**Holden captures queen crown**

By Sara Livingston
Managing Editor

Janelle Holden, a freshman from Enid, was named Homecoming queen during half-time ceremonies at Robertson Field. Representing the Foreign Language Club, Holden won the title from among a field of 20 candidates. A political science major, she is the daughter of Debra and Danny Peters.

The first runner up went to Lisa Walton, a freshman from Miami, who represented the social work club and is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Kay Walton.

Welsh sophomore Angela Ayers was named second runner up. A history major, Ayers is the daughter of Paul and Faye Ayers. Third runner up was Mikayla Webb, a sophomore from Grove, who represented the social sciences and education.

**ROYALTY**

Janelle Holden (center) was crowned Homecoming queen last weekend and is joined by her court, from left, Jami Whitaker, Miss Norse Spirit; Mikayla Webb, third runner up; Helen Lisa Walton, first runner up, and Angela Ayers, second runner up.

**Four alums receive special honor**

Four former students who have made outstanding contributions in their respective career fields throughout the years, were honored Saturday at this year's Outstanding Alumni dinner during Homecoming festivities. The 1996 Outstanding Alumni Dinner includes three people from the varied career fields of public relations, athletics, education and health care. The 1996 dinner includes people from the varied career fields of public relations, athletics, education and health care.

After graduating from OSU with a bachelor's degree in economics, Mendell completed pilot training school at Vance AFB. He left the University of Tulsa when he continued his outstanding baseball career. While playing baseball, Mendell earned his bachelor's degree in education with a minor in pre-law. Colonel Robert Mendell was a 1964 graduate of Tulsa Central and attended OSU in 1964-65. Mendell is a baseball standout for NEC earning Junior College All-American status.

He left OSU for Oklahoma State University where he further excelled in both baseball and continued his involvement in the Army ROTC program. Under his reign as head coach, Tusapoy won two national championships and Ward finished with a 240-3 record, a winning percentage of .881.

In 1977, Ward was named as head coach for the Oklahoma State University baseball program. In 18 seasons, Ward led OSU to the Big Eight title and 16 Big Eight Conference titles, including a league record 15 consecutive titles from 1981-96. Tusapoy has advanced to the NCAA College World Series 10 times, and played in the national championship games in 1981, 1983, and 1990.

His leadership helped raise funds for student-athletes improvements completed in 1980. Recognized as a leading authority on hitting, Ward is in constant demand as baseball clinics.

His expertise is a foundation for OSU players being named to first team All Big Eight lists during Ward's career.

In May 1998, Ward returned to his ties with NEC and became the director of baseball operations for the Golden Norsemen program.

**AROUND CAMPUS THIS WEEK**

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Classwork resumes after a four-day fall break period. Classes start at normal time. "Hot Topics and Cold Cuts" is the theme of the week held noon to 3 p.m. at the Student Center's Student Union Ballroom. The meal is free. Monday through Friday in Medical Assistant Recognition Week on campus.

**Tuesday** 20

Everyone is invited to the Advo-Area "Sing-a-long" from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Student Center's Student Union Ballroom. Refreshments and prizes will be provided. The Dinner and Dance held noon to 3 p.m. at the Student Center's Student Union Ballroom will be free for everyone. The meal is free. Monday through Friday in Medical Assistant Recognition Week on campus.

**Wednesday** 21

A free Health Clinic will be held noon to 3 p.m. in the Student Center's Student Union Ballroom. The meal is free. Monday through Friday in Medical Assistant Recognition Week on campus.

**Thursday** 22

The Advo-Area "Sing-a-long" is held noon to 3 p.m. in the Student Center's Student Union Ballroom. The meal is free. Monday through Friday in Medical Assistant Recognition Week on campus.

**Friday** 23

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State colleges start crackdown on underage drinking problem

By Christine Blaylock

State colleges are cracking down on underage drinking. In Oklahoma City, the administration is taking steps to educate and urge students to control their behavior when it comes to alcohol.

"It’s a whole new ballgame here. We have a moral responsibility to make every effort to control this culture of alcohol," said Jarrod Nollhew, the University of Central Oklahoma’s assistant vice president of student services.

Other colleges and campuses are also cracking down on underage drinking and trying to educate students to change their perceptions that alcohol use and abuse is a normal part of growing up.

At Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva, Steve Hillerin, the vice president for student services, said, "We are making our students aware of our code of conduct and the penalties for the abuse of alcohol." Students at Northwestern must attend mandatory meetings about drugs and alcohol.

The University of Oklahoma is focusing on education. Their incoming freshmen will take a "Gateway" class that includes a component on alcohol abuse.

The students at the University of Oklahoma are also encouraged to participate in a campus program dealing with the dangers of alcohol.

At Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Wewoka, residence hall assistants are getting special training on how to help students make responsible decisions.

