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What’s Inside...
Campus arts
Halloween activities.
Haunted House
in Commons Hall.
See page 1.
Choral concert
scheduled this
Sunday.
Choir and
Meistersingers
present free con-
cert. See page 3.
Golden Norse
continue chase
for playoff
 berth.
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GETTING READY
Grace Ans Comb, assistant manager of the college bookstore, prepares a display for Halloween.

Suggestions bring changes
By Sara Livingston
Managing Editor
Eight sophomores provide the
nucleus for the college quads,
judging team that started the season
recently at the Quarterhorse
Congress in Columbus, Ohio.
Under the direction of coach
Kevin Pool, the team features 20
members.
After participating in
Columbus, Ohio, the team will
judge in the Quarterhorse World
Show, Nov. 17, in Oklahoma
City; the Oklahoma City
Quarterhorse Show, Dec. 3, in
the Denver, Colo., Quarterhorse
Show, Jan. 8, in the Wichita, Kan.,
Quarterhorse Show, Feb. 26, and
the Fort Worth, Texas Quarter-
horse Show, April 13.
Sophomore members of the
team are Justin Ochoa, Ottawa;
Kaan, Amanda Chance, Kansas
City; Kaan; Melanie Viaita,
Grove Beach, Calif.; and Heather
Angel, Ottawa, Iowa.
Other sophomore members are
Brandi Bookwood, Autumn; Josh
Ritter, Branson, Mo.; Michelle
Bassavant, Nepoman, Calif.; and
Shelley Brobsten, Ponose, Mo.
Freshman team members are
Rodie Roden, Cehesu; Carla
Hailey, Delaviour, Valier,
Schuler, Deridder, La.; Shannon
Richardson, Shady springs, W.V.;
and Ken Houston, Yoder, Wyo.
Other freshmen are Aladie
Purcell, Collins, Mo.; Vicki
McDonald, Fayetteville, Ark.;
Randy Women, Denton, Texas,
and Krista Hales, Nacore,
Texas.
Also included are freshmen
Ryan Harrington, Cimarron,
Kan.; Jon Gillmore, Lubbock,
Kan.; and Eric Sizmonder,
Atlanta, Ga.

By Mindy Fleming
Features writer
Most students on campus may not be aware of the fact that a procedure exists for them to
offer constructive suggestions concerning any situation that
affects the college.
Since the suggestion system was adopted during the 1999
spring semester, the six-person committee has handled 44 sug-
gestions submitted by students,
faculty, and staff.
“The response has really been surprising,” said Nancy
Bishop, chair of the committee.
“It truly is an opportunity for
everyone on campus to commu-
nicate good ideas. Dr. (Glenn)
Mayle (president) is very sup-
portive of our committee and
makes an effort to keep
informed of the suggestions we
have received,” Bishop said.
Anyone with a suggestion
can place it in boxes located
in the student services office
in the Hart/Dothen lobby, or
in boxes near the Student Body
Northwest office located in
the Bruce cutter Student Union
lounge.
“People also can email their
suggestions to bishop@lcmcc-
&ok, or drop them in my
post office box 3970,” Bishop
said.
Any suggestion must be
specific with an explanation of how
the suggestion will benefit the
college. The suggestion must
also be signed.
“The committee works
with the person’s name, but a suggestion
must have a name with it,”
Bishop said.
When a suggestion is
received, the committee sends it
to the person responsible for that
area. A “yes” or “no” response
is requested and an explanation
of the decision reached.
“We send a copy back to
the person making the suggestion
so they will know how their
suggestion will be handled.”
“Occasionally a few of the
responses we feel should have
been answered in a more pos-
itive manner are forwarded on to
Dr. Mayle,” Bishop said.
Members of the committee
for the 1999 fall semester are
Keven Pool, admis-
sion office clerk; Katherine
Buchelle, social science depart-
ment chair; Rom Harris, allied
health department chair; David
Nae, campus police officer; and
Kevin Pool, agriculture instruc-
tor.
Some of the changes oc-
curring since the suggestion
system was created include:
Sidewalk problems. “I’m
sure the sidewalk problems
will be fixed, but perhaps because
of the attention generated by
suggestions, the process was
moved to a higher priority,”
Bishop said.
Hot water connected in
the Common Hall west room.
This was probably a problem
that had never been noticed or
addressed.
REBUILT SIDEWALKS
A concrete truck dumps a fresh load for college maintenance
workers to complete rebuilding sidewalks.
Mood swings cause problems

