IN THE NEWS

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL
Tournament starts Thursday

Monday, January 15

Students working on either federal work-study or state pay-roll must turn in cards by 10 a.m. to Data Entry in the Library/Administration building.

Everyone is invited to Hot Topics & Gold Cut at the Christian Student Fellowship located at 106 H Northeast starting at noon.

All students are invited to sit in the college pool located in the north end of the NEO Fieldhouse from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., for free admission.

The Student Body Government will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union Faculty Lounge.

The college pool located in the north end of the NEO Fieldhouse is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., for students to swim free of charge with a valid ID card.

Tuesday, January 16

All students are invited to participate in Noonday activities which start at 12:15 p.m. at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry located at 106 H Street Northeast.

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.

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Wednesday, January 17

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Friday, January 19

Today is the last day to drop a class with a refund in the registrar’s office located in the Czech Library/Administration building.

By Tyler Warden

Say the phrase “social work” and chances are you conjure up images of a profession that probably has nothing to do with the reality of social work.

The profession is self-regulating and its practitioners are licensed or at least have a degree in 50 states.

The professional career ladder begins with a bachelor’s degree, and graduates of accredited programs are ready immediately out of college to take their license exam and begin their professional practice careers.

Social work has evolved over the past 100 years into a formal body of knowledge and practice with a vision and mission of economic and social justice for all.

The vastness of that statement has required social work to become a very broad and diversified profession with the skills and knowledge to improve the overall quality of life for all individuals.

While social work has historically sought to service all persons equally, greater priority has always been placed on the more vulnerable or at-risk individuals. At the same time however, social work seeks to maximize a person’s strengths as well as remedy their difficulties in social functioning, coping, and problem solving.

This means that social workers possess knowledge and skills that allow them “partner” with and assist excluded or marginalized groups who continue to struggle toward full inclusion into society.

It seeks to provide assistance to people or groups of people who have been excluded or otherwise shunned from everyday life for whatever reason.

For example, social workers were very instrumental in the creation of the Child Welfare system, the Juvenile Justice system, the Social Security Act of 1935, the Community Mental Health Centers Act, the women’s and domestic violence movement, and a variety of civil rights initiatives in the 1960’s, to mention a few.

Also, about half of all master’s-level social workers are clinicians in private practice, addressing individual and family issues like addiction, parenting, mental illness, marital problems, and stress-management issues.

These many “faces” of social work do present a complication for many new majors trying to figure out just what it is that social workers really do.

The truth is, they do a lot of different things on many different systems levels.

If you would like more information on the social work courses available at NEO and how to transfer these to a four year college, contact Solon, room 220, Fine Arts, or call her at 540-6304.
Holiday remains important

Dr. King recognized for many contributions

by Jan Owens

The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who knew it takes time for attitudes to change, would not have been surprised that nearly two decades were required to make his birthday a legal holiday. If anything, King, whose magnificent dream always had a pragmatic cast, would have been surprised that it has happened at all.

Even putting aside King’s controversial career and his minority race, the odds against the new holiday were imposing. The arguments opposing it — cost to taxpayers, singling out one over others — have been used for decades to resist creation of any new holiday.

It’s the first new holiday since 1948, when Martin Luther King, Jr., was assassinated. The holiday was created in 1968 to honor those who died in the civil rights movement.

King, the only American besides George Washington to have a national holiday designated for his birthday (those of Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Jefferson, Robert E. Lee and others have been celebrated in some states but not nationally).

Internationally, King is one of the few social leaders of any country to be honored with a holiday. Mahatma Gandhi’s birthday is observed in India. Such status is enjoyed by a member of a country’s racial minority is almost unheard of.

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What is the importance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day?

April Hesse, sophomore

Fairland, Oklahoma

“Dr. King was a pioneer for all activists and should be respected on this day.”

Chris Delmont, freshman

Columbus, Kansas

“It is a good thing to recognize his achievements for Blacks in America.”

Charlotte Nelson, sophomore

Edinburgh, Scotland

“This should be a day of thinking about the freedoms we now have because of Dr. King.”

