





# A Magical, Musical Tour Through Time!

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## Neewollah Logo Winner



*Jim Bennett*

Jim Bennett was named winner of the 2002 Neewollah Logo contest. Jim's decision to enter the logo contest was based upon his family's encouragement. His artistic talent is not limited only to his drawing, but extends to his hobby of woodworking. Bennett, a City of Independence employee, resides in Independence with his wife, Stacy, and two children, Michael and Tiffany.

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## ***Generalissimo Val DeFever***

As Generalissimo, I would like to welcome you to our 2002 celebration on behalf of the hundreds of Neewollah volunteers. "This Magical, Musical Tour Through Time" is our joint effort to celebrate our enthusiasm for life in Independence. We are a very diverse group of people as demonstrated by our varied tastes in music and entertainment. It is my sincere wish that you find pride in our community and ample enjoyment over the 12 days of this Neewollah festival.

*Val DeFever*

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## Brigadoon Synopsis

*Brigadoon* was first produced at the Ziegfeld Theatre on March 13, 1947. Described by its authors as "a whimsical musical fantasy," *Brigadoon* is set in a magic Scottish village which comes out of the Highland mists once every hundred years, only to disappear after one day. *Brigadoon* is a typical "boy meets girl" story with the twist of time. Tommy, the American, feels drawn to Fiona from the first time he meets her. Fiona, though past the age that most lasses marry, has always known that if she waited long enough, the right man would come her way. The fact that hundreds of years separate their upbringing does not change the feelings they have for one another. Mr. Lundie, the schoolmaster, tells Tommy that an outsider can stay if he loves one of Brigadoon. It is only when Tommy experiences a huge dose of reality that his friend, Jeff, is able to convince him he must leave the dream-world of Brigadoon and return to the real world. The Americans leave as Brigadoon and Fiona disappear into the mist. Tommy returns to the site of Brigadoon months later, just to be close to her. As Tommy cries out for his lost love, he hears voices in the distance, and sees Mr. Lundie approaching. He takes Tommy by the hand and leads him back to Brigadoon.

*Brigadoon* was the first major Broadway success by Lerner and Loewe. The Drama Critics Circle singled it out as the best play of the season, the first time a musical had been given such an honor. *Brigadoon* is one of the most delightful fantasies that the American musical stage has known. The rich and soulful melodies, combined with the beautiful ballet sequences and the emotional and haunting sound of bagpipes is balanced by its witty dialogue, engaging lyrics and enchanting characters. With well over 100 cast, orchestra and crew members it may seem as though it would take a miracle to complete it. We are all very appreciative of the time people sacrificed with their family and loved ones to bring together this production. It has become a true labor of love, and as Mr. Lundie says, "when ye love somethin' deeply enough, anythin' is possible — *even* miracles."

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# Cast of Characters



## Starring...

|                             |               |                          |             |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Tommy Albright . . . . .    | Larry Annable | Fiona MacLaren . . . . . | Ruth Hanke  |
| Jeff Douglas . . . . .      | Jeff Shaw     | Meg Brockie . . . . .    | Shani Stacy |
| Charlie Dalrymple . . . . . |               | Ray Essington            |             |

## Featuring...

|                           |                 |                            |   |
|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|---|
| Harry Beaton . . . . .    | Dennis Doring   | Jean MacLaren . . . . .    | Cody Lee Uttinger   |
| Mr. Lundie . . . . .      | John Welch      | Maggie Anderson . . . . .  | Kristin Morrow  |
| Frank . . . . .           | Tim Christensen | Jane Ashton . . . . .      | Anne Kaff   |
| Andrew MacLaren . . . . . | Dean Hayse      | Archie Beaton . . . . .    | Paul Porter   |
| Angus MacGuffie . . . . . | Ed Goode        | Stuart Dalrymple . . . . . | Dean Tauber   |
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## CHILDREN'S CHORUS

Blake Bryant, Dillon Blake, Courtney Chambers, Chase Cushing, Connor Cushing, Paige Demo, Sarah Doring, Kelsie Froebe, Kenzie Froebe, Ashleigh Golden, James Hart, Andrew Hayse, Bryson Hines, Samantha Hooper, Emily Jabben, Jake Jabben, Jillian Johnson, Lexy Mangan, Molly Mangan, Aubrey Near, Logan Null, Aubrey Papen, Lauren Peyton, Lindsay Schaub, Jennifer Schadeberg, Kelsey Stelting, Nicole Taylor, Matt Wallis, Jessie Wilson, Layne Wilson

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# Scenes and Musical Numbers

## Act I

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Overture .....   | Orchestra                                     |
| Prologue .....   | Townfolk Ensemble                             |
| Scene 1: A Forest in the Highlands of Scotland, about five in the morning      |   |
| Brigadoon .....  | Townfolk Ensemble                             |
| Scene 2: The Square of Brigadoon (as in the 18th Century), nine in the morning |   |
| Vendors' Calls .....   | Vendor Quartet                                |
| Down On MacConnachy Square .....   | Townfolk, Children, Sandy Dean and Meg        |
| Waitin' For My Dearie .....  | Fiona and Women                               |
| I'll Go Home With Bonnie Jean .....  | Charlie and Townfolk                          |
| Bonnie Jean Ballet .....   | Orchestra, Maggie, Harry, Charlie and Dancers |
| The Heather on the Hill .....  | Tommy and Fiona                               |
| MacConnachy Square Reprise .....   | Orchestra and Townfolk                        |
| Scene 3: The Brockie Open Shed, around noon                                    |   |
| The Love of My Life .....  | Meg   |
| Scene 4: MacLaren House, about four in the afternoon                           |   |
| Jeanie's Packin' Up .....  | Women's Chorus                                |
| Come To Me, Bend To Me .....   | Charlie                                       |
| Come To Me, Bend To Me Ballet .....  | Orchestra, Charlie, Jean and Dancers          |
| Almost Like Being in Love .....  | Tommy and Fiona                               |
| Scene 5: Outside the house of Mr. Lundie, immediately following                |   |
| Scene 6: Outside the Kirk of Brigadoon, dusk of that day                       |   |
| Entrance of the Clans .....  | Orchestra                                     |
| Wedding Dance .....  | Orchestra, Charlie and Jean                   |
| Sword Dance and Reel .....   | Harry, Chorus and Orchestra                   |

