Governor proclaims education spotlight

Signing a proclamation January 9, Governor George Nigh proclaimed February 20 and 21 to be "Technical Education Week." The proclamation stated, "The purpose of this annual event is to recognize the importance of technical education in the modern workforce, and to promote the education of all Oklahomans in technical fields." The governor encouraged all Oklahomans to participate in technical education programs and to support the growth of technical education in the state.

WHEREAS, technical education is crucial to the economic development of Oklahoma, and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma State Board of Education has recognized the importance of technical education, and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT NIGH, GOVERNOR of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim the week of February 20 and 21 as "Technical Education Week" in the State of Oklahoma and encourage all Oklahomans to participate in technical education programs. This proclamation is made in recognition of the importance of technical education in the modern workforce.

Student performances urged for spring talent competition

Applications for the Spring Talent Show are now available according to Nancy Bishop, activity coordinator. Any individual or group consisting of five or more students may apply for the show. Applications are due by Monday, March 6, at the Fine Arts Auditorium. Performances will be held Tuesday, March 7, through Friday, March 10, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Performances will include vocal, instrumental, and literary categories. Winners will be announced at a later date.

Cast prepares for hillbilly comedy

"The lead of the play is a very strong character," stated Tom Green, director. "He takes on the role of a hillbilly in the play. He is funny and likable. The audience will enjoy his performance." The play, "Hillbilly Comedy," is being directed by Tom Green, drama teacher. The play will be performed on Thursday, February 9, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Ticket prices are $5 for adults and $3 for students.
Ninth week mid-term policy returns by popular demand

In a letter to the faculty, Dr. Charles Angle, vice president for academic affairs, informed teachers that mid-term grades will be given on the ninth week instead of the sixth.

In past years, NSD has always given mid-term grades on the ninth week. Only last semester did they change to issuing them on the sixth week.

"We have some faculty members who expressed to me that if students were made aware sooner of their grades, they would have more time to improve their grades," stated Angle.

Another reason that the teachers had for wanting to move mid-term grades up to the sixth week was that since the grades were normally derived on the ninth week, they would not be reflective of the students until the tenth week. Then students would not be able to see their advisor until the eleventh week, leaving only seven more weeks for the student to do something about their grade.

It is true that the switch-over was based on some sound judgments, however, they overlooked one flaw in the new policy. Six weeks just does not give an accurate representation of a student's progress.

In most classes here on campus, we don't receive enough grades to be able to receive a reasonable evaluation. Angle agreed that the sixth week idea was a good one, but it turned out to be unpractical.

We find it commendable that the administration and faculty have learned from this mistake, recognized the problems within it, and corrected it for the student's benefit.

Regardless of when they are passed out, we must recognize the importance of mid-term grades. The mid-term grading policy was set up strictly as an unrecorded advisory for the student.

Also, the student who takes advantage of mid-term report should have plenty of time to either drop the class or make the necessary adjustments to assure a passing grade.

WEEK #6 LAST SEMESTER

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Accolades

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To: Mother Nature for an opportunity to dust out the snow this past week.

To: The band and student fans who demonstrated a lot of support for the Norman basketball teams by playing and cheering throughout the games.

For the Record

David Lee Roth, known by many as Diamond Dave, released his 12-inch EP entitled "Crazy From The Heat" two weeks ago.

The four song composition is the first solo effort from Roth, who is probably best known as the high camping lead singer from the Los Angeles based rock group, Van Halen.

Roth lends his unique style to the Beach Boys' classic, "California Girls," back up vocals supplied by Carl Wilson for the Beach Boys and Christopher Cove, the facial resemblance to Roth's face, which is highlighted throughout the cut.

"And a Capsule" turns out to be a welcome surprise. Sutphen and columnists do a remarkable job in reproducing a big time sound. Combined with the familiar, easy style have come to expect from Roth.
Advisor displays love through work

Rhonda Evans

Jana Lyn Thompson has been the advisor of international students since 1987 and was an assistant in the registrar's office before that.

"I was appointed to this office by Dr. Ang," explains Thompson.

Thompson does more than just advise.

"I counsel, facilitate, do public relations work and also instruct," the explained.

Thompson enjoys her work.

"Work is love, it is made visible to show to other people," she said.

Thompson maintains close contact with a foreign student from admission to the college until graduation. There are 26 foreign students here this semester.

"These foreign students find out about NDS through embassies and consulates, then write to the college where their transcripts are screened by the admissions office," replies Thompson.

"They come here to further their education on a bachelor's degree. I help them with their passports and immigration papers."

Thompson has found that American students don't show interest in foreign students.

"They seem indifferent to foreign students. Maybe it is because of exposure to travel, language and other things," she said.

American students are victims of an education system that has not been taught to world citizens.

"An advantage of an American student could have in learning another language besides their own mother tongue," Thompson said.

This supports the students in gaining an appreciation for the difficulties of being and studying in a second culture.

"The emotional pressure is terrific on these students," Thompson said.

Thompson said, "There is a tremendous amount of personal assistance given in this office, just talking about personal problems of whatever."

