Welcome back NEO students!

by Shawna Wright, Front Page Editor

School is back in session. The semester of Spring 2004 has begun with students and teachers alike getting back into the swing of things after a three week holiday break.

Some students said what made them ready to come back this semester was spring sports. Others were just bored and ready to come back and see their friends.

There has been talk of the break not being long enough and schedule complaints, but in all, the attitude of the campus is positive. Here are a few comments from people around campus.

Andrea Davis: “I was excited to come back because it’s Nationals season. I’m ready for the cheerleading team to win at Nationals.”

Football player Chase Pistole: “I was ready to come back and hang out with my friends. I have a really tough schedule though.”

Basketball player Terrell Johnson: “I’m excited about the second half of basketball season. We’re having a good season, but I’m not excited about classes.”

Baseball player J.T. King: “I was ready for school to start back because I’m excited about baseball season.”

SBG Adviser and Student Affairs Administrative Assistant Ms. Shirley Patterson: “I was ready to come back to school and I’m looking forward to all the activities for second semester.”

The Norse Wind staff is looking forward to a great new semester and we wish a Happy New Year to all of our readers.
BCM welcomes all

focused on Bible studies,” Waldron said. The BCM has several events throughout the week. Noonday happens every Tuesday at noon during which a local church provides a free lunch and a shared devotional.

There are several Bible Studies offered. A women’s Bible Study is scheduled for Mondays at 9pm. A men’s Bible Study led by Jonas Rabel, a second year nursing student, happens Tuesdays at 7:30pm. Sunday nights at 9 a Bible Study opened to everyone will be beginning soon.

Finally, there is Thursday Night Break on Thursdays at 9. This is a time for more free food and fellowship. They do a variety of things during this meeting including famous questions from Waldron, testimonies, movie nights, and games.

Students can be involved by participating in groups and just coming. There are many opportunities to be more involved coming up. There will be fundraising for summer missions beginning soon, a Basketball Tournament is planned for March and a retreat to Falls Creek is scheduled for April.

The BCM also helps local churches with youth services or with worship services. There is lots to do at the BCM.

POET’S CORNER

The Norse Wind would like to invite all poets to submit their work for publication in our new column just for you.

Tickitytock

by Tiffany Dawn Burch

Tire blows; tempers flare.
Sweat drips in heaps of puddles
Under our feet.
A tick...a tock...a tickitytock...

Stuck-
The spare cemented
Underneath the bulky van!
To free, or not to free,
A question evaporated into the ground
With the water that flows from our limbs
And, of course other extremities.
A tick...a tock...a tickitytock...
Van rattle
From desperation a madman endures,
Something only a Midwesterner could comprehend:
The heat, humidity like everlasting fire -
Or should one say misery?
A tick...a tock...a tickitytock...

Boom! Boom! Boom!
Shake! Shake! Shake!
Boom! Boom! Boom!
Shake! Shake! Shake!

A tick...a tock...a tickitytock...

Freedom shall not be denied to those who persist.

So it is said, anyways.

And, then, can it be?

It is! What a joy!

Yeah! The tire is free.

New library acquisitions

The LRC announced the addition of many new books in the last quarter of 2003. Here is a list of just a few:

**Fiction:**
*Tricky business* - D. Barry
*Lost boy, lost girl* - P. Straub
*The fifth book of peace* - M. Kingston
*The last picture show* - L. McMurtry
*Blowfly* - P. Cornwell
*The virgin blue* - T. Chevalier
*Lonesome dove* - L. McMurtry
*Jolie Blon’s bounce* - J. L. Burke

**Story Collection:**
*Short stories* - M. Proust
*O. Henry award prize stories 2002*
*A tortoise for the Queen of Tonga* - J. Whitty
*A centray of great western stories* - ed. J. Jakes
*The uncollected works of Louisa May Alcott, v.1 short stories* - L. Alcott
*Fantasmas: supernatural stories by Mexican American writers*

Check by the LRC for monthly and seasonal spotlight sections.
Truly tubular teachers receive award

by Trey Sweeten, staff writer

NEO students, while completing assignments, practicing athletics, and studying for exams, are also grading their teachers. Teachers who “make the grade” can be recipients of the Teacher of the Month Award.

