CONCENTRATION

Chris Davidson, Grove sophomore, and Rumi Solaiman, Bangladesh sophomore, concentration on their moves during the finals of the Friendship Club's chess and checker tournament. Solaiman won the match and the tournament with Davidson capturing second.

Solaiman captures chess title

Rumi Solaiman, Bangladesh sophomore, captured first place in the chess division of the Friendship Club's chess and checker tournament.

Solaiman has captured this tournament for the second consecutive year. Taking second place was Chris Davidson, Grove sophomore, while Pat Smith, Texas freshman, won third.

In the checker division, Rick Collard, Miami sophomore, captured first place and Pete Machado, Venezuela sophomore, won second place.

I hope freshmen will look forward to a tournament in 1985, said Jana Lynn Thompson, Friendship Club sponsor.

Miami choirs plan holiday performance

During the Christmas season, the combined choirs of the college and the Miami area will be performing, Sunday, Dec. 16, at 2:30 p.m.

Two choirs from Handel's "Messiah" will be performed along with a variety of Christmas carol arrangements.

For the third year the combined choirs will present a Christmas program in the Miami Area Church centers of area congregations and directed by Bill Herbert. They will join the college choir for the concert. Herbert is the music instructor for a local church, Trinity United Church of Christ.

Admission is $2 for adults, $1 for senior citizens, 50 cents for children. Tickets will be available at the door.

Women emphasize group involvement

Worrying about the chance of a major hurricane during the spring semester must be on the minds of many students. The hurricane season began in early August and will run through late November.

In addition, the Miami State Student Association is planning a series of events to help the students deal with the stress of hurricane season.

The association is sponsoring a hurricane survival kit giveaway, which will include materials such as flashlights, batteries, and food bars. The kit will be available for pickup at the Student Union during regular hours.

The association is also hosting a hurricane preparedness workshop, which will cover topics such as how to prepare for a hurricane and what to do during one. The workshop will be held on campus at the Student Union, and will be open to the public.

In addition, the association is partnering with the local emergency management agency to provide emergency shelter information. The information will be available online and through local news outlets.

The association is also working with local businesses to ensure that students have access to basic supplies during a hurricane, such as food and water. The association is coordinating with local grocery stores to ensure that students have access to emergency supplies.

In conclusion, the Miami State Student Association is committed to helping students prepare for the hurricane season and to ensuring their safety. By providing resources and information, the association is helping students to be prepared for any event that may occur.
College, care and holidays

The college Christmas. The Eighth Christmas.
For many of us, financial difficulties and youthful enthusiasm color the undertakings of this holiday season.

Bits of the holiday filter through as we move around campus. The International Christmas tree in the lobby of the Library Administration building, for example. Many plate themselves wholeheartedly into the decorating aspect of the season. Some dorms have almost an entire side filled with decorated windows, done with lights, paint, timetables, and other trappings of Christmas. The hobbons have been brightened with the addition of Christmas trees, a small snowman of window frosting that survived well past last week's snowfall, and many doors have begun to sport ribbons, paper, and cards.

For many, sadly, this Christmas is marked by trying to economize on gifts, and a general worry that something might not be able to be bought for everyone on a Christmas list. This year's shopping and the concocting of Christmas spirit that is so obvious around our campus.

Maybe the best, and most touching way that it has been expressed is in the annual children's Christmas party, where students adopted a child for the evening, and treated him or her to a meal, the party, and a gift. More than one child was shown with quite a haul as patient "Mom" or "Dad" sat in a room or dorm lobby.

The college student of today can be characterized as necessarily thrifty, as full of enthusiasm and optimism as ever, and, well, young.

Young at heart, at least. One only had to witness the strictly elementary school aspects of the snowball fight last week to understand this. With challenges being spread around campus, several dorm rooms received very little sleep for a couple of nights.

And yet, later, the caring that goes along with this season is obvious. Christmas is a feeling that can almost be touched in its gentle strength. As the climax to the Christmas cards in flight and starts, it may seem to be even closer than ever.

As we prepare ourselves for our final exams, and then the trip home, may we wish you a peaceful holiday, as full of enthusiasm and hope as all of you have been in last week's. Merry Christmas!

Norse Wind December 14, 1984

Responses

Students were asked to respond to the following question: "What do you plan on doing next Christmas?"

Todd Howl
Alfa Sophomore

"Probably plan to spend Christmas with my family."  

Brian Smith
Computer Sophomore

"Not sure where I'll be this Christmas. I'm planning on going home to see my family."

