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On this 30th anniversary of Kansas' largest celebration, we pay special tribute to the past, present and future of Neewollah. A heart-felt thank you to all who shared their talents in the past, those who are contributing their time and energies to make 1988 a success and those who are committed to continuing the Neewollah tradition into the 21st century.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and each of the committees, thank you to all the people of Southeast Kansas who continue to faithfully support Neewollah. May the 1988 Neewollah be the best yet!!

Virginia Kelly  
Generalissimo

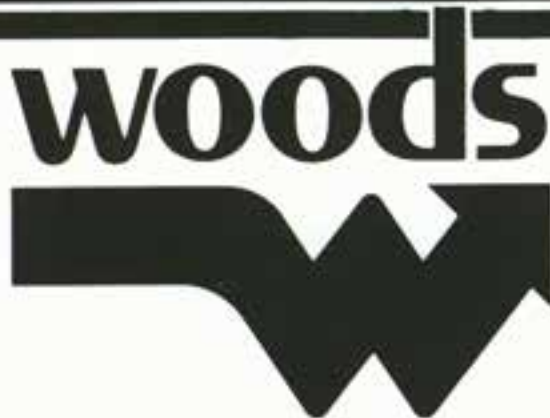
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ALAN JAY LERNER

*Music by*  
FREDERICK LOEWE

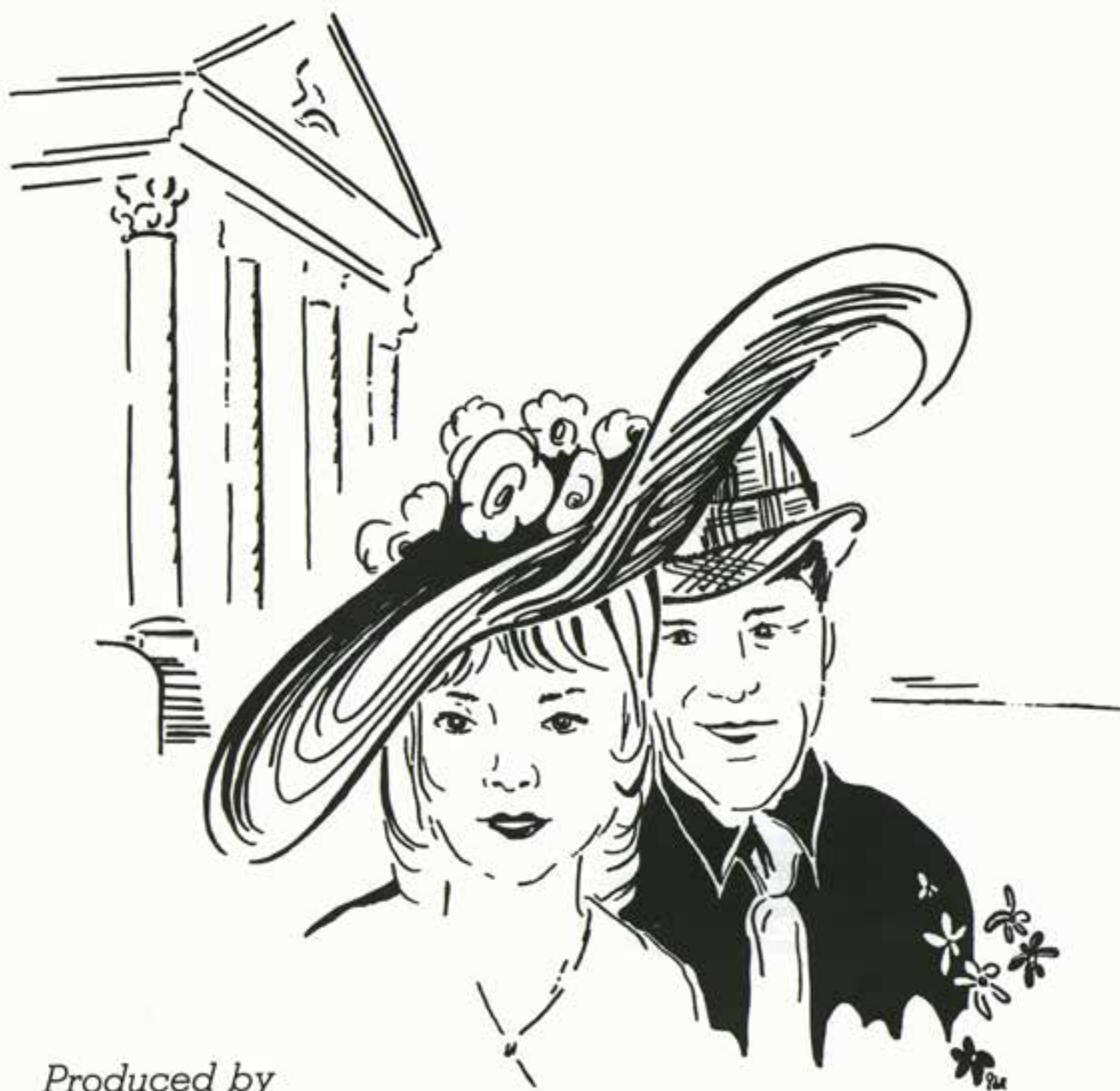
*Adapted from George Bernard Shaw's Play &  
Gabriel Pascal's motion picture 'PYGMALION'*

October 21 & 22, 1988

7:30 p.m.

Independence Memorial Hall





*Produced by*  
**Steve DeFever**

*Directed by*  
**Sue Woods**

# MY FAIR LADY

## The Story

**MY FAIR LADY** is based upon George Bernard Shaw's classic comedy **Pygmalion** which first appeared on stage in 1914. It has been revived numerous times since and is very commonly anthologized in literature and theatrical textbooks.

