**Committee Picks Western Theme**

"Wild, wild west" has been chosen as the 1980 homecoming theme, it was announced in the weekly student senate meeting. Receiving the award for the winning theme was Paul Brotz, a sophomore from Grove.

The theme was chosen in the process of electing officers and officers on its composition. The theme is different from the usual one, inserted in sporting and other events.


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**Campus Clatter**

A chance for clubs to make money for their homecoming floats will be during the homecoming carnival, on Thursday, Oct. 16.

**Exhibit On Display**

A traveling art exhibit from New Jersey is currently on display at the Learning Resource Center and will be here until Oct. 22.

**National Evaluation**

- Competing against junior colleges across the nation, the NORSE Wind, the student newspaper, received their eighth consecutive First Class ranking recently by the Associated Collegiate Press of the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

- Pam Bushby, sophomore, managing editor from Jay received notice last week from the current service of the ACLU.

- The NORSE Wind received 4,185 points and a First Class rating with three marks of Distinction.

- Newspaper on the junior college level can earn American distinction by earning marks of distinction in the following categories: Content, Coverage, Writing and Editing, Editorial Leadership and Opinion, Features, Physical Appearance and Visual Communication, Photography, Art and Use of Graphics.

**Political "Straw" Ballot Gauges Student Opinion**

Conducting a "straw" poll of approximately 125 students on campus, the College Republicans found that 49 per cent of those polled would vote for Republican candidate Ronald Reagan, if elections were held today.

Political science: Jimmy Carter, Democ., received 18.54 per cent of the votes; John Anderson, Independents, 10.52 per cent; and3.25 per cent didn't plan to vote.

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**Moms for Homecoming Celebrations are on sale by the business club. There is a choice of white or gold flowers at $3.25 each. To make an order, contact any business club member.**

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**Communications, Photography, Art and Use of Graphics.**

- Papers from the 1980 spring semester were submitted. During this time, Dana Fowles, who is now attending Northbrook Community College in海绵, held the position of managing editor.

- "I am extremely proud of the NORSE Wind. This was the first time we've ever done, and the closest we've been to it," commented Dave Trask, advisor.

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**Making a point about one of the various student groups, the weekly student senate meeting, Debbie Anderson, Dewey Fowler, spoke.**
Mysterious Light Originates Tales

By Joan York

Many strange things occur on Spooky Hill, and many legends are passed on by the people who live there.

At night, strange lights appear, seen by many. These lights are often described as "skeins of light," and some have even claimed to have seen them in the daytime, creating a sense of mystery and wonder.

To get there, you must drive down Spooky Hill, stopping at the bottom of the hill where the lights are often seen. Some people say the lights are caused by a ghostly figure, while others believe it to be a natural phenomenon.

"The lights are not just for show, they have a purpose," says local historian Mr. Johnson. "They are a reminder of the stories and legends that have been passed down for generations."

During World War II, the United States Government sent a team of engineers to the area to study the phenomenon. They found that the lights were caused by the reflection of the sun off of a nearby lake, creating a visible effect.

"It was a great discovery," says Mr. Johnson. "But the story of Spooky Hill is not over. There are still many mysteries to be solved."
Tradition Highlights
Nigerian Dinner
By Claire Sophonilop
Former Reporter

If you were able to watch "60 Minutes," you probably were able to see the customs of Nigeria and how closely tied into the Nigerians everyday life is. This is the focus of the Nigerian culture.

Nigeria, a nation on the west coast of Africa, has more people than any other African country. On "60 Minutes" it was stated that there are more than 68 million people living in Nigeria, and the country itself is the world's 10th largest nation in population. On Oct. 1, Nigeria celebrated its first 50 years of independence. This celebration goes on for days.

THE NIGERIAN STUDENTS here have their own celebration by coming together and preparing and eating an elaborate meal which consists mainly of curry rice and meat (black-eyed peas). When taking this dish they take out the black-eyed peas and mash them. This is a traditional dish. Also there was "Bilafon and" and baked chicken with some sauce thrown in.

The cafeteria staff and students started preparing the meal on Monday and kept working until Wednesday evening and served their meal at 6 p.m. that evening.

Jena Thompson, foreign student advisor commented, "The food was very enjoyable and the cafeteria staff and students worked together very well and fulfilled their achievements. After everyone had finished eating the students did native traditional dances and played music throughout the rest of the evening."