Students nominate teachers using forms found across the NEO campus.

Teachers honored in the Fall semester were for September - Mrs. Mary Susan Whaley, NEO Music Director, October - Dr. Michael Bradley of the Natural Sciences Department, and for November - Mrs. Ethyl Hays, Business Instructor.

Each was awarded a free meal in the cafeteria and a certificate.

“It is rewarding to know that we impact students in a positive way,” said Whaley. “It motivates us to continue to work up to our potential as well as create positive experiences for the student.”

One joy that shared by all three teachers was that their students elected them for the Teacher of the Month.

Hays said, “I was absolutely thrilled. The true award is knowing the students appreciate you.”

Some of the comments made in support of Bradley’s nomination were: “Dr. Bradley always goes out of his way to make sure that I understand what is going on in our lab class,” and “Dr. Bradley explains things thoroughly and makes class interesting.”

All three teachers were commended and received great reviews from their students. The Teacher of the Month award is given monthly to a teacher in one of the many departments at NEO. Nominations should be sent to Andrea Batt, Liberal Arts Secretary in Shipley 316.

TEACHER OF THE MONTH
Nomination Form

Date_________________________
Your nominee______________________________
Name a class in which this instructor is particularly effective:
Course_________________________ Days Time Room
Give at least one specific example of this instructor’s a) devotion to duty, b) care for students, c) professional advancement, or d) service to the college or community:__________________________________________________________________________

Your name_________________________ Signature__________________________

Bring this form to SH 316 or leave all of the above information on voice mail at 540-6138 or e-mail to abatt@neoan.edu.
COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Breakfast Briefs

by Trey Sweeten, Community Editor

In a recent classroom discussion the question was asked, "Why doesn't the cafeteria stay open until 10:30 like McDonald's?"

Because they charge full retail prices for the meals. The NEO cafeteria is a non-profit organization that has potentially at least half of the students on campus meal plans. By that reasoning one might ask how it is that they can charge only $3 per meal rather than $4, like other schools.

"Part of the reason is that not everybody with a meal plan comes in to eat for every meal," said Labadie.

He also cited time as a major factor. There is only a limited amount of time to get everything out of the way as well as putting away perishables properly before preparing and bringing the food out for the next meal gathering.

According to Labadie, other colleges in the state are able to keep their cafeterias open for breakfast as late as 10:30.

Museum Moments and Precious Carvings

by Cora Miller, Feature Writer

One of the many angels in the fountain at Precious Moments

On October 9, Student Support Services sponsored a trip to the Precious Moments Gallery and the George Washington Carver Museum in Carthage. The students in attendance were from SSS and were accompanied by Jenny Rice and Bobby Pennington.

The group toured the old house where Carver lived as a youngster.

The group also visited the Precious Moments Chapel. They were greeted by angels everywhere and given the choice of visiting the Princess Di Museum or the Precious Moments Fountain of Lights. Most of the group chose the Fountain of Lights where they witnessed a light show. Many in attendance felt the light show was awe inspiring and thought other NEO students should visit the Precious Moments Chapel as well.
Native American students remain very active on campus

by Cora Miller, Feature Writer

Te Nona Kuhn has sponsored the Native American Student Association, through Student Affairs. NASA also put together the Thanksgiving Basket for a needy family, and participated in Homecoming festivities where they won the Spirit Trophy for the third year in a row.

NASA, for the last two years, also held fund raising Indian Heritage activities. Seneca and Cayuga.

“We try to bring students together to promote Indianliness,” said Kuhn.

“We try to break down that stereotypes barrier that all Indians are dark skinned with long black hair. If you look across the U.S. today you will see that most Native Americans are not predominately dark skinned.”

