

# The Norseman Scroll

## The Northeast High School Paper

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### Homecoming in Viking Land

It was that time of year again. A time filled with the fresh aroma of popcorn and the yelling of the fans on the bleachers. What's that time of year? Homecoming... the Northeast Vikings against the Western Heights Jets. The theme for Homecoming this year was "Vikings ever onward and upward." Each class submitted a float built from the theme idea.

But what is homecoming without a queen? Tradition was changed this year from the past as the NEHS Homecoming Queen was crowned during the half of the football game. Although a lot of time and effort had to go into preparing for Homecoming 1988.

M.C. tryouts was on the top of the list of many things that had to be done. There was a tremendous turnout this year. Twenty students came out to participate in the auditions. Only three actually made it so the odds were quite stiff. The students took a deep breath, and prepared themselves for the judges that would test them on how well they spoke, their ability to present themselves, and voice quality. Winners were Nancy Billy, Senior, Matt Downing, Junior, and Ha Do, Senior. The judges were Mrs. M. Jones, English, Mrs. G. Smith, English, and Mrs. A. Sims, Spanish.

Homecoming election were another bout that was taken care of. With the help of StudCo members Shonna Watson and Alma Paraza for the Freshmen, Melanie Lusk for the Sophomores, Corey Woodley and Shawn Garza for

the Juniors, and Shannon Smith for the Seniors. The nominees were narrowed down to two girls from each class.

October 14th finally arrived and Viking fans, parents and students, showed their spirit by coming to the game with their support for the NEHS football team as well as their class.

The football team played excellent! The Vikings went out with a great attitude and in the 1st quarter the Vikings scored against the Jets. That put the Vikings ahead of Western Heights. The Jets caught on putting the Vikings to a test and scored a touchdown with a tie game going into the half-time. Homecoming festivities began.

The band performed a terrific field show. After the band; the candidates for Homecoming Queen and Miss Viking were introduced. Riding in four beautiful Corvettes were Freshmen nominees--Tamara Fields and Keisha Stephens, Sophomore nominees--Melanie Lusk and Lynn Williams, Junior nominees--Makia Bird and Yolanda Winston, and finally the Senior nominees--Tamara Hopkins and Lisa Jackson. These lovely ladies were escorted on to the field by Albert Brown(Freshman), Syii Tucker(Sophomore), Derrick Alexander(Junior), and Prentiss Jones(Senior).

The candidates for Miss Viking Kim Cooper and Aretha Mobley were given flowers by former Miss Vikings, Felicia Wyatt and Angie Smith.

The Miss Homecoming winners were as follows:

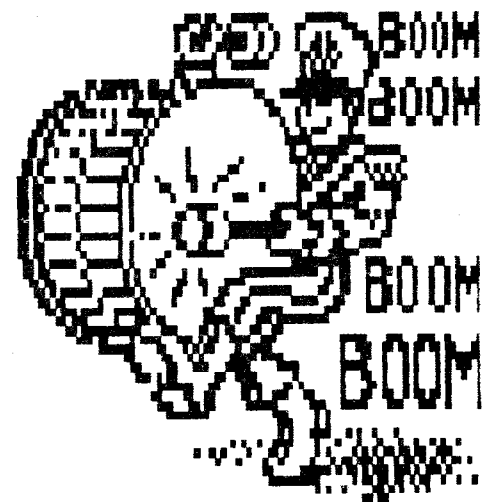
Freshmen: Keisha Stevens  
Sophomores: Melanie Lusk  
Juniors: Yolanda Winston

Seniors: Lisa Jackson  
Miss Viking 1988 was Ms. Kim Cooper.

Last on the Half-time agenda was the parade of class floats. This year's homecoming floats were spectacular. Each float was a creative display of what the theme "Vikings ever upward and onward" meant to that class. The 88-89 winner of the float competition was, of course, the Mighty Seniors with a total of 173 points. Following were the Sophomores with 142 points, and the Freshmen, knocking out the Juniors who received 92 points, with 103 points. Come on Juniors--get some spirit!

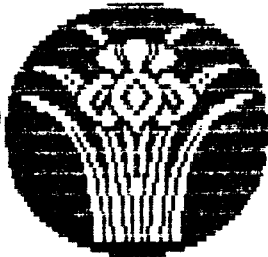
With half-time over the Vikings and Jets went out and played their hardest. The Vikings came on strong and put themselves in the lead. This time the Jets didn't catch up. They just couldn't beat the Mighty Vikings!