Crystal Timms
Trainee Sophomore

"I'm trying to plan ahead for next Christmas. I'm looking at different possibilities, such as traveling or staying home with family."

Teresa Rink
Mount Freshman

"I'm planning to go away and spend Christmas with my family."

Letter

Dear Editor,

As you may know, I am currently undergoing treatment for depression. I have been taking medication for several weeks and have noticed significant improvement in my mood.

I just wanted to share this with you and let you know that I am doing my best to cope with this situation.

Sincerely,

[Name]

Ken Wilson

P.S. Yes, just to allay your worries, the operation was done, the doctors did find a cancerous growth, and they were able to remove it. I am doing well and will be back to normal soon.

[Name]
Santa Claus adopts all of the children

Julie James

"Instead of adopting just one child, I got to adopt all of them," smiled M.B. Kilwell, a sophomore from Parsons, Kan., who portrayed Santa Claus at the annual Children's Christmas Party, sponsored by the Student Senate, last Monday evening.

"I was Santa Claus last year at the same party, and I really enjoyed it both times," he stated.

"When a child came to me, the first thing I did was look for a name tag. If they weren't wearing one, I looked for their name on their room."

"As it is, I would surprise them, but they would ask, 'how did you know my name?' and I would answer, 'because I'm Santa Claus.'"

"It also helps the child when you call them by name." Kilwell commented.

"I tried to talk softly to the little ones so I wouldn't scare them," he added.

"The night went pretty smooth, except for one thing."

"My costume didn't have a beard," he laughed. "We had to make a makeshift beard out of the finest and most exquisite. It was fastened in my cap with two pairs of scissors."

"But I say that he did enjoy being Santa, and he would probably do it again."

"You get more than you give," he said with a grin.

Kilwell is a member of the executive council of the Baptist Student Union. He is also the youth and music director at the Ottawa Indian Baptist Church, and, at the age of 19, a licensed minister.

"I even did a wedding once." The couple wanted to be married on the fourth of July, and the pastor had gone out of town, so he took his place," he explained.

"They thought I was older than I was, and I shocked them when they learned I was 19. I thought the man of honor was going to faint," he laughed.

After completion of the next semester, Kilwell will continue his education, although he's not sure where yet. His long term goal is to be a pastor.
Vice president finds job rewarding

The family is involved in many areas of the college. A ranking of the top ten majors is based on the economic needs of the students.

"One of the hardest things we do is work with students. We try to work with them to get a better understanding of their needs. We are the ones who work with them day in and day out."

"When I speak to students about the college, I tell them that learning to take care of personal finances and communication is one of the most important things they can learn. And they always two things I tell them.

"The first thing you have to know is the cost of the college you are going to attend. If you don't know how you are going to pay that cost,"

"If you try to get students to understand the problems, because if students don't know their problems, they can't help them,"

Tom Poole, president of the Rotary Club.

"This college and community is one that cannot be equalled anywhere."
First male president directs homemakers

"As president of the home economics organization, I organized the homemaking program and as the overall leader of the club," said Michael Linder, a junior. Linder is the first male home economics president.

I feel like it's an honor, it's a break to equal rights for men singing this in a freshman choir. The home economics president feels that this honor will help his career. "It's a matter of leadership, who knows, maybe I'll be president of a hotel organization," said the hotel and restaurant management major, with a smile.

Linder felt he could do a good job as president. "I felt maybe I could bring some new programs before the members." The home economics club has a membership problem. Linder is hoping to overcome this problem.

"Right now we have a few attendance in the members and I hope that through my programs I can interest the members and therefore increase membership attendance," explained Linder.

Another program in the club this year is to start an embroidery program for high school students in this area. Linder is not only in the home economics organization but he is also in Phi Theta Kappa, where he holds the office of first vice president.

"My duties as first vice president are to assist the president, Bryan Smith, as much as I can and take over when he is unable to attend the meetings." PROCTOR

Mike Linder, a junior philosophy major, during his break from his philosophy classes.

"I'm glad to see a male president of the home economics organization," said Linder. "It's a break to equal rights for men." Linder also said he is looking forward to the Christmas season because he is involved with some of the school activities.

If you like me and do not believe the old adage it is better to give than receive, here are a few tips on making your holiday season brighter. I am certain that those people who have not heard the suggestions from others are the same people who never have had any good ideas. The key to a happy and peaceful Christmas is to buy things for others that you would like to have. This not only gives Christmas shopping a bright new outlook; it also gives you a warm feeling inside to see your loved ones opening up presents that will soon belong to you.