Sometimes the students come in to talk and visit with Thompson. But when they first come in it is hard for them to do this.

"Sometimes I am viewed with a very suspicious eye by the freshmen foreign students just arriving on the campus," she explained.

"I try to have to show these kids that there are people around here that can talk to and who can care."

Thompson has helped to initiate several local programs to help the foreign students adjust to the country.

"One program is to invite a chef," she says. "This is where an instructor invites a student into his or her home to prepare a meal from the student's country."

"We have been to ten countries. They are Canada, Mexico, a few countries in South and Central America, Holland, Germany, Italy, England, Ireland, and Germany."

She speaks only one other language besides English and that is Spanish. Most foreign students who come to her office have a good command of the English language.

"One of the international directors of foreign students, Thompson has collected numerous souvenirs and moments. She proudly parades them on display in her office.

"I am a museum person," explains Thompson.

"I get a lot of satisfaction out of the things given to me, but I save the letter and card, I get from former students the most."

COUNSELING

Jana Lyn Thompson, foreign student advisor, gives friendly advice to a student on campus.

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Renee Clements

Dorm moments are a part of the qualifies a dorm mother must have. She is to be successful in her job.

Theresa Thrasher, Commencement Hall dorm mother obviously must excel both of these qualities since she has been a dorm parent since 1987.

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After six years there, Thrasher returned here and was put in charge of Kel-Bro-You-Nah Hall, which at the time was still a girls dormitory. She remained there until this year when she became dorm mother of Commence Hall.

"People ask me frequently if I prefer being dorm mom for boys or girls and when young people are in both sheets equally well and I have found that it is not more difficult to take care of one or the other," Thrasher added.

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Thrasher feels that this is a part of the job to keep boys in line and knows she is usually right up anywhere from two to live in the morning.

"I think that if a dorm mom was to be honest and right she would not be doing things properly. The people of our young students do not and magically or mysteriously," Thrasher joked.

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Cook listens to learn

Julie James

"I get instruction from my work and I learned a lot by doing it. I am a student nurse, and it has been a real challenge."

Cook, a nursing major, spends two days a week at the Oakwood Hospital in Joplin as part of her clinical study.

"This is my fourth year of nursing class. The first two years were spent as a patients, when I was the student nurse, and doing my clinicals in Joplin."

The second year of nursing class, the first two years were spent as a patient, and that was the first time I spent the clinicals in Joplin. The second year of nursing class, you are doing your clinicals in Joplin for the first time.

"I was also able to come in my second year of nursing class. The first two years were spent as a patient, and that was the first time I spent the clinicals in Joplin."

As she was walking in my room, she was looking around the classroom, and she was seeing the students, and she was talking to them, and she was asking me questions. She was picking up a lot of information from the students.

"I have been very pleased with the nursing program here. NCOA has a good nursing program with an excellent faculty, and I have learned a lot."

"However, someone thinking of going into nursing should be sure without a doubt that that is what they want to do," said Cook.

"Nursing is a total dedication, and if you are not willing to give that much, then don't do it," she concluded.

DIVERSION

Society teaches construction

The construction technology society deals with woodworking and construction. The president of the society is Richard Teal, construction and woodworking instructor.

"This is not primarily an organization, it is more of a demonstration for students interested in getting a degree in this field of study," explained Teal.

Teal instructs woodworking on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. He teaches carpentry, and he also teaches a woodworking class.

"The students learn the principles of woodworking, and they learn how to build basic structures," said Teal.

The society also has a wood working club, which meets once a week. The club is open to anyone interested in woodworking.

"We encourage everyone to come because there will be a lot of new projects put on display," said Teal.

The club will also host a car show on April 28th.

The club will also host a car show on April 28th. They are planning to have a high school student woodworking and construction project.
‘Little things’ important to Eddings

Clie Baker

“I try to do the little things as much as I can. I don’t want to stop,” said Nate Edings, forward for the Cincinnati Bearcats. “I always have enthusiasm, and I like to work hard. I work hard in practice and during games,” said Nate hand Coach Larry Glassman.

“I try to go out every day and get better and improve. I can. I like to do small things like take care of my body and other things during practice,” added Eddings.

A native of Cincinnati, Ohio, Eddings came to Cincinatti after numerous offers from other universities. His honors were the Cincinnati Player of the Year, Cincinnati All-City and being named to the Honorable mention All-Sport American High School football squad.

“I think that at this time I like basketball better than football, but when Coach Glassman up to see my parents and me. My father was really impressed with the program here at NCC, commented Eddings.

“They have worked out for the past two weeks, everything seems to be working out in my favor.”

As a freshman, Eddings appeared in all 32 games, averaging 6.9 points per contest while providing 40 assists and making 21 steals.

“The biggest adjustments I had to make was that all the athletes were also better than the ones I faced in high school. Plus the whole scheme of things was not focused on Pete Eddings to do the scoring,” added Eddings.

“Pat has got to contribute to the scoring column in order for the team to do well. He is one of our best defensive players and has the free throw spot on the squad,” commented Coach Glassman.