In Greek legend **Pygmalion** is a sculptor and king of Cyprus who falls in love with his original statue of an ideal woman. He begs **Aphrodite** to give his statue life and then proceeds to marry his creation. The name **Pygmalion** is used figuratively in the title of the play.

The story of **Pygmalion** is that of a phonetics expert, Professor Higgins, who transforms a cockney flower girl into a society lady. Shaw recognized that the English class system categorized people by their speaking habits. He wrote the play to point out the need for an expanded phonetic alphabet to broaden the language and help eliminate these class distinctions. It was a pleasant surprise that this goal also resulted in an extremely popular play.

The play was made into a movie which premiered in 1938 and starred Wendy Hiller as "Eliza" and Leslie Howard as "Higgins." Again **Pygmalion** proved to be a tremendous popular success.

Although viewed as prime material for transformation into a musical, it took 28 years for this to be accomplished. Alan Lerner and Frederick Loewe transformed **Pygmalion** into **My Fair Lady** with a March 15, 1956 Broadway opening. Rex Harrison portrayed "Henry Higgins" and little known Julie Andrews played "Eliza Doolittle." Moss Hart directed the production.

In 1964 Warner Brothers turned the musical into a film. Rex Harrison continued his role but Audrey Hepburn assumed "Eliza's" character. The movie won eight Academy Awards including best picture. **My Fair Lady** has continued to be one of the most popular and widely produced musicals in the history of the American stage. "Eliza" and "Henry" are pleased to grace the Neewollah stage and bring their special feelings and songs to this year's celebration.





# CAST

(In Order Of Appearance)

BUSKERS 1 .....	Amy Begue
2 .....	Leseley Simpson
MRS. EYNSFORD-HILL .....	Debbie Travis
ELIZA DOOLITTLE .....	Anita Layton
FREDDY EYNSFORD-HILL .....	John Surber
COLONEL PICKERING .....	Gary Mitchell
A BYSTANDER 1 .....	Curtis Wolfe
HENRY HIGGINS .....	Steve Layton
SELSEY MAN .....	Gareld Payne
HOXTON MAN .....	Ken Rathjen
ANOTHER BYSTANDER 2 .....	Jo Brookshire
1st COCKNEY .....	Charles Simmons
2nd COCKNEY .....	Ken Rathjen
3rd COCKNEY .....	Dale Carr
4th COCKNEY .....	Gareld Payne
BARTENDER, GEORGE 1 .....	Burkes Sherwood
HARRY .....	Dale Carr
JAMIE .....	Charles Simmons
ALFRED P. DOOLITTLE .....	Steve Wilkin
MRS. PEARCE .....	Frances Lake
MRS. HOPKINS .....	Diane Murphy
BUTLER .....	Gareld Payne
SERVANT 1 .....	Pam Vandeventer
SERVANT 2 .....	Debbie White
SERVANT 3 .....	Amy Begue
SERVANT 4 .....	Marli Rieck
MAN SERVANT 5 .....	Ken Rathjen
MRS. HIGGINS .....	Joan Veron
CHAUFFEUR .....	Curtis Wolfe
FOOTMAN 1 .....	Zach Webb
FOOTMAN 2 .....	James Winton
LORD BOXINGTON .....	Rob Hadley
LADY BOXINGTON .....	Diane Murphy
CONSTABLE .....	Jerry Jackson
FLOWER GIRL .....	Marli Rieck
ZOLTAN KARPATY .....	R. J. Osborn
SIR REGINALD AND LADY TARRINGTON .....	Len and Shirley Rood
AMBASSADOR AND LADY THEMISTOCLES STEPHANOS .....	Ray Rothgeb and Sara Burke
QUEEN OF TRANSYLVANIA .....	Barbara Schmidt
BARTENDER 2 .....	Gareld Payne
MRS. HIGGINS' MAID .....	Debbie White

## ENSEMBLE

Edith Austin, Orville Austin, Kathi Barbi, Josef Barbi, Sara Burke, Jim Clubine, Vanessa Dennis, Steve Hudson, Mary Lou Palmer, Linda Simmons, Ann Smith, Bonnie Tucker and Joanne Wilkin.

# Synopsis of Scenes

The place is London, the time is 1912.

## ACT I

- Scene 1. OUTSIDE THE OPERA HOUSE, COVENT GARDEN.  
A cold March night.
- Scene 2. A TENEMENT SECTION—TOTTENHAM COURT ROAD.  
Immediately following.
- Scene 3. HIGGINS' STUDY.  
The following morning.
- Scene 4. TENEMENT SECTION—TOTTENHAM COURT ROAD.  
Three days later.
- Scene 5. HIGGINS' STUDY.  
Later that day.
- Scene 6. NEAR THE RACE MEETING, ASCOT.  
A July afternoon.
- Scene 7. INSIDE A CLUB TENT, ASCOT.  
Immediately following.
- Scene 8. OUTSIDE HIGGINS' HOUSE, WIMPOLE STREET.  
Later that afternoon.
- Scene 9. HIGGINS' STUDY.  
Six weeks later.
- Scene 10. THE PROMENADE OF THE EMBASSY.  
Later that night.
- Scene 11. THE BALLROOM OF THE EMBASSY.  
Immediately following.

## ACT II

- Scene 1. HIGGINS' STUDY.  
3:00 the following morning.
- Scene 2. OUTSIDE HIGGINS' HOUSE, WIMPOLE STREET.  
Immediately following.
- Scene 3. FLOWER MARKET OF COVENT GARDEN.  
5:00 that morning.
- Scene 4. UPSTAIRS HALL OF HIGGINS' HOUSE.  
11:00 that morning.
- Scene 5. THE CONSERVATORY OF MRS. HIGGINS' HOUSE.  
Later that day.
- Scene 6. OUTSIDE HIGGINS' HOUSE, WIMPOLE STREET.  
Immediately following.
- Scene 7. HIGGINS' STUDY.  
Immediately following.