Staff



### *Haralson to Visit Art Department*

Northeast High School welcomed an artist in residence. Her name is Dianne S. Haralson and she helped with classes in Mr. Riley's room. Dianne is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and Northeastern with a B.A. with an area of specialization in painting and printmaking. Chosen outstanding graduate in the arts and recognized at the Tennessee homecoming, she lists public collections and exhibits work in galleries and festivals in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Illinois. She worked with the students on printing. A student would draw any picture they wanted either on a plastic tile or a bronze plate, then they would scratch in the drawing with a knife or razor. When that process was completed she would run it through the printer and make a copy of the drawing. It was quite impressive.



Dianne specializes in art tailored not only for Art majors, but for science and math majors as well. She introduces students to the history of printmaking from 100 A.D. China to the present, using workshops and studio work.

She offers in depth instruction in relief processes including woodcut, linoleum cut, and both black and white color etching. Her apprenticeship with Bebb Studios in Muskogee, OK well prepared her to introduce students to the difficult techniques of relief and intaglio processes.

C.L.

### *Patrick Riley Goes For More Honors*

Mr. Patrick Riley participated in the invitational "Day of The Dead" art exhibition. The contest took place at the Arts Place II in Oklahoma City. The

Arts Place II is a section of the Oklahoma City Arts Center. The exhibition was held on October 17th and 18th. Mr. Riley entered his mask-masterpiece "Yama". "Yama" in history means "God of death, taker of the souls."

He had worked on his artistic achievement for a month. When I studied Mr. Riley's masterpiece I could tell that he really put his heart and soul into "Yama." The quality craftsmanship, detail, and materials used for the mask are truly artistic and remarkable.

N.C.

### *Consortium Plans for the 21st Century*

The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) is involved in transforming schools into appropriate places of learning and teaching in the 21st century.

ASCD's task force, the High School Future's Planning Consortium, is made up of schools throughout the nation. Their education analysts have only recently started to think about what could be done to "reconstruct" school to better serve the needs of a fast changing society. Supporters of the restructuring movement agree that changing strongly established practices in schools will happen only when teams at the school form an alliance to focus on specific problems and plan solutions.

The Consortium share a common commitment to the faculty and others to develop long-range improvement strategies. Bert Blace, a Grand Rapids, Michigan principal, explained, "We've created an environment that says 'what you're doing is good, but you can do better.'"

The consortium members are planning a five-year plan to better prepare schools to change in society. Teams from the schools have been trained in strategic planning, which is a system for analyzing societal trends and issues and thinking of their consequences for schools.

When the teams meet next, they will share with their fellow teams detailed changes in curriculum, teaching, technology, and school organization.

### *Taking a Peep Inside the Yearbook*

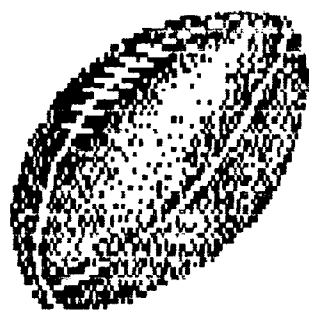
The Yearbook organization is one of the most appreciated clubs in Northeast High School. With events starting early in the year, the club must be on it's toes to catch all the excitement that goes on throughout the year. The group began with a rap session. The conversation concerned the voting for officers, class pictures, and events and happenings that will befall the 1988-89 school year. Two such events have already occurred.

In preparation for the Northeast High 1989 yearbook, the yearbook staff attended the Annual Central State University Yearbook Conference in the Student Hall at CSU last September. Groups exchanged materials and ideas on yearbook copy (writing), art, and layouts. Ms. Johnson, sponsor of the yearbook class, T. Patten, D. Davis, J. Oberhaus, M. Coby, C. Craig, S. Ho, T. Jones, D. Patterson, K. Pittman, and A. Bolton attended the conference.

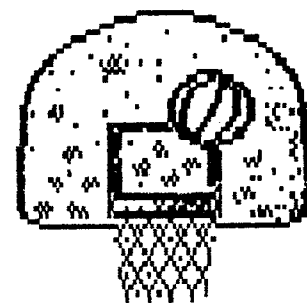
The Northeast High School Yearbook Club also sponsored Picture Day. Students who wanted their photograph to be in the yearbook took pictured that day or on Picture Retake Day which was later in the month. The yearbook club helped Hansen's House of Photography keep the event organized. Ms. Johnson lectured her new class on layouts, art, and copy (writing).

The yearbook class appears to be hard working and interested in their obligations and duties in creating the best yearbook ever. With the organization working together as hard as they are, we are bound to obtain a very impressive yearbook.

