Dr. Wright submits resignation

By Pam Kennedy

The resignation of the president of the non-profit organization for the past 10 years, announced at a press conference held last Friday in the president's conference room in the Creech Library Administration Building

Dr. Wright will present his resignation to the Board of Regents for Oklahoma State University and the A&M Colleges today at their monthly meeting in Warner. The resignation will take effect June 30.

"It has been a privilege for me to spend the past 10 years in Miami and I want to sincerely express my appreciation to the people in this community," said Dr. Wright. "I also want to emphasize my thanks to the many students that I have had the privilege of knowing and seeing gain an education from NCG.

Dr. Wright has spent the last three months in a dispute with the faculty association after the group voted "no-confidence" in him on Feb. 21.

The group asked for his resignation on March 18 following a survey attributing low morale to administration management.

"This was entirely my decision and influenced by no other individuals," Dr. Wright said. "I made my decision strictly on what I thought was best for the institution."

Bill Pfannenschiel, faculty association president said he was surprised that Dr. Wright resigned. "I was surprised because I had heard that he might resign. I had no idea he would since they were rumors."

"I think the faculty feels relieved now that we know what some of the direction will happen. We didn't know that at the time."

Pfannenschiel, along with a few members of the faculty association, will attend today's board meeting.

Dr. Wright said he would like to continue working for a few more years.

"There are several options that I am looking into. I think there are some opportunities out there that I should explore."

"I've enjoyed the 30 years that I've spent in education very much. I have the students. I love the faculty and stuff and the activities and the environment of education."

Dr. Wright, a native of Saint Louis, Missouri, came to NCG in 1963 from Howard College in Big Springs, Texas. He had served as a vice president at Howard College for one year before coming to NCG. He received his bachelor's degree in 1963 from Sam Houston State University. He remained there to earn a masters' degree in 1963.

Following graduation from Sam Houston, Dr. Wright served as a vocational agricultural instructor in Vernon, Texas. He moved to Oklahoma, Texas in the same capacity for the next three years.

Dr. Wright began a graduate assistantship in 1963 at Oklahoma State University in the department of education in 1973. He has completed post-doctoral work in administration at North Texas State University, Texas A&M and Texas Tech.

Receiving a national career in agricultural education, Dr. Wright served as an assistant professor in agriculture at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg in 1973-74.

Dr. Wright returned to Texas and served as Dean of Vocational Technical Education at Vernon Regional Junior College from 1977-74. He left Vernon Junior College in 1977 to become assistant administrator at Wilbarger General Hospital until 1978.

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High school students invade campus to participate in annual music event

Dr. McMillin

news

Approximately 1000 junior high students from around the area will compete in the 24th annual music festival today according to Mary Susan Whaley, senior vice president.

"Schools from all over the state will be here to compete," Whaley said.

This should be the first opportunity for these high school students to recognize their talents.

Students will compete in categories for bands, strings, choirs and ensembles. The winners will serve as hosts and emcees.

"The music faculty would like to express our appreciation to all faculty for their cooperation and support." Dr. McMillin said. We would like to thank all band and choir students for their assistance in making this successful festival.

Enrollment for summer or fall starts

Applications for summer or fall classes are currently underway and will continue through the last day of class in May 4.

"Students can enroll for the fall semester or summer school or both. This will be a first time ever done," said Dr. McMillin. "Applications, death of admissions and records."

Enrollment will continue until the last day of classes, however it would be better to enroll in the summer, if the student can get the schedule they want and need," Patterson said.

Students will need to go first to the business office and pick up their enrollment permit. It is important to have the student visit the non-profit organization to see if they are officially enrolled. If they do not come back and sign-up, then they will not be officially enrolled."

"If the student does not have a schedule, he or she will still have to pay for the summer courses."

All fees for summer school must be paid in full by July 1.

State

A bill that would expand the current state seat belt law requirements was审议 in the House of Representatives earlier this week.

Senate Bill 98 would require all children age four to 15 to use safety belts even if they were sitting in the back seat.

National

This summer or fall San Antonio, Texas will become the first major U.S. city to be reached by the Africamerica Research Exchange which is often referred to as a "killing bee." The events being observed in a city 90 miles south of San Antonio.

FRATERNITY OFFICERS

Elected as officers for the Phi Theta Kappa honor fraternity for the 1993-94 school year were, from left, Stacy Studwell, Stillwater, president; Jerry Harrison, McAlester, reporter; Bradie Holmes, Tulsa, treasurer; and Gail Schlicker, Owasso, vice president. Not present are Tony Saunders, Perry, ark, secretary, and Melissa Burnette, Battleville, student body government representative.