## Intermission

## Act II

|   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| Entr'acte .....   | Orchestra                  |
| Scene 1: A Forest Near the Border of Brigadoon, immediately following |                            |
| The Chase .....   | Men's Chorus and Orchestra |
| Scene 2: Roadside in the town of Brigadoon, a few minutes later       |                            |
| There But For You Go I .....  | Tommy                      |
| Scene 3: Wedding Reception in the Glen, a short while later           |                            |
| Country Dance .....   | Orchestra                  |
| My Mother's Weddin' Day .....   | Meg and Chorus             |
| The Funeral .....   | Bagpipers                  |
| From This Day On .....  | Fiona and Tommy            |
| Scene 4: A Bar in New York City, late afternoon, four months later    |                            |
| Voices from the Highlands   |                            |
| Come To Me, Bend To Me (Reprise) .....                                | Fiona                      |
| The Heather On The Hill (Reprise) .....                               | Fiona                      |
| Go Home With Bonnie Jean (Reprise) .....                              | Charlie & Vendors          |
| From This Day On (Reprise) .....                                      | Fiona                      |
| MacConnachy Square .....  | Chorus                     |
| Scene 5: The Forest in the Highlands of Scotland, three nights later  |                            |
| Brigadoon .....   | Chorus                     |

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## Larry Annable as Tommy Albright

Larry Annable returns to the Neewollah stage this year sharing his strong baritone voice with us as he stars as Tommy Albright, a role he has previously directed. Annable most recently starred as millionaire Oliver Warbucks in *Annie*. He has also appeared in the Neewollah productions of *Hello, Dolly!* as Cornelius Hackl, *Cinderella* as the Herald, and in *Damn Yankees* as Joe Hardy. Larry is the vocal music instructor at Independence High School, where he has directed several musicals and also serves as the director of the award winning Indy Ensemble. Annable graduated from Ottawa University with BA, and received his Master of Music Education from the University of Southern Mississippi. Larry and his wife, Sandy, reside in Independence and he has one daughter, Stephanie, of Cocoa Beach, Florida, and a step-son Bryan Mayes, who is a junior at Independence High School.

## Ruth Hanke as Fiona MacLaren

Ruth Hanke takes the stage this year as the lovely and graceful Fiona MacLaren. Ruth works as the Vocal/Choral instructor at Independence Community College. Prior to taking over that position, Ruth performed in many operatic roles. Those roles include Carmen in *Carmen*, Prince Orlofsky in *Die Fledermaus*, Cinderella in *La Cenerentola* and the Old Maid in *The Old Maid and the Thief*. She recently directed *Little Mary Sunshine* at ICC, in which she also played the part of Madame Ernestine. Hanke has sung as oratorio soloist under the direction of Lennard Slatkin. She has directed many oratorios, cantatas and church musicals. Her Masters in music is from Pittsburg State University, and she earned a PhD minor in music at Julliard School, New York City. She is currently completing her dissertation in Teaching and Leadership at the University of Kansas. Ruth is married to Jurgen Hanke. She is mother to three sons, Aaron Kern, Luke Kern, and Phillip Hanke.



## Jeff Shaw as Jeff Douglas

Jeff Shaw has had appearances in several Neewollah shows, but the good-natured, laid-back drinker Jeff Douglas is his first starring role. Jeff's previous Neewollah productions include *The Wizard of Oz*, *Peter Pan*, *Cinderella*, *Hello, Dolly!*, and *Annie*. He has also helped behind the scenes for the Queen Neelah Coronation ceremonies. Jeff works as a signal maintainer for Union Pacific and is a member of the First United Methodist Church. He and his wife, Lori, live in Independence and are the parents of two daughters, Jamie and Lindsay, and one son, Brett.



## Starring...



### Shani Stacy as Meg Brockie

Shani Stacy stars as Meg Brockie, the daughter of gypsies and the hopeless flirt! Shani previously was in the 1989 cast of *Brigadoon* at Independence Community College, and the 1984 cast of the Neewollah production of *Annie*. Recently she served as the choreographer for Neodesha's summer theater production of *Annie, Jr.* Shani, along with her sister, Kerry Lambert and brother-in-law, Ray Essington, is a member of the vocal trio "Second Nature" which has performed on the bandstand during past Neewollah festivals.

Shani and her husband, Doug, live in Independence. They have two sons, Skylar and Zachary. Shani took several years off from theater involvement for college and her family, but she is excited to be involved again.

### Ray Essington as Charlie Dalrymple

Ray's most memorable performance on the Neewollah Stage was as the dapper young prince in *Cinderella*. This year his tenor voice lends to his role as Charlie Dalrymple who is set to wed the young Jean MacLaren. Ray is the director of vocal music at Neodesha High School and Middle School and also helps direct music for Christ Church in Neodesha. He has served as musical director for several Neodesha and Thayer High School productions and is a member of the board of directors of the Neodesha Arts Association. Ray, along with his sisters-in-law, Kerry Lambert and Shani Stacy, is a member of a vocal trio "Second Nature", which has performed on the bandstand during previous Neewollah festivals. His other recent acting credits include *South Pacific* and *Have a Nice Day* with Chanute Community Theater. In his spare time, Ray enjoys spending time with his wife Ghendi, and son, Nick.



### Cody Uttinger as Jean MacLaren

Cody Lee Uttinger has appeared as a dancer in many Neewollah shows; however the role of Jean MacLaren, the young bride, is her first feature role. Cody's other Neewollah shows include *The King and I*, *The Wizard of Oz*, and *Peter Pan*. She has also had roles in the productions of *Dirty Work Afoot*, *An Evening of One-Acts*, and *Good News* all at Independence High School and in *Little Mary Sunshine* at Independence Community College. She served as a Neelah Deb and was first runner up in the Queen Neelah competition. Cody is currently a student at ICC where she is a cheerleader, a member of the dance team, and the ICC Trends. She is the daughter of Kevin and Lisa Weber, and Ken Uttinger. Cody Lee has one brother, Cole, and one sister, Cally.



## Starring...



### Dennis Doring as Harry Beaton

Dennis Doring returns to the Neewollah stage after making his debut last year as a member of the chorus in *Annie*. While new to the theater on-stage, Dennis spent a great deal of time in theater behind the stage at a high school in the Kansas City area. He served on the technical crew for *Kiss Me Kate*, *Guys and Dolls* and *Brigadoon*. Dennis and his wife Chris, both graduates of Kansas State University, reside in Chautauqua County, where Dennis is a district conservationist for the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service. Their daughter, Sarah, joins Mom and Dad in this year's production.

