"Tar Creek Day" A Big Success

by Larry Gower

Tat Creek! could well have been the word surrounding the NED campus Tuesday Dec. 1. The sounds of chain saws and the thudding of heavy machinery were clearly audible all over campus, as students and faculty worked in the area around Tar Creek to make a park. About 300 students and faculty participated.

Mrs. Ruth Ann Marwell, dean of women, stated "It's great! It's really good that all of these people are not here working together." CREEK PLEASED

Dr. D. D. Couch, President of NED, as he said, "This is wonderful. The weather is beautiful. We are really pleased to have had a really good day. Our participation is great. We never had any idea we could get as much done as we did. We need some more brick work to finish the park project. Anyone willing to contribute any bricks can do so by contacting us. We are very proud of the student council for sponsoring the project." Dr. Charles Angier, dean of student affairs, felt that the project was quite a success. "Everybody is being very good. We couldn't ask for a better day. It's been a real fine day and I have no complaints. In fact, nothing but compliments for them. We got about twice as much done as was expected." DONNER PREPARED

The maintenance crew, the housing staff, and Mr. Tatson and his food service people were there. The food service people prepared a meal for the work crew consisting of 800 barbeque chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, fried fish, garlic bread, fruit, and beverages. Mr. Tatson thought the project was a wonderful success. "It was something that the school needed for years and years. All the young people need is a chance. They can and will do anything if given confidence and guidance. They're a marvelous bunch of kids." STUDENT OPINION

Students also had definite ideas about the project. Mrs. Curry's students, who were surveyed, felt that the project was quite a success. "They worked very hard. Mrs. Curry told us to help out. She said it was a good project." Why are you here?" "Because I want to see the park and feel I should help work on it. What are you doing?" "Writing a story about the project." "Oh, Good Luck!" "Thank you." Other reasons were: 1. Just wanted to help out. 2. It's a good project.

Stage Curtains Fly Open For "Peter Pan's" Yuletide Visit

Peter Pan, NED's second production, opened last night in the Fine Arts Auditorium. It is scheduled again for Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. The show promises to be a delightful evening of entertainment for children and adults alike.

DIRECTIONS

Director Don Nicholls sees it as the classic children's story. Adult love it because it reminds them of their childhood and their childhood because of the exciting fairy tale.

"Like any musical comedy, this play has a thousand and one problems. The show is extremely complex. Actors have to learn to sing, dance, and sometimes fly. I must act as a critical audience during rehearsals and try to re-act as an audience would.

With this in mind every activity on stage has to be evaluated to determine, first of all, if the activity communicates what we are trying to say. "Peter Pan" is a light-hearted comedy and has to be treated as such. Also, everything has to be done from Wendi's point of view. To accomplish this the director has to see his imagination and draw from the very fertile imagination of his cast. I try to make them create the mood. For example, my pirates, I have them be men, evil, foppish, and silly, but with a marching, rowdy attitude. Frigates the children, but not too much. Peter Pan is like a child's game. Villains have to be worthwhile characters like pirates to be truly bad.

The same is true of my Indians. They have to be "natives" who fit the concept of a little girl in England at the turn of the century. They are also warm, open, dance and sing, and do some rather intricate choreography that is created, in essence, by them.

Main characters are all traditional characters, therefore, the story will be well known to most of my audience. I have to stay within the limits set for them. Peter Pan is built on air. Mr. Nicholls stated that he is a youth, joy, and freedom. He is the little boy who never grew up. Wendi, on the other hand, tries to make Peter grow up because she is trying to grow up. Tiger Lilly and Tin Can are her tutorials.

Captain Hook is the prince of all villains. All characters are Wendi's imagination and we try to make them real.

With these limitations in mind we try to create characters that capture the hearts of the audience.

Student director John Wilkes stated, "The show is a definite challenge, especially from a technical aspect. This show was selected for this challenge."

John feels that the show is progressing very smoothly and he is very pleased with the show and the music. "For me it's fantastic watching the direction of the show develop and learning the job of the director and seeing the show come alive has been a great just reward."

SET DESIGN

Jerald Graham, set designer, stated that "because of the flying that has to be done in this show and the amount of space required for it, a different approach had to be taken in the designing of the set."

We are using a lot of feasibility scenery, just enough scenery for the audience to view the entire scene under the stage and windows are used. We only have to change scenes, beds (continued on page 2)

Monday's Christmas Party To Symbolize Happiness

By Pauline Hall

The spirit of Christmas presence is invading Northeastern's AHS campus. It's a joyous occasion; however, and will climax at the Dec. 16 Children's Christmas Party. With anticipation college students are coming along in search of perfect gifts for their "adopted" children.

