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Hello, friends of SWOSU! I’m delighted to share with you the relaunched version of *Echoes From the Hill*, our wonderful university’s foundation and alumni magazine.

While state funding for SWOSU is an ongoing concern, we are committed to ensuring that the tradition of excellence passed down to us is maintained and advanced. You are a vital part of that mission, and for that we sincerely thank you.

It’s Spring at SWOSU, and with our beautiful campus in full bloom there’s no better time to reconnect. Please come and see us – there are many exciting things happening on “the Hilltop!”

Introducing the new *Echoes From the Hill*. On behalf of the entire foundation and alumni team at SWOSU, I want to thank you for your enthusiastic support of this publication and its rich history. When I returned to SWOSU in late 2014, one of the first requests made by our donors and alumni was “bring back *Echoes*.” We hope they, and you, will be pleased with this relaunched edition.

We’re honored that the family of the late, great Jerry Nye permitted us to feature his remarkable SWOSU story in this edition; we also wanted to make sure readers were brought fully up to speed on the latest activities of SWOSU’s two great auxiliary organizations, the SWOSU Foundation, Inc. and the SWOSU Alumni Association, Inc. This magazine is one way we’ve tried to help engage with SWOSU, and we’re working on many more.

Thanks for reading and for supporting Southwestern Oklahoma State University. To paraphrase J. K. Rowling, whether you reconnect to “the Hilltop” through *Echoes*, through a visit to the Weatherford or Sayre campuses, through the internet (www.standingfirmly.com), or through a phone call to Burton House at (580) 774-3267, Southwestern will always be waiting to welcome you home.
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On February 24, 2015, Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) lost a member of its family. The death of Dr. Jerry G. Nye ended a relationship between SWOSU and Dr. Nye that began in the fall of 1967, well before cable television, smartphones, and the Internet. Between August of 1967 and February of 2015, Dr. Nye became a legendary fixture on the SWOSU campus. He influenced the lives of thousands of students in so many wonderful ways.

Long before he set foot "on the Hilltop," Dr. Nye was born in a rural Garvin County farmhouse on November 4, 1932. He was the eighth and final child of Arthur Wilson Nye, a sharecropping farmer, and his wife, Etta Hunn Nye. Except for a brief time living in Arizona with his parents while his father worked in a factory supporting the war effort during World War II, Dr. Nye spent his childhood watching and working with his father and brothers farming in Grady County. Those times provided Dr. Nye with many wonderful stories of rural life in America in the mid-twentieth century. On hot summer days, these stories included recollections of enduring unbearable heat while cutting broomcorn in some low-lying field in Grady County or sitting with friends listening to radio broadcasts of Major League Baseball, including those of his favorite team, the Brooklyn Dodgers. Those stories would be recited many times to students at SWOSU over the years.

In 1952, Dr. Nye was inducted into the United States Army, following his brothers Sam, Jim, and Dub in serving his country. After basic training, he was assigned to the Army Corp of Engineers as a bulldozer operator. He served a full tour of duty in Korea during the Korean War. While hot days would later remind him of days spent cutting broomcorn in
Grady County, cold days always reminded him of the winter he served in Korea. Throughout the rest of his life, cold temperatures in Oklahoma were always measured against the bitter cold he experienced while on the Korean peninsula when the wind would sweep down from Siberia. One of the accomplishments that he was most proud of during his time in Korea was being part of “Operation Big Switch,” where he helped build the prisoner exchange facility at Panmunjom. There, thousands of American soldiers returned to freedom after captivity in North Korean prisoner-of-war camps. After his discharge from active duty, he continued to serve in the Army Reserves where he ultimately reached the rank of sergeant first class.

Dr. Nye went on to use the benefits of the GI Bill and money he earned as a cameraman at KTEN in Ada, Oklahoma to obtain his bachelor’s degree from East Central State College (now East Central Oklahoma State University) in 1957. He spent five years teaching and coaching at the high school level before earning his master's degree from Oklahoma State University in 1963. His first college teaching job was at Northern Oklahoma College in Tonkawa, Oklahoma. In addition to teaching English there, he also coached baseball and started the women’s basketball program. Dr. Nye then earned his doctorate degree from Colorado State College (now the University of Northern Colorado) in Greeley, Colorado in 1967. His dissertation was entitled: “A Survey of the Status of English Instruction in the State-Supported Junior Colleges of Oklahoma.”

Upon obtaining his doctorate, Dr. Nye accepted the newly created position of Director of Freshman English at Southwestern State College (now Southwestern Oklahoma State University) in Weatherford. He chose this position over other offers because SWOSU was a small regional college. Dr. Nye was also drawn to SWOSU because it offered an ideal location for starting a family and was in close proximity to his hometown and family.

The choice of SWOSU proved, over the years, to be very beneficial to Dr. Nye and his family. His wife, Juanita, taught home economics at SWOSU for five years from 1968 to 1973. His children also grew up on the campus. The family attended numerous university drama, athletic, and other events over the years. His son, Chad, was cast in children’s roles in several SWOSU drama productions. These opportunities and experiences helped immensely in the growth and development of Dr. Nye's children and contributed to their ultimate career choices.

