Students attending Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College have an opportunity to experience a wide variety of activities along with a diversified academic curriculum. With more than 600 students living in four dormitories, the college offers an atmosphere of a university in a close-knit group of people. Activities range from numerous athletic events to plays, campus-wide cookouts and other fun things for students to enjoy.

While the social life of an NEO student might be diversified, the makeup of the student body also reflects a wide variety of cultures. With more than 1,900 students attending college, the ethnic range included 396 Native American, 134 Afro-American, 44 Internationals, 33 Hispanic American and six Asian American students. This diverse group is led by Dr. Glenn E. Mayle, president along with a faculty of 68 members.

Success has long been a tradition in the Northeastern A&M intercollegiate athletic program and with the emergence of women’s basketball and softball at the national tournaments, the NEO mystic continues to grow. The Golden Norse football, basketball and baseball programs have all gained national attention along with such sports as livestock judging, equine judging and the rodeo teams.
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Students gather around a bonfire during Homecoming Week festivities at the college.
Photo by Tracy Richards

Several hundred students socialize during a dance at the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom.
Photo by Shawna Lewis
Taking a break - Between classes students had an opportunity to enjoy one of the many benches placed around campus. Stopping for a few minutes gave students a chance to regroup before the next class.

**Photo by Shana Lewis**

Conducting business - Students lined up early the first day of classes to complete the enrollment process and make sure that their bills were all paid up before the start of the semester.

**Photo by Tracy Richards**

Helping hand - Steven Adams, a freshman from Maramec, Okla., removes his belongs from his car trunk with a little help from Greg Arnold, a freshman from Edmond.

**Photo by Shania Lewis**
**Moving In**

**Getting settled into a dorm room proved to be the first hurdle**

With approximately 40 percent of the student-body living on campus, the first task that most students faced was moving into either a dorm room or a college apartment.

Benefiting from assistance by the Residential Life Council, students were directed to their living quarters during a hectic week prior to the start of classes.

Incoming freshmen and returning sophomores were placed in dorm rooms in five facilities. All female students were located on the three floors of Harrill/Dobson dormitory while the male students lived in either Vann Hall or Russell Hall.

Members of the Golden Norse football team were housed in the three floors of the east end of Dyer Hall.

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**Moving day**—Stephen Baker, a freshman from Tulsa, loads his clothes into his car in preparation of leaving campus for the month-long Christmas holidays. The housing facilities were closed between semesters.

*Photo by Tracy Richards*

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**Asking questions**—Freshmen Jonathan Casteel of Locust Grove, and Brandy Carnell of Bartlesville, ask a clerk in the registrar’s office a question during the first full day of classes. The fall semester featured 1,963 students.

*Photo by Shawna Lewis*

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**Getting re-acquainted**—Sophomores Heath Bush, of Chickasha, Roberta Boren, of Antlers, and Jessica Abrams, of Pawhuska, sit on a bench outside a dorm and discuss what went on during the summer vacation.

*Photo by Tracy Richards*
Getting a jump—Freshman Martrice Banks of Lawton finds time to relax on his bed as he tries to finish his studies.

Photo by Tracy Richards

Calling home—Robert Mayne, a sophomore from Henryetta, takes time out to call home during an evening in the dorm.

Photo by Shawna Lewis

Who's winning—Brothers Brian and Brad Gensamer, both from Bray, Okla., engage in a quick game of Nintendo while relaxing in their dorm room.

Photo by Tracy Richards
Final exams—Attempting to get caught up on his preparation for his final exams at a built-in desk in his dorm room is sophomore Diamond Green of Beggs. All of the dorm rooms were equipped with facilities where a student could study.

Photo by Shawna Lewis

Once students settled in, daily routines were established

Learning to live in the "melting pot" of several different cultures proved to be a major adjustment for most students.

Featuring a diversity of students with various socio-economic backgrounds, the college provided living arrangements for more than 600 students at the start of the 1999 fall semester. That amount made NEO the largest two-year residential college in the nation.

Along with adequate living quarters on campus, the college also served three meals a day in the cafeteria located in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union.

Also located in the union was a snack bar area, a game room, and the OWLS (Older, Wiser Learning Students) Center.

Open the door—Sophomore Anthony Robertson of Checotah unlocks his dorm door after spending the evening attending an NEO basketball game in the college gymnasium. Students were admitted to all college athletic events free of charge.

Photo by Tracy Richards

Solitaire—Trying to win a card game on his own personal computer in his dorm room is sophomore Chuck Scammon of Columbus, Kan. Most students brought their own computer system to college to help with term papers.

Photo by Shawna Lewis
A little rest-and-relaxation—Sophomore Becky Mauldin of Oklahoma City takes time out from a busy schedule to relax on her bed in her room in Dobson Hall.

Changing stations—Sandy Pearson, a sophomore from Odessa, Mo., switches stations on her radio.

Discussing visitation—Dorm residents Lisa Tanner, Grove; Nicole Kinzie, Preston, and Clay Prather, Ramona, sit around in the main lobby of Harrill/Dobson dorm.

roommates in the making
Reading in bed—Checking out some brochures she received in the campus mail is sophomore Susan Poff of Checotah. Residential students could pick up their mail on a daily basis from the campus post office located in the basement of the Creech Library/Administration building.

Photo by DeLena Mincher

Personal calls—Most college students were like Houston, Texas sophomore Elizabeth Angle and brought cellular phones to their dorm rooms so they could “phone home” at anytime.

Photo by DeLena Mincher

Almost Home

Residential students tried to make dorm rooms like home

While male students were housed in three separate living facilities, the female population was housed in the Harrill/Dobson dormitory.

Divided by a central lobby, Harrill/Dobson also featured such facilities as the office of Kelli Lewis, interim housing director; the office for school nurse Flo Atkinson, and the office for campus security.

Also located in the lobby of each dorm were computers, televisions and microwave ovens.

Both sections of the dorm were three stories high and housed approximately 245 residents.

The facility also featured a laundromat in the basement for students use.

Trick-or-treat—Several coeds hand out candy to local Miami children during the annual Halloween Tick-or-Treat night sponsored by the Resident Life Counsel.

Photo by Mindy Fleming
Slippin' and slidin'-Freshman Brad Amos of Sulpher Springs, Ark., tries out a slip-in-slide into the mud pit during the annual Mud Pit games.

Photo by DeLea Mincher

Round-and-round-Three unidentified students participate in the "Bat twist" during the Wacky Games sponsored by the Student Activities Association.

Photo by Mindy Fleming

One's-ies-Child development instructor Marcia Tynon (left) tries to teach the age-old game of jacks to sophomore Stacy Miller of Miami.

Photo by Sara Livingston
Three-legged race—Intramural director Jon Steele (far right) watches as two unidentified students compete in the three-legged race during the Wacky Games on the intramural field. Participation in the games was free of charge.

Photo by Mindy Fleming

Plenty of Fun

Both the Resident Life Counsel and Intramurals sponsored events

One of the many advantages students received from paying an activities fee was the numerous free events that were staged on campus throughout the year.

From an intramural sports program which featured a wide variety of athletic events for students, to several dances and other social events for all students, there were all kinds of fun things to do to occupy your free time.

The Resident Life Counsel and the intramural program combined to sponsor the Wacky Games and the Mud Pit Games during the fall semester. Participation in the various events were free.

Also during the fall semester, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes held free activities for students.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Watching the results—Kelli Lewis (center), interim director of housing, watches the competition during the annual Mud Pit Games sponsored by the Resident Life Counsel.

Photo by DeLena Mincher

This way men!—Jason Cook, a freshman from Inola, looks back to watch the progress of his relay team during an activity with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Photo by Kelli Lewis
Record-setting runner - All-American tailback Josh Scobey (4) plows his way through the Blinn Community College defense.

All-American guard - Sophomore guard Rosalind Ross (33) led the Lady Norse to a fourth place finish in the National Tournament at Salina, Kan.

High pitch - Sophomore designated hitter Stacie Harris takes a high pitch while leading the Lady Norse to a third place finish in the National Tournament at Kissimmee, Fla.
**Meeting of minds**—Golden Norse baseball coach Roger Ward (20) meets with pitcher Brian Haskell and catcher Nick Zodrow during the second game of the post-season Region II Tournament in Fort Smith, Ark.

*Photo by Sara Livingston*

**Women Ranked**

Lady Norse advance to nationals in basketball and softball

While adding men’s golf to the intercollegiate sports program, Northeastern A&M had two teams advance to the National Junior College Athletic Association National Tournament.

First-year head coach B. J. Smith guided the Lady Norse basketball team to a fourth place finish in the NJCAA Tournament in Salina, Kan. The Lady Norse were defeated 79-63, by eventual national champion Tyler, Texas.

Under the guidance of fifth-year head coach Eric Iverson, the Lady Norse softball team finished third in the NJCAA Fast Pitch Tournament in Kissimmee, Fla. The Lady Norse dropped a 7-1 decision to Central Arizona in the loser’s bracket finals.

Sky high—Freshman point guard Jo Jo Noles (21) displays his vertical leaping ability in a game with the Pioneers of Western Oklahoma College from Altus.

*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Solid net play—Sophomore Amanda Reichmuth goes up for a return shot against two defenders from Redlands Community College during a match in the NEO Fieldhouse.

*Photo by Kelli Lewis*
Free meal-Students line the sides of the reflective pool during the annual All-Campus cookout held during Homecoming Week.

Hat Day-Two students display the caps they wore in observance of Hat Day which was one of the Homecoming Week activities.

Burgers and beans-Several members of the Golden Norse football team take advantage of the free hamburgers, chips, baked beans and cole slaw during the All Campus cookout.
Peace and Love—Guidance counselor Kenda Grover wears her indanna and tie-died shirt as a participant during Hippie Day activities as part of the celebration for the 1999 Homecoming week-long festivities.

Photo by Sara Livingston

Fun-filled Week

Numerous activities highlighted Homecoming Week

Adopting the theme Burn the Birds for the 1999 Homecoming Week, students enjoyed a wide variety of activities leading up to the queen coronation and football game between the Golden Norsemen and the Cardinals of Trinity Valley, Texas.

The week-long festivities began with Pajama Day on Monday along with a free dance that night.

Staying with theme, Tuesday featured Camouflage/Hat Day.

Highlighting Hippie Day on Wednesday was a "Car bash" in the area between Dyer Hall and the Fine Arts Center.

Blue and Gold Day on Thursday also featured a free cookout for the entire student body on the main mall along with a pep rally.

Chow line—Members of the college food services make sure that every student coming through the line during the All-Campus cookout has enough to eat.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Get it again—Travis Beck, a freshman from Spavinaw, takes a heavy line on top of a car during the traditional Car Bash which was part Homecoming celebrations.

Photo by Sara Livingston
a parade in the making

Burn The Bird float - Members of the college concert choir wave to the crowd as they proceed down Miami's Main Street during the traditional Homecoming parade.

First place float - The Fellowship of Christian Athletes created the float that received the $100 first place award during the parade.

Second place float - The college medical assistant program built the second place float and captured the $75 cash prize for their creation of a football field with a Trinity Valley Cardinal.
p building decoration-Kenda Grover, co-sponsor of the MU chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society, poses with some of the first place decorations that were located on the first floor of Ehr Hall.

Photo by Sara Livingston

Contest Winners

Judges evaluate building decorations and floats

After members of the college rodeo club won the Yell-like-hell contest during the all-campus cookout on Thursday, judges turned their attention to building decorations on Friday and float creations on Saturday during Homecoming Week.

The Mu Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa won first in building decorating while the Baptist Collegiate Ministry finished second and the psychology club placed third.

Capturing the $100 first place price in the float decorating contest was the Fellowship of Christian Athletes while the Medical Assistant program placed second and the Child Development Club finished third.

The Medical Assistant program also received the Norse Spirit award.

Third place float-Packed with children from the child development lab, the Child Development Club captured third place in the float building contest.

Photo by Sara Livingston
Queen candidate—Freshman Carolyn Ross of Springdale, Ark., waves to the crowd during the Homecoming parade. Ross finished second runner-up.

Photo by Sara Livingston

Anticipation—Queen candidates and their escorts wait in the Fine Arts Center Green Room prior to participating in the pageant on Friday night.

Photo by Sara Livingston

The queen and her court—Homecoming queen Amy Kihenia (center) poses with her court during halftime ceremonies of the NEO/Trinity Valley football game at Robertson Field.

Photo by Gary Crow
Long run—Golden Norse All-American tailback Josh Scobey is tackled by Trinity Valley free safety Brandon Young (12) during a 14-yard run. The Trinity Valley Cardinals spoiled NEO’s Homecoming with a 17-14 win. 

Photo by DeLena Mincher

Coronation

International student wins coveted queen title

Amy Kilhenia, a sophomore from Niarobi, Kenya and representing the Norseman International Club, was chosen from 32 candidates as the 1999 Homecoming Queen.

Kilhenia was crowned by Student Body Government president Jason Owen during halftime activities of the NEO/Trinity Valley, Texas football game at Robertson Field.

Serving as members of the queen’s court were Lindsey Harris, first runner-up; Carolyn Ross, second runner-up; Amber Phillips and Tracy Little tied for third runner-up while Ashley Johnston and Denise Johnson both received the Candidates Choice award and Kyla Inman was voted Miss Norse Spirit.

Trinity Valley spoiled the night with a 17-14 victory over the Golden Norsemen.

Honor attendants—Flower girl Erin Hopkins and crown bearer Cameron Smith took their halftime duties very serious as part of the Homecoming activities.

Photo by Gary Crow
Shawl dance-The Native American Student Association princess leads the procession during a shawl dance at the annual spring pow wow held in the intramural gym.

*Photo by Kelli Lewis*

Distant drums-Members of the NASA drum corps provide the beat during the annual pow wow.

*Photo by Kelli Lewis*

Traditional chant-More than 250 area native americans attended the annual spring pow wow in the intramural gym as the drum corps provided music for both the afternoon and evening sessions.

*Photo by Kelli Lewis*
Taking a break - An unidentified fancy dancer looks for a place to sit down after competing in a dance during the annual spring Native American Student Association powwow held in the intramural gymnasium.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Traditional dress - Two unidentified participants in the shawl dance move around the gym floor during the annual NASA powwow held in the intramural gym.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Authentic costume - Warren Hawk, a traditional dancer, displays his costume during the Native American Student Association annual spring powwow.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

NASA Pow Wow

Campus group sponsors annual Native American dance

Approximately 200 people attended the annual spring powwow sponsored by the Native American Student Association.

The day-long event was held in the college intramural gymnasium and provided an opportunity for Native Americans to share their culture and dances.

During the afternoon session, a special entrance ceremony was held to honor all Native American veterans and warriors. The powwow also featured gourd dancing.

Following a break for supper, an intertribal dance was held featuring members of several of the area Indian tribes.

The event served as a major fund raiser for the Native American Student Association.
Brush fire—Several members of the college forestry department clear away underbrush and other obstacles in the path of a rampaging brush fire.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Out of control—A fire in the brush gains momentum before members of the college forestry arrive to battle the blaze.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Taking a break—After spending several hours battling a brush fire, members of the college fire fighting crew takes a few minutes to grab a drink and a bite to eat before returning to the fight.

Photo by Kelli Lewis
Fire Fighting

Members of the college forestry department battle blazes

One of the most exciting academic programs on campus is the forestry department which offers a wildland firefighter qualification course.

Students enrolled in the course spend several days in the woods learning wild and prescribed fire techniques. They also study automated land management.

Under the direction of Dr. Jim Gleckler, the forestry program also offers courses in field observation of professional management of public and private lands; elements of forestry; natural resources measurement, and dendrology.

Students gain a familiarization of numerous aspects that are combined within the forestry profession.
Fruits of their labor—Members of the college faculty stand and watch as the graduating class of 2000 files into Robertson Stadium.

Special address—Jason Owens, president of the Student Body Government, issues a special challenge to prospective graduates.

Featured speaker—Dr. Bill Able (center), a 1960 graduate of NEO, is joined on the stage by President Dr. Glenn Mayle and other college dignitaries prior to delivering the commencement address.
Pomp and circumstance-Members of the Golden Norse band performed several musical numbers during graduation ceremonies at Robertson Field. Six members of the band actually participated in the graduation proceedings.

Photo by Tracy Richards

Culminating a year of hard work and sacrifice were the 79th annual graduation ceremonies held on the first Thursday in May at Robertson Field.

Approximately 350 sophomores participated in the commencement exercises. The prospective graduating students received either an associate in arts degree or an associate of applied science degree.

Dr. Bill Able, executive vice president for the American International Charolais Association, delivered the commencement address. Dr. Able graduated from NEO in 1960 and served as a member of the college faculty from 1964 to 1967.

During the graduation ceremonies, several academic awards were presented to students representing the three academic schools.

Here’s your diploma-Dr. Barry Vann, vice president for academic affairs, hands out diploma’s to one of the more than 350 candidates during the graduation ceremonies.

Photo by Tracy Richards

Next in line-Prospective graduates form a single line from Robertson Stadium to a portable platform during commencement ceremonies. More than 350 sophomores received diploma’s.

Photo by Tracy Richards
Reflecting the diversity of the Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College campus was the fact that numerous activities were held to attract student participation.

The school year began with the re-alignment of the structure of the academic area.

Linda Oldham-Burns was hired to serve as dean of enrollment management and student records after four years at Missouri Southern State College in Joplin.

The college also changed from a system which featured six academic areas to three individual schools which were headed by academic deans.

Each academic dean was responsible for four academic departments within each school. Each department had a faculty member as department head.

Former head of the mathematics department, John Lomax, was named dean of the school of Agriculture and Natural Sciences. Lomax had been a member of the NEO faculty since 1977.

Brian Hauck, head of the speech and theatre department, was selected dean of the school of Liberal Arts. Hauck had been a member of the NEO faculty since 1984.

Jim Genandt, former director of continuing education and the development foundation, was named dean of the school of Human Environmental Sciences.

The restructuring of the academic area was completed under the direction of Dr. Barry Vann, vice president of academic affairs.
While success by individual students, faculty and staff were abundant during the 1999-2000 school year, the campus was tunned by the death of three prominent members of the student body.

Brothers Daniel Drury 20, and Timothy Drury, 18, both of Finita and Mitchell Bearden, 20, of Pauls Valley, died Nov. 4 in a head-on crash that left one other student hospitalized.

All three students were members of the college athletic training staff.

The accident occurred about 3 a.m. near the intersection of highways 166 and 69, five miles west of Baxter Springs, Kan.

According to authorities, a car driven by Daniel Drury, 20, was heading east on Highway 166 when it collided with a van in the westbound lane.

The car had attempted to pass a tractor-trailer while heading up a hill. The two vehicles collided at the crest of the hill.

Three of the four passengers died in the crash as the car caught fire.

The fourth passenger, Christian Alford, 20, was pulled from the burning wreckage by William Garoutte, 51, of Duenweg, Mo. Garoutte was driving the Joplin Globe van that collided with the car and suffered burns while pulling Alford from the car.