### Kristin Morrow as Maggie Anderson

Kristin Morrow has a BFA in dance from Wichita State University and has performed with the Mid-America Dance Theater and Ballet Kansas Troupes. She has been in performances of *Mame* for Neewollah, *West Side Story* at Independence Community College, *The Nutcracker* with the Metropolitan Ballet, and in opera productions at WSU. While living in Wichita, she was assistant director of Newton Dance Center and the ballet instructor at Bethel College. She has taught at several studios in Wichita and substituted at the WSU children's program. She formed the dance team "DanceXtreme" in Chanute. She will be starting her sixth year employed with R & S Studios as a dance instructor in Fredonia, Chanute and Coffeyville. Kristin is excited to bring her passion and love of dance to this year's production of *Brigadoon*!



### John Welch as Mr. Lundie

In his Neewollah debut role, John Welch portrays Mr. Lundie, the town schoolmaster and keeper of the miracle. John has served as the music director for *Sweeney Todd* and *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Starring roles include the Drunken Stone Mason in *The Mystery of Edmond Drood* and Dr. Tambouri in *Passion*. He also directed *State Fair* and participated in the 24 hour plays at Independence Community College. John and his wife, Karen, have a daughter, Kit Pasternak.



### Anne Kaff as Jane Ashton

Anne Kaff portrays Jane Ashton, Tommy's socialite fiancé back in New York. This is Anne's seventh appearance in Neewollah productions which include her starring role of Irene Malloy in *Hello, Dolly!*. Anne has also starred as Little Mary Sunshine in *Little Mary Sunshine* at ICC. She has served on Queen Neelah committees of talent, hand props, fashion show and window display. Anne is a member of the Church of the Epiphany, Episcopal, Chapter EF, PEO, and Progressive Investment Club. Anne and her husband, Kevin, are the parents of two daughters, Abby and Hadley.





# Featuring...



## ***Town Fathers***

Dean Hayse, Dean Tauber, Ed Goode, Paul Porter, Norval Gruver



**Tim Christensen**  
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## ***MacLaren Clan***

**Front Row:** Courtney Chambers, Aubrey Near, Andrew Hayse, Connor Cushing, Chase Cushing  
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## ***Beaton Clan***

**Front Row:** Logan Null, Sarah Doring, Dillon Blake  
**Back Row:** Dennis Doring, Connie Blake, LaDonna Arnold, Christine Doring, Cheryl Settles, Andy Schelin, Paul Porter



## ***Dalrymple Clan***

**Front Row:** Catie Shannon, Aubrey Papen, Blake Bryant, Kelsie Froebe, Kenzie Froebe  
**Back Row:** Dean Tauber, Brittany Jones, Ray Essington, Dana Aitken, Anne Kaff, Stephanie Groth





# Featuring...



## **MacMillan Clan**

**Front Row:** Jessie Wilson, Matt Wallis, Layne Wilson

**Back Row:** Kristin Morrow, Amy Shrum, Kelly Duke, Norval Gruver, Pam Passauer, Tamara Frizane

**Not Pictured:** Robert Wuerdeman



## **MacGregor Clan**

**Front Row:** James Hart, Jake Jabben, Emily Jabben, Ashleigh Golden

**Back Row:** Ken Rathjen, Lori Shaw, Spencer Troutman

**Not Pictured:** Terri Barbera, Sam Collins, Kris Littell, Debra Malmos



## **MacDuff Clan**

**Front Row:** Paige Demo, Lauren Peyton, Jillian Johnson, Nicki Taylor

**Back Row:** Drew Demo, Courtnee Demo, Celia Harris, Cindy Neises, Leseley Simpson, Andy White

**Not Pictured:** Dolly King



## **MacFearon Clan**

**Front Row:** Lindsay Schaub, Sarah Coder, Jennifer Schadeberg, Kelsey Stelling

**Back Row:** Richard Browning, Samantha Hoover, Vanessa Dennis, Leslie Coder, Lisa Kelley, Rick Wiltse



## **MacGuffie Clan**

**Front:** Adam Harris

**Front Row:** Lexy Mangan, Molly Mangan

**Back Row:** Eldon Manning, Katie Boulanger, Mary Boulanger, Shani Stacy, Sara Center, Ed Goode

**Not Pictured:** René Hines, Shawn Hines, Bryson Hines



## Production Staff



### Director Lisa Mitchell

Lisa Mitchell is originally from Emporia, Kansas. She graduated from Emporia State University with a Bachelors degree in Elementary Education and a Masters degree in Educational Administration. She moved to Independence in 1989 and has come to think of it as her true home. Lisa has participated in every Neewollah production since 1990. She directed the 1996 production of *The King and I*, the 1997 production of *The Wizard of Oz* and last year's 2001 production of *Annie*. She choreographed *The Wizard of Oz*, *Peter Pan* and *Cinderella*, and appeared on stage as "Nancy" in *Oliver*, "Gloria" in *Damn Yankees*, "Babe" in *The Pajama Game*, the "Fairy Godmother" in *Cinderella* and has been a member of the chorus and worked back stage. Lisa has also directed, choreographed and performed in productions at ICC and with the William Inge Festival.

Lisa is a kindergarten teacher at Eisenhower Elementary School. She is a member of the First Presbyterian Church and moderator of the Presbytery of Southern Kansas Youth Council. She has served as chairperson of the Memorial Hall Task Force, Neelah Debs co-chair and on the Queen's talent and coronation committees. She also serves on the William Inge Festival Advisory Board.

Lisa wishes to thank her parents for all their guidance, Kelli, for her incredible dedication and organization, Lea for her support, the entire cast and crew for their patience and hard work, and most especially, God, for continually giving her strength, patience and inspiration. With God, "anythin' is possible, even miracles."

### Producer Lea Shepard

Lea Shepard is producing her first Neewollah musical with *Brigadoon*, although her Neewollah contributions are numerous and varied. She currently serves as a member of the Neewollah Board of Directors. Lea has chaired the Queen Neelah Talent committee three times, served as chairman of make-up for *The King & I*, *Hello, Dolly!* and *Annie*, and worked on the musical publicity committee. She directed *Plaza Suite* for the William Inge Festival, as well as the melodrama, *Dirty Work Afoot*, an evening of one acts by David Ives, and co-directed and co-produced the musicals *Good News*, *Brigadoon*, and *Once Upon a Mattress* at Independence High School. She has performed in the ICC productions of *Faith County*, *The Wedding From Hell*, and the ANNA plays.

Lea has taught in the Independence school system for 24 years and currently teaches speech/media/drama at Independence High School. She received her Bachelors in Speech and English from Emporia State University and a Masters in Communication from Pittsburg State University. She is a member of the National Education Association, Independence NEA, Kansas NEA, and the Kansas Speech Communication Association. Lea is also a member of Zion Lutheran Church.

Lea and her husband, Kevin, who is Director of the Tri-County Special Education Cooperative, are the parents of Daniel, a freshman at Pittsburg State University, and Keith, a freshman at Independence High School.