The organization was involved in many NEO activities this semester, most recently adopting a child for Christmas.

Bowl for Indian Dice Game (photo by M. Orlovetz)

Several social dances were held by different tribes, who wholeheartedly supported the event. Spectators came from all over the state.

“Next year we are going to have an exhibition and explain some of the dances,” said Kuhn.

She also said there are several different types of dances planned for next year, for which Kuhn has already begun organization. She felt this year’s Powwow was a success.

Any student interested in becoming a member of NASA should visit Kuhn in her office at Shipley 324 or attend a meeting, held every other Monday on the third floor of Shipley Hall.
Toby Keith:
Oklahoman of the Year

Oklahoma City-
Oklahoma Today presented the 2003
Oklahoman of the Year award to Toby
Keith Tuesday at Rocky’s Brickton.

When asked about the honor, Keith said,
“This is where I live -

my hometown, my home area, my home
people, so it’s a big
time honor. This
means more to me
than anything I’ll ever
get.”

The feature story
on Keith appears in
the January/February
2004 issue of
Oklahoma Today,
now on newstands.

Keith, a 1979
Moore High School
graduate, former
wrestler, Oklahoma
City Driller football
player, and rodeo
hand was selected for
his talent, longevity,
and all out commit-
m ent to music on his
own terms.

According to
Louisa McCune,
Oklahoma Today edi-
tor in chief, 2003 was
unquestionably
Keith’s year, despite
his November shut-
out at the CMA
Awards. His latest
Country music star, Toby Keith, accepts the
Oklahoman of the Year Award from Governor Brad
Henry (photo provided)
radio hit, “I Love
This Bar,” ranks as
Keith’s seventeenth
number one single,
and on November 16,
his album Unleashed
was named favorite
country music album
at the American
Music Awards.

“Toby is the real
deal,” says McCune.
“He worked his way
up the Nashville
matrix by playing
country fairs and
honky-towns. Now,
he’s the Academy of
Country Music’s
Entertainer of the
Year, and he still lives
right here in
Oklahoma.

Spotlight: Simit Patel,
International Student

by Edna Alsbury

Simit Patel is a
20 year old student
from Gujarat, India.
His nickname is Sam,
and he came to
America five years
ago. He is a junior at
Missouri Southern
State University, but is
taking some classes at
NEO. He plans to get
a masters degree in
Computer Science.

“I want to
work for a large com-
pany and design sys-
tems for them,” said
Patel. “I would really
like to work for the
United States govern-
ment.”

Patel came to
America for a better
education and a better
future. He has parents
and an older sister that
are already in here,
but his younger sister
will come later. They
all want to become
American citizens.

The cities in
Patel’s home country
are about like that of
America, he says, but
there are more job
opportunities in the
United States.

What he likes
best about America is
the people. The familiar-
ity of home is what
he likes best about
India. The hardest
adjustment for him to
make was to learn
English. What he dis-
likes the most in this
country is the snow.

Dr. Deichman
is Patel’s favorite
teacher. His favorite
classes are Psy-
chology, Computers,
and Accounting.
Of his
favorite American
food, he says that he
likes the grilled chich-
ken sandwich from the
Waffle House best.
His favorite native
food is chicken curry,
which is chicken
cooked with onions,
tomatoes, and lots of
spices.

In his spare
time, Patel likes to
work on his car and
watch or play basket-
ball.
Children’s television series in the works for Oklahoma

Will the next Andy Griffith Show or Leave It to Beaver be shot in Oklahoma?

The Oklahoma nonprofit Institute for Character Enrichment (ICE) is planning to do just that with the positive messages of their new character-based television series TerraCuddles.

TerraCuddles are little angels with big messages who inspire positive moral values such as truthfulness, generosity, forgiveness, and a collection of 47 more character enriching values. Each TerraCuddles episode will be an entertaining interaction of live action and TerraCuddles computer generated animation that will focus on the application of one of the moral values promoted by the angels to resolve a dilemma.