Last year I gave my dad a graphic tennis racket, my mom a Quiet Riot tape, my sister a crossing lamp, and I promised grandpa a Polka CD set. Naturally I was "shocked" when they returned all of my gifts. I have got a great deal of use out of them, except for the Quiet Riot tape. Mom is now president of their fan club.

This year I am thoughtfully considering my Christmas list to include even more relatives. Aunt Harriet will be thrilled with her new jogging suit, it will be perfect if she is ever released from the "Shady Hills" nursing home.

Then, of course, there is Uncle Harold, who is getting a subscription to Playboy magazine. We all pray he is not also getting a Popular Science.

However, all of your planning will be wasted if you do not pick in the presents others have given to you. I can't possibly open and unwrap presents neatly so, of course, I simply rip into them like a Great Dane rip into a Poodle. This does present a problem when mom and dad walk in and see wrapping paper all over the floor. Having a creative imagination comes in handy when your mother is out." You little scrounger, you opened your presents!"

Last year I convinced Mom that the cat had ripped into my presents, the year before it was random territories who received the blame, other years I have simply denied her suspicion with an Avis book. Now that I have gotten that out of the way, I can set the record straight on some ridiculous rumors concerning Christmas and holiday figures. There are stories that grow with the years until they become wildly accepted in time. The popular Christmas song "Winter Wonderland" is generally attributed to Adolph Hoffer and his group "Garapis," which is generally considered to be Europe's first heavy metal band. Not true, "Winter Wonderland" was first recorded on the group's Christmas album "A Russian Christmas." Another Christmas song that has been falsely associated in a holiday tall tale is "Big In Babylon." The rumor about "Ice," probably started by a wretched democrat, is that he baked cookies for his troops, any fool who wants to research this would discover that "Ice" only baked brownies, and only for fellow civilians.

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Gridmen awarded All-America honors

Three members of the 1984 Golden Norsemen football team received All-America honors, according to the National Junior College Athletic Association.

All three were two-year stars and were instrumental in the 6-1-1 record posted by the Golden Norse this season.

Earning First team NJCAA honors in defensive end James Lee (6-3, 225) from Fort Worth, Texas. While starting two years at the end position, Lee recorded 100 unassisted tackles and 73 assists. A tremendous pass rusher, Lee made 23 quarterback sacks for a phenomenal 228 yards in losses. Lee also recovered seven fumbles in his two years here.

Lee was also named to the Junior College Grid-Wire second team defense for his efforts with the Golden Norsemen.

Joining Lee on the defensive unit is free safety Ed Fashaw (6-2, 200), from Del Ray Beach, Fla. Fashaw was named to the honorable mention squad after making 44 solo tackles and 37 assists. Fashaw deflected five passes and returned two field goals during his two-year residency.

Fashaw led the Norsemen in punt returns both years with a total of 742 return yards for 443 yards and a 13.4 average. Fashaw scored two touchdowns this year on punt returns.

Fashaw led the team with seven interceptions for 109 yards and one touchdown.

He was named to the Grid-Wire honorable mention.

Receiving honorable mention accolades was tight end Joey Howard (6-7, 260), from Springfield, Ohio. As a two-year starter Howard caught 32 of 48 passes for 67 percent and 445 yards. Howard scored five touchdowns while averaging 13.8 yards per reception.

Howard earned Grid-Wire second team offense.

SKYWARD BOUND


Photo by Julie C. Heinsman

Heroic shot lassos Maverick

By Brian Johnson

Fitting a 60-foot shot with no time remaining sophomore guard Fred Watson gave the Golden Norsemen a thrilling 60-57 double overtime victory over the Northern Junior College Mavericks Saturday night in Tunkawa.

With the victory the Norsemen improve to 6-0 and the Mavericks fall to 6-3.

The Mavericks held an early 15-7 lead but the Norse cut it to 15-13 on four points by Watson and two by Charles Prater.

A 12-13 Norse deficit was erased as they moved out to a 22-19 lead with 9:17 left in the first half. The Mavericks' Mike Young and Mark Shackman scored on key baskets to give them a 32-31 halftime lead.

In the second half the lead changed hands eight times. Trailing 57-51 with 2:45 left the Norsemen rallied on a basket and a pair of free-throwers by Mark Nance to force the game into overtime.

