IN THE NEWS

Monday, October 16
Mid-term classes start. Students can contact their academic advisors concerning enrollment in a specific class. All students are invited to Hot Topics & Cool Cut at the Christian Student Fellowship located at 106 H Northeast starting at noon.

Tuesday, October 17
Members of the Student Body Government will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Carter Student Union Faculty lounge. All students are invited to participate in noonday activities which start at 12:15 p.m. at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry located just north of the main campus.

Wednesday, October 18
All students working on either state payroll or federal payroll must turn in a time card to the supervisor by 3 p.m. Students are reminded that because of Fall Break, payroll checks will not be available until Monday, Oct. 23.

Everyone is invited to the Health Sciences building for the observance of Medical Assistant Day.

All students are invited to the Founders’ In the Word luncheon at noon sponsored by the Christian Student Fellowship located at 106 H Street Northeast.

Members of the Christian Student Fellowship will travel to Dallas, Texas, over fall break for a mission trip.

Everyone is invited to the traditional Noonday activities at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry starting at 12:10 p.m. in the building just north of the main campus.

Thursday, October 19
FALL BREAK
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Business organization enacts name change

By Jon Owens
Managing Editor

Undergoing a name change to start the millennium, the organization known as Phi Beta Lambda has switched their name to Business Leaders of Tomorrow.

Under the direction of business instructor Chuck Lewis, the organization strives to introduce students to the business world through meeting people of major industries and commerce.

Sophomore Business Leaders of Tomorrow members are: Judith Cayon, Grove; Candace Cox, Miami; Audrey Hayes, Haskell; Tiffany Setl, Miami; Natalie Amberg, Miami; Shannon Sharp, Southwest City; Margie Gaithe, Hooker; Marjya Mays, Welch; Kay Crawford, Vinita, and Nicole Covlin, Lawton.

The freshman members are: Paula Burkh, Miami; Marion Osborne, Commerce, and Terry Yazzie, Quapaw.

MU CHAPTER OF PHI THETA KAPPA

By Jon Owens
Managing Editor

Thirty six students were recently inducted into the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society during a special ceremony in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Ballroom.

Phi Theta Kappa is a national organization that recognizes the academic and leadership accomplishments of students in two-year colleges.

Throughout the year PTK students are involved in various activities at the college and within the community that stress leadership and service along with encouraging high academic standards.

The MU Chapter is tops in the region and rated one of the highest in the nation.

In order to become a member of Phi Theta Kappa a student must have earned a 3.5 grade point average or above while attending college as a full-time student.

New inductees and their hometowns include: Eric Acree, Shawnee; Joseph Bunker, Sapulpa; Brian Belcher, Miami; Shanna Bess, Miami; Robert Benedict, Grove; John Davis, Grove; Kyle Denny, Bokchitti; Jamie Farbatski, Bellview, Ariz.; Altha Foster, Collins; Dr. Brad Goff, Jay; Tyke Green, Blackwell; and Lyndsay Harris, Tulsa; Audrey Haynes, Haskell; Emma Hohenbernt, Broken Arrow; Mo; Kimberly Hunter, Tontitown; and Wyn, Shawanda Lamar, Jay; Sarah Lashner, Vinita; Rae LeJong, Miami; Andrew Nguye, Miami.

Other inductees include: Amber Cookrell, Colcord; Timothy Cox, Miami; Shundra Davis, Jay; Kyle Denny, Bokchitti; Jaime Farbatski, Bellview, Ariz.; Altha Foster, Collins; Dr. Brad Goff, Jay; Tyke Green, Blackwell; and Lyndsay Harris, Tulsa; Audrey Haynes, Haskell; Emma Hohenbernt, Broken Arrow; and Kimberly Hunter, Tontitown.

