

NEEWOLLAH 2008



Independence, Kansas



Welcome to "Our Town!"

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Neewollah History

The Neewollah festival began in 1919 in an effort to provide positive activities for kids of all ages in place of typical Halloween pranks. Initially the event centered around parades held morning, afternoon and night on October 31st. The parades were made up primarily of decorated cars and carriages. Queens and princesses from area festivals rode in the parades, along with our own Queen Neelah, who was selected based on votes bought at a penny a piece. The Great Depression and World War II interrupted the Neewollah celebration from 1931 to 1947. Local businessmen Jim Halsey, Jerry Webb and Don Dancer revived and elaborated on the Neewollah theme, bringing it back as a three day festival in 1948. In the ensuing years, a queen's pageant, several presentations of a Broadway play, a carnival and street acts were added to the Kiddie Parade and Grand Parade. Today Neewollah is the oldest and largest annual festival in Kansas. Independence blossoms from 10,000-12,000 residents to up to 75,000 people in the final days of the now 10 day festival.



**"Welcome
to
Neewollah"**



**Welcome
to "Our
Town!"**

Generalissimo Marty Reichenberger

Welcome to "Our Town!" is the theme for Neewollah 2008! As your generalissimo and on behalf of the Neewollah board of directors, I would like to thank all the outstanding volunteers and sponsors for their time, talent, and support to make this another great Neewollah festival. From the opening night of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* to country music's Terri Clark free on the bandstand, we hope you enjoy Neewollah 2008, and again Welcome to "Our Town!"

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Not Pictured: Andy Watkins

The Neewollah Board of Directors is made up of fifteen members who are elected for three-year terms and can serve up to three terms. New board members are often selected based on their active involvement in the festival and the expertise they bring to the board table. These individuals often assume positions of leadership in the overall running of the festival. The Generalissimo is most likely to be a Board member. He or she has a year as Generalissimo-Elect to become more fully acquainted with all facets of the 10-day celebration before moving into command.

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Synopsis

The Biblical saga of Joseph and his coat of many colors comes to vibrant life in this delightful musical parable. Joseph is a boy blessed with prophetic dreams and his father's favor. When his brothers sell him into slavery and send him to Egypt, Joseph endures a series of adventures in which his spirit and humanity are continually challenged. He is purchased by a man named Potiphar, where his refusals of advances from Mrs. Potiphar land him in jail. When news of Joseph's talent for interpreting dreams reaches the Pharaoh (wryly and riotously depicted as Elvis), Joseph is well on his way to becoming second in command. Eventually his brothers, having suffered greatly, unknowingly find themselves groveling at the feet of the brother they betrayed but no longer recognize. After testing their integrity, Joseph reveals himself, leading to a heartfelt reconciliation of the sons of Israel. Set to an engaging cornucopia of musical styles, from country-western and calypso to bubble-gum pop and rock 'n' roll, this Old Testament tale emerges both timely and timeless. Originally produced in 1968 as a 20-minute oratorio performed by children at a school in London, an expanded version followed as a record album and was subsequently performed as a full-scale production in London in 1973. *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* was first performed in the United States in 1976 at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. It was revived off-Broadway in 1981 in a production starring Bill Hutton and later, David Cassidy, and ran for 824 performances. Recent productions have starred Donny Osmond in Toronto and Michael Damian on Broadway.

Cast of Characters

Starring

<i>Joseph</i>	Derick Pledger
<i>Narrator</i>	Lisa Mitchell
<i>Pharaoh</i>	Dean Hayse
<i>Jacob</i>	Gary Mitchell
<i>Potiphar</i>	Drew Demo
<i>Potiphar's Wife</i>	Cody Rodriguez
<i>The Baker</i>	Andrew Posch
<i>The Butler</i>	Aaron Hayse

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Joel Darbro - *Isaachar*
John Gray - *Judah*
Norval Gruver - *Asher*
Bruce Peterson - *Reuben*
Jeff Shaw - *Levi*
Dylan Smith - *Benjamin*
James Smith - *Naphtali*
John Turner - *Simeon*
Matthew Wilson - *Dan*

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Marcia Carvalho - *Gad's Wife*
Selena Cavaness - *Judah's Wife*
Haley Hinthorn - *Simeon's Wife*
Marcy Mitchell - *Jacob's Wife*
Angie Musgrove - *Reuben's Wife*
Pam Passauer - *Asher's Wife*
Ronda Siebels - *Levi's Wife*
Kathy Sikes - *Naphtali's Wife*
Lynda Troutman - *Dan's Wife*
Jayme Watkins - *Benjamin's Wife*

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Scene 1

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Narrator, Brothers, Wives, Children, Jacob, Joseph

Scene 2

JOSEPH'S DREAMS

Narrator, Joseph, Brothers, Wives, Jacob

Scene 3

POOR POOR JOSEPH

Narrator, Brothers, Children

Scene 4

ONE MORE ANGEL IN HEAVEN

Reuben, Narrator, Brothers, Wives, Jacob, Children

Scene 5

POTIPHAR

Narrator, Ensemble, Mrs Potiphar, Potiphar, Joseph

Scene 6

CLOSE EVERY DOOR

Joseph, Children

Scene 7

GO, GO, GO JOSEPH

Narrator, Butler, Baker, Ensemble, Joseph, Guru, Children

Act Two

ENTR'ACTE

Orchestra

Scene 8

PHARAOH'S STORY

Narrator, Children

Scene 9

POOR, POOR PHARAOH.SONG OF THE KING

Narrator, Butler, Pharaoh, Children, Ensemble

Scene 10

PHARAOH'S DREAM EXPLAINED

Joseph, Ensemble, Children

Scene 11

STONE THE CROWS

Narrator, Pharaoh, Children, Joseph, Ensemble

Scene 12

THOSE CANAAN DAYS

Simeon, Jacob, Brothers

Scene 13

THE BROTHERS CAME TO EGYPT/GROVEL, GROVEL

Narrator, Brothers, Joseph, Ensemble, Children

Scene 14

WHO'S THE THIEF?

Joseph, Brothers, Children

Scene 15

BENJAMIN CALYPSO

Judah, Brothers

Scene 16

JOSEPH ALL THE TIME

Narrator, Joseph, Children, Brothers, Ensemble

Scene 17

JACOB IN EGYPT

Narrator, Jacob, Children, Ensemble

Scene 18

ANY DREAM WILL DO

Joseph, Narrator, Ensemble, Jacob, Children

Scene 19

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Derrick Pledger as Joseph

Derrick Pledger is making his Neewollah stage debut as Joseph; in fact this is his first major musical! Derrick is from Clarksville, Arkansas, and he is a member of East Mt. Zion Baptist Church, where he has been involved in small musicals for eight years, including Easter Pageants and A Smoky Mountain Christmas. He was also a part of the praise team. He was in school choirs for six years and was first chair all-state his sophomore and senior years. He was the winner of the Fort Smith PBR Talent Competition at the Dr. Pepper Stage for the talent show the last four years. He has also done a commercial for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Derrick is currently attending Independence Community College, where he plays baseball.

Lisa Mitchell as Narrator

Lisa Mitchell returns to the stage of Neewollah this year in the role of the Narrator. She has starred in, choreographed, and directed many of the recent Neewollah musical productions. Though she has been involved in every Neewollah musical since 1990, her most recent was director for last year's production of *Li'l Abner*. Lisa has served on various committees for Queen Neelah, including pageant director, talent chair, and Neelah Deb chair. Lisa also appeared in and directed productions for the William Inge Festival, ICC Theater, and Coffeyville Community Theater. She is a founding member and director for Independence Children's Summer Theater. Lisa is an active member of the First Presbyterian Church and currently serves as a kindergarten teacher and instructional coach at Eisenhower Elementary School.



Dean Hayse as Pharaoh

Dean Hayse is the proud father of four sons. His son, Aaron, joins him on stage this evening. He has lived in Independence for 11 Years and works at Cessna as an engineering manager. He is a Boy Scout leader and an active member of the First United Methodist Church where he enjoys his role as a youth leader. He also serves as Chairman of Leadership Independence, Board of Directors. Dean's Neewollah Musical experience includes roles as Beast in *Beauty and the Beast*, Tin Man in *The Wizard of Oz*, Rooster in *Annie*, Andrew McLaren in *Brigadoon*, and Marryin' Sam in *Li'l Abner*.

