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Luther lectures scheduled
As a part of the 50th anniversary of Martin Luther's birth, the St. Paul Lutheran church, Fairland and Ms. Otto church, Miami, will sponsor this series of talks on the teachings of Martin Luther.
The first of seven monthly meetings, on "The Bible: The Word of God," will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Norse Campus Ministry, Rm. William Ferguson, graduate of Oxford University and pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, will lead the topic lecture on the Bible. There are no charge for the talks, and everyone is welcome.

Computers organize club
With computer science becoming more and more involved from consumers to businesses, the Norse Computer Club will hold weekly meetings every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Shipley hall on the third floor.

Republican club meets
An organizational meeting of the College Republican Club will be held Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 6 p.m. in the Student Union lounge.
The Republican Club is a forum for political education and participation, especially directed towards the principles of the Republican Party.
All interested persons are invited to attend.

"Gigolo" presentation set
Richard Gere is not just a picture of handsomeness; how that he makes his living in men's wear's movie "The American Gigolo" scheduled to be shown in the student union ballroom, Thursday, Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m. Julian Kau, starring as Gere, is an American Gigolo, a professional hustler who services rich, older women, but he is just a high-class prostitute as yesterday's newspaper.
Jill Stein, a student who will be a Gere, will deliver her status as a politician's wife to support Gere.

Red Cross plans visit
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Available college financial funds exhausted

Linda Lowe
As a result of increased enrollment, a rise in the cost of instruction and the same administrative costs that have been made available by the government over the past three years, the college's financial and funds have been exhausted.

"This is the first time in 12 years that the funds available have been exhausted. We have had to ask students to apply for guaranteed student loans," said Arlene Gorman, student aid director.

"No student who qualifies has been turned down. Some people just have to accept other forms of aid, such as loans and scholarships," said Linda Lowe, director of the college's financial aid.

Other forms of financial aid that are available to the students now are guaranteed student loans and Pell grants.

Pell grants, otherwise known as BEGS, is designed to provide an education grant of up to one half of the student's educational costs to those who need financial assistance in order to attend college. Various financial data will be used to determine eligibility.

Guaranteed student loans, also known as the guaranteed loan program and guaranteed back loans, is designed to enable college students to borrow for educational expenses from regular loan agencies, (Pittsburgh Bank, Bally, Cincinnati Trust, savings and loan associations, etc.), all with payment deferred until graduation. Many states participate in this program.

Availability of the guaranteed loan program is restricted to full-time students who are residents of full-time students and who are financially required. Students who are not residents of full-time students are not eligible for guaranteed loans by obtaining forms from one of their state or local colleges, completing the appropriate sections of the application and returning all papers to the campus financial aid office for review and certification.

A usual annual student may receive a maximum of $2,450 from the guaranteed student loan and $1,000 on a Pell grant.

A guaranteed student loan is not guaranteed because of guaranteed student loans. It is guaranteed by the state of Ohio, which has a financial aid requirement.
Campus clubs disappointed

Last Friday, approximately 900 students, faculty members and administrators attended the opening day of All-College Athletics in the Fisco Auditorium.

All present were praised as being the largest and most enthusiastic crowd turned out in several years.

After the assembly, the enthusiasm was still not present for some members of the crowd. After being led to believe that this assembly would follow the pattern of past opening day assemblies, a ceremony recognizing deserving organizations on the campus, followed by a brief pep assembly, students were greeted by something else.

Instead, most of the assembly was devoted to the introduction of the athletic teams, the student judges and the Norse Stars. The short-awards presentation consisted of plaques for the men's and women's dormitories with the highest G.P.A. and the Midnight Oil Burners award for the most improved dorm G.P.A.

Several groups of equal importance were inadvertently omitted. For example, the cheerleaders, Phi Theta Kappa honor society, Afro-American club officers and Native American club officers, to name a few. Certainly these organizations, and many others, deserve recognition.

A college is made up of a large variety of people, with wide interests. These interests are reflected in the extracurricular activities available. An all-college assembly which ignores all but a few organizations is ironic. The name becomes a farce, along with the assembly.