Honor society inducts members

By Jon Owens
Managing Editor

HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

Saturday-Oct. 14
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
College Bookstore Open
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Parade lineup on North Main Street
1:30 p.m.
Homecoming Parade (Downtown Miami)
5:30 p.m.
Tailgate Party (Roberson Field)
6:30 p.m.
Pre-Game Show (Norse Stars, Cheerleaders, Band)
7 p.m.
NEO-Nasavai Game

Halltime: Queen Coronation

Photo by Tim Joyner

Fifteen of the 35 new members inducted into the MI Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society pose for a picture on the steps of the Bruce G. Carter Student Union following the induction ceremony last week.
By Tyler Wardle
Features Editor

I am proud to live in a country with a level of freedom that is unrivaled by any system in the world. I have the right to vote and choose my own leaders, the right to believe or not believe whatever I want, and the right to say whatever I feel like. I have the right not to say anything, but I have the right to have whatever I say put into print where anyone can read it. I live in the only country in the world where my right to a pursuit of happiness is guaranteed in writing.

I have the right to own a gun, the right to bear arms. Apparently, the founding fathers of our country felt that was important that they dedicated a whole amendment of our constitution to it at the beginning. At this point in my life, I don’t own a gun, but I plan to. I’ve always liked guns, I’ve always thought it’s better to have a gun and not need one than to need a gun and have one.

This country has always been about allowing people to make choices for themselves, rather than the government making those choices for us. And this is one of those choices. The government, instead of telling us what we can’t own guns, has left it to the choice of whether or not to own a gun.

The decision is far too important to impose more and more gun control on the American people. This is wrong. When Ronald Reagan was shot, a senator by the name of Brady was shot as well. He was crippled for life. But Brady didn’t have the courtesy to give them the proper amount that is needed to make the purchase. If you are not of age to smoke then you don’t need them.

Don’t let into someone’s room make yourself an unwanted guest and ask for a favor from them. A simple way to get rid of this kind of guest is simply tell them to go away, and they are never welcomed back. You can also go to your RA tell them and they can help. Which would be the first thing I would do if telling them flat out didn’t work.

Guests should remember manners
By Brenda Alfred
Graduate Editor

Who are you here? You have the problem of a guest coming into your dorm room and that guest never seems to go away?

I was sitting at dinner one day with a few friends and found out that it is more common than you would think.

Really, if you are visiting someone in the dorm and they are leaving to go do something else, then you should leave.

How hard is it to get the hint?

Okay, your the guest, the person who the room belongs to, you leave with them and they lock the door.

For instance, if you are a guest you don’t sit on the bed while the students are studying or playing cards. If you don’t leave the room you are ignored. If you are there to help, you help, and then you leave.

Keeping in mind, the resident of the room leaves, then you should leave.

Abortion requires considerable thought
By Brenda Alfred
Graduate Editor

Abortion is a serious thing for people to consider. You are taking the life of an unborn child in your hands and killing it.

I don’t believe in it. I could not kill a child just because it hasn’t been born yet. Some people may say it is right to get an abortion if you are raped.

Think about it, just because some guy rapes you does not give you the right to kill. Or parents that make the decision for their kid when the child is too young to raise it. So, put the poor kid up for adoption if that is the case. Don’t kill the poor thing.

I believe people should not play God and decide on who lives or who dies. And with abortion this is what we are doing.

We make the decision to let the unborn child live or die. Some might think, well it is unborn, then for it is not alive, so they are not killing anything.

This is not true by any means. As soon as that child is conceived it is a living creature. It’s been said that a child can be born, feel, and possibly taste everything the mother does.

And if you don’t want the child, no matter how it was conceived, there is always adoption.

In these days a family member can raise it. There are other options, other than killing an innocent child.

The child did not ask to be brought into this life. And I am sure it will not ask to be taken out. There are some cases where the child might have some kind of disability. Does that mean we should kill all the kids that have one?

If you believe this, look around you and ask yourself this, “Should we kill all these people who have disabilities?”

If it is wrong to do that, why is it not wrong to kill a child for the same reason?

I do believe it is wrong to kill, even if you think you have a good reason. It is not my place to decide who can and who cannot get an abortion.

Homecoming involves hard work
By Brenda Alfred
Graduate Editor

With homecoming almost over we can let our relief come in.

Many of us have been busy decorating floats or rooms this past week.

Through brain storming out ideas we became artist in a small way.

Native Americans plan activities
By Brenda Alfred
Graduate Editor

Several events and activities along with a fund-raising Pow-Wow highlight the membership of the Native American Student Association.

“NASC is not only for Native American students, but we want to encourage any student interested in Native American cultures to get involved,” said Eddie Hary, president.