Alford was released from St. John’s Regional Medical Center in Joplin while Garoutte suffered a broken leg and severe facial injuries.

A campus memorial service was held to honor the students.
Abell, Stephanie-sophomore
Miami
Abbott, Cherrish-freshman
Vinita
Acree, Eric-freshman
Maud
Adair, Amber-freshman
Miami

Adams, Ryan-freshman
Broken Arrow
Adams, Seth-freshman
Fairland
Alexander, Lakendale-freshman
Flint, Mich.
Alford, Chris-freshman
Nowata

Allen, Brandi-freshman
Miami
Allen, Julius-freshman
Tulsa
Alsbough, Jennifer-freshman
Miami
Altebaumer, Ashley-freshman
Miami

Amberg, Natalie-freshman
Tulsa
Amoo, Kobina-freshman
Houston, Texas
Amos, William-sophomore
Miami
Anderson, Gayla-freshman
Miami

Anderson, Matthew-freshman
Miami
Anderson, John-freshman
Commerce
Anderson, Prince-freshman
Muskogee
Andrews, Jason-freshman
Tulsa
Mrs. Frank, portrayed by Amber Sipes, a freshman from Tulsa, offers some comfort to Mr. Frank, played by Joshua Miller, a sophomore from Grove, during a scene from the first play of the season The Diary of Anne Frank.

Miep, played by Tiffany Demel, a sophomore from Miami, discusses news about World War II with Mrs. Van Dann, portrayed by Leeann Mayberry, a sophomore from Afton, during a scene from the award-winning The Diary of Ann Frank.

Angle, Elizabeth-freshman
Houston, Texas

Angle, Heather-sophomore
Ottumwa, Iowa

Archer, Laura-freshman
Quapaw

Armstrong, Clint-freshman
McAlester

Armstrong, Joellen-freshman
Barnsdall

Armstrong, Rockwell-freshman
Midwest City

Armstrong, Tosha-freshman
Stella, Mo.

Arnold, Greg-freshman
Edmond
Arthur, Stevie-freshman  
Cardin
Asher, Tammy-sophomore  
Eucha
Assiter, Bandy-sophomore  
Okmulgee
Atkinson, David-sophomore  
Tulsa

Atnip, Jaime-freshman  
Rogers, Ark.
Attiny, Ronaldo-sophomore  
Spring Valley, N.Y.
Attoking, Paul-freshman  
Quapaw
Austin, Josh-freshman  
Miami

ENTERTAINMENT

Members of the Golden Norse Cheerleading squad keep the crowd entertained during a football game at Robertson Field. The squad also performed a halftime routine during all home football and basketball games.

Along with three male members, the Golden Norse Cheerleading squad also featured 12 female members. The squad, under the direction of Kristi Olsen, participated in several local parades as well as numerous athletic contests.
Barthel, Amber-freshman
Meadow Grove, Neb.
Bates, Ramon-sophomore
Oklahoma City
Bauerlein, Mindy-freshman
Cushing
Baumann, Andrew-sophomore
Adrian, Mo.

Beal, Ruth-sophomore
Wyandotte
Bearss, Billee-sophomore
Miami
Beasley, Bethni-sophomore
Grove
Beasley, Jason-freshman
Tulsa

Beccard, Amy-freshman
Avoca, Neb.
Beck, Travis-freshman
Spavinaw
Beck, Glenn-freshman
Sperry
Belcher, Brian-freshman
Miami

Bell, Kristi-sophomore
Tulsa
Bell, Michelle-freshman
Miami
Belt, Jon-sophomore
Broken Arrow
Benedict, Robert-freshman
Gassville, Ark.

Benesh, Rotem-freshman
Kfar-Saba
Bengtson, Betty-freshman
Vinita
Bennett, Crystal-freshman
Cleveland, Ohio
Bennett, David-sophomore
Grove
Four members of the Norse Stars Dance/Drill team examine copies of the Norse Stars Calendar before they make a sale in the lobby of the NEO Fieldhouse. The group used the calendar sales to provide scholarship money to support the program.

With 15 members to start the 1999-2000 school year, the Norse Stars Dance/Drill team performed during halftime at all home football and basketball games. The group also participated in several area parades and other functions.

Bennett, James-freshman
Miami
Bennett, Whitney-freshman
Grove
Berg, Alisha-freshman
Adair
Berg, Kristyn-freshman
Barnsdall

Bero, Jeremy-freshman
Miami
Bero, Josh-freshman
Miami
Berry, Alex-sophomore
Wagoner
Berryman, Shawn-freshman
Miami
Berthiaume, Jamie-sophomore
Lakeside, Conn.
Best, Brenda-sophomore
Vinita
Best, Evan-sophomore
Vinita
Best, Tom-sophomore
Vinita

Bible, Bradley-freshman
Vinita
Biddle, Joanna-freshman
Okmulgee
Biggs, Karen-sophomore
Commerce
Biglieni, Josh-freshman
Republic, Mo.

\[ \text{ENTERTAINMENT} \]

Participating in both the Homecoming and Miami Christmas Parade, members of the Golden Norse Marching Band get a lot of practical experience. The band, under the direction of Brian Smith, also performed in several area parades.

Roberta Boren, a sophomore from Atoka, joins the Golden Norse Marching Band as part of the Flag Corps to present a halftime performance at Robertson Field. The Flag Corps and a featured twirler were part of the colorful halftime show.
Billings, Jennifer-freshman
Miami
Billingsley, Issy-freshman
Afton
Billips, Chris-freshman
Lawton
Bills, Lauren-freshman
Fairgrove, Mo.

Bingham, Amanda-freshman
Miami
Binyon, Lynn-sophomore
Joplin, Mo.
Birdsong, Kaya-freshman
Oklahoma City
Bisnett, Hal-freshman
Lake Stephens, Wash.

Bissell, Jason-freshman
Commerce
Bittick, Randy-freshman
Sarcoxie, Mo.
Bittick, Tonya-freshman
Miami
Black, Megan-freshman
Tulsa

Black, Melanie-freshman
Van Buren, Ark.
Blacken, Beau-freshman
Everett, Wash.
Blacketer, Brad-freshman
Seneca, Mo.
Blankenship, Matt-freshman
Miami

Blanket, Nucksie-freshman
Broken Arrow
Blanton, Ashley-freshman
Afton
Blanton, Brian-freshman
Afton
Blaylock, Christine-freshman
Jay
Blisard, Justin-freshman
Siloam Springs, Ark.

Blizzard, April-freshman
Fairland

Bloom, Bre-freshman
Tulsa

Blount, Elijah-freshman
Vinita

Bluejacket, Jamie-freshman
Bluejacket

Bolles, Crystal-sophomore
Commerce

Boman, Audrey-freshman
Commerce

Bonaventure, Michelle-sophomore
Nipomo, Calif.

Bonner, Kendra-freshman
Tulsa

Booth, Alan-freshman
Wyandotte

Booth, Larry-freshman
Miami

Boren, Pauline-sophomore
Antlers

Boren, Roberta-sophomore
Antlers

Born, Jonathan-freshman
Huntsville, Ark.

Bost, Robert-freshman
Owasso

Botts, Laura-freshman
Carl Junction, Mo.

Boudreau, Carol-freshman
Miami

Boutot, David-freshman
Miami

Bowen, Natalie-sophomore
Fairland

Bowles, Terri-freshman
Chelsea
CHILDREN’S SHOW

Based on a story concerning a vain emperor that let everything around him fall apart just so he could have the best clothing, *The Emperor's New Clothes* was produced by the NEO Theatre group and entertained several hundred grade-school kids.

Members of the NEO Theatre group delighted more than 500 area Miami grade school children with their presentation of *The Emperor’s New Clothes* at the start of the Christmas season. The production was held in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium.

Bowman, Annamarie-freshman
Vinita
Boyd, Jennifer-freshman
Fairland
Boyer, Dwayne-freshman
Miami
Braden, Shelly-sophomore
Miami

Brandon, Suzanne-freshman
Marietta
Brandon, Holly-freshman
Miami
Branson, Kelly-freshman
Afton
Brasch, William-freshman
Jones
Brashers, Karen-sophomore
Miami
Brewster, Stephen-freshman
Miami
Brice, Philip-freshman
Miami
Bridge, Rachel-freshman
Tulsa

Bridges, Jeff-freshman
Broken Arrow
Bridges, Lori-freshman
Tulsa
Brigance, Krystal-freshman
Gentry, Ark.
Britton, Kendra-freshman
Miami

HOME BUILDING

Representatives from Russell Hall work hard to get the foundation of their Ginger Bread House put down properly during a contest sponsored by the Residence Life Council. More than 10 teams participated in the contest.

Raven Lee, a freshman from Tuttle, and Latasha White, a freshman from Chicago, Ill., got more pleasure out of eating their "creation" than they did actually building it during the Ginger Bread House building contest held in the Harrill/Dobson lobby.
Broadhurst, Chuck-freshman
Oldsmar, Fla.
Brothers, Amy-freshman
Tulsa
Brotherton, Shellen-sophomore
West Plains, Mo.
Brown Aaron-freshman
Pawhuska

Brown, Evan-freshman
Miami
Brown, Kareneta-freshman
Tulsa
Brown, Kelsa-sophomore
Nesho, Mo.
Brown, Keri-freshman
Ketchum

Brown, Kristan-freshman
Miami
Brown, Laura-freshman
Eucha
Brumbaugh, Vicki-sophomore
Ketchum
Bruten-Cryan, Judith-sophomore
Skiatook

Bryan, Bobbi-sophomore
Granby, Mo.
Bryan, Harmony-freshman
Bluejacket
Bryant, Justin-freshman
Miami
Bryant, Romby-freshman
Oklahoma City

Bryson, Dustin-freshman
Welch
Buleheq, Kristi-sophomore
Vinita
Bullard, Laura-freshman
Miami
Bunch, Regina-freshman
Tulsa
Bundy, Scott-sophomore
Commerce

Burch, Paula-freshman
Wyandotte

Burgess, Ben-sophomore
Tulsa

Burkhart, Jeff-sophomore
Miami

Burleson, Nancy-freshman
Commerce

Burrell, Isabella-freshman
Miami

Bush, Heath-sophomore
Chickasha

Butler, Faith-freshman
Jay

Buttery, Chad-freshman
Vian

Cadell, Tyler-freshman
Comanche

Callahan, Mindy-freshman
Welch

Campbell, Christy-freshman
Tulsa

Campbell, Sara-sophomore
Fairland

Campbell, Tyler-freshman
Tulsa

Cantrell, Jeremy-freshman
Chouteau

Cantu, Michelle-freshman
Miami

Capps, Brenda-sophomore
Miami

Capps, Donna-sophomore
Grove

Cardin, Blake-sophomore
Baxter Springs, Kan.

Carey, Kevin-freshman
Tulsa
Several members of the Golden Norseman football team participate in a relay race during a meeting of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Robertson Field. More than 200 student/athletes attended meetings of the group.

Carey, Tammy-freshman
Tulsa

Carroll, Brandy-freshman
Bartlesville

Carson, Nick-freshman
Diagonal, Iowa

Carter, Nathaniel-freshman
Davis

Carter, Shirley-freshman
Miami

Cartwright, Chris-freshman
Grove

Cartwright, Elizabeth-freshman
Miami

Case, John-sophomore
Quapaw
Case Linda-sophomore
Grove
Casey, Jay-freshman
Miami
Cash, Jared-freshman
Grove
Caskey, Christe-freshman
Tulsa

Cassell, Angella-sophomore
Chetopa, Kan.
Casteel, Jonathan-freshman
Locust Grove
Cato, Anthony-freshman
Glenpool
Cato, Corey-freshman
Lawton

FOLLOW THIS...

Noted hypnotist Dr. R. E. Bellows
works with a group of students
during his annual visit. Dr. Bellows
presented a show in the Fine Arts
Auditorium that was free to the
general public. The show was
sponsored by the Student Body Government.

Asking for volunteers from the audience,
Dr. R. E. Bellows presented a
two-hour show in the Fine Arts
Center Auditorium. He enlisted
numerous students and other campus
dignitaries to participate in several
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Clark, Misty-freshman
Del City
Clark, Sophia-sophomore
Nassau, Bahamas

Clark, Steve-freshman
Minco
Clinton, Anthony-freshman
Miami
Close, Frank-freshman
Grove
Close, Jason-freshman
Broken Arrow

Coachman, Doh-Lee-sophomore
Tulsa
Coaly, Jayla-freshman
Grove
Cocharn, Nickolas-freshman
Chelsea
Cockrell, Amber-freshman
Tulsa

Coffman, Natasha-freshman
Colcord
Colby, John-freshman
North Charleston, S.C.
Cole, Billie-sophomore
Miami
Cole, Rachel-freshman
Miami

Collier, Brad-freshman
Midwest City
Collier, Susie-freshman
Grove
Collins, Darla-sophomore
Quapaw
Collins, Marley-freshman
Miami
n unidentified student holds his hula-hoop while checking his bingo card at his feet during some of the activities held in the Harrill/Dobson dormitory lobby as part of Jamaica Me Crazy Week sponsored by the Student Activities Association.

Forming a mosh-pit during the Jamaica Me Crazy Week dance were several students. Sponsored by the Student Activities Association, the dance culminated a week full of activities such as games and a campus-wide cookout.

Collins, Mary-sophomore
Miami
Colvin, Nichole-freshman
Miami
Colvin, Rena-freshman
Afton
Conkling, Rachel-sophomore
Broken Arrow

Connelly, Phillip-sophomore
Miami
Connelly, Zach-freshman
Sand Springs
Conrad, Cynthia-sophomore
Miami
Convis, Levi-sophomore
Wyandotte

Students 43
Conway, Stephen-sophomore
Grove
Cook, Angela-freshman
Quapaw
Cook, Brad-freshman
Texarkana, Texas
Cook, Jason-sophomore
Inola

Cook, Kyle-freshman
Owasso
Cook, Nathan-freshman
Commerce
Cook, Stephan-freshman
Owasso
Cooper, Amanda-freshman
Jay

CONCERT WORK

Vocal music instructor Mary Susan Whaley (right) goes over some pieces with the male members of the college Meistersinger group in preparation for the Christmas concert which was presented in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium.

Taking time out from pre-concert preparation to look at the camera, vocal music instructor Mary Susan Whaley pauses before returning to a rehearsal session with some of the female members of the college concert choir.
Cooper, James-freshman
Miami
Cooper, Josh-freshman
Depew
Cooper, Mickey-sophomore
Oklahoma City
Cooper, Tiffany-freshman
Miami

Copeland, Demone-sophomore
Oklahoma City
Corbett, Michael-freshman
Chouteau
Cornell, Ty-freshman
Blackwell
Cornell, Leslie-sophomore
Jay

Cornwell, Carrie-freshman
Miami
Couch, Willy-freshman
Yukon
Cox, Justin-freshman
Grove
Cox, Kenneth-freshman
Miami

Cox, Richelle-freshman
Seneca, Mo.
Cox, Scott-freshman
Tulsa
Cox, Tim-freshman
Tulsa
Crane, Brandy-freshman
Miami

Crapo, Connie-freshman
Afton
Crawford, Carrie-freshman
Grove
Crawford, Channda-freshman
Vinita
Crawford, Tremaine-freshman
Tulsa
Crissup, Cassandra-freshman
Waynoka
Crissup, Cody-freshman
Gate, Okla.
Croswell, Josh-sophomore
Comanche
Crouch, Kristy-freshman
Miami

Crow, Charles-sophomore
Miami
Crow, Matt-freshman
Tulsa
Culver, Lori-freshman
Miami
Culwell, Angela-sophomore
Tulsa

Cummings, Richard-freshman
Miami
Cunningham, Amy-freshman
Welch
Cunningham, Denise-freshman
Skiatook
Curl, Laura-sophomore
Miami

Curnette, April-freshman
Miami
Curnette, Meredith-freshman
Miami
Curry, John-sophomore
Tampa, Fla.
Curry, Lori-freshman
Miami

Curry, Troy-sophomore
Girard, Kan.
Cuthbertson, Courtney-freshman
Quapaw
Dalgarn, Joe-sophomore
Miami
Daniel, Kevin-freshman
Fairland
Matt Floyd, a freshman from Broken Arrow, cradles a water balloon in his hands as he prepares to enter a race during the Wacky Games. Sponsored by the Student Activities Association, the games were held on the intramural fields.

An unidentified coed struggles to balance her egg during a tag-team egg race which was part of the Student Activities Association Wacky Games. More than 200 students participated in the outdoor events held in the evening.

Daniels, Keli-freshman
Miami
Danna, Brandon-freshman
Spencer
Dantic, Becki-freshman
Grove
Daugherty, Jamie-freshman
Sarcoxie, Mo.

Davidson, Elizabeth-freshman
Prairie Grove, Ark.
Davidson, Wesley-freshman
Niangua, Mo.
Davis, Charles-freshman
Baxter Springs, Kan.
Davis, Derrick-freshman
Miami
Students form a line to enter the Lazer Tank that was set up in the area between Dobson Hall and Vann Hall as part of the activities during Spring Fling Week. Each day featured different free activities for students to participate in.

Two students try to scale the Matterhorn Mountain with the help of members from the event staff during the campus visit of the Big Toys during Spring Fling Week. All of the activities during the week were free to the student body.
Dean, Gary-freshman
Marionville, Mo.

Dean, Kimberly-freshman
Miami

Dear, Jimmy-freshman
Vinita

Deatherage, Bobby-sophomore
Dewey

Decker, Chris-freshman
Miami

Delprato, Jessica-freshman
Grove

Dell, Roberta-sophomore
Grove

Demoss, Jennifer-freshman
Miami

Denney, Matthew-freshman
Macomb

Denny, Kyle-freshman
Bluejacket

Denny, Melody-freshman
Bluejacket

Derozo, Julie-sophomore
Talala

Devine, Paul-freshman
Perry

Devoll, Cary-freshman
Sapulpa

Devoll, Lindsay-freshman
Beggs

Dillon, Kristen-sophomore
Tulsa

Dinsmore, Aleata-sophomore
Vinita

Dixon, Chad-sophomore
Vinita

Dixon, Cody-freshman
Appleton City, Mo.

Dixon, Erin-freshman
Ash Grove, Mo.
Dixon, James-freshman
Miami
Dobrowski, Piotr-freshman
Lublin, Poland
Dodson, Diane-freshman
Grove
Donaldson, Erick-sophomore
Broken Arrow

Doney, Erik-freshman
Joplin, Mo.
Dooley, Courtney-sophomore
Commerce
Douglas, Lisa-sophomore
Miami
Douthit, Shelly-freshman
Fairland

Downing, Alison-freshman
Miami
Downing, Juliana-freshman
Miami
Downing, Travis-freshman
Grove
Downs, Justin-freshman
Fairland

Dowty, Aaron-freshman
Miami
Dan Drury-freshman
Vinita
Tim Drury-freshman
Vinita
Duboise, Jonathan-sophomore
Commerce

Duff, Erin-freshman
Tulsa
Duncan, Candice-freshman
Miami
Duncan, David-freshman
Miami
Dunlap, Carla-sophomore
Parsons, Kan.
A member of the college Aggie Society lays the hammer to try and ring the bell in a test of strength during the visit by the Big Toys as part of Spring Fling Week. The Big Toys attracted a crowd of more than 300 hundred during the afternoon.