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Not Pictured: Violin: Lewis Hoyt, Carol Hoyt, Ron Brown, Gina Botts; Cello: Phyllis Wiles, Cathy Sikes, Sara Hoyt; Bass: Karen Heath; Flute: Annette Craig, Jill Shrader; Clarinet: Don Farthing, Ron Carver; Oboe: Mark Dice; Trombone: Charlie Simmons, John Redfern; Percussion: Bruce Brooks

## Stage Crew

Front Row: Cindy Burress, Kelli Eidson/Stage Manager, Tammy Roth

Back Row: Joe Tucker, David White, Sean Clapp

Not Pictured: Lance Chickadonz, Sorrells Dewoody, David Ebert, James Oaks, Dan Roth



## Set Design & Construction

Front Row: Chuck Goad/Chairman, Scott Null, Janelle Null, Janice Jackson, David Jackson

Not Pictured: Bruce Brooks, Ryan Goad, Travis Kendrick, David Neises, Jim Ramsey, Dan Roth, Tammy Roth, Scott Smith, Diana Spellman, Jenny Tauber, Joe Tucker, Chris Twitchell





# Supporting Staff



## Make-up Committee

Jean Lundt, Haley Hinthorn/Chairman,  
Debby Sandoval, Mary Mani, Laura McClure  
Not Pictured: Shari Martinez, Rachel  
Torbett



## Properties

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Chairmen

Not Pictured: Debbie Dye, Sandi  
Johnson, Becky Miessler, Debi Oaks,  
Kristin Schabel, Michelle White



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Not Pictured: Lisa Cushing,  
Susan Hood, Debbie Trabuc



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## Neewollah Fun Run

### Neewollah 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run

**Saturday, October 19, 2002**

**Riverside Park Oval**

**Registration 8 a.m. • Fun Run 9 a.m. • 5K 10 a.m.**



*Run Chairman*  
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The 5K Run course is a certified 5 kilometers (3.1 miles) that begins at the Riverside Park Oval and continues down Fifth Street along the cemetery to Morningside Drive where it turns around and returns for the finish at the Oval. The 1 Mile Fun Run tours Riverside Park, continues through a neighborhood just south of the park and returns to the park for its finish.

Awards for Team Competition as well as Individual Competition will be presented after the completion of the 5K Run.

## Neewollah Fun Ride

After a very successful inaugural bike ride last year, the Neewollah Fun Ride will be held again in conjunction with Cycle Bobs Bicycle Club. An 18 mile, 35 mile, and 70 mile ride will be included in this year's event. Registration will be held at the Riverside Park Open 4H Building from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. with the rides starting at 9:00 a.m. The ride is a fully supported SAG ride with drinks and fruit provided at rest stops, as well as snacks at the completion of the ride. All rides begin at Riverside Park and follow a route to the Elk City Reservoir dam. The 18 mile ride continues to the Sycamore Valley Golf Course and then returns to the park. The 35 mile riders will travel to Sycamore by way of Elk City and then return to the park. The 70 mile bikers travel to Dennis, KS from Sycamore and then proceed southward through the Big Hill Lake and Cherryvale area to their conclusion at the 4H Building.



**Back Row:** Jeff Chubb, Steve Kern  
**Front Row:** Bev Chubb, Susan Kern,  
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## 2001 Queen Neelah



***Queen Neelah LX***  
**Tara Olson**





# Queen Neelah LX and Her Court

Sarah Knight, Miss Poise; Jennifer Hutchins, Miss Congeniality; Shannon Timmons, Miss Beauty; Erica Schultz, Miss Originality; Molly Brown, First Runner Up; Tara Olson, Queen Neelah LX; Kelsy Jones, Second Runner Up; Danielle Reddick, Miss Fashion; Amanda Passauer, Miss Photogenic; Roxie Watson, Miss Personality; Amber Johnson, Miss Interview; Jaynann Dumler, Miss Talent



## Judging Queen Neelah LXI

Queen Neelah candidates are evaluated by a panel of judges over a period of three days. As a means of introduction, each candidate presents an individual biography which gives personal background, interests, and her reason for entering the pageant. Miss Originality is chosen in part from the most original and imaginative biography. Candidates are also required to submit a portrait from which Miss Photogenic is selected.

The first opportunity for the judges to meet the candidates is the Queen's Tea held Sunday, October 20. The judges hold a private interview with each candidate on Monday, October 21. That same evening, each candidate presents a three-minute talent presentation. Miss Talent is chosen from the most polished and entertaining of the talent numbers. On Tuesday, October 22, a brunch is held where the candidates have a final opportunity to meet with the judges in an informal setting prior to the coronation.

Over the course of time spent with the candidates, the judges also evaluate each young woman's poise, personality, personal fashion sense, and beauty. The candidates themselves select Miss Congeniality.

### Point System for Judging Queen Neelah LXI

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Poise .....              | 20         |
| Interview .....          | 20         |
| Talent .....             | 20         |
| Personality .....        | 15         |
| Originality .....        | 10         |
| Beauty .....             | 5          |
| Fashion .....            | 5          |
| Judge's Evaluation ..... | 5          |
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## Coronation Program

Opening Presentation of Queen Candidates

Candidates 1 - 10 Presented

Selected Talent Presentations

1. Megan Brooks
2. Laura Rau
3. Raimie

Candidates 11 - 20 Presented

Selected Talent Presentations

4. Aubree
5. Kara
6. Karrie

Candidates 21 - 29 Presented

Intermission

Neelah Deb Dance

Farewell of Queen Neelah LX, Tara Olson

Announcement of Category Winners

- Miss Originality Nicole Stewart  
Miss Interview Bethanne  
Miss Congeniality Thelma  
Miss Photogenic Megan  
Miss Fashion Chamide  
Miss Beauty Anna  
Miss Personality Niki  
Miss Poise Ashley  
Miss Talent Laura

Announcement of Finalists

- 2nd Runner-up Jennifer  
1st Runner-up Kara

Crowning of Queen Neelah LXI

Raimie

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**Julie Dumler**  
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**Queen  
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**Niki Roberts**  
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**Queen  
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## Coronation Entertainers



### *Neelah Debs*

**Front Row:** Ashley Ramos, Paige Pasternak, Allison Emmot, Lisa Reddy

**Back Row:** Tara Posch, Mollie Friesen, Aubrey Heckman, Jaci Friesen, Meghan Kelly

### *Coronation Musician* John Hamlin



### *Stage Escorts*

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# Coronation Officials



## Talent Emcee Kathy Newkirk

It seems logical that the former "queen" of the DooDah parade, which proudly displays adult talents and costumes, would also reign as the emcee for the Queens' talent night for Neewollah 2002. Kathy Newkirk, an Independence native, will provide her Neewollah enthusiasm as the host of the Queen Neelah Talent Review.