By Mindy Fleming

What if you could never predict what kind of mood you’d be in day to day? Would you work up the next second profoundly depressed? Have you ever been really down one day, then really happy the next? Or maybe you are having fun with friends and then something happens that puts you in a foul mood all night. Now imagine feeling that way, happy then sad, angry then elated, many times a day. Every little thing becomes so important. Being dramatic and oversharing in every situation, good and bad.

For example, if a college student forgets to complete his or her homework by the time it is due, he or she might decide that he or she would never get up to be an important person. Because the emotions are uncontrolled for some students, school can be so unresponsive. It is one hyper mood, or he or she can not control what one says or does. As a result, one might say things that he or she would normally not say, for example, telling someone stupid without realizing it.

But because one overreacts in situations, or another student upset by him or her, then one might squeal at them. Even if they are still as individuals, friends, one might obsession was going to be dropped. For example, one might say, worrying that people would not talk to the other any more.

Many times mood swings cause a toll on his or her grades. Happiness and sadness can rule and interfere with studies. For instance, thinking of homework one might worry and stress about his or her not the next day but about if anyone would talk to him or her the next day.

Mood swings are common for ever individual but according to this recent study, here are some example of normal and abnormal situations.

The following are normal: talking about fast food when he or she is excited about something, stopping around once in a while when a person is sad, feeling confident and sometimes showing off to his or her friends and, winning or complaining now and then when things do not go his or her way.

The walkaway

I was expecting a lot more in this movie. It was almost two hours long about two people fighting with each other about their ex-spouses. This was the biggest let down I have seen since Lost World.

Recent play causes some reflection

By Sara Livingston

I saw the play “The Diary of Anne Frank” on student night. The story moved me, it made me realize how much I take my freedom for granted.

I take for granted that when I wake up I am always going to be able to walk out my door and see the sun rise. I’ve taken for granted many opportunities and let them pass me by being assured that there would always be a next time. I couldn’t imagine being in an annex for two long years for fear of being persecuted for my ethnic background. I take for granted that I will always be able to speak my piece and have other options. What scares me the most is that I have become this passive person trying to go with the flow as so many other people had.

Hitler gave the Jewish people the choice to be moved or to die, so they moved and the majority of those people died in concentration camps.

Even worse one man had as army of 20 million people standing beside him ready to fight at any time. He didn’t have to handshake or tell them at gun point to follow him, they all did that out of their own free will.

That is what is scary. People lose their individuality and go with the flow.

If, for example, people don’t find individuality and quit being passive, our freedoms that we take for granted will slip through our fingers. The key to finding our identity is through participation. We are able to grow and have many learning experiences. My mom always told me don’t knock it till you try it.

The reality of the situation will be how we react at a point where, even in this campus, there won’t be any clubs or organizations to be a part of. There may come a time where there is nothing left on a college campus but classes.

If we don’t get involved and participate in activities like plays, athletics and various other events, then the freedom of choice might disappear for all of us.

State Regents offer job Web site

By Joyce Johnson

A free employment and career services Web site created to better link Oklahoma college graduates with jobs was publicly kicked off today by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

Also launched was a similar site for Oklahoma certified teachers and Oklahoma schools. Called the Oklahoma Marketplace and the Teacher Job Connection, respectively, the Web sites are located at www.okmarketplace.org.

It is our hope that these sites will help graduate production and encourage more graduates to enter the workforce. Specifically, the Oklahoma Marketplace and Teacher Job Connection allow college and university students and alumni to search for job openings online, search for job listings and match their resumes to current job listings.

In addition, Oklahoma employers and schools can use the site to post job openings for students to view. Employers can also access education and training and labor market information on the site.

