Final production starts Thursday

By Tanya Shepherd

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Students, faculty, staff and administrators are invited to participate in the third annual Spring Fling Week starting Monday through Wednesday.

"Students invite everyone to come out and participate in three days of fun," said Jennifer Beam, president of the Student Body Government.

Students have planned an informal Norway dress attire," Beam said.

Activities scheduled to begin Monday with a wheelbarrow race starting at 7 p.m. in the NEO Fieldhouse.

Activities move outside on Tuesday with "Hammer High" available on the mail floor from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Some of the events available will include a "Hammer Board," and "Hammer Wrestling." Students are also reminded that voting for Student Body Government offices will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the lower area of the Carter Student Union on Wednesday.

The Student Body Government elections for president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and directors at-large are scheduled.

The Spring Fling will conclude with an informal dinner dance starting at 9 p.m. Wednesday in the Career Student Union Ballroom.

The dinner is free for students with a valid college meal ticket. For those without a meal ticket, cost is $5 per person.

"We would like to encourage all students to attend the dinner with a spouse or friend," said Beam.

The dances are scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. and conclude at 11 p.m. A disc jockey will provide a wide variety of music.

Russell Crawford will be taking party pictures and copying orders which will be paid for during the dance.

Sophomores need to finish graduation checks

By Tanya Shepherd

In an effort to complete their graduation requirements, all sophomores planning to graduate next month are reminded of the few details that must be taken care of, according to Dale Paterson, dean of records and admissions.

Paterson would like to remind all graduating students that the graduation material has been sent out to all students on the graduation list and they should be receiving it.

Sophomores planning to graduate this spring and participating in the graduation ceremony should pick up their caps and gowns on Wednesday, May 3 and Thursday, May 4.

"If the student is unable to attend the ceremony, they need to come by the registrar’s office and give us their contact mailing address so we can send the diploma to them," Paterson said.

Students that are unable to go to the registrar’s can call at 594-4404, ext. 200.

A required fee of $15 must be paid to the business office in order for any graduate to receive their diploma.

Students are reminded to fill out the survey that they received in the mail. This survey must be filled out and returned to the registrar’s before caps and gowns can be checked out.

The survey can be turned in the day of cap and gown checkouts or when the students stop by to give their correct address.

Caps and gowns will be issued on Tuesday, May 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Bruce G. Carter Student Union Commencement will be held on Sunday, May 3 at 8 p.m. on the east side of the Student Union.

The case of rain report is the new gym.

Commencement exercises will be held on Thursday, May 11 at 7:30 p.m. at Roberton Field.

Students will line up between Afro Hall and the Carter Student Union Buildings at 6:30 p.m.
No means just that...

I watched a TV talk show last week that really bothered me. There was one young girl who had something slipped into her drink, then a few guys in the party took advantage of her sexually. Then three college students unknowingly visited their college campus drinking with each other. One was a woman who wasraped by a man who had just met and offered to take her for a drive because she was too intoxicated to drive. She insisted on taking her car and not leaving the bar. After getting into the car, she realized the man didn't have his own vehicle and told him he could say that and she would let him drive the next day. The man took this as an invitation to sex. He then proceeded to follow her into her bedroom. He made advances toward her, but she told him she was too drunk, but he persisted and she eventually gave in.

There was a woman who was saying she was assaulted after getting drunk in a bar. A man had met her just met and offered to take her for a drive because she was too intoxicated to drive. She insisted on taking her car and not leaving the bar. After getting into the car, she realized the man didn't have his own vehicle and told him he could say that and she would let him drive the next day. The man took this as an invitation to sex. He then proceeded to follow her into her bedroom. He made advances toward her, but she told him she was too drunk, but he persisted and she eventually gave in.
Easter holiday holds significance as a new beginning for everyone

By Audri Clark
Easter holds a religious and traditional aspect to it. The holiday has started over centuries ago in the age of Jesus Christ. This is the day that Christ was crucified on the cross to pay for the sins of the world. Where the Christian holidays celebrates his birth. Easter celebrates his death and resurrection.

Four years before that Jesus treated with his 12 disciples over the country preaching the word of God. Hundreds of people believed in his words and was saved at the miracles that he had performed. Such miracles as raising the dead, healing the sick, and being far to all. Due to uncontrollable circumstances the Roman empire was threatened by the man that called himself the son of God.

Despite his many followers, others believed that he was a false prophet and was angered at the same he claimed for himself. That day, the third Sunday of April, the people tortured, taunted and finally nailed Jesus Christ on the cross. This is known as the Crucifixion. Just as he had been told from God, Christ also told the people that he would be the sacrifice for their wrong things. This day later became known as Easter.

Over the years Christians alike have observed this day as the one to attend church and start a new beginning. They are reminded of the price he paid and how they are forgiven for what they have done in the age of the Christ.

Today, children of all ages have the opportunity to celebrate Easter by wearing their Easter best outfits and去 church to attend Easter services. Easter baskets are decorated with ribbons and paper eggs and chocolate eggs and other treats for the children to enjoy.

The children have a chance to enjoy the thrill of decorating and finding beautifully colored eggs. This is a holiday that is full of laughter and joy. 