# Synopsis of Musical Numbers

## ACT I

Why Can't The English? .....	Henry Higgins
Wouldn't It Be Lovely? .....	Eliza and Cockneys
With A Little Bit Of Luck .....	Doolittle and Cockneys
I'm An Ordinary Man .....	Henry Higgins
Reprise: With A Little Bit Of Luck .....	Doolittle and Cockneys
Just You Wait .....	Eliza
The Servants' Chorus .....	Servants
The Rain In Spain .....	Eliza, Henry, and Pickering
I Could Have Danced All Night .....	Eliza
Ascot Gavotte .....	Ensemble
On The Street Where You Live .....	Freddy

## ACT II

You Did It .....	Pickering
Reprise: Just You Wait .....	Eliza
Reprise: On The Street Where You Live .....	Freddy
Show Me .....	Eliza
Get Me To The Church On Time .....	Doolittle and Cockneys
A Hymn To Him .....	Henry Higgins
Without You .....	Eliza
I've Grown Accustomed To Her Face .....	Henry Higgins





# Starring



Anita Layton  
as  
Eliza Doolittle

The lead role of Eliza Doolittle is played by Anita Layton. This year's involvement marks the third production for her on the Neewollah stage. She previously played Julie Jordan in *Carousel* and Guinevere in *Camelot*. Other musicals Anita has appeared in include *Little Mary Sunshine*, *Kiss Me Kate*, *Gypsy*, and *Oklahoma*. Her life is filled with music as she teaches music at Independence Middle School and is harpist with the Bartlesville Symphony Orchestra. Anita and Steve Layton are the parents of two daughters, Kate and Sarah.

Steve Layton  
as  
Henry Higgins

Steve Layton is not new to Independence or to Independence stage productions. He is a product of the Independence school system and returned after receiving his Masters degree from Tulsa University. He is associated with Equinox Oil Company. Steve has had lead roles in *Oklahoma*, *Camelot*, *Kiss Me Kate*, *Gypsy*, *My Fair Lady* and *Bye Bye Birdie*. He is an active member of the Presbyterian Church and Rotary club but cites his hobbies as golf, golf and golf. Playing opposite his wife makes the 1988 Neewollah production something special for the Layton family.



# Co-Starring



**Gary Mitchell**  
Col. Pickering



**Steve Wilkin**  
Alfred Doolittle



**John Surber**  
Freddy Hill



**Frances Lake**  
Mrs. Pearce



**Joan Veron**  
Mrs. Higgins



# Supporting Cast





# Rehearsal Shots



# Production Support

Stage Manager ..... Tom DeScioli  
 Lighting ..... Don Crawshaw  
 Sound ..... John Koschin  
 Costume Mistress ..... Dolly Cook  
 Makeup Coordinator ..... Dee Dee Schabel  
 Publicity & Program ..... David Torbett  
    Rachel Torbett

Prop Chairman ..... Deanna Sanders  
 Set Designer ..... Sharon Viets  
 Set Construction Chairman ..... Dale Belcher  
 T-Shirt Designer ..... Janelle Null  
 Hair Chairman ..... Beverly Hight  
 Cast Party Coordinator ..... Susan Clubine  
 Rehearsal Accompanists ..... Dan Frizane  
    Debbie Harrison

## Committees

### Set Construction

Tom Mavers  
 Gary Macy  
 Paul Viets  
 Beryl Gross  
 Linda Jensen  
 Stan Myer  
 Tom DeScioli  
 Jo Farr  
 Kathy Vining  
 Bill Farless  
 Roger Knop  
 Lyle Springer  
 Dana Gorman  
 Mike Clark  
 Richard Affolter  
 Tom Schwartz

### Props

Leslie Coder  
 Liz Reynolds  
 Cheryl McClure  
 Cheryl Boyer  
 Cindi Sherwood  
 Lori Patterson

### Costumes

Martha Allison  
 Elsa Hester  
 Charlene Williams  
 Carole Farthing  
 Peggy Worl  
 Pat Neeley

### Cast Party

Wayne Sullivan  
 Mary Stuckey  
 Lewis Stuckey

### Make-up

Nancy Waggoner  
 Laura Chandler  
 Joyce Watson  
 Kathi Barbi  
 Joyce Smith

### Hair Committee

Connie Kahler  
 Shelley Bell  
 Getta Mundy

### Set Painters

Joy Barta  
 Eenie Fitzpatrick  
 Odie Wilson  
 Kurtis Viets  
 Grace Viets  
 Mike Clark  
 Paul Viets

### Set Painters

Roxie Schlatter  
 Shanelle Deater  
 Jill Warford  
 Janelle Null  
 Rachel Wormington  
 Jo Farr  
 Susan Hill  
 Kathy Vining  
 Anne Rasnick  
 Teresa Hoffman  
 Pam Hines  
 Darlene Watson  
 Vera Livingston  
 Jose Leon  
 Melanie Greaves  
 Beryl Gross  
 Rachel Gonzalez  
 Glenna Myers