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NEWS BRIEFS
Editorial

The Highway Patrol Safety Office were the ones pushing for this law. There are more than 3,000 children killed in Oklahoma each year killed and killed in traffic accidents in 1990.

People just refuse to wear seat belts and the traffic accidents are rising every day.

Firing them do seem to get the point across. There needs to be a stronger law that will take license away for 30 days or make them go to jail.

Really it is their life and if they want to kill themselves by not wearing seat belts that is their choice.

The children are special and the state has a future and paramount to start paying attention to them and make them wear seat belts.

They are annoying and scratch your neck but wouldn't you want to be scratched than dead?

Dorm key theft

Dobson and Haslett Halls has been having trouble with theft and it is not getting better. Some people have stolen the dorm mums keys. This is really dangerous because the master key is among the keys.

This means that whoever has the keys can get into anyone's room so if you lock them or not things have already been up missing and there is really no way to know who is really behind this. Campus security is noscaping and asking students questions to recover the keys.

Most likely everyone will have to pay more money in tuition and fees to replace all the locks in the dorms.

The reason for the keys to be stolen is unknown and probably a foolish prank but this is not funny.

We don't come to this school for people to steal our things and walk out of rooms and make us pay privacy.

Who ever has the keys need to return them because this is not funny to make people feel like they have to hide their things in their rooms.

Be cautious and put your things up because the keys are out and about and your room could be the next to be invaded.

Erika Major

Norse Wind

Norse Wind, Friday, April 22, 1992

Opinion

Time flying towards end of semester

The time is drawing near when all the school work that one did will really matter.

There are not many more classes left and the work may seem like it is really piling up.

Research papers, class work and people are probably driving you to a nervous breakdown.

Hang in there don’t break because the future is ahead of you and if you don’t get work done it will just get worse and worse.

Weather is so beautiful and warm but studying for that English test is much more important right now.

Finals are important and they really count don’t blow them off because once a grade is in your transcript it’s final.

Instead of being in your boyfriend every night studying is a wise thing to do.

School is very serious and very important. No one can stress it enough.

Weekend boredom creates problems for some students

On the weekends almost everyone finds themselves doing of boredom or just going crazy because there is nothing to do.

Many students cannot wait until Friday to go around because they can go home for the weekend.

Out of state students may find it hard to deal with the lonely feelings because they cannot go home.

Being bored is a main reason that many students here turn to drinking and doing unneeded for things.

Erika Major

College is not a place to have fun all the time but the weekend is a time to unwind from all the stress you have to deal with.

We should have some college activities on the weekends so we can keep people out of trouble.

There are many things we could do like have swimming parties, dances, volleyball games, card tournaments, movie nights in Dobson Hall and lots of other things.

There has to be something done about the weekends around here because people have the problem with weather they will return another time.

The main problem with activities is finding a sponsor who is willing to take time out of their busy schedules to watch things.

If you are concerned about the weekends talk to someone about getting some kind of activities started for next fall.

Erika Major

Norse Wind
Trolls bring good luck while making big hit

Troll mania is the biggest thing in the toy stores this season.

Move over Barbie here come the trolls. These neon-colored wild-haired creatures can be seen on everything from keychains to shirts. Legend has it that trolls gained the Earth at least when women were pure and the forests were lush.

They worked only at night bartering small metal and stone. One way to find the exact location of the troll's beaver was to point a mirror.

Trolls move so fast that only the quick can catch them by grabbing them by the hair. Once caught, a troll would grant the wish of a wish. A person could obtain good luck by rubbing their hair. These dolls are not only a toy they are a status symbol.

These dolls have made appearances in the '70s and '80s. The troll is the result of a couple of finders, Helen and Mammi Knudsen, who made some close calls into trolls and sold 400,000 of them worldwide by 1979.

Trolls were inspired by the United States by Thomas Dam, of Denmark.

"It turns as I go home every night driving," said Chal Bishop, a U.S. sales manager.

They retail for $1.50 in 1991 and sales rose $2 million in 1992.

Sales are just tremendous, I can't keep them in stock," said Ron Hark, owner of Mr. Bikes, in Eastland and Woodfield malls. "I get a whole wall full of them. They're selling as fast as they come in.

Hark, who has sold the trolls for the last six months, recently placed an $800,000 order in order to keep up with demand.

He recently returned from a meeting where he met with stores in Cincinnati who sold $2 million worth of trolls in December.

"Since Christmas they've really taken off," he said. "I can't explain it in my book, they're really ugly. I don't know why it is," he said.

