Auditions set for first play

Auditions for the first production of the season Brighten Beach Memoirs will be held Wednesday in the Fine Arts Auditorium, according to director Steve McCarley.

“We will have two separate auditions and participants don't have to be in one, because they will read from the script,” said McCarrley.

The first audition will be from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and the second session will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

“Anyone interested in coming for the audition can come to either one or both of the sessions,” McCarrley said.

Plot for the play revolves around the comic situations of the human life. The play was written by Neil Simon.

Set in lower class Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1937, central character and narrator is Eugene, a teenager of 15 years. Eugene is struggling with realities of adulthood. This boy's mind is still filled with baseball heroes and scattered thoughts of girls.

His Jewish family is plagued with the hardships of an extended family and health problems.

The household includes his hard working father, Jack, his strong willed and sharp tongued mother, Kate; his older more experienced brother, Stanley; his widowed and passive Aunt Blanche with her two daughters, Lillian, 19, and Nora, 15.

“Juno wrote this drama in reflection of his own life. His autobiographical play shows the circumstances of his younger years,” McCarrley said.

“We would appreciate people being able to portray a New York Jewish accent. We're also looking for a male who can play a 25-year-old boy and a female to play a 15-year-old girl.”

“The play contains four women and three men in the cast,” said McCarrley.

Anyone wanting further information should contact McCarrley at ext. 262 or in room 221 in the Fine Arts Center.

Sophomore guides paper

Beginning her second semester as managing editor of The Norse Wind, student newspaper is sophomore Kathy Wyrick of Miami.

Serving as news editor is freshman Tanya Shepherd of Bartlettville, while sophomore Cindy Dean of Wayzata and freshman Andre Clark of Sylvania Springs, Ark. serve as associate editors.

Sophomores Andrea Johnson of Vesta serves as editorial editor as freshmen Abby Beegley of Miami and Stephanie Morgan of Vesta serve as associate editors.

Freshman Leslie Ogee of McCook is the people section editor.

Vice chairman of the graphic arts committee is freshman Rachel Palish of Grove, Byron Beets of Ozawao, and Trep Stone of Clinton.

Freshmen Melissa Mitton of Holdenville and Sara Gann of Vesta serve as photography editors.

The Norse Wind office is in the Student Union.

Loan defaults decrease at NEO

According to a report released recently by the state of Oklahoma, N.E.O dropped below 20 percent on default of student loans.

A student loan goes into default following a series of procedures caused by non-payment. Of the state's institutions of higher education, the Oklahoma State Regents Office reported the college's average is well below the state's norm, as well as the national norm.

The Oklahoma default rate has declined since 74 percent in 1993 to about 50 percent in 1995. The National Loan Program has released a self-help borrower hotline, producing brochures, video tapes, and other informational materials.

Along with these services, the GLSP are increasing counseling services and expanding computer capabilities to ensure the agency to manage loan cases more efficiently, as well as allow more agencies personal to work one-on-one with student borrowers, schools and lending institutions.

This program is there to help student who are having trouble with school and have their loans debited. The types of loans categorized include student loans for dependent and independent students, Stafford and SLS loans, respectively. There are also PLUS loans for parents.

If a school is on the list of having to 30 percent default rate for five consecutive years, the student is subject to have their federal loan ability taken away.

Based on the national advantage, students attending Oklahoma schools are not likely to reap the same extra income.

President outlines fall semester agenda

By Tanya Shepherd

News Editor

Jennifer Barrtron, Student Government President, has announced a variety of events for the first semester.

"We are in the process of finalizing several of the activities for the fall," said Barrtron. "But, in the meantime I have several events that should have a good turn out.

The first of the events that are to take place is the Jamaica Ms. Royce Night on Thursday which is the hurricane cookout on the Main Mall. The cookout will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Rainy Night Rainbow Band 'Rhythm Limbo' will provide the music for the free activities.

Mocktails will be served.

The first regular meeting of the Student Body Government will be held on Friday, Sept. 9 in the faculty lounge of the Bruce Center Student Union.

Serving as officers are Barrtron, president; Dan Shick POWER, vice president; Kourney Baldridge, secretary, Barbara Sjodin, treasurer, Mary J. Cranston, and Bobbie Dixon, senators-at-large.

There will also be four presidential appointments which will be announced later in the fall. Also included on the Student Body Government are representatives from different campus organizations.

