling game to watch, and this year was no different,” said Golden Norse head coach Glen Wolfe.

Coffeyville 44, Golden Norse 37
With all the pomp and circumstance of a post-season bowl game the number one ranked Coffeyville Community College Red Ravens squared off against the third-ranked Golden Norsemen in Border Battle II at Union Tuttle Stadium in Tulsa.

Playing before an estimated crowd of 8,534 on a near-perfect Sunday afternoon, the top-ranked Red Ravens had successfully defended their lofty position with a 44-37 victory.

After feeling each other out on the first possession the Red Ravens scored on a 23-yard TD pass.

An on-sides kick netted the Ravens the ball on the next play. They drove 46 yards in seven plays for a 13-0 lead.

Much to the dismay of onlookers the Golden Norse defense gave up a 36-yard field goal to trail 17-0 at the end of the first quarter.

NEO finally broke the ice on a 3-yard field goal by Mike Dawson.

After Coffeyville received a 31-yard field goal and a 47-yard TD pass to build a 27-3 bulge, the Norse received a 46-yard pass from Crabtree to Williams to trail 27-10 at half.

Coffeyville added to the lead on a 7-yard run early in the third quarter.

Runs of 15 yards by Crabtree and 4 yards by Johnson along with an 11-yard TD pass from Crabtree to Williams rallied the Norse to a 36-30 deficit entering the fourth quarter.

Both teams scored early in the fourth quarter and the Golden Norse missed a scoring chance as Crabtree was sacked at the Coffeyville 26-yard line as the final gun sounded to end the game.

Golden Norse 43, Iowa Central 0
With no bowl invitations in hand the Golden Norse traveled to Fort Dodge, Iowa and totally dominated Iowa Central Community College 43-0 to spoil Parent’s Day for the Tritons.

The Golden Norse offense amassed more than 500 yards in total offense as all 52 players on the travel squad played in the game.

Veteran Tyrone Rogers led the Golden Norse ground game with 73 yards on eight carries and one TD. Lamar Smith added 62 yards on six carries with one TD while Johnson rushed for 45 yards on five carries and one touchdown.

Crabtree, offensive tackle Jeff Morrow and Carrington were nominated as All-American candidates.
Golden Norse forwards Jodie Huffman (40) and Scoop Williams (45) converge on Northern guard Quincy Dockins (10) as he drives towards the basket.

Veteran forward Jeff Malham (34) tries to stop the dribble of Northern guard Dusty Torrey during a 72-70 victory by the Golden Norsemen.
Men cagers battle youth at the start of the year

Inexperience was a key factor as coach Larry Gipson’s Golden Norsemen opened the 1990-91 basketball season without one returning starter.

Although the 14-man roster featured six sophomores, none of those second-year players saw much playing time as freshmen.

During the 1989-90 campaign the Norsemen finished with an 18-14 overall record while finishing third in the Eastern Division of the Bi-State Conference.

Under Gipson’s guidance over eight years the Norsemen have compiled a 199-82 record while becoming the first Oklahoma junior college to win a basketball national championship in 1988.

Midway through the 1990-91 campaign the Golden Norse had compiled a 9-5 record.

Perhaps the most entertaining games of the year was a 119-117 loss to Seminole Junior College in Miami on Nov. 21. The game took three overtime periods to complete and set a new school record for the most points allowed by a Golden Norse team.

The Norsemen began play in the Eastern Division of the Bi-State Conference late in January and would conclude the regular season Feb. 25 against defending national champion Connors State in Miami.

“I knew we had a talented basketball team,” said Gipson from the outset. “But I also knew going into the start of the year that we were very inexperienced.

“It was going to take some time for us to mature and come together as a team. That was quite evident through the first part of the schedule because we lost some games that if we had been more experienced, we would have won,” Gipson said.

Perhaps the most inexperienced position the Golden Norse had was at guard where four freshmen shared playing time.

Sharing time in the backcourt for the Golden Norse were freshmen Sam Brown, Archie Fuller, Kevin Joshua and Millard House.

Brown (5-10 from Three Rivers, Mich.) was averaging 10.5 points with 64 assists and 23 steals through the first half.

Fuller (6-0 from Anderson, Ind.) was scoring 9.6 points per game with 59 assists and 22 steals.

Joshua (6-0 from Idabel) was averaging 7.5 points with 17 assists and nine steals.

House (5-10 from Tulsa) was dubbed “Chopper” by his teammates and averaged 3.2 points with 11 assists and five steals.

While the guards were laddened with freshmen talent, the Golden Norse had a mixture at the forward spots.

Sophomores Jodie Huffman, Tony Graves and Jeff Malham along with freshmen Anthony Williams, Marc White, Roy Roberts and Robert Hayes saw considerable playing time at the forward positions.

Huffman (6-5 from Broken Arrow) played in 18 games as a freshman before becoming a starter as a sophomore. Huffman averaged 5.9 points and 3.9 rebounds through the first half of the season.
Come on strong at end

"We were pretty inconsistent during the first half which was characteristic of a young team," said coach Larry Gipson.

Also returning at forward for the Golden Norse was veteran Tony Graves (6-8 from Joliet, Ill.). After averaging 4.3 points and 2.7 rebounds in 19 games as a freshman, Graves was averaging 6.6 points 4.4 rebounds through the first half of this year.

Joining the Golden Norse at the start of the season after spending a year at Kansas State University was sophomore Jeff Malham (6-7 from Broken Arrow, Okla.) who was averaging 10 points and 3.7 rebounds at the midway point.

Freshman Anthony "Scoop" Williams made an immediate impact on the Norsemen in his first season. Williams led the team in three cattagories. While averaging 13.7 points, Williams had also averaged 7.6 rebounds with 11 blocked shots.

Another freshman, Marc White (6-3 from Battle Creek, Mich.), contributed 5.9 points and 3.9 rebounds per game in his first year at NEO.