ONE OF THE STUDENTS Bismar Jami, sophomore, Tope, Georgia commented, "All of the food was Nigerian, and turned out to be terrific. We had a lot of fun preparing for the dinner and the only problem we had in financing the meal was not being able to find get, so we substituted black-eye peas."

"At home in Nigeria we use the get to add to the meat or chicken and we also add okra that we have grown up for the sauce. The dinner turned out nicely and the whole group participated. All of the students contributed money out of their own pockets to pay for the dinner, and we all wore traditional outfits," noted Jami.

Math-Related Subjects Discussed in Lectures

A series of enrichment lectures for college algebra students begins Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the College Little Theater in Cammings Hall, according to Brian McPeters, chairman of the physical sciences division.

The first lecture was entitled "The Binomial Theorem," and will be conducted by Roland Mon- ter, math instructor, the next three lectures are scheduled for Thursday Oct. 21, "The Algebra of Matrices and Determinants," conducted by John Lomax, math instructor; Wednesday Nov. 9, "Logarithms and Exponential Functions," given by Ed Hammond, math instructor; Wednesday Nov. 16, "Inequalities and Series," under the direction of Frank Lee and Wednesday Nov. 19, "Applications of Matrices and Determinants," conducted by Karen Walls, math instructor.

According to Prentice, the lectures are designed for anyone who is presently enrolled in or has previously taken a course in college algebra. All lectures will be presented in the Little Theater and will begin at 4 p.m.

Strong Basic Interest Aids Teaching Career

Reflecting back in his chair, in a gray sweater and slacks and a pipe in his mouth, Randy Jones, takes on the picture of a relaxed person.

Jones, a new chemistry instructor, attended NEO in 1980 through 1977. "When I was accepted, I was a little confused because the term career was a big thing. So cheating in a great concreted on the maintenance of grades," noted Jones.

"There was more of a purpose then to make good grades and there was still somewhat of a science and math push. The students still have a strong drive, noted Jones.

Past work includes employment as a chemist for the Eagle Fitcher Co., Owasso, and has been employed for the past seven years as a chemistry and physics teacher in Webb City, Mo., high school.

In junior high, Jones had a strong interest in math and science. And in high school he took basic courses in biology, physics, chemistry and math. "I had taken chemistry and it seemed to me a subject that I could get involved with," remarked Jones.

According to Jones there are a lot of different opportunities in the field of chemistry. "Many jobs are open for in industrial work, quality control, lab technicians and assistants, and many others," noted Jones.

A combined degree in law and chemistry is a good combination for both law and chemistry majors. Combining different fields with chemistry can be very interesting," explained Jones.

Teaching is a very good fall back for chemistry majors.
Statistics Reveal Grid Leaders Prior to Homecoming Shootout

By Janet Browing
Sports Reporter

Soaring to a perfect 3-0 mark, the Golden Norse football squad is in the middle of a 15-10 team in its preparation for their showcase clash with the former West Area Conference champions Oct. 18.

Along with the domination of the field, the Norse have an overwhelming edge in statistics through the first five games.

FRESHMAN TAILBACK

Mike Croot leads the rushers with 523 yards in 102 carries for a game average of 10.6 yards. Croot has an average of 3.1 yards per carry and has scored seven touchdowns.

Sophomore halfback Doug Purvis follows with 205 yards in 37 attempts for 5.5 yards per game average over the first five games. Purvis has 3.1 yards per carry and has scored six touchdowns.

Norse in the Poll

Despite their 1-0-1 winning streak in the first five games, the Norse have won the first five games of the season by an average margin of 16.4 points per game.

Awards and Recognition

The Norse have received numerous awards and recognition for their performance on the field, including the Red Zone Award for outstanding offensive play and the Blue Zone Award for outstanding defensive play.

Top Performers

Quarterback Jake Johnson leads the team in passing efficiency with a 110.5 rating. His passing accuracy and ability to read defenses have been key factors in the Norse's success.

Game Preview

The Norse will face a tough challenge against the defending conference champions. The game promises to be a test of offensive strategies and defensive prowess.

Renewal of Rivalry

This match-up against the previous conference champions marks a renewal of a historic rivalry. The Norse have a rich history of competitive and exciting games against their former conference rivals.

Prediction

The Norse are favored for this contest, but a spirited performance from the defending champions will be needed to challenge them. Expect a hard-fought battle to determine the winner.
Breaking 500-yard Plateau
Norse Gridders Brand Colts

By Rick Lomenick
Sports Editor

Breaking the 500-yard total-offense mark for the first time in the 1980 campaign, the NBO Golden Norsemen eked out a 41-10 win over the veteran University of Oklahoma State University here on Thursday, Oct. 2.