Kathy has worked for Mercy Hospital since 1995 and is currently the Director of Education. She has always been a very active volunteer in the community and her special talents have touched many organizations.

Kathy has received the Soroptimist International Woman of Distinction Award in 1998 and was Independence High School Soroptimist & Rotary Academic Banquet Key Note Speaker in 2000.

Kathy has been married for 27 years to Ron Newkirk. She and Ron are the parents of two children, Jedidiah and Jalaynna.

Kathy says, "Neewollah is the highlight of my year!"

## Coronation Emcee John Surber

John Surber is returning to Independence to serve as master of ceremonies for the Queen Neelah LXI Coronation. This will be the ninth time Surber has provided his talent as emcee for the coronation program. John has also served as past emcee for the Queen's Talent Review and the Miss Southeast Kansas Pageant. As an accomplished singer and actor, Surber has also appeared in numerous Neewollah musical productions.

This summer, John and his family moved to Belleville, Kansas where he is the owner/operator of Bachelor-Surber Funeral Home. John had previously been associated with Potts Chapel. He and his wife, Dawn, have two children, Cody, who attends Washburn University, and five year old Jay.



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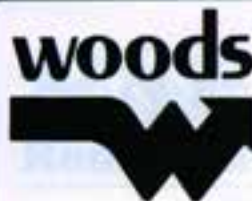
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**Andy Tompkins**  
Topeka, Kansas

## Queen's Committees



### *Queen's Coordinators*

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# Queen's Committees



## ***Queen's Talent***

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**Back Row:** Mary Kadel, Co-Chairman; Tresa Fahler, Sandi Johnson, Yvonne Hull, Yona Julian, Melissa Delich

**Not Pictured:** Dianne Mitchell, Lori Rutland, Amy Stevens



## ***Neelah Debs & Stage Escorts***

Jon Viets, Debbie Viets/Stage Escorts Chairmen; Shelley Conner, Kristen Meyer/Neelah Deb Chairmen; Tara Olson, Neelah Deb Committee



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## Queen's Committees



### Stage Set

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Not pictured: Charles Britt, Darrell Johnson, Brandi Verge



### Coronation

Front Row: Charlene Smith, Chairman; Amy Bloomfield, Angela Renfro, Lori Bromley, Susan Kern

Back Row: Tamie Shaffer, Nancy Duncan, Julie Thompson, Sheri Blaker, Lisa Dent

Not Pictured: Julie Voelker



### Workshops

Front Row: Romy Romans, Runway Chairman; Jodi Mason, Interview Chairman; Jody Kawulok, Fact Sheet Chairman; Angie Elshabassy, Fact Sheet

Back Row: Cyndy Sherwood, Fashion Show; Vanessa Dennis, Fashion Show Chairman; Ellie Culp, Fact Sheet

Not pictured: Ashley Sherwood, Brenda Warner, Fashion Show



### Pop Party

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Not pictured: Vanessa Reilly, Beth Schildroth

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**Back Row:** Lisa Wilson, Kelly Cox, Coronation Dance Co-Chairmen; Eileen Dierks, Lori Wesselowski, Queen's Tea



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Chris Mangan, Window Display; Joni Pratt, Window Display Chairman; Michelle Babcock, Hand Props Chairman; Tim Babcock, Hand Props  
**Not pictured:** Suzanne Hollyfield, Hand Props



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Magic and mystery are coming to Neewollah 2002. Neewollah and Woods Lumber Company are proud to present Kansas City's Magician of the Year, Eric Vaughn. Bring the family and be totally mystified as Eric presents his award-winning magic and illusion show on October 25 at 6:00 p.m. at Memorial Hall. Experience the magic as birds appear from thin air, audience members help entertain on stage, Eric's wife Amanda is divided in two and magically restored and Sebastian the duck becomes the star of the show. Audiences young and old are sure to be entertained and amazed by this spectacular production.

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## Saturday Night Show



### **Commerce Bank, Cessna Aircraft Company and Neewollah Proudly Present Twist and Shout**

Twist and Shout, a Beatles re-creation band, will perform Saturday evening, October 26 at 8:00 p.m. on the Memorial Hall stage. The group performs all the great Beatle tunes that appeal to the young and the not so young, and also features a sensational look-alike and sound-alike cast.

Twist and Shout is headlined by Tony Kisman as Paul, Steve Landes as John, Roger Filgate as George, and Carroll "Beaver" Parker as Ringo. The performance includes dancing go-go girls and multimedia clips that recall events from the sixties. The tribute show features more than 30 Beatle songs with every stage of their career included beginning with a re-creation of the Beatles' 1964 Ed Sullivan Show debut through the Sgt. Pepper stage, and ending with the hippie days.

Twist and Shout was voted Northern Nevada's Cabaret Show of The Year for two consecutive years and broke all attendance records at Harvey's/Lake Tahoe. They have also played to sold out engagements at the Trump Tower in Atlantic City and the Flamingo Hilton in Las Vegas.

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## Sunday Afternoon Concert



### Jazzin' It Up

**Guitar and Vocal Rendition  
Sunday, October 27, 3 p.m.  
at the ICC Inge Theatre**

John Hamlin and Robbie Bell, both accomplished local musicians decided to combine their efforts to showcase their talents. Robbie is a seasoned vocalist of many styles and John is an expert guitarist of many styles. The two merged their talents to form Hamlin & Bell, a duo that presents a wide gamut of musical stylings for their listeners' pleasure. Those who love jazz, blues and pop can attend their performance at Independence Community College's William Inge Theatre on Sunday, October 27. Jazzin' It Up showtime is 3 p.m.

## Sunday Evening Show

### KIDZ BLITZ

**Sunday, October 27, 7 p.m.**

Another Christian Production and Neewollah, Inc. in association with Roger Fields Productions present Kidz Blitz to wrap up Neewollah activities in Independence. With laser lights, fog, a unique soundtrack and loads of action, Kidz Blitz comes to Memorial Hall on Sunday, October 27, at 7:00 p.m. Produced and directed by Roger Fields, Kidz Blitz is an engaging, high tech, Nickelodeon-style event for the whole family. With a Geometric/Urban theme, families will experience Biblical truths communicated through special effects and illustrative interaction. "This is one event where kids actually get to DO something and parents should bring their cameras!" says Mr. Fields.