In the future, administrators who plan such events should take several things into consideration. First, future assemblies might be planned earlier in the year, say at 10 instead of 11. Near the end of the ceremony, while the football team was on stage, nearly half of the audience walked out, either believing this to be the close of the assembly, or choosing to leave for lunch or class. The cheerleaders performed as the crowd streamed out of the auditorium. Evidently, there just wasn't enough time for them to be introduced.

Nur was there time enough to introduce the other groups. Believing that they, too, would be introduced, most members just sat out. Many seemed to feel that the assembly would continue, in spite of the excuses. However, as the cheerleaders continued, undaunted, to stay on stage, it became obvious that this was, indeed, the end. Embarrassment and outrage was suffered as a result. This was needless.

Second, if this assembly was, in reality, a pep rally, it should have been named as such beforehand, to avoid deceiving uninformed students, staff and club members. Many people who attended felt that a portion of their time had been needlessly consumed, due to the mis-labeling.

Last, care should be taken to introduce officers and members of equally important organizations here at N.E.O.

This institution produces quality in an amazingly diverse range of activities. Yes, we are proud of the organizations that seem to be the only ones worthy of recognition at the assembly—the athletic teams, Student Senate, dorms and drill team. But it is nothing short of incredible that the assembly could overlook the mention of a national Phi Theta Kappa officer who attends this very school.

N.E.O. is an institution that exists solely because of the diversity and interests of its students. Viewing this, it is unjust that the very foundation of this campus be ignored.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Why was there no announcement about last Friday's pep rally? Or the Student Union and classes that were closed because of it? Why was this information not posted on the campus announcement board? On bulletin boards? In our college newspaper? Because the announcement board still advertises the club elections. The bulletin boards are filled with long-filing job listings. And our college newspaper is filled with redundant gripes about the criteria, old movie reviews, better left to professionals and unimaginative advertising.

These complaints were designed to communicate current, useful information. Why can't they do that?

Editor's Note: Because of the Norse Wind editorial policy of printing signed letters, this name is that of the person who submitted the letter. However, the opinions expressed in letters reflect those of the entire Norse Wind staff.

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Involvement vital to Snapp

Tricia Rich

"If you want something done, you've got to do it yourself," is the firm belief of Sandy Snapp, student senate president for the fall semester.

"It's, in fact, this belief that has gotten me where I am today. I'm a senior here at NEO not knowing anything, but I wanted to get involved. I felt that I had some leadership potential and I wanted the chance to use it."

"Contrary to popular belief, you can't just go to college, live in the dorms and let it be. If you do that, you're missing out on a big part of college life. After all, there are other ways to learn besides simply studying books," Snapp replied.

"I graduated from Seminole High School where I was only moderately active. Last year I decided that I'd like to be the freshman class president. That's one goal that I've already realized. This year's goal is to be the student senate president."

Snapp is an extremely busy student, as she is also involved with the Student Senate Union and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. As far as activities, she is a member of the wrestling team and also a plate mare in new bar for the baseball team.

"Through I have a firm belief in getting involved in college life, I also believe that students have to come first. Obtaining a bachelor's degree in public relations is a super important goal. Next, I plan on attending either the University of Missouri, the University of Arkansas or Kansas University," explained Snapp.

"Now comes the question of why you're here. Well, because in the first place, I want to attend a major university. In the second place, I think "it's a challenge to go somewhere where you don't know anyone. If you have no one to lean on then you have to start making friends from scratch. That's also an important part of my field of study." Snapp replied with a smile.

"Right now I'm trying to get the student senate more involved. The most important areas on our agenda will be homecoming and religious events. Then, above all else, the most important role of a student government is to aid the student body."

"We also have a Governor's Conference on education coming up Sept. 19-20, which I'll be attending with Dr. Wright, Dean Angeli and Mrs. Snyder. I'm hoping that by attending the conference I'll be able to do a better job as Student Senate President."