# Production Staff



**Steve DeFever**  
Producer



**Sue Woods**  
Director



**Martha Payne**  
Production Coordinator



**Ray Rothgeb**  
Chorus



**Don Farthing**  
Conductor



**Sara Burke**  
Choreographer



# Orchestra



## Don Farthing — Conductor

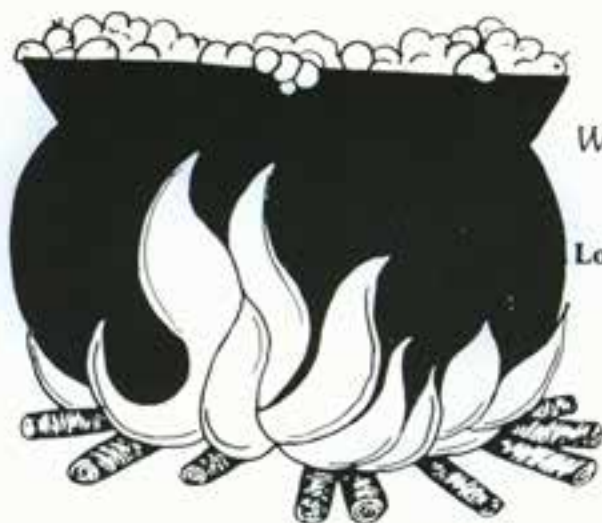
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 Ginny Romans ..... Flute  
 Laurie Boyd ..... Clarinet  
 Mike Pearson ..... Clarinet  
 Don Linde ..... Oboe & English Horn  
 Pam McDaniel ..... Bassoon  
 Mark Dice ..... Trumpet I  
 Terry Harper ..... Trumpet II  
 Dale Williams ..... Trumpet III  
 Tom Porter ..... Horn I  
 Sharon Toomey ..... Horn II  
 John Byrne ..... Trombone II

Dan Frizane ..... Trombone II  
 Duane Bechtle ..... Tuba  
 Michael Havay ..... Violin I  
 Judy Jones ..... Violin II  
 Susan Johnson ..... Violin III  
 Lexie Knuth ..... Viola  
 Wilma Bryner ..... Cello  
 Phyllis Wiles ..... Cello  
 Carilyn Clark ..... Bass  
 Bob Hille ..... Percussion  
 Melissa Rose ..... Percussion  
 Stephanie Harris ..... Keyboard



# Preparation





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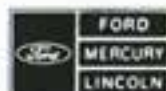
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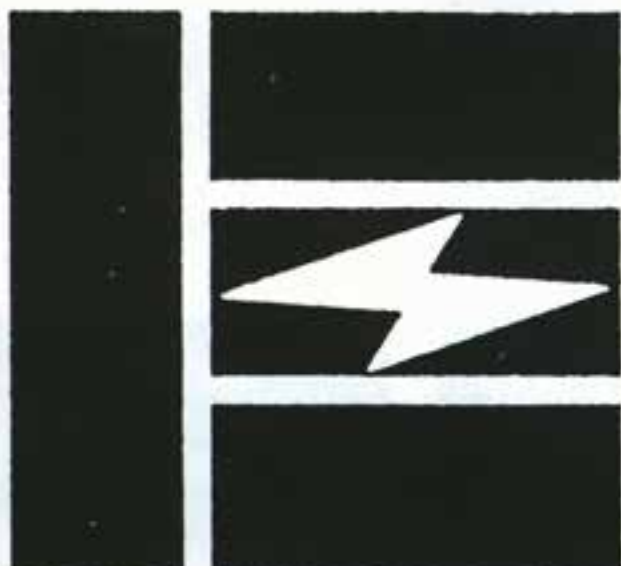


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# First Federal Times

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OCTOBER 1988

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## FIRST FEDERAL Presents Neewollah Nostalgia



The total assets of  
Independence Savings & Loan  
in 1919 were \$397,327.

In 1919, the civic committee of the Chamber of Commerce met to discuss plans for a sane Halloween for Independence to discourage the vandalism from past years. The original idea for a celebration can be credited to local businessman O.E. McNulty. However, the founders of the celebration known today as Neewollah were Thurman Hill and Mrs. C.E. Roth.

Did you know the  
average housepayment in  
October 1919 was \$25.80

The name Neewollah was the result of a contest in 1922 to give the celebration a name. Mrs. Hart Goodloe created it by spelling Halloween backwards symbolizing "the taming of Halloween." The name Neewollah was adopted by officials.

## FIRST FEDERAL

### "YOUR PARTNERS IN THE AMERICAN DREAM."

Neewollah has been proclaimed the best advertising for Independence since its beginnings in 1922.

In 1922 a Neewollah baby contest was held and 1st prize won \$5 from Independence Building & Loan. 2nd prize won \$2.50 from Independence Building & Loan.

Did you know the first queen was selected by popular vote in 1921. Each vote cost 1c. The winner was Ella Jane Binkley, an employee of Truby's Jewelry Store, where Rexall's is today. It is said that Mr. Truby made a rather sizeable contribution to Ella's campaign at the last minute. The celebration was called the "Mardi Gras" that year. The First Queen Neelah was crowned in 1923 by a committee. She was Miss Florence Smith, Queen Neelah I.

## Since 1905

In 1927 Independence Building and Loan resources were more than \$1,000,000.00

In 1930 Vivian Vance sang a blues number. She went on to co-star in "I Love Lucy" as Ethel.

Independence Savings & Loan Assoc. changed its name May 5, 1939 to First Federal Savings and Loan Association.

Who has directed the most Neewollah plays?  
1980 - "The Music Man"  
1970 - "The Music Man"  
1964 - "My Fair Lady"  
1963 - "The Music Man"  
1962 - "The Music Man"  
1961 - "The Music Man"  
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Neola Hamsher of Parsons was named Queen Neelah in 1958. She was the first out of town queen.



Did you know that Roy Clark performed as a free street act in 1962, 63, 64, 65, 68 and 84?

Did you know that Neewollah was not held from 1932-34 and 1936-47, then again from 1950-57.

The total assets of First Federal Savings & Loan in 1960 were \$4,862,006.



In 1963, First Federal remodels building.

In 1964 Conway Twitty and Glen Campbell played for dances at the Sugar Shack and the 4-H building.

Who has been in the most Neewollah productions?  
Jim Johnson: he has ap-

The 1975 total assets of First Federal Savings & Loan have grown to \$21,232,108.