First-year player Roy Roberts (6-6 from Texarkana, Ark.) averaged 3.2 points and 1.2 rebounds during the first half.

Freshman Robert Hayes (6-5 from Thomasville, Ga.) played in three games at forward during the first half.

Sophomores LaMarr Williams and Grayam Scott along with freshman Roland Ohlenschlager anchored the post position for the Norsemen.

Williams (6-10 from Middletown, Ohio) played in 13 games as a freshman while scoring 16 points and grabbing 14 rebounds. Midway through his sophomore season Williams was averaging 3.7 points and 3.1 rebounds per game.

Scott (6-9 from Romulus, Mich.) played in eight games as a freshman while scoring eight points and grabbing seven rebounds. Through the first 14 games as a sophomore, Scott was averaging 3.2 points and 3.9 rebounds per game with eight blocked shots.

Ohlenschlager, a 7-foot player from Voorhout, Holland, played in three games during the first half of the season.

"With a team as young as this one, as a coach you never knew which team was going to show up to play from game to game," Gipson said.

"You either got one that was confident and ready to play when they took the floor, or one that was inconsistent and made a lot of mistakes and didn't execute the things we were trying to teach them."

"But as time went along you could see them growing together as a unit and playing better as a team. In many respects they were ready to start conference play because of their maturity," said Gipson.

Veteran center Grayam Scott (35) puts a shot up over the outstretched arms of Northern's Rayford Mahone.

Freshman forward Roy Roberts (24) attempts to stop the drive of Northern's Todd Dobson (15) during a 72-70 victory for the Golden Norse.
Butler County's Marcus Thomas (21) puts up a shot underneath the basket as NEO's Jeff Malham (34), Tony Graves and Scoop Williams (45) try to prevent the shot.

Members of the Golden Norse squad were, kneeling, from left: Marc White, Robert Hayes, Roy Roberts, Millard House (seated), Kevin Joshua, Sam Brown and Archie Fuller. Standing, Tony Graves, Grayann Scott, Roland Ohlenschlager, LaMarr Williams, Jeff Malham, Scoop Williams and Jodie Huffman.
Looking to score, sophomore forward Tammy Williams (32) drives past Apples Waddell of Allen County, Kan., during a 72-48 victory by the Lady Norse.

Veteran forward Martia McWhorter (55) fights through a crowd of Panola, Texas players to score a basket as the Lady Norse gained an 80-72 victory.
Ladies attain perfection

Living up to their pre-season hype, coach Randy Gipson’s Lady Norse concluded the first half of the schedule with a perfect 13-0 record and ranked number two in the nation by the National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association.

During Randy Gipson’s brief three-year tenure as Lady Norse head coach the squad has won two Bi-State Conference Eastern Division championships and were ticketed during pre-season to win a third. The Lady Norse have compiled a 71-8 overall record under Gipson.

“We were returning a nucleus of players that were an integral part of our success the year before,” said Gipson. “But our sophomores were able to step in and provide quality leadership through the first part of the season.”

While being ranked second in the NJCAA the Lady Norse also ranked fourth in overall team defense. The tenacious Lady Norse were allowing an average of 51.3 points per game through the first half of the season.

Six sophomores provided the foundation for the Lady Norse to build from. Returning at guards were veterans Diane Pimpton and Debbie Carson.

Pimpton (5-5 from Webb, Miss.) averaged 6.6 points in 30 games as a freshman. As a starter in the Lady Norse backcourt Pimpton was averaging 9.4 points with 47 assists and 30 steals as a sophomore.

Carson (5-7 from Ponca City) played in 23 games as a freshman with a 2.3 scoring average. Through the first half as a sophomore Carson was averaging 10.2 points with 42 assists and 22 steals.

Freshman Sunnye Looney (5-3 from Adair) was averaging 4.8 points with 39 assists and 18 steals at point guard.

Returning at the forward spots were sophomores Andrea Smythe and Martia McWhorter along with transfer Tammy Williams and freshmen Jami Maxwell and Tonya Roberson.

Smythe (5-9 from Cincinnati, Ohio) played in all 31 games at guard as a freshman. Smythe averaged 6.7 points and 7.1 rebounds her first year. Smythe led the Lady Norse with a 7.2 rebounding average through the first half while averaging 7.6 points and making 11 blocked shots.

McWhorter (6-0 from Springfield, Ohio) saw action in 22 games as a freshman. McWhorter averaged 7.5 points and 4.8 rebounds the first year. Through the first half as a freshman McWhorter was grabbing 6.1 rebounds per game while scoring an average of 2.8 points.

Williams (5-6 from Lima, Ohio) joined the Lady Norse after playing one year at Western Texas Junior College in Snyder. Williams was averaging 5.8 points and 5.1 rebounds at break.
“We showed stretches during the first part of the season of playing sound basketball, which was where we wanted to be,” said coach Randy Gipson.

Also providing depth at the forward positions for the Lady Norse were freshmen Jamie Maxwell (5-9 from Miami) and Tonya Robertson (5-8 from Owasso). Maxwell averaged two points and two rebounds coming off the bench. Robertson was sidelined the first half of the season with a broken arm suffered just before the start of the regular schedule.


Booker (6-1 from Hamilton, Ohio) led the Lady Norse with a 12.3 scoring average as a freshman. Booker also collected 6.4 rebounds per game with 25 blocked shots. Through the first 13 games as a sophomore Booker led the Lady Norse with a 12.9 scoring mark while collecting 6.4 rebounds per game.

Harper (5-11 from Cincinnati, Ohio) was averaging 11.6 points and 6.5 rebounds per game while playing both forward and center. Grimes (6-2 from Memphis, Tenn.) was scoring 6.6 points per game while collecting 4.2 rebounds.

“During the first half we were able to combine good offense with good defense a little more than I expected us to,” Gipson said.

“Our team defense was very sound. Our freshmen became intergrated into our team defense more quickly than I thought they would be. They picked up on it from the outset and our sophomores did a good job of bringing them along.”