"Parents today really have a tough job," says General Jay T. Edwards, Vice Chair of ICE’s Board of Directors. "There are a lot of demands placed on parents professionally and socially, as well as in child rearing. Consequently, having the skills that are devoted primarily to character development are lacking - perhaps they were lacking in their own childhood and their own development. And so a program that is focused entirely on that for young children and also for young parents, I think will be a great boon and will be accepted by parents across the country."

The TerraCuddles project has been in development for four years. Screen testing for the television series was completed in Oklahoma City with two of the show’s live action characters, and several animated character voices were chosen from hundreds of candidates.

"Some people will look at the TerraCuddles programs being produced in Oklahoma and see the economic benefit to the state," says Julie Jenson, President of the Institute for Character Enrichment. "But I’ve devoted so much of my life to parenting and children’s issues, and those are the areas where I see the greatest benefit of this program. Our children need this.

The impact that an effective character-based program can have on our children in Oklahoma, and across our nation, is enormous.”

The TerraCuddles program will be produced in Oklahoma and utilize the acting and production abilities of Oklahomans, combined with some award-winning national talent.

ICE is excited and very pleased that Academy Award nominee Matia Karrell of Los Angeles had signed on for the directing duties. Karrell directed several highly acclaimed and popular series including The Wonder Years, Doogie Howser MD, and Parenthood, as well as writing, producing, and directing several feature length films.

"From the very beginning, I had an immediate interest in directing TerraCuddles," Karrell reports. "Not only is this a truly original idea in children’s programming, but what it offers is an invaluable combination of entertainment with a message."
NEWS

NEO grad receives OSU alumni award

courtesy Broken Arrow Public Schools, by Adam Foreman

NEO graduate, Jill Poole, director of Child Nutrition for Broken Arrow Public Schools, was recently awarded the Oklahoma State University Rising Star Award, an honor given to alumni of the OSU College of Human Environmental Sciences that have been in their careers for 10 years or less and have earned high achievements.

"I was so excited," said Poole. "It is nice to be thought of as someone who is making a difference in their career."

OSU alumni are nominated and then examined by the Human Environmental Sciences alumni board. Poole sees this as an important way to maintain ties to her university, an example she hopes other alumni will follow.

"You never know when they will have a program that can help you become stronger in your own career," said Poole. "Ever since I left college, I have been able to host internships for students in the Hotel and Restaurant Program and Nutritional Sciences. This allows you to be familiar with what is going on in the college and make suggestions to the college on how they can better their programs."

Earlier this year, Poole earned the School Food Service and Nutrition Specialist (SFNS) credential from the American School Food Service Association (ASFSA).

Murder-suicide tragedy strikes grad
courtesy Pat Creech

Elizabeth Graham of Columbus, KS, who graduated from NEO last May with a business degree faced a tragedy in September. Her soon-to-be ex-husband shot and killed her only child (8 years old) and then shot and killed himself.

Graham was an active member of the NEO Business Leaders of Tomorrow. The organization recently did fund raising on her behalf, selling Avon products and Home Interiors candles.

A fund has been established for a Little League scholarship in Graham’s son’s name. Any interested parties are urged to contact members of the business department at extension 6285.

James Bond style car/boat hits market

by Gabe Grissom

The world’s first high speed sports car amphibian, the Aquada, is a sports car/boat that transforms from street car to jet boat with the push of a button in less than six seconds.

The car is capable of 100 mph speeds on land and 30 on water. The high speed amphibian (HSA) was created by Gibbs Technologies and was launched last fall on the Thames River in London.

The Aquada is powered by a 175 horse power V6 proprietary to the jet propulsion which gives it its ability to perform on water. The Aquada is also capable of pulling up to two skiers.

To ensure that the car stays water tight there are no doors. The driver must jump over the side of the car to enter. It is part of the Aquada Bond series, but the company couldn’t say whether that is a veiled reference to James Bond and the sports car/submarine that the super-spy operated in the movie "The Spy Who Loved Me."