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Earth Day must be sustained

By Audie Clark

"The idea of Earth Day was a national demonstration of environmental concern big enough to shake up the political establishment," said Gayle Nelson, creator of the event.

"Slowly it worked, thanks to the spontaneous response of millions of concerned Americans. Today, however, the problem is this: Until recently, we haven't recognized the existence of any environmental limits that might impose a moral duty on this generation to preserve opportunities and choices for future generations," Nelson said.

"From the time our ancestors landed on these shores, we have lived by the belief that the gifts of nature were inexhaustible. Now that we know there are finite limits to the bounty of the land we also must know we have a moral obligation to pass that bounty on to the future generations. That is what sustainability is all about," said Nelson.

What is "sustainability"?

A society that manages its own needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs is described as a sustainable society. What does sustainability matter?

The U.S. population is 285 million, twice the level in 1960. The Census Bureau says our population may double by the year 2050, adding another 261 million people needing land, housing, water, food, transportation, city services, and schools. The United States, more than two billion miles are traveled by motor vehicles on the road and miles driven has largely offset gains in fuel efficiency and pollution control.

Although extinction of plant and animal species is a natural event, human activities have multiplied the rate of extinction several times, causing a collapse of diversity unmatched since the disappearance of the dinosaurs 65 million years ago. If present trends continue, one fourth of all species may become extinct in the next 50 years. The United States holds just five percent of the world's population, but we consume 30 percent of the world's natural resources.

Seafood is the greatest source of animal protein in the world. But this resource is endangered by overfishing and pollution of coastal water, where 90 percent of the world's seafood is harvested. Thirteen of the world's 17 major fishing regions are in serious decline or are already depleted.

Wetlands filter pollution from water, serve as critical breeding grounds and sources of food for thousands of species of fish and animal life, store flood waters for gradual release, and modify climate changes.

However, more than half the wetlands that existed in the U.S. in colonial times have been lost. They have been drained, filled, flooded with salt water, and paved over. Groundwater provides more than 50 percent of all drinking water in the U.S.

However, water is being drawn from many aquifers for industrial use. It is being polluted. Projects such as the Holcomb River Water System will replace per capita freshwater availability in the U.S. in the year 2050 to less than half of what it is now.

When we ask what sustainability is, we are asking what quality of life humans want and how they can sustain that quality. Listed below are five characteristics that can help define sustainability:

1. Renewable resources must be renewable resources, like grass and trees, so fewer than they can replace themselves. That one of consumption of renewable resources cannot exceed their rate of regeneration.

2. Substitution. Wherever possible, a community should use renewable resources instead of non-renewable resources.

3. Interdependence. A sustainable community recognizes that is a part of a larger system and that it cannot be sustainable unless the larger system is sustainable itself. A sustainable community does not expect resources from a way that impoverishes other communities, nor does it uses resources in a way that pollutes other communities.

4. Adaptability. A sustainable community can absorb shock and adapt to take advantage of new opportunities. This requires a diversified economy, educated citizens, and a spirit of solidarity. A sustainable community invests in, and uses, research and development.

5. Institutional commitment. A sustainable community adopts laws and political processes that maintain sustainability. Its economic system supports sustainable production and consumption. Its educational system teach people to practice sustainable behavior.

A growing number of people and organizations are developing sustainable practices.

The Sustainable Resource Center in Colorado's San Luis Valley, shares information about sustainable building techniques. The Mid-Missouri Center for Sustainable Living educates local residents about living in a more sustainable manner.

The Appropriate Technology Transfer for Rural Areas in Arkansas offers information on sustainable and low-input agricultural practices.

The Urban Habitat Program in San Francisco helps ethnic, minority and low-income groups counter environmental problems. There are just a few of the many sustainability efforts sprouting up around the country grassroots efforts.
1995 Football Season Starts Taking Shape

By Chad Grubbs

1995 will be a year that the Golden Norse football team will be put to test by their schedule. This year has to be the strongest schedule in the history of the program," said NCE head coach Mikeloyd.

Included in the schedule will be arch-rival Coffeyville, along with Butler County and seven Texas league schools.

A big goal should be put on the calendar for Oct. 7 when the Golden Norse host Trinity Valley at Robertson Field. The Cardinals beat the Norsemen 24-17 in the Texas State Bowl to win the 1994 National Championship.

"We have four home games and the Coffeyville game in Tulsa. We have two more to be added to the schedule," Lloyd said.

The challenge of the Texas schools helps our program tremendously. This will be a true year for us in the Texas League. Although the Golden Norse are not eligible for the conference championship, they can still compete for the national title.

The Golden Norse will open with a 7:30 p.m. game with Butler County, Kan. Sept. 2, at Robertson Field. NCE defeated the Grizzlies 35-28 in the season opener at El Dorado last year.

The traditional Border Battle, which pits the Norsemen against arch-rival Coffeyville, Kan., will fill the second slot in the schedule. The game will kick off Sept. 9, at 1:30 p.m., at Union Tackle Stadium. A year ago the Norse pounded the Racers by a 34-12 score.