Nathan Gonzalez, sophomore

Stillwater, Oklahoma

“Monday should be recognized as a day of unity and should symbolize peace.”

Lucianne Jones, sophomore

Wynnewood, Oklahoma

“Monday should be a day to reflect on the civil rights movement.”

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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY...

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LIFESTYLES
European trip reservations due

Danielle Boyd
Features Editor
NEO's Honors program is sponsoring a 16-day European trip from May 7-22, according to Carol F. Smith, honors coordinator. The trip will include tours in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales. An optional one-day excursion is also available to Paris, France. The trip is not limited to honor students. The deadline for registration is Monday, Jan. 22. For more information, contact Smith either in room 303 of Shippley Hall or by calling either her office at 540-6334 or at her home phone which is 540-1740.

Juditks leads Development Foundation
Returns to alma-mater to work with alums

Evie Judkins, a native Miamian who has a long history of involvement with the college, has been named director of the Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College Development Foundation as of Jan. 1. Judkins replaced Brian Harrington who resigned in October to enter private business. Judkins is not stranger to NEO being the fact that she practically grew up on the campus. "My father Ray was hired at NEO in 1969 as a history teacher and assistant football coach under the head coach Chuck Bowman. I soon learned that the people at NEO was an extended family," said Judkins. "I remember that coach Bowman was such a good family oriented man and all his coaches had families also. It was kind of a tradition that when he held activities for the coaches that all of us were involved," Judkins said. "It seemed like everything we did as a family centered around NEO. I think from the time I was in the second grade until I attended college that I never missed an NEO game," Judkins said. "I have so many fond memories of the faculty and employees of the college during that time."

Juditks graduated from Miami High School in 1981 before entering NEO her freshman year. While attending NEO she was a member of the cheerleading squad, Phi Theta Kappa, and was selected as a member of Who's Who.

Upon her graduation from NEO in 1983, she went on to complete her bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma in English education. Judkins began her career in teaching in 1986 in Hugo and has since taught in other school districts including Cali., Putnam City, and Edmond.

In 1997, she returned to Miami to become a human resource director for LARCO Enterprises where she worked for three and a half years. Judkins will be responsible for help raising private funds for scholarships and special college projects. She will also be in charge of alumni relations by making contacts and communicating with former NEO students.

"I think it is important for me to be able to help the future students of this college achieve their goals and dreams of a college education," said Judkins. "I hope that by helping them attend NEO they will someday have the same fond memories of this college."

"I feel for alumni and friends of NEO, communication lines are foremost and need to be opened up to educate and inform people of the opportunities to keep in touch with fellow classmates," Judkins said.

"I look forward to the new and innovative ways the NEO Foundation can help encourage people to give and the ways the Alumni Association can keep in contact with former students such as through the internet and newsletters."
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SPORTS

Streak reaches four games

Returning from a 30-day break for the Christmas holidays, coach Lonnie Spencer's Norsemen resumed action in the BI-STATE Athletic Conference.

Before leaving for Altus on Wednesday for a game with Western Oklahoma, the Golden Norse were 5-8 on the season and 2-2 in the conference.

Fourth-ranked Southwest Missouri State/West Plains comes to Miami Saturday for a 8 p.m. contest.

The Golden Norse will return home Monday for a 8 p.m. showdown with Seminole State College.

After visiting North Arkansas on Thursday, the Norsemen host Northern Oklahoma College, Jan. 30, in a 6 o'clock afternoon game.

Norse 98-Noise 87

Sophomore guard Jarriar Love scored 21 total points and grabbed 13 rebounds to lead the Golden Norsemen to a 98-87 victory over Neosho County, Kan., last Monday in the NEC Fieldhouse.

Along with the 21 points from Love, the Golden Norse received 19 points from Mark Elzear, 17 from Jojo Nolte, 11 from Ricky Bruner and 10 points from George West in his debut.

Nolan McBride led all scorers with 28 total points while Derek Glazer was held to 19 and Mike Cowell added 10 points. Glazer scored 40 points when the Panthers posted a 108-105 win on Nov. 8 in Chanute, Kan.