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**Gary Mitchell as Jacob**

Gary Mitchell brings a wealth of experience to the Neewollah stage. He has appeared in over twenty Neewollah musicals, his most recent as the memorable Pappy Yokum in last year's production of *Li'l Abner*. He has also appeared in musicals on the Independence Community College stage as well as community theater productions in Neodesha, Coffeyville and Independence. Mitchell also directed dozens of productions for ICC.

Drew Demo as Potiphar

Drew Demo, starring as Potiphar, has been involved in every Neewollah Musical since 1997. He has been in many chorus numbers and has appeared as the Government Man in *Li'l Abner*, and as Pierre in *Beauty and the Beast*. Demo has also appeared in several Independence Community College Productions of the 24 Hour Plays. Recently Drew has served as the Generalissimo for the 2007 Neewollah Festival. He and his wife Janet are the parents of 3 grown children.

**Cody Rodriguez as Potiphar's Wife**

Cody Lee Rodriguez is an Independence native. Her Neewollah musical appearances include being cast as a dancer in *The King & I*, *Wizard of Oz* and *Peter Pan* and principal roles in *Brigadoon* and *Li'l Abner* which she also choreographed. Cody was named 1st Runner-up in the 1999 Queen Neelah pageant. She enjoys singing and dancing and spending time with her husband and daughter.

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Jeff Shaw as Joseph's Brother Levi

Jeff Shaw is a veteran of the Neewollah stage. Jeff has participated in every Neewollah show since the 1997 production of *Wizard of Oz*. Jeff lives in Independence, Kansas, and works as a Signal Maintainer for Union Pacific Railroad. Jeff is a member of the First Presbyterian Church and is President of the ITSO (Independence Thespian Society Organization). Jeff and his wife Lori have three grown children.

John Gray as Joseph's Brother Judah

John Gray makes his Neewollah stage debut this year, although he is no stranger to the stage. While attending Parsons High School he was in *Westside Story*, *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*, and *The King and I*. He also was in several shows at Coffeyville Community College, including their production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. He is currently residing in Independence and is a case manager for Four County Mental Health.



Bruce Peterson as Joseph's Brother Reuben

Bruce Peterson is in his second Neewollah musical, having played the Dentist in *Little Shop of Horrors*. He also enjoys plays, appearing in *The Servant of Two Masters* and *Inspecting Carol* at Independence Community College. He has also worked off-stage duties at ICC and Neewollah Productions and is a board member of the Independence Children's Summer Theater. He has worked for ICC at the William Inge Center for the arts for six years, because he remembers that his first day on the job was the opening night of *Brigadoon*.



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Marcia Carvalho,
Lynda Troutman,
Ronda Seibels,
Jayme Watkins,
Angie Musgrove

Back Row: Haley

Hinthorn,
Pam Passauer,
Kathy Sikes,
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Debbie Tincher – Co-producer

This is Debbie's first experience as a producer, having co-produced *Beauty and the Beast*. She has been involved in Neewollah shows since performing in the chorus of *Oklahoma* in 1982. The highlights of her Neewollah experience include serving on the Neewollah Board of Directors, directing *Cinderella* and *Neewollah Follies*, and her roles as Anna in *The King and I* and *Peter Pan*. She has served on a variety of Neewollah committees, including the Talent Committee, Queen Coronation Committee and Logo Committee. A member of the First United Methodist Church, Debbie is also the Library Media Specialist at Washington Elementary.

Bob Tincher – Co-producer

This is Bob's first experience as a producer. He has been involved in various roles in several Neewollah shows. In 1996, Bob made his Neewollah stage debut in *The King and I*. Since then, he has appeared in *Peter Pan*, *The Wizard of Oz*, *Neewollah Follies*, *Beauty and the Beast*, and had a cameo appearance in last year's production of *L'il Abner*. He was Assistant Director for *Cinderella* in 1999. Bob is the Technology Director for the Independence public school district. He and his wife, Debbie, have three children, Bethanie White, Spencer White, and Rebecca Tincher.

Ray Rothgeb – Director

Ray Rothgeb has been director of several productions in his lifetime. He has directed plays and musicals including four in Belle Plaine, KS, and 13 at ICC. Past Neewollah productions include *Carousel*, *Mame*, *Oliver*, *Guys & Dolls*. He also adds to his credits; conducting choral choirs, orchestras, opera choir and opera scenes for Wichita State University, designing sets and lighting for opera, stage and musicals. Ray has performed roles in several productions as well. He has performed at Wichita State University, ICC, and his Neewollah Credits include; *Guys & Dolls*, *Hello Dolly*, *Rogers & Hart Review*, *Oklahoma*, *Sound of Music*, *King & I*, *Music Man*, *Anything Goes*, *Neewollah Follies*, & *Beauty and the Beast*. Ray is also a member of the First Presbyterian Church where he is choir director & an elder. His other current memberships include; Mercy Hospital Foundation Board (President), Independence Lions Club (Past President), Independence Masons, Monday Music Club Community Choir, & Independence Historical Museum. Ray and his wife Donna have been married 40 years and reside in Independence, KS. They have 2 sons and 3 grandchildren with a 4th on the way



Lorraine Emmot – Assistant Director

Lorraine Emmot is serving her second stint as assistant to the director, her first having been last year for *L'il Abner*. She has been involved in various Neewollah activities; costumes committee for *The King and I*, *Wizard of Oz*, *Hello Dolly*, *Annie*, *Brigadoon* (as chairman), *Little Shop of Horrors*, and *Beauty and the Beast* (as chairman). She has also participated on some Queen Neelah committees as well. They include Talent, Brunch, and Fashion Show; which she chaired in 2005 and 2007. Lorraine is a Title I Reading teacher and has been for 25 years. She has taught for 5 years in St. Paul, Kansas; Lincoln Elementary for 4 years; Eisenhower for 16 years. Lorraine is currently President-Elect for I-NEA and in the past she has held the secretary and building representative positions as well. Lorraine is active in the Women for Independence and Zion Lutheran Church. Lorraine and her husband Ray, have 3 children and 5 grandchildren.





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Julie Loveless

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Drew Demo
Back Row:
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Jeff Chubb, Pete Dierks,
Jeff Shaw,
Larry Annable
Not Pictured:
Jerry Rogers,
Joel Darbro



Play Committees

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Makeup Committee

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Neewollah Logo Contest/Medallion Hunt

Neewollah Logo Winner – DeeAnne Tigner

A native of Neodesha, Tigner confessed that she began attending the Neewollah celebration as a child which helped her with her family-friendly art theme. A graduate of Neodesha High School, she attended Pittsburg State University where she earned her degree in graphic design. In her free time, she enjoys playing tennis and basketball, painting, gardening, baking, spending time with friends and family, and volunteering for community events.

She and her husband, Bill, hosted their first exchange student last year, a youth from Germany, and they are excited about hosting again for the 2008-09 school year.

The Neewollah Logo Contest is held each spring after the Generalissimo has announced the theme for the upcoming festival. Entries are sought through the local newspaper. After judges select the winner the overall composition of the entry may be fine tuned to fit on the Neewollah button and to fill other Neewollah needs.



Logo Committee

Front Row: Debbie Tincher, Pam Passauer, Drew Demo, Celia Harris, Lynda Troutman
Back Row: Bob Tincher, Larry Annable, Janet Demo, Jeff Shaw (chair), Lori Shaw (co-chair), Sandy Annable, Amanda Passauer
Not Pictured: Joel Darbro



Neewollah Medallion Hunt

The 2008 Medallion Hunt will kick off in conjunction with the fifth annual Chili Cook-Off at the Riverside Park Oval on Saturday, October 18 at 1:00 p.m.

The Medallion is hidden somewhere within the city limits of Independence on public property and clues are issued each day regarding the location of the medallion. The prize offered this year to the finder of the medallion will be \$500. If the winner is not wearing this year's Neewollah button the prize will be reduced to \$250. A new clue will be released at 3:00 p.m. each day at Neewollah Headquarters located at 204-206 North Penn and on KIND radio, in the Independence Daily Reporter and on the Neewollah website, www.neewollah.com.