Two students discuss whether they want to go back through the inflated obstacle course that was part of the Big Toys exhibit between Dobson Hall and Vonn Hall as part of Spring Fling Week. The obstacle course featured tunnels and nets.

Durborow, Kelly-sophomore
Cleveland
Durborow, Tera-freshman
Miami
Durst, Jennifer-freshman
Grove
Dutton, Matt-freshman
Oklahoma City

Dyer-Brazier, Mary-sophomore
Tulsa
Dzul-Garcia, Peggy-sophomore
Vinita
Earls, Tara-freshman
Fairland
Earp, Ashlee Brooke-sophomore
Quapaw
BIG TOYS VISIT

With decorations adorning the ceiling, the tables and all the entrances and exits, several hundred students sat down to a formal dinner in the final activity of Spring Fling Week. The dinner featured steak or chicken dinner with all the trimmings.

An unidentified couple takes advantage of a vacant dance floor to get in a slow dance before the crowd hits during the Spring Fling dance following the dinner. The event was held in the Miami Tribal Nutrition Center located next to the turnpike.
Edgar, Loriana-freshman
Miami
Edwards, Katy-freshman
Jay
Edwards, Valarie-sophomore
Tulsa
Elazier, Mark-freshman
Denver, Colo.

Ellis, Allysun-freshman
Tulsa
Elmer, Josh-freshman
Fairland
Elms, Leslie-freshman
Ketchum
Elton, Billie-freshman
Osceola, Mo.

Enochs, James-freshman
Jay
Epperly, Kelli-sophomore
Monett, Mo.
Epperson, Becky-freshman
Bluejacket
Epperson, Clint-freshman
Picher

Epperson, Tenny-freshman
Webb City, Mo.
Erwin, Melissa-freshman
Claremore
Eskew, Valeta-freshman
Miami
Evans, Michael-freshman
Talala

Everts, Nate-freshman
La Russell, Mo.
Evitt, Justin-freshman
Corydon, Iowa
Eyers, Jeremiah-freshman
Webb City, Mo.
Fairbanks, Jaime-freshman
Miami
Fairish, James-freshman
Claremore
Farmer, Andrew-sophomore
Miami
Favors, Erin-freshman
Lebanon, Mo.
Felder, Travis-freshman
Jacksonville, Fla.

Field, Adam-freshman
Claremore
Field, Angela-freshman
Claremore
Fields, Dayna-freshman
Miami
Fields, Valarie-freshman
Kansas, Okla.

Finnell, Melissa-freshman
Gravette, Ark.
Fisher, Kristin-freshman
Wyandotte
Flehmer, Jennifer-freshman
Pierce City, Mo.
Fleming, Brandy-freshman
Miami

Fleming, Mindy-sophomore
Locust Grove
Fletcher, Natalin-sophomore
Romby, Mo.
Flinn, Janice-freshman
Riverton, Kan.
Florer, Chaney-freshman
Eucha

Floyd, Amanda-freshman
Afton
Floyd, Matt-freshman
Broken Arrow
Floyd, Patricia-freshman
Vinita
Floyd, Shelia-freshman
Vinita
Lyndsey Harris, a freshman from Tulsa, poses in front of the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma during a scene from Theatre NEO's production of *The Will Rogers Follies* which was the third presentation of the year.

Members of the Cowboy Quartet which performed in *The Will Rogers Follies* were, from left: Joshua Miller, freshman, Grove; Jeremy Caywood, sophomore, Woodward; Jon Owens, freshman, Moore, and James Caywood, sophomore, Woodward.

Fluellen, Deandre-freshman  
Houston, Texas

Fogg, Heather-freshman  
Joplin, Mo.

Fogle, Justin-sophomore  
Caulfield, Mo.

Fogleman, Perry-freshman  
Edmond

Ford, Dustin-freshman  
Commerce

Ford, Misty-freshman  
Summers, Ark.

Ford, Robert-freshman  
Chelsea

Fore, Jesse-sophomore  
Claremore
Forrester, Latricia-freshman
Miami
Forgey, Dustin-freshman
Picher
Forrest, Buckshot-sophomore
Fairland
Forristall, Stephanie-freshman
Grove

Foss, Brandon-freshman
Marlow
Foster, Alisha-freshman
Collins, Mo.
Foster, Ethel-freshman
Baxter Springs, Kan.
Foster, Joe-freshman
Tulsa

MAKING MUSIC

Members of the child development class escorted several pre-school children to the college instrumental practice room so the children could learn what sounds certain instruments made. Sophomore Mindy Fleming (holding child) served as one of the escorts.

Four-year old Alicia Hale tries her hand at playing the xylophone while still holding hands with her escort Mindy Fleming, a sophomore from Locust Grove, as instrumental instructor Brian Smith watches. The young-sters made the visit as part of lab.
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Vinita
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Edmond
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Claremore

Gardner, Zach-freshman
Miami
Garrett, April-freshman
Miami
Geminden, Gavin-sophomore
Carrier, Okla.
Giddings, Lawson-sophomore
McAlester

Gillmore, Jim-sophomore
Lubbock, Texas
Gillespie, Nick-freshman
Broken Arrow
Gillum, Jashaun-freshman
Houston, Texas
Gitonga, Wamaith-freshman
Nairobi, Kenya

Gonzales, Nathaniel-sophomore
Yale
Gordon, Brenda-sophomore
Miami
Graham, Heidi-sophomore
Copan
Graham, Kelly-sophomore
Miami

Green, Diamond-sophomore
Beggs
Grigsby, Derek-sophomore
Welch
Griswald, Melanie-sophomore
Miami
Hall, Eric-freshman
Wagoner
Mike Barlow, head of the pre-athletic training program, checks with All-American tight end Brian Blackwood during the first quarter of the Red River Bowl game in Garland, Texas. Blackwood sustained a broken leg on the play.

Members of the Golden Norse training staff provided aide for the six intercollegiate sports as well as the intramural sports program and the rodeo program. The trainers were also available to deal with any type of medical emergency on campus.

Hall, Taneesa-sophomore
Bradenville, Mo.

Hall, Valarie-sophomore
Miami

Harper, Jerod-sophomore
Oklahoma City

Harris, Adrian-freshman
Lawton

Harris, Daniel-sophomore
Inola

Harris, James-freshman
Tulsa

Harris, Jason-freshman
Tulsa

Harris, Keri-sophomore
Grove
Harris, Lyndsey-freshman
Tulsa

Haskell, Brian-sophomore
Moreno Valley, Calif.

Hawthorne, Janet-sophomore
Afton

Hayden, Casey-sophomore
Salina, Kan.

Hayes, Bekki-sophomore
Delaware

Hayward, Danielle-sophomore
Welch

Hellwig, Cheyanna-sophomore
Butler, Mo.

Henson, Jonathon-sophomore
Muldrow

EXTREME FUN

Taking advantage of one of the four snowfalls the campus experienced during the 1999-2000 school year, two unidentified male students wrestle outside Russell Hall dormitory. The area received more than 13 inches of snow combined in the four falls.

Brooke Earp, a sophomore from Quapaw, takes advantage of warm spring weather to try out a trampoline he brought on campus during lunch one day. The event was to raise money for the March of Dimes.
Jacobsen, Melissa-sophomore
Miami
Jennett, Jade-freshman
Sarcoxie, Mo.
Jinkens, Travis-sophomore
Chester, Okla.
Johnson, Colin-sophomore
Oklahoma City

Johnson, Denise-sophomore
Gentry, Ark.
Johnson, Scott-sophomore
Tulsa
Jones, Brandon-sophomore
Quapaw
Jones, Lacameron-sophomore
Oklahoma City

Kalamar, Attila-sophomore
Budapest, Hungary
Kalamar, Zoltan-sophomore
Budapest, Hungary
Kamau, Joseph-freshman
Nairobi, Kenya
Kelly, Robert-sophomore
Nicoma Park

Kenworthy, Kassi-sophomore
Welch
Kichner, Jeremiah-sophomore
Lawrence, Kan.
Kizenia, Alvin-sophomore
Nairobi, Kenya
Kizenia, Amy-sophomore
Nairobi, Kenya

Knott, Jonathan-sophomore
Broken Arrow
Korf, Bryan-freshman
Grove
Kress, Ginger-freshman
Miami
Kress, Tabitha-freshman
Miami
CLASSIC PLAY

Mrs. Van Daan, portrayed by LeAnn Mayberry, a sophomore from Grove, tries to comfort her husband, played by Reno Tropter, a freshman from Grove, during a scene from The Diary of Anne Frank, that was presented in October.

The entire cast of The Diary of Anne Frank takes a curtain call following a presentation on the traditional Student Nite. Any student with a valid ID was admitted to any of the four productions created by Theatre NEO throughout the season.

Ladd, Crockett-freshman
Tuttle
Lawrence, Ted-freshman
Miami
Lambert, Susan-sophomore
Tulsa
Larman, Daniel-freshman
Miami

Lee, Raven-freshman
Tuttle
Little, Traci-sophomore
Checotah
Livingston, Sara-sophomore
Miami
Lo, Vivi-sophomore
Wheaton, Mo.
Longan, Melissa-sophomore
Miami
Longan, Michael-sophomore
Miami
Ledbetter, Matt-freshman
Bristow
Lewis, Shawna-freshman
Grove

Lott, Jennifer-sophomore
Pawhuska
Love, Jamar-freshman
Johnson City, Tenn.
Lucas, Lee Ann-sophomore
Vinita
Lutman, Annabel-freshman
Joplin, Mo.

FUTURE LEADERS

Waiting to have their baggage checked into the Tulsa International Airport, members of the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society prepare to attend the 1999-2000 Phi Theta Kappa International Convention in San Francisco, Calif.

A member of the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society addresses a group of area high school students in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom as part of a Leadership Conference hosted by the campus group.
Macrory, Tasha-sophomore
Edmond
Mahan, Charles-sophomore
Tulsa
Mahan, Leslie-sophomore
Kansas, Okla.
Mays, Doug-sophomore
Miami

McAffrey, Chad-sophomore
Welch
McBroom, Jennifer-sophomore
Mannford
McCoy, Jeff-freshman
Picher
McCormick, Susan-sophomore
Anderson, Mo.

McDonald, Reba-sophomore
Canby, Or.
McFadyen, Kalara-freshman
Auckland, New Zealand
McIntosh, Dewayne-freshman
Tulsa
McIntyre, Quinton-sophomore
Lockwood, Mo.

McNeely, Dustin-sophomore
Gallatin, Mo.
McReynolds, Justin-sophomore
Siloam Springs, Ark.
Mickelson, Derek-sophomore
Bartlesville
Miller, Patrick-freshman
Sapulpa

Mooney, Andra-sophomore
Welch
Mothershed, Kokain-freshman
Oklahoma City
Mosey, Tazara-sophomore
Nairobi, Kenya
Myrick, George-freshman
Miami
Neal, Nathen-freshman
Vinita
Nelson, Charlotte-freshman
Edinburgh, Scotland
Njoroge, Andrew-freshman
Nairobi, Kenya
Noles, Jojo-freshman
Tulsa

Norton, Queena-sophomore
Ketchum
Ochs, Justin-sophomore
Ottawa, Kan.
Ondieki, Loice-sophomore
Nairobi, Kenya
Orlovetz, Michelle-freshman
Welch

Osborne, Nathan-freshman
Blanchard
Overton, Marcia-freshman
Henryetta
Owen, Jason-freshman
Lamar, Mo.
Owens, Jon-freshman
Moore

Owens, Steve-freshman
Quapaw
Owens, Teresa-sophomore
Grove
Parker, Brandon-freshman
Catoosa
Parker, Darnell-sophomore
Tulsa

Parker, Justin-sophomore
Vinita
Parrish, Leslie-sophomore
Miami
Patterson, Clay-freshman
Okmulgee
Patterson, Micah-sophomore
Lindsay
James Caywood, a sophomore from Woodward, entertains the audience during the Medieval Feast held in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom. Sponsored by the college music department, the event featured a medieval meal and entertainment.

Two unidentified maidsongs and entertain the more than 200 guests at the Medieval Feast held in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom. The event was used to generate funds for scholarships in both the vocal and instrumental music programs.

Patton, Jess-freshman
Paul Valley
Payton, Ronda-freshman
Emporia, Kan.
Pearish, Tadd-freshman
Grove
Penner, Joanna-freshman
Jay

Peper, Bobbie-freshman
Chelsea
Perrine, Jessica-freshman
Grove
Perry, Janna-sophomore
Miami
Pherigo, Tim-freshman
Nicoma Park
Members of the Oklahoma State Student Nurses Association pause outside the classroom before entering to complete their associate’s degree in nursing. The students held monthly organization meetings and participated in several campus activities.

Julie McFerron, a member of the college nursing staff, checked her class role on the computer prior to starting the spring semester. McFerron has been a member of the college nursing faculty since 1994 and teaches courses in the physical and mental health of adults and children.
Railey, Valarie-sophomore
Jay
Reece, Amber-freshman
Miami
Rehder, Joe Bill-sophomore
Enid
Reichmuth, Amanda-sophomore
Owasso

Reints, Christina-sophomore
Sarcoxie, Mo.
Richards, Tracy-freshman
Grove
Richardson, James-sophomore
Wagoner
Richmond, Shannon-sophomore
Shady Spring, W. Va.

Ridenour, Miranda-freshman
Miami
Riggs, Jeremy-sophomore
Bernice
Riley, John-sophomore
Quitman, Miss.
Roach, Josh-sophomore
Claremore

Robison, Dustin-freshman
Vinita
Riggs, Jennifer-freshman
Newtonia, Mo.
Robertson, Anthony-freshman
Lawton
Rogers, Angela-sophomore
Miami

Rogers, Garrett-sophomore
Fairmont, Okla.
Rogers, Jean-sophomore
Welch
Rogers, Quincy-sophomore
Bartlesville
Rogo, David-freshman
Nairobi, Kenya
Rosa, Shae-freshman  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
Rose, Joanie-freshman  
Goodman, Mo.  
Rosendale, Jeremy-freshman  
Barrs dall  
Ross, Cyndee-freshman  
Miami

Ross, Rosalind-sophomore  
Milwaukee, Wis.  
Roten, Josh-sophomore  
Branson, Mo.  
Rowe, Michelle-sophomore  
Sand Springs  
Rupp, Sharon-freshman  
Miami

Russell, Allyson-freshman  
Adair  
Russell, John Apollo-sophomore  
Bentonville, Ark.  
Sanders, Susie-freshman  
Grove  
Sanders Lucus-freshman  
Miami

Sanders, T. J.-freshman  
Miami  
Sandoval, Angela-sophomore  
Grove  
Schnackenberg, Genie-sophomore  
Miami  
Scobey, Josh-sophomore  
Del City

Scott, Casie-sophomore  
Quapaw  
Sehl, Justin-sophomore  
Weatherford  
Severs, Candice-freshman  
Miami  
Sharp, Kevin-sophomore  
Littleton, Colo.
International student advisor Keith Sutton (right) shares a piece of cake with David Rogo, a sophomore from Nairobi, Kenya, during the International Student banquet held in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom.

Several members of the International Students Club gathered on the porch outside Dyer Hall along with advisor Keith Sutton. The international student population of 44 students represented 12 foreign countries according to statistics.

Shaver, Kendrick-sophomore
Eufaula

Shaw, Leanne-sophomore
Jay

Shelton, Adam-sophomore
Claremore

Shinn, Stacy-freshman
Fairland

Shrestha, Anup-sophomore
Katmandu

Simmons, Deborah-freshman
Ketchum

Simmons, Doug-freshman
Welch

Smallwood, Brandi-sophomore
Antlers
Members of the Golden Norse Cheerleading squad keep the crowd entertained during a football game at Robertson Field. The squad also performed a halftime routine during all home football and basketball games.

Along with three male members, the Golden Norse Cheerleading squad also featured 12 female members. The squad, under the direction of Kristi Olsen participated in several local parades as well as numerous athletic contests.
Song, Lisa-sophomore
Wann

Sorensen, Ashley-sophomore
Whiting, Iowa

Stafford, Gregg-sophomore
Dewey

Stephens, Kimberly-sophomore
Miami

Stephens, Leslie-sophomore
Aiton

Stewart, Richard-freshman
Wyandotte

Stewart, Rob-freshman
Broken Arrow

Stout, Chris-sophomore
Jay

Strider, Rachel-sophomore
Miami

Strong, Justin-sophomore
Ava, Mo.

Styles, Matt-sophomore
Grove

Surratt, Anthony-freshman
Miami

Swindall, Shawn-sophomore
Oklahoma City

Tanner, Lisa-sophomore
Jay

Taylor, Dustin-freshman
Welch

Terry, Andrew-freshman
Savannah, Okla.

Tew, John-sophomore
Pryor

Thompson, Jason-freshman
Cabool, Mo.

Thompson, Joseph-sophomore
Tulsa

Thompson, Linda-sophomore
Grove
Thrash, Michael-freshman
Wewoka

Thrasher, Nicole-freshman
Pawnee

Timchak, John-sophomore
Miami

Tittsworth, Carrie-sophomore
Reed Springs, Mo.

Torres, Rene-sophomore
Broken Arrow

Torres, Steven-sophomore
Broken Arrow

Toulouse, Jesse-sophomore
Bartlesville

Trapani, Stephanie-sophomore
Lebanon, Mo.

Tucker, Jeff-sophomore
Wagoner

Turlington, Morgan-freshman
Colcord

Turner, Jennifer-freshman
Jay

Tyler, Jerry-sophomore
Vinita

Vanhoose, Lisa-freshman
Fairland

Vann, Melissa-freshman
Drumright

Van Wodenberg, Michael-sophomore
Glenpool

Vieira, Melanie-sophomore
Groves Beach, Calif.

Walker, Kathryn-sophomore
Afton

Wallace, Jimmy-sophomore
Flippin, Ark.

Wallace, Kwasi-freshman
Wewoka

Walton, Nolene-freshman
Tulsa
Dr. Glenn E. Mayle, president of the college, and his wife Ethel, greet members of the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society prior to the start of the annual Honors Banquet in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom.

Students serving as the 1999-2000 officers for the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society pose before conducting the annual Honors Banquet in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom. More than 200 students were members of the group.

Ware, Brad-freshman
Houston, Texas

Ware, Dennis-sophomore
Vinita

Watkins, Cory-sophomore
Carrier, Okla.