"All of the previous amphibious cars were only capable of 6 mph on water and around 50 on land. None were this advanced," said Gibbs, chairman of Gibbs Technology. "It is the first instance of a recreational vehicle, a sports car, and a sports boat."

The advent of the Aquada is the result of seven years’ work by a team of 70 engineers and designers. Over 60 inventions relating to HSA technology have been patented by Gibbs.

There are only 100 of the HSAs being produced and they will be sold for around $375,000 so unfortunately will only be available to the wealthiest James Bond enthusiasts, but if you own your own island it’s a nice toy to add to your helicopter and the yacht.
Stylish, southern, and not so sane

by Cole Dawson, A&E Editor

“It’s about crazy southern women,” said Mark Leonard. “If there is anything I know about, it is crazy southern women. I’m from Mississippi,” said Mark Leonard, who will be directing Beth Henley’s Crimes of the Heart this spring for Theater NEO.

The work is a dark comedy set in Hazzlehurst, Mississippi five years after Hurricane Camille. The play centers around three sisters who have gathered at the news of their dying grandfather, the family patriarch. Drama and comedy surround Lenny, Meg, and Babe, women who have been betrayed by their passions.

“They are all just comically out of their minds,” said Leonard. “It’s about love gone wrong, people getting shot, and people who are married messing around with people who are not married,” he said. “There are not many comedies where people get shot.”

Humanity and humor are juxtaposed as the three siblings attempt to escape their past in order to seize the future and make it their own. Leonard describes the play as having several “soap opera-like sexual situations, but nothing rated R of course.”

Leonard has been working in professional theater for 30 years, and believes “there is no reason why we can’t have a professional caliber play with the resources we have here at NEO.”

“It’s funny, popular, and works well with college audiences,” Leonard said. “This is my first year here at NEO, and I had to pick a play before I got here. It’s a safe play. It has several good female roles and I did know that we had a lot of good actresses in the program.”

Auditions will be held on Tuesday, January 27th between 4pm and 6pm. The auditions will be open call, and all are invited to come and try out. Student do not need to have any previous theater experience. However, some knowledge of the play would be preferred.

“I’m aware of the talent we have in our department, and I’m aware of the talent across campus,” Leonard said.

Students can pick up a copy of the play in Leonard’s office in the Fine Arts building room 219, or call him at 540-6336. He also points out that although Henley’s Crimes of the Heart is a southern-style comedy, southern accents are not a necessity for the auditions.

On Tuesday for the auditions, students will meet in the Green Room because the theater will be closed to all except theater faculty and staff.

“I have my eye on the character, Barnett,” said freshman theater major, Wayne Newburn. “I look forward to bringing life to the character and adding my own persona and spin to the lawyer.”

“I’m auditioning for this play because I love theater,” said sophomore Becky Freader.

“This audition will be a new experience for me due to the fact that it is being held so early in the semester,” she said.

Leonard’s advice for aspiring thespians?

“Become a theater major.”

However, there are classes available for non theatre majors to learn acting as well.

“Also, talk to Barbara George, our new Chair of the Department,” said Leonard. “She has lots of years of experience. She won’t tell me how many, but she has lots.”

**AUDITIONS**

*Crimes of the Heart*

**Tuesday - Jan. 27**

4pm - 6 pm

Green Room

Fine Arts Building
NORSE TALK

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I would like to respond to Michelle Orlovetz and the piece she did titled, "Learning Styles, the Old, the New, the Insulting" (Norsewind, November 14, 2003).

We are not trying to hold your hands; we are trying to help you to hold your own. Everything we do out of the Title III offices is designed to take what we as a college and you as student already do well and make it even more effective. We do not seek solutions in the warm fuzzy or the touchy-feely. Rather, we look for concrete, empirical research-based, tried and proven strategies that help with student success and retention. Learning styles testing and evaluating is one such tool - not the only one in our bag, but a good one.