An All Student Assembly will be held on Friday, Sept. 9. Plans have been made to introduce the new members of the organizations and the football team.
Domestic violence strikes home

Simpson trial attracts attention

Unless you've been living under a rock all summer, you've probably heard about the accusation that O.J. Simpson murdered his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson. This commentary isn't about whether I think O.J. is guilty or not, we'll find that out later.

This article will debate the main issue of the summer, domestic violence.

It seems to people only make a big issue out of domestic violence when it happens to someone famous.

Domestic violence happens every minute of every day. It happens among all classes of people, from the rich to the poor, from the famous to the not-so-famous.

As a child who grew up in a household where I watched my father physically and emotionally abuse my mother, I know how domestic violence affects a family. My mother is an alcoholic who used to physically abuse my mother until she left him when my brother was 18 and I was 12 years old.

My mother later told me that she had planted in me a hatred for my father that was deeper and more understanding.

Why didn't sheLatestDraft2 the fear he instilled in me when I was growing up? I'll never know. I wish she would have been around to see the atmosphere in which I was raised.

I've struggled through some traumatic experiences as a young child, and I still am not completely over them.

I always wondered why women in our society didn't leave their spouses.

For some, like my mother, it was easy, they just get up and left. For others, it's not so easy.

If they do leave, they are sometimes beaten, tortured, and beaten worse. Then they have to get a restraining order to keep their spouse away.

Eventually comes the day when the spouse is afraid to even lease their own home for fear of running into their spouse.

This leads to more and more violence and fear, and in the more tragic cases, death.

There is no way out for the abused. In the movie Independence Day, Martina McBride's character, a woman who is abused by her alcoholic husband, describes the pain she feels when she leaves her husband.

She eventually decides to return to her husband to save herself and her husband in it.

I'm not condoning killing the other person, but for her it was the only way out.

When a relationship ends tragically with a murder, what do they do to the abuser? Do they let them have a lighter sentence due to temporary insanity? Or say they were abused as well? It is absurd and they couldn't help that they abused their spouses?

I say treat them just like you would any other criminal. They committed a crime and should be in jail for the rest of their lives, so they can't abuse anyone else.

One of my biggest fears is being married in an abusive marriage or raising my kids in an abusive environment. I just hope that it never happens.

America, as a nation, needs to become more sensitive to the crimes of this nature. The laws need to be tightened and judges need to enforce them with more authority and conviction.

Austral Johnson

Editor issues President Letter

Dear NEO Students:

Welcome to NEO A&M College! This fall marks the 75th anniversary of NEO and it is a very exciting time which I am pleased to share with each of you.

As a student, you will have the opportunity to celebrate with us and I invite you to participate in activities which are scheduled to commemorate our 75th anniversary.

For 75 years we have maintained our commitment to meeting the educational needs of the students who enroll at this institution.

This institution has a proud history of dedication to academic excellence that has resulted in opportunities for thousands of students. Campus life offers opportunities for a full experience in drama, music, sports, and a wide array of cultural developments for each individual.

Facilities at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College allow students opportunities to enjoy a truly comprehensive college experience. I encourage you to observe changes in the various buildings and campus grounds that have occurred during the summer months. We feel that these changes will enhance our academic areas as well as add comfort to the students in many other ways.

As the semester progresses, I would encourage all of you to become involved in college activities and to excel in your studies and all of your academic endeavors at NEO A&M College. I wish the best for each of you during the 1994-95 academic year.

Dr. Jerry D. Carroll

President

Norse Wind
Student Affairs office versatile

By Kathy Wyrick
Managing Editor

Under the guidance of Dennis Eary, the college Student Affairs department handles a wide range of campus situations.

Eary, a member of the administration since 1997, serves as dean of student affairs. His office is located in room 206 of the Dinnen Library/Administration building.

He works with peer counseling, individual counseling, and drug and alcohol counseling, serving as a mentor and a role model for students.

Eary also serves as the Academic Adviser for students, helping them navigate the college's academic programs.

Eary oversees the Student Conduct Office, which handles disciplinary matters for students.

Eary is also responsible for coordinating and supervising the activities of the Student Conduct Office.

Serving as campus safety officers are Tony Overt, Mike Alexander, David Neel, James Burton, and Troy Rogers.

Joining the student affairs department this year as student affairs activities, intramural, multicultural and Afro-American Society advisor is Brian Thompson.

His office is located in room 207 of the Library/Administration building. His responsibilities include coordinating and supervising all student activities.

