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College announces holiday closings


The Library will be closed during the week of December 27-31 before semester meetings on Monday, January 3.

All dormitories will be open for five days. The Library will be open for five days.

The cafeteria will be open at 6 a.m. on Monday, December 31 through Thursday, December 26.
Christmas season time for reflecting on life's goodness

Every year the Christmas season gets started earlier and seemingly harder to celebrate. This year some places started selling Christmas decorations and things even before Halloween. There were no Thanksgiving decorations or advertisements to be found anywhere.

Another growing problem with celebrating Christmas is the erosion of our culture. There are so many different ethnic groups, racial groups, and religions that it seems harder to figure out how to celebrate. Another problem is everyone's desire for harmony or religion by giving the same gifts and rights to express their beliefs. Many people also feel that some Christmas shows should be taken off the air such as Frosty the Snowman, Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, and The Grinch Who Stole Christmas.

They feel that these shows do not express the true religious meaning of Christmas. Hardly anyone expresses the true religious meaning of Christmas. Christmas is viewed as a happy making deal by businesses and has the gimme, gimme, gimme, ring to it. This is only how some view Christmas. Others say it is as helping the less fortunate. Whatever people feel, the spirit of Christmas is a time of giving, sharing, and family togetherness.

Teresa Hudson

Student issues explanation

Dear editor:

This letter is in response to James Clinton's letter entitled, Student Search for Respect.

Mr. Clinton identifies himself as an adult student and, as a result, some of the younger students believed that he had expressed the views of the OWLS Organization. I am an adult student, and I am also an OWLS member; however, I and other adult students do not agree with the negatively stated opinion expressed by Mr. Clinton. Mr. Clinton refers to his and others' freedom of speech; however, words can be harmful and words can be used to tear down communication between groups of people.

One of the most important goals of the OWLS organization is to help all students. The OWLS have tried to communicate that, although we are defined as the Older, Wiser, Learning Students, that age is not chronological but can be imposed by crises or other situations. A child of 14 can be forced to assume adult responsibilities due to death of a family or other circumstances. The OWLS welcome all students into their organization. Another strong philosophical basis of the OWLS organization is to accept ourselves and others as is without judgment.

The letter by Mr. Clinton did not follow this philosophy. As an OWLS member, I do not believe that NED students should "craw" back into the cesspool that you crawled out.

For OWLS members, most are combating a lifetime of being called names. The purpose of this response is to emphatically express that Mr. Clinton's opinion was his opinion. Robert Reiser

Freshman, Jay

It is a good idea because you should not have a problem unless you're a criminal.

Maryann Williams

Sophomore, Bartlesville

"It's good because police can spend more time tracking black market guns."

Alvin Angelo

Freshman, Miami

"It's a good thing because people shouldn't shoot at each other."

Judy Shaw

Sophomore, Miami

"I'm for it because it makes you wait to buy a gun."
HELPING HAND
Chris Scott, a freshman member of the Golden Norse basketball team, gives some advice to his "adoptive" son during the annual Children's Christmas Party sponsored by the Student Body Government.

TALK TO SANTA
Jason Hill looks for help from Santa's helper as he thinks about what he's going to ask Santa to bring him on Christmas Eve.

Jolly Ole Elf makes campus visit
More than 100 area children were among the approximately 250 people attending the annual Children's Christmas Party, Tuesday night, in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom. Sponsored by the Student Body Government, the party featured fun and games along with a visit by that very special person who comes to see all good little boys and girls on Christmas Eve.

College students showed what the true meaning of Christmas is by serving as "adoptive" parents.

Photos by Arlo Grigg

FREE SUPPER
Sophomore Matt Parker (left) and Jason Hall (right) make sure that their "adoptive" children get plenty to eat during supper in the college cafeteria. Students, along with their children were treated to a party prior to the start of the festivities in the ballroom.

WHAT IS IT?
"Adoptive parents" Tori Zingg and Eric Jackson watch with anticipation as their "son" opens the gifts they provided for him during the annual Children's Christmas Party.

AND IT'S LIKE THIS
Trying to explain to their "adoptive son" how Santa Claus fits his huge body down the skinny chimney are parents Jennifer Kilpatrick (left) and Charles Selman. More than 250 people attended the Christmas Party sponsored by the Student Body Government.