Norse 94-Colflellyville 84 (OT)

Love scored a career-high 27 total points to carry the Golden Norse to a 90-84 overtime victory over the Colflellyville (Kan.) Red Rivers Dec. 9 in the NEC Fieldhouse.

Along with the 27 points from Love the Norsemen received 19 points from Brandon Queen and 11.

Players earn All-American honors

Four members of the Golden Norse football team earned all-American honors.

Offensive linesman Crockett Ladd and defensive back Nick Gillespie were both selected first team All-American Athletic by the National Junior College Athletic Association team. Ladd received second team All-American honors on the J.C. Gridiron publication All-American team. J.C. Gridiron is the nation's leading weekly publication in the 41st year of weekly publication from Santa Ana, Calif. Defensive end Eric Acree was named to the Grid-Wire Academic All-American team.

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Lady Norse extend winning streak

Squaring off against three members of the Bi-State Athletic Conference, coach B.J. Smith's Lady Norse continue defense of their Region II title.

Prior to a long trip to Altus on Wednesday, the Lady Norse stood 13-1 on the season and a perfect 4-0 in the conference. The Lady Norse are at home Monday to host conference foe Seminole State College at 6 p.m.

After a trip to Harrison, Ark., on Thursday for a 5 p.m. league game with North Arkansas, the Lady Norse return home Saturday for a 2 p.m. game with Northern Oklahoma.

Lady Norse 78-Crowder 60

Completely dominating the offensive boards and using a tenacious defense that limited Crowder Community College to only 18 field goals, the 12th-ranked Lady Norse cruised to a 78-60 victory over the Lady Riders last Monday night in Nesosic, Mo.

Against Crowder the Lady Norse held an overwhelming 31-6 advantage on the offensive boards and a 23-23 overall advantage. The end result was that the Lady Riders managed only 18 of 48 from the field for 38 per cent compared to 34 of 55 for 62 per cent by the Lady Norse.

Raven Lee and Rachel Porter scored 15 points each to lead the Lady Norse in scoring. Charlotte Nelson added 13 points while April Ponds scorched 12 points.

Heather O’Hara paced the Lady Riders with 15 total points while Heather Henson, Jenny Dwyer and Kristi Gilmore scored 11 points each.

Lady Norse 80-Bacone 71

With five players scoring in double figures, the Lady Norse defeated 23rd-ranked Bacone College 80-71, just before Christmas break in the NEO Fieldhouse.

Brandi Bass led the Lady Norse with 16 points, holding Bacone to 14 points below their average. The Lady Norse are 20-1 overall.

Offensive coordinator leaves

Green returns to Joplin

Rob Green, offensive coordinator for the Golden Norsemen football team, has resigned to return to Missouri Southern State College in Joplin.

Green had served as quarterback coach and offensive coordinator the past three seasons with the Norsemen. Last month the Golden Norse made their second appearance in the Red River Bowl during Green’s tenure. NEO defeated a 23-21 loss to Tyler, Texas to finish ranked 12th in the 8-7 overall record. In Green’s first season the Norsemen defeated Coffeyville, Kan., 30-12 in the Red River Bowl while compiling a 4-3 record.

Prior to coming to NEO, Green had served five years as a coach with the Missouri Southern Lions. He returns to the Lions to coach the defensive secondary and serve as defensive coordinator.

“It’s nice to be back at Missouri Southern. There is a great challenge ahead of us to get the program back where it once was, but I’m ready for it, and I’m excited to work with the current staff to make that goal a reality,” said Green.

While at Missouri Southern during his first coaching stint, Green coached the defensive secondary in 1993 and 1994 before moving over to the offense during the 1995 and 1996 seasons. With the replacement of then head coach Tom O’Hara, Green served as head coach and posted a 4-1 record to conclude the 1997 season.

“We certainly hate to lose Rob because he did an excellent job of building an offense around talent we had available,” said Golden Norsemen head coach Dale Peterson.

“But this is a chance for him to go back closer to home and be closer to his family, and he really couldn’t pass it up.”

Cardiologist physical education instructor has been elected as intern chair of the Health Physical Education and Recreation department for the remainder of the year, according to Jim Grendy, dean of the college of Human Environmental Sciences.

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