The Lady Norse had won 34 straight games on their home court going into the month-long Christmas break. The school record of 35 consecutive home victories was set from 1984 to 1986.

With nine games scheduled at home during the second half, the Lady Norse had an opportunity to extend the streak. Coach Gipson remained undefeated at home during his coaching tenure with a 29-0 mark.

“We seemed to really get into our game when we were at home. The fact that as the season went on our hometown crowd grew larger and larger seemed to provide us with incentive,” Gipson said.

“One of the main factors involved in our success was our ability to maintain a consistent, balanced attack. At the same time we were able to minimize our turnovers and not create scoring chances for the other team.”

“Our offensive rebounding gave us more shot opportunities which, in turn, helped us get through some games where we were shooting cold from the field. At the same time we held our opponents to fewer shots” said Gipson.

Sophomore forward Andrea Smythe slides a pass inside past an Eastern defender.

Veteran guard Diane Pimpton (15) looks for an open player as Johnson County’s Heather Goertz defends.
Veteran center Anissa Booker (54) puts up a shot over the outstretched arm of Allen County's Althea Simpson (32) as teammate Mona Scantlin watches.

Members of the Lady Norse basketball squad were, kneeling, from left: Debbie Carson, Diane Pimpton, Tammy Williams, Jami Maxwell and Sheryl Moffatt, manager. Standing, Debbie Hedgepeth, trainer, Andrea Smythe, Martia McWhoer, Karen Grimes, Anissa Booker, Loyre Harper and Dawn Rinkler, manager.
Freshman Bruce White struggles to break the hold of Eric Nash from Southwest Missouri State during the Norsemen Open tournament.

Working on gaining a fall by pin, freshman Everette Harris works to get the shoulders of John Weber, from Garden City, Kan., on the mat during a 142-pound match.
Despite falling victim to an illegal move by Labette’s Matt Roark, freshman Danny Brown recovered to gain a 5-1 victory in a 142-weight match.

Freshmen teammates Jimmy Foster (left) and Dirk Lee grapple with each other during a 118-pound match in the Norseman Open.

Wrestlers reach pinnacle

During the first two months of the wrestling schedule, coach Alan Lauchner’s Golden Norsemen won four dual matches while retaining the number one ranking by the National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association.

Starting the season with two returning All-Americans, the Norsemen had 12 of 24 wrestlers placed in the Labette, Kan. Takedown Tournament. Five wrestlers finished first in the tournament.

Providing the nucleus for the Golden Norse squad were sophomore All-Americans Robert Washington and Clint Gruenwald. Washington, from Moore, competed in the 190-weight class, while Gruenwald, from Sperry, wrestled in the heavyweight division.

Traveling to Lincoln, Ill. to face the defending national champions in the first dual match of the season the Golden Norse pulled off a 19-16 upset. Decisions by freshman Trucker Waller at 177 and both Washington and Gruenwald rallied the Norse from a 16-9 deficit.

Remaining in Lincoln the next night, the Norsemen rolled to a 31-17 victory over Waukon, Ill. in a dual match. Wins by freshmen Dwayne Hammer at 167, Waller, Washington and Gruenwald carried the Norse past Waukon.

Even though the Norse won against Waukon, they lost the services of freshman Eddie Thompson at 126. Thompson suffered a knee injury and was lost for the season.

Visiting St. Louis, Mo. the Golden Norse had eight wrestlers place in the St. Louis Open at Meramec Community College. Waller and Washington both captured first place honors at St. Louis.

The Waller-Washington duo were the only Norsemen to place at the University of Oklahoma Open tournament over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Traveling to Parsons, Kan. the Golden Norsemen improved to 3-0 in dual competition with a 28-9 victory over Labette Community College. The win marked the first time in nine years the Norse have won at Parsons.

Remaining on the road the Golden Norse visited Blackwell to face Garden City, Kan. on a neutral site. The Norsemen cruised to a 22-13 victory in the dual with the Broncbusters.

Winning the first three matches, the Golden Norsemen cruised to a 47-3 rout at Dodge City, Kan. to improve to 4-0 in dual competition.

Closing out the fall semester the Norse had five wrestlers place at Fort Hayes, Kan. Wrestling against four-year universities the Norsemen had freshmen Chris Frances, of Sand Springs, place second at 177, Mike Keim, of Owasso, third at 126, Danny Brown, of Mustang, fifth at 142. Waller third at 177 and Washington third at 190.
Freshman Leon Tullis (left) struggles to get the upper hand after the face off with Jeremy Manning of Garden City, Kan. during a 150-pound match.

Freshman Eddie Thompson (top) gets a front face lock on teammate Chris Jack during an 118-pound match in the NEO Open tournament.

“Some of us were riding on a high coming back from Christmas break. We had been ranked number one for two months and we thought we were unbeatable,” said coach Alan Lauchner.

Returning to action Jan. 4, the Golden Norsemen hosted wrestlers from 10 junior colleges and universities in the eighth-annual Norseman Open. The Norse had two individual winners among seven placers during the two-day tournament.

Freshman Ronnie Ladon, of Marlow, defeated teammate Jimmy Foster, of Broken Arrow, to win the 118-pound division.

Trucker Waller continued to improve by pinning Troy Rall, of Colby, Kan., to win the 177-pound championship.

Remaining at home the Golden Norsemen sustained their first loss in dual competition by dropping a 26-12 verdict to Lincoln, Ill. The Norse competed without the services of five regular starters.

After traveling to Colby, Kan. to compete in the two-day Colby Open, the Golden Norse visited Garden City, Kan., for two days of dual meets.

Road trips to Belleville, Ill. and St. Louis, Mo. faced the Golden Norse during January.

The abbreviated home schedule concluded with the Norsemen hosting Labette and Ellsworth, Iowa in dual matches the final two days during January.

After competing in the Cowboy Classic at Stillwater, the Golden Norse returned to Garden City, Kan. to participate in the regional tournament.