"The possibility of a game with Air Force junior varsity still exists Sept. 18. However, we have not heard from them to return the call," Lloyd said.

Another junior varsity game will be played Sept. 30 at 7:30 p.m., with Southwest Kansas at Robertson Field. Last year the Norse cruised to a 40-7 victory.

The 1995 Junior College Football Conference will start Sept. 23 as the Golden Norse travel to Ranger, Texas for a 1:30 p.m. game. The Golden Norse defeated the Rangers, 28-7, at Robertson Field last season.

The following Saturday the Norsemen make another trek across the Red River to battle Tyler Junior College in a 7:30 p.m. contest at Rose Stadium.

Defending National Champion Trinity Valley comes to Mclntosh, Oct. 7, for a 7:30 p.m. game. "We hope our guys, especially the ones that were here last year, will be fired up for this one," said Lloyd.

Making their third trip to Texas, the Golden Norsemen travel to Corsicana, Oct. 14, to battle Navarro Junior College in a 1 p.m. kick-off.

Returning home on Oct. 21, the Norsemen kick off against Texas at Robertson Field at 7:30 p.m. kickoff. The Golden Norse defeated the Rangers, 22-9, last year at Kilgore.

Cisneros, Texas, the last opponent to beat the Norsemen at Robertson Field, will host the Golden Norse on Oct. 28, at 3:30 p.m. The Golden Norse defeated the Wranglers, 49-34, last season.

Concluding the regular season the Golden Norse will host Blinn Community College, Nov. 4, at Robertson Field.

"I’m excited about our schedule and ready to get in the field and compete against other junior colleges instead of JV’s," Lloyd said.

"This will give us a good shot at winning the national championship if we can compete this schedule," Lloyd said.

Running backs and receivers lack experience and depth during drills

By Byron Beers

Editor’s Note: The following is the second of a six-part series covering the spring drills of the Golden Norse football team.

Heading into spring drills and during the spring sessions, the tailbacks and wide receivers seem to be a team strength in the Golden Norse, prepping for next season’s campaign.

Locked in a competitive situation at tailback are veterans Darvin Pearson (5’11, 180, from Claremore, Okla.), Eric Young (5’10, 180, Dallas, Ala.), Nate Kelso (5’11, 180, Knoxville, Tenn.), and Sherman Duncan (5’11, 190, Carrolton, Ga.).

Pearson appeared in two games as a freshman with 97 yards on six carries and one TD.

Kelso carried the ball four times for 21 yards as a freshman.

"Right now, Pearson appears to be our starting tailback going into spring drills with Young right behind him," head coach Mike Lloyd said.

Kelso and Duncan will also get a real strong look. Duncan is a walk-on who catches the ball real well out of the backfield.

We don’t know where he made the effort from running for the tailback position until May 4 with his Blue-Gold game," Lloyd said.

A real battle has developed at the tailback position. John Stutt (5’10, 220, from Wampton, Neb.) is the leader while Rico Cooper (6’2, 200, from Lufkin, Ga.) and Charlie Palmer (6’0, 228, Gallup, N.M.) are also in the picture.

"With the leader at the tailback position right now because he seems to want it more than anybody else," Lloyd said.

"Cooper and Palmer are both showing great progress at the tailback position. All three of our tailbacks are outstanding prospects and great blockers," Lloyd said.

Still appearing in five games as a freshman and gaining 32 yards on eight carries.

Cooper rushed for six yards on two carries as a freshman.

Pearson appeared in eight games last season and rushed for 111 yards on 22 carries.

The Golden Norse appear to be well-balanced at the wide-receiver position with six prospects that should see playing time.

Corey Greene (6’2, 180, Jacksonville, Fla.) is leading the receiving corps after making one catch for seven yards as a freshman.

Also challenging at wide receivers are J.D. Graham (6’1, 190, Orlando, Fla.), leading the receiving corps after making one catch for seven yards as a freshman.

Aside from Greene and Graham, the Norse have received interest from PK 2 and the Blue-Gold game.

"We have been very pleased with the wide receiver position during the spring drills. Corey Greene is our top receiver and J.D. Graham is our second receiver," Lloyd said.

The tight end position appears to be a question mark right now for the Golden Norse.

The Norsemen have run out of the I-formation more often this year with more of a passing game.

"We will run the I-formation a lot more next year with different blocking schemes."
Sports

Norse hit mid-season slump

Lose three out of last four

By Byron Beers
Sports Editor

Coach Rick Ritchie's Golden Norsemen were able to split a twinbill against Coffeyville Sunday afternoon in Coffeyville, Kansas with a 15-10 win in the first game and a 5-4 setback in the second game.

The Norsemen will not see action when they travel to Parsons, Kansas to take on Labette Community College tomorrow at 1 p.m.

Following the trip to Parsons, the Norsemen will travel to Williamston on Tuesday to face Eastern Oklahoma. NEO will return home to face Labette Community College on Thursday.

Prior to a doubleheader at Crowder Community College on Thursday, the Norsemen rounded out their season and series in the Bi-State Conference. Norsemen 7-4, Coffeyville 2-3-

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