“I think the main thing I need to work on is learning how to play on the road. I don’t understand why I just seem to play better in front of a home crowd,” said Eddings.

“Must be the atmosphere, I just play better when I have the people around me that I know. Plus the feeling is great when you run out on the court and know the crowd is behind your team.”

“Pat is a great player and he does. He still needs to work on the mental aspect of consistency. He has to get over the mental block that prevents him from doing his job on the road,” added Coach Glassman.

“He is a good leader on the squad. He really works hard to get the rest of the team up for every game.”

“Looking forward to the hard part of having everyone come to NCC. We are the first game of my freshman year, and I know I’m going to have a lot of people to talk to. The only thing that could be better is if my parents could see me play. Our schedule is better this year than it has been in a few years,” said Eddings.

“Avery’s really helping me work hard. He has been a great athlete and I think he is helping me do my job. He is just a natural athlete.”

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REUNION

Pittsburgh Pirate second baseman Roy Rog visits his former college baseball coach Bob House in Dubuque, Iowa.

Lady Norse guard uses camps to lead team during games

Brian Johnson

Being a fundamentally sound basketball player, Lady Norse sophomore guard Angela Hill credits much success to coaching and basketball camp.

“I began playing in the fourth grade under coach Marsha Ferguson.” Hill said. “She helped me with basic fundamentals.”

I attended the Lindsey Basketball Camp in the summer for four years,” said Hill. “It is one of the world’s largest camps.”

At Sallie High School, Hill earned Most Valuable Player, all-conference, and all-area honors as a senior.

As a freshman, Hill led the team in scoring with 888 points for a 12.3 average. She pulled down 1 rebounds per game, dished off 40 assists and scored 11 steals.

“My main role is to take control of the floor and point guard on offense and defense,” explained Hill.

“Angela has no trouble against pressure because she is an excellent ball-handler,” Agar said. “Her best days are ahead of her.”

With six regular season games remaining, Hill has totaled 323 points, while grabbing 86 defensive and 67 offensive rebounds. She has also contributed 11 assists to the Lady Norse who now stand at 18-4 on the season. She recently tied an individual high

Angela Hill

“Playing on the floor was a little hard to get used to at first, since playing is a big part of high school,” admitted Hill, “but it was not big on an adjustment angle then.”

“Angela played forward in high school, and I thought she made a good transition to playing guard, but she needs to work on her defense,” said Lady Norse head coach Brian Agar.

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ATHLETICS

Rattan leads matmen to regionals

Brian Johnson

Pull "Rattan" Rattan will lead the unbeaten and Golden Norse wrestling squad in the twogame Regional Tourney which begins Sunday in Colby, Kan.

Coach Randy Jaklin's Norsemen finished 2-4 in an ab Romero vened regional. The Norse defeated 2-0 ranked Lubbock County, 26-1, Jan. 29 in Parma. Norse defeated Garden City, 39-3, last Friday in Miami.

The Golden Norse captured the team title of the NEO Open and the Fort Hays (Kan.) Invitational. The Norse also finished second in the St. Louis Open and the College Tournament of Champions.

Last season Rattan, or Algea, owned a birth in the national tournament by finishing third in the 137-pound division of the regionals. Rattan earned honorable mention All-American honors by placing seventh in the

"I really did not expect to beat him so bad," Jaklin said. "They made a couple of moves that really did not work out. They moved their 177-pounder (Tom Remish) to 190 and dropped their 189-pounder (Andy Jefferson) to 177 thinking they would stand a better chance. But we beat both of them."

Golden Norse sophomores George Gibson won in an 8-3 decision over Jefferson at 177.

Lady cagers surpass the century mark

Nearing the end of the regular season, the Lady Norse will host State Fair (Mo.) Nationals and third-ranked Central State College Monday before playing at Odessa. The Lady Norse will be trying to average a loss that they served to the hands of the Centra States Jaguars.

The Lady Norse are led by Monique Brown, who scored 27 against the Lady Norse in the earlier game. Lisa McManus also contributed to the need goal against 19.

Led by an 18-point scoring burst by Robie White, the Lady Thunderbirds averaged an earlier season loss by sweeping the Lady Norse 40-37 last Thursday evening at the arena.

Angela Hill paced the Lady Norse with 15 points, but poor shooting from the field and the free-throw line was the Lady Norse downfall. They shot 31 percent from the field and 45 percent from the line.

Led by their fifth victory against two losses in the conference the Lady Norse defeated Central 55-40 last Saturday night. Fremont, Leslie Mitchell had a career high of 17 points to lead the way for the Lady Norse who went on a 10-point burst in the third quarter to pull away for good.

Gibson's win earned a 30-3 Norse lead in the 13-pound division. Freshman, Jim Gill then edged out the 6-3 Norse lead in the 13-pound match. The Norse defeated Garden City, 39-3, last Friday night in a NEC final.

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Pretzel: Norse grappler George Gibson grapsps Garden City's Andy Jefferson. Gibson defeated Jefferson 6-3 in Friday Night

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