Competition in the National Collegiate Athletic Association National Championship began a two-day run Feb. 18 in Bismarck, N.D.

Along with Washington and Gruenwald as returning sophomores, Lauchner had the services of Danny Brown from Mustang, wrestling in the 142-weight class.

Freshmen competing at 118 were Foster, Danny Breeden, Nolan Castex, Ronnie Ladon, Dirk Lee, Brent Skocdopole and Eddie Thompson.

Joining Keim at 126 was Ben Loggains while Pat Cinnamon, Jerry Young and Bruce White wrestled at 134.

Wrestling at 142 along with Brown was Everett Harris with Brian Branch, Mike Smith and Leon Tullis competing at 150.

Freshman P.J. Hamilton wrestled at 158 while Dewayne Hammer competed at 167.
All-American Robert Washington tries to flip Ryan Valentine of Phoenix, Ariz., over on his shoulders in a 190-weight match.

Members of the Golden Norse wrestling squad were, seated, from left, Ben Loggains, Danny Breeden, Bruce White, Jimmy Foster and Ronnie Ladon. Second row, P.J. Hamilton, Danny Brown, Leon Tallis, Dirk Lee, Mike Keim and Mike Smith. Top row, Chris Francis, Robert Washington, Trucker Waller, Evette Harris, Brian Branch, Mike Collins and Sam Mack.
Taking a break in the outfield for the Golden Norse are, from left; Jon Graham, Hector Hernandez, Kevin Ryan, Lance Schroyer and Eric Ingels.

Bobby Buzzard stretches to take a wide throw at first base.
Sophomore Todd Guidry, of Lafayette, La., reacts to a throw from third base to first.

Joe Gilleland, of Rose State, scrambles back into first as Golden Norse first baseman Kevin Holt, of Enid, scrambles for the loose ball.

Baseball begins new era

First year head coach Rick Ritschel began the 1991 campaign with a nucleus of 10 sophomores on a roster of 27 players, but none of those veterans were full-time starters as freshmen.

Under the direction of current athletic coordinator Bill Mayberry the Golden Norsemen finished the 1990 season with a 31-24 overall record. Mayberry stepped down as head coach after compiling a 186-97 overall record in four years.

Ritschel joined the Golden Norse in July after serving several years as assistant head coach at Westark Community College.

"We didn't have one or two star pitchers that could carry a team, but we did have many that would help each other," said Ritschel.

"Each pitcher had their own strengths and we threw them against teams that they would be most effective against," Ritschel said.

Returning to handle the mound duties for the Golden Norse were sophomores Joe Junonville and Chris Ebbs.

Junonville, a righthander from New Iberia, La., worked in nine games as a reliever as a freshman and earned two saves. Junonville batted .315 in 44 games at third base.

Ebbs, a righthander from Shawnee Mission, Kan., joined the golden Norse after playing one year at Highland, Kan. Junior College.

Freshmen candidates for the mound staff were Jon Graham, Des Moines, Iowa; Hector Hernandez, Carolina, P.R.; Eric Ingels, Tulsa; Dale Karnes, Baxter Springs, Kan.; Kevin Ryan, Broken Arrow, and Lance Schroyer, Moore.

Sophomore Andy Nelson, from Largo, Fla., returned at first base and was joined by freshmen Kevin Holt, Enid, and Bobby Buzard of Miami.

"Kevin gave us a good left-handed hitter while Andy and Bobby provided us with good depth at first base," said Ritschel.

"At second and shortstop we were loaded enough that we could interchange a lot of people without losing anything," Ritschel said.

Sophomores Mitch Randall and Jim Smittle along with freshmen Jose Gonzalezas and Toby Landry filled the bill at the middle infield positions.

Randall, from Broken Arrow, hit .304 in 35 games as a freshman. He collected 28 hits and 21 runs batted in.

Smittle, from Tulsa, transferred to NEO after playing one year at the University of Southeast Louisiana.

Gonzalezas, from Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, backed up Randall at second base while Landry, from Lafayette, La., played behind Smittle at shortstop.

"All four of these guys could play either position and contributed a lot to the team," Ritschel said.
Freshman Kevin Ryan, of Jenks, takes some warmup pitches during a practice session at Homer Thomas Field.

Righthander Lance Schroyer, a freshman from Moore, goes into his motion while holding a runner on base during a practice session.

Blends veterans with youth

"We were a little thin at third base because Jumonville was also pitching a lot for us," said coach Rick Ritschel.

Joining Jumonville at the "hot corner" was sophomore Todd Guidry of Lafayette, La. Guidry played in 45 games as a freshman and batted .314 in 105 plate appearances. Guidry collected 33 hits and 8 RBI while stealing 8 bases.

Providing support behind the plate were sophomores Greg Rinehart, Jeff Davis, Shawn Cook and freshman Clint Allford.

Rinehart, of Jenks, hit .388 in 27 games as a freshman with 26 hits and 15 RBI.

Davis, from Mannford, transferred to NEO from Texarkana, Ark. Junior College while Cook, of Quapaw, saw little action as a freshman.

Allford, from McAlester, provided depth at catcher.

"We used four guys at catcher to keep a fresh guy behind the plate and to provide a lot of support at that position," Ritschel said.

Returning to the Golden Norseman's outfield was veteran Joey Bonadio, of Connelsville, Pa. As a freshman Bonadio hit .302 in 22 games with 13 hits and 4 RBI. Bonadio also stole 7 bases.

Anchoring the other two outfield positions were freshmen David Flick, Tulsa; Lance Hansen, Shattuck; Christian Puls, Ponders, N.Y.; Julio Velasquez, Newark, N.J.; and Bryon Woods, Lake Charles, La.

"These guys gave us a lot of flexibility because we could play certain guys against certain kinds of pitching and not lose anything in terms of ability," said Ritschel.

"Overall, we were a very solid baseball team because our strong points were our pitching and defense."

The Golden Norsemen opened the 60-game schedule at home on Feb. 23 with a doubleheader against Rose State Junior College at Homer Thomas Field.