“Not only do we discuss cultures, but we also look at Native American history. Along with providing a queen candidate for the upcoming Homecoming activities, the club will also feature a fund-raising activity.

During the spring, NASC sponsors a traditional powwow on campus.

Serving as officers are: Eddie Hary, president; Julian Downum, vice-president; Sabrina Myers, treasurer; Joe Anderson, secretary; Terry Yazzie, Student Body Government representative; Kim Orani, public relations; and Zach Corning, publicity.

NASC meets every Wednesday at 2 p.m. in room 322 of Shipley Hall.
QUEEN CONTESTANTS

By Danielle Boyd

Friday, October 13, 2000

Homecoming queen candidates named

Eris Flemiong
Representing the Engineering Club is sophomore Eris Flemiong. She is majoring in biology and is from Vinita. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Flemiong.

Denise Cunningham
Representing the Business Club is Ashley Guthrie, a sophomore from Vinita. She is majoring in business administration. She is the daughter of Janey Williams.

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Erlene Reed
Representing the Student Ambassadors, is a Vinita sophomore. She is majoring in biology and is from Vinita. She is the daughter of Natalie Dowling.

Sarah Laquerre
Representing the Student Ambassadors, is a Vinita sophomore. She is majoring in biology and is from Vinita. She is the daughter of Alan and Debbie Laquerre.

Mariah Locke
Representing the Royals Club is Mariah Locke, a sophomore from Halfway, Mo. She is majoring in farm and ranch management. She is the daughter of John and Debra Locke.

Jenny McCool
Representing the Business Club is Ashley Guthrie, a sophomore from Vinita. She is majoring in business administration. She is the daughter of Janey Williams.

Amy Hanewich
Amy Hanewich, a sophomore from Bumpus, Ind., is representing the Crop Science Club. She is majoring in agriculture and is from Vinita. She is the daughter of John and Carol McCool.

Andrea Millar
Sophomore Andrea Millar of Vinita is representing the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She is a business major and is from Vinita and Andy Millar.

Brandi Wilson
Brandi Wilson, a sophomore from Houston, Texas, is representing the Student Life Council. She is a general studies major and is from Vinita and Jack and Linda Hanewich.

Lyndsay Harris
Lyndsay Harris, a sophomore from Vinita, is representing the Student Ambassadors. She is majoring in music education. She is the daughter of Dennis and Lisa Starkey.

Jacqueline Ratliff
Sophomore Jacqueline Ratliff from Vinita, is representing the Young Democrats. She is a pre-med major and is from Vinita and the late Harry Ratliff.

Carolyne Ross
Carolyne Ross, a sophomore journalism major from Springdale, Ark., is representing The Nurse Wind. She is the daughter of John and Betty Ross.

Victoria Ross
Representing the Psychology Club is Victoria Ross, a sophomore from Vinita. She is majoring in criminal justice and is from the mother of Mike and Debra Ross.

Stacey Springfield
Majoring in early childhood education, Stacey Springfield is a Miami sophomore representing the Child Development Club. She is the daughter of David Springfield.

Leslie Tarter
Leslie Tarter is representing the Medical Assistance Club. A Miami sophomore, she is a medical assistant major. She is the daughter of Dennis Tarter.

Katie Tipton
Katie Tipton, a Commerce sophomore, is representing the Christian Student Fellowship. She is majoring in nursing, and is the daughter of Bruce and Susie Tipton.

Melissa Vann
Melissa Vann is representing the MU Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. She is a Pre-Med major and is from Vinita and Emma Vann.

Jessica Ware
Jessica Ware is a sophomore from Sapulpa, representing the Wesley Foundation. She is the daughter of Susan and Lou V Hungary and David and Carolyn Ware.
Cancer Society draws attention to deadly killer
By Danielle Boyd

According to the American Cancer Society, and estimated 182,800 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year, and 41,200 will die from the disease.

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Both women and men develop breast cancer. Family history of cancer and obesity are the two leading risk factors of this disease.

To prevent getting breast cancer, students should give themselves monthly self-exams.

To do this, apply adequate pressure with the pads of the first three fingers either in a circular motion or vertical motion over each breast, paying special attention to the sides and bottom of the breast. Early detection can save lives.