Weaver, Amy-freshman
Afton

Weber, James-sophomore
Lamar, Mo.

Weishaupt, Tandy-freshman
Fallon, Neb.

Welch, Mark-freshman
Quapaw

West, Katrina-freshman
Jay
Whisehunt, Chris-sophomore
Chelsea

White, Kenja-freshman
Waukegan, Ill.

White, Latasha-freshman
Chicago, Ill.

White, Melody-freshman
Tulsa

Whitley, Garet-sophomore
Cassville, Mo.

Wicker, Laurie-sophomore
Bentonville, Ark.

Wicker, Matt-sophomore
Cotter, Ark.

Willhoite, Christopher-sophomore
Claremore

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**GIFT OF LIFE...**

Catching a brief nap while trying to save a life, sophomore James Gaywood of Woodward, relaxes while a member of the Red Cross Bloodmobile checks his vital signs. The bloodmobile made two campus visits, one in the fall and one in the spring.

When the Red Cross Bloodmobile set up shop in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom, members of the Miami Pilot Club were on hand to pass out cookies and a beverage to participants. The bloodmobile collected several units of blood.
Williams, Brandon-sophomore
Beggs
Williams, Jimmi Jo-freshman
Miami
Williams, Katreena-freshman
Tulsa
Williams, Mike-sophomore
Tulsa

Williams, Stephen-sophomore
Tampa, Fla.
Williams, Tia-freshman
Tulsa
Willis, Melissa-sophomore
Vinita
Wilson, Marlin-sophomore
Tulsa

Wilson, Sam-freshman
Marlow
Windle, Lenny-sophomore
Welch
Wood, Stephanie-freshman
Catoosa
Woods, Whitney-sophomore
Eucha

Woodworth, Nathan-sophomore
Ramona
Wycoff, Calvin-sophomore
Tulsa
Yates, Travis-sophomore
Lowry City, Mo.
Yeager, Phyllis-sophomore
Miami

Yoder, Eric-sophomore
Chouteau
Zibell, Aaron-freshman
Ramona
Zinter, Jeremy-sophomore
Miami
Zodrow, Nick-sophomore
Owasso
"Adoptive father" Julius Allen, a freshman from Tulsa, tries to help "his" kids put together the gifts they received during the annual Children's Christmas Party. Sponsored by the Student Body Government, the party played host to more than 300 area children in the ballroom of the Bruce G. Carter Student Union.

Photo by Jon Owens

Santa Claus was the most popular person at the annual Children's Christmas Party hosted by the Student Body Government. Santa gives Michael Greenfeather a present during his visit to the "big chair" during the party. More than 300 are children were given gifts during the party.

Photo by DeLena Mincher

An unidentified coed displays the proper way to dress Barbie as her "Adoptive daughters" wait for their turn to play with the gifts they received during the annual Student Body Government Children's Christmas Party in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom.

Photo by Sara Livingston
Under the direction of Dr. Jim Atkinson, vice president of student affairs, and Shirley Patterson, staff assistant to the vice president, the 1999-2000 edition of the Student Body Government was comprised of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and two senators-at-large.

The organization also featured one representative from each of the 45 campus clubs and organizations. The group held meetings on the first and third Tuesday of every month that classes were in session during the academic school year.
Stephanie Autry of Ketchum, was a Business/Marketing major with a 3.5 grade point average through four semesters. Stephanie was a member of both the Leadership Council of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She was an active member of the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society. She was a member of the dean’s honor roll for three straight semesters. Stephanie was a starting guard for the Region II Champion Lady Norse basketball team. She is the daughter of Beverly Hefley.

HEATHER ANGLE

Heather Angle of Ottumwa, Iowa, was an Equine Farm and Ranch Management major with a 3.4 grade point average through four semesters. Heather was a member of both the Equine Club and the Equine Judging Team that captured the Quarter Horse National Championship. She was also a representative in the Student Body Government. She also was an active member in the Aggie Society. She is the daughter of Cathy and Jerry Angle.

STEPHANIE AUTRY

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SHELenena Brotherton of West Plains, Mo., was an Equine Science major with a 3.24 grade point average through four semesters. Shellena was a member of the Quarter Horse National Champion Equine Judging team and was an active member in the Equine Club. She also participated as member of the Aggie Society. Shellena was a member of the dean’s honor roll for three semesters. She is the daughter of Sherry and John Brotherton.

TISHA HILDERBRAND

Tisha Hilderbrand of Plato, Mo., was a General Studies major with a 3.93 grade point average over four semesters. Tisha was named to the dean’s honor roll for three semesters while serving as parliamentarian for the Student Body Government. She was vice president for communications of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society. Tisha was a member of the Golden Norse cheerleading squad, Student Ambassadors, Foreign Language Club, and Baptist Collegiate Ministries. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Hilderbrand.
**STACY INGRAM**

Stacy Ingram from Ochelata, was an elementary education major with a 3.8 grade point average through four semesters. Stacy served as secretary for the Resident Life Council. She was a member of the Foreign Language Club, the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society and the Baptist Collegiate Ministry. Stacy was also a member of the Golden Norse Marching Band and the Jazz Band. She is the daughter of Alice and Lonnie Ingram.

**DENISE JOHNSON**

Denise Johnson from Gentry, Ark., was a General Studies major with a 3.3 grade point average through four semesters. Denise was a member of the Student Body Government, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Phi Beta Lambda, national business fraternity. She was selected to the dean’s honor roll three consecutive semesters. She was also a member of both the Golden Norse Marching Band and the Jazz Band. She is the daughter of Linda and Dean Johnson.

**JEREMIAH KICHLER**

Jeremiah Kichler of Lawrence, Kan., was a Computer Aided Drafting and Design major with a 3.65 grade point average over four semesters. Jeremiah served as both vice president and president of the Technology Club. He was a member of the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society and the Young Democrats. He was selected to the dean’s honor roll three straight semesters. He is the son of Connie and Larry Kichler.

**AMY KIHENIA**

Amy Kihenia from Nairobi, Kenya, was an International Business Administration major with a 3.5 grade point average over four semesters. Amy was crowned Homecoming Queen for the 1999-2000 school year. She served as president of the International Student Organization and as treasurer for Phi Beta Lambda, business fraternity. She was a Student Body Government representative and a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Christian Student Fellowship. She is the daughter of Mary Kihenia.
JENNIFER LOTT

Jennifer Lott from Pawhuska, was a Graphic Design/General Studies major with a 3.8 grade point average through four semesters. Jennifer was a member of the dean’s honor roll three straight semesters. Jennifer was the Homecoming Queen candidate representing the Golden Norse Marching Band. Jennifer was also a member of the MU Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa, National Honor Society. She is the daughter of Vicky and Bill Lott.

CHRISTINA REINTS

Christina Reints of Sarcoxie, Mo., was a Business Administration major with a 3.9 grade point average over four straight semesters. Christina was selected to both the president’s and dean’s honor rolls through three semesters. She served as president of the Engineers Club during her sophomore year. Christina was a member of the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society. She is the daughter of Margie and William Reints.

SHANNON RICHMOND

Shannon Richmond of Shady Springs, W. Va., was an Animal Science major with a 3.6 grade point average through four semesters. Shannon was a member of the National Champion Quarter Horse Equine Judging team and served as an active member in both the Aggie Society and the Equine Club. Shannon was also a member of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society. She was selected to the dean’s honor roll three straight semesters. She is the daughter of Patricia and James Richmond.

JOHN RILEY

John Riley of Quitman, Miss., was an Animal Science major with a 3.5 grade point average through four semesters. John served as both president and Student Body Government representative for the Aggie Society. He was a member of the Livestock Judging team. John was an active member in the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society. He was named to the dean’s honor roll three straight semesters. He is the son of Libby and John Riley, Sr.
ANGELA SANDOVAL

Angela Sandoval from Grove, was an Early Childhood Development major with a 3.6 grade point average through four semesters. Angela served as vice president of the Child Development Club and was an active member in the Native American Student Association. She was selected to the dean’s honor roll three consecutive semesters. She is the daughter of Susan and Gilbert Sandoval.

BRANDI SMALLWOOD

Brandi Smallwood of Antlers, was an Agriculture Economics major with a 3.94 grade point average over four semesters. Brandi served as secretary in both the Aggie Society and the Equine Club. She was a member of the National Champion Quarter Horse Equine Judging team. Brandi was also selected to the dean’s honor roll three consecutive semesters. She was a member of the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society. She is the daughter of Donna and Billy Smallwood.

LISA SONG

Lisa Song from Wann, was a Secondary Education major with a perfect 4.0 grade point average through four semesters. Lisa was a member of the Mu Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She was a guard on the Lady Norse basketball team and was recipient of the Carl Rigney Award for Most Outstanding Female Athlete. She was a member of the president’s honor roll three straight semesters. She is the daughter of Judy Moore.

MELANIE VIERA

Melanie Viera of Groves Beach, Calif., was an Equine Science major with a 3.6 grade point average through four semesters. Melanie was a member of the National Champion Quarter Horse Equine Judging team. She was also active in both the Equine Club and the Aggie Society. Melanie served as vice president of the Equine Club. She was selected to the dean’s honor roll three consecutive semesters. She is the daughter of Janice and David Viera.
Guides school into 21st century

Dr. Mayle (right) delivers the welcome address during the 1999-2000 graduation ceremonies held on Robertson Field.

*Photo by Tracy Richards*

Dr. Mayle and Computer Center Network Administrator Shirley Blair carry on a conversation during the Faculty Tea held in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union.

*Photo by Shawna Lewis*

Growth and development characterize Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College under the leadership of Dr. Glenn E. Mayle as he guides the institution into the 21st century during his second year as president.

Part of the growth at NEO has occurred with the expansion of course offerings at campuses in Grove and Vinita through traditional and technological means. This growth has created new opportunities for Oklahomans wanting to further their education.

A notable achievement under Dr. Mayle is the partnership created between NEO and Northeastern State University in Tahlequah which allows students to pursue a baccalaureate degree without having to commute to the Tahlequah campus.

The campus and its physical plant also have experienced several renovation projects under Dr. Mayle. The college gymnasium facilities are in the process of major renovations which will include an upgrade in air conditioning, expansion of restroom facilities and a new gym floor. Another project is replacing the roof on the intramural gym.

Dr. Mayle has also sought to ensure that NEO intercollegiate athletics are funded competitively with South-west Junior College Football Conference foes.

After earning a bachelor of science degree from Arizona State College in Tempe, Dr. Mayle received a master’s of arts degree from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff. He earned a doctorate in educational administration from Northern Arizona.

Prior to coming to NEO, Dr. Mayle served five years as president of Gavilan Valley Community College in Gilroy, Calif.

Before serving as president of Gavilan, Dr. Mayle served eight years as president of Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

Dr. Mayle began his administrative career by serving as chief academic officer and dean of instruction at Arizona Western College in Yuma, Ariz. While at Arizona Western Dr. Mayle also served a brief time as athletic director.

Dr. Mayle, and his wife Ethel, have five adult children.
Dr. Barry Vann (right), Vice President for Academic Affairs, presents a diploma to a student during graduation ceremonies held in the NEO Fieldhouse at the conclusion of the 1998-99 school year.

Photo by Tracy Richards

Dr. Jim Atkinson
Vice President for Student Affairs
Tom Poole
Vice President for Fiscal Affairs
Tom Bain
Director of the Learning Resources Center
Tim Ingram
Director of Public Information

Dr. Sharon Johnson
Director of Institutional Research
Lloyd Ogle
Director of Auxiliary/Food Services
Linda Oldham Burns
Director of Admissions and Records
Mike Watson
Director of Campus Police Department

Administrative Staff

Provides quality leadership
Members of the college forestry department Fire Dogs unit (bottom) pause for a picture while fighting a fire in eastern Oklahoma.

Photo by Dr. Jim Gleckler

John Lomax (right), Dean of the School of Agriculture and Natural Sciences, presents computer science instructor Jim Grover with a Teacher of the Week certificate.

Photo by Tracy Richards

Working on developing strong reasons during a swine judging practice session (bottom) at the college farm are members of the Livestock Judging team.

Photo by Shawna Lewis
Agriculture Department

Betty Spradlin
Biological and Microbiological Sciences
Sam Wells
Physical Science and Geology

Math Department

Jeremy Radebaugh
Department Chair
Jeff Aldridge
Math Instructor
Orland Aldridge
Math Instructor
Vickie Berry
Math Instructor
Karen Walls
Math Instructor

Natural Sciences Department

Dr. Mark Grigsby
Department Chair
David Dallas
Biological Science Instructor
Randy Jones
Chemistry Instructor
Mary Kirkpatrick
Chemistry Instructor
Matthew Mayfield
Physics and Math Instructor

Technology Department

Jim Grover
Department Chair
Ron Combs
Drafting Instructor
Jeb Dehanas
Electronics Instructor
Chip Hammons
Computer Science Instructor
Steve Leonard
Computer Science Instructor
Serving individual student needs

Kay Harris (bottom), department chair of the Allied Health program, works with a student during a medical lab tech course.

Checking over some daily paperwork with secretary Kathy Crownover (right) is Jim Gerandt, Dean of the School of Human Environmental Sciences.

An unidentified student works out in the college weight room located on the east side of the NEO Fieldhouse.
Allied Health Department

Kay Harris
Department Chair
James Compton
Physical Therapist Assistant Instructor
Kathleen Herrington
Surgical Technology Instructor

Business Department

Pat Creech
Department Chair
Shirley Coker
Business Instructor
Chris Fancher
Business Instructor
Dr. Sharon Johnson
Business Instructor
Chuck Levo
Business Instructor

Health and Physical Education Department

Rob Green
Department Chair
Mike Barlow
Pre-Athletic Training Instructor
Nancy Bishop
Physical Education Instructor
Carol Calzagno
Physical Education Instructor
Roger Ward
Physical Education Instructor

Nursing Department

Elizabeth Follis
Nursing Instructor
Ruth Sutton
Nursing Instructor
Peggy Wood
Nursing Instructor
School of Liberal Arts

Focuses on artistic endeavors

Members of the college drama department (bottom) exchange bread blows during the first-annual Medievil Feast held in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union.

Photo by Danielle Boyd

Brian Hauck (right), Dean of the School of Liberal Arts presents English instructor Dr. Robert Bayse with a Teacher of the Week certificate.

Photo by Tracy Richards

Fine Arts Department

David Froman
Department Chair
Kirsten Couch
Art Instructor

Steven McCurley
Technical Theatre Instructor

Brian Shelton
Speech/Theatre/Television Instructor

Brian Smith
Instrumental Music Instructor

B. J. Smith
Speech and Theatre Instructor

Mary Susan Whaley
Vocal Music Instructor

B. J. Smith
Speech and Theatre Instructor

Mary Susan Whaley
Vocal Music Instructor

Faculty
History Department

Rod Kramer
Department Chair
Alan Lauchner
History Instructor
Charles Thomas
History Instructor

Languages & Literature Department

Dr. Robert Bayse
Department Chair
Anthony Bickham
English Instructor
Betty Caskey
Languages and Literature Instructor
Kathleen Chrismon
English Instructor
Dr. Hank Coiner
Languages and Humanities Instructor

Monty Franks
Journalism Instructor
Dr. Cheryl Jones
English Instructor
Carla Murphy
Reading Instructor
Carol Smith
English Instructor
James Webster
English Instructor

Social Science Department

Katherine Blundell
Department Chair
Jeff Birdsong
Political Science Instructor
Diana Collings
Social Work Instructor
Dr. George Largent
Political Science

Leon Manning
Criminal Justice Instructor
Dale Patterson
Social Science Instructor
Marcia Tynon
Early Childhood Education Instructor
protecting and serving students

Bookstore

Joan Clapp
Bookstore Manager
Grace Ann Combs
Assistant Manager
Dianne Headlee
Sales Clerk
Rayma Redden
Sales Clerk

Business Office

Carolyn Berry
Payroll Clerk/Data Control
Sandy Blevins
Assistant Head Cashier
Marcia Enyart
Personnel and Data Control Coordinator
Sharon Grigsby
Purchasing Assistant
Kim Grimes
Head Cashier

Mary Patterson
Staff Assistant to the Vice President for Fiscal Affairs

Campus Police Department

Melvin Simmons
Parking Control Officer
Tom Robertson
Campus Police Officer
Mike Watson
Director of Campus Police
Chester Hogan, interim custodial supervisor, unloads some boxes and other materials to be delivered to the campus post office located in the basement of the Creech Library/Administration building.

Photo by Jon Owens
Providing a variety of services

**Support Staff**

**Financial Aid Department**

Cynthia Hoyt  
Financial Aid Director  
Karen Key  
Assistant Financial Aid Director

**Learning Resources Center**

Tom Bain  
Director  
Carolyn Anderson  
Audiovisual Library Assistant  
Nancy Brady  
Computer Technician  
Janice Coppock  
Library Assistant  
Darin Grover  
Instructional Technologist

Alberta Hutchings  
Circulation Library Assistant  
Mary Largent  
Assistant Director  
Bill Pfannenstiel  
Reference Librarian

**Maintenance Department**

Rollie Williams  
Supervisor  
Jan Mathis  
Secretary  
Donnie Fields  
Trades Mechanic  
Steve Grimes  
Heating and Air Conditioning  
Jerry Marshall  
Painter
Maintenance Department

Mike Neal
Water Treatment Specialist
Windell Rooney
Electrician
Toby Woodworth
Plumber

Student Recruitment Center

Verna Bass
Secretary
Connie Molder
Recruiter

College plumber Toby Woodworth (left) and trades mechanic Ellis Jones work on replacing the pipes which lead from the Fine Arts Center to the fountain located in between the Fine Arts Center and the Library/Administration building.

Photo by Jon Owens
Concerned with the total student

Support Staff

Student Services and Counseling

Shirley Patterson
Secretary
Cheryl Butler
Director of Counseling
Kenda Grover
Counselor
Lonnie Spencer
Counselor

Keith Sutton
International Student Advisor
Teresa Thompson
Counselor

Residence Halls

Kelli Lewis
Interim Housing Director
Derek Elmore
Dyer Hall Assistant Head Resident
Brian Potoshnik
Russell Hall Assistant Head Resident
Sara Potoshnik
Russell Hall Head Resident

Justin Roberts
Dyer Hall Head Resident
Vickie Stokes
Vann Hall Head Resident
Don Stopa
Russell Hall Assistant Head Resident
Auxiliary Services (Food Services)

Julius Kline
Vending Machine Attendant

Barbara Orcutt
Office Manager

Donna Stephens
Cafeteria Manager

Sue Williams
Secretary Assistant

Geneva Blair
Food Services

Catherine Capansky
Food Services

Ronald Capansky
Food Services

Elizabeth Durborow
Food Services

Patsy Frost
Food Services

Bernice Grayson
Food Services

Betty Griffith
Food Services

Joyce Hayworth
Food Services

Leutisha Hogan
Food Services

Ronald Howerton
Food Services

Sandra Hudson
Food Services

Clifford Hulsey
Food Services

Alfreda Kelly
Food Services

Lloyd Mahurin
Food Services

Tamara McCarver
Food Services

Hazel McCoy
Food Services

Karen Reil
Food Services

Geraldine Sherwood
Food Services

Pam Templin
Food Services

Eula Tindell
Food Services

Patricia Todd
Food Services
Support Staff

Serving individual needs

Auxiliary Services (Food Services)

Bonnie Tyler
Food Services
Dolores White
Food Services
Bobby York
Food Services
Marsha York
Food Services

Post Office

Rosemary Maloney
Postmistress
Pamela Bushyhead
Post Office Clerk

Interim housing director Kelli Lewis (right) discusses a situation concerning dorm life with Sara Potoshnik and other head residents.
## Print Shop

**Kevin Eifert**  
Print Shop Manager  
**Terry Eifert**  
Composition Coordinator

## Switchboard/School Nurse

**Jo Rooney**  
Switchboard Operator  
**Flo Atkinson**  
School Nurse

## Staff Assistants/Secretaries/Coordinators

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**Lisa Stovall**  
Academic Support Assistant
One of the benefits of a strong academic program is the ability to educate the general public located within the service area of the institution.