The Mavericks jumped out to a 60-57 lead in overtime on baskets by Barron Hill and Young with 3:40 left.

Realing for the Norse, Nance hit a free throw and Prater scored four straight points to give the Norsemen a 62-60 lead in the first overtime.

After a pair of free throwers by Young which tied the score at 62-62. Nance hit a short jumper to give the Norse a 64-62 lead with 2:05 remaining.

A layup by Young of the Mavericks with eight seconds remaining sent the game into double overtime.

The Mavericks took a quick lead on a basket by Hill but a three-pointer by Watson put the Norsemen on top 67-66.

Dan Melka of the Mavericks tied the score at 67-67 by hitting one of two free throws.

Northern took control of the ball at the final minute of the second overtime. With five seconds left Young took a shot which rolled off the rim and was rebounded by Watson who bashed it 60 feet for the wining basket.

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Ladies pluck Ravens in last seconds

Victory ends two-game skid prior to Christmas vacation

Closing out the first half of the season, the Lady Norse will travel to Euler, Kan., to battle with the Lady Tigers of Allen County Community College tomorrow evening at 8.

The contest will be the first of the year between these two squads. The Lady Norse currently stand at 8-3 on the season before games on Tuesday and Thursday.

NER 84, Coffeyville, KS: A basket by forward Traci McGee with 17 seconds left on the clock bolstered the Lady Norse to a victory over the Lady Ravens. The game remained close throughout the first half with the teams trading baskets until a pair of free throws by Michelle Dewey and an outside shot by guard Sue Thomas gave the Lady Norse an 18-14 lead with 3:40 remaining before halftime.

The Lady Ravens came back on the outside shooting of center Renea Dunor as she hit on five long field goals and a pair of free throws to close the deficit to 28-26 at halftime.

Early in the second half the Lady Ravens jumped to a quick lead when Dunor and guard Noel Wyman gave Coffeyville the 32-30 lead with 16:40 left in the game. The Ravens extended their lead to 36-32 when Dunor and point guard Shelley Balthazor hit on long range fastbreaks.

Angela Hill tied the score at 39-39 with 12:11 left in the game before an unanswered points by Coffeyville brought the score to 45-39 with 7:10 remaining.

Two buckets by Quiana Johnson and a basket by Leslie Mainer brought the Lady Norse back to even at 45-45 with 5:31 left. The two squads traded baskets for the next 2:15 until the basket by McGee gave the Lady Norse the lead with 17 seconds left.

Sue Thomas lead the Lady Norse with 14 points while Traci McGee added 12 and Quiana Johnson chipped in 10. The Lady Norse connected on 25 of 48 from the field for 52 percent and 8 of 17 from the free throw line for 47 percent.

Dunor lead the Lady Ravens with 36 points while Noel Wyman added 13. Coffeyville hit on 24 of 45 for 53 percent from the field and 5 of 8 from the free throw line for 62 percent.

The Lady Norse outrebounded the Lady Ravens 11-9 while the Lady Ravens outscored the Lady Norse 49-37 in the first half.

After a short surge for five unanswered points by the Lady Mavericks, Sue Thomas hit a long range basket to cut the score to 42-40 with 12:11 remaining in the half.

Guard Thomas and Angela Hill gave the Lady Norse a 4-1 lead with 10:51 before interceptions.

Following a basket by Maverick’s forward Sally Whisen, the Lady Norse rallied off two short bursts of eight unanswered points to post a 32-16 lead at halftime.

In the second half the Lady Norse continued to build their lead on the outside shooting of Shaun O’Brien and Hill. The Lady Norse possessed a 38-20 lead with 12:11 left.

After two buckets by Vep, Sue Thomas connected on a long range basket to fuel the Lady Norse to a 40-24 lead with 9:07 remaining.

Two free throws and a basket each by Mavericks’ Laury Brown and Dana Gannon closed the Maverick deficit to 40-39 with 2:54 left in the game. After a basket by Hill, the Lady Mavericks recorded 11 unanswered points to post the victory.

Sue Thomas lead the Lady Norse in scoring with 18. Hill contributed 13 while O’Brien added 10.

The Lady Norse hit on 21 of 42 for 50 percent from the field and 5 of 7 from the free throw line for 71 percent.

Vep led all scorers with 32 points for the Lady Mavericks. Brown contributed 10 while Dana Ports added seven.

Northera connected on 17 of 43 from the field for 27 percent and 17 of 34 for 50 percent from the free throw line.
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