The Oklahoma Marketplace, which is designed to improve the flow of college and university career placement offices, is one of the first job sites in the nation created by a higher education system that focuses on the state’s colleges and universities.

For more information on the Web sites, call State Regents Information hotline at 800-856-1840 or e-mail okmarketplace@cohe.org.
Instructor makes job a family thing

Jon Owens
Feature Editor

Twenty-seven-year-old Darron Grover came to NEO to fulfill a life dream of coaching sports. Darron Grover is a native of Miami. He has a twin brother and a sister, one that works as a counselor here at NEO. He is currently single.

Grover attended Miami High School and graduated as part of the class of 1990. While Grover was in high school he was active by competing in track competitions and played guard for the school basketball team. After graduating Grover decided to attend NEO. He came to school here on a student manager scholarship. He worked on his degree as a computer science major. "I had a basic knowledge of computers and it is something that is hot on the market as well as it being something that everyone needs to know. That is why I decided to major in this area," explained Grover.

Upon Graduation from NEO Grover went onto Tulsa University for a year and was a team manager.

Wanting better educational opportunities Grover left Tulsa and went to Oklahoma State University. There he received his bachelor's degree in mathematics.

In 1995 Grover came to teach at NEO. He is currently teaching three computer concept classes as well as one computer tech and one computer science class.

Another job Grover currently has here at NEO is as the assistant girls basketball coach. He is working with a team of 14 girls.

Grover is a student as well as an employee. He is attending Northeastern State University and working on his masters in health and human performance.

Grover has many future goals. His major goal is to stay in college coaching. "I like the sociological interaction of what coaching offers. It's like having an extended family. Watching them grow and get better," stated Grover.

After his masters Grover wants to go on working towards his doctorate in administration.

"College has a lot of diversity. College athletic are an important part to college life. It gives kids a chance to be able to come to college who would not be able to," Grover said. "When you become a coach you realize you don't know nearly as much about a sport. It is one of those things that you learn something new everyday."

CONCERT PREPARATION

Mary Susan Whaley (far right), vocal music instructor, conducts a warmup session with the concert choir in preparation for last year's Fall Choral Concert. This year's free concert will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center Auditorium. The concert will feature a wide variety of music performed by both the concert choir and the Musicians...

Students comment on seminar

Jon Owens
Feature Editor

A few weeks ago Resident Life held mandatory hall meetings to discuss typical activities that have been happening on the floor.

Before each of the meetings took place, students were required to attend a resident orientation.

Many students were upset about being required to attend the workshops.

"Did it take me an hour. I don't feel like resident life should force us to attend such a meeting," said senior John B. from Tulsa.

"I believe they should be forced to attend such workshops. If resident life has to attend, why don't the commuter," said freshman Kyle Brewer from Jenks.

"In the future we should have the right not to attend," said sophomore Kendall Wright from Grove.

"While we can't make students attend they are still responsible for the information distributed," according to page 26 of the resident life manual.

"It's important for everyone to hear what is being said and to have an opportunity to ask questions. The dorm meeting gives an expanded opportunity for people to hear the information," said Barbara Austin, coordinator of the student representative and representative of the Community Crisis Center.

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"The purpose of the meeting is for students to be aware of what life is. We have a lot of transfer students that do not have to attend freshman orientation," said resident director and resident director of the Student Life.

"I believe that resident life should offer programs like the workshop. I believe that the workshops should be optional," said freshman Katy Smith from Tulsa.

Some students felt the workshop was a good thing.

"It is a good that resident life offer the program for everyone's safety. However, we should not be forced to attend," said freshman Nicole Threlkeld from Pawnee.

"It is not just for the girls but for the men as well. To help protect themselves from false accusations. How to be able to protect them from being able to be the one accused," Austin said.

The majority of rape is gang rape.

Statistics provided the campus police department show the crime rate has decreased.

In 1997 there was rape case as well as three sex crimes other than rape.

In 1998 there was one rape case and no sex crimes other than rape.

In 1999 there were not been any rape cases and only one sex crime other than rape.
Norsemen lasso Kilgore Rangers

Continuing to play two totally different halves of football, the Golden Norsemen withstood a rally by Kilgore College to gain a 28-21 victory last Saturday at Robertson Field.