At the start of the 1999 fall semester, Northeastern A&M reached an agreement with Panhandle State University in Goodwill to start offering upper division level courses on the NEO campus beginning in the fall 2000 semester.

The two colleges utilized interactive video, the Internet, and NEO instructors to offer junior and senior level courses in Miami.

Students that completed 45 credit hours were allowed to enroll in the Panhandle program while completing their associate's degree from NEO.

Initial course and degree programs included nursing, education, and agriculture. Courses in the business field were added at a later date.

Individual course offerings the first semester through interactive video included agriculture risk management, agriculture futures and options, animal nutrition, teaching observation and participation, and introduction to education.

Courses offered over the Internet included the science of nursing, pathophysiology, pharmacotherapeutics, and nursing in rural America.

"We were also pursing similar agreements with Oklahoma State University in Stillwater and Northeastern State University in Tahlequah," said Dr. Barry Vann, vice president for academic affairs.
Two Northeastern A&M College sophomores were named to the prestigious Oklahoma Academic All-Stars sponsored by the Oklahoma Association of Community Colleges.

The OACC was comprised of 14 two-year colleges in Oklahoma. Each award recipient must excel in academic achievement, community and public service and leadership.

Ashley Brook Earp of Quapaw, and Heath Bush from Chickasha were selected to the all-stars.

Earp maintained a 3.45 grade point average during four semesters as an elementary education major.

Along with serving as vice president of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society, Earp was a member of the psychology club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Earp served as a Sunday School teacher for children ages 4 to 8 and was youth group sponsor at the Quapaw First Christian Church.

She also was recipient of the Benjamin Quapaw Foundation Scholarship for Native American students.

Bush maintained a perfect 4.0 grade point average over four semesters as an agriculture economics major.

While serving as vice president of service for Phi Theta Kappa, Bush also served as vice president for the Student Body Government.

A member of the college livestock judging team, Bush was the founder of the Fellowship of Christian Cowboys. He also served as president of the Baptist Collegiate Ministries.

Bush participated in the Hearts and Hammers program.
Members of the college Equine Judging team display some of the trophies they won during the 1999 Quarter Horse Congress. The team, under the direction of Kevin Pool (back row, third from left), also won the 1999 American Quarter Horse World Championship.

Students sit and wait in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom after filling out entry forms for the annual Technology Fair hosted by the college Technology department. The day-long activities attracted more than 350 area high school students.

Waiting in the foyer of the Fine Arts Center Auditorium are some of the more than 450 high school students that participated in the 40th annual Science Fair hosted by the Natural Sciences department. Awards were presented following the day-long judging.

Students gain valuable hands-on experience as they go around campus studying the numerous varieties of trees located on campus as part of the college Biology classes. Most of the courses taught in the Natural Sciences department give students hands-on experience.

Jary Douglas, head of the college Agriculture department, climbs into the pen to help position swine for a judging session during the annual Aggie Day activities held both on the college campus and at the college farm located just east of the main campus.
Special activities attract numerous high school recruits to variety of events

Offering prospective students numerous opportunities to participate in several on-campus activities, the four departments within the School of Agriculture and Natural Sciences also produced groups that were award-winning on a national scale.

The Agriculture department featured teams in Livestock Judging, Equine Judging and Rodeo that competed in numerous national events. The department also had the largest campus organization in the Aggie Society as well as producing Aggie Day which attracted more than 500 area high school students.

Members of the Math department attracted more than 600 high school students to participate in Math Day festivities.

More than 450 prospective students participated in the 40th annual Science Fair hosted by the members of the Natural Sciences department. The winners qualified for the state and International Science Fairs.

Approximately 350 high school students participated in the day-long Technology Fair hosted by the members of the college Technology department.

The 25 faculty members within the School of Agriculture and Natural Science also offered degrees in 21 academic disciplines.

Not only is Jary Douglas head of the Agriculture department, but he also served as coach of the Livestock Judging Team. He discusses some strategy in developing reasons with members of the college livestock judging team during a practice session.

Two members of the college Livestock Judging Team lead cattle to a show area after a grooming session during the Ottawa County Free Fair. The team uses the fair to brush up on their judging technique before beginning the season with as many as 10 competitions a year.
Nursing students Pattie Bluejacket and Helby Wynn show off their paperowns, masks and gloves while preparing to participate in a clinical visit at a Joplin, Mo. The students attend classes on campus and also participate in observations at hospitals.

First-year nursing students Loice Ondeiki, Danette Andrews, Michelle Kneeland, Rhonda Shertz and Angela Rogers display a tray they prepared while doing clinicals at a Joplin, Mo., hospital. First-year students split their time between the classroom and the hospital.

Kevin Shoultz, a sophomore from Miami, takes advantage of the numerous computers available in the computer lab located in the Business department in Copen Hall. The computer lab features the most up-to-date equipment for student use.

Cindy “Smurf” Speer, a sophomore from Bluejacket, pauses during a hectic day of clinicals at a Joplin, Mo., hospital. After completing one year of general courses, Speer began her second year of intense study to earning her nursing degree from the college.

A student in the Medical Laboratory Technician program works with a microscope during lab session. Students earning a degree in this program were enrolled in such courses as Basic Hematology, Immunology, Pathogenic Bacteriology and numerous other courses.
School of Human Environmental Sciences

One of the most diverse schools within Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College was the School of Human Environmental Sciences.

The wide range of diversity within the four academic programs ranged from courses in Allied Health to Business classes. Students had an opportunity to benefit from 12 academic programs or take advantage of the nine certificate programs the school featured.

With 25 faculty members, the School of Human Environmental Sciences featured such organizations as Phi Beta Lambda business fraternity; Surgical Technology Club; Physical Therapist Assistant Association; NEO Student Nurses Association; NEO Nursing Students; Medical Laboratory Technicians, and Medical Assistant Organization.

The Phi Beta Lambda business organization annually competes on the national level in numerous categories while several individual members of both the Nursing and Allied Health programs have been recognized for their accomplishments.

Members of the college community also have the availability of the Wellness Center under the direction of the Health and Physical Education department. The center features modern workout equipment.

Athletic trainer Mike Barlow slices several watermelons during the organizational meeting of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. More than 250 student-athletes participated in the NEO chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Former chemistry instructor Chester Campbell and Jodi Rivers of Enid give the stationary bikes located in the college Wellness Center a try. The Wellness Center features a wide variety of modern equipment designed to help a person stay in peak physical condition.
Marcia Tynon (left), head of the early childhood programs, tries to teach the "lost art" of jacks to Stacy Miller, a sophomore from Beaver. The early childhood education program also featured work in the pre-school lab located next to Dyer Hall.

Mary Susan Whaley (right), head of the vocal music program, works with members of the Meistersingers group in preparation for the Christmas concert presented in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium. The vocal music program also featured a concert choir.

Brian Smith (top right), listens as members of the Golden Norse Marching Band, show students enrolled in the early childhood education program how each instrument in the band works. Smith is the head of the instrumental music program.

Rachel Bennett, a sophomore from Grove, makes notations in her diary as she lead character in the NEO Theatre production of The Diary of Anne Frank. The theatre group presented four plays during the year in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium.

Brian Inbody (right), head of the college television academic program, demonstrates how a camera works to a visitor from the early childhood education program. The college television program maintained Channel 13 on the local cable network.
Featured numerous on-campus events which reflected the artistic abilities of students and television.

Within the History/Political Science department were the areas of American history and American government along with political science.

The Languages and Literature department included English, journalism and courses in Spanish, French and German along with humanities classes.

Courses within the Social Sciences department included American Indian Studies; criminal justice; early childhood education; elementary and secondary education; psychology; sociology; social science with either a pre-law or social work option.

From involvement into selection of the President of the United States to featuring some of the most talented student artists and performers in the four-state area, the four academic programs within the School of Liberal Arts touched on all spectrums of the American culture.

With 29 faculty members the School of Liberal Arts featured the Fine Arts department; History/Political Science department; Language and Literature department, and the Social Science department.

Contained within the Fine Arts department were vocal and instrumental music; art; speech and theatre, with 29 faculty members the School of Liberal Arts featured the Fine Arts department; History/Political Science department; Language and Literature department, and the Social Science department.

Travis Miller, a freshman from Miami, works to complete his entry in the annual Spring Student Art Show presented by the college art department. Under the direction of Kirsten Couch, the show featured works of art by more than 30 students.

Will Rogers, played by sophomore Matt Meyerdirk of Kingfisher, relaxes with members of the Zeigfield Follies during a scene from The Will Rogers Follies presented during the spring semester by the NEO Theatre group in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium.
Experiencing numerous successes, both on the court and in the field, Northeastern A&M's intercollegiate athletic program produced two teams which finished in the top five nationally.

With the addition of a men's golf program, all eight intercollegiate teams participated in postseason regional competition.

The season started with both the Lady Norse volleyball and the Golden Norse football programs advancing to the playoffs. The Lady Norse were eliminated in the opening round in five sets by Redlands College.

Coach Dale Patterson's Golden Norsemen sustained a 49-28 loss to Trinity Valley, Texas, in the semifinals of the Southwest Junior College Football Playoffs at Robertson Field.

Veteran coach Lonnie Spencer guided the Golden Norse basketball team to the quarterfinals of the Region II Tournament in Shawnee.

First-year head coach B. J. Smith not only directed the Lady Norse basketball team to the Region II title, but to a fourth place finish in the national tournament in Salina, Kan.

Another national qualifier was coach Eric Iverson's Lady Norse softball team. After winning the Region II Tournament, the Lady Norse finished third in the national tournament at Kissimmee, Fla.

Second-year head coach Roger Ward guided the Norse baseball team to the second round of the Region II playoffs in Fort Smith, Ark.
Gaining national recognition for the Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College athletic program, both the Lady Norse basketball team and the Lady Norse softball team advanced to the National Junior College Athletic Association National Tournament.

First-year head coach B. J. Smith replaced Randy Gipson and guided the Lady Norse basketball team to the number one seed in the Region II Tournament at Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee. The Lady Norse defeated Connors State 93-88 in overtime to win the regional crown.

Advancing to the Women's National Tournament in Salina, Kan., the Lady Norse dropped a 79-63 decision to Grayson County, Kan., in the loser's bracket finals to finish fourth in the nation with a 33-4 overall record.

Veteran guard Rosalind Ross earned All-American honors.

After winning the first 14 games of the regular season, fifth-year head coach Eric Iverson guided the Lady Norse to the top seed in the Region II Fast-Pitch Softball Tournament played in McAlester.

Following a 1-0 victory over Seminole State College in the regional finals, the Lady Norse advanced to the Women's Fast-Pitch National Tournament in Kissimmee, Fla.

Overcoming a 3-1 loss to Utah Valley in the second round, the Lady Norse won four straight before suffering a 7-1 loss to Central Arizona and a third place finish. The Lady Norse compiled a 50-9 overall record.
Seeking revenge for a season-opening loss in El Dorado, Kan., the Golden Norse opened the 1999 football season by hosting defending national champion Butler County.

The Grizzlies rallied from a 14-10 deficit at the end of three quarters to gain a 23-14 victory before 2,000 fans at Robertson Field.

Remaining at home the Golden Norse host Kemper Military the next week.

Led by a 185-yard rushing performance by All-American tailback Josh Scobey, the Norsemen gained a 47-34 victory over the Yellowjackets.

NEO generated 460 yards in total offense.

Coaching situation-Head coach Dale Patterson and his staff study the situation.

Photo by Gary Crow

Long run-NEO tailback Josh Scobey is tackled after a 15-yard run against Butler County, Kan.

Photo by Gary Crow

Punt return-Sophomore return specialist Lawson Giddings (6) looks for a hole.

Tough catch-Veteran wide receiver Michael Thrash (82) catches a six-yard pass in front of Butler County defensive back Darrell Jones (23).

Photo by Gary Crow

Short gain-Butler County tailback Dustin Nicol (43) is hauled down by NEO linebacker Rob Pickett.

Photo by Gary Crow
Take that—All-American tailback Josh Scobey (4) applies a stiff arm to Kemper Military College strong safety Stephen Nance (8) during a 15-yard TD run.  

Photo by Gary Crow

Elusive run—Sophomore tailback Kevin Galbreath (20) leaves Kemper defensive tackle David Fohey (70) on his knees.  

Photo by Gary Crow

Defensive stand—Golden Norse defenders Kobina Amoo, Jason Harris and Bandy Assiter combine to stop Kemper’s Marcus Lee.  

Photo by Gary Crow

1999 Football Results  
(6-4, 5-2 conference)

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*Indicates Southwest Junior College Football Conference game

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Ankle tackle—Golden Norse nose guard Rene Torres grabs the ankles of Kemper Military quarterback Jason Johnson (4) as he tries to avoid a sack situation by the NEO defense. Johnson rushed for 144 yards on 15 carries and scored three touchdowns in a 47-34 loss to the Norsemen at Robertson Field.  

Photo by Gary Crow
Opening action in the Southwest Junior College Football Conference, the Golden Norsemen traveled to Ranger, Texas to face Ranger Junior College. After Ranger scored first, the Norsemen built a 20-6 halftime lead en route to a 37-22 victory.

Tailback Kevin Galbreath led the Norse with 66 yards on eight carries while the NEO defense held Ranger to a mere 225 total yards.

Traveling to Tyler Texas the next week, the Norse defense held the Apaches scoreless in the second half while giving NEO a 17-14 win.

Galbreath gained 111 yards on 24 carries to lead the Norsemen.
Goin' nowhere-Tyler Junior College tailback William Mitchell (38) is wrapped up by the NEO defenders after a five-yard gain during a 17-14 Norse win. Photo by DeLena Mincher

Dropped for a loss-Golden Norse strong safety Jason Harris (17) is joined by other defenders after tackling Tyler's Brian Turner (34) for a loss. Photo by DeLena Mincher

Stopped short-NEO defenders Kyle Hill (32) and Rod Pickett tackle Tyler's Robert Ferguson short of a first down. Photo by DeLena Mincher

Team pose-Members of the 1999 Golden Norse squad pose for a team picture at Robertson Field. Photo by Jim Ellis

Hauled down-Tyler fullback Farrell Asbell (22) is tackled by defensive tackle Chris Billips (91).
Playing before more than 3,000 fans celebrating Homecoming at Robertson Field, the Golden Norse suffered a tough 17-74 loss to 15th-ranked Trinity Valley College.

With the score tied 14-14, the Cardinals scored on a 29-yard field goal by Dewayne Wages with just 15 seconds left in the game to stun the partisan Norse crowd.

NEO had a chance to tie as tight end Rockwell Armstrong was tackled at the Trinity Valley 7-yard line as time expired.

Rushing for a career-high 220 yards, Josh Scobey led the Norsemen to a 34-27 win over Navarro College in Corsicana, Texas.
Checking off-Freshman quarterback Matt Dutton (16) comes up to the offensive line and surveys the Navarro College defense.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Looking for a block-Golden Norse freshman kick return specialist Jeff McCoy (3) looks for a block while returning a punt.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Punting situation-NEO punter Wesley Walker waits for a block from lineman Josh Brown in a game with Navarro.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Protection-Members of the Golden Norse offensive line try to keep the Navarro Bulldogs at bay.

Photos by Kelli Lewis

Closing in-Navarro College linebacker Shane Tolleson (30) comes to tackle NEO receiver Jeff McCoy.
Fighting off a second-half rally by the Kilgore Rangers, the Golden Norsemen gained a 28-21 victory at Robertson Field.

A 2-yard touchdown run by Josh Scobey along with a 4-yard TD run by Matt Dutton and a 35-yard TD pass from Dutton to Jeremy Shockey gave the Norse a 21-0 lead at halftime.

A 12-yard touchdown run by Kevin Galbreath late in the fourth quarter helped to preserved a victory for the Norse.

Erupting for 56 total points and 548 yards in total offense, the Norsemen earned a 56-42 win over the Cisco Wranglers at Chesney Field in Cisco, Texas.

Stretching out—Kilgore Ranger wide receiver Keithen Edwards (8) tries to gain yardage.

Photos by DeLena Mincher

Double team—Norse linebackers Adrian Harris (46) and Bandy Assiter tackle Kilgore's Darrin Oliphant.

Interception—Sophomore free safety Kendrick Shaver is knocked out by Kilgore's Stacey Coleman.

Let's dance—Offensive tackle Chris Prock (69) and Kilgore linebacker Trey Randell (51) lock horns on a Golden Norse pass play.

Photo by DeLena Mincher

Touchdown run—Veteran tailback Kevin Galbreath waits for a block on a 12-yard touchdown run against Kilgore.

Photo by DeLena Mincher
Snap count—Golden Norse center Chris Prock (65) and the rest of the interior line wait for the snap of the ball in a play at Cisco, Texas.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Roll out—Freshman quarterback Matt Dutton (16) scrambles against Cisco, Texas, completed 14 of 28 passes for 289 yards and three touchdowns.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

The great escape—trying to elude the rush of Cisco linebacker Richard Gilmore (46) is quarterback Matt Dutton (16).

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Fourth quarter—Members of the Golden Norse squad gather around head coach Dale Patterson on the sidelines at Cisco, Texas to start the final quarter.

Photos by Kelli Lewis

Record-setting run—All-American tailback Josh Scoby (4) scores on a 23-yard run to become NEO's all-time leading rusher.
At the conclusion of the regular season, 13 members of the Golden Norse football team earned All-Southwest Junior College Football Conference honors. Sophomores tailback Josh Scobey and offensive guard Eric Avriett along with freshman tight end Jeremy Shockey earned first team honors.

Scobey, who finished with more than 2,000 yards in two years, earned All-American recognition. Erratic defensive play led to a 42-34 loss to Blinn College in the regular season finale at Robertson Field.