Self-exams should take place the same time each month, and can be done lying down or standing, usually in the shower or in bed.

Between the ages of 20 and 39, women should have a clinical breast examination by a health professional every three years.

The most important sign of breast cancer is an abnormality on a mammogram.

When a breast cancer has grown to the point that it becomes symptomatic, signs may include persistent breast changes, such as a lump, thickening, swelling, dimpling, skin irritation, distortion, retraction, scaliness, pain and tenderness of the nipple or nipple discharge.

Getting a mammogram is the best thing to do if a person thinks they might have breast cancer.

A mammogram shows signs that may indicate breast cancer. It is a low-dose X-ray procedure enabling doctors to see the internal structure of the breast and the existence of many breast cancers that cannot be felt.

Getting a mammogram is the single most effective method of early detection, since it can identify cancer several years before physical symptoms develop.

While the NEO Health Science program isn't doing anything for the students, for more information on breast cancer, you can call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-735-6000 or visit the website at www.cancer.org.
Veteran instructors rewarded
Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence

By Jon Owens
Managing Editor

Two college instructors were recently recognized for their dedication and leadership in both the classroom and the community and were presented the annual Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence.

Mary Susan Whaley, music instructor, and Carol Calagno, health and physical education instructor, were presented their awards by college President Dr. Glenn Mayle during faculty in-service.

NCEA is a wonderful college with lots of outstanding faculty and administration, as well as students. It has been my life. I would like to take the time to thank all the people that have worked with me over the years for their support and help," Whaley said, "One of the reasons I always a

"Over the years, I have worked with the students, the college, and the community, and I want to express my gratitude to all of you," Calagno said.

"It is certainly an honor to be selected for this award. This is my 21st year at NCEA. I feel that NCEA is an outstanding school and a wonderful place to work. The students are always a priority with me. To be recognized by my colleagues and my students in this way is very nice," Whaley said. Faculty will be nominated by their peers and their credentials are sent to a campus selection committee for review. The selection committee is comprised of students and faculty. Those selected for the award are presented with a certificate and a $1,000 check.

"I believe this is an outstanding way to recognize those faculty on this campus that go above and beyond their traditional duties in the classroom," said NCEA President Dr. Glenn Mayle. "These faculty have not only shown that they are excellent classroom instructors, but that they take a vested interest in their school and community."

Higgins enjoys administrative role

By Kristen Bradley
Features Editor

Some jobs are more fun than others, some are more chaotic, and some are extremely stressful, but if you ask new financial aid director Todd Higgins, his job is all three.

Higgins became financial aid director at the start of the fall semester following the resignation of former director Cynthia Hoyt, who joined the administration at Rogers State College in Claremore.

"My job is extremely stressful. Especially during certain time periods within the school year," said Higgins.

Higgins graduated with a bachelor's degree from Missouri Southern State College in Joplin. She is currently pursuing a master's degree from Pittsburg (Kan.) State University.

During the past 13 years, Higgins has been working in various financial aid departments where she has held different levels of positions. Prior to coming to NCEA, she was employed at Pittsburg State University as the assistant director of financial aid.

Some of the job responsibilities that Higgins must meet are to oversee the financial aid department and remain in compliance with all federal regulations. She also directs and maintains grants, loans, scholarships, and work-study programs. Higgins also explains that the application process is necessary to be accepted inside the campus that need to be filled, and filing required reports dealing with education.

"There is a very hard field to love, but it is very gratifying when you are able to help students," Higgins said.

"We are currently implementing changes within our system. We are adding automation to our application and grant processing," said Higgins. The financial aid application process is contained on the college main computer system. The system contains the application for the national pell grant. Within six weeks, we will have a computer program from the federal government that will greatly reduce the paper work involved in applying for any federal grants," Higgins said.

To help relieve some of the stress created by her work, Higgins enjoys sailing and reading.

Downtown Miami features variety of stores and activities

By Jon Owens
Managing Editor

"There is nothing to do in Miami. I can't wait to get back to the big city.

"This is one of the most common quotes among the student body of Miami. What does Miami really have to offer?"

"I know when I was a student at NCEA I said there was nothing to do in this town but all the time the town has as much as anywhere else just maybe not in quantity," said Lee Siler, former Executive Director of the Miami Chamber of Commerce.