Weather permitting the Norsemen were scheduled to play 32 games at home including eight nine-inning single games.

"Our schedule was very demanding because it included an eight-game trip to Texas over spring break against some very tough competition," Ritschel said.

The Golden Norsemen opened play in the Eastern Division of the Bi-State Conference April 2 at Fort Smith, Ark., against Westark.
Golden Norse first baseman Dale Karnes, of Baxter Springs, Kan., holds base runner Lambert Johnson of Rose State on during a pre-season scrimmage.

Veteran All-American righthander Sheree Rader delivers a pitch during a pre-season scrimmage on the NEO softball diamond.

All-American shortstop Katrina Marshall scoops up a hot shot and prepares to launch a throw to first base to get the runner.
Veterans bolster softball

Starting the season with nine veterans, coach Woody Morrow's Lady Norse softball squad had the nucleus to a make return trip to the National Junior College Athletic Association national tournament in Hutchinson, Kan.

During the 1990 season the Lady Norse made the long climb to the national tournament. After playing four games in a 10 1/2-hour span, the Lady Norse saw their title hopes dashed with a 10-1 loss to Central Arizona in the championship game.

Six members of the Lady Norse squad earned All-American honors including two members of this year's team. Shortstop Katrina Marshall and pitcher Sherree Rader were selected along with Rene Cline, Carol Dawson, Diane Vives and Shelbie Dalton.

Last season proved to be a record-shattering year for Morrow's squad as the Lady Norse finished with a 55-8 overall record which was a new school standard. The Lady Norse posted a 34-6 record against junior college competition which was also a school record.

While winning the Region II title with victories over Bacone and Connors, the Lady Norse won their third Region II title in the last five years. The Lady Norse defeated Ranger, Texas to win the District D title.

With a solid nucleus of nine sophomores, Morrow began the season with a 15-member squad.

Transfer Laura Edwards, from Tuttle, was expected to share duties at first base with sophomore Amy Jo Arnold of Collinsville. Edwards attended the University of Kansas as a freshman while Arnold saw limited action as a freshman with the Lady Norse.

"Even though Laura hadn't played first base, she had great range and a sure glove," Morrow said.

Freshman Lynda Thomas, from Tuttle, started at second base for the Lady Norse. "Lynda had great range and the uncanny ability to come in and cover the bunt," said Morrow.


"Not only did Katrina give us valuable experience as a returning All-American, but she also had one of our team leaders both on and off the field," Morrow said.

"Katrina had great range at short and a solid glove. Not only were her fielding skills solid, but she also had an excellent arm and was solid at the plate."

Veteran Marcie Boyd, of Sand Springs, started at third base for the Lady Norse. Boyd also saw considerable action as a relief pitcher. As a freshman Boyd posted a 5-1 record in relief with a 0.75 earned run average.

Freshman Kristal White, from Pryor, split duties between designated hitter and catcher.
“Even though we weren’t the power-hitting team we were last year, we could still put some runs on the board,” said coach Woody Morrow.

Three sophomores returned in the outfield for the Lady Norse including two starters.

“Perhaps our biggest asset was our overall team defense. We were real solid up the middle and our play at the corners and in the outfield was consistent,” said Morrow.

Playing under a limit of 60 games imposed by the National Junior College Athletic Association, the Lady Norse opened the season at home March 11 against Bacon.

After playing five straight double-headers at home, the Lady Norse traveled to Texas over spring break to participate in a tournament at the University of Houston.

Returning in the left field position was veteran Dee Dee Thomas of Salina. Last year Thomas hit .392 with 14 doubles and 32 stolen bases.

Anchoring the right field spot was veteran Carey Ward of Edmond. As a freshman Ward hit .368 with 11 doubles and 12 stolen bases.

Sophomore Brandi Rogers of Mannford returned to the Lady Norse outfield after receiving a medical red shirt last year.

Freshmen expected to see considerable playing time in the Lady Norse outfield were Keah McCutchin, from Owasso, Natasha Fluke, from Miami, and Janet Nelson, of Edmond.
Kathy Chinn (opposite page), a transfer from Crowder College, delivers a pitch during an intra-squad scrimmage.

Sophomore Dee Dee Thomas slides home safe ahead of the tag in a scrimmage during the fall.

Third baseman Marie Boyd reaches to tag an incoming Crowder base runner during a scrimmage in the fall.

Members of the Lady Norse softball team are, kneeling from right: Keah McCutchen, Lynda Thomas, Shereen Rader, Brandi Rogers and Janet Nelson. Standing are: Kathy Chinn, Katrina Marshall, Marie Boyd, Kristal White, Nikki Stafford, Carey Ward, Natasha Fluke, Dee Dee Thomas, Laura Edwards and Tracy Burns, trainer. Not pictured is Amy Arnold.
Leaning into a barrel, sophomore Julie Hale of Vinita, puts herself and her horse through the paces during an NIRA sanctioned rodeo.

Officers of the rodeo team are, from left: Eric Lucus, president; Jimmy Ted King, vice president; Julie Hale, secretary; Lisa Ackerson, treasurer, and Jenny Russo, student body government representative.

Sophomore Jimmy Ted King (far right), of Wann, leaves his horse in an attempt to bulldog a steer.
Ropers abound in rodeo

Even though the rodeo season didn't get under a full head of steam until March, coach Lawson Essex's teams got to compete in three intercollegiate rodeos during the fall semester.

Being a member of the college rodeo team can be quite an expensive proposition for a student.

While the college had a limited amount of competitive stock and a rodeo grounds for practice sessions, the collegiate rodeo participant often provided his or her own horse, horse trailer, truck to haul the horse and trailer, tack, saddle, ropes and various other pieces of equipment.

"You could spend several hundred dollars without really trying. But the costs really weren't that bad if you remembered that you were going to several contests every year," said Julie Hale, a sophomore from Vinita.