Allowing 35 points in 26 minutes, the Norse dropped a 49-28 decision to Trinity Valley in the conference playoffs in Miami.
Roadblock—Trinity Valley quarterback Blake Yancey (16) watches tailback Chavis McCollister (3) plow into NEO’s defensive front.

Photo by Jim Ellis

Take this play—Golden Norse offensive coordinator Rob Green sends in a play with sophomore wide receiver Lawson Giddings (6).

Photo by Jim Ellis

Deflected pass—NEO quarterback Matt Dutton (16) has a pass knocked down by Trinity Valley defender Josh Embry.

Photo by Jim Ellis

Touchdown catch—Freshman tight end Jeremy Shockey (86) scores on a 7-yard pass play.

Photos by Jim Ellis

No where to go—Golden Norse tailback Josh Scobey is caught from behind by David Oliver.
Interim head coach Stephanie Gockley and her assistant, Seth Harold, started the intercollegiate volleyball season with an eight-player roster.

The Lady Norse competed in the Bi-State Athletic Conference against teams from Redlands Community College of El Reno, Connors State College of Warner, and Westark Community College of Fort Smith, Ark. Along with an 11-match regular season, the Lady Norse also competed in three tournaments. The Lady Norse advanced to the Region I playoffs and were eliminated in five sets by eventual champion Westark College.

Serving in style—Sophomore Katrina Smith gets ready to serve the ball as a teammate waits for a return.

Net play—Tonya Renfrro (left) and Natalie Amberg try to defend the net on a shot against Westark.

Great defense—Going up to block a shot by Teri Garrison of Redlands Community College is Lady Norse middle hitter Tonya Renfrro.

Substitution—Sophomore opposite hitter Dahalia Smith (8) replaces Katrina Smith (10) as student manager Ruth Beal helps her to the sidelines.

Time out—Coaches Stephanie Gockley and Seth Harold meet with the squad on the sidelines during a time out.
Solid return—Veteran off-hitter Shannon Sharp returns a shot as teammate Natalie Amberg (14) watches the flight of the ball to the net.  
*Photo by Kelli Lewis*

High toss—Freshman Veronica Wade tosses the ball up while making a serve during a match on the court in the NEO Fieldhouse with Westark College.  
*Photo by Kelli Lewis*

Rally around—Sophomore Dahlia Smith grabs the ball as teammates celebrate a point during a match with Connors State.  
*Photo by Kelli Lewis*

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**1999 Lady Norse Volleyball**  
(18-35 season, 4-14 conference)

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**Team members**—Posing for a team picture were members of the 1999 Lady Norse volleyball team, kneeling, from left: Tonya Renfro, Amanda Reichmuth, Kaya Birdsong, and Tacara Moxey. Back row, Stephanie Gockley, head coach; Ruth Beal, student manager; Veronica Wade, Katrina Smith; Natalie Amberg, Dahlia Smith, and assistant coach Seth Harold.  
*Photo by Kelli Lewis*
Playing in 53 total games, the Lady Norse compiled a 18-35 overall record which included competition in three tournaments prior to postseason action.

After hosting Allen County, Kan., and Westark Community College in a tournament, the Lady Norse played three separate matches in a tournament at East Central College in Union, Mo.

Returning home for a Bi-State Athletic Conference match with Redlands College, the Lady Norse then traveled to Arkansas City, Kan., for the Cowley County Tournament.

The Lady Norse played Allen County, Westark and Connors at home to conclude the season.

Get ready-Sophomore off-hitter Katrina Smith (10) tells teammate Veronica Wade to get ready.

Photo by Sara Livingston

Big serve-Freshman Tonya Renfro (5) tosses the ball up during a serve against the Westark Community College defensive line.

Photo by Sara Livingston

High five-Veteran Dahalia Smith (8) joins teammates in celebrating a point.

Photo by Sara Livingston

Double team-Protecting the net against a return shot by the Redlands College team are two unidentified Lady Norse front line players.

Photo by Sara Livingston

Jump ball-Lady Norse defenders Natalie Anberg (9) and Amanda Reichmuth (11) combine to make a stop as teammates Katrina Smith (10) and Kaya Birdsong (7) provide help.
Waiting game-Dahalia Smith, Katrina Smith, Natalie Amberg, and Amanda Reichmuth await a serve from Redlands College.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Up and over-Amanda Reichmuth (11) and Natalie Amberg (14) combine to return a serve against Westark Community College.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Set up-Lacly Norse setter Tonya Renfro sets a shot up for either Veronica Wade (6) or Dahalia Smith (8).

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Talking strategy-Members of the Lady Norse squad listen as assistant coach Seth Harold and head coach Stephanie Cockley discuss the situation during a time out.

Photos by Kelli Lewis

Front line defense-Playing the net for the Lady Norse were Dahalia Smith (8) and Tonya Renfro (5).
Under the direction of first-year head coach B. J. Smith, the Lady Norse not only won the Bi-State Athletic Conference Eastern Division and the Region II post-season tournament, but they finished fourth in the Women's National Junior College Athletic Association National Tournament in Salina, Kan.

The Lady Norse posted the third-best overall record in NEO history with a 33-4 mark while winning the Bi-State East with a 12-2 record.

After defeating Bacone College, 93-88 in overtime of the Region II finals, the Lady Norse defeated Ricks Idaho and Barton County, Kan., before losing to Tyler, Texas and eventual champion Grayson County, Kan.

Regional champs-Members of the Lady Norse basketball team display the tee shirts and hats they won as regional champions.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Rebound battle-Freshman center Crystal Bennett (55) duels Stesha Rhodes of Grayson County for a rebound.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Outlet pass-Veteran guard Lisa Song (24) starts an offensive play.

Driving for a score-All-American guard Rosalind Ross (33) scores a basket despite defensive pressure from Chianti Johnson of Grayson County.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Running the offense-Kala-ra McFayden makes a pass inside despite the defense by Tyler's Jessica Guild (12) and Bertha Collins (32). Photo by Audrie Hayes
Tough shot—Sophomore center Latasha White (52) tries to shoot underneath the basket as Barton County defenders Janique Williams and Tugba Palazoglu watch.

No lane here—Freshman forward Charlotte Nelson (32) stops Barton County guard Jenna Bradford from going to the basket.

Deflection—Knocking the ball away from Barton County guard Dena McMullen is freshman guard Kenja White.

Penetrating move—Freshman point-guard Kenja White (23) dribbles past the defensive pressure of Ricks, Idaho guard Lindsey Johnson (33).

### 1999/2000 Lady Norse Basketball

(33-4 season, 8-2 conference, 4th in nation)

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Prior to qualifying for the Women's National Tournament in Salina, Kan., the Lady Norse faced a tough three games in the Region II Tournament played on the campus of Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee.

Guards Kenja White and Rosalind Ross combined for 16 points each to lead the Lady Norse to a 81-59 victory over Northern Oklahoma College in the opening round of the regionals.

Ross scored 21 points while leading the Lady Norse to a 79-66 win over Carl Albert College in the regional semifinals.

Solidifying her Most Valuable Player recognition, Ross scored a season-high 29 points in a 93-88 overtime victory over Bacone College in the finals.

Trophy presentation-Members of the Lady Norse wait to receive the Region II championship trophy.

Sあndwiched-Freshman Raven Lee (25) is caught between two Bacone defenders.

Record setter-All-American Rosalind Ross scores a season-high 29 points against Bacone.

Grab the ball-Rosalind Ross (33) grabs a rebound in front of Bacone's Danyell Brooks (25) during the Region II finals in Shawnee.

Huddle-First-year head coach B.J. Smith is surrounded by his team during a time out in a thrilling 93-88 overtime win.
Use the pick-taking advantage of a pick set by teammate Raven Lee, Latasha White drives against the Bacone defense.

Photo by DeLena Mincher

Out for a drive-Freshman guard Kalara McFadyen (14) penetrates the Bacone defense during the Region II final.

Photo by DeLena Mincher

Trying to direct traffic-Lady Norse guard Stephanie Autry (21) looks at teammate April Ponds (44) as Bacone guard Crystal Briggs (25) defends.

Photo by DeLena Mincher

Nationally ranked-Members of the Lady Norse squad finished fourth in the Women's National Tournament in Salina, Kan., after winning the Region II crown.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

No shot-NEO freshman Raven Lee (25) forces a shot over Bacone's Erica Vicente.

Photo by DeLena Mincher
Led by All-American guard Rosalind Ross, the 1999-2000 Lady Norse started the season with five returning sophomores. Ross, a 5-8 guard from Milwaukee, Wis., established several Lady Norse team records as a 3-point shooter. Ross led the team with a 17.1 scoring average while recording 75 assists and 108 steals.

Also returning at guards were veterans Lisa Song (5-5 from Wann), Joyce Chesney (5-5 from Catoosa) and Stephanie Autry (5-7 from Ketchum). Veteran Latasha White (5-11 from Chicago, Ill.) returned at the post position.

White joined Ross on the All-Region II team and the National Tournament team.
Make the pass-Sophomore shooting guard Lisa Song (24) looks for an open player as Northern's B.J. Homer (12) applies pressure.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Bringing the ball down-Sophomore guard Stephanie Autry (21) brings the ball down court against Stacie Scott (20) of Northern Oklahoma.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Use the pick-Lady Norse guard Rosalind Ross (33) uses a pick by Kalara McFadyen on Bacone guard Erica Vicente (22).

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Tough defense-Veteran guard Lisa Song works hard on defense to keep Kim Clayton (20) of Western Oklahoma College from going to the basket.

Photos by Audrie Hayes

Off-balance shot-NEO center Latasha White (52) throws up a shot over Bacone's Lori Newmeyer (50).
Freshmen recruits played an important part in the success of the 1999-2000 Lady Norse.

Seven first-time players added an international flavor to the Lady Norse. At any one time as many as three freshmen would start.

Sharing point guard duties for the Lady Norse were freshmen Kalara McFadyen (5-5 from Auckland, New Zealand) and Kenja White (5-6 from Waukegan, Ill.).

Freshmen April Ponds (5-11 from Tulsa Memorial), Raven Lee (5-8 from Tuttle), and Charlotte Nelson (5-10 from Edinburgh, Scotland) shared duties at forward.

Crystal Bennett (6-4 from Cleveland, Ohio) and Emma Reilly (6-1 from Gortletteragh, Ireland) played the post.
In-bounds pass—Freshman forward Charlotte Nelson (32) waits for an in-bounds pass while guarded by Katrina Hall of Western.  Photo by Audrie Hayes

Jump shot—Putting up a shot over Bacon’s Lori Newmeyer (50) is freshman forward April Ponds (44).  
Photo by Audrie Hayes

Cutting the corner—Lady Norse guard Kalara McFadyen drives around the defense of Carl Albert guard Georgianna Brown (15).
Photo by Audrie Hayes

Wrestling match—Lady Norse center Crystal Bennett (55) battles Northern’s B. J. Homer (12) and Ranada Collins (22) for a loose ball as teammate April Ponds (44) watches.
Photos by Audrie Hayes

Hang time—NEO freshman Kenja White (23) splits the Northern defense of B. J. Homer (12) and Reva Howell.
Despite fielding a team with six sophomores, the Golden Norse basketball team struggled with consistency before being eliminated in the second round of the Region II post-season tournament.

Coach Lonnie Spencer opened the season with seven wins in the first 11 games before losing 10 of the final 19 games to post a 16-14 overall record. The Golden Norsemen finished fourth in the Eastern Division of the Bi-State Athletic Conference with a 5-5 overall record.

After finishing 14-1 in the first half of the conference schedule, the Norsemen won two of the final three regular season league games to earn a berth in the Region II playoffs at Oklahoma Baptist in Shawnee.
Sky high-Freshman guard Jamar Love (14) slams one home as teammates Bruce Jolly (45) and Michael Van Woudenberg (32) block off the defense.  
*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Touch and go-Sophomore guard Shon Robinson (20) drives around Tyler Barnard of the Northern Oklahoma College Mavericks.  
*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Race for the ball-Freshman guard JoJo Noles chases a ball towards the sidelines ahead of Darian Jones of Western.  
*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

1999/2000 Golden Norse Basketball  (16-14 season, 5-5 conference)

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Find someone open-Veteran forward Jon Belt looks to make a pass to the inside despite the defensive pressure from Western Oklahoma College forward Andre Wilson.  
*Photo by Audrie Hayes*
Coming within two points of advancing to the Region II Tournament semifinals, the Golden Norsemen suffered a 70-69 loss to Connors State College in the playoff quarterfinals.

With the loss coach Lonnie Spencer’s Norse concluded the season with a 16-14 overall record.

A shot by freshman guard Jamar Love circled the basket at time ran out to end the game.

After Connors jumped out to a 10-point lead midway through the first half, the Norsemen rallied to trim the lead to 31-30 at halftime.

Shon Robinson led NEO with 21 points.
Knock down—Jo Jo Noles lays on the floor as teammate Bryant Mitchell (22) battles Kirby Oliver (35) of Connors for a rebound.  
Photo by Audrie Hayes

Man-to-man defense—Sophomore guard Shon Robinson (20) tries to stop Connors guard Andre Valentine (34) from scoring.  
Photo by Audrie Hayes

Hands off—Freshman guard Jo Jo Noles is pushed by Connors State guard Junior Blount (15) during the Region II Tournament.  
Photo by Audrie Hayes

Golden Norsemen—Members of the 1999-2000 Golden Norse basketball team pose for a picture prior to the Region II Tournament.  
Photos by Audrie Hayes

Missed slam dunk—Two members of the Connors State Cowboys combine to miss a slam dunk.
Seven sophomores provided a solid nucleus as the Golden Norsemen started the 1999-2000 basketball season. Veteran guard Shon Robinson (6-2 from Baton Rouge, La.) and sophomore transfer center Bryant Mitchell (6-7 from Lawrenceburg, Tenn) represented the Norsemen on the Bi-State East All-Conference team. Robinson also earned recognition on the All Region II team.

Also returning to the Golden Norse squad were guards Antonio Anderson (6-3, Tulsa); Scott Johnson (6-2, Tulsa), and Jon Bolt (6-6, Broken Arrow).

Returning at the forward positions were veterans Michael Van Woudeberg (6-4, Glenpool) and David Atkinson (6-6, Tulsa).
Moving away-Shon Robinson (20) tries to escape the defensive pressure of Northern Oklahoma’s Jeff Newby (31).

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Heads up-Sophomore forward David Atkinson (5) looks for an open teammate while setting up a play.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

My ball-Golden Norse forward Jon Belt (24) wrestles with Seminole’s Percy Green (33) as NEO’s Antonio Anderson (3) watches.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Running the gauntlet-Sophomore forward Michael Van Woudenberg (32) tries to penetrate the defense applied by three Carl Albert State College defenders.

Photos by Audrie Hayes

Clearing the glass-Center Bryant Mitchell (22) out-rebounds North Ark’s Dustin Matlock.
Making major contributions coming into the game off the bench, six freshmen saw considerable playing time during the 1999-2000 campaign.

Point-guards Jo Jo Noles (6-0 from Tulsa) and Jamar Love (5-10 from Johnson City, Tenn.) appeared in all 30 games as freshmen.

Forwards Rickey Johnson (6-6 from Houston, Texas) and Marl Elazier (6-5 from Denver, Colo.) both played in all but four games their first year of college competition.

Post players Bruce Jolly (6-7 from Houston, Texas) and Piotr Dobrowski (6-7 from Lublin, Poland) also appeared in more than half the games.

Executing offense—Freshman guard Jamar Love (14) makes a move past Wesley Norris of North Arkansas. Photo by Audrie Hayes

Short jumper—Freshman forward Mark Elazier (6'0) scores on a short jump shot against Seminole State College. Photo by Audrie Hayes

Leverage—Freshman guard Jo Jo Noles (21) tries to get the best of Kevin Ritter (25) from Carl Albert.

Soft hands—Going up above the rim for an easy shot is freshman point-guard Jo Jo Noles as Carl Albert guard Steve Geary tries to deflect the shot. Photo by Audrie Hayes

Bulldozer—Freshman center Piotr Dobrowski tries to penetrate the defense of North Arkansas. Photo by Audrie Hayes
Taking a charge—Freshman guard Jo Jo Nokes takes a charge as Seminole guard Corey Overton flies through the air.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Perimeter pass—Point-guard Jamar Love (14) looks for a pass against Dustin Matlock (33) of North Arkansas.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Get that out of here—Golden Norse center Bruce Jolly (45) deflects a pass to Bacone's Michal Ignerski (44) out of bounds in a game at the NEO Fieldhouse.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Bounce pass—Freshman forward Rickey Johnson tries to make a bounce pass to teammate Jon Belt as teammate Mark Elazier (00) and the Northern Oklahoma College defense looks on.

Photos by Audrie Hayes

Get back—Guard Jamar Love (14) allows Western Oklahoma guard Dennis Garza (12) to penetrate.
Although starting the regular season with only six returning sophomores, coach Eric Iverson guided the Lady Norse softball program to a Region II Championship and a third place finish in the Women's Fast Pitch National Tournament at Kissimmee, Fla.

Opening the season with a 13-game winning streak, the Lady Norse finished the regular season ranked third in the nation with a 41-7 overall record.

The Lady Norse won the Region II Tournament without allowing a run in four games during the playoffs.

Making their first trip to the national tournament since 1996, the Lady Norse dropped a 7-1 decision to Central Arizona in the loser's bracket finals to finish 50-9 on the year.

Celebration-Members of the Lady Norse softball team surround athletic director Bob Maxwell after winning the Region II crown.

*Photo by Kelli Lewis*

Base hit-Freshman outfielder Cyndee Ross (15) lines a base hit against Central Arizona.

*Photo by Kelli Lewis*

Wild wind up-Veteran hurler Keri Harris (5) earned All-American honors.

Looking for a pitch-Lady Norse designated hitter Cassie Scott watches a pitch go by during a national tournament game in Kissimmee, Fla.

*Photo by Kelli Lewis*

Face first-Sliding into second base under the tag of Bacone College second baseman Hethere Curtis is veteran Genie Schnakenberg.

*Photo by Kelli Lewis*
Line drive-Sophomore center fielder Gennie Schnakenberg (14) lines a single to left in a 7-3 loss to Central Arizona during the national tournament.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Safe-Veteran catcher Kristi Bell waits for a safe call after beating the tag by Northern Oklahoma's Amy Major at third base.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

Slap bunt-Putting down a perfect slap bunt to move the base runner over is freshman second baseman Susie Sanders.

Photo by Kelli Lewis

2000 Lady Norse Softball
(50-9 season, 24-4 conference 1st place, 3rd in nation)

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Making contact-Designated hitter Casie Scott (13) drills a pitch to left-center for one of her 12 doubles during the season.

Photo by Kelli Lewis
Following a 41-7 regular season, the Lady Norse entered the Region II Tournament in McAlester ranked third in the nation as the number one seed.