## New Events For Neewollah 2002



Yona Julian & Ken Brown

### ***Historic Tour***

***October 19, Saturday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.***

Neewollah 2002 marks the first festival that a tour of the historical residential district of Independence will be included. The tour includes a buggy ride that begins in the Episcopal Church parking lot. A narration of the history of the turn of the century homes will be recounted along with a history of the city of Independence. The tour returns participants to the starting point.

### ***Taste of Independence***

***October 19, Saturday, 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.***

Local downtown restaurants will provide a sampling of their favorite dishes and beverages at the Taste of Independence addition to this year's celebration on Saturday, October 19, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.



Susan & Dale Bunn



Julie Voelker & Leigh Beeson  
Not Pictured: Nancy Hight  
& Debra Root

### ***Boot Scootin' Sunday***

***October 20, Sunday, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.***

A wide variety of good, old-fashioned country fun can be had at the Boot Scootin' Sunday event on Sunday, October 20, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. downtown at the bandstand. Events for young and old alike including a chili cook-off, Cowboy Olympics, ugly boot contest, country poetry, and a street dance will be held.

### ***Sanctuary Tour***

***October 27, Sunday, 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.***

Participating churches are opening their doors to the community so everyone can view the beautiful sanctuaries, and relax and enjoy the music of each church. The Sanctuary Tour will be on Sunday, October 27, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Nancy Duncan



# Street Acts 2002



## October 20, Sunday

Boot Scootin' Sunday 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.  
Includes Chili Cook-Off, Country Poet, Cowboy Olympics,  
Ugly Boot Contest and Street Dance at Bandstand

## October 23, Wednesday

- 5:00 p.m. Praise & Worship Group
- 6:00 p.m. Prophet Micah (Christian)
- 7:30 p.m. Great Pumpkin & Lawn Decorating Contest  
Winners announced
- 8:00 p.m. Rushing Wind (Christian)


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## October 24, Thursday

- 5:00 p.m. ICC Bluenotes Band
- 7:00 p.m. Hometown Showcase

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## October 25, Friday

- 5:00 p.m. Roxie Watson (Country Gospel Singer)
- 6:00 p.m. Lorena Prater (Country)
- 8:00 p.m. Longshot (Country)
- 10:00 p.m. Paperface (Alternative)



*Déja Vu*

## October 26, Saturday

- 2:00 p.m. Scott Keeton and the Deviants (Blues)
- 4:00 p.m. Déja Vu (60's & 70's acoustic duo)
- 6:00 p.m. The Swingin' Kings (Blues)
- 8:00 p.m. Infinity (70's Rock)



*Rushing Wind*



*Lorena  
Prater*



*Scott Keeton and the  
Deviants*





## Lawn Decorating Contest



*Lawn Decorating Contest*  
Linda & Larry Spencer, Chairmen

### *Sponsored by First Federal Savings & Loan Association and Neewollah*

Just as Neewollah grows each year, the support of First Federal Savings & Loan Association has allowed the expansion of the ever-popular Lawn Decorating Contest. In addition to a first prize of \$100, prize money of \$75 for second place and \$50 to the third place entry will be offered. The categories to be judged are Halloween and Fall themes. With the growth of the contest, it is anticipated more homes and neighborhoods will become decorated with the spirit of Neewollah.

## The Great Pumpkin Contest

### *Presented by WC&M Business Services, Inc. and Neewollah*

The Great Pumpkin Contest is one of the highlights of the downtown activities on Wednesday evening, October 23. Any child preschool age through fifth grade may submit an entry. The entries are judged in different age groups, with prizes being awarded to each group. This year, due to the WC&M Business Services' support, each first place winner will receive a \$50 savings bond. The judging of the decorated pumpkins is based on creativity and imagination, so each child is urged to create a unique and novel jack-o-lantern.



*The Great Pumpkin Contest*  
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# Doo Dah Parade



**King and Princess Doo Dah**  
Jim & Jill Johnson

**Thursday, October 24, 6:00 p.m.**

Generalissimo Val DeFever has chosen Jim Johnson as King of this year's Doo Dah Parade and his daughter, Jill Johnson will reign as Princess of this elite parade.

Jim has been involved in Neewollah since he was a young man of 17 when he appeared in his first Neewollah production of *My Fair Lady* in 1964. In total, Jim has participated in 16 Neewollah musical productions, including leading roles in *The Music Man*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Hello, Dolly!*, *The King and I*, *Carousel*, and *Camelot*. Jim has been employed by the Independence Daily Reporter for 23 years and is currently working in the advertising department.

The Princess of the Doo Dah Parade, Jill Johnson, is making her debut performance this year in the Neewollah musical production of *Brigadoon*. Jill is in the second grade at Lincoln Elementary School in Fredonia.

"Mardi Gras in Independence, Kansas" has been chosen as the theme for the ninth annual Doo Dah Parade. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the crazed adult parade.

## Doo Dah Parade

Gary & Sabrina Overfield; Becky & Keith Lanning, Co-Chairmen



# Kiddie Parade

**Friday, October 25, 4:00 p.m.**

The Neewollah Kiddie Parade is one of the most endearing and enduring parts of our annual festival. Over 900 children, area school bands and numerous "kiddie floats" participate in this parade. The staff from U.S.D. 446 donate time and energy to make it all happen.

## Kiddie Parade

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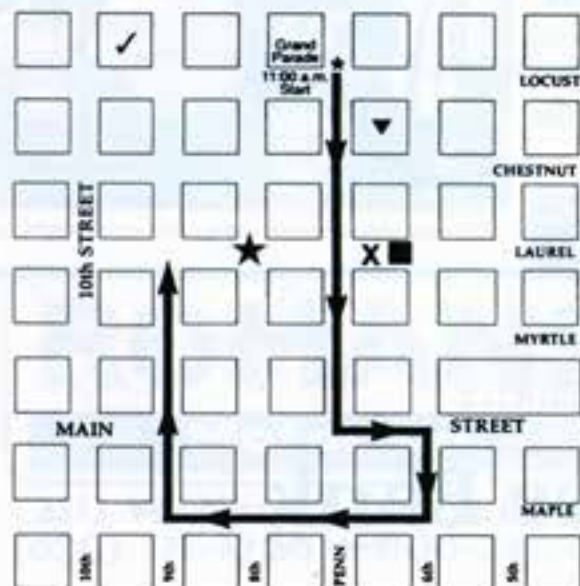
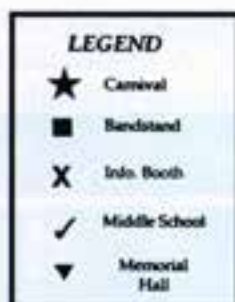
# Neewollah Grand Parade



**Front Row:** Joe Hernandez  
**Middle Row:** Bill Wilkins, Paul Reilly (Co-Chairman)  
**Back Row:** Steve DeFever, Sean Clapp  
**Not pictured:** Mike Borovetz, DJ Cross, Alan DeFever (Co-Chairman), Jim Dittmer, Walt Dittmer, Mark Fienen, Matt Hoover, Lee Horning, Kurt King, Lynn Merritt, Mike O'Malley, Dan Roth, Paxson St. Clair, John Trusdale, Ethan Warlick, David Wilson, Merle Wilson

## 2002 Grand Parade Route Saturday, October 26, 11:00 a.m.

The parade starts at the corner of Penn and Chestnut. It proceeds from Memorial Hall at Penn and Chestnut, south to Main, east to Sixth, south to Maple, west to Ninth, and north to Laurel Street. There are free street acts, a carnival, and food concessions both before and after the Neewollah Grand Parade.