"The city of Miami offers a wide variety of things to do. When you walk through downtown the buildings are old historical landmarks. The shops are unique and the people are friendly," Siler said.

"Miami has a lot of the major fast-food restaurants and a few restaurants that would be nice to take a date on such as Montana Mike's, El Chavo, and The Shabbes," Siler said. "Melgares is another awesome place to eat."

"You want to shop well the many stores downtown as well as in the plaza have all the brand name clothing. We have J Herrington, Stage, and Wallmart soon to be a super-center," said Siler.

"If a student want to get away from campus to study we have quiet places to study such as the public library and there are a few coffee shops downtown," Siler said.

"There is coffee at J Herringtons and Mom and pop's store next to the Coleman in a nice store and they even serve beer floats. We have beauty shops and tanning salons all over the town and the beauty college does hair for 4$. The town has parades and lots of opportunity for community service. If a student want to garden we will give them a spot downtown to take care of and the city will water the plants," said Siler.

"I live bands is another thing I know students like to go see. Well R & D is a country dance Club off highway 10 and sometimes has live bands. I love Zach's Trenches is another place that has bands and games on Main street," Siler said.

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Ladies annex conference crown

By J. R. Ross
Sports Editor

Winning the first Big State Athletic Conference championship in the four-year history of the league, the Lady Norse volleyball team defeated Redlands Community College Tuesday night in El Reno.

With the victory coach Rick Karr's Lady Norse are now 5-0 in the conference and 20-1 on the season. The loss dropped the two-time defending Region II champions to 2-3 in the conference and 9-12 overall.

The Lady Norse will host the Region IV Tournament, Nov. 3-4, in the NEO Fieldhouse. The Lady Norse return home today to host Rhome Bible College in a best 3-out-of-5 match beginning at 6 p.m.

Traveling to Independence, Kan., on Saturday, the Lady Norse will compete in the two-day Independent Classic.

Returning home on Monday, the Lady Norse host Tabor, Kan., at 6 p.m., before hosting Westark at 6 p.m. on Wednesday.

After winning the first game against the Lady Panthers 15-4, the Lady Norse earned a 15-8 victory in the second game before completing the sweep with a 15-6 decision in the third game.

“We just continue to get better as a team every time we take the floor. Not only were we motivated and intense, but we set the tone for the match as classy (Carthage) got an ace in the very first serve,” said Karr.

“This was one of those matches where we controlled every aspect of each game. The key for us was that we covered the net when we played Redlands two weeks ago, and they scored most of their points on tip, but we smothered the net this time and didn’t let them have anything easy,” Karr said.

Conners State

Completing a two-year sweep over arch-rival Conners State College, the Lady Norse needed only 33 minutes to defeat the Cowgirls last Tuesday at Self Fieldhouse in Warner.

“Not only was this a very aggressive match from start to finish, but we were playing in front of a hostile crowd,” said Lady Norse head coach Rick Karr.

“It is always a big win to go on the road and beat a team as solid as Conners is.”

The Lady Norse won the opening game 15-5 before posting a 15-6 victory in the second game and a 15-2 set to win the best 3-out-of-5 conference match.

“Two of those sets that we were back-and-forth the first two games. But we were able to hold serve and they were never in the third game at all. Priscilla (Davis) led us with 13 kills while Kristin (Carthage) added 12. We were very aggressive and made a lot of great digs and saves,” Karr said.

“We also got very solid play from mid-bitters A.J. Schenck and Johanna Womack that helped increase our defensive intensity.”

National champions return

Several members of the 1980 Northwest A&M Golden Norse National Championship team will be in attendance during Saturday’s Homecoming football game with Northeast Oklahoma.

Former head coach Glen Wolfe and assistant coaches Bob Mountz, Tim Lowery and Bill Yarron along with approximately 40 members of the team are expected to attend the Tulsa game and participate in pre-game ceremonies.

Under Wolfe’s guidance, the Golden Norse compiled a perfect 11-0 record in their 1980 National Junior College Athletic Association National Championship. The team produced three All-Americans in wide receiver Darvee Guns and defensive tackles Mike Parma and defensive end James Brinkley.