Medallion Hunt Committee
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Fun Run Committee
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Neewollah Run Run

Saturday, October 18, 2008

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Riverside Park Oval

Registration 7 a.m.

5K 8:15 a.m.

1-Mile Fun Run/Walk 9 a.m.

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This year's 20th annual 1-Mile Fun Run/Walk will remain within Riverside Park while the 5K course will leave the park area briefly. Awards for team competition as well as individual competition will be presented after the completion of the races.



Neewollah Chili Cook-Off

This is Our Town and Our Taste!

Saturday, October 18, 2008

Riverside Park Oval

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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There is fun for the whole family; inflatables, pumpkin painting, pillow jousting tournament, hot dog eating contest and more. Come taste the local chili, made from scratch the day of the contest. New this year is a dessert contest, sampling is a must, anyone can enter, just make sure your dessert has pumpkin or pumpkin spice in it. Prize money this year totals over \$1000.00.



Chili Cook-off Committee

Front Row: Joanne Cox, Stacie Clarkson, Amy Bloomfield, Carey Chism, Terry Hogan, Melissa Small (chair), Kathy Woods

Back Row: Angie Carr, Amber Gregory, Sandi Johnson, Patsy Boulanger, Anne Bertie, Zoedy Schnurbusch

Not Pictured: Valerie Smith, Jim Hogan, Amanda Bryant, Kim Pinkerton, Amy Easley, Amy Burnett.

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2007 Queen Neelah



Queen Neelah LXVI
Morgan Fox



Pictured Left to Right:

Miss Talent – Teryn Frizell
Miss Originality – Mersadies Newton
Miss Interview – Katlin Jackson
Miss Fashion – Erin Railsback

Miss Personality – Reyna Ponce de Leon
Queen Neelah LXVI – Morgan Fox
2nd Runner Up – Shelby Davis

1st Runner Up – Kayla Schabel
Miss Spirit & Miss Beauty – Brandi Eades
Miss Photogenic – Jaymee Wright
Miss Poise – Casey Oliver

Judging Queen Neelah LXVII

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 19. The judges hold a private interview with each candidate on Monday, October 20. 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 21, 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 Spirit.

Point System for Judging Queen Neelah LXVII

Poise	20
Interview	20
Talent	20
Personality	15
Originality	10
Beauty	5
Fashion	5
Judges' Evaluation	5
Total	100

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2008 Coronation Program

Opening Presentation of Queen Candidates

Presentation of Candidates

Selected Talent Presentations

1. _____

2. _____

Presentation of Candidates

Selected Talent Presentations

3. _____

4. _____

Presentation of Candidates

Selected Talent Presentations

5. _____

6. _____

Neelah Deb Dance

Intermission

Introduction of Little Princesses Anna W.

Farewell of Queen Neelah LXVI Morgan Fox

Announcement of Category Winners

Miss Originality Courtney Chambers

Miss Interview Asia Hogan

Miss Spirit Kyrsten Ramey

Miss Photogenic Kirsten Steinle

Miss Fashion Kelsie Mayes

Miss Beauty Coral Pinon

Miss Personality Sarah Hagebush

Miss Poise Jessica Gillespie

Miss Talent Kirsten Miller

Announcement of Finalists

2nd Runner-up Mary Lynn Craig

1st Runner-up Kelsie Meyers

Crowning of Queen Neelah LXVII



Courtney Chambers
Deertrail Estates
Piano Solo



MaryLynn Joy Craig
Prizms Salon
French Horn Solo



**Queen Neelah
LXVII Candidates**



Jessica Gillespie
Dr. Sandra Easter
Piano Solo



Sarah Hagebusch
Mercy Hospital
Cherryvale Pharmacy



Asia Hogan
Tropical Tan
Comedy singing



2008 Queen Neelah Candidates



**Crestley Rachelle
Jones**

Baker's Appliance Center
Humorous Skit



Jessica Nicole Kebert

Twig's Floral & Gifts
Vocal Solo/Dance



Queen Neelah LXVII Candidates



Kelsey Jo Mayes

Ane Mae's
Dramatic Skit



Kelsie Kay Meier

Woods Lumber Company
Musical Skit



Kirsten Miller

Classic Portraits
Vocal Solo



Chelsea Peters
Brothers Railroad Inn
Humorous Skit



Nicole Peterson
Lloyd G Baumwart,
DDS, PA
Humorous Skit



Coral M. Pinon
Xtreme Bike & Sport
Dance



Queen Neelah LXVII Candidates



Krysten Ramey
Oakhill Financial Group
Vocal Solo



Lauren Reynolds
Heartland Coach
Limo Service
Classical Ballet



Sara Reynolds
Dr. Stewart Crow, DDS, PA
Pointe Ballet



2008 Queen Neelah Candidates



Brooke Rollison

Gary Beaver, OD
Modern Jazz Dance



Caitlin Shire

Advanced Physical Therapy,
Eric B.Shire MSPT
Vocal Solo



Carlie Shire

Tucker LP Gas Company
Vocal Solo



Queen Neelah LXVII Candidates



Miranda Smith

Bert Chronister, MD
Tae Kwan Do Routine



**Kirsten Danielle
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Vocal Solo



Autumn Stroble

The Medicine Shoppe
Pharmacy
Vocal Solo



Nicki Taylor
Standard Motor Products
Humorous Skit



Jessica Welch
First National Bank
Dance & Gymnastic Routine



**Queen Neelah
LXVII Candidates**



Ashleyghna Wright
CMC Recycling
Hip Hop Dance



Brandi Wright
Jolitta Wright, Independent
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Stand Up Comedy



Queen Coronation Judges



Dr. Andy Tompkins – Dean of the College of Education and Associate Professor

Andy Tompkins became Dean of the College of Education in July of 2007. Prior to his appointment at Pittsburg State University, Dr. Tompkins served as a high school English teacher, high school principal, superintendent, university professor, and Commissioner of Education for the state of Kansas. He has been recognized for his accomplishments which include selection as the Kansas Superintendent of the Year in 1992, induction into the Kansas Teachers Hall of Fame in 2001, recipient of the Governor's Award presented by the Kansas State High School Activities Association in 2002, and recipient of the Leadership Kansas Alumnus of the Year Award in 2002. He also has served as a Kansas commissioner to the Education Commission of the States since 1995. His teaching areas at the university are school and district leadership.



Richard Tucker –

Richard Tucker holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Central Oklahoma and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism from the University of Oklahoma. He has been a part of the Miss America Organization for the past eight years working on the local level with the Miss Oklahoma City University Scholarship Pageant. During his time at the local level, Rich directed three young women to the crown of Miss Oklahoma's Outstanding Teen and one wonderful girl to the title of Miss Oklahoma. Rich has recently made a change to his pageant career now serving as a member of the Executive Committee for the Miss Oklahoma's Outstanding Teen Pageant. He serves on the Advisory Council to the Children's Miracle Network as well as other civic organizations. Rich resides in Edmond, Oklahoma, working for the past seven years in the world of finance. During his spare time he continues training for marathons.



Becky L. Wilkins –

Becky Wilkins has been involved with the Miss America Organization for several years. She is an enthusiastic supporter and financial contributor to both the Miss Oklahoma and the Miss Oklahoma's Outstanding Teen Pageants. Becky is the owner of the award winning *b. jolie salon and spa* in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Through Becky's leadership and visionary creativity Oklahoma Magazine has honored her team at *b. jolie salon and spa* as the "Best of the Best" in Oklahoma. Each year Becky provides the newly crowned Miss Oklahoma and Miss Oklahoma's Outstanding Teen with free beauty services and consultations. In addition to Becky's beauty and health care expertise her support and knowledge in the pageant world is multi-dimensional through her background in opera vocal training and theatre management.

Becky remains active outside her salon by singing in the church choir, walking her 2 Rhodesian Ridgebacks, rowing, and cycling. Becky is an avid sports fan and enjoys tennis, golf, football, baseball, and soccer with her greatest fans, her 23 and 21-year-old sons.