Staff



# JOCK TALK



## THE NORSEMAN SCROLL SPORTS

### *Viking Football Still A Hit*

Although our Mighty Viking Players got off to a slow start, the season has gradually progressed in a positive manner. With a roster of starters like: #23-Prentiss Jones, #15-Doug Weaver, #12-Weldon Sharp, #73-Matthew Strotter, #88-Derrick Alexander, #1 Jamar Covington, #61-Joel Pendarris, #25-Bryan Thompson, #60 Andre Coleman, #7-Sootly Vong, #50-Tyrone Wilson, #28-Antoine Taylor, #55-Mark Mohr, #66-Lawrence Hill, #33-Willie Sellars, #40-Steve Clark, #5-Cyrone Ballrd, #63-Damon Harris, #37-Evel Thompson, #43-Oliver Palms, #81-Syee Tucker, #11-Steve Vrooman, #32-Mike Williams, and #74 Albert Brown. The season opener for the Vikes was the Douglass Trojans. The game was upsetting to all the Vikings who came to see a close 12-8 loss. The following week at Taft Stadium the Vikings played the John Marshall Bears. Even though the Vikes lose, the fans on the sidelines had winning spirit. The Vikings were winless until their homecoming when they defeated Western Heights in a packed stadium full of



Viking Spirit. This game was followed by another big win over Noble, and a depressing loss to the Bobcats.

C.L.

### *Runners Up!*

The Cross-Country team has participated in eight cross country meets.

Out of these eight meets Earl Jackson has medaled in seven. Brendan Fairbanks has medaled in six and Alan Kerkpatrick and Sababu Meeks have each medaled.

With 5th place finishes in all the meets they attended, the Viking track team also captured 2nd place in All City. Our runners qualified for State at regionals in Midwest City.

They will travel to Tulsa for State this weekend.

The cross-country team runs from four to eight miles per day to prepare themselves for their competition. The team includes: Seniors: Alan Kirkpatrick, and Jon Reinky. Juniors: Chad Seljeseth, Jason D'Alatri, and Phillip Rodebush.

Sophomores: Earl Jackson, Brendan Fairbanks, Sababu Meeks, George Thomas, and Rodney Thompson.

Runners we wish you luck!



K.M.

### *Softball*

The softball season has come to an end. The girls can hardly wait until next year as we are only graduating Feye Meeks-first base, Chanda Bradford-second base, and Marcina Degrate-outfield. With the help of these Seniors we had a successful season.

Juniors are Tonya Luper-outfield, Kerri Mauldin-shortstop, Amy Cole-pitcher and outfield, Veneitra Colston-outfield and pitcher, Lisa Dennis-catcher and third base, Tyrea Taylor-outfield, Sussie Harris-catcher, and Felicia Jefferson-outfield and third base.

Sophomores are Claudia Haley-outfield, and Hope Russell-outfield.

With an exciting year with home runs by Feye Meeks, Amy Cole, and Veneitra Colston.

K.M.



## *Enrollments and Transfers Lead to Confusion*

Each entire year there are concerns expressed about declining enrollments and transfers from schools within our state. Students are trying to illegally attend schools out of the district they are



within. This causes a problem of "Over Crowded Classes."

Do you know that this one problem leads to untaught students? There are so many students in one class that the teachers cannot identify the students that need serious help. The staff is trying to cut the classes down by finding these people that are not in the district of the school they are attending. We need your help. Please convey to your staff, parents, or Dr. Lessie LeSure, Coordinator of Student Transfers, and Student Records 272-5599. Many students have been removed from schools into school they are assigned to. This procedure will help our students learn and generate advanced education.

Thank you for your support. Let's make it better for our students!

C.G.

## *Mental Brainpower Amazing Honor Society*

Honor Society is an organization for any individual who has an overall grade point average, after the last three semesters, of 3.5 or above. All eligible sophomores will be notified second semester. Dues this year are \$5.00 and must be in by second semester.

President Ha Do and Vice-president Alan Kirkpatrick held re-elections recently for the 1988-89 officers. Activities Honor Society participate in include the annual H.S. Banquet in the spring, volunteer projects like making Turkey baskets for the poor at... Guess when... Thanksgiving, and most

important of them all, the annual Honor Society v.s. French Club football game.

The 1988-89 officers are:

President: H. Do

Vice-president: A. Kirkpatrick  
W. Koons

Historian: D. Keeler

Treasurer: E. Bruno

Secretary: B. Tran

W.K.