Which Governor crowned the most queens?  
- Belinda Boys  
- Laurie Dillon, and 1974  
- Diane David, 1972 - Ruth Parr  
- Terri Boonigle, 1970 - Nancy Reid  
- they were 1968 - Diane Talley, 1969  
Robert Docking. He crowned 7

The average house payment in October 1976 was \$350.

Did you know 4 plays have been repeated? They were "Oklahoma", "The Music Man", "The Sound of Music" and "My Fair Lady."



First Federal moves into new home in 1979, our total assets now approaching \$48 million strong.

Only one person has been Generalissimo 3 times, Jerry Webb.

In 1987 First Federal paid over \$6,836,861 in dividends.

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\$103,000,000.00



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**Queen Neelah XLVI**  
**Shelly Nelson**



# Coronation of Queen Neelah XLVII

Prelude - "IHS Strolling Strings"

Emcee Bob Farley

Contestants #1-9 presented

Selected Talent Numbers

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Contestants #10-18 presented

Selected Talent Numbers

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Contestants #19-26 presented

Selected Talent Numbers

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

INTERMISSION

Neelah Deb Dance

Farewell by Queen Neelah XLVI

Announcement of Category Winners

Miss Originality \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Photogenic \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Congeniality \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Fashion \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Beauty \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Personality \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Poise \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Talent \_\_\_\_\_

Announcement of Finalists

2nd Runner-Up \_\_\_\_\_

1st Runner-Up \_\_\_\_\_

Crowning of Queen Neelah XLVII \_\_\_\_\_



# “Our Fair 1988 Queen XLVII



**Dina Baker**  
Judy Johnson Appliances



**Tamra Baker**  
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**Tonya Burris**  
Independence Daily Reporter



**Christine Cornett**  
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**Deborah Crawshaw**  
Crawshaw Electric



**Kim Fitzpatrick**  
Sandy's Interiors



**Monica Marple**  
Barbi Investment



**Kristin Michaelis**  
Security Abstract



**Lisa Montgomery**  
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**Sarah Peterson**  
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**Holly Stover**  
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**Lisa Strahm**  
Union Gas System



**Mindy Terry**  
Pizza Hut

# Ladies'' Neelah Candidates



**Kaki Borklund**  
Pat's Studio



**Barbara Bryant**  
Glass House Floral



**Robin Grimes**  
ARCO Pipe Line Co.



**JoAnna Kramer**  
Jayhawk Cleaners



**Deborah LeRoy**  
Captain's Chair



**Kyle Maloan**  
Fashion Boutique



**Laticia Pendleton**  
Dairy Queen (Neodesha)



**Tamithia Powell**  
Caney Drugs



**Susan Schwatken**  
K. G. & E.



**Lori Stockton**  
Hasselmann's Florist



**Carrie Welch**  
Classic Catering



**Tiffany Wetmore**  
Hackney & Sons



**Teresa Wishall**  
Weinberg's Western Wear

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enjoyable  
Neewollah  
and  
a happy  
Halloween



# Coronation Entertainers

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## Master of Ceremonies

### **Bob Farley**

A native of Independence and a graduate of IHS and ICJC he was active in college and community theatre. After serving in the U.S. Army he moved to Los Angeles and landed his favorite stage role in "The Show-Off". He organized the Transamerica Occidental Players, and directed and appeared in many of their productions. He has been active in stand-up comedy theatres and for the past 15 years has performed with the Variety Arts Radio Theatre.

## Strolling Strings

### **Judy Jones, Director**

**Violin** — Elaine Baldwin, Bridget Hille, Aimee Knuth, Cindy Johnson, Jeannie Overfield, Cheryl Shelby

**Viola** — Lexie Knuth, Stacy Stevens

**Cello** — Mindy Blumer

**String Base** — Brian Council, Jeanna Rathgen



## Talent Emcees

### **Al Cline**

General Manager

KGGF Radio

### **Tracy Lynne**

KGGF — KQQF

Coffeyville, Kansas





# Coronation Entertainers

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## 1988 Neelah Debs

Front Row  
Cynthia Nelson  
Betsy Watson  
Julie Lair  
Lora Lapen  
Jennifer Hagen

Back Row  
Ann Wehmeyer  
Amy Brown  
Teresa Wallingford  
Julie Reynolds  
Brandy Wood

## 1988 Stage Escorts



Jim Leiker



Mike O'Malley



Kevin Leeseberg



Steve Meyer

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# Queens' Trophies and Gifts

Queen's Trophy .....	Calverts
First Runner Up Trophy .....	Quality Motors
Second Runner Up Trophy .....	Sayers ACE Hardware
Miss Poise Trophy .....	Shoes By Cotterill
Miss Talent Trophy .....	Cablevision
Miss Beauty Trophy .....	Penny Lane
Miss Personality Trophy .....	Bette & Phil's Hallmark
Miss Fashion Trophy .....	Lady's Choice
Miss Originality Trophy .....	Fashion Crossroads
Miss Congeniality Trophy .....	Sam's Men's Wear
Miss Photogenic Trophy .....	Doyal's
Queen's Gifts — Jewelry .....	Gansel's
Crown .....	Boles Jewelry
Typewriter .....	Nickel Typewriter & Emerson Electric
Camera & Film .....	KIS Photo
Luggage .....	International Tours
Scrapbook .....	International Bakery & Deli, Beltone Hearing Aid Services
\$1,000 2-year Scholarship .....	Citadel Bank, Citizens National Bank, First National Bank
First Runner Up Jewelry .....	First Federal Savings and Loan, Mid America Savings and Loan
First Runner Up Picture Frame .....	Independence Community College
Second Runner Up Jewelry .....	Classy Clippers
Second Runner Up Picture Frame .....	KIS Photo
Dickey's .....	Dickey's
KIS Photo .....	KIS Photo