Stage Escorts

Front Row: Jake Jabben, Bryan Clubine, Cale Shepard
Middle Row: Grant Webster, Dan Porter
Back Row: Ryan Dierks, Nick Boyle, Logan Null



Neelah Debs

First Row: Cali Nutt, Kenzie Froebe, Julia Stafford, Lindsay Pratt
Second Row: Ashley Winkleman, Kelby McGrath, Brianna Hilger
Third Row: Kelsie Hignight, Gretchen Beaver
Fourth Row: Kayla Steinle, Molly Mangan, Lexy Mangan



Andrew Posch – Coronation Soloist

Andrew, 19, is a sophomore at Independence Community College. During high school, he was involved in school musicals, and also was a member of Indy Ensemble and the Concert Choir. Last year, he was a member of the Baker University Concert Choir. He is the son of Tom and Traci Posch, and has three siblings – Tara, Mason, and Tyler.

John Hamlin – Coronation Music

Neewollah is privileged to welcome back John Hamlin to perform as background artist for this years' Queen's Coronation. John's wide range of playing styles and compositions include Blues/Alternative Bluegrass and Classical/Spanish and Jazz. Today John performs, arranges, publishes, distributes and markets his music full time through out the world, including time spent entertaining in his home State of Kansas. John lives here in his hometown of Independence with his wife and son. Currently John serves on the Music Faculty at Independence Community College teaching Classical and Spanish guitar since August 2000. In 2007, John became a new member of the Kansas Arts Commission and The Tulsa Guitar Society. John also operates his own guitar studio and has studied under the direction of Maestro David Smart and Mentor Edgar Cruz, also having the pleasure to study with Maestro Hector Garcia and Mike Millard where John acquired his Classical Guitar skills at Oklahoma City University.





Christa Dubill – Talent Emcee



Christa Henton Dubill is the morning anchor for the NBC affiliate in Kansas City, bookending NBC's Today Show with a 2 hour local KC newscast and a one hour midday newscast. Christa grew up in Independence, KS, and is a graduate of the University of Kansas. In the 15 years since she graduated from IHS (1993), she's been a reporter for the Ottawa Herald newspaper and the Daily Kansan, a television news reporter in Topeka, a morning news anchor in Sioux City, Iowa, and a nightly news anchor in Madison, Wisconsin. She moved back to Kansas City in September, 2007, to anchor there.

Christa married David Dubill, whom she met at KU, in October 2003 and the couple had their first child in 2005. Christa's ultimate career goal was always to get back to her roots and anchor in a city closer to home, but after the birth of her son the urge to get 'home' grew stronger.

Christa has always been a positive force of energy, doing an amazing amount of community service. In the ten years since she's been in the TV news business she has sat on more than a dozen boards - mostly pertaining to children - including: the March of Dimes, the Heart of America Boy Scout Council, the Junior League, Charlie's Safe Haven, to name a few. She also puts her professional support behind countless charities by emceeding dozens of events a year.

Neewollahs of years past are some of Christa's favorite memories of growing up in Independence. Walking in the kiddie parade, playing the trusty golf ball horse race game on the carnival strip, performing as a Neelah Deb (her group was the only group in Neewollah history to also sing as part of their performance - 1990), and taking part in the Queen Neelah competition (1992) - where she won the title of Miss Interview.

Ken Brown – Coronation Emcee



Having retired from Independence Community College after 40 years as professor of Political Science, Ken Brown brings a feeling of Independence hometown pride to our Coronation evening. While teaching from 1966 - 2006 at ICC, he was Social Science Division Chair from 1974-2006 and Independence Community College Tennis Coach from 1967-1991. Ken is also the Independence City Recreation Tennis Director (1984 to present); Independence High School Boys Tennis Coach (1992 to present) and is in his first year as Independence High School Girls Tennis Coach.

Ken's publications include *Independence: Our Historic Homes* (1978), *Independence: The Way We Were* (1980), *St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Independence, Kansas* (1983), and *A Guide to Historic Homes in Independence, KS* (1993). Awards include Kansas Boys Tennis Coach of the Year (1999 and 2007), Missouri Valley High School Coach of the Year (2007), Kansas University's Teacher Recognition Award (1998-99), Who's Who Among American Teachers (2000), and Master Teacher (2005-06).

Ken has conducted The Historic District Tours for Neewollah from 2002-06. He is a member of the St. Andrew Catholic Church. He also is or has been a part of the following: Independence Planning and Zoning Commission, Independence Main Street, Leadership Independence Board of Directors, William Inge Foundation, Independence Historic Preservation and Resource Commission, Independence Tennis Association, and Knights of Columbus.

Ken's family includes his wife Becky; daughter Yona Julian (deceased); sons Shelby Brown and Sherman Brown, and daughter Molly Brown, all of Kansas City; six grandchildren Easton, Carington, Addison and Camdon Julian of Independence; and Aiden and Brady Brown of Kansas City.

Queen's Committees



Queen's Directors
Dana Froebe (co-chair),
Stacy Near (co-chair)



Queen's Publicity & Queen's Candidates
Queen's Publicity - Toni Jabben; Queen's Candidates -
Lori Wesselowski (co-chair), Paula Marchant (co-chair)



Stage Escorts Committee
Jason & Nellie Mendoza



Neelah Debs Committee
Kathy Clapp (co-chair), Lisa Hugo (co-chair),
Olivia Brennan (choreographer)



Pre-Parade Breakfast Committee
Liz Allen, Cindy Neises, Jennifer Sanders, Linda Payne (co-chair), Not Pictured: Mary Kadel (co-chair)

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Runway Committee

Gina Botts (co-chair), April Nutt (co-chair)



Data Workshop

Laura McClure (chair), Jamie Savage



Queens Hand Props

Kara Gabaric, Kelli Eidson-Ebert (chair), Marty Eidson



Queen's Fashion/Summer Workshop

Kim McGrath, Lorraine Emmot, (co-chair), Kim Newton,
Lisa Mitchell (co-chair)



Queens Buttons Committee

Leslie Coder (co-chair), Sarah Coder
Not pictured: Marci Hennen (co-chair)

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Queen's Committees



Queen's Pop Party Committee

Shelley Schultz, Tresa Faler (chair), Niki McClain
Not Pictured: Diana Schroeder



Queen's Commemorative Scrapbook Committee

Shelley Henderson (chair), Amy Bales,
Jan Baker (co-chair)
Not Pictured: Julie Staab, Jennifer Reichenberger



Queen's Transportation Committee

Darin & Joyce Porter (chairs), Melinda & Robert Miller



Queen's Tea Committee

Valerie Davis, Debbie Schroeder (chair),
Traci Posch (co-chair)
Not Pictured: Pat Greenhaw

Queen's Window Committee

Glenda Bryant (chair), Debbie McMinn, Debbie Moore
Not Pictured: Kathy Raub (co-chair), Cheryl Arnwine



Queen's Coronation Walk-in Committee

Kristin Meyer (co-chair), Shelley Conner (co-chair)
Not Pictured: Kelly Cox (announcer)

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Queen's Committees



Queen's Brunch Committee

Marsha Pasternak (co-chair),
Lori Kelley (co-chair)



Queen's Judges Committee

Jannette Luthi (chair), Judith Lowden, Tina Shaw



Queen's Talent Committee

Front Row: Sonja Conley, Amy Bloomfield, Donna Janasek, Jody Schultz, Sabrina Overfield,
Hannah Joyce-Hoven, Ashley Moore,

Back Row: Ronda Siebels, Stacey Yakshaw (co-chair), Tabatha Snodgrass (co-chair), Whitney Chism,
Emily Brumley, Tiffany Flatt

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Queen's Coronation Committee

Front Row: Pili Barker (co-chair),
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Kim Goodman

Middle Row: Angela Groff, Olivia
Brennan, Carey Chism, Becky Peyton,
Amber Gregory, Jennifer Day,
Sheila Orr

Back Row: Kim Friesen, April
Whitson, Mary Thompson-O'Rourke,
Angie Carr, Charlotte Claar,

Wendy Derrick, Bethany Alexander
Not Pictured: Cris Sundquist, Tiffany
Main, Laurie Rutland, Judy Shepherd,
Cindy Baker, Heather Bryant