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# 2002 Grand Parade Marshal



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## **Grand Parade Marshal Paul Viets**

Paul Viets' enthusiastic and loyal support of our community and of the Neewollah celebration has earned him the honor of being selected Grand Parade Marshal for Neewollah 2002 by Generalissimo Val DeFever.

Viets has lived in Independence since 1944, graduated from Independence High School and Independence Community College and then graduated from the University of Kansas.

Viets served on the Neewollah Board of Directors for two terms and was Generalissimo in 1975. Mel Tillis and The Oak Ridge Boys provided the professional entertainment that year, Janet Washburn was selected as Queen Neelah, and *The King and I* was presented for the musical.

He has served as City Commissioner as well as the Mayor of Independence. His community involvement includes: Rotary, Optimist, Chamber of Commerce, Mercy Hospital Lay Board, and Independence Industries, Inc. Viets was a founder of the Montgomery County Action Committee and the Independence Action Partnership.

Viets was affiliated with The Citizens National Bank since 1970, and served as President and Chairman of the Board until the bank was sold to Commerce Bank. He continues his affiliation with Commerce Bank as Chairman of the local board. He has also served as President of The Kansas Bankers Association.

Paul and his wife, Sharon, have three children, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. They are active members of the First Presbyterian Church and enjoy traveling. Paul likes to spend his spare time on the local golf course.







# 2001 Grand Parade Float Winners



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# Marching Band Competition

**October 26, 2002, 1:30 p.m.**  
**Shulthis Stadium - Kayo Emmot Field**

Once again this year, Shulthis Stadium will be crowded to overflowing and alive with the sound of marching music. Field competition for the marching festival will begin at 1:30 p.m. Saturday afternoon at Shulthis Stadium for approximately 30 marching bands from Kansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri.

Don Farthing, the organizer of this year's event, developed this competition 24 years ago, along with I.H.S. Band Boosters, while he was the Independence High School band teacher. Since the event was first begun, the festival has quadrupled in size. Many of the bands march in the Grand Parade so they will be eligible to participate in the Marching Band Competition.

The Independence High School Band Boosters will operate a concession stand throughout the afternoon. The public is invited to attend the festival free of admission charge.



## **Marching Band Competition**

Dale Belcher, Nancy Belcher, Dena Hill,  
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# Neewollah Committees



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**Second Row:** Margie Swisher, Karen Turner, Melody Moore (Chairman), Ernie Cain

**Third Row:** Theresa Kelly, Carolyn Torrance, Sue Prince, Bev Goode, Mary Rinck, Paula Woollard, Patsy Boulanger

**Back Row:** Karen Newkirk, Tamie Shaffer

**Not pictured:** Donna Bennett, Joan Farless, Carole Farthing, Jody Kawulok, Kathy Kimble, Dee Dee Runge, Cheryl Settles, Karen Sewell, Jana Shaver, Patti Siefert, Leslie Stair



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**Back Row:** Diana Knisely, Carolyn Torrance

**Not pictured:** Nancy Hignight, Susan Johnson, Kurt King, Kim Strunk, Debbie Viets

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**Back Row:** Tom Posch, Ray Rothgeb, John Hamlin (Co-Chairman)

**Not Pictured:** Mike Flood



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## **Rock Ball**

Mary Rinck, Kelli Fienen (Chairman), Robin Rinck, Debbie Puryear



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## **Big Band Ball**

**Front Row:** Sharon Paugh (Chairman), Carole Farthing

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# Neewollahs Past

## *Neewollah Musical Productions (Last 12 years)*

|      |                        |      |                         |
|------|------------------------|------|-------------------------|
| 1990 | <i>Gypsy</i>           | 1996 | <i>The King &amp; I</i> |
| 1991 | <i>Oliver</i>          | 1997 | <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> |
| 1992 | <i>Damn Yankees</i>    | 1998 | <i>Peter Pan</i>        |
| 1993 | <i>Guys and Dolls</i>  | 1999 | <i>Cinderella</i>       |
| 1994 | <i>Bye Bye Birdie</i>  | 2000 | <i>Hello, Dolly!</i>    |
| 1995 | <i>The Pajama Game</i> | 2001 | <i>Annie</i>            |

### *Past Generalissimos Past Queens*

|  |                   |                    |  |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|--|
| 1919   | Thurman Hill      |                    |  |
| 1920   | O.E. McAnulty     | Ella Jane Brinkley |  |
| 1921   | O.E. McAnulty     | Ella Jane Brinkley |  |
| 1922   | John Baden        | Orphelia Pruitt    |  |
| 1923   | John Baden        | Florence Smith     |  |
| 1924   |                   | Helen Jones        |  |
| 1925   |                   | Lola McDaniel      |  |
| 1926   | O.E. McAnulty     | Catherine Cates    |  |
| 1927   | O.E. McAnulty     | Babs Carroll       |  |
| 1928   | O.E. McAnulty     | Alice May Austin   |  |
| 1929   | O.E. McAnulty     | Elizabeth Cowman   |  |
| 1930   | O.E. McAnulty     | Bea St. Helens     |  |
| <i>No Neewollah 1931-1934 due to the Great Depression</i>      |                   |                    |  |
| 1935   |                   | Louise Ransdall    |  |
| <i>No Neewollah 1936-1947 due to World War II</i>              |                   |                    |  |
| 1948   | Bill Wagner       | Dorothy Heckman    |  |
| 1949   | Emmett Wilson     | JoAnn Jacobs       |  |
| <i>No Neewollah 1950-1957 due to lack of financial support</i> |                   |                    |  |
| 1958   | Jim Halsey        | Neola Hamsher      |  |
| 1959   | Bob Wohltman      | Sylvia McCalla     |  |
| 1960   | Jerry Webb        | Norma Day          |  |
| 1961   | Don Dancer        | Phyllis Cinnoto    |  |
| 1962   | Bill Woods        | Kristin Utz        |  |
| 1963   | Duane Doll        | Betsy Gibson       |  |
| 1964   | Bill Woods        | Karen Schaub       |  |
| 1965   | Jim Halsey        | Gay Barnard        |  |
| 1966   | Fred Wilkin       | Rosemary Sicks     |  |
| 1967   | E.C. Simmons      | Pat Yerkes         |  |
| 1968   | Wayne Reed        | Diane Talley       |  |
| 1969   | G. Burks Sherwood | Terri Boorigie     |  |
| 1970   | Bob Schneider     | Nancy Reid         |  |