Our old pal Socrates said, "Know Thyself" (he may have read that on the Sun god Apollo's Oracle of Delphi temple in ancient Greece, but it is good advice, never-the-less). Just as no two fingerprints are alike (speaking of touchy-feely) no two brains are exactly alike either. A learning styles inventory is a diagnostic instrument. You can take the results of your learning styles inventory to the learning lab upstairs in the LRC and ask Janie to pull up the prescription disk. You can get a printout that includes a customized interpretation and personalized study recommendations, based on your learning styles and preferences.

Knowing your learning styles and preferences, you can design your best learning environment. This is a tool primarily for the student. Far from an attempt to hold your hand, providing you with results of the learning style inventory is an attempt to help you identify your own best study times and techniques, realizing that most of the learning you do will take place while you are alone or with a small group of peers, those times when we (faculty and staff) cannot be there to hold your hand - even if we want to. We want your study/learning time to be as productive as possible. That is not babying you; that is respecting you. Our goal is to empower, never to insult.

It's about you and your academic success. It's about helping fewer students end up holding their own hands, palm to palm, praying for a late semester miracle.

-Tom Hale

Dear Norsewind,

I recently read a copy of you (sic) November 14 issue. In your (sic)Vote! '04 article on page 5, it states General Wesley Clark, retired Four Star General From Little Rock, AK.

Well I guess I hadn't heard about the change in state abbreviations, or that there is a Little Rock, Alaska. AK is the state abbreviation for Alaska, NOT Arkansas. AR is the state abbreviation for Arkansas. You'd think a college student would know this. I'm sure General Clark would find that offensive. Please check the future issues for errors, because I found over ten spelling errors (sic) in this issue alone. This school newspaper sure could use some

Question of the Week: What is McDonald’s Grimeace?

"A chicken nugget."
-Wonnie Green

"No Clue."
-Ester Flores

"A blob of jelly."
-Parris Celestine

"No clue."
-Russchelle Lord

"A Chicken Nugget that was out too long."
-Ryan Reynolds
Letters to the Editor continued...

work.

- An NEO student from AR (Arkansas) Sean Patton

Letter to the Editor:
Re: The Old, the New, the Insulting.

After reading Ms. Orlovetz’s article in the November 14 Point/Counterpoint column, I still wonder what could be insulting about Learning Styles. Orlovetz calls Learning Styles “nothing more than a bunch of hand-holding.” I fail to see her point, and she fails to support or explain it.

She applauds herself for having learnt to “go to the bathroom by myself (sic) and to cross the road without assistance.” I’m curious which faculty member has offered her bathroom assistance. I was completely unaware that NEO offered that service. I am pleased to know that this school’s faculty and staff do so much for their students, but I am disappointed that no one has taught this poor girl how to read and write properly, or even how to operate her word processor’s spell check feature.

I like the idea that “this is a collage not a daycare.” I always thought of it as a college, but collages are more fun. We used to make collages in daycare. What’s her point? I don’t know. She says the faculty “want more students to enroll,” but really their goal is to help current students graduate. The Title III office is spearheading the Learning Styles project to promote academic success at NEO. Clearly, Ms. Orlovetz has missed the point, and missed the boat.

She did make one good point: As a college student, “you need less handholding to prepare you for reality.” Students do, however, often need some help finding better studying strategies, and that is the essence of the Learning Styles project, not handholding. Our faculty and staff bend over backwards to ensure student success, and I for one applaud them for it. Perhaps Ms. Orlovetz should take her cute remarks and spurious attitude to a Vo-Tech, where she can study welding and cuss the school in broken English till the cows come home.

The school’s attention to Learning Styles is not insulting. Bad attitude, poor English and irresponsible journalism are what I find insulting.

Darren W. Mize
Sophomore NEO Student

Dear Staff Writer,

I totally agree with your story on drug tolerance. I see zero tolerance as a total waste of effort and money. People are going to do drugs regardless of what others say and do as a way to rebel. It is indeed an invasion of privacy because if people want to do drugs, then that is their business. Why waste money on enforcing this?