Schedule of Events for Queen Candidates

Summer Workshop	June 17
Scrapbooks and pictures due	August 24
Talent practices	Sunday afternoons starting Sept. 7
Information Sheet workshop	September 21
Pop Party	October 5
Judge's Tea	October 19
Interviews	October 20
Talent presentation	October 20

Queen's Brunch	October 21
Coronation rehearsal	October 21
Coronation	October 21
Queen's Ball	October 21
Walk in the DooDah Parade	October 23
Ride in the Kiddie Parade	October 24
Pre Parade Breakfast	October 25
Ride in Grand Parade	October 25

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Miss Talent	Cable One
Miss Poise	M. J. Murphy Oil Co.
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Miss Originality	Crescent Oil
Miss Interview	Re/Max Real Estate
Miss Photogenic	Independence Heating & Air
Miss Personality	Pat's Sign Studio
Miss Spirit	Mercy Hospital

Category Winners

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Miss Talent	Hugo's Industrial Supply
Miss Poise	McHugh Video Production, Larry McHugh
Miss Fashion	Heckman & Associates, PA
Miss Beauty	Barta Animal Hospital
Miss Originality	Heaven's Angels Consignment
Miss Interview	MFG Construction Products Co.
Miss Personality	Coldwell Banker Pasternak-Johnson
Miss Photogenic	First Federal Savings & Loan
Miss Spirit	Yerkes and Michels CPA, LLC

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Miss Talent	Baker's Appliance Center
Miss Poise	Big Cheese Pizza
Miss Fashion	Bill White Real Estate
Miss Beauty	Edward D. Jones/Gregg Webster
Miss Originality	Great Plains Federal Credit Union
Miss Interview	Independence Chiropractic/Steve Chapman
Miss Photogenic	Kirk Wright Insurance Agency
Miss Personality	Woods Lumber
Miss Spirit	Tidy Whities Laundromat

Queen Neelah's Gifts

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Dorm Refrigerator	Eric's Plumbing
Flat Screen Television and DVD Player	Schabel's TV, Cessna Aircraft Company, First National Bank
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\$50.00 Gift Certificate	Uncle Jack's Restaurant
Independence Afghan	Twigs Floral & Gifts
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Quilt	Lillie's Classic Quilts
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Scrapbook	Bette & Phil's Hallmark Shop
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Queen Neelah's Gifts (continued)

Purse	Sayers Ace Hardware
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Hair Care Gift Basket	Creative Concepts/Becky Miessler
Emergency Road Kit	O'Reilly Auto Parts, Inc
Eye Exam	Dr. Sandra Easter
Tanning Gift Certificate	Tans by Electric Beach
Graduation Cake	Laurel Street Bakery

Second Runner Up Gifts

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Emergency Road Kit	O'Reilly Auto Parts, Inc
Dorm Refrigerator	Atwood Family Medical Center
Digital Picture Frame	Lee's Cooling & Heating Co.
Gift Basket	Rosewood Cottage & Gifts
1 Month Membership	Creating Women's Fitness
\$20.00 Gift Certificate	Prizms Salon
Gift Basket	Magnolia Health & Home
\$25.00 Gift Card	Uncle Jack's Restaurant
Eye Exam	Dr. Sandra Easter
Tanning Gift Certificate	Tans by Electric Beach
Graduation Cake	Laurel Street Bakery

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Drink & Hamburger	Sonic Drive-In
Water	Standard Motor Products
6" Sub coupon	Subway Walmart
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Carnival/Information Booth/Friday Night Show/Special Events



Carnival Committee
Dennis Greenhaw

Carnival

The carnival will be open in the evenings thru Friday and most of the day on Saturday of Neewollah week. This year the wristbands will be available each day for a price of \$20. This year's carnival will be located on West Myrtle and North 8th streets. Ottaway Carnivals has long provided Neewollah goers with lots of clean, safe fun.



Information Booth Committee
Debbie Tincher
Friday Night Show Committee
Gina Botts

Information Booth

Open

Wed. thru Fri. 4:00- 10:00 p.m.
Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Special Events

This year we are pleased to have the Bud Light Lounge, Budweiser BBQ Trailer, MXT Truck, Wild animal show, Neewollah Fun Ride and climbing wall. Special events have varied from year to year, but always offer fun outside the carnival ride option. In previous years we have had the Budweiser Clydesdales, fun cycles, Budweiser NASCAR car and fun house to enjoy. This year is no different.



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Wednesday, October 22

- 6:00 Class Ltd Choir
- 7:00 Forever Land
- 8:00 Christ Church Praise & Worship Team
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- 9:30 Only Human

Thursday, October 23

- 6:30 The Generations (Oldies, Neodesha, KS)
- 7:45 Retro Rockerz (Rock & Roll, Bartlesville, OK)
- 9:15 Pride Before Autumn
(Indie, Independence, KS)
- 10:00 Michelle Knopick
(Country, Independence, KS)
- 10:40 Heavy Metal Dream House
(Indie Punk, Independence, KS)

Friday, October 24

- 5:30 Vern Wirka (Ventriloquist)
- 6:45 Buddy Ray Band (Blues, Fredonia, KS)
- 8:00 Middy Ramblers
(Blugrass, Kansas City, MO)
- 9:15 Gigsters
(Rhythm & Blues, Bartlesville, OK)
- 10:30 Old School (Pop Rock, Neodesha, KS)

Saturday, October 25

- 7:00 Longshot (Rock'in Country, Cherryvale, KS)
- 8:00 Terri Clark (Country, Nashville, TN)

Neewollah has always centered around a variety of free activities on the downtown streets of Independence. The Bandstand features hometown and area talent as well as entertainers with a global origin, evenings Wednesday through Friday, then all day Saturday during Neewollah week. The stage is constructed several days before it comes to life with street acts. Bales of hay are pulled out each evening for the audience to sit on although they may bring their own folding chairs. Wednesday night this year will be devoted to Christian music, while Thursday will feature local talent. Friday and Saturday bands will offer music to satisfy all melodic tastes.



Street Acts Committee

Front Row: Donnie Fuqua, Shawn Wallis
Back Row: Tom Posch, A.J. Steinle, Kirk Steinle
Not Pictured: John Hamlin (chair), Erin Connors (co-chair),
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Food Vendors/Little Princess/The Great Pumpkin Contest

Food Vendors

Each year the Food Vendors committee starts early contacting interested parties to insure Neewollah goes find a great mix of good food as they enjoy downtown Independence. Concession Stands are open Wednesday through Saturday and most concessions are open late morning and stay open as late as 10 p.m. or until they run out of food supplies each night. The cinnamon roll stand, which has been coming to Neewollah for over 30 years, opens early Wednesday morning and stays open 24 hours a day through the festival. A wide variety of food offerings include Indian tacos, Philly steak sandwiches, funnel cakes, Polish sausages, fresh lemonade, shrimp creole, fried pickles and much much more. In other word's there is something for everyone.



Food Vendors Committee

Front Row: Stewart Crow, Ann Crow (co-chair), Fred Meier (co-chair), Shawn Wallis

Back Row: Pete Dierks, Tom Schwarz, Jeff Gettler, Jeff Chubb, Robert Browning

Not Pictured: Steve Wilkin

Little Princess

The Little Princess Committee was formed to excite the areas "Little Princesses" about their future as a Queen Neelah contestant. The little girls can dress their best and enjoy the rest at the coronation of Queen Neelah. A drawing will be held the night of coronation for a special Little Princess prize package.

Little Princess Committee

Front Row: Stacie Clarkson (co-chair), Dee Dee O'Malley (co-chair)

Back Row: Whitney Callan, Lisa Dent, Kelly Vining

Not Pictured: Ann Gordon, Melanie Schmidz



The Great Pumpkin Contest

Wednesday, October 22, 2008

Bandstand • Downtown Independence

Judging 6 p.m.

Winners Announced 7 p.m.

The Great Pumpkin Contest is one of the many traditions of the downtown activities on Wednesday evening, October 22nd. Any child preschool age through fifth grade may submit an entry. The decorated pumpkins are judged in different age groups, with prizes being awarded to each group. The judging of the pumpkins is based upon creativity and imagination, so each child is urged to create a unique and novel jack-o-lantern.