The "adopting agency" was set up by the Student Senate and supervised by Mrs. Marian Dyer, in hard at work getting signatures on "adoptions papers."

Parent parents are signing up to the Union for a child to take on the party. Children from all over the area will be able to enjoy the festive evening planned in the Field House.

Mrs. Dyer, Student Union Director, has been immersed in the final details of planning but stopped to reflect on the origins of this tradition at NED. "This has been going on for over 12 years," she recalled, "And it's better every year in my opinion. College participation is wonderful and the children are simply entranced. They thoroughly enjoyed it in the past years and want to come again again."

Letters were sent to parents of the children to explain the event and their approval. It was suggested that students bring the "adopted" children to the Thursday afternoon Dec. 16 performance of "Peter Pan" in the Fine Arts Center. The children will be able to have the evening meal in the cafeteria the sight of the party.

Several students are going together and co-sponsoring a child. They purchase a gift of $5.00 which is put in Santa's sack. The joyous gentlemen will make an appearance at the party and distribute all the presents.

With a Christmas tree and all the traditional trimmings everyone expects quite a party for children and students alike. One "Parent parent" remarked, "This is the best thing happened to me. You have fun, but more important you're making someone else happy."

THAT'S the Christmas all about, anyway."
Christmas Musical Special Scheduled for Wednesday

Sounds of the yule season will be heard in abundance Wednesday, Dec. 13, at NEOS Fine Arts Center, beginning at 8 p.m.

"A Revealing of Christmas Music" will be under the direction of Charles Thomas of the college music faculty. Featured will be the Masteringers' presentation of Benjamin Britten's "Ceremony of Carols" written for chorus and harp.

Opening the program will be Mrs. Delores Gaumer and students Karen Pilgrim playing traditional carols for two harps. The Girls Trio, Men's Quartet and Masteringers will present traditional carols and seasonal songs.

Mrs. Donald (Marilu) Nichols will sing a number of Christmas folk songs of her native country, Chile.

Concluding the evening's entertainment, "Ceremony of Carols," by Benjamin Britten will be one of the most challenging musical undertakings in the history of the college.

Thomas stated, "Preparing such a high-quality contemporary work as "Ceremony" has been one of the most challenging yet satisfying ventures of our music department. We are uniquely fortunate, as a junior college, to have the student vocal talent and an accomplished harpist capable of meeting the high musical and aesthetic standard required by this work."

Graduation Fee Due

Any student who is eligible for mid-term graduation should check with Mrs. Elizabeth Ruff, registrar, for verification. The graduation fee is due before the end of the semester, Dec. 13.

Those students who will complete their work at the end of the current semester will be notified about dates of practice for graduation exercises in May so they may participate.

All students who are eligible for graduation in May should check with Mrs. Ruff or an advisor before enrolling for the second semester. This is to be certain that all requirements are met.

Tutoring Program

Big Student Asset

Several students at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M are learning the meaning of Chaucer's description of the Scholar. "Gladdly would I learn and gladly teach." These volunteer tutors are vital to an ambitious program aiming to help fellow students needing help in certain courses.

With final examinations scheduled before Christmas holidays, this year, more students are taking advantage of the tutoring program for help in certain courses.

Begun originally in the mathematics department at NEOS by Oren Neel, chairman of the Physical Sciences and Engineering Division, tutoring now covers most of the academic courses.

In 1966, Neel handled the tutoring himself, later selecting advanced students to assist him. The department still offers the most help, three paid students working some 24 hours a week.

Expansion of the courses covered by tutorial assistance greatly this semester under direction of Kenneth Welsh, new math coordinator of counseling at NEOS.

In addition to increased students and added student help, the program took another step to simplify assistance for demanding students. Tutors now work in teams of two, helping the struggling students.

The "students-to-students" assistance program operates on the theory that recently acquired knowledge can be passed on in a more readily understood way to those who have made note of the same problems. The students now attacking these are all currently enrolled students in the difficult classes.

Message Of Appreciation

Dear Editor

Inter-Dorm Council would like to thank everyone who participated in the clearing and clearing of the ice-cold fridge. The number of students and faculty showing up Tuesday was more than we had ever expected.

This idea started soon after the Council was formed and we had hoped for support from students and faculty. The turnout Tuesday showed the right support that NEOS has for any event on campus.

Also we would like to thank Mr. Task for the great dinner he had prepared Tuesday. There were still more broods to clean, more trees to cut down and more trash to move. Future work sessions will be announced until the park is a reality. As before all work will be on a voluntary basis.

Cathy Henry Inter-Dorm Council Representative

Rock Concert

Next Week

by Don Novembre

Plans for a rock concert are currently underway by Cynthia Laiz and Debbie Hulbey, with tentative dates planned for Dec. 13 in the Fine Arts Center.