Jennifer Buttram is the dean of the Student Body Government. Her office is located in the lower level of Harrell/Dobson dorm and he can be reached at ext. 283.

She coordinates all administrative functions of the student body and maintains unity as head of the governing body of these various functions.

One of the primary responsibilities of the Student Conduct Office is to ensure that students adhere to the college's code of conduct.

The Student Conduct Office investigates complaints and decides whether an investigation is warranted.

If an investigation is warranted, the Student Conduct Office recommends action to the dean of student affairs.

The dean then decides whether to charge the student with an infraction of the code of conduct.

If a student is charged with an infraction, the Student Conduct Office recommends a penalty to the dean of student affairs.

The dean then decides whether to impose the penalty recommended by the Student Conduct Office.

The Student Conduct Office also advises students on how to appeal a decision of the dean of student affairs.

Students who wish to appeal a decision of the dean of student affairs must file a written appeal with the dean of student affairs within 10 days of the decision.

The dean of student affairs will consider the appeal and make a decision.

If the dean of student affairs upholds the original decision, the student may file a complaint with the board of trustees.

The board of trustees will then make a decision on the appeal.

The Student Conduct Office also advises students on how to appeal a decision of the board of trustees.

Students who wish to appeal a decision of the board of trustees must file a written appeal with the board of trustees within 10 days of the decision.

The board of trustees will consider the appeal and make a decision.

If the board of trustees upholds the original decision, the student may file a complaint with the state attorney general.
Residence halls governed by rules
On-campus living increases

Editor's Note: The following rules and regulations are found in the 1984-85 Student Handbook and Calendar of Events. A copy of this publication is available free to all students in the college bookstore located in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union.

With the start of the fall semester there are many dormitory rules and regulations that must be adhered to. Students must comply with all rules and regulations as stipulated in all college publications. The purpose of the terms and conditions given below is to provide for basic operation of college and housing facilities and to give all residents a mutual understanding of operation policies. The college reserves the right to interpret, revise, extend, or grant exceptions to these terms and conditions on the basis of need and merit of individual cases.

Each resident will observe the following procedures which are intended to provide for prompt and accurate service, and protection of property:

Check-in personally with the Head Resident of Assistant Head Resident by processing the room check card and signing it. Damage existing at check-in must be listed on the room check card at this time.

Keep room, room equipment, and personal belongings in good order and free from damage. In the interest of health, safety, and protection of property, the keeping of pets, possession or use of illegal drugs, inhalants, alcoholic beverages, incense, firearms, matches, cigarettes, phonographs, or throwing knives, tools, weapons, explosives, incendiaries, darts, cracking whips, rollerblades, motorbikes, are prohibited. No pictures or articles may be locked in closets in any way that is damaging to walls, woodwork, furniture, or electrical light fixtures. Windows are to be kept clear of all objects. The possession or use of kerosene, gasoline, kerosene, naptha, or any other flammable fluid is strictly prohibited. Smoking of fire by students is prohibited anywhere on campus, except as it is used in officially approved college programs. Cooking devices and cooking of food are not allowed in the residence hall rooms. Students may use the microwaves provided in the halls. Micro-fridges are available for rental to the students.

Noise-making is prohibited. Any type of unauthorized public address device is prohibited. This includes players, drums, manual or electronic instruments, and any other noise-making object.

Waterbeds and flopping are prohibited. Items such as toy signs, snoring, parking meters, mail carriers (except those purchased as a retail outlet), and street barricades will not be brought into the residence halls. To preserve quietness and privacy for all students, baby-sitting in the residence hall is prohibited. Loitering around residence hall room windows is prohibited.

Porches and stairways are considered part of the residence hall and these areas are considered the same as the outside areas. Loitering and noise-making are prohibited in these areas.

No pictures or posters are not allowed on doors or on room walls or ceilings.

The college reserves the right to restrict hours of students. Residents may entertain callers of the opposite sex in the main lobbies of residence halls during the following hours: Calling hours are Sunday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 12 midnight.

Residence Halls will close to all visitors at the following hours: Sunday through Thursday, 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, midnight. Lobbies may remain open longer with the permission of the Head Resident.

Door-residence hall visitors of any person other than residents and off-campus persons is prohibited after residence hall closing hours.

All residents will observe quiet hours between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 7 a.m. The purpose of quiet hours between is to allow residents to study and rest.

Residence halls are not public buildings. Guest privileges must be obtained at respective hall offices.

Inter-resident halls and on-campus visits are strictly controlled through the respective residence halls registration offices. All visitors who do not register will be considered trespassors.

