Norse Wind

Virtue directs newspaper staff

Ruth Virtue has been chosen as the managing editor of the Norse Wind, student newspaper for the 1964-65 year. Ruth, a junior, majoring in journalism, will be assisted by Douglas S. Beck in the production of the Norse Wind.

WAIT YOUR TURN

Laurea Jones, Tania Freeman, and June Englehardt are among the student editors of the Norse Wind. They will be responsible for getting the stories to the printer in a timely manner.

Collage

Loan office operative

Any student in good standing who has his pay paid in the business office is eligible to take out a student loan.

Judging team begins practice

Building team begins practice

Any student may come in and borrow up to $20 and present a valid student identification card. Students are liable for their loans and may only have one loan at a time. As soon as the first term is paid students can go on another.

School improvements

Maintenance workers have made several improvements on campus over the summer, according to Collage.

Dorms change occupants

Due to a decrease in the number of housing applications for girls and an increase for boys, a decision was made to increase enrollment only for freshmen and for students who need the housing.

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President’s welcome

Campus interests

student’s choice

The first few weeks of college are an endless decision-making process. It can often seem that the past three years have been a waste. Some of us are blessed with decisions, the rest are not.

Some, for example, have no problem with the decoration of their dorm rooms. However, a curator’s constant task is to have everything, for you. Others are quite satisfied with what they see daily, and are always arranging, straightening, adding to, or overthrowing the original curator’s items.

And, for the majority of us who are always bothered by a sense of indecision over such things as stereo placement and picture frames, may we offer a few hints on easy decisions to make, and important ones, at that.

There currently exists on campus some ideal opportunities to clean up last year’s business, to set a strong precedent for new action, and to affect local and national concerns.

Also in that semester, and in each dormitory, the dorm president was selected, but other offices will be voted upon and filled this fall. Several positions are available—from floor representatives to sports directors, and many student have, to their surprise, become leaders in their dorm after these small-scale elections.

The only investment it takes is a few sheets of poster board or paper, and some magic markers.

Another involvement in voting that cannot be stressed enough is concerned with this November’s Presidential election. The majority of our campus enrollment consists of the low-turnout group of those eighteen-to-twenty-one. If this group were to exercise their right to register and participate, it is more than possible that they could sway this election’s outcome.

It is time to accept the responsibility of voting. NEO, the older generations can’t carry the younger forever. Registering to vote takes only a few minutes, and it is likely that registration will be held on campus in the near future.

Also worthy of some consideration is the act of getting involved with the many organizations that exist at NEO. Our campus offers groups and clubs for everyone—from the Young Democrats and Republicans, to Adult Learners, Friendship club and an intramural sports program. There is no need to fall into the trap of deciding to spend all of one’s time in the dorm, or at home.

The adjectives that could be used to describe the benefits of deciding to become involved could stretch on for many pages. But should we list a few, just to encourage you.

How about enlightening, fulfilling, satisfying?

You could get a date, make a friend, learn a fresh new thought, rethink an old one, make a homecoming float, or get an office.

So why not, just rearrange and straighten out your room, decide to do the same for your schedule?

And, if we guide you wrong, what have you got to lose?

You could always decide to get involved and write a letter to the editor about it.

Bobby R. Wright
President
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Scholarships

Now freshmen and 12 sophomores have received DePauw Presidential Leadership Scholarships for the 1984-85 school year. The award, a means of attracting top academic students around the state, covers the entire academic year. Some of the criteria for choosing the award winners include: an ACT score of 18 or above; high school grade point average; and extracurricular activities and achievements in high school or college. Recipients are chosen by the committee of the deanship and the administrative office. The students will be announced in the fall. The scholarships are funded by the Nellie DePauw Trust Fund. DePauw, who was a long-time DePauw resident, left a considerable amount of money for the college to be used for scholarships. According to Elizabeth Howard, chairman of the committee, approximately 20 students applied the scholarships. However, this year's recipients will have to be selected by the committee for the remaining scholarships. The scholarships are not automatically renewed.
New faculty members announced

Various positions filled by eight instructors

Eight new instructors have been added to the faculty for the 1984-85 school year, according to Dr. Charles Angell, Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Joining the Associate degree in Nursing program this fall is Mary Susan Wacht, in a part-time capacity. Currently an instructor with the YMCA at Pittsburg State University, she earned the bachelor of science degree from Pittsburg State University and a diploma in nursing from Mount Carmel School of Nursing in Pittsburg. Joining the nursing staff earlier this year was Jeanne Lynn Gifford, also of Pittsburg. A graduate of PSU, she served as an instructor there and has done undergraduate study at the University of Kansas.

Richard Jenea, from Olustee, Kan., will replace David Miller as automotive technology instructor. Having earned both a bachelor of science degree and a master of science degree from PSU, he previously instructed and transportation technology at Peru State College in Peru, Neb.