Four sophomores were among the 12 members of the 1991 rodeo team which competed in seven rodeos during the spring semester.

"According to National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association rules, we were allowed to compete in 10 college rodeos during a full school year," said Essex.

The team opened the season Sept. 21 at Pratt Community College in Pratt, Kan.

Traveling to Tishomingo on Oct. 19, the Golden Norse rodeo team participated in the three-day affair sponsored by Murray State College.

The team closed out the fall portion of the schedule by traveling to Alva on Nov. 8 and participated in the Northwestern State University NIRA sanctioned rodeo.

After a three-month break, the team resumed circuit travel March 22-24 by competing in the Fort Scott Community College rodeo in Fort Scott, Kan.

Traveling to Manhattan, Kan., March 29-31, the squad participated in the three-day Kansas State NIRA rodeo.

The team competed in the Southwestern Oklahoma State University NIRA rodeo April 4-6 in Weatherford.

Remaining on the road April 12-14, the team traveled to Guymon to compete in the three-day NIRA rodeo sponsored by Panhandle State University.

The squad traveled to Garden City, Kan., April 19-21, to participate in the three-day Garden City Community College NIRA rodeo.

Another trip to the state of Kansas, April 26-28, carried the team to Hayes for the three-day Fort Hayes State University NIRA rodeo.

Closing out the regular portion of the schedule the team traveled to Dodge City, Kan., May 2-4, and competed in the three-day Dodge City Community College NIRA rodeo.

Teams members that qualified had an opportunity to participate in the College National Finals Rodeo in June in Bozeman, Mont.

"What was so challenging about our schedule was that we had to compete against people from four-year schools too."
"We lost quite a bit of experience from last year's team," said Essex.

Heading the list of returning sophomores was Jimmy Ted King of Wann. King competed as a rough stock rider and in the steer wrestling event.

Veteran Gannon Quimby, of Drumright, returned to compete in team roping and calf roping.

Sophomores Julie Hale, of Vinita, and Karleen Dobler, of Seneca, Mo., each competed in goat tying, barrel racing, and break-away roping.

Freshmen women members of the team were Katie Carleson, Pryor and Lisa Ackerson, Standford, Ill. Both participated in barrel racing, break-away roping and goat tying.

Male freshmen members of the team and their events were, Travis Compton, Kingfisher, team roping; Matt Roberts, Okemah, team roping; Eric Lucus, Bluejacket, team roping and calf roping.

Other freshmen members included Clark McGuire, Eufaula, steer wrestling and calf roping; Chucky Lawley, Sapulpa, calf roping, and Justin Nowlin, Vinita, team roping.

Each rodeo three women and six men were selected to represent the college in the contest. Individuals could compete in the NIRA sanctioned rodeos as individuals if they were not selected as team members.

The NIRA was founded in 1949 and began with 13 colleges as members. The organization has grown to include more than 200 colleges and universities around the country and a membership of more than 3,000 student athletes.

During the College National Finals Rodeo in Bozeman, Mont., more than 1,500 athletes will participate.
Securing his rope to the saddle horn, freshman Eric Lucas of Bluejacket performs during a team roping event.

Members of the college rodeo team are, bottom row, from left: Jimmy Ted King, Wann; Travis Compton, Kingfisher; Clark McGuire, Eufaula; Eric Lucas, Bluejacket; Sharron Thomas, Wann; Julie Hale, Vinita and Jenny Russo, Sand Springs. Top row, Justin Nowlin, Vinita; Matt Roberts, Okmulgee; Gannon Quinby, Drumright; Lisa Ackerson, Stanford, Ill.; Karlene Dobler, Seneca, Mo.; and Chucky Lawley, Sapulpa.
Sophomores Ryan Craig and Brian Talley, both of Tulsa, work on their approach to the green during a practice session at the Miami Golf and Country Club.

Freshman Adam Hunt, of Copan, lofts a shot out of the rough in an approach to the 18th green at the Miami Golf and Country Club.
Blasting out of a sand trap in the Crossroads Invitational in Joplin, Mo., is freshman Jud Hagler of Mount Vernon, Mo.

Walking up the fairway of the 18th hole at the Miami Golf and Country Club are freshmen Charles Fite, Locust Grove, and Terry Smith of Picher.

Golf team features youth

After winning the Region II golf championship in only their second full season of intercollegiate competition, coach Bob Paul's Golden Norse golf squad started the spring season with only two returning starters.

While most sports have a designated 'season', golf is a sport that can be played year-round. Members of the Golden Norse golf team had the added advantage of being able to practice and play on the beautiful links of the Miami Golf and Country Club.

Last season playing in a steady rain at Ben Geren Golf Course in Fort Smith, Ark., the Golden Norse recorded a 313 team score to soar past defending region champion Westark Community College by 44 total strokes. NEO's David Jones captured regional medalist honors with a two-under par 74. Richie Lillard and Brian Talley both shot rounds of 79 while Bruce Laing turned in an 81. James Fowler shot an 83 as the fifth member of the team.

Traveling to Scottsdale, Ariz. in June the Golden Norse finished 17th in the three-day National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association National Tournament.

"We should be competitive again this year because of the experience Bruce and Brian give to our team," said Paul. "We didn't have many fall matches, but the guys worked hard getting ready for spring."

The Golden Norse defeated Missouri Southern State College by one stroke at Joplin's Twin Hills Golf and Country Club.

Freshman Jud Hagler of Mount Vernon, Mo., finished second individually with a 73. Another freshman, James Fowler, of Cushing, carded a 77. Talley, from Tulsa, shot an 81 while Laing, of Cushing, finished with an 83.

Freshman Adam Hunt, of Copan, finished with an 85 score.

Other freshmen vying for a starting position with the Golden Norse are Charles Fite of Locust Grove and Terry Smith of Picher.

The Golden Norse opened the spring portion of the schedule by competing in the Pittsburg State University Invitational, March 26, in Pittsburg, Kan.