S. Atwood, director of communications for Mattel, Inc., who has done more to keep the trolls in the public eye than the trolls themselves. He has a lot of work to do with them. Adults remember them from their youth.

"I had a troll doll which was a little girl, sort of kind of the spot with me," said Fred Engel, department manager of toy for Venture.

"My little girl has a couple, probably just because I had them. She also thinks they're really cute. Engel said.

Engel said sales of the troll have been good. She credits the popularity of the dolls, in part, to the variety being offered. A wide range of trolls are now available since the '70s.

In the last three weeks the company has sold the best sales in the company's past 27 year history.

The company is leasing airplanes to carry them in 100,000 to 200,000 dolls a day. The trolls are catching on in other countries as well as America.

Trolls are selling in Canada, United Kingdom, South and Central America, Europe, Asia and Australia. They are just beginning to catch on in the Orient.

Trolls come in all different shapes and sizes. On the market today are nearly 200 different trolls to choose from.

An international collection of trolls, wearing foreign costumes, should appear sometime in June.

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Earth Day continues

By Rachael George

"In the '60s Earth Day was just a chance to save the flags, but in more recent years Earth Day has become a more significant issue," said Ann Wells, geology instructor.

"Attitudes are beginning to change about the earth. People are thinking that the earth is more than just something they can disregard."

Earth Day was the beginning of the modern era of environmental protection.

The first Earth Day produced the founding of the Environmental Protection Agency and laws to protect air, water, and endangered species.

Looking back, the success of the year 1990 environmental protection was balanced by population explosion, ozone depletion, global warming, development and energy demands.

The environment can be saved by just using or recycling a few simple steps.

For example, separate your trash into three different categories: aluminum, glass, paper and plastic.

The nation produces four pounds of garbage per person.

Trash has been shown to contribute to air pollution.

Another example is to help save the environment by using paper cups instead of styrofoam.

The recommends thermostat settings are for winter 68 degrees and for summer 78 degrees.

The environment has been reached the presidential campaign.

All candidates use recycled paper for some campaign literature.

"Many people are becoming more aware of the environmental problem. They are realizing the problem is not going to go away," Wells said.

"People need to become more aware of the environment."

"For example, the route of solid waste, in this I mean building materials and paper products."

Many laws have come into effect to protect the environment.

"One law is that motor oil can not just be dumped. The oil can be taken to a recycling center."

For the environmental problem to be solved consumers will have to contribute and help the community effort the whole year round.

"Community need carry out these efforts, in the same way, we carry out Christmas or Easter."

The Jupiter Globe publishes a list of all the recycling centers in the neighborhood.

The ozone layer is another major issue in environmental protection.

All the carbon dioxide is coming from all consumer products.

The ozone layer is getting thinned out by releasing of chlorofluorocarbons from refrigerators, car air conditioners, and insulating foam."

These molecules that hit the upper atmosphere mix with the chlorine already there.

"Then this destroys the ozone layer and it causes the release of the ultraviolet rays," Wells said.

The ozone layer is becoming a hazard with the danger of ultraviolet rays causing skin cancer.

"This problem is beginning to be solved. Many people have stopped using aerosol cans which add to the destruction of the ozone layer."

"People need to be more aware of recycling. Almost everything can be recycled," said Wells.

"The growing problem is that there is not enough markets for recycled products to be sold."

With the price of aluminum increasing many more people have stopped recycling.

"In Miami, Wal Mart is planning to put in a recycling center."

"I think the best thing for the students to do is to understand the environmental issue because it will be a part of their future."
Harper collects All-America basketball honors for NEO

By Jennifer Brueke

Sophomore forward Lorena Harper was recently selected as the national freshman of the year by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. Harper, a 5'11'' forward from Cincinnati, Ohio, was named to the team after leading the Lady Norse to a successful season in the NICAA National Tournament.

At NEO the Lady Norse finished third in the NICAA and reached the quarterfinals of the tournament. Harper's performance throughout the season earned her the distinction of being a top 50 player according to Coach Rick Riach. Harper finished the season ranked 3rd in the NICAA in scoring and 13th in rebounding. She averaged 14 points and 10 rebounds per game, making her a key player on the Lady Norse.

In addition to scoring, Harper was also a strong rebounder, grabbing over 30% of the rebounds. Her defensive skills were also highlighted during the season, as she consistently blocked shots and forced turnovers.

Coach Rick Riach said, "Lorena is a very skilled player who can do it all. She is a great passer, a great shooter, and a great rebounder. Her work ethic and determination are what make her such a valuable player to our team."