Replacing Kent Tolsum as electronics instructor is James Wesley Jent who has been serving in that capacity at Moore-Norman Area Vo-Tech until recently. He earned the bachelor of science degree from the University of Maryland and masters of science degree from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. He previously taught at City College of Chicago and the Naval Air Technical Training Command in Memphis, Tenn.

Nancy M. Martin, the new Bishop of Pittsburg and a director of that city's two schools, is an assistant professor in the School of Education and has been an active member of the Pittsburg faculty for many years. She currently teaches at Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, Kansas.

Funding allocated for Health Sciences

Laurel Jones

Completion of the Health Sciences building is one step closer to reality. According to Dr. Bobby R. Wright, college president, the new building will provide a new facility for the health sciences programs.

Wright said that the building will contain clinical laboratories, classrooms, offices, and research facilities. The building will also house the college's health sciences programs, including nursing, physical therapy, and medical technology.

The building is expected to be completed by the end of the year, and classes will begin in January. The total cost of the building is estimated to be $5 million.

The funding for the building came from a combination of federal grants, state allocations, and private donations. The college received a $1 million grant from the National Institutes of Health, which helped to offset the cost of the building.

In addition to the grant, the college also received a $2 million loan from the state of Kansas. The loan will be repaid over a period of 20 years.

The college is currently seeking additional donations to complete the building. Anyone interested in contributing to the project can contact the college's development office for more information.
Team speed cited as Norse strength

Allison Reed

Although losing several starters, the Golden Norse football squad shows a promising corps of freshman talent and a successful season.

Entering the 1984 season the Norsemen will be more improved than the one that finished with an 8-1-1 season last year. "We've shown more growth and development in the skilled positions on both sides of the ball than we had going into last season," head coach Glenn Wolf said.

In his second season as head coach Wolf's Norsemen have posted a 1-5-1 overall record. The Golden Norse have also had two varsity, one junior varsity and one freshman team appearances, including a 24-19 victory over the Henderson County, Texas, in the Cannon Shamrock Bowl game.

"Our overall team speed is much improved over last season. All of our defensive starters are under five feet in the 40. Our ends are extremely fast and our offensive line has exceptional speed," Wolf said. "Our secondary contains some players the quality of former All-State Joe McBeck and Casey and they all run the 40 in the 4.0 to 4.1 range.

Some bad news facing the Norsemen is the production lost of 10 of 11 starters on offense. Not only was the entire backfield affilaied, but the interior offensive line was altered. The addition of freshmen to start on a few positions offsets the loss of experience. Wolf said.

"We'll win the battles and they'll control the game. They'll control the game and they'll control the game. We'll control the game with power and we'll control the game with speed and we'll control the game with our line," Wolf said.

"We've lost all first stringers along the interior line, there's only one exception," Wolf said. "We've got people returning that returned last season playing time as freshmen, but we lack numbers and we'll have to make do with injuries because of the skill involved.

The Norsemen have a solid unit that can capture their eighth straight conference championship with the potential to improve on their defensive unit. Despite the loss of 11 backs last year in total offense each game.

The following is a position-by-position breakdown of the Norsemen.

QUARTERBACK

Senior Dennis O'Connor returns to direct the offense at quarterback. Last season, Reed appeared in four games completing 11 of 18 passes for 115 yards with one touchdown and one interception. Reed also gained 17 yards on nine carries.

"He's got the experience and knows the system to go to all his physical attributes. He will be our starter, but there are still some stiff competition," said Wolf.

Freshman Jay Penn will be the other backup quarterback position. Penn reassures the Thorn Hollow High School records and effort. He is an exchange student from Shanshee, China. "Both of our freshmen have the speed, and arms to run our offense," Wolf said.

RUNNING BACKS

"Our bread and butter over the past few years has been to keep the

Sport

Composing the backfield list sophomore Brandon Fagan made five tackles and 10 assists while Graham made four tackles and five assists.

Freshman nose tackle and defensive end include Mike Clark and Mark Hooper.

LINEBACKERS

"We've got more speed and are the freshwater position at linebacker," Wolf said. Senior Steve Krupke returns to anchor one end at nose tackle with sophomore Jeff Wise also had valuable playing time experience.

Knepp made 13 solo tackles and 15 assists as a full-time starter at the end. In a reserve role Wise recorded two interceptions while making 11 solo tackles and 11 assists.

CORNERBACKS

"Compared to the personnel we've had on the corners the past two games we may have a bit more in the lineup, what we lack in height we make up for in speed and quickness," Wolf said. "Our entire secondary will have exceptional reaction time and will be faster overall than they were in the past.

Returning at the corners are sophomores Larry McCreed and George Brown, along with freshman Thomas Trueman, who returned 17 tackles and three assists in part-time duty last season.