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## Pageant Judges



LeAnne Taylor



Jack Bunds



John Sanders



# Queen's Pageant

## Coordinating Committee

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Dr. and Mrs. Stewart Crow  
Directors

Valerie DeFever  
Candidates Chairman

Kathy Meyer  
Publicity

Patti DeScioli  
Assistant  
Candidates Chairman



Chairpersons ..... Stewart and Ann Crow  
 Candidates Chairman ..... Val DeFever  
     Assistant ..... Patty DeScioli  
 Publicity Chairman ..... Kathy Meyer  
 Neelah Debs .... Debbie Oakleaf, JoAnne Wilkin  
 Punch Party Chairman ..... Sharon Viets  
 Window Display Chairman ..... Patty Dick  
 Tea ..... Virginia Hedquist  
     Madeline Tweedie, Barb Wilkin  
 Talent ..... Sharon Paugh  
 Brunch ..... Charlotte Muse  
 Reception-Dance ..... Dianne Lovett  
 Coronation Production ..... Rachel Torbett  
     David Torbett  
 Coronation Construction and  
     Hand Props .... Colleen and Keith Confer  
     Glenda and Larry Pendleton  
 Luncheon ..... Jody Kawulok  
 Judges Committee ..... Patsy Boulanger

# Queen's Committees

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## Neelah Debs

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Jo Ann Wilkins, Debbie Oakleaf  
Co-Chairman

## Coronation Production

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Glenna Pendleton, Coleen Confer, Rachel Torbett, Co-Chairman; Phyllis Hawkins, David Torbett, Co-Chairman; Keith Confer, Larry Pendleton  
(Not pictured) Charles Hawkins, Terry and Kim Emert, Bonnie Tucker



## Queen's Tea

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Virginia Headquist, Chairman; Barb Wilkin, Babs Shephard  
(Not pictured) Madeline Tweedie



## Talent

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Front—Dee Dee Schabel, Betty Sue Lair, Debbie Wetmore  
Back—Sharon Paugh, Chairman; Jean Lundt  
(Not pictured) Barbara Taylor





# Queen's Committees

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## **Punch Party**

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Sharon Viets, Glenna Myers, Deana Sanders, Roberta DeVore, Jackie Layton, Chairman



## **Brunch**

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Debbi Head, Jana Taylor, Charlotte Muse, Chairman; Davi Borklund, Phyllis Higgins

## **Luncheon**

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Jan Leupold, Connie Weibe, Vava Sayers, Jackie Kawulok, Jodi Kawulok, Chairman; Cheryl Arnwine, Marge Rodrick  
(Not pictured) Sheila Thompson, Laurie Lewis



## **Reception — Dance**

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Mary Hugo, Diane Lovett, Chairman, Greta Moore, Jean Leedy, Mary Beth Peterson, Brenda Brown  
(Not pictured) Elaine Read



# Queen's Committees

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## Judges Committee

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Patsy Boulanger, Chairman; Billie Coble,  
Marsha Pasternak  
(Not pictured) Lisa Uttinger



## Window Displays

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Peggy O'Malley, Staci Pollock, Margi  
Hadley, Jennifer Hugo, Mary Muninger,  
Patty Dick, Chairman  
(Not pictured) Pam Hines and Sharon Lewis



## Summer Socials

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Carol Baker, Staci Pollock, Jennifer Hugo,  
Sherri Hill, Sharon Thompson, Cyndy  
Sherwood, Barbara Schmidt, Greta Moore  
(Not pictured) Cheryl Killins, Terry Jones,  
Lisa Uttinger, Lynn Bryant, Terry Cain,  
Angela Wester, Jaci Hafner



# 1988 Neewollah Pageant Schedule

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9 .....	Pop Party for all candidates — 4:00 p.m. Home of Val DeFever
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23 .....	Tea Party — 2:00 p.m. Home of Virginia Hedquist
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24 .....	Interviews with Judges Morning IHS Library Talent Review — 6:30 p.m. Memorial Hall
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25 .....	Luncheon, 11:00 a.m. First Christian Church Formal Punch Party, 5:45 p.m. Independence Country Club Coronation of Queen Neelah and her Court 7:30 p.m. Memorial Hall Post-Coronation Reception Civic Center Queen Candidates and Escorts Dance — 11:00 p.m.
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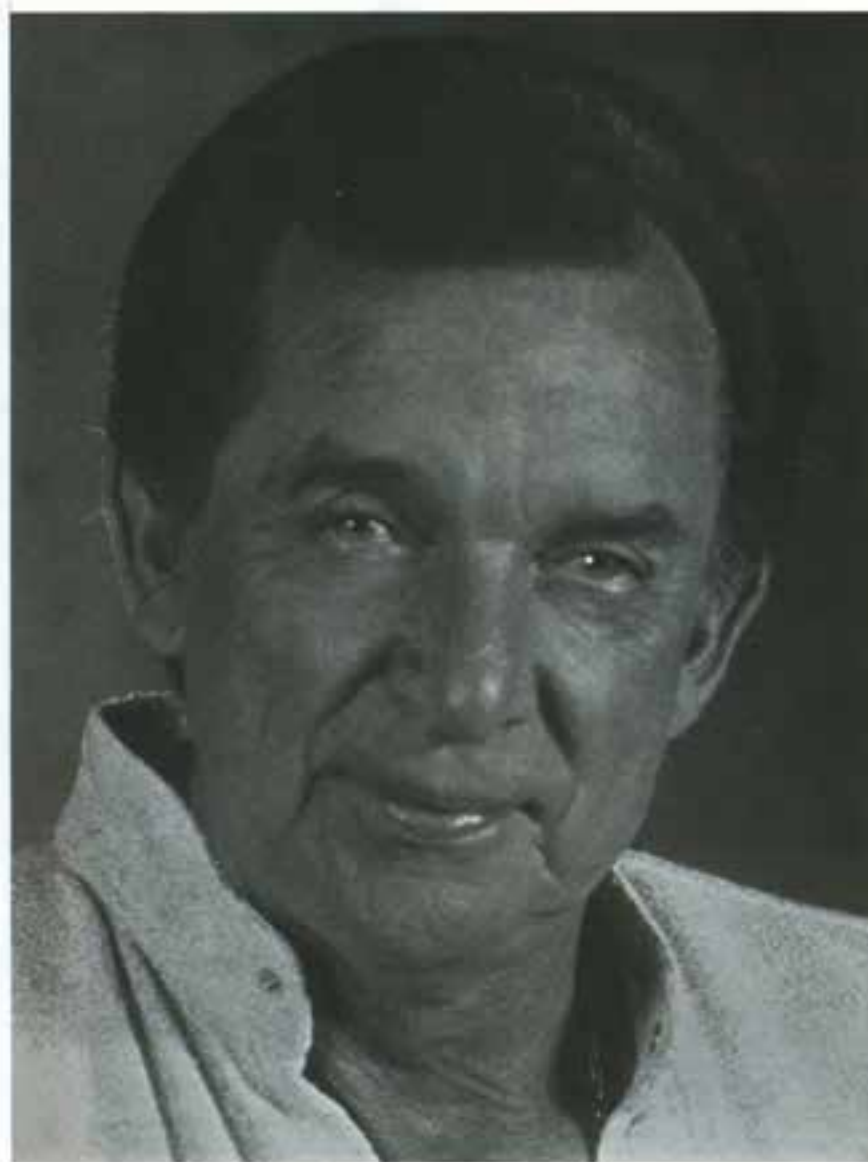
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# History of Neewollah