## *French Clubbers Fill Up*

The infamous French Club has started up again, with a bigger bang than ever. The year started out perfectly with the traditional Ice Cream Social.

The event took place at D. Shepherd's house on September 14th. Before anyone could have the sundae-making essentials, they had to work up an appetite. Everyone went outside, where most played the orange passing and sack game.

The group went inside the house where they got what they came for, ice cream-with bananas, chocolate, whipped cream, and a cherry. After eating, the members looked at a photo album containing photos of previous French Club events, while others talked with their friends, and helped clean up.

The evening wound down when everyone made plans for upcoming French Club happenings. It was decided that French Club would participate in the Halloween carnival, as well as hold their own Halloween party with Latin Club or DECA. The officers were nominated and, after allowing time for people to pay their \$2.00 dues, the results came in. President-D. Shepherd, Vice President-A. Kirkpatrick, Treasurer-U. Ear, Secretary-W. Koons, and historian-J. England.

Those who joined in the fun were the officers along with S. Garza, S. Hau, B. Tran, B.



Deppe, T. Bone, S. Thompson, M. Lusk, S. Lusk, P.B. ThengThongnak, P.T. ThengThongnak, H. Nguyen, M. Tran, J. D'latri, K. Mayfield, S. Zoubi, T. Weaver, J. Gouldy, H. Pham, T. Pham, N. Nguyen, N. Wyatt, R. Wyatt, N. Quach, D. England, C. Lookabough, J. Reinke, D. Keeler, R. Williams, H. Do, M. Ahn, K. Ha, K. Le, D. Lounds, K. Lounds, P. Rodebush, L. Nguyen, M. Phillips, P. Barmaba, P.J. Siharath.

We thank the Shepherds for their generosity and kindness.

A.C.

## *Don't Fall Short On Credits Graduation Requirements*

Each given credit for course work has to meet local and/or state requirements for graduation. The following areas are subject to these restrictions:

1. Competitive athletics only as a physical education requirement.
2. Cheerleading, Drill Team, and/or Pom-Pon Training only if taught as part of a physical education or music program.
3. Yearbook or newspaper only if taught as a journalism course or if taught as a course of study rather than an activity.

A maximum of 2 units from the above areas may be submitted to meet the 20 required for graduation from high school; provided the courses are scheduled in the same manner as courses for which the school is accredited and taught by teachers who are qualified.

No local and/or state credit toward graduation shall be received for services as office, library, or classroom aides.

A.C.



## Mat Testing

The MAT test is an aptitude test that is given to the Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors is to see how they are academically doing in school. The Oklahoma City Public Schools has been giving the MAT tests for a couple of years. Before that, the CAT tests (California Achievement Tests) were given. The CAT test determines the students' knowledge on the subjects of English, Reading, and Mathematics. The MAT test offers the same subjects but also offers Science and Social Studies. Northeast High School gave the MAT test only to the Sophomores on September 7th, 8th, and 9th. The remaining part of the student body will not take the MAT test until sometime in the Spring of next year. The MAT tests are given to the Sophomores twice a year to see if the students are actually improving their knowledge over the school year. This testing procedure is mandated by the state.

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test is another test that many highschool Sophomores and Juniors take each year. Many colleges look at the PSAT scores when they are considering a college applicant. If your scores are high enough to qualify as a semi-finalist or finalist you could be eligible for many scholarships to both in state and out-of-state colleges and universities.

The first deadline was in July--the second in September. The cost was \$5.25. Students at Northeast took the test last October 18. If you have any questions you may telephone Diane Bailey at 1-609-734-1281.

C.L. & C.C.

## Super Scholars Praised and Honored

An exciting kickoff to the Oklahoma City Public School

Super Scholar's program was held on September 26 at the Oklahoma City Civic Center. Certificates were given to all of OKC's finest students from 5th to 12th grade.

The main goal of the program is to recognize the potential of academic success in the young people of today's generation and to hopefully motivate younger students to try and become academically successful; for example, by making good grades or receiving an award in any subject.

After a talk from guest speaker Frosty Troy. The main purpose of the assembly was to help inform parents and students about courses, academic competitions, seminars, field trips and available academic materials. (Stressed was the importance of parents involvement of their child's long-term educational process.)

W.K.



College Leadership  
Opportunities

CONTACT: Catherine Bishop

NORMAN -- Some 500 seniors who are leaders in Oklahoma, Texas and Kansas high schools will explore leadership opportunities at the University of Oklahoma Saturday, Nov. 12.