No person shall engage in any scheme or plan, or attempt to engage in any scheme or plan, for the purpose of deceiving the college into believing that they are students of the college who are not students of the college. All violations of the above rules shall be dealt with according to the rules and regulations of the college.

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Coaching changes hit Norseman staff

Head coach Mike Loyd returns for his fourth season at the helm of the Golden Norse football team. Loyd has guided the Golden Norse to a 28-3 record in his first three years as head coach. In his first season he led the Golden Norse to the 1991 National Championship. Last season the Norsemen finished with a 10-1 record including a 52-50 victory in the Mineral Water Bowl. "Not only is this one of the best college coaching jobs in the entire country, but it also gives the man the chance to be an important part in maintaining the rich Golden Norse tradition that has thrived throughout the years," Loyd said.

Loyd is a graduate of Missouri Southern and played professionally for the St. Louis Cardinals of the National Football League and the Edmonton Eskimos, and Saskatchewan Roughriders of the Canadian Football League. Some adjustments have been made in his coaching staff.

Rick Simpson, in his second year at NEJ, will move to the defensive line and coach the secondary. He was previously the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach. Returning for his third season coach Brad King will move from the defensive line to the offensive line.

Jeff Alexander returns as running backs coach. He serves as a student counselor for the school. Brian Thompson is the receiver coach. He is a graduate of Tulsa University where he played for the Golden Hurricane. Returning to the sidelines as a linebackers coach after a one-year absence is Dale Patterson. Patterson is the dean of admissions and records for NEJ.

Coach Travis Hill has switched from the secondary to the defensive line and will also serve as the defensive coordinator.

He is an ONU graduate and serves as a representative for the High School and College Relations department.

Football slate features five home contests

Opening the 1994 football season against the team they played to conclude the 1993 campaign, the Golden Norsemen will play a 10-game schedule, according to head coach Mike Loyd. Last year the Golden Norse rallied for a 52-50 victory over Butler County Community College, El Dorado, Kan., in the Mineral Water Bowl at Excelor Springs, Mo.

With the victory the Norsemen finished ranked fourth in the nation with a 10-1 record while Butler County posted a 9-2-1 mark and placed seventh.

The two teams will open the 1994 schedule Saturday, Sept. 3, at 1 p.m. in El Dorado.

Remaining on the road the following week the Golden Norsemen travel to Tulsa for the sixth annual Border Battle with arch-rival Coffeyville, Kan., at Union-Tuttle High School Stadium. The game is scheduled for Sunday Sept. 11, at 6 p.m.

The Golden Norse open the home portion of the schedule Monday Sept. 19 by hosting the junior varsity squad of Southwestern College from Winfield, Kan., in a 7:30 p.m. contest.

Returning to the road on Saturday, Sept. 24, the Golden Norse will face Hutchison, Kan., in a 7:30 p.m. rematch.

Coming home the following Saturday, the Golden Norsemen will entertain Ranger, Texas in a 7:30 p.m. homecoming contest on Oct. 1.

Traveling to Starkville, Miss., the next Friday, the Norsemen face the Mississippi State University Junior Varsity Oct. 7 at 1 p.m.

Continuing a brief road trip the Golden Norsemen travel to Colorado Springs, Colo., to play the United States Air Force Junior Varsity on Oct. 15 at 1 p.m.

The Golden Norse will conclude the road portion of their schedule on Saturday, Oct. 29, by visiting Killeen, Texas for a 2 p.m. contest. NEJ terminates Cause in Texas on Saturday, Nov. 5 at 3 p.m.

Concluding the regular season at home the Norsemen will face Air Force Junior Varsity in a 3:30 p.m. rematch on Nov. 11.
Strong defense key to Norse future

Returning starters bolster solid defensive squad

"This is the most inexperienced offensive unit we have had in my three years as head coach," Loyd said. "Not only do we lack the numbers of returning sophomores, but we have a couple of key positions where freshmen are going to have to step in and start from the beginning." Even though we've got 37 sophomores coming back on offense, not many of them have a lot of playing time.

The offense may be inexperienced, the defense is loaded with experience that includes six returning sophomores.

"This is the best group coming back since our 1990 National Championship season. We've got 13 players on defense that are legitimate Division 1 players which gives us considerable depth," said Loyd.

Quarterback

Sophomore Ben Ratz (6-0, 195), Punta Gorda West joins the Golden Norse after transferring from the University of Nebraska. However he has yet to play in a game and experience could be a factor.