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In October 1919, the townspeople of Independence decided to do something about the young people raising havoc on Halloween night. They decided to hold a parade with floats in order to get the youth involved in something constructive. Everyone had such a good time it was determined to make it an annual event.

In 1920, it was called the Mardi Gras of the Midwest. In 1921, a contest was held to find a name for the celebration. Mrs. Hart Goodloe, wife of an Independence physician, won the contest with the name Neewollah.

The first queen's contest was held in 1923 and she was named Queen Neelah. Neewollah continued until 1931 when due to the depression it was discontinued.

In 1935 it was tried again, but was a financial failure due to lack of interest.

Neewollah was revived again in 1948 and 1949, but was not financially successful and that was thought to be the end of Neewollah.

One day in 1958, Jerry Webb and Jim Halsey, old school friends, were sitting in DeFever-Osborn drug store and they decided to revive Neewollah. Jim Halsey lined up some entertainment and Jerry Webb raised some money. Little did people know in 1958 Jim Halsey would go on to become the most successful country and western manager in the United States.

The Kiddie Parade was started in 1958, the play, "Picnic", by hometown celebrity, William Inge, was performed at Memorial Hall. The celebration lasted three days with Jim Halsey bringing in some free street acts, one being a young unknown named Roy Clark.

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1960 Oklahoma  
1961 Annie Get Your Gun  
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1963 Guys and Dolls  
1964 My Fair Lady  
1965 Auntie Mame  
1966 The Sound of Music  
1967 Li'l Abner  
1968 South Pacific  
1969 Oliver  
1970 Carinval  
1971 (October Happening) Local  
1972 Fiddler on the Roof  
1973 Hello, Dolly  
1974 Variety Show — Not Local Talent

1975 The King and I  
1976 Bus Stop — Not Local  
1977 Anything Goes  
1978 Rodgers and Hart  
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1980 The Music Man  
1981 Carousel  
1982 Oklahoma  
1983 Camelot  
1984 Annie  
1985 NO NO Nanette  
1986 Unsinkable Molly Brown  
1987 Sound of Music

## Past Generalissimos

1958 Jim Halsey  
1959 Bob Wohltman  
1960 Gerald Webb  
1961 Don Dancer  
1962 Bill Woods  
1963 Duane Doll  
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1968 Wayne Reed  
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## Former Queen Neelahs

1958 Neola Hamsher  
1959 Sylvia McCalla  
1960 Norma Day  
1961 Phyllis Cinotto  
1962 Kristin Utz  
1963 Betsy Gibson  
1964 Karen Schaub  
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## Street Acts Committee

### Wednesday, October 26

- 5:00 p.m. **Heartland**, Neodesha, KS — 50 - 60 Music  
 6:00 p.m. **Haywire**, Grove, OK — 50 - 60 Music  
 6:30 p.m. **Parade of Cars** — Starting at Penn and Main to Chestnut, back to 100 block North Penn  
 7:15 p.m. **Mr. Legs Contest**  
 7:45 p.m. **Ground Zero**, Joplin, MO — 50 - 60 Music  
 8:45 p.m. **Surprise Guest** — 50 - 60 Music  
 Best Dressed in 50 - 60's attire will receive tickets to shows

### Thursday, October 27

- 5:00 to 10:00 p.m. **Rock Band Contest** — 1st thru 5th place

### Friday, October 28

- 4:30 p.m. **The Magician**, Coffeyville, KS — Magic Acts  
 5:00 p.m. **Sam Bidwell**, Wichita, KS — Now Music and Country  
 6:00 p.m. **Nisha Elkins**, 13 year old from Lumberto, TX (formerly Neodesha) — Now Music  
 7:00 **Sooner Revue**, Music Country USA, Grove, OK — Variety Acts, Music All Styles  
 7:45 p.m. **Independence Community College**, Independence, KS — Variety/Music  
 8:45 p.m. **Surprise Guest**