SMILE
Crystal Gibson and Christina Beaman pose with their "adoptive daughter and son" during the annual Children's Christmas Party. Designed to provide area children with some gifts during the holiday season, the party also offers an opportunity for college students to understand just how much they are admired by young children.
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Reading remains important

By Trish Benge
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"The average reading level of our students entering college is between seventh and eighth grade," said Junior Casim Maxwell, reading instructor at the college. Most people begin learning to read before they enter elementary school, but different skills levels are taught. We sometimes recall the first storybook we ever read. So why are we reading at such a low level?

"The reason for this low reading level is based on something as simple as the lack of skill practice," said Maxwell. "Society as a whole is reading at a sixth or seventh grade reading level. They no longer have to read because all we have to do is watch television," Maxwell said.

A recent article in U.S.A. Today by Temara Henry said, "Almost half of U.S. adults have very limited reading and writing skills, although most say they're able to read or write "well" or "very well."

"Between 49 percent and 58 percent of high school graduates performed on the lowest level of literacy, as defined by the 80th percentile of college graduates," said Henry.

One way students can improve their reading skills would be to enroll in a reading course offered at NEO. The reading class offered here is a service class to provide help for those students who want to improve the skills they may already have," said Maxwell.

"Higher reading skills with a higher vocabulary can help provide a better career. These skills are easily obtained in a reading course and can help in courses you may already be enrolled in. I've also taught reading several times, but I find this has not only increased my reading skills, but also helped me improve my English course," said Mike Madewell, a freshman from Aurora, Mo. "I found it helped me improve my vocabulary," said Charles Spooner, a sophomore from Miami. "Reading is not just the basic skill of reading. It is reading rate, comprehension and vocabulary," said Maxwell. After all, without the advancement or improvement of these basic reading skills we would all still be reading books like "See Spot Run."

Chemistry Society offers experiments at grade schools

By Kathy Myrick

To celebrate National Chemistry Week, the MO-KAN OK Section of the American Chemical Society is furnishing supplies for chemistry experiments to area grade school students.

The MO-KAN OK Section hopes to involve young children in the experiments to stir an interest in chemistry and its applications in everyday life.

We're trying to give the younger generation a more positive image concerning chemistry. The college students are learning also -- it's been fun for them to work with the younger children," said Campbell.

"I would like our students to relate outside the classroom; and I think they enjoy showing how much they have learned," said Campbell.

"The experiments involve doing the national state of chemicals and how their properties can change and how they are flexible. The younger children really enjoy seeing things change. They like the excitement of seeing the experiments first hand," said Campbell.

"This is an excellent activity for our students to be involved in." We did experiments at Commerce grade school and would like to spread out to more area schools, but time is against us," said Campbell.

SBG Absences

The following are Senators who have accumulated absences since SBG has begun their sessions.

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By Chad Crobb \nSports Editor

With the end of 1993 close at hand, a review of 1993 indicates the college athletic programs have once again proven that the Golden Norse and Lady Norse are forces to be reckoned with in intercollegiate competition.

The Golden Norse advanced to the National Championships in three sports to prove that the Golden Norse athletic program is not only the midsize-rich football team.

Golden Norse Football

Coach Mike Loyd's Golden Norse football team finished the season with a 6-5-1 record and ranked fourth in the nation for the second consecutive year.

After losing in Coffeyville in the second game of the season, the Norsemen rebounded to win nine straight games including a 52-50 victory over Butler County, Kan. in the Mineral Water Bowl.

The Norse also extended their winning streak to 27 games at Robertson Field.

Many players had great individual efforts including quarterback Gar- rick McGee. He broke the all-time single-season NEO passing record with 3,899 yards.

Golden Norse Basketball

Coach Lonnie Spencer's Golden Norse basketball team finished the 1992-93 season with a 23-8 record. Their season ended with a overtime loss to Northern Oklahoma College in the first round of the Region II tournament.

Thus far the Norse have started the 1993-94 season off with a bang by winning all 11 of their first 12 games. The Norsemen are currently ranked fourth in the nation.

Three teams earn national rankings

Three of NEO's intercollegiate sports programs have been recognized by the National Junior College Athletic Association in the weekly polls released Tuesday from Colorado Springs, Colo.

The Golden Norse basketball team finished the season ranked fourth in the nation. The Norsemen are currently ranked third in the first weekly National Junior College Athletic Association National poll.

The college baseball team won 12 of their final 34 games to advance to the Junior College World Series in Grand Junction, Colo. Coach Rick Riches's team finished with a 30-27 record and won the Region II and Central District crown to reach the World Series.

The Golden Norse placed third in the World Series.

Lady Norse Softball

Head coach Woody Morrow directed the Lady Norse to a 40-40 record last spring.

The Lady Norse finished the season with a 4-2 loss to Connors State College in the finals of the Region II tournament.