The win gave the Norse an unblemished 5-0 mark for the season, while the Colts fell to 3-3 for the year.

OKLAHOMA STATE got on the board first in the opening period following a fumble by Norse quarterback Ted Warden deep in the NBO territory. Unable to move the ball against the Norseman defense, the Colts settled for a Kevin Bylows 27-yard field goal with 6:36 remaining in the first period.

NBO got on the board for the first time on the ensuing drive following a 40-yard kick return by Dave Green. In three plays covering 51 yards, the Norse scored with a 26-yard run off left tackle by backfield Johnny Johnson at the 5:47 mark of the first quarter. The extra point kick by Clay Smith missed wide to the left leaving NBO with a 6-3 lead.

Completing dominating the second quarter by exploding for 21 points, the Norse hung drives of 95, 70 and 49 yards to tally

points on the board. Using 17 plays to 95 yards, sophomore halfback David Furrus punched over from the one yard at the 1:19 mark of the second quarter when former Miami Weslyn Matt Moncrief capped a 63-yard 10-play drive on a three-yard plunge all right tackle. Mike Edmonds kicked the extra point and the Norse took a 27-3 lead at halftime.

THE NEXT TWO scoring periods were dominated by the way the Norseman defense hit the line on both sides of the ball. One nose tackle a 7-0 lead at halftime.

The final score of the night for the Norse came at the 2:31 mark of the third quarter when former Miami Weslyn Matt Moncrief capped a 63-yard 10-play drive on a three-yard plunge all right tackle. Mike Edmonds kicked the extra point and the Norse took a 27-3 lead at halftime.

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Unfazed by the talents of reserve signal caller Greg Wall and Frank Mardell, the Norse matched up two additional touchdowns in the final quarter.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA State was Mercury with 60 yards and two touchdowns in a little over two quarters of playing time. Gunn caught five passes for 117 yards and two TD's.

Linebacker James Binkley caught up 10 unassisted tackles and six assists to lead the Norse defensive unit. Linebacker Kelly Gooch finished with seven solo and three assisted tackles and one interception. Cornerback Ricky Green scored off two passes and increased his season interception number to seven. Green also had five tackles and two assists.

MEN THIN CLADS
Prepared For Indoor Campaigns

The women's intramural slow pitch softball fall tournament for 1980 is scheduled to begin on Monday, Oct. 13 when the Bob- oln Defenders face the Varn Monsters at 4 p.m. and the Kah- ne Noodles with a first round bye face the winner of the Defenders/Monsters game at 6 p.m. The Defenders, Dodgers and Varn Goodhearts will play the Varn Goodhearts at 5 p.m.

Game hornets for this sem-

ister is flag football which is now underway until Oct. 23. Tennis sign ups are Oct. 6-10 with competition lasting from Oct. 13 to Oct. 23. Basketball prospects should sign up Oct. 7 through Oct. 10.

The basketball schedule begins November 3 and ends December 11. A bowling league has been formed with competition lasting from Sept. 29 to the week of Dec. 11. Also planned are a one night badminton tournament and a table tennis championship either later this semester or next semester.

To sign up for any intramural activity see Linda Beauty or Mike Clark in the field house.

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Composure Lost By Student Body

School participation and rooting for the team is one thing, but obnoxiousness on the part of some students is another. It is great to come out and yell for the team. This allows great school spirit and participation of the student body.

When this yelling persists to obscenity towards others, this is too much. Many students have been known tooller such things more than once, so far into this football season.

The college football games have other spectators too besides just the student body. There are a lot of people who have paid for season seats, but are outraged by the persistent obscenity of these students that they have come and possibly won't buy tickets next year to support the team.

The students do not have to pay to get into the ballgames. All they have to do is show their I.D. card. What if you as a student had to pay your way into the games to watch the Norissemen play? It may come to that.

In this parent's night, these students displayed a rather bad example of school spirit. The parents of many didn't think it was exactly what school spirit was about. This not only happens at football games, but also at basketball and baseball games.

There is a certain place and time for such obscenities and a special event is not the place. School spirit is well appreciated, but it needs to be kept under control.

Congressional Hopefuls

Candidates Voice Views

By Mary Paul

Recently, students had the opportunity to listen to the views of Mike Syrren and Gary Richardson, who are running for the position of mixed district congressmen.