### *Past Generalissimos*

|      |                  |
|------|------------------|
| 1971 | Bill Cook        |
| 1972 | Jerry Webb       |
| 1973 | Richard Shaver   |
| 1974 | Stan Lewis       |
| 1975 | Paul Viets       |
| 1976 | Bill Mason       |
| 1977 | Kathryn Bruening |
| 1978 | Roger Leeseberg  |
| 1979 | Stewart Crow     |
| 1980 | Jerry Webb       |
| 1981 | Don Dancer       |
| 1982 | Karen Reeder     |
| 1983 | Lowell Baker     |
| 1984 | Stewart Crow     |
| 1985 | Pat Springer     |
| 1986 | Jack Ashcraft    |
| 1987 | Tim Emert        |
| 1988 | Virginia Kelly   |
| 1989 | Steve DeFever    |
| 1990 | Paul Oakleaf     |
| 1991 | Lorne Schlatter  |
| 1992 | David Torbett    |
| 1993 | Steve Wilkin     |
| 1994 | Mike Flood       |
| 1995 | Larry Pendleton  |
| 1996 | Ray Rothgeb      |
| 1997 | Gregg Webster    |
| 1998 | Beth Chaney      |
| 1999 | Butch Holum      |
| 2000 | Vanessa Dennis   |
| 2001 | Grant Sherwood   |

### *Past Queens*

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| Diane David       |
| Ruth Pittman      |
| Laurie Dilorio    |
| Belinda Boys      |
| Janet Washburn    |
| Stephanie Cook    |
| Susan Scovel      |
| Staci Pollock     |
| Lisa Swearingen   |
| Beth Maxwell      |
| Yvette Carvalho   |
| Jill Singleton    |
| Gail Moore        |
| Tammy Pasternak   |
| Jeannine Bailey   |
| Missy Housel      |
| Shelly Nelson     |
| Kaki Borklund     |
| Kara Woods        |
| Julie Lair        |
| Keri Kruse        |
| April Hill        |
| Laura Henrichs    |
| Kelly Springer    |
| Tara Kemp         |
| Christy VanFossen |
| Kelly O'Malley    |
| Andrea Bailey     |
| Jordan Paugh      |
| Uma Patel         |
| Tara Olson        |



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## Neewollah 2002 Information

"A Magical, Musical Tour Through Time!" has been a pleasurable experience for all of the Neewollah 2002 committees. Since Neewollah is an Independence tradition, preparations for next year's celebration are already in progress. To obtain information for Neewollah 2003 send a self-addressed stamped envelope to:



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# Neewollah 2002 Schedule of Events

## October 16, Wednesday

*Medallion Hunt Kickoff* at 3:30 p.m. at Jump Start,  
Tenth & Main (Sponsored by Jump Start)

## October 18, Friday

*BRIGADOON* at Memorial Hall 7:30 p.m.

## October 19, Saturday

*Neewollah Fun Run* (Sponsored by Mercy Hospital)

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

Riverside Park Oval

One Mile Fun Walk begins at 9:00 a.m.

5K TAC Certified Fun Run at 10:00 a.m.

*Neewollah Fun Bike Ride*

18 mile - 35 mile - 70 mile Rides

Riverside Park 4H Building

Registration 7:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

Ride starts at 9:00 a.m.

*Historic Tour* 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

*Taste of Independence* 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

*BRIGADOON* at Memorial Hall 7:30 p.m.

*Big Band Ball* Independence Museum 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

*Rock Ball* El Portal 10 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

## October 20, Sunday

*BRIGADOON* at Memorial Hall 2:00 p.m.

*Boot Scootin' Sunday* 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. at Bandstand  
includes Chili Cook-off, Country Poet, Cowboy  
Olympics, Street Dance

## October 21, Monday

*Queen Neelah Talent Competition*

Memorial Hall 6:30 p.m.

## October 22, Tuesday

*Queen Neelah LXI Coronation*

Memorial Hall 7:00 p.m.

## October 23, Wednesday

*Food Stands* open at noon downtown

*Ottaway Carnival Family Night* 5:00 p.m.

*Great Pumpkin Contest* judging at bandstand begins  
5:00 p.m. (Sponsored by Westervelt, Carson &  
Miller)

*Great Pumpkin & Lawn Decorating*

Winners announced at 7:30 p.m.

*Lawn Decorating Contest* (Sponsored by First  
Federal Savings & Loan)

*Bandstand Entertainment* 5:00 - 9:30 p.m.

## October 24, Thursday

*Ottaway Carnival Family Night* 5:00 p.m.

*Bandstand Entertainment*

*ICC Bluenotes Band* 5:00 p.m.

*DooDah Parade* 6:00 p.m.

*Hometown Showcase* at bandstand 7:00 p.m.

## October 25, Friday

*Kiddie Parade* 4:00 p.m.

*Ottaway Carnival* 5:00 p.m.

*Eric Vaughn's Magic Show* 6:00 p.m. Memorial  
Hall (Sponsored by Woods Lumber Co.)

*Bandstand Entertainment* 5:00 - 11:00 p.m.

## October 26, Saturday

*Pre-Parade Activities & Street Acts*

*Neewollah Grand Parade* 11:00 a.m.

*Arts & Crafts Exhibits* Commerce Bank Parking Lot

*Marching Band Competition* 1:30 p.m. Kayo Emmot  
Field in Shulthis Stadium

*Ottaway Carnival*

*Cubmobile Race* - immediately following Grand  
Parade in front of AutoZone

*Bandstand Entertainment* 2:00 - 9:30 p.m.

*Twist and Shout* at Memorial Hall 8:00 p.m.

(Sponsored by Commerce Bank and Cessna)

## October 27, Sunday

*Sanctuary Tour* 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. (participating  
churches)

*"Jazzin' It Up" Guitar and Vocal Concert* featuring  
Hamlin & Bell 3:00 p.m. at ICC Inge Theatre  
*Kidz Blitz* 7:00 p.m. at Memorial Hall

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