Great Pumpkin Committee

Donna Janasek (co-chair), Emily Brumley

Not Pictured: Clayton Janasek (co-chair), Brian Foreman

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Doo Dah Parade

"The Amazing Technicolor Toga Party, No White Sheet"

Thursday, October 23, 2008
6 p.m.

The Doo Dah Parade is the adult only event of Neewollah. This parade offers the chance for those who are too old to participate in the Kiddie Parade to "The Amazing Technicolor Toga Party, No White Sheet", as we celebrate. The Mardi Gras type parade down Penn Avenue will start in front of Memorial Hall and has no particular organization. Opportunities abound for lawn chair, bedpan, and bicycle drill teams. Groups can demonstrate their precision drills skills. An abundance of giant flamingos, sailboards and bearded beauties is also likely.



King & Queen Doo Dah
Bob & Debbie Tincer

Bob & Debbie Tincer consider the honor of King and Queen Doo Dah one of the highlights of their Neewollah experience. Since moving to Independence, they have participated in a variety of Neewollah activities. Both have been involved in the musical for many years, including *Wizard of Oz*, *King and I*, and *Peter Pan*. Aargh... Debbie has served on the Talent Committee, the Fashion Show committee and the Coronation Committee and is a member of the Neewollah Board of Directors. This year, Bob and Debbie are co-producers for "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat". Bob is the Technology Coordinator for USD 446 and Debbie is the librarian/technology teacher at Washington Elementary. They have three children, two Jayhawks and a Wildcat!

Doo Dah Parade Committee
Greg Kelley, Tim White (chair),
Drew Demo, Gary Beaver



Arts & Crafts Committee
Kim Johnson, Suzie Whitson (co-chair), Biloxie Mangan,
Sharla Mangan (chair), Nellie Mendoza (co-chair)

Arts & Crafts Fair
Saturday, October 25, 2008
100 Block of East Myrtle
8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Art & Crafts show has been a main stay of the Neewollah festival. Over the years bringing in high quality hand crafted items has been a priority. This is a great time to shop for Christmas. Unusual and distinctive crafts, framed artwork and photos abound with 30-35 booths. This year they can be found in front of the VFW in the 100 block on East Myrtle.



Kiddie Parade/Friday Night Show

Kiddie Parade Friday, October 24, 2008 4 p.m.

The Kiddie Parade participants gather in front of Memorial Hall and join their category. Parents often walk with their younger children. This is an opportunity for young parents and their children to see and be seen. Many come home for the week end festivities and connect with friends after the Kiddie Parade. Over 900 children, area bands and numerous kiddie floats participate in this parade. The staff of USD 446 donate time and energy to make the parade run smoothly.



Kiddie Parade Committee

Brad Carroll, Debbie Toomey, Rick Boyer (chair)

Not Pictured: Cherie Stockton



Friday Night Show Ventriloquist Vern Wirka

Friday, October 24, 2008
5:30 p.m. • Bandstand

Ventriloquist, Vern Wirka entertains audiences of all ages with a high-energy, dynamic, fast-paced show, with a lot of audience involvement. Every show features a cast of characters - Dewey Weston, Monk Eehh, Riley the rhyming retriever.

Vern performs across the United States and his unique blend of family comedy ventriloquism and magic entertains audiences for corporate events, fairs, festivals, schools and libraries. Activities directors for senior citizen facilities find Vern's ability to entertain audiences of all ages particularly popular with their family day events throughout the year. Vern serves on the faculty of Dana College in Blair, Nebraska as an assistant professor of communication.

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Neewollah Grand Parade

With Kansas Air National Guard Fly-Over

Saturday, October 25, 2008
11 a.m.



The parade goers will be thrilled with a special high flying Kick off to the Neewollah 2008 Grand Parade. All eyes, young and old alike will be cast toward the sky anticipating which aircraft will grace our skies this year. On this page note some of the awesome aircraft from flyovers in previous years.

The two hour long Grand Parade will start at the corner of Penn and Chestnut. It proceeds from Memorial Hall south on Main St. east to Sixth St., south one block to Maple where it turns west to Ninth St.. The final leg travels north on Ninth St. ending just short of the Independence Middle School. The Grand Parade is exceedingly well attended. Parade goers set up chairs on the front row in the wee hours of the morning on parade day. As the "great fly over" occurs at 11 a.m. the crowd will be five deep in many places along the route. There are free street acts, the carnival and food concessions along Penn Ave. both before and after the Neewollah Grand Parade.

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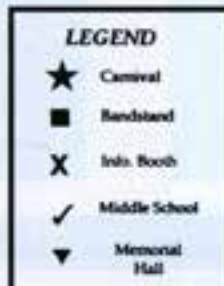
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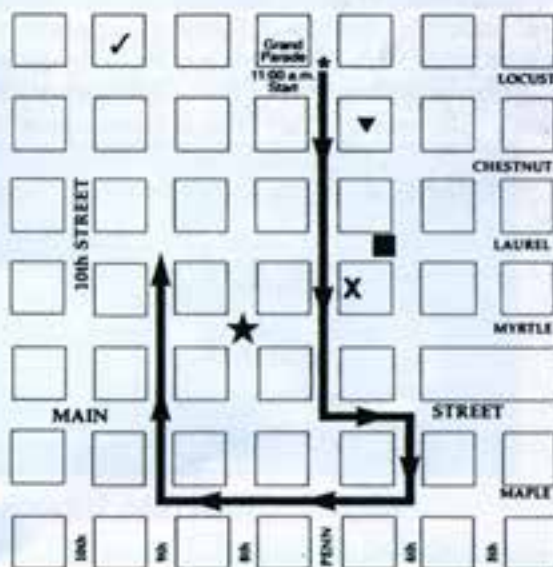
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Joe Hernandez, Val Defever
Not Pictured: Lance Chickadonz, Andy
Watkins (co-chair), Dave Ebert,
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Grand Marshal – Kathryne Bruening (Cass)

"It was my honor and privilege to serve as the first woman Generalissimo of Kansas' largest annual celebration in 1977 and I still feel that way. And now to be chosen as this year's Grand Parade Marshal is yet another honor that I will never forget. I worked with Jim Halsey Productions in my early years in Independence and that experience led me to becoming involved with Neewollah. Thank you for your support of Neewollah through the years and may it continue to grow," quoted Kathryne Bruening (Cass).

When Kathryne started working with Neewollah on the Talent Committee, the Queen's Talent show was held in the Independence Museum the morning of the Coronation with 50 seats set up for spectators. That competition became so popular it was moved to the Presbyterian Church and under her guidance the Coronation grew to three days and the involvement of many young women not only from Independence but from the surrounding communities. She saw the opportunity to help these young women realize their potential through the things they learned and the poise they gained from being a part of the show. She served on many committees and was Director of the Queen's Pageant for five years and served on the Neewollah Board of Directors for eight years and is an Honorary Board Member. In 1980 the play was "The Music Man" under the direction of Bobbie Gibson and Producer, Kathryne Bruening. Kathryne has many great memories of working with Neewollah and seeing it grow to a week long celebration and the Queen's Pageant becoming an area wide event.

Kathryne is a member of the Independence Chamber of Commerce, Contemporary Study Club and Epiphany Episcopal Church. She manages Tidy Whites Laundromat for her daughter and son-in-law, Lori and Jack Martin.

Kathryne and her husband, Bob, have six children and fourteen grandchildren.

She is proud to have served Neewollah over the past 31 years and is honored to serve as the 2008 Grand Parade Marshal.



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Marching Band Competition

Saturday, October 25, 2008

1:30 p.m. • 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 20-25 marching bands from Kansas and Missouri.

The competition was started in 1978 by band director, Don Farthing, along with I.H.S. Band Boosters. 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.