Mike Parma, and his twin brother Doug, both from Commets, have gone on to established careers as professional wrestlers and weightlifters.

Scott Case, a defensive back with the Golden Norse, went on to earn All-American honors at University of Oklahoma and play professional football with the Atlanta Falcons and Dallas Cowboys.

The Golden Norse opened the season with an 18-17 victory over the University of Arkansas junior varsity and close out the season with a 41-10 drubbing on Robertson Field.

The Golden Norse defeated Ranger, Texas, 47-25, before a large partisan crowd.

Travelling to Garden City, Kan., the Golden Norse posted a 45-0 shutout over the Bronchonaires.

Returning home for another Jayhawk conference opponent, the Golden Norse knocked off a 14-7 victory over Pitt, Kan.

Concluding the regular season on the road, the Golden Norse posted a 52-0 win at Chan, Texas, and ranked second in the nation on the end of the regular season, the Golden Norse traveled to Garland, Texas, to face top-ranked Kilgore Junior College in the Texas Junior College Bowl game.

During the first half of the Kilgore Rangers jumped out to a 14-0 lead only to see the Norsemen rally for a 14-14 tie midway through the second quarter. Quarterback Ted Worder connected with wide receiver Dan on a spectacular 53-yard touchdown pass for NEO's first score.

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Worder joined the third quarter with a 14-yard TD pass to the Norseman scored the deciding touchdown on a 41-yard pass.

Kilgore finished the quarter, but the Norse defense stopped both Ranger drives.

The last scoring chance came as Ranger quarterback Victor McGee was sacked for an eight-yard loss by Kelly Goodie as time expired.

McGee had faced an 11-yard pass to Jacke Wilson for an apparent touchdown, but officials ruled the Wilson was out of the back of the end zone when the catch was made.
Norse fly past Cardinals

By J.R. Ross
Sports Editor

Snapping a six-game losing streak to Trinity Valley, the Golden Norse gained a 27-17 victory over the Cardinals last Saturday at Bruce Field in Abilene, Texas.

Coach Dale Patterson's Golden Norse moved into a tie with Trinity Valley, Navarro College and Blinn College for second place in the Southwest Junior College Football Conference. All four teams are 2-1 in the league.

The victory improved NEO's record to 3-2 on the season while the Cardinals are 3-3 in the year. "With our win at Trinity Valley, we're right in the thick of things," said Patterson.

"Against Trinity Valley, I was very, very proud of our offense. After all, Trinity Valley has the best defense in the conference and we went out and took it right to them."

"To go down there and generate more than 300 yards rushing and 360 yards total offense was quite an accomplishment against a defense as good as they were," Patterson said.

One of the keys ingredients for the success of the Golden Norse ground game was the return to the lineup of sophomore tailback Kevin Galbreath (59, 197, Edmond). Galbreath had missed the previous two games with a broken left hand and played in the game with a soft cast covering the injury.

Turning in a career-high 199 yards on 23 carries, Galbreath scored all three NEO touchdowns. Guiding the Norsemen 74 yards in eight plays on their first possession, Galbreath scored on a 4-yard run with 10:02 left in the first quarter. The extra point by Jonathan Kootn gave NEO a 7-0 lead. "That just goes to show you how much we need the experience and ability that Kevin has in our backfield. He really turned in a gritty performance considering his injury," said Patterson.

A 14-yard interception return by Trinity Valley cornerback Stacy Jones thwarted another NEO scoring drive.

Sophomore tailback Chris McCollister demonstrated why he leads the conference in rushing by slashing through the Golden Norse defense for a 71-yard touchdown run. Dewanye Wages added the extra point as the Cardinals battled to a 7-7 tie with 1:33 left in the first quarter.

NEO's offense continued to play ball control during the second quarter as the Golden Norse constructed a 17-7 halftime lead. Kootn upped a 71-yard, 13-play drive with a 22-yard field goal with 8:52 before intermission.

Galbreath broke loose on a 19-yard touchdown run to conclude a 51-yard, five-play drive with 2:31 until halftime.

Wasting little time at the start of the second half, the Golden Norsemen increased the lead to 24-7 as Galbreath burst straight up the middle on a nifty 67-yard touchdown run. Kootn's extra point with 14:36 left in the third quarter widened the lead for the Norsemen.