He is being challenged by freshmen Dennis Armstrong (5-10, 180), Lawson, and Scott Conduct (6-0, 195). Running Backs

With the loss of sophomore tailback Marvin Blaide (5-9, 170), Tulsa Washington to turn down a scholarship from the University of Nebraska, the Golden Norse are looking for a starting running back. The Junior Matt McClure (5-10, 170), Pembroke is the starting back.

"We should have plenty of speed and quickness at tailback. All these kids have the ability to be breakaway runners," Loyd said.

Three sophomores return at backfield spot. Veteran Jerome Scher (5-11, 190), Oklahoma; Jack Leonard (6-0, 200), Miami; and Carl Sanders (6-0, 205), Osage, N.Y.,

Burmough gains 289 yards on 20 carries and seven touchdowns in seven games, as a freshman. Leonard gained 80 yards on 20 carries in eight games. Sanders gained 47 yards on nine carries with one touchdown in nine games.

Challenging at halfback are freshmen Charles Palma (6-0, 220), Gaffney, S.C.; Carl Downey (5-11, 220), Apple, Ga.; Kendall Brevard (6-2, 220), Beaufort, Ga.; and Darrin Pearson (5-11, 180), Claremore.

Receivers

The Golden Norse return group again at the receiver positions. They also have quality depth with eight sophomores at three receiving spots.

Steve Scales (5-10, 185), Batesville and Charlie Adams (5-8, 185), Eden, N.C., are two sophomores at the wide receiver position. Aiken caught 12 passes for 140 yards in five games as a freshman.

Sophomores Harold Jones (5-11, 195), Tulia; Tanny Evans (6-0, 190), Bossy; and Laurr McElhinny (5-4, 180), St. Louis return at the flanker spot.

At tight end, two veterans will battle for playing time. Brandon Rader (6-3, 215), Stuttgart and Jeremy Banks (6-4, 232), Tulsa will provide quality depth.

Rader caught 12 passes in six games for 182 yards and one touchdown as a freshman.

Freshmen recruits at wide receiver are Chris Eason (5-11, 175), Blanchard; Corey Greene (6-4, 180), Jacksonville, Fla.; Anthony Banks (5-11, 190), Rayville, La.; and Jermaine Dumas (5-10, 180), Carrolton, Ga.

William Buxton (6-2, 225), Hopkins, Ga., and Denny Pearson (6-2, 220), Tulsa are freshmen candidates at tight end.

Offensive Line

Without a doubt the big question mark in the minds of the coaching staff is whether or not the line will be strong.

The Norse return three sophomores who saw limited time during their college seasons.

Sophomore Chris Rankin (6-5, 285), Anthony; Kyle (6-4, 280), Tulsa; and Terrell Holt (6-2, 275), Bossy return at guard positions.

Three freshmen return at tackle positions. Freshmen are Howard Jones (6-5, 300), South Springs and Bryan McCartney (6-5, 285), Oklahoma City.

Batting at the guard positions will be freshmen Sam McNair (6-4, 250), Tulsa; Jeremy Shadrick (6-4, 270), Tulsa; Mike Holden (6-2, 250), Broken Arrow; and Jason Turk (6-2, 270), Miami, Okla.

Four freshmen are fighting for the starting center job. They are Josh Gibson (6-2, 245), Duncan; Brandon Brown (6-2, 245), Muskogee; Scott Schinkham (6-2, 245), Owasso, and Travis Stone (6-4, 250), Tulsa.

Defensive Line

The defensive line is the flip side of the offensive line in that they are probably the most experienced group on the team.

Veterans Hill (6-4, 250), Broken Arrow; Fhin Johnson (6-1, 240), Tulsa; and Clarence Wallace (6-2, 300), Dallas, Texas return at the end positions.

Freshmen candidates at end are Frederic Walker (6-4, 240), Carrolton, Ga.; Dante Beard (6-2, 250), Duncan; and Travis Jordan (6-4, 275), Nashville, Tenn.

Returning at the tackle positions are sophomores; Jordan Brown (6-4, 275), Houston, Texas and Eric Deterson (6-4, 300), Tucson, Ariz.

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Returning starters bolster solid defensive squad

Reconstruction of the entire offensive unit is the priority facing head football coach Mike Loyd as the Golden Norse enter the 1994 season. The Norsemen are in preparation for their Sept. 3 season opener against Butler County in El Dorado, Kan.
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