Brown made 15 tackles and five assists as a reserve last year. Both McCreed and Brown are capable of running a 4.4 in their 200.

Trueman joined the Norse last season after signing last year. He was a starter for Tall (Calif.) Junior College during the 1983 season.

Freshman recruits include

James Touchstone and Don Johnson.

SAFETIES

Three sophomores return in another year in the Norse defense that had both talent and experience. The returners saw considerable playing time in the Norse secondary last season.

Kicking

Returning sophomore Dennis O'Connor inherited the kicking chores for the Golden Norse. O'Connor connected on one of two field goal attempts while averaging 48 yards on 13 punts.

"O'Connor has a very strong leg and he can do on the kick. Although he doesn't get great on the kick, he has excellent hang time which helps improve our coverage," Wolf said.

Freshman William Wyant, could handle the extra punting duties for the Norsemen. Last season for the Buckeyes, Wyant recorded 20 punts for a 43.8 yard average.

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Home appearances highlight season

Clint Baker

Seven home appearances during a nine-game schedule will highlight the 1984 Golden Norse football season.

Last season, under the guid-

ance of head coach Clint Baker, the Norseman posted an 8-1-1 overall record and earned their first trip to the NCAA Division IV finals. This season, the Norseman are hoping to improve upon last year’s success. The Norseman have been named by the Associated Press as the #1 team in the nation.

Opening the season at home, the Norseman will host Navarro, Texas, Sept. 8 at Rob-

erston Field. After traveling south to battle Tyler, Texas, Sept. 15, the Norse will return to Robertson Field for five straight home appearances. The Cowboys Community College will meet the Norse during Parent’s Day activities, Sept. 25. Eastern Illinois University, Sept. 29, will come to Miami, Sept. 29, to battle the Norse. Eastern is a new opponent for the Norseman, who defeated the Illinois State University, 35-14, Oct. 13, 1983.

One of two junior varsity games finds the Lone Star University JV coming to Miami, Oct. 13, for a night game. After an open date Oct. 27, the Norseman travel to the Carolinas, Nov. 3, 1984, to battle the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Nov. 11, the Norseman will host the Kansas City Community College.

“Playing teams from three different states and both Navarro and Elkhart football

Kansa schools on our schedule naturally, so I think our coaches and our players should be able to handle the games in this year’s schedule,” said Dr. Converse, Athletic Co-

ordinator.

“Last year we didn’t play in a conference, so we’re able to play teams from other states which gives us a better indication of how good we are. It also increases our interest because we get to see a caliber of football that is played in other parts of the country,” Dr. Converse stated.

“Another thing that is difficult to understand about not being able to play any Kansas school is that over the past three years we’ve played a big part in helping Kansas schools win the National Junior College Athletic Association national title,” said Dr. Converse.

Local organizations to host Norseman Appreciation Night

Recognizing the importance of the college to the Miami community, the Chamber of Commerce and the Jaycees will sponsor “Norseman Appreciation Night,” Sept. 11, the season opener against Navarro, Texas.

In light of the budget cuts over the past two years and the fact that additional cuts could happen this year, we feel that it was important to recog-

nize the college’s contribution to the community,” said Joe Thompson, president of the Chamber of Commerce.

The college provided both the Chamber of Commerce and the Jaycees will be con-

ferring with local business owners and organizations offering the tickets to black alumni at a reduced price.

Baseball team opens tough fall schedule

Golden Norse baseball got underway with a 14-0 win over Bethel, Monday, Aug. 27.

Tickets for the Norseman will begin Aug. 27 and finish Aug. 30.

Returning are pitcher, Mike Oberlin, who posted a 1.60 earned run aver-

age. Oberlin pitched a combined 1.60 ERA and was named to the 1984 All-NCAA Team.

Joining Oberlin are left-handed pitchers, Rich and Bill Baatz, who combined for a 3.34 ERA, and John Johnson, who pitched a combined 2.73 ERA.

Returning position players are outfielders, Rich and Bill Baatz, who combined for a .323 batting average. Jamie Zuur, who batted .323, and Todd Beath, who batted .311, will lead the Norsemen in the cockpit.

The Norsemen will open up against the University of Arkansas at Little Rock on Saturday, Sept. 1.

Signups begin for intramural softball today

Signups for men’s intramural softball began today and continue through Sept. 7. Signups for women’s softball will begin Sept. 8, and be a one-night only basis on Sept. 11.

All students who are enrolled in at least one hour are allowed to participate.

“Senioritis is a problem and we want to give our players a chance to play,” said Coach Mike Clark, director of intramural sports.

Clark also said that students participate for intramural sports in the fall and spring and continue through Sept. 7. Signs for intramural softball are on the 10th floor of the Coliseum, where the Coliseum is on the fourth floor.
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