### Saturday, October 29

- 9:00 a.m. **Dallas Darling**, Wichita, KS — Body Builder, Feats of Strength  
 9:45 a.m. **Rebecca Jim**, Vinita, OK — Indian Dancers  
 1:00 p.m. **Sooner Revue**, Music Country USA, Grove, OK — Variety/Music  
 2:00 p.m. **Kendra Lee**, Tulsa, OK — Country Music  
 3:00 p.m. **VIP**, Colorado Springs, CO — Variety Music  
 4:00 p.m. **Shanna Lynette & Desperado**, Girard, KS — Country Music  
 6:00 p.m. **Harvest**, Independence, KS — Now/Country  
 7:00 p.m. to open **Surprise Guest**  
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3. Camelot Stars \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Which Neelah Deb became  
Queen 2 years later \_\_\_\_\_

5. Kiddie Parade \_\_\_\_\_  
and who \_\_\_\_\_  
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Answers: (1) Missy Howell, Jeannine Bailey. (2) L-R Tammy Pasternak, Lisa Sweeting, Pat Yerkes, Yvonne Carvahio, Stephanie Cook, Diane Talley, Karen Schaub, Stacy Redlock, Janet Washburn, Lisa Moore, Gail Moore, Jackie Carvahio. (3) Andrew DeFever, Nick Baker, Scott Powers, Kelly Springer, Janna DeFever, Kelsey Dodson, Beth Watson, Lisa Moore, Gail Moore, Jackie Carvahio. (4) Patti Berberick, Linola Wright, Ann Leiker, Sabrina Copenhafer, Tiffini Boyd, Chris Luttinger, Paula Rink, Stacy Parr, Janet Washburn, Lisa Moore, Gail Moore, Jackie Carvahio. (5) Andrew DeFever, Nick Baker, Scott Powers, Kelly Springer, Janna DeFever, Kelsey Dodson, Beth Watson, Lisa Moore, Gail Moore, Jackie Carvahio.





**BUSIEST MAN IN TOWN** — Jim Halsey, generalissimo of the New Neewollah, has been the busiest man in Independence lately, taking care of last minute details for the New Neewollah celebration. (Reporter Photo)

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## "PICNIC"



**FLOWERS MARK PERFORMANCE** — (Left-to-right) Miss Barbara Blyden, Mrs. Margaret Goheen and Mrs. Loretta Watts show flowers which they received at last night's production of "Picnic." The basket of flowers was sent Mrs. Goheen, play director, by Hollywood's Josh Logan. William Inge, author of the play, wired bouquets of roses to Miss Blyden, Mrs. Goheen, Mrs. Watts and other actresses in the play. The actors received bouquets from Mr. Inge. (Reporter Photo)

## Neewollah Program

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

"PICNIC" on stage Memorial Hall starring HAL HAMBLTON (from CBS-TV's serial "As The World Turns") all seats reserved, curtain 8 pm.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

**QUEEN CORONATION & STAGE SHOW** Memorial Hall 8 pm. Crowning of Queen Neelah XVII by Gov. George Docking. Stage show presented by CHARLIE SPIVAK & His Famous Orchestra.

**QUEEN'S BALL** 10 pm and 1 am Civic Center Ballroom with CHARLIE SPIVAK & His Orchestra.

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2:30 pm **FREE SHOW** HANK THOMPSON & His Brazos Valley Boys, America's No. 1 Western Band will swing out with Western Style Music for a 30 minute free show at the corner of PENN & MYRTLE on the ROCK ISLAND BANDSTAND. HANK will do all of his big recording hits . . . DON'T MISS HIM! More later, too!

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Miss Neola Hamsher of Parsons, representing that city's American Legion Post, ruled over Saturday's Neewollah celebration after being crowned Queen Neelah XVII on Friday night. Miss Hamsher has the honor of being the first out of town Queen Neelah to be chosen. (Reporter Photo)

## Carnival Sets Up Eight Rides Here

Everybody comes to Neewollah, even a carnival passing through on its way to Joplin decided to stay for the celebration. The Thomas Shows, owned and managed by R. B. Thomas, Lennox, S. D. have set up eight rides on Locust Street between Penn and Eighth.

The rides are operating this afternoon and will open Saturday about 9:30 or 10 a.m. a Thomas Shows spokesman stated.

The rides include a rock-a-plane, dodge-em-cars, ferris wheel, octopus, kiddie cars and tanks, helicopter and merry-go-round.

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# Neewollah 1988 Schedule of Events

## Friday, October 21

My Fair Lady  
Memorial Hall — 7:30 p.m.

## Saturday, October 22

Neewollah Run "88"  
1-Mile Walk — 10:00 a.m.  
Riverside Park  
5K TAC Certified Run — 10:30 a.m.  
Laser Light Show — 7:00 p.m.  
My Fair Lady  
Memorial Hall — 7:30 p.m.

## Monday, October 24

Queen's Talent  
Memorial Hall — 6:30 p.m.  
Laser Light Show — 6:00 p.m.

## Tuesday, October 25

Queen's Coronation  
Memorial Hall — 7:30 p.m.  
Laser Light Show — 7:00 p.m.

## Wednesday, October 26

Opening Night of Carnival  
Great Pumpkin Contest  
Street Acts

## Thursday, October 27

Ray Price  
Memorial Hall — 7:30 p.m.  
Laser Light Show — 7:00 p.m.

## Friday, October 28

Kiddie Parade  
from Memorial Hall — 4:00 p.m.  
Street Acts  
Laser Light Show — 6:00 p.m.

## Saturday, October 29

Grand Parade — 11:00 a.m.  
Street Acts  
Janie Frickie &  
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Memorial Hall — 7:30 & 10:00 p.m.  
Laser Light Show — 7:00 p.m.



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