Sincerely,

Jon-Nathan Stewart, Pampa, TX high school student

Dear Editor,

I have been quiet for a long time now. I have decided to write this letter after a lot of nonsense going on in one of our local school districts. I have always tried to support our local children in their various activities. Last fall along with other mothers and grandmothers in the area I bought various fundraisers items from the little cheerleaders. They are the peewee midget girls ranging from the second to the fifth grades. The girl that I ordered from is still trying to get her products from the fundraiser. I even tried to contact the woman, she is apparently avoiding all calls. I feel that not only is this bad business, but also makes the little girls look bad. I have recently found that these girls are expected to raise a total of two hundred dollars each if they want to cheer. Some parents still have not received pictures from last fall. We send our children to school and you would think that they would learn something from the adults. I hope so. I hope that each of these girls do not learn to steal or commit fraud, embezzlement, or other bad business practices. The girls work hard enough without being expected to receive a bad name for someone else’s bad business. I am all for fundraisers but how far are these kids expected to go. After all it is supposed to be fun. If the girls make an effort to sell the items themselves we should praise them for trying. We should not sell it for them and then watch their disappointment when it is not good enough... One little girl can not cheer next season because her fundraiser money was not turned in. Although her mother has a receipt for the money, she still can’t cheer because the adult denies writing the receipt.

We also have in our midst what may be a sexual predator. That seems to be ok with the school that he works for. Although he is an exemplary teacher. What other lessons is he teaching our kids? I am handicapped but have but have applied at three local school districts. I have no money but I know I would never hurt a child or tell one wrong intentionally. This does not seem to be good enough credentials for getting a job. I know that I am not being hired because of my handicap or possible non criminal activity. I know for certain that this letter will end jobs hunting for me in Ottawa County.

Cora Miller
Quapaw, Oklahoma.
A fellow bought a new Corvette and was out on the interstate for a nice evening drive. The top was down, the breeze was blowing through what was left of his hair, and he decided to open her up.

When the needle jumped up to 80 mph he suddenly saw a flashing red and blue light behind him.

“There ain’t no way they can catch a Corvette,” he thought to himself, then opened her up further. The needle hit 90, 100, 130, and finally 150 with the light still behind him.

“What the heck am I doing?” he thought, and pulled over.

The cop came up to him, took his license without a word and examined the car.

“I’ve had a tough shift and this is my last pull over,” said the cop. “I don’t feel like more paperwork so if you can come up with an excuse for your wreckless driving that I haven’t heard before, I’ll let you go.”

“Last week my wife ran off with a cop,” the man explained, “and I was afraid you were trying to give her back.”

“Off you go,” said the officer.
Norsemen drop heartbreaker 75-74

by Mike Lavigne, Sports Writer

The NEO Golden Norsemen were defeated 75-74 Thursday night by the hands of the Redlands Cougars in a game that can only be described as exciting. The Norsemen came out with an impenetrable defense and held a six point lead three minutes into the first half. After a Redlands timeout, the Cougars regrouped and started a 12-2 run on the Norsemen. NEO did the same and both teams fought even until midway through the second half. After a 9-0 run the game eventually ended up at 64 points a piece. With the score tied at 71 all, freshman Fred Peete of the Norsemen was fouled in the process of shooting and sent to the line where he went one and one. Following a time-out and another basket by the Cougars, Peete again drew the foul, but was standing behind the three-point arc. Peete made his first two attempts then was delayed for his third shot by freezing attempts on behalf of Redlands’ Coach Steve Eck. Peete failed to put the third shot in and after a series of time-outs and missed free throws by the Cougars, the Norsemen had a chance to win with one shot which sadly did not make it. The Norsemen now go to 13-4 after Thursday night’s loss. The Norsemen play at home again on the night of the 22nd at 7:00 pm against the Rose State Raiders.

Open Swim Hours
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