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Saturday Night Show

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Saturday, October 25, 2008

8 p.m. • Bandstand at Penn & Laurel



Terri Clark

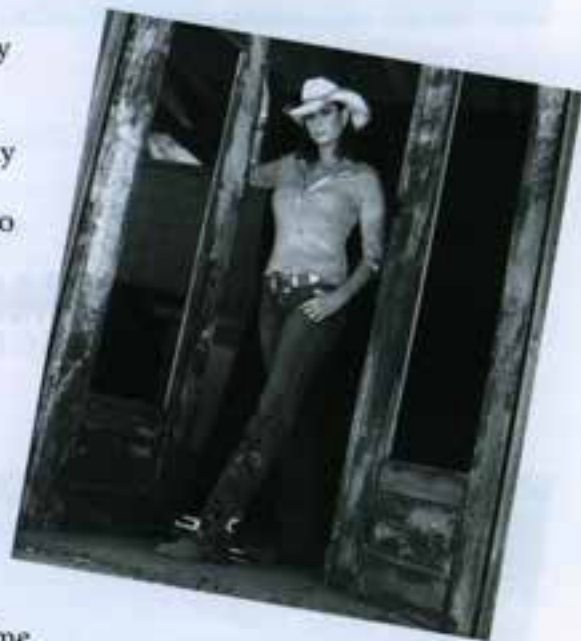
Marty Reichenberger, Generalissimo of Neewollah 2008, is excited to announce Terri Clark on the Neewollah stage as the Saturday headliner. This year's Neewollah Board of Directors is providing the biggest FREE show to ever rock the bandstand at Penn and Laurel, as a way of saying "Thank You" to the community for supporting Neewollah for over 50 years.

Graced by three Platinum Albums, Terri Clark is one of the most unique voices in country music. She is one of very few female country artists who are truly an accomplished guitar player.

Terri Clark came storming out of Canada and captured the attention of America's Country music industry in the mid-90's. Clark pretty much stayed close to her country roots.

Raised in Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada, Terri Clark was born into a musical family. Her grandparents, Ray and Betty Gauthier, were country stars in Canada, opening shows for stars like George Jones and Little Jimmy Dickens, while her mother sang folk songs in local coffeehouses. As a child, Terri listened to her grandparents' country records and taught herself how to play guitar. Throughout her adolescence, Clark sang, played, and listened to country music; she was particularly inspired by female artists like Reba McEntire, the Judds, and Linda Ronstadt.

Following her high-school graduation in 1987, she moved to Nashville. Upon her arrival, she wandered into Tootsie's Orchid Lounge unannounced and asked if she could sing. Though her initial arrival in Nashville was successful, it took Clark quite a long time to work her way into the actual industry.



Saturday night show is presented by Neewollah, Inc.!



Clark's eponymous debut album was released in the summer of 1995. Terri Clark was a hit upon its release, spawning the Top Ten hits "Better Things to Do," "When Boy Meets Girl," and "If I Were You." Along the way, Clark developed a reputation as a to-the-wall, give-it-all live performer. She's toured with many of her idols George Strait, Brooks & Dunn, Wynonna Judd, Vince Gill and Reba McEntire on her way to becoming named the Canadian Country Music Association's fan-voted Entertainer of the Year seven times.

What drives that connection to Clark and her music is Clark's willingness to reach past the obvious for the real life bottom line. For close to three years, Clark was the only woman in country music to have a #1 with her hard-charging hit "I Just Wanna Be Mad," a song embracing the notion that working through your annoyance can only strengthen a true relationship-sentiment perhaps never voiced in a genre that often reduces love to falling in, out or apart.

This will be the biggest FREE show to come to Neewollah ever! This show is free to all Neewollah goes on the bandstand at Penn and Laurel on Saturday, October 25, 2008. Generalissimo Marty Reichenberger and the Neewollah Board are providing this concert to give back to the community for all their support of Neewollah over the years.



LONGSHOT will open the 2008 professional show for Terri Clark.



LONGSHOT

The band LONGSHOT was formed in 1998 by Skeeter Long and Russell VanRoyen. Over the past 10 years members have come and gone but these two guys have stayed the course. This band has gone from practicing in the garage (thanks, Ron) to booking dates in Wichita, KS, Emporia, KS, Carthage, MO, Grand Lake, OK, and just about everywhere in between. Skeeter plays rhythm and lead guitar and sings lead vocals and backing vocals. Russell plays the bass guitar, sings backing

vocals and lead vocals. Steve Tanner came into this band some-time around 1999 or early 2000. Steve plays lead guitar and once in a while he will sing a song for you. John Siewert came to this band in mid 2008. John is the newest member of the band and he plays the drums for LONGSHOT. He replaces a long list of former drummers and we are glad to have him. LONGSHOT is a band that tries to be versatile in the music we play. Although most of our song list is country, we add a little rock just to give our listeners a little variety. Over the past 10 years LONGSHOT has developed a pretty broad fan base. Every where we go we are glad to see our friends who have supported us and once in a while we pick up a few new fans along the way. For that we say "thank you". So if LONGSHOT is playing in your area, come out and say hello, we'd be happy to see you.

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Neewollah Committees



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Front Row: Shawn Wallis, Mary Jo Wallis, Bev Chubb, Lacy Chubb

Back Row: Jeff Chubb (chair), Pete Dierks, Eileen Dierks, Miguel Morales

Not Pictured: Scott Smith, Charlene Smith.



Generalissimo's Scrapbook

Amanda Cadle, Jackie Chandler (chair), Christy Springer
Not Pictured: Melanie Schmitz

Port-a-Potties are located all around the downtown area for festival goers convenience.



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Opening Day for Neewollah ticket sales was 8 a.m. on September 27, 2008, at Neewollah Headquarters. Headquarters located at 204 N. Penn opens Monday, September 29. A staff of 48 volunteers will man Neewollah Headquarters from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday the first week and will then change to 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on weekdays. Saturday hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Phone orders are accepted by calling (620) 577-2097. Your order can be charged to MasterCard and VISA credit cards.



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Not Pictured: Patsy Boulanger, Ernie Cain, Angi Cessna, Ann Crow, Carmen Duron, Joan Farless, Teresa Kelly, Glenna Lawrence, Teresa Lewis, Liz Moore, Jacque Oakes, Cheryl Sparks, Arlene Stelting, Anne Rasnick, Janet Mayes, Tresa Fahler, Kim Newton



Celebrating Neewollah Past Broadway Musicals

Neewollah is proud to reflect on the musicals presented on the Memorial Hall stage for the past 47 years. The following pages list the Directors Producers, Orchestra and Chorus Directors. Neewollah has been fortunate with an abundance of talented actors, actresses, chorus members, musicians and volunteers!

Over the years, 31 different musicals have been presented out of a total of 41 productions. There have been ten musicals repeated because of popularity. Among the Broadway musicals, there have been three musical reviews and two non-musical performances.

This year, another popular Broadway musical is presented for your enjoyment, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat". Neewollah would like to thank everyone for the support shown by attending the shows! The success of the Neewollah musicals cannot be complete without wonderful audiences!

Neewollah

A brief history of the festival's origin...

After getting its start in 1919 as a constructive alternative to Halloween mischief, Neewollah paused for the Great Depression, World War II and financial difficulties. Following those brief intermissions and several unsustainable recovery attempts, the Neewollah celebration eventually experienced its highly successful rejuvenation in 1958! During an informal meeting at the DeFever-Osborn drugstore - involving Jim Halsey, Jerry Webb, Bob Wohlman, and Don Dancer - the restoration of Neewollah got underway...and the rest is history!!

In 2007, the Neewollah festival celebrated its 50th consecutive year. In honor of this special occasion, we gratefully acknowledged the efforts of thousands of volunteers who stood strong in their conviction that Neewollah would survive and flourish to become the finest fall festival in the region.

Neewollah 2008 pays tribute to the dedicated leadership that helped make this year's musical anniversary possible. Through your time, talent, and incomparable volunteerism, Neewollah has recorded a rich history of successful tradition!



Past Broadway Musicals

From the Broadway stage to the Memorial Hall stage, Neewollah audiences have been entertained by a wide array of musical productions. Since 1960, hundreds of volunteers gather for approximately 10 weeks to produce another show-stopping, breath-taking Broadway musical presented by the local people of Independence and surrounding communities.