Traveling to Joplin, March 25-26, the Norse competed in the Crossroads Invitational.
Sophomore sprinters Bridget Davis (left) of Madill and Verna Howard of Chicago, Ill. work on starts during a practice session at Robertson Field.

Getting in some long distance running during a practice session at Robertson Field are four members of the college cross country team.
All-Americans bolster track

Three sophomores that earned All-American honors last season for the Lady Norse provided a solid nucleus for first-year coach Terry Moore as both teams competed in the indoor and outdoor seasons.

During the indoor season both teams competed in meets at Pittsburg (Kan.) State University and at Central (Mo.) State University in Warrensburg.

The Lady Norse placed second in both meets while the Golden Norse finished fifth at Pittsburg and fourth at Warrensburg.

Approximately 12 of the 26 members of the NEO track teams qualified for the National Junior College Athletic Association national indoor meet at Kansas State University in Manhattan.

"Our women's team was very strong from the outset. We not only had the experience of seven sophomores, but we also had several talented freshmen," said Moore.

Three-fourths of the mile relay team that placed fourth in the 1989 national indoor meet returned for the Lady Norse.

All-Americans Bridget Davis, of Madill; Carmen Irving, of Spencer, and Mirakal Simmons, of Oklahoma City, returned to provide depth in the relay events.

Other veterans returning to the Lady Norse were sophomores Verna Howard, Chicago, Ill.; Cheryl Pouncil, Grandview, Mo.; Yvette Smiley, Detroit, Mich., and Francene Woods, Lorain, Ohio.

Freshmen competitors for the Lady Norse were Machelle Cochran, Tuttle; Tyra Mathews, Coweta; Helena Rochester, Kingston, Jamaica; Kimberly Roland, Ponca City; Tammy Wildcat, Vian, and Tommie Weeden, Coalgate.

"Even though we only had two sophomores back for the men, we had some outstanding freshmen," Moore said.

Returning for the Golden Norse were Donnell Braxton, of Sulphur, and Toby Lee, of Grandview, Mo. Braxton competed in the middle distance races while Lee tossed the shot put and discus.

Heading the list of freshmen recruits was sprinter Jerry Jermain, of Richmond, Va. Jermain set the national high school record in the 60-yard dash.

Other freshmen recruits included Jeff Bott, Talala; Eric Clemons, Jefferson City, Mo.; Randy Dean, Copan; Roosevelt Jones, McAlester; Richard Palmer, Kansas City, Mo.; John Peters, Sulphur, La.; Hope Radford, Warner Robbins, Ga., and Sidney Reed, Enid.
By Holli Wilkins

Every day something significant happens in the world, and every day we receive reports from journalists, both in print and through broadcasts, concerning these important events. From political wars in the Mid-East to human rights problems at home, certain events hold special interest for each and every one of us. Each of these happenings are recorded over time which separates each year from another.

With the “Dawn of a New Decade” last year, 1991 promised to be even more thrilling and exciting. Change and confrontation were the order of the day as 1990 slipped off into oblivion.

While Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev struggled to bring Russia closer to the democratic ideology, United States President George Bush struggled with the thought of waging all-out war against Saddam Hussein of Iraq. Because of Hussein’s out-right takeover of Kuwait, President Bush was forced to send American troops to Saudi Arabia in August. At the start of 1991, projected 400,000 American troops were expected to be deployed in Saudi Arabia.

On the home front, the United States continued to be concerned about the fragile environment while flood ravaged the southern part of the country during the spring.

All of these occurrences of daily living helped pull people together. We rallied around them and helped each other cope with the roller-coaster ride of life.
World leaders welcomed a united Germany into the international community on Oct. 3, 1990 as people gathered outside the Brandenburg Gate.

President Saddam Hussein leads an Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.
By Heather Munn


The likable Mandela achieved his goals of urging foreign governments to maintain sanctions against South Africa. Mandela was also raising funds for the African National Congress and explaining the goals of his movement.

The ANC was created to build a non-racial democracy and to distribute the nation's wealth more equally. Mandela, the ANC deputy president, said he favored a mixed economy.

Mandela, one of the world's most celebrated political prisoners, was freed by the South African government in February after 27 years in prison. He was serving a life sentence for allegedly plotting sabotage to overthrow the white government.

While Mandela was touring the world, the government of Nicaragua underwent a change of leadership. Violet Barrios de Chamorro led a 14-part coalition to victory over Daniel Ortega's Sandinista rule.

Barrios de Chamorro, publisher of Nicaragua's opposition newspaper, won the Feb. 26 election that was monitored by more than 3,000 international observers. Half-way round the world Romanians voted in May in their first free elections in 53 years. Interim President Ion Iliescu won in a landslide victory.

The main issues of the campaign included moving Romania's centralized socialist system to a free-market economy and dismantling the Communist system.

While elections captured most of the attention of the world, a major earthquake jolted Manila in the Philippines and the surrounding Luzon island on July 16. At least 193 people were killed and several hundred more were trapped in collapsed buildings.

Aftershocks continued the next day, forcing many residents to sleep on the streets after the quake. The earthquake measured 7.7 on the Richter scale. Most of the deaths occurred at the Hyatt Hotel in Baguio.
Peasants vote for a president in the first free elections in Romania in 53 years.

People scatter during a major earthquake that rocked the Philippines and caused 193 deaths.

Violeta Barrios de Chamorro waves to her followers as former Sandinista president Daniel Ortega applauds.
By Holli Wilkins
Editor in Chief

Even though everyone’s focus was turned towards the Middle East Crisis, several significant situations occurred in the United States during 1990.

One of the most important happenings occurred on April 22 as an estimated 200 million people all over the planet celebrated the 20th anniversary of Earth Day as activists pleaded for the rise of a “new conservation generation” to care for the fragile environment.

In Washington, Earth Day founder Gaylord Nelson urged more than 100,000 people massed at the foot of the Capitol to work to motivate politicians and corporate leaders to environmental action.