Trinity Valley responded by covering 63 yards in seven plays before McCollister scored on a 22-yard run. Wages hit the extra point to trim the margin to 24-14 with 11:48 left in the third quarter.

During the fourth quarter both teams traded field goals, with Wages connecting from 28 yards out and Kootn hitting a 27-yarder.

"Jonathan's field goal was huge because we had McCollister in their backfield, anything could have happened. In fact, he broke loose on what appeared to be a touchdown, but freshman linebacker Jayson Jones reached out and made a diving tackle that knocked him down at the 20," Patterson said.

While Galbreath was leading the NEO ground assault, McCollister showed up a season-high 238 yards on 29 carries with two TDs.
**Bulldogs prowl at Robertson Field**

Navarro provides Homecoming fireworks

By J.R. Ross

Points should not be at a premium Saturday as the Golden Norsemen host the Navarro Bulldogs as part of Homecoming activities at 7 p.m. on Robertson Field.

Several festivities mark the special occasion, starting with a parade down Miami’s Main Street at 1:30 p.m.

Following the parade, a “Tailgate Party” will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the north end-zone area. Students will be admitted free with a validated wristband while tickets are $5 per person at the northeast gate.

The menu will be chopped barbecue beef sandwiches, baked beans, potato salad, potato chips, fruit cobbler and cold or hot beverages.

Approximately 30 minutes before kickoff, several members of the 1980 National Championship team will be recognized and the Golden Norse Marching Band, the Norse Stars and Cheerleaders will perform.

Fresh off a 27-17 victory at Trinity Valley last weekend, coach Dale Patterson’s Norsemen return home looking for a four-way tie for second place in the Southwest Junior College Football Conference. The Norse are 2-1 in the league and 3-2 overall.

Veteran coach Chuck Lawrence has guided the Bulldogs to a 2-1 mark in the conference and a 5-1 overall record. Last week, Navarro earned a 44-27 victory at Tyler.

“Navarro is a very strong football team offensively. They lead the league both in scoring and total offense, so this should be a very entertaining football game,” said Patterson.

The Bulldogs have lost six straight to the Golden Norse and trail 10-4 in the series which dates back to 1977. Last year the Norsemen spoiled Navarro’s Homecoming game with a 34-27 win in Corsicana.

Thus far this season the Bulldogs are leading the conference in scoring with 193 total points. The Navarro offense is averaging 348.2 total yards per game.

NEO is right behind the Navarro offense with an average of 333.2 yards per game.

Spearheading the Bulldog offense is sophomore All-American wide receiver Kendrick Starling (6-0, 180). Starling has caught 20 passes for 464 yards and four touchdowns.

Teammate freshman Darcy Sims (6-1, 180) has also made 20 receptions for 317 yards and one TD.

Engineering the Bulldog offense is freshman quarterback Eric Reiketa (6-2, 230) with 54 of 122 passing for 916 yards and 13 touchdowns and eight interceptions.

“Navarro relied heavily on its running game, but this year they are a very balanced football team. They run the ball very effectively which really keeps the defense guessing,” Patterson said.

Sophomore tailback Lee Bell (5-8, 170) leads the Bulldog ground assault with 428 yards on 93 carries and four touchdowns.

“Our primary objective on defense will be to try and recognize what they’re going to do and react to it. Because they use so many different formations, it’s tough to figure out what their tendencies are.”

“We want to improve on the defensive production we had last week against a very tough Trinity Valley defense. With Kevin (Galbreath) back in the lineup and Mike (McConnell) ready to go, we’re as healthy as we’ve been in quite some time,” said Patterson.

Galbreath leads the Norse ground game with 252 yards on 39 carries and three touchdowns, despite missing two games with a broken hand.

Freshman fullback Johnny Bizwell has gained 239 yards on 56 carries with three TDs. Directing the Norse offense is veteran quarterback Matt Dutton with 51 of 119 passing for 567 yards and two touchdowns. Dutton has thrown five interceptions thus far.

**THE GREAT ESCAPE**

Golden Norse tailback Kevin Galbreath tries to elude Navarro linebacker Lakeith Meadows (91) during last year’s game.

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