Neewollah Past Broadway Musicals

		DIRECTORS	PRODUCERS	ORCHESTRA	CHORUS
1958	Picnic - (a play)	Margaret Goheen	Fred Cinotto		
1961	Annie Get Your Gun	Bobbie Gibson	Paul Bish	Harold Thompson	Harold Thompson
1962	The Music Man	Bobbie Gibson	Paul Bish	Harold Thompson	Harold Thompson
1963	Guys & Dolls	Bobbie Gibson	Paul Bish	Mort Culpin	Martha Unruh
1964	My Fair Lady	Bobbie Gibson	Paul Bish	Mort Culpin	Ken Forsythe
1965	Auntie Mame - (a play)	Tim Emert	Bill Wood		
1966	The Sound of Music	Georgia High	Paul Bish	Dale Casteel	Betty Meyer
1967	Lil' Abner	Bobbie Gibson	Paul Bish	Dale Casteel	Harold Thompson
1968	South Pacific	Barbara Harvey	Georgia High	Dale Casteel	Betty Meyer
1969	Oliver!	Georgia High	Fred T. Wilkin	Dale Casteel	Dana Aitken
1970	Carnival!	Bobbie Gibson	Paul Bish	Dale Casteel	Harold Thompson
1971	October Happening	Phil & Jaunita Atkisson	Paul Bish	Dale Casteel	Jaunita Atkisson
1972	Fiddler on the Roof	Kenneth Burchinal	Paul Bish	James Criswell	James Criswell
1973	Hello Dolly!	Georgia High	David Torbett	Dale Casteel	Bill Bradley
1974	Local Variety Show				
1975	The King & I	Georgia High	Paul Bish/David Torbett	Dale Casteel	Bill Bradley
1976	Bus Stop (Trusting Company Production)				
1977	Anything Goes	Georgia High	Paul Bish/Jerry Webb	Dale Casteel	Dr. Leonard Steinkle
1978	Rudgers & Hart: A Musical Celebration	Keith Confer Georgia High		Dr. George Jones	Dr. George Jones
1979	Dracula! (a play)	Gary Mitchell	Stewart Crow		
1980	The Music Man	Bobbie Gibson	Kathryn Bruening	Don Farthing	Dr. Leonard Steinkle

Neewollah Past Broadway Musicals



1981	Carousel	Ray Rothgeb	Burks Sherwood Georgia High	Don Farthing	Jodie Russell
1982	Oklahoma!	Georgia High	Tim Emert	Dale Casteel	Jodie Russell
1983	Camelot	Keith Confer	Georgia High	Dale Casteel	Jodie Russell
1984	Annie	Terry Jordan	David & Rachel Torbett	Ray Rothgeb	Jodie Russell
1985	No, No Nannette	Georgia High	Tim Emert	Dale Casteel	Dale Belcher
1986	The Unsinkable Molly Brown	Keith Confer	Steve Barnett Cindy Sherwood	Don Farthing	Jodie Russell
1987	The Sound of Music	Georgia High	Larry Pendleton	Dale Casteel	Barbara Schmidt
1988	My Fair Lady	Sue Woods	Steve DeFever	Don Farthing	Ray Rothgeb
1989	Mame	Ray Rothgeb	Steve Wilkin	Dan Frizane	
1990	Gypsy	Kenneth Burchinal	Val DeFever	Mike Havay	Jodie Russell
1991	Oliver!	Ray Rothgeb	Stewart Crow Steve Wilkin	Dan Frizane	Debbie White
1992	Damn Yankees	Keith Confer	Larry & Glenna Pendleton	Don Farthing	Barbara Schmidt
1993	Guys & Dolls	Ray Rothgeb	Stewart Crow	Dan Frizane	Ray Rothgeb
1994	Bye, Bye Birdie	Jill Warford	Cyndee Bishop Judy Holroyd	Dan Frizane	Barbara Schmidt
1995	The Pajama Game	Keith Confer	Tim Emert Judy Carroll	Don Farthing	Barbara Schmidt
1996	The King & I	Lisa Mitchell	Steve Wilkin	Jan Friesen	Paul Dettmerman
1997	The Wizard of Oz	Lisa Mitchell	Vanessa Dennis Cindy Sherwood	Jan Friesen	Debbie Tincher
1998	Peter Pan	Jill Warford	Sandy Dodson	Jan Friesen	Dana Aitken
1999	Cinderella	Debbie Tincher	Stewart Crow Steve DeFever	Jan Friesen	Kristen Womack-Hayes
2000	Hello Dolly!	Sue Woods	Stewart & Ann Crow	Jan Friesen	Dana Aitken
2001	Annie	Lisa Mitchell	Beth Chaney Vanessa Dennis	Jan Friesen	Debbie Tincher
2002	Brigadoon	Lisa Mitchell	Lea Shepard	Jan Friesen	Dana Aitken
2003	Little Shop of Horrors	Mark Frank	Vanessa Dennis Steve Wilkin	Don Farthing	Darla Strecker
2004	Meet Me in St. Louis	Keith Confer	Tim Emert Judy Carroll/David Torbett	Erin Shelton	Chris Langsford
2005	Neewollah Follies	Debbie Tincher	Steve Wilkin	Chris Langsford	
2006	Beauty and the Beast	Lisa Mitchell	Don Farthing	Jan Rogers	Larry Annable
2007	Lil' Abner	Lisa Mitchell	Sandy Annable Leslie Coder	Jan Rogers	Ray Rothgeb





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Neewollah Brochure
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Musical - "Joseph and the Amazing
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Saturday Professional Night Show -
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October 17, Friday

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

at Memorial Hall 7:30 p.m.

October 18, Saturday

Neewollah Fun Run

(sponsored by Cessna & Health for Life)

Registration begins at 7:00 a.m.

Riverside Park Oval

5K Fun Run at 8:15 a.m.

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

Chili Cook-off

(Sponsored by

Community National Bank)

10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

Riverside Park Oval

Medallion Hunt Kick Off

(Sponsored by Layne Energy)

1:00 p.m. Riverside Park Oval

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

at Memorial Hall 7:30 p.m.

October 19, Sunday

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

at Memorial Hall 2:00 p.m.

Queen's Tea

October 20, Monday

Queen's Interview with Judges

Queen Neelah Talent Competition

Memorial Hall 6:30 p.m.

October 21, Tuesday

Queen's Brunch and Coronation Practice

Queen Neelah LXVII Coronation

Memorial Hall 7:00 p.m.

October 22, Wednesday

Food Stands Open Downtown

Ottaway Carnival Family Night

5:00 p.m.

Great Pumpkin Contest

(Sponsored by Jerry & Ann Crews)

Judging at bandstand begins at 6:00 p.m.

Winners announced at 7:00 p.m.

October 22, Wednesday (continued)

Bandstand Entertainment

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6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

October 23, Thursday

Ottaway Carnival Family Night

5:00 p.m.

DooDah Parade

6:00 p.m.

Bandstand Entertainment

6:30 p.m.

October 24, Friday

Kiddie Parade

4:00 p.m.

Ottaway Carnival

5:00 p.m.

Vern Wirka on Bandstand

(Sponsored by Fugate Enterprises)

5:30 p.m.

Bandstand Entertainment

6:45 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

October 25, Saturday

Pre-Parade Activities & Street Acts

Neewollah Grand Parade

11:00 a.m.

Arts & Crafts

8 a.m. to 6 p.m. 100 Block of East Myrtle

Marching Band Competition

(Sponsored by Jerry & Ann Crews,

Atmos Energy, Independence Animal

Hospital, Matcor & Casey's General Store)

1:30 p.m. - Kayo Emmot Field

in Shulthis Stadium

Ottaway Carnival

Long Shot Free on the Bandstand

(Opening Act for Terri Clark)

7:00 p.m.

Terri Clark Free on the Bandstand

8:00 p.m. Presented by Neewollah, Inc.





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Neewollah 2009 Information

Welcome to "Our Town!" - Neewollah 2008 has been a pleasurable experience for all of the Neewollah 2008 committees. Neewollah is an Independence tradition and preparations for next year's celebration are already in progress. Tentative dates for the 2009 festival are October 23 thru the 31. To obtain information for Neewollah 2009 send a self-addressed stamped envelope to:



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