Earth Day was celebrated by more than 3,600 United States communities and in 140 other countries.

Environmental concerns could not overshadow the plight of the homeless in this country. The U.S. Census Bureau spent approximately $2.7 million in an ill-faded attempt to get an accurate count of homeless people.

The homeless, now estimated to be between 250,000 to 3 million, were asked their name, age, sex, race, and marital status.

Another situation that had an impact on the social conscious of the United States was a constitutional amendment concerning flag burning.

The Senate voted 58-42 in favor, but the vote was nine short of the necessary votes needed for two-thirds passage.

While President Bush pushed for passage of the legislation, the House rejected it because of the limits it might place on freedom of speech.

Natural disasters also took their toll on the United States as much of the southern part of the country spent much of the spring wringing itself out after weeks of flooding.

Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi were the states hardest hit by the flooding. In Texas alone, agriculture damage was estimated at $700 million and at least $60 million to residences.
Police restrain a protester on the steps of the Capitol during a flag-burning demonstration.

For the first time in the nation's history, the Census Bureau attempted to count the homeless.

Floods in Texas trap a farmer and his family on a roof-top.
Madonna kicked off the American-leg of her “Blonde Ambition” tour in Houston amid rumors of “does she or doesn’t she” lip-sync. Madonna “Expressed Herself” during the tour and in a video released later.

By Heather Munn
Associate Editor

Sex, death and pantomime highlighted the year in the entertainment industry.

After opening the year with a seven-concert tour of Japan and the United States dubbed “Blonde Ambition”, rock starlet Madonna shocked the industry with her “Women’s Sexual Fantasy.”

Just a good Catholic girl with a song in her heart and a crucifix around her neck, Madonna Louise Ciccone conquered the world with music, sex appeal and steamy videos.

While exposing most of her body parts during the video, Madonna saw her work rejected by MTV.

Madonna’s tiff with the industry took a back seat to the scandal of the century. The rock group Milli Vanilli confessed to not doing their own singing on an LP that sold more than 7 million copies and landed the group a Grammy for Best New Group. The group was forced to give back the Grammy.

New ground was broken on the television scene as The Simpsons’ shocked and Twin Peaks’ mocked.

The darling of prime-time television, Roseanne Barr drew the ire of fans and critics alike with a crude even lewd, rendition of the national anthem at a National League baseball game. Not only did she not know the words, she disgraced herself with a crude on-field gesture following the song.

Show business lost a pioneer with the passing of the legendary Sammy Davis, Jr. with cancer. Actresses Jill Ireland and Greta Garbo also succumbed to cancer.

The world’s most famous frog fell silent as Jim Henson, creator of the universally known Muppets and voice of Kermit, died of pneumonia.

Famous conductor Leonard Bernstein passed away along with Stevie Ray Vaughan, civil rights activist Ralph Abernathy, philanthropist Malcolm Forbes, and fighter Rocky Graziano.

Another celebrity lost during the year was Ryan White a 14-year old that contracted AIDS and won the heart of noted performer Elton John. White gained attention after earning the right to go to school in court.
By Clark Sherman
Sports Writer

Upsets highlighted the year in sports around the world as new champions were crowned in boxing, baseball and soccer.

Iron Mike Tyson proved that metal can be melted as he fell victim to underdog James “Buster” Douglas for the heavyweight championship of the world. Douglas earned the championship belt with a controversial 10-round knockout of Tyson in a fight in Tokyo.

Douglas knocked Tyson out with a five-punch combination. The title was in limbo during three days of bickering over a long count.

Three months later Douglas lost the title belt to Evander Holyfield.

Another major upset in the world of professional sports occurred in baseball as the Cincinnati Reds stunned the defending World Champion Oakland Athletics with a four-game sweep of the World Series. Given no chance to win, the Reds completed their improbable sweep on Oct. 20 in spite of losing two star players, Eric Davis and Billy Hatcher, to injuries.

The Athletics’ third straight trip to the World Series ended with yet another disappointment. In 1988, they lost to Los Angeles while the 1989 Series was marred by the earthquake that shook the Bay area.

Another milestone in major league baseball went by the boards as Strikeout King Nolan Ryan won his 300th game by defeating the Milwaukee Brewers on July 31. Ryan became only the 10th major league pitcher to win 300 games.

West Germany joined the underdog rally by dethroning Argentina for the World Cup soccer championship. Playing in a packed Olympic Stadium in Rome, West Germany gained some revenge after losing in World Cup finals to Italy in 1982 and to Argentina in 1986.

About the only consistent performance in professional sports during 1990 was the Detroit Pistons. Coach Chuck Daily’s Pistons won their second straight National Basketball Association championship. The Pistons defeated the Portland Trailblazers after defeating the Los Angeles Lakers in 1989 for the title.
Members of the Cincinnati Reds celebrate a four-game sweep of the Oakland Athletics in the World Series.

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Consisting of 192 total pages, the 1991 Viking was produced by the cameramen-ready method or Jostens by members of the yearbook staff.

Press run for the Viking was 3,500 copies with a 9x12 trim size. Pages were printed on 10-pound, double coated name paper.

Creation of the theme and concept design was completed in September, 1990. The theme Off Course grew out of the thought the Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College was a trail-blazer in the field of higher education in the state of Oklahoma.

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From the editor:

After undergoing a complete change in staff members from the 1990 Viking publication, the school year started on a positive note with more than eight people showing up for the initial staff meeting.

But class schedules and other commitments began to take their toll early as the staff dwindled to just four people by early October.

Despite all the defection, the remaining staff members dedicated their time and effort along with their unique ideas to create the publication you now hold in your hands.

This year's Viking set the goals of producing a book that maintains the high quality and creativity that have been synonymous with this publication in the past.

I am very proud of what the Viking has achieved this year. This book was conceived, written and produced by myself and Heather Munn.

We would like to issue a special thanks to Pam Leach and Sammi Johnson for their work as contributing writers.

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Editor in Chief
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