Squaring off against Bacone College in the opening round, the Lady Norse cruised to a 13-0 shutout in five innings.

Facing Eastern Oklahoma College in the second round, the Lady Norse earned an 8-0 shutout over the Lady Mountaineers.

Defending Region II champion Seminole State College tangled with the Lady Norse in the winner's bracket finals. Veteran Keri Harris earned a 2-0 shutout over the Belles.

Keri Harris limited Seminole to two hits in a 1-0 victory in the championship game.
Shutout pitching-All-American pitcher Keri Harris pitched 24 scoreless innings during the Region II Tournament.

*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Stolen base-Freshman Susie Sanders steals second ahead of the tag by Seminole's Melissa Williams.

*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Everybody's happy-Members of the Lady Norse team display different emotions following a 1-0 victory over Seminole State for the regional title.

*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Region champions-The Lady Norse softball team and coaching staff pose for a group shot prior to leaving for the national tournament.

*Photos by Audrie Hayes*

Good catch-Right fielder Cyndee Ross catches a pop fly and prepares to throw it back into the infield.
Led by All-Americans Keri Harris and Nicole Wolski, the Lady Norse featured six sophomores that made major contributions during the season. Keri Harris, a righthander from Grove, also earned first team All Region II honors while leading the region with a 25-7 record and a 0.88 ERA. Wolski, a first baseman from Tuttle, was named first team all region after leading NEO with a .504 batting average.

Joining Keri Harris on the pitching staff was veteran Katie Kimbrough of Enid.

Returning at catcher was Kristi Bell of Tulsa along with centerfielder Genie Schnakenberg of Miami and designated hitter Casie Scott of Quapaw.
Someone make the catch-
All-American pitcher Keri Harris and catcher Kristi Bell attempt to catch a short pop up.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Good job-Freshman Stacie Harris (3) receives a high-five from first baseman Nicole Wolski after hitting a home run.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Drag bunt-Veteran centerfielder Genie Schnakenberg executes a drag bunt for a base hit as the leadoff hitter in the Lady Norse batting order.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Adjust your knee pad-First base coach Jeremy Sanders talks to base runner Gene Schnakenberg as she adjusts her knee pad.

Photos by Audrie Hayes

Rise ball-All-American pitcher Keri Harris throws one of several different types of pitches she had.
Starting the season with a predominately freshman lineup, coach Eric Iverson’s Lady Norse placed four first-year players on the All-Region II team.

Pitcher Missy Erwin of Claremore was joined on the All-Region II team by shortstop Crissy Strimple of Moore, third baseman Andrea Millar of Afton, and outfielder Shayne Gipson of Skiatook.

Other freshmen players were catchers Leslie Prather of Grove and Candice Duncan of Yukon; second baseman Susie Sanders of Grove; and outfielders Stacie Harris of Quapaw; Cyndee Ross, Miami; Mary Eby, Tulsa, and Joanna Biddle, Okmulgee.
High throw-Freshman second baseman Susie Sanders (22) stretches high to take a throw as Seminole’s Amanda Cave (9) slides in safe.  
*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Fair ball-Watching a ball hit long down the left field line is freshman outfielder Stacie Harris (3).  
*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Beat the throw-Freshman catcher Candice Duncan slides under the tag of Bacone’s Starla Taylor as teammate Audrey Tosee watches the play.  
*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

You’re out-Leslie Pfister makes a throw across the diamond to get North Arkansas runner Andrea Stewart as NEO pitcher Katie Kimbrough ducks the throw to Andrea Millarr (4).  
*Photos by Audrie Hayes*

Line drive-Reaching high to grab a line drive is freshman shortstop Crissy Strimple.
A lack of depth in the pitching staff and facing several teams ranked in the top 25 in the nation, coach Roger Ward's Golden Norse baseball team competed in a roller-coaster season.

The Norsemen finished fourth in the Bi-State Athletic Conference with a 7-9 record while compiling a 25-27 overall mark.

While finishing with a 14-13 record at Homa Thomas Field, the Golden Norsemen struggled on the road with a 11-14 mark.

Averaging 75 points per game on offense, the NEO pitching staff surrendered an average of 83 points per game.

Mother Nature also had a hand in the Golden Norse season as 10 of the first 20 games were either postponed or cancelled because of inclement weather.

Happy ending-Members of the Golden Norse baseball team celebrate a win.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Be patient-All-Conference performer Brian Haskell waits for a pitch during a game with Westark College at Homa Thomas Field.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Conference-Head coach Roger Ward (right) discusses a play with batter Nick Zodrow.

Next pitch-Sophomore right-hander Josh Wills studies the signals as he waits to deliver a pitch during a game at Homa Thomas Field.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Healthy cut-Veteran outfielder Stewart Swayze tries to stop his swing while taking a cut at a low pitch.

Photo by Audrie Hayes
Long stride-Unleashing a fast ball towards the plate from the mound at Homa Thomas Field is sophomore Josh Wills.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Signals-Flashing signs from the third base coaching box is Golden Norse head coach Roger Ward.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Sacrifice bunt-Freshman Beau Blacken lays down a perfect sacrifice bunt to move the runner into scoring position from first base.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Regional qualifiers-The Golden Norse baseball team and coaching staff pose for a group shot prior to leaving for the Region II tournament.

Photos by Audrie Hayes

Long throw-After making a catch in deep right field, Jesse French throws the ball back into the infield.
Opening play in the Region II post-season tournament against second-seeded Westark Community College on the Lions’ diamond in Fort Smith, Ark., the Golden Norsemen dropped a 14-3 decision in five innings.

After Westark erupted for five runs in the bottom of the second inning, the Norsemen received an RBI double by Brian Haskell and a two-run home run by Nick Zodrow to cut the margin to 5-3 in the top of the third inning.

But the Lions struck three NEO pitchers for five runs in the third and four in the fourth to end the game after five innings.

Facing eventual Region champ Seminole the next day, the Norse sustained a 14-loss in five innings and were eliminated from the playoffs.
I’ve got a secret—Veteran catcher Nick Zodrow (24) talks with pitcher Brian Haskell during the Region II Tournament.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Get a lead—First base coach Brian Potoshnik (3) tells base runner Keith Stegbauer (2) how far to take a lead during the Seminole game.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Watching closely—Assistant coach Dan Stopa and the remainder of the Golden Norse team sit and watch Region II action.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Golden Norse coaches—Members of the baseball coaching staff were, from left: Brian Potoshnik, head coach Roger Ward, Dan Stopa, and athletic trainer James Caywood.

Photos by Audrie Hayes

Base runners—Veteran Brian Haskell (9) leads off first base as teammate Nick Zodrow leads at second.
Building around the nucleus of 11 sophomores, coach Roger Ward's Norsemen generated an offense that averaged more than seven runs per game.

All-conference selection Brian Haskell (62, Marenov Valley, Calif.) returned at first base and also posted a 4-4 pitching record.

Also returning to the pitching corps were Josh Wills, Stewart Swayze, Spencer Skipworth, Brian Boley, Darrin Olsen, and Adam Hawthorne.

Returning behind the plate was veteran Nic Zodrow.

Anchoring the outfield positions were Steven Williams in left, Ryan Kenning in center and Jesse French in right.
Throw this—During a time out, catcher Nick Zodrow (24) and pitcher Josh Wells (29) listen to coach Don Stipa (33).

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Reaching high—Veteran right fielder Jesse French (39) stretches high to snag a line drive to the outfield.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Tight wind up—Sophomore righthander Spencer Skipworth (34) delivers a change up from the mound during a game at Homa Thomas Field.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Screamer—Outfielder Stewart Swayze (5) lines a double down the left field line in a game with Connors State College at Homa Thomas Field.

Photos by Audrie Hayes

Follow through—Veteran righthander Adam Hawthorne (21) fires a fast ball towards home plate.
Receiving major contributions from freshmen recruits, the Golden Norsemen started the baseball season with 10 first-year players. Freshman shortstop Hal Bisnett (6-3 from Lake Stevens, Wash.) not only anchored an infield position, but he also compiled a 3-2 record on the mound.

Other infield starters for the Norse included Brett Huskey and Keith Stegbauer alternating at second base; Beau Blacken at third base; Danny Langdon and Chuck Broadhurst at catcher; Scott Sherry and Justin Small in the outfield.

Righthanders Brandon McBride and Bobby Warren fulfilled pitching duties.
Making the tag—Freshman second baseman Brett Huskey (4) tags out Adam Carter of Westark Community College.

*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Easy catch—Left fielder Justin Small comes in and makes the catch of a short fly ball to left-center.

*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Make the play—From the seated position, first baseman Chuck Broadhurst makes the play as the base runner tries to go to second base.

*Photo by Audrie Hayes*

Holding the runner—First baseman Beau Blacken (13) holds runner Brandon Young on the bag as coach Mike Clark (22) watches the pitcher.

*Photos by Audrie Hayes*

Double—Freshman outfielder Danny Langdon (22) pulls into second base with one of his two doubles.
Reviving a program that was started in 1965 and discontinued in 1991, the Golden Norse golf program competed in six matches during the spring semester.

Under the direction of coach John Lomax and assistant coach Dick Lillard, the Golden Norsemen started the season competing in the nine-team Bartlesville Wesleyan Tournament at Bailey’s Golf Ranch in Owasso.

NEO and Seminole State College are the only two junior college golf programs in the state of Oklahoma.

Competing on the Norse team were Miami freshmen Clayton Shoemaker, Aaron Epperson, Ben Parker and John Pettit; Brett Vaughan of Cushing; and Ryan Nee of Vinita.
Big hitter-Freshman Ryan Neel unleashes a drive at the first hole on the Peoria Ridge Golf Course.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Proper club-Brett Vaughn surveys the hole before teeing off during a match with Missouri Southern State College.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Killing time-While members of the Seminole State College team prepare to tee off, members of the Golden Norse squad talk to the club pro.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

2000 Golden Norse Golf Results

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Regional qualifiers-Golden Norse assistant coach Dick Lilard (left) and head coach John Lomax (seated) pose with members of the golf team prior to completion of the second round of the Region II golf tournament at the Seminole Municipal Course. Defending champion Seminole State College won the tournament.
Under the direction of coordinator Jon Stelle, the intramural program featured a variety of activities for the student body throughout the school year.

The Wacky Games kicked off the intramural season and offered numerous different types of competition from egg races and three-legged races to bat spins.

Action on the intramural fields during the fall semester included flag football before the competition moved indoors with a full slate of basketball games.

During the spring semester, co-ed softball and sand volleyball attracted numerous competitors.
Blocked shot-Jarrett Sixkiller goes for a block on a shot by Jason Thompson during an intramural basketball game.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Which leg-Freshmen Stacy Friday of Tulsa and Marcia Overton of Henryetta compete in the Wacky Games three-legged race.

Photo by Mindy Fleming

Workers-These students provided assistance as officials and score keepers during the intramural sports season.

Photo by Audrie Hayes

Egg race-Two co-eds dash to the finish line carrying a delicate cargo during the Egg Race at the intramural Wacky Games.

Photos by Mindy Fleming

Dizzy-Intramural coordinator Jon Stelle competes in the bat spin category.
With less than three weeks left in the school year, students were treated to one last blast during Spring Fling Week.

Co-sponsored by the Student Body Government and the Student Activities department, the week started with students receiving a free sundae at Waylan’s Ku-Ku Drive-In on Sunday.

The annual Spring Fling Banquet was held Monday night in the Miami Tribal Nutrition Center. The banquet was catered by Jim Bob’s Steak House of Joplin, Mo.

Following the banquet, a dance was held in the center.

Students had an opportunity to “play” on the Big Toys that were set up on campus all day Thursday. The toys featured a Matterhorn Mountain to climb, a lazer-tag tank, and an obstacle course.

During the final week of regular classes the Residential Life Counsel held a special event for dorm residents. Students were treated to an afternoon of numerous outdoor games like horseshoes, hoop shoot, and twister along with various snacks such as cotton candy and pop.

Also during the final weeks of course work students had the opportunity to watch the Lady Norse softball team in quest of a trip to the national tournament in Florida or the Golden Norse baseball team.

The year ended with the graduation of more than 350 sophomores in ceremonies at Robertson Field.
Not only did the end of the spring semester mark the end of the school year, but it also marked the end of the professional careers of three members of the NEO family.

Athletic director Bob Maxwell ended his 35-year affiliation with the Golden Norse sports program once the Lady Norse softball season came to an end.

Even though Maxwell, his wife Ruth Ann, an English instructor for 36 years, and retired at the end of the 1998-99 year, he returned for one more year as athletic director. During his tenure as athletic director the Golden Norse football program joined the Southwest Junior College Football Conference; the Lady Norse basketball and softball teams went to the national tournament, and the college created a state-of-the-art wellness center.

A graduate of Miami High School and NEO, Maxwell served as an assistant football coach, head baseball and head softball coach during his 32-year coaching career.

Occupational technical coordinator, Doug Lee, also retired from his position at the end of the school year.

Lee, who also was a welding/metal fabrication instructor, had been a member of the NEO technology faculty since 1979.

Karen (Rogers) Walls, chair of the math department and director of the Academic Support Center, resigned at the end of the school year to accept a position in Columbus, Kan.

Walls had been a member of the NEO mathematics department since 1977.
QUEEN CANDIDATES

Thirty-two coeds represented campus clubs and organizations in the Homecoming Queen contest.
RING AROUND THE ROSEY

Empress Velveteen, portrayed by Michelle Brandon, a freshman from Miami, plays ring-around-the-rosey with Emperor Velvet, played by Josh Miller, a freshman from Grove, as Princess Polly Ester, portrayed by Rachel Bennett, a freshman from Tuscaloosa, Ala., watches during a scene from the children's play The Emperor's New Clothes.

Photo by Tim Ingram
QUARTER HORSE CHAMPIONS

Equine judging coach Kevin Pool (left) and members of his team display the trophies they won during the 1999 Quarter Horse Congress competition in Columbus, Ohio. The event was the world's largest single-breed horse show. Fifty-two teams, including 10 in the junior college division, competed in the show. Joining Pool with the trophies were, from left; Justin Ochs, sophomore, Ottawa, Kan.; Michelle Bonaventure, freshman, Antlers; Amanda Chance, freshman, Kansas City, Kan.; Josh Roten, sophomore, Branson, Mo., and Erin Simmermaker, Arroyo Grane, Calif.
Former President dies

Dr. Creech remembered

Danten Dayle Creech, former president of Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College and an active civic leader in the Miami community, passed away at the age of 82 on Aug. 2, 1999.

Dr. Creech served as president of NEO from January 1970 through July 1982. "The people who knew him and worked with him were impressed with how he always had the students in mind," said current NEO president, Dr. Glenn E. Mayle.

During his tenure as president the college was in the midst of an enrollment boom as the number of students steadily increased with Dr. Creech at the Norse rudder.

Following retirement from NEO, Dr. Creech and his wife, Dorothy, remained in Miami and were very active in the growth and development of the community. He served as president of the Miami Area Chamber of Commerce in 1976, and was vice president of the Cherokee Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

He also served on the board of directors for the Miami United Way, the Miami Community Concerts Association, the Northeast Counties of the Oklahoma Economic Development Association, and the Oklahoma Junior Miss Pageant.

Dr. Creech also served as president of the board of directors that raised the funds to build the Miami Senior Citizens Center in 1993.

Born on Aug. 1, 1917, at Seiling, to Jesse B. and Frankie (Jacobs) Creech, D. D. graduated in 1933 from Norwood High School. After earning a bachelor's degree from Southwestern State College, Dr. Creech received a master's degree from Oklahoma State University and a doctorate from the University of Oklahoma.

From 1946 through 1960, Dr. Creech served as teacher, coach and administrator in numerous Oklahoma schools. He served an eight-year tenure from 1960 through 1968 as superintendent of the Pryor school district.

Prior to coming to NEO, Dr. Creech served two years as State Superintendent of Public Instruction in Oklahoma.
Three members of the college athletic training staff were killed in an automobile accident on Nov. 4, 1999.

Brothers Daniel (20) and Timothy Drury (18), both of Vinita, and Mitchell Bearden (20) of Pauls Valley died in a head-on crash that left one student injured.

Christian Alford (20), of Nowata, was pulled from the burning wreckage by William Garoutte of Duenweg, Mo. Garoutte was driving a Joplin Globe van that collided with the car.

The accident occurred about 3 a.m. at the intersection of highways 166 and 69, five miles west of Baxter Springs, Kan.

According to authorities, a car driven by Dan Drury was headed east on Highway 166 when it collided with the van driven by Garoutte in the westbound lane. The car had attempted to pass a tractor-trailer truck while heading up a hill.

The two vehicles collided at the crest of the hill.

Funeral services were held in both Vinita and Pauls Valley and a memorial service organized by interim housing director Kelli Lewis was held with a candle-light service on campus.

SOLEMN TRIBUTE

More than 400 students, faculty, staff, administrators and local town people gathered on the campus lawn for a candle-light service honoring the three students that perished in a car crash.
As part of Rome’s continuing restoration, the city unveils a plan to create an 18,000-square-yard rambling space connecting the Imperial Forums with the Roman Forum.

EgyptAir Flight 990 crashes into the Atlantic Ocean on October 31, killing all 217 people on board. Although suspicious actions of a pilot are under scrutiny by American and Egyptian officials, the cause of the crash remains a mystery.

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On October 12, the world’s official population hits 6 billion. The designated 6 billionth human is a baby boy born in Sarajevo.

In an October coup, the Pakistani army dismisses elected Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif and his government after Sharif announces the removal of his powerful military chief, General Pervez Musharraf.

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Britain’s Prince Edward marries longtime girlfriend Sophie Rhys-Jones on June 19.

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Cuban Elian Gonzalez, 6, becomes the center of a bitter citizenship debate after surviving a November boat wreck off the Florida coast in which his mother dies.

In India, two trains collide head-on in August, killing 285 people and injuring more than 300. It is one of the worst train disasters in the country’s history.
After almost nine years in power, Russian President Boris Yeltsin announces his resignation in January 2000. Yeltsin names Prime Minister Vladimir Putin acting president pending elections in March.

In September, Russia begins a military campaign against Chechen nationalists to regain control of the breakaway republic. More than 200,000 people flee the region, but a fierce rebel resistance stays to fight for control of the capital, Grozny.

Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper" is unveiled in June after 21 years of restoration. The centimeter-by-centimeter rehabilitation cost $7.7 million and involved electronic microscopes.

In June, Thabo Mbeki succeeds President Nelson Mandela, South Africa's first democratically elected president.

In September and October, powerful earthquakes strike around the globe, killing 15,000 people in Turkey, 1,450 in Taiwan and at least 122 in Greece.

Archaeologists excavate 105 mummies in a 2,000-year-old underground Egyptian tomb believed to contain a total of 10,000 mummies. The necropolis will shed new light on the Greco-Roman era and will allow scholars to chart demographic data and the incidence of disease.