"We certainly want students to know when they're had too much to drink and stop them from driving after they've been drinking," said Darrell Bivona, Southeastern's dean of students.

On this campus, all alcoholic beverages, including 3.2 beer, are prohibited on College property. This includes residence halls, parking lots, vehicles, and apartments. Use of these prohibited items will result in swift and severe disciplinary action.

Flu shots become available

By Christine Blaylock

It’s the season, once again, for the much dreaded flu bug. Through mid-November is the best time for Americans to get flu shots. Although elderly people are affected worse by the flu, it is a good idea for everyone to get a flu vaccination. Since the influenza virus changes every year, flu shots must be repeated every fall. It is best to get them early, but even a late shot—administered after mid-November or once a community has already been hit by the flu—can help.

The flu kills 20,000 Americans every winter. Without influenza, it is recommended for elderly persons, as they have lowered immune systems.

Flu shots are available on campus, through Flu Atrikson, the school nurse. They cover three different viruses and anyone 12 or over should consider getting one.

The cost is $2, which is the cost of the serum and nec...
ROYAL COACH
Jenni Holden, a freshman from Eiel, proceeds down Miami's Main Street during the annual Homecoming parade last weekend. Holden was selected Homecoming Queen from 26 candidates representing campus clubs and organizations. Holden represented the Foreign Language Club.

HOMECOMING WEEK

Organized by the office of student services and members of the Student Body Government, a week of activities highlighted Homecoming week. The week began with a "car bash" on Monday followed by a "Hat Day" on Wednesday. Students were encouraged to wear "Blue and Gold" clothing on Thursday along with an all-school concert and pep rally.

A Homecoming dance was held Thursday evening in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom. The week concluded with the Ned-Neruns football game.

FIRST PLACE FLOAT
Members of the Medical Assistant organization, Pound the Puppies on their float during the Homecoming parade. The float captured the $100 first prize.

GREAT DANCE
Students crowded in the Bruce Carter Student Union Ballroom for the Eskimo Joe's Dance during Homecoming week.

HOST BAND
Members of the Golden Norse Marching Band proceed south on Miami's Main Street.
By Billy Haas
Sports Editor
Refusing to lose heart, the Golden Norsemen battled from behind to defeat Navarro College 30-23 last Saturday night at Robertson Field.

The win improved coach Dale Patterson's Norsemen to 3-3 on the season and 2-2 in the Southwest Junior College Football Conference.

The loss dropped Navarro to 3-3 on the year and 2-2 in conference play.

"I was real proud of the fact that our kids seemed to be well prepared, both mentally and physically, and they really played hard. They could have quit when we missed the field goal, but they just kept fighting back," said Patterson.

Following a 30-yard field goal with 1:11 left in the first quarter and a 1 yard plunge by quarterback Jon Bird with 13:46 left in the second quarter the Bulldogs jumped out to an early 10-0 lead.

On the ensuing kickoff, Marcon Long gathered in the kick and returned 97 yards for the touchdown. Nick Blackburn's ensuing point after cut the lead to 10-7 with 13:29 remaining until the half.

Taking advantage of good field position, reserve quarterback Jeremy Denison guided the Bulldogs 44 yards in six plays before scoring on a 4-yard touchdown run. The extra point by Newbery gave Navarro a 17-0 margin with 6:41 left until halftime.

Cutting into the lead just before the half, NEU took advantage of a Willie Menifee 49-yard interception return.

Freshman tailback Josh Scobey found the end zone from 18 yards out and Blackburn added the extra point to leave the Norsemen 17-14 at the half.

Still trailing by the third quarter NEU found the going even tougher afterward. Shawn Swindell connected with Paul Jones for a 52-yard touchdown pass on an NEU trick play.

Law Henson scored on a two-point conversion after Blackman's punt return for a touchdown was blocked.

Navarro tied the game at 22-22 after Matt Henson scored on a 1 yard run with 13:32 left in the game.

The Norsemen pulled in front 30-22 after a 22-17 with 5:55 left in the third quarter.

Regrettin' It Davey

Navarro's offense generated 300 yards while the Bulldogs generated 177 yards.

Punten passed for 43 yards in effect.

Scobey led the NEU ground game with 54 yards on 16 carries.

Mills led the Norsemen receiving corps with six catches for 82 yards and one TD Jones and Blackwood caught four passes each for 44 yards.

Defensive end Jagga Thomas recorded four sacks for min 38 sacks with nine tackles and seven assists.

Defensive back Ray Blackman recorded five solo tackles and 10 assists.

"This was one of the best football games played at Robertson Field in a couple of years. Our defense did an outstanding job against a Navarro football team that is pretty good. They took away the run and forced Navarro into making some bad decisions in the passing game," said Patterson.

Rally collars pesky Bulldogs
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