While winning their second consecutive game, coach Dale Patterson’s Golden Norse move into a tie with Blinn College for second place in the Southwest Junior College Football Conference.

Both teams are 4-1 in the league. The Golden Norse are 5-2 on the season while disfrunted Blinn stands 6-1 on the season following a 17-13 loss to Trinity Valley College on Saturday in Athens, Texas.

Trinity Valley leads the conference with a perfect 7-0 record. The Cardinals are 7-1 in the conference.

Against Kilgore the Golden Norsemen built a 20-0 lead in the first half. Fullback Josh Scooby scored on a 3- yard run in the first quarter to start the scoring. Scooby received his ankle on the play and missed the final three quarters.

“Josh could have come back and played the second half. But he needs to let his ankle heal again, so we held him out,” Patterson said.

Freshman quarterback Matt Davis connected with tight end Jenny Stokely on a 35-yard touchdown pass before scoring on a 4-yard run just before halftime.

“We had several players go down with injuries in the first half. Not only did we lose Josh, but fullback Ramon Bannin injured a shoulder, starting guard Eric Avery sustained a knee, and defensive tackle Jesse Fore injured an ankle. When you lose that many, it’s bound to affect your performance,” said Patterson.

“This was the second straight game that we had a three-touchdown lead only to see it evaporate. It gets really frustrating because we had played one of the best halves we’ve played all year. But we came out in the third quarter and didn’t do anything.”

Scooby received a 17-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Cornelius Hines to John Evans which broke a six-quarter scoreless drought by the Rangers. The extra point by Rob Reid cut the deficit to 25-7 with 4:51 left in the third quarter.

“They came out and showed a lot of emotion. They moved the ball and pushed it in when they hadn’t done much earlier in the game. Our defense didn’t play that bad, but our offense did, even generating a first down in the third quarter,” Patterson said.

Hines scored on a spectacular 34-yard run as the Rangers trimmed the margin to 21-14 with 11:48 left in the game.

“Even though our offense was ineffective in the third quarter, they rose to the occasion and scored when we really needed it. Matt (Davis) did an exceptional job of finding the open receiver and getting the big play when we needed it.”

Benefitting from a pass interference call on Kilgore’s Randall King, the Norse moved 65 yards in 11 plays before Kevin Galbreath scored on a 12-yard run with 6:29 left in the game.

The Rangers responded with a 8-yard touchdown pass from Hines to Patrick Thomas with just 47 seconds showing on the clock.

“Some of the reason that teams have come back on us has been our ineffective play. But some of it is just football. No lead is safe when you can throw the football around like teams in this league can. Hopefully, this will be a character-builder for us,” said Patterson.

Even though Kilgore outgained NED 316 to 273, the Golden Norse defense held the Rangers in check. Sophomore linebacker Randy Assner set a new NED school record with 18 assisted tackles. The previous record was 17 assists by Bobb Critt in 1977.

Veteran Norse linebacker Rod Pickert added six unassisted tackles and 11 assists with one pass deflection.

Wranglers seek first win

Seeking to win for the fourth time south of the Red River, the Golden Norsemen traveled to Cisco, Texas, Saturday, for a 3 p.m. contest with Cisco Junior College.

While concluding the road portion of the regular season, coach Dale Patterson’s Norsemen are seeking a home-field advantage in the Southwest Junior College Conference postseason playoffs. The Norse are 4-3 for second at 4-1 and stand 5-2 overall.

“If we can win at Cisco, we could be playing Blinn next Saturday for home-field advantage in the playoffs,” said Patterson.

“Two years ago we went to Cisco needing just one win to qualify for the playoffs and they beat us 37-21.”

Second-year head coach Jeff Schaun has guided the Wranglers to a 4-1 season record and a 5-5 conference mark. Cisco defeated a 6-1-1 Hays at the hands of Navarro last Saturday in Cisco.

“They are a very dangerous football team because they know they can play the role of the spoiler if we don’t take care of business,” Patterson said.

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