In December, torrential rains cause Venezuela's worst natural disaster of the century. Mudslides and flash floods kill up to 30,000 people, while damage estimates run into the billions of dollars.

On December 31, the U.S. returns control of the Panama Canal to Panama. Opened to the world in 1914, the canal is considered one of the greatest construction achievements in American history.

In August, the U.S. pays $4.5 million to victims of NATO's accidental bombing of the Chinese embassy in Belgrade. Three Chinese are killed and 27 are wounded in the May 1999 bombing.

A tropical depression producing heavy rain hits Mexico in November. The resulting floods kill more than 350 people and cause 100,000 to evacuate.

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In July, John F. Kennedy Jr., 38, his wife, Carolyn Bessette Kennedy, 33, and her sister, Lauren Bessette, 34, die in an airplane crash in the Atlantic Ocean near Martha's Vineyard. Kennedy, a relatively inexperienced pilot, is believed to have become disoriented in heavy fog.

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As a way to boost tourism, Chicago displays 301 life-size, fiberglass cows decorated by local artists. The public art exhibit lasts all summer until the cows are auctioned for charity.

President Clinton announces the removal of the American bald eagle from the endangered species list. In 1999, there are over 5,800 breeding pairs, an increase from 417 in 1963.

Lewis and Clark's Native American guide Sacagawea is featured on a new gold-colored dollar coin released into circulation in early 2000.

Beginning in 1999, the U.S. Mint releases specially designed state quarters, the first five representing Connecticut, Georgia, Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. By 2008, each state will have its own quarter.

The drought of 1999 causes severe damage to Northeastern and mid-Atlantic farms. Several states impose mandatory water use restrictions and emergency federal loans are made available in Maryland, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Ohio, Virginia and West Virginia.

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In August, a female panda is born at the San Diego Zoo. Hua Mei, which can mean "China USA" or "Splendid Beauty," is the first panda born in the Western Hemisphere in nearly a decade.

On April 20, 1999, the nation mourns after two students go on a shooting rampage at Columbine High School in Colorado, wounding 23 and killing 15, including themselves. Schools across the country take extensive security measures to ensure the safety of students and staff.

In an effort to ease the burden on the traditional courts, most states now offer teen court for juvenile offenders. After determining guilt, a jury of teens along with a judge decides the sentence, typically community service and financial restitution.

An epidemic of rampage shootings intensifies America's growing concern over gun control. Many state legislatures pass new gun-control measures despite nationwide controversy over restrictions vs. Second Amendment rights.

Despite 30 years of official denial, in December a jury finds the assassination of Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. was the result of a conspiracy, not the act of a lone gunman.

In the first such admission by a cigarette manufacturer, Philip Morris publicly concedes tobacco is addictive and can cause serious diseases.

How's my driving? - CALL 1-800-4MY-TEEN

A bumper sticker invites drivers to call a toll-free number to report reckless driving. Officials hope the system will help parents stay informed about their teenagers' driving habits.

In September, Microsoft Corp. Chairman Bill Gates and his wife Melinda announce the creation of the Gates Millennium Scholars Program. The Gateses will donate $1 billion over the next 20 years to finance scholarships for minority college students.
In August, NASA releases photos from the Chandra X-ray orbiting telescope of a hot cloud of gas from a star that exploded more than three centuries ago. The telescope took 23 years and $1 billion to develop.

The Java Ring contains a computer chip providing electronic access into buildings for students. Eventually the ring could be used as a library card, digital wallet, electronic ID and authentication for students' online homework.

FEELit technology allows users to experience computer technology through their mouse. Users can "feel" buttons, text, the weight of a stuffed desktop folder and the groove of a scroll bar.

In an epilepsy treatment breakthrough, surgeons implant a "pacemaker" into the chest with a seizure-preventing nerve stimulator connected to the brain. The computer-controlled, battery-powered unit can last up to five years.

Researchers announce in July the creation of a cancerous human cell by genetically altering a normal one. This significant breakthrough is an important step toward developing drugs that could potentially wipe out cancer.

In December, IBM announces a $100 million research initiative to build a supercomputer 500 times more powerful than current models.

In August, U.S. surgeons begin using computer-enhanced robotic technology for heart bypass surgery. Because the chest cavity is never opened, this technique reduces pain and shortens recovery time.

Fifteen-year-old Amber Ramirez undergoes surgery in which half of her brain is removed to stop the spread of a rare neurological disease. Doctors hope the remaining portion of Ramirez's brain will compensate for the removed tissue.

The body of a 23,000-year-old woolly mammoth is discovered in October frozen in the Russian tundra. Study of the preserved fur, organs and soft tissue could unlock the mystery of why the species died out.

On August 11, the last total solar eclipse of the millennium crosses the globe. Thousands of people from Canada to India experience daytime darkness during which the moon completely covers the sun.

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In June, scientists announce the creation of two new elements. The nucleus of new, super-heavy element 118 decays into element 116 within a millisecond.

Scientists studying Albert Einstein's preserved brain report it has unique characteristics. The region governing mathematical ability and spatial reasoning is significantly larger than normal.

To mark the 30th anniversary of the first moon landing, astronaut Neil Armstrong's lunar footprint is featured on a 1999 postage stamp.

Researchers at Massachusetts General Hospital reveal in July that they have successfully regenerated the central nervous system of lab rats with severed spinal cords. Applications for human paralysis treatment are very encouraging.

Parents, with help from their doctor, select the gender of their baby using a technique called MicroSort, which separates X-bearing (female-determining) and Y-bearing (male-determining) sperm. The success rate is about 92 percent for females and 69 percent for males.

In October, Sea Launch Company, a multi-national consortium, launches the first commercial satellite into space from a floating platform in the Pacific Ocean. Boeing is a major partner in the venture, along with companies in Russia, Ukraine and Norway.

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With the huge increase in cell phones, many cities enact laws restricting their use while driving. Restaurants and theaters are also requiring patrons to turn phones off as a courtesy to others.

Cosmetic companies increasingly use entertainment celebrities instead of models for their advertisements. Sarah Michelle Gellar, Jennifer Love Hewitt, Jennifer Lopez and Shania Twain are among the celebs who appear in ads.

The fashion accessory of 1999 goes by many names—power beads, mood beads and prayer beads. Many sellers claim the beads boost tranquility, energy, creativity and intelligence.

In August, a Levi Strauss & Co. megastore opens in San Francisco. The store features a hot tub where shoppers can soak in their jeans for the perfect fit and a computer-scanning system to help customers get the right size.

A continuation of the cargo pants trend, messenger bags with pockets galore hang at the hips of teens everywhere.

In December, Honda introduces Insight, a car that combines a conventional gasoline engine with a small electric motor, decreases ozone and carbon dioxide emissions and gets 80 mpg.

Several companies offer "digital wallets" for teens who want to shop online but don't have credit cards. Parents deposit money into an online account; then teens can spend the money at designated Web sites.

A new line of scented candles called Aromapharmacy comes in amber glass containers and looks like prescription drug bottles with creative names such as Ritalert, Cramprin and Valiumello.
Shawls and wraps show up everywhere in the fashion world. Hollywood celebrities like Salma Hayek sport the fashion trend in all colors and fabrics.

Inline skaters can now power themselves along with the new Roller Cycle Personal Power Accelerator featuring a 1.5-hp-driven wheel. An optional spiked rubber tire for traction makes it also possible to use while cross-country skiing.

A Gap TV advertisement for vests starts a trend across America that has teenagers wearing the fashionable sleeveless jackets.

Several rappers start their own clothing lines, making hip-hop wear big business. Popular artist labels include FUBU, Roc-A-Wear, Phat Farm, Wu Wear, Sean John and X-Large.

Wireless Web access becomes a reality in September when Sprint PCS announces the first nationwide wireless data service. Shortly thereafter, several other providers debut similar service for hand-held Web phones.

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ABC's summer fill-in quiz show "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," with host Regis Philbin, returns in November and is a huge hit with viewers. By January 2000, several major networks launch quiz shows of their own.

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Set in 1980, the critically acclaimed NBC show “Freaks and Geeks” follows two groups of teens trying to make their way through high school.

The long-awaited prequel Star Wars: Episode I The Phantom Menace hits theaters in May 1999, taking in a record-breaking $28.5 million on its opening day and going on to gross more than $420 million.

Medusa, the world’s first floorless roller coaster, opens in August at Six Flags Great Adventure in New Jersey. The 4,000-foot, toe-dangling ride has enough drops, loops, rolls and corkscrews to thrill every rider.

Michael J. Fox announces in January 2000 he will leave the popular ABC sitcom “Spin City” at the end of the season to promote awareness of Parkinson’s disease in hopes of finding a cure.

After 10 seasons, Fox cancels the hit show “Beverly Hills, 90210.” The show followed characters through high school, college and careers.

The Talented Mr. Ripley, starring Matt Damon, Gwyneth Paltrow, Jude Law and Cate Blanchett, opens in December and earns popular and critical praise.

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U.S. sales of music by Latin artists shoot up 45 percent in the first quarter of 1999 thanks to artists such as Ricky Martin, Jennifer Lopez, Enrique Iglesias and Marc Anthony.

Superstar Mariah Carey releases *Rainbow* in November and begins a world tour in February 2000. Carey is named *Billboard* Music Awards Artist of the Decade and is awarded the distinguished American Music Award of Achievement.

Saturday Night Live: The Musical Performances Volumes 1 and 2 are released in September. The CDs feature 30 of the 600 musical acts that have appeared on SNL over the past 25 years.

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Flash

Sheryl Crow, Eric Clapton and the Dixie Chicks are a few musicians who rock Central Park in a first-ever trimulcast concert seen and heard on the radio, television and Internet.

More than 1 million viewers tune in each weekday to vote on their favorite videos on *MTV’s* “Total Request Live” with host Carson Daly and popular musical guests.

Computer games feature big music stars on their soundtracks. Sheryl Crow contributes her talent to the *Tomorrow Never Dies* soundtrack, Metallica to *Hot Wheels Turbo Racing* and Naughty by Nature to *NBA Live 2000.*

Backstreet Boys’ *Millennium* wins the *Billboard* Music Awards Album of the Year and becomes the best-selling album of the year with over 10 million copies sold.
Lou Bega's rhythmic "Mambo No. 5" hits the Top 40 in August after selling 2 million copies overseas and topping the chart in 15 countries.

"NetAid," a concert dedicated to relieve hunger and poverty, airs live in October on MTV, VH1, the BBC, as well as radio stations in 120 nations, making it the widest-heard musical performance in history.

In a strange twist, Garth Brooks releases the album The Life of Chris Gaines in which he pretends to be a fictional rock star. Gaines will be the main character in a movie called The Lamb, currently in development.

MP3, technology that compresses sound into a very small file, becomes a popular alternative to the CD. MP3 files are downloaded from the Internet onto computers or portable player units, making it possible to take a personal music selection anywhere.

VH1's "Concert of the Century" spotlights the importance of music education in schools. The all-star show includes Lenny Kravitz, Sheryl Crow, Eric Clapton and B.B. King, as well as high-profile actors.

Shania Twain becomes the first woman since 1986 to win the Country Music Association's Entertainer of the Year Award at the 33rd annual awards show.

Fiona Apple releases her long-awaited second album to rave reviews in November and begins a tour in February 2000. The album features a 30-word title, which is commonly shortened to When the Pawn.

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The public and private sectors spend hundreds of millions of dollars to ward off the Y2K bug. The world lets out a sigh of relief after midnight strikes and no major computer malfunctions occur. The FBI warns of possible terrorist acts on New Year's Eve and stays on national alert throughout the celebration. After the arrest of one man with bomb-making materials, Seattle decides to cancel its Space Needle celebration.

A surprising number of people, appalled by the exorbitant costs of travel and events, decide to stay home on New Year’s Eve. Many companies and performers drastically slash prices as a last-minute lure.

Fearing the collapse of the world’s banks, utilities and transportation systems, thousands of people stock up on food, water, money, ammunition and generators. After midnight, it soon becomes apparent that the preparations were unnecessary.
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Spanish explorer Hernando Cortés introduces horses from Spain into the New World, changing transportation and culture for Native Americans. Cortés carries out a harsh conquest of Montezuma and the Aztecs.

Leonardo da Vinci travels to China.

Mercator creates his world map.

The first stagecoach wagons are built.

Vulcanized rubber is invented.

Transcontinental railroad spans U.S.

During the Revolutionary War, a submarine is used in battle for the first time. Built by American David Bushnell, the one-person vessel is powered by a hand-cranked propeller. Twentieth-century submarines are complex, nuclear-powered craft used for defense and scientific purposes.

France's Montgolfier brothers launch the first hot-air balloon. Filled with smoke, the silk balloon rises to 6,000 feet. Later that year, the first passengers go aloft—a rooster, a duck, and a sheep.

The first practical wheelchairs provide new mobility for those unable to walk. Early models of wheelchairs have three wheels and hand cranks to propel the chair forward.

Birchbark canoes provide transportation for many Native Americans. The canoes are made with a light wood frame covered with pieces of bark sewn together and made watertight with melted pitch.

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Henry Ford’s moving assembly line makes cars affordable to the masses. Ford produces the first Model T in 1908. In 1964, the sporty Ford Mustang rolls out at $2,368 and sets an all-time record for first-year sales of a new model.

Travel by rail revolutionizes land transportation. British engineer Richard Trevithick invents the first steam locomotive in 1804, but it is 1825 before railroads haul passengers.

Frisco, the great steam passenger ship Titanic, thought to be unsinkable, goes down after hitting an iceberg in the North Atlantic. Of the more than 2,200 persons aboard the ship, about 1,500 perish.

First built in 1903, the Harley-Davidson becomes America’s best-known motorcycle in the 1950s. Raw power and a distinctive rumble appeal to rebels of the 1950s and 1960s and to business executives of the 1990s.

Orbital construction of the International Space Station (ISS) begins in 1998 when space shuttle Endeavour crew members connect the station’s first two sections. ISS is to become the largest cooperative space mission in history.
As the millennium begins, European peasant food is plain and often scarce. Feasting on meat is reserved for the wealthy. Table utensils include only a knife; most people just eat with their hands. Slabs of dense bread, called trenchers, serve as plates.

Europe's first coffeehouse opens in England. By 1700, there are 2,000 coffeehouses in London alone. Early coffeehouses are important places to transact business. Lloyd's Coffeehouse evolves into Lloyd's of London, the giant insurance brokerage.

The term "sandwich" is born. John Montagu, 4th Earl of Sandwich, instructs his servants to bring him his meat between two pieces of bread. This way he can eat with one hand while continuing to play cards with the other.

Swanson creates the TV dinner, sold in boxes designed to look like television sets. Frozen dinners are possible because of Clarence Birdseye's 1929 invention of early methods for freezing food.

Choices expand in school lunch programs. A growing number of public schools begin featuring national fast-food outlets and soft drink brands in the school lunchroom.

Domestic ice chests provide early refrigeration. Blocks of ice are cut, delivered to homes and sold for use in kitchen ice chests. It is the early 1930s before reliable electric home refrigerators are in common use.

Alexander Campbell, Brooklyn, is the first to deliver milk in glass bottles. For many years the neighborhood milkman is the most common way to obtain fresh milk, before the age of supermarkets.

America's first large self-service supermarket opens, followed by the invention of the grocery shopping cart in 1937. During the Depression, supermarkets become a significant part of the food distribution network.
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European inventors invented checkers and dice. 

Baseball is first played as an organized sport at Hoboken, N.J., when the New York Club defeats the Knickerbocker Baseball Club on June 19. More than 100 years later, Jackie Robinson breaks the color barrier in major league baseball in 1947.

Parker Brothers introduces Monopoly, which becomes one of the world's most successful board games. By the late 1990s, the popular game is available on interactive CD.

Soccer is first played in America, using a sheep's bladder as a ball. As the millennium closes, millions of American youth play in organized soccer leagues. In 1999, the U.S. women's soccer team wins the World Cup.

Athens, Greece, hosts the first modern Olympics. Winter Games are not held until 1924. At the 1998 Winter Olympics, American figure skaters Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan win the gold and silver medals respectively, and China's Lu Chen wins the bronze.

Golf is a popular sport in Scotland. In 1552, Saint Andrews is a favorite place for golfing. Mary, Queen of Scots is reportedly the first woman golfer and helps spread golf's popularity in Europe.

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1455
Johann Gutenberg invents a way to mass-produce the written word. He devises the first Western movable-type system and a new kind of printing press. Gutenberg's inventions speed the spread of knowledge and literacy.

1503
William Shakespeare's “Romeo and Juliet” is first performed. London's Globe Theater opens in 1599, where many of his plays are staged. By 1600, the great playwright pens at least 20 plays.

1609
Frenchman Nicéphore Niépce creates the first permanent photograph. His partner, Louis Daguerre, carries Niépce's work further by inventing a process of capturing images on metal plates.

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1512
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1526
Printed music appears.

1529

1539
Clockmaker designs first minute hand.

1776
Declaration of Independence creates U.S.

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Braille develops reading system for the blind.

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Austria introduces the first postcards. For only pennies, postcards keep people in touch before telephones are common. Calling cards, commercial valentines and other printed personal greetings are popular customs.

Movie making experiences a "golden age" in the late 1930s and early 1940s. In 1939, Gone With the Wind and The Wizard of Oz premiere. Citizen Kane follows in 1941, and Casablanca in 1942. Studio giants are MGM, Paramount, RKO and Warner Brothers.

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Millions of people worldwide cruise the Information Highway via the Internet, and instantaneous e-mail communication becomes common. As the millennium ends, computer, TV, video and telephone technologies begin to converge.

Personal computers become available to the mass market, thus paving the way for desktop publishing. By 1990, laptop notebook computers allow people to compute from almost anywhere.
Medieval knights wear a short wool tunic and a coat of chain mail. Gauntlets (heavy leather gloves) and sword complete the attire, which is so costly only wealthy men can afford to be knights.

Medieval men's shoes have long, pointed toes. Individuals of higher social status are allowed to have longer points on their shoes, some as long as 18 inches. Moss stuffed into the toe maintains its shape.

Queen Elizabeth is the fashion trendsetter, popularizing the wide skirt, jeweled wig, high bald forehead, and decorative ruff around the neck. She is rumored to have 3,000 dresses.

The Industrial Revolution brings mass-produced textiles, standard clothing sizes and the first ready-to-wear garments. In 1851, Isaac Singer invents the home-use sewing machine.

Young Levi Strauss comes to America in the 1850s and makes riveted canvas work pants for California gold miners. When he switches from canvas to blue denim, Strauss unknowingly creates one of America's greatest contributions to fashion.

Indoor malls are popular with teens not only for shopping, but also for socializing. The first enclosed mall is built in 1956. In 1992, the Mall of America, the largest mall in the U.S., opens in Minnesota.

With flowers in their hair and everywhere, hippies express their philosophy of world peace and love. Hippies favor bell-bottom jeans, granny dresses, bare feet, long hair, beads, headbands and bright colors.
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