Syrren, Muskogee Democrat, addressed the students at 11 a.m. Monday, while Richard- son, Muskogee Republican, addressed the students at 1:30 p.m. This was originally planned to be a debate, but certain circumstances caused this to be a discussion.

RUNNING FOR HIS second term, Syrren talked of many areas of government such as campaign funds. He stated that he accepts money only from Oklahoma. He also said that his opponent receives financial back from out of state sources.

Other areas Syrren touched on were on housing. He stated that the current government, didn't vote for republicans in the last budget roadblocks, supported prayer in school, stood for fair housing, and supported the conser- vation of the MX missile.

When asked what kind of a senator Syrren wishes to be, he responded with saying that he wants to be a senator who wants to share the responsibility of the office with the people of the district. He said that he wants input from the people, and he spends 33 of 54 weekends working.

RICHARDSON ALSO had his time to express his views. Most of the time that Richardson was allotted was spent telling how Syrren didn't do while in office.

He stated that Syrren didn't support the small businessmen or the viewpoints that he voted against a balanced budget.

Richardson also was on a running evaluation on votes congress has. A cross section of the votes Richardson stated were balanced budgets and voted yes on a Federal cut back on the district. He also voted no on $515 million dollar food stamp program and a four million dollar research deposits. Syrren continued the negative vote on a two percent cut on HUD and an amend- ment cut accounts 5%.

THE MUSKOGEE ATTORNEY was finally asked to tell what he would do if he were elected. He promised to strengthen the defense, put more money in the pockets of the voters, and to remove government regulations from farmers.

When asked his stand on the tax situation Richardson stated that he thought the United States should end military action and not let it go on as long as we have. In addition to speaking in the Fine Arts Center, the candidates spent time walking around the campus talking to students and making campaign flyers.

EVEN THOUGH THE Congressional hopefuls didn't meet face to face, the students of Norsse who went to the chance to see both parties views. This helped people to see what both candidates were about and how they stand on issues.

The candidates speak to the students may have decided which candidate to vote for. The speeches were opened to all the NSE student body.

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WHAT MAKES IT even tougher is that the candidates are being asked to come up with 100 percent. What I am saying is that you can't just hold to one point. It is the very same thing with the students, football, tennis, band and basketball. The athletes that fill these spots are true specialists. It is because these athletes are specialists that the students and faculty must recognize them.

You can all do this by going to see the wrestling matches, track meets, and so on. Give the Norissemen and women your support so that they may be stronger mentally and physically.

IF YOU DOUBT THAT a wrestler is just wrestling for his own needs, then ask him what professional wrestling he plans to wrestle for. Students are active and to come up with this tryouts. Your support must carry through team by time, and into all sports.

I will close by saying with all due respect that we would like to see some of NSE's sports at the Fall, Winter and Spring season.

Sincerely,
Marvin L. Lee

P.S. Wrestlers are going to be tough cookies this year, so why don't you come out to the matches and let us show you our stuff.

Mom, Help!

Wrestlers Seek Athletic Support

By Bryan Nichols

Dear Editor,

Have you ever seen a guy walking through the lunch line with three scarves on and two bowls of salad on his tray, who looks like a dried up prune? Or maybe some dude walking into your class with baggy clothes on, looking like he spent two weeks in the desert. Maybe you have seen some guy under a tree with three kinds of chewing tobacco spitting like he drank some kind of cola.

Have you ever seen guys walking to the old gym looking like a nut from the circus wearing two pairs of white and funny shoes and earmuffs?

I KNOW YOU have seen a guy pull into a parking lot on campus with guys piling out that look like they all have hangovers. Or have you ever seen guys dressed funny running about the streets of Miami looking like they are escaped funny farm members?

All of this is nothing compared to when they get together in a gym with referees and a soft mat. These guys wear those funny little tighty and those silly shoes and earmuffs. Then a cage rolls up to the mat and out comes this skinny prune hopping around, ready to get wired with the nut on the other side of the mat.

In all honesty, students and faculty, I am talking about a wrestler who must dedication his attention for the months to a sport that requires 110 percent at all times. You can't possibly feel what a wrestler feels during a season, but you can understand the amount of weight, long cramped rides in a van and the constant fight to compete in varsity competition.

Bryan Nichols, Bartlesville freshman, goes into battle with his troops (clothes) at the local laund- dry mat.

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