Proceeds from the concert will go to improving the technical creative department. Admission for the four-hour show will be 35 cents per person.

Shaping up for the event will be "The Legend" featuring Moe Lee and his drummer Ron who do original material in a Loco Nichols style. Second back-up group will be "Black River Crew," newly revamped version of the old "Robins."

Vicki Henderson will design and coordinate lighting for the concert. Don Perkins and Terry Cappoond will work the sound control.
Cast Welcomes Challenge (continued from page 1) and sunshine to set the scene. The total audience is comprised by students interested in technical theatre.

We are also flying action backgrounds against soft, washes of black, white, and yellow, which will help make pictures three-dimensional. There will also be a large number of students wearing costumes.

One of the techniques used in this play is the use of flying scenery. The entire set is made of silk and wire, and is suspended from the ceiling. This will help to create a realistic atmosphere.

Another technique used to enhance the play is the use of sound effects. The sound of footsteps, the rustling of leaves, and the distant sound of the ocean will all be played on the stereo during the performance.

At the end of the play, the audience will be treated to a brief intermission where they can enjoy refreshments and see the costumes up close. The play will resume with a new set of characters and a new story line.

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Ford Foundation Provides Student Financial Help

Financial aid is offered to students by the Ford Foundation. Students are encouraged to apply for these grants as they can provide financial assistance for college expenses. Students are eligible for these grants if they meet the following criteria:

- Are enrolled in a college or university.
- Have a financial need.
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Are a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.

Grants are available in various fields of study, including arts, sciences, social sciences, and humanities. Students are encouraged to apply early to ensure their eligibility.

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Norsemen Whip Eastern

The Norsemen, led by head coach John Williams, secured their first win of the season against the Eastern Huskies. The Norsemen dominated the game, winning with a final score of 60-45. The Norsemen were led by senior guard Tyler Stevenson, who scored 20 points and grabbed 7 rebounds. The Norsemen are now 1-2 on the season.

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Novamen Host Kansas In Roundball Classic Tonight

Northeastern AMI's annual basketball Classic unites teams in the fields of men's and women's top tennis courts. Novamen coach, Otto Green, calls it the "best junior college Classic in the country."

At 7 p.m., Novamen (4-3) sends its starting machine, averaging 112 points per game, against Crowder (2-5) in a rematch. The Warriors, who slaughtered Novamen three weeks ago, will try to duplicate that feat with David O'Brien, averaging 31 points per game. He scored the fifth for 66 points against the Novamen at OU. Other Novamen stars are the 6'6" McClintocks, 6'5" Don, and guard Eddie Crummet.

Crowder's top players are Fred Williams, Frosty Goldenfield, and MK freshmen, Larry Carter. Bob Bacon and Crowder suffered defeats at the hands of the Novamen in the OU Tourney.

In the 5 p.m. contest, the Novamen (8-2) will host a tournament to be attended by teams from Kansas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma. The tournament will feature games against each Novamen home team game this season. The winners will be decided by the balance of teams, based on tournament results.

In the previous school season, they will take their talents to some high schools for recruiting purposes.

Gymnast Perform For Norse Halftime

NEDO's gymnastics team will perform at halftime of tonight's Novamen basketball game with independence. Kasey in the Norse Classic. Performances are planned for independence of each Novamen home game this season. The performances will be performed by Kasey McDevitt and斑斑 McCool.

Later in the school year, they will take their talents to some high schools for recruiting purposes.

Norse Deal with Loss

By Cavaliers 78-75

Quickness and slick shooting by St. Gregory's spiked deficit for NEDO's mannequines in the first half of the Oral Roberts University Junior college classic basketball tournament in Tulsa.

Ripped 78-59, the Golden Norsemen held a 35-30 halftime edge over the Cavaliers from Shawnee and managed to hold the advantage for some ten minutes of the final half.

NEDO Victorious In Illinois Trip

Taking two tough victories on the road, the Golden Norsemen moved their record to 5-2 over the weekend.

On Dec. 4, the NEDO hardwoods crew defeated Mill Lake Junior college of Mt. Vernon, Ill., 41-40, and took Belleville, Ill., 62-58 the following night.

In the Friday evening, Melvin Hall hit 17 points to pace the Norse against with Edwins Walkfield scoring 23 points. Other Blue and Gold in double figures were Don Kemp 13, John Williams 14 and Melvin Hall 13.

Coach Curtis Green's charges ran up a 21 point margin with six minutes remaining in the first half. With reserves leading the game, the Norsemen were led to the margins in the final quarter.

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