At one point in the season the Lady Norse were ranked as high as number two in the polls.

The Lady Norse had five All-Americans on last year's team with three of them returning this year for their sophomore season.

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The Norsemen currently stand 11-1 on the year entering the final three games of the first semester.

The Norsemen are 10-3 on the year following their first loss last weekend prior to the final two games of the fall semester.

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Men extend streak with win at Northern

By Chad Grubbs
Sports Editor

After watching an 18-point evaporate, the Golden Norse pulled out a 64-58 victory over Northern Oklahoma Junior College, last Tuesday at the Kerr-Piper Fieldhouse in Tonkawa. Coach Lonnie Spencer’s Norse have seven games in a row to move to 18-1 on the season. The Norse’s 18-1 on the year. The Golden Norse close out the season with games tonight at Coffeyville, Kan. and Saturday at Independence. Both games tip-off at 8 p.m.

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“We’re still tied with the game left in Hunchback,” said head coach Lonnie Spencer. “We didn’t play that well, we just didn’t put them away when we had a chance.

With the Norse up 44-26 with 13:15 to go in the game the Mavericks cut the lead to 8 points. The Mavericks cut the lead to 8 points. The Mavericks cut the lead to 8 points.

Looking to score

Freshman guard Chris Scott (24) studies the situation as he drives the perimeter looking for an open teammate against Brian Reinhart of the Norse. The Norse defeated Northern Oklahoma Junior College, 64-58 last week in Tonkawa.

Cardinals pin first loss on Lady Norse

After winning their first 12 games of the year the third-ranked Lady Norse lost for the first time last Saturday losing 77-62 to Trinity Valley, Texas Lady Cardinals in the Panola Oklahoma-Texas Challenge, in Carthage, Texas.

The Lady Norse will close out their 2003-04 season this weekend when they return to action today with a game at Coffeyville, Kan. at 6 p.m. followed by a 9:30 p.m game with Independence on Saturday.

Trinity Valley 96-Lady Norse 62

The Lady Norse playing their fourth game in five nights showed the effects of a tired team in losing their first game of the year to 96-62 Trinity Valley, Texas.

“We’re just very tired,” said head coach Randy Gipson. “We ran out of gas by the time we got to Trinity Valley.”

Latasha Byars continued her dominating play with 20 points to lead the Lady Norse. Tressee Jones scored 13 points and grabbed five rebounds for the Lady Norse.

Teresa Jones had 39 points and Shontisha Etsa had 29 for Trinity Valley.

Lady Norse 76-Panola 70

For the second time in two weeks the Lady Norse defeated Panola Junior College, 76-70, in the second round of the Oklahoma-Texas Challenge.

The Lady Norse had defeated Panola 79-58 in the Paris Thanksgiving Shootout one week earlier, but committed 20 turnovers in the rematch.

Byars led the Lady Norse with a season high 36 points. Lisa Guster also hit double figures with 12 points.

Byars had nine rebounds to lead the Lady Norse.

Donna Sullivan led Panola with 27 points.

Lady Norse 76-Ranger 56

Outscoring the Lady Rangers 24-10 down the stretch, the Lady Norse pulled out a 76-56 victory in the opening game of the Panola Oklahoma-Texas Challenge.

Byars led the balanced Lady Norse attack with 19 points. Allison Harris had a career high 16 points and Tonya Williams had 10 points. Tressee Hickey and Lisa Guster led the Lady Norse with eight rebounds each.

The Lady Rangers hit 11 three pointers on the night to keep the game close. Lolita Brown led Ranger with 16 points including five three-pointers. Bohin Janway had 12 points for Ranger.

Lady Norse 78-Northern 69

The Lady Norse came back from a 3 point halftime deficit last week at Northern Oklahoma College to garner a 78-69 victory. The win was the 10th straight for the Lady Norse. The Lady Norse defeated Northern Oklahoma Junior College 78-69 in the first game of the year at the NCAA Fieldhouse.

Byars was the top scorer for the Lady Norse, pouring in 24 points. Harris added 10 points for the Lady Norse.

Record-setting quarterback Patrick McCarley and wide receiver Mike Higgins were both named to the honorary mantle now.

The three were part of a team which finished with a 4-1 overall record.
Golden Norse skin Grizzlies bowl hopes

By Chad Grubbs
Sports Editor

Twenty-six sophomores concluded their careers at NEO with a thrilling 52-50 victory over Butler County, Kan., last Saturday in the second annual Mineral Water Bowl in Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Playing before a crowd of approximately 3,000 at a frigid Roosevelt Field the sixth-ranked Golden Norse finished their season with a record of 10-1. The fifth-ranked Grizzlies concluded at 9-2-1.