The Lady Norse finished the season with a record of 17-11, including victories over top 10 teams. Harper's leadership and dedication were instrumental in the team's success, and her efforts were recognized with the national award.

Coach Riach added, "We are very proud of Lorena and her achievement. She has worked hard and has shown great commitment to the team and the sport. We are confident that she will continue to excel at the next level and represent NEO with pride."
Carried by solid hitting and near perfect pitching, the Lady Norse softball squad swept a Bi-District double-header over Burcon 5-0 and 8-3 last Wednesday.

On Tuesday, NEO received a pair of forfeits from Comets State. The sweep and forfeits improved NEO to 3-5 on the season and 8-2 in Bi-State play. Burcon is 9-27 overall and 1-11 in league action.

Weather permitting action in the two-day Region II tournament started today in Warner.

Coach Woody Morton's Lady Norse received the number one seed in the double-elimination tournament by winning the Bi-State Conference title with a 4-2 record and 27-3 overall mark.

Comets finished second at 25-4 and 8-4 with Eastern third at 25-13 and 7-5 while Burcon was the number four seed.

Lady Norse 8-Burcon 0
Freshman right-hander Andrea Weatherford pitched a one hitter in the first game. Kristin White batted in three runs with a double and two singles as NEO cruised to the 10-0 win. Catcher Latrice Purdy had a double and a single while Natasha Flaker had a triple and single.

NEO got off to its opening inning when Lydia Thomas reached on an error and5 Kayla Laddison sacrificed.

White's single scored Thomas. A single by Briley, double by Styla Brown and triple by Flaker gave NEO a 4-0 lead in the second inning.

White singled in fifth and scored on a Briley double to put NEO up 5-0.

After Brown reached on an error to start the sixth inning, Teresa Terry reached on a fielder's choice before Flaker singled and White doubled scoring both Brown and Terry.

Weatherford allowed two singles in the second game while improving to 26-7 on the season.

Laddison and Taylor Brown led the 7 hit Lady Norse attack with two singles each.

NEO took advantage of a pair of Lady Warrior errors to score a run in the first inning. An error by shortstop Ryn Bell and Flaker's alert throw brought home a run. Flaker came home when White reached on another error.

Jani Maxwell led off the second inning with a triple.

Maxwell scored on a sacrifice fly by Terry to put NEO up 2-0.

With one out on the inherited runners, Julie这次 and Briley both scored on a fielder's choice. Briley, Laddison and Brannon all followed up with singles to give NEO a 5-0 lead.

Bradly reached on an error to close out the Lady Norse scoring effort.

"We did a good job of putting the ball in play and making things happen," said coach Woody Morton. "We've got the base running much better now and things are starting to come together just at the right time for us as a team," said Morton.

Four cagers sign letters with former Norse coach
Four members of the Norse Region II champion basketball teams signed letter of intent last week with former Norsemen coach Larry Gipson at the University of Toledo.

Guard Sam Brown and Terry "Archie" Fuller along with forwards Robert "Lucky" Hayes and Anthony "Scoop" Williams are set to join former coach Gipson next season in his first season at the Rockets helm.

Brown, 5-11 from Three Rivers, Mich., played in every game during his two-year career at NEO. Brown averaged 8.7 points with 134 assists and 77 steals last year.

Fuller, 6-0 from Anderson, Ind., played in 30 games as a sophomore and averaged 2.7 points with 14 assists and 67 steals.

Hayes, 6-6 from Thomasville, Ga., averaged 8.2 points and 5 rebounds last season.

Williams, 6-6 from Toledo, Ohio, returns home after averaging 12.8 points and 8 rebounds in 33 games as a sophomore.

Williams was also selected to the All-Bi-State Conference team.

Four former members of coach Lonnie Spencer's regional champs are considering several possibilities.

Guard Kevin Jones, 6-6 from Toledo, is considering Western Illinois, Southwest Texas, Oral Roberts University and Lamar University.

Jones led the Norse in scoring with a 15.1 average while making 92 assists and 49 steals in 30 games this season.

Sophomore guard Scott Brooman, 5-9 from Muskogee, has several options to consider after averaging 2.1 points in 17 games this season.

Guard Millard House, 5-7 from Tulsa, has made visits to Montevallo, Ala., Southern and Oral Roberts in Kansas and Oral Roberts on Tuesday following knee surgery as a freshman.

Ry Roberts, 6-6 from Eufaula, Ark., is visiting Texas Tech, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock and Oral Roberts.

Ry averaged 9.2 points and 5.1 rebounds in 36 games as a sophomore.
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