Based on their involvement in leadership activities, students were nominated by their high school counselors, members or alumni of the OU President's Leadership Class or members of the University's Minority Intern Program to participate in OU's 1988 Leadership Event. "The day's activities are

designed to introduce high school seniors to leadership opportunities at the college level," said Leslie Baumert, associate director of OU's Office of High School and College Relations, which sponsors the event in conjunction with PLC Alumni Recruitment Committee.

The OU President's Leadership Class was begun in 1960 to give freshman student an opportunity to learn additional leadership skills and to meet with campus, state and national leaders through special monthly programs.

Invited seniors will have an opportunity to meet with OY student leaders, faculty and administrators, and to visit with high school student leaders from other communities.

The event will begin with registration at 8:15 A.M. in the lobby of Dale Hall.

Students may attend any four of eight special interest sessions, which will focus on the OU Student Association, residence halls, fraternities and sororities, campus activities, honorary organizations, minority student organizations and minority interns, ROTC and the President's Leadership Class.

Following the morning's activities, participants will attend a luncheon in the ballroom of Oklahoma Memorial Union. The luncheon will feature a talk by former Sooner quarterback J.C. Watts, president of J.C. Watts Associates. Entertainment will be provided by the OU School of Music.

Staff

## Christmas Dance

Saturday, December 17  
Semi-formal  
CSU Ballroom  
9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.  
Bids \$10.00 COUPLE  
\$6.00 SINGLE

Bids on sale November 21-December 9th  
Late bids on sale December 12-16th  
\$2.00 EXTRA PER DAY  
Purchase from Mrs. Crawford in the small gym.

## Senior Scholarships

The Century III Leaders Program is offering a \$10,000 scholarship award to one national champion. Other scholarships, given in each state, include(per state):

\$1,500 award to each of two students

\$500 to each of two alternates

\$100 to each of six runner-ups

The two \$1,500 winners also receive an all-expense paid trip to The Century III national conference in Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia, in March.

Every high school senior is eligible and can obtain application forms from the principal's office or your counselor.

The entrants must complete the form and return it to their counselor by October 21, 1988.

The exam will be over current events which happened between January and June of 1988, both national and worldwide. School winners will be announced in late October.

School winners are to submit a two-page "Projection for Innovative Leadership", in which they will identify and propose a solution to a problem facing America. State winners and alternates will be notified in January.

The scholarship program is funded by the Shell Oil Company Foundation and is administered by the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

A.C.

## Senior Class Goes To The Races

Recently the Mighty Viking Seniors made a grand appearance at Remington Park race track. The students drove or rode the big yellow bus and gathered at the grandstand entrance mid-afternoon.

The graduating class of 1989 first posed around the winners circle- and appropriate spot. Here several pictures were taken.



With the help of Mr. Turner, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Pagolis, Vikings formed the traditional "89" yearbook. After cleaning the dirt from their shoes most were ready for a hearty- not to mention and extra long lunch.

A special thanks goes to Sharron Jackson and family for making the arrangements for the picture at Remington Park and the Staff of Remington Park.

W.K.

## Students at N.E. Get New I.D.'s

On October 3rd and 4th, Northeast High School had it's annual selling of I.D. pictures which was sponsored by the mighty Junior Class. The money from the I.D. pictures will be used for the Junior-Senior prom in May of 1989. Mr. Riley, who is the sponsor of the Junior Class, kept track of how much money was made along with Mr. Peter Turner. The I.D. pictures were \$1.75 each and they were extremely successful in raising money for the prom. There were many students who bought two or three but most bought only one. From the I.D. picture sales, the Junior Class made a profit of around \$900.00. During an interview with Mr. Riley, he said he wanted to thank the students, teachers, and administrators for making the I.D. picture sale a success.

C.L.



## Votes Vary Among Vikings

On November 8, millions of Americans will cast their vote for President and Vice-President. Most students aren't old enough to vote, although a survey was run to find out who you would cast a vote for.

The Freshmen class chose Bush with 60%, Dukakis had 30%, and 10% were undecided.

The Sophomores were 70% undecided, while 20% wanted

Dukakis and 10% were for Bush.

The Juniors and Seniors both voted 60% for Dukakis, 20% for Bush, and 20% undecided.

Most who were for Bush said they liked him because he was for a strong defense, others thought he had more experience. Those in favor for Dukakis said they liked his liberal attitude, but others were just tired of a Republican government. Many of the undecided group didn't like Bush's defense plan or Dukakis' pro-abortion platform. Some even said that the candidates would do nothing for them.

A.C.

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