"We talked to the kids all week about playing NEO type football, with a punishing ground game. That's what we did but we didn't tackle very well on defense," said head coach Mike Loyd.

"It was a good way to end it. It would have been nice to have been 11-0 but I'll take it," Loyd said.

The opening kickoff kind of set the tone for a wild and crazy game.

Butler County returnman Jerome Williams fumbled the opening kickoff and the Norse picked up the ball at their own 38-yard line.

Larry Bowie plunged in from one yard out to put the Norse up 7-0. The Norse held on to win 7-0.

The Norsemen went in at 21-0 with 14:54 to go in the half with Brandon Willis scoring a 28-yard pass play from Garland McGee.

The Grizzlies finally got on the board with 4:44 to go in the half by scoring a 5-yard drive. Williams did the honors, scoring from 9 yards out Scott Mann kicked the PAT and the Norse led 28-7.

The Norse came right back on a 66-yard drive in 7 plays. Jerome Burroughs scored from six yards out and Jackson's kick gave the Norse a 28-7 lead with 5:14 to go in the half.

The Grizzlies however came right back when Williams went 65 yards on the first play after the kickoff and Mann kicked the Norse lead to 28-14.

On the ensuing kickoff sophomore Brandon Willis took the ball up the middle and then bumbled of one would be tackled to the outside and scrambled down the sideline for an 85-yard touchdown. Jackson gave the Norse a 28-point lead with a kick of 4:38 to go in the half.

Scott Mann capped a 57-yard drive with a 3-yard field goal. That made the halftime score 35-17.

Bowie's third touchdown came on a 5-yard run with 4:05 to go in the game to cap a 9-play 94-yard drive.

The Grizzlies managed to cut the deficit to 42-24 with a 9-yard touchdown pass play from Brad Woodard to Jerel Grose to cap a 68-yard 5-play drive.

After forcing the Norsemen to punt the Grizzlies went on a 6-play 53-yard drive capped by Grose touchdown from Woodard, this time from 20 yards out. After the conversion pass failed the lead was cut to 42-30.

The Norse consumed five and a half minutes off the clock with a 69-yard 8-play drive that ended in an Eric Jackson 26-yard field goal.

The Grizzlies All-American receiver return man Jimmy Dean accounted for the next two touchdowns.

The first was a 9-yard reception from Woodard and the second was a 77-yard punt return. The scores pulled the Grizzlies within two points at 45-43 with 5:40 to play.

The Norse came back on a 47-yard 5-play drive when tight end Brandon Rader was on the receiving end of a 10-yard Garland McGee pass to Rader's last as a Norseman.

The Grizzlies came back with a 5-play 58-yard scoring drive. Grose caught his third TD pass to this time from 23 yards out and Mann's kick cut the Norse lead to 47-30 as it ends.

The Norse recovered the attempted onsides kick by the Grizzlies and ran the clock out for the win.

The Norse racked up 540 yards of total offense including 398 yards on 65 carries.

Woodard closed out his career at NEO with a career-high 217 yards on 29 carries. McGee had 72 yards on 11 carries and Burroughs had 59 yards on nine carries.

McGee had 142 yards passing, completing 11 of 23 with one interception.

Willis caught three balls for 44 yards. Marvin Blades had three catches for 28 yards and Rader caught two passess for 52 yards.

CRUNCH!

Butler County quarterback Brad Woodard goes to the turf after Golden Norse defensive tackle Matt Parker (56) and linebacker Anthony Randle (53) crunch him for a sack. Woodard tallied the Grizzlies' only points by rushing for 69 of 38 carries for 556 yards and four touchdown passes in a losing effort in the Mineral Water Bowl. Woodard shared Offensive Player of the Game honors with NEO's Larry Bowie.

SUGAR POPPED!

Freshman fullback Jerome "Sugar Pop" Burroughs breaks a tackle on the way to a six-yard touchdown run in the third quarter of the Mineral Water Bowl.

NICE BLOCK

Sophomore corner Tyson Phillips (64) throws a turn-out block to free veteran tailback Larry Bowie up the middle for a long gain against Butler County, Kan.

HEAD BANGER

Tailback Larry Bowie lowers his head for a collision with free safety Marko Geff while on the way to one of three touchdowns in a 52-50 win over Butler County in the Mineral Water Bowl. Bowie rushed for a career high 217 yards on 35 carries.
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