So please, come to our meetings and bring your suggestions. Let's make this year's student government work for the students," Snapp concluded with enthusiasm.

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Littleford publishes first poem
Amateur poet of 14 years uses writing as an outlet

Morrie Leonberg

Melinda Littleford, second semester freshman from Ohio and amateur poet of fourteen years, has poem professionally published. Littleford recently was awarded the honor of having her first poem published, via the facility of Poetry Publishing Company. "The book is titled 'Our Woven World's Creator Poem' and it is scheduled to be the bookcase of the first of November," Littleford excitedly explained. Littleford, a thirty-four-year-old Ohio businesswoman major and mother of two daughters is, as she states, "writing her life poem." "I feel it was really ironic that 'Creator' (title of poem) was chosen to be published, as I was hoping for a different poem to be selected," remarked Littleford. "The inspiration for the poem 'Creator' came from a person I can live through, hence the death of a spouse or loved one," emphasized Littleford.

The following is the poem that may appear Littleford from the amateurs:

CREATING

Melinda Littleford, Ohio freshman, business education major, composing her original poetry by putting her thoughts and feelings to music via pen and paper.

Ehrhart gains edge through campaigning
Shane Ehrhart, Miami sophomore class president, found that his extensive campaigning was well worth the effort.

"As a junior, college, like this one, a person knows probably 10 percent of the student body. And, if he campaigns enough, students will know that he really wants to be elected," explains Ehrhart. "I feel that all the campaigning I did was worth it."

"My goal this year is to have more student participation in school activities. To get more people active, because there are a lot of things people could participate in," Ehrhart stated.

Ehrhart, a pre-veterinary major, has had previous experience in office elections in the past. Last year he was vice president of the freshman class. A graduate of Miami high school, he was also vice president his junior year and active in student council throughout his high school years.

Other campaigns for the first semester are BRET, Oikos, M-A, v.p. president, MICK Sharp, Wiper, and Tom Sturman, Hemensy, president. The student senate representa-
Norse top JuCo poll

Although the Golden Norsemen captured the top spot of the National Junior College Athletic Association first weekly poll, head coach Glen Wolfe views the position as a precarious one.

"We are always very pleased to be thought of in such a high regard by the ranking people around the country," said Wolfe. "But this means that from now on, every time we face will be playing lights-out football against us," Wolfe added.

Our kids have worked extremely hard and far too receive this type of honor and they deserve the recognition. We just have to be prepared and continue to get better so that we can maintain the number one rating," concluded Wolfe.

The Golden Norse topped last year's number one team, Northwest Mississippi, to earn the number one rating. Northwest Mississippi finished first in the final NJCAA poll last year with a 12-0-1 record.

NEO garnered 32 total points and three first place votes to 19 points and one first place vote for the Seminoles, Miss., team. Illinois Valley holds down the third place position with 65 points and two first place votes.

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Soccer team drop matches at Rogers State

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Norsemen gain vengeance before Parent's Day crowd

Robert said the Norse were looking to make a statement after losing to the Golden Norsemen last year. The Norse wanted revenge and came out strong, dominating the game from the start.

"The Norse were in control from the beginning," said Robert. "We had a great start and never looked back. We scored two touchdowns in the first half and added two more in the second half." 

The Norse defense was also strong, limiting the Golden Norsemen to just 10 points. Robert praised the Norse defense, saying they played with great intensity and tenacity.

"Our defense was outstanding," said Robert. "We stopped the Golden Norsemen on three of their four possessions." 

The Norse offense was led by quarterback Ben Smith, who threw for 240 yards and three touchdowns. The Norse also had a great running game, with RB Mark Davis gaining 100 yards on 15 carries.

"Our running game was key to our success," said Robert. "Mark Davis ran the ball well and opened up the field for our receivers." 

The Norse will now turn their attention to the upcoming game against the Blue Devils. Robert is confident that his team can continue their winning streak.

"We have a tough game ahead of us," said Robert. "But we're prepared and ready to face the challenge. We'll come out strong and give it our all."
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