Dr. Nye taught his first class at SWOSU in the fall of 1967. His first major accomplishment at SWOSU was writing and implementing the first unified freshman English program at the college. This program would serve as a model for several other colleges in the state of Oklahoma. Over the next thirty-nine years, he would teach English composition, American literature, Greek drama and mythology, Shakespeare, and English education methods to thousands of students. Those would include his son, Vance, and his granddaughter, LaurieBeth. Many of those students would go on to teach those same lessons to thousands of other high school and college students throughout the country. In 1977, he was named the chairman of the language arts department at SWOSU.
graduation day

old science building

good times with colleagues
Until his retirement in 1999, Dr. Nye would serve in this capacity overseeing not only English and literature but also speech and theater, foreign language, philosophy, and journalism. His twenty-three year tenure as chairman is the longest term that any individual has ever served as a departmental chairman in the history of SWOSU.

During his career at SWOSU, Dr. Nye also served in other capacities. He served as the eligibility chairman for the NAIA athletes of District 9 for five years. With the help of his wife, Juanita, he served as the chairman of the Miss Southwestern Scholarship Pageant for ten years. When rain would force the May commencement ceremonies to be held indoors at multiple locations, he served as one of the backup speakers. Dr. Nye was also a past president and lifetime member of the Oklahoma Council of Teachers of English.

Some of his best memories from this period of his life were of the times he spent with his three closest friends at SWOSU: Eugene Hughes, John McCoy, and Ted Pyle. The “Fabulous Four,” as many students referred to them, enjoyed many mornings drinking coffee between classes and many weekends camping and fishing in lakes throughout Oklahoma. Students who had the pleasure of taking classes under these faculty members will always remember the lessons they were taught and the wonderful stories that they heard when they were in classes taught by Dr. Nye, Dr. Hughes, Mr. McCoy, and Mr. Pyle.

Dr. Nye valued a good education and the opportunities a good education awarded to those who worked hard to obtain their college degrees. He was extremely proud to have had the opportunity to watch his son, Vance, play football for SWOSU, where he earned two varsity letters and was a two-time NAIA Academic All-District 9 selection. Dr. Nye also presented Vance with his diploma from SWOSU when he graduated in May of 1990. Vance would go on to receive his Juris Doctorate from the University of Tulsa College of Law in 1993. Vance is currently an attorney, director, and shareholder with the firm of Gungoll, Jackson, Box & Devoll, P.C., in Oklahoma City. Dr. Nye’s son, Chad, spent his freshman year at SWOSU prior to transferring to the University of Missouri to pursue his degree in broadcast journalism. Chad later followed his father into college teaching after twelve years as a television news anchor, reporter, cameraman, and producer in Amarillo, Texas, and Tulsa, Oklahoma. Chad received his bachelor’s degree from the University of Missouri, his master’s degree from Oklahoma State University, and his doctorate degree from the University of Oklahoma. Chad is currently an Associate Professor at Keene State College in Keene, New Hampshire.

Dr. Nye’s grandson, Christopher, completed his associate’s degree at Oklahoma City Community College after twelve years as a television news anchor, reporter, cameraman, and producer in Amarillo, Texas, and Tulsa, Oklahoma. Chad received his bachelor’s degree from the University of Missouri, his master’s degree from Oklahoma State University, and his doctorate degree from the University of Oklahoma. Chad is currently an Associate Professor at Keene State College in Keene, New Hampshire. Dr. Nye’s grandson, Christopher, completed his associate’s degree at Oklahoma City Community College in December of 2015. His granddaughter, LaurieBeth, continues to work toward her bachelor’s degree in athletic training at SWOSU while taking care of Dr. Nye’s great-grandson, Dreyden, who was born on January 15, 2015, just six weeks prior to Dr. Nye’s passing. Dr. Nye’s grandson, Walker, is a senior at Weatherford High School and will attend SWOSU in the fall.

After his retirement in May of 1999, Dr. Nye contacted The Lindsay News in Lindsay, Oklahoma to see if the paper would be interested in publishing a single article about the matchbook covers he had collected as a child and saved for more than sixty years. That article, entitled “Matchbook Memories,” was published. However, it would not be the only article he would publish. For the next sixteen years, Dr. Nye would write and publish a regular weekly article in The Lindsay News. His memories about his family, as well as events he participated in and witnessed during his life, provided the residents of Lindsay, Grady, and Garvin Counties, and his own family with unique historical perspectives and fond memories of times and events of yesteryear. Those memories were always discussed in even more detail during his regular visits to Lindsay to see the friends of his youth: Alvin Beene, Bill Branch, Bryan Branch, E. J. Branch, L. B. Hoyle, Jay Mann, Johnny Ben Mann, George McCann, Sonny Mitchusson, Cack Roller, and Paul Osborn. The “Bradley Boys” held an especially dear place in his heart.

In October of 1999, Dr. Nye was asked by former SWOSU President Dr. Joe Anna Hibler to assist the university with its upcoming centennial celebration in 2001. Dr. Nye spent the next year working in the library at SWOSU to research, write, and publish the official centennial book celebrating the first one hundred years
of SWOSU. Using pens and yellow pads of paper, Dr. Nye literally “wrote the book” on the university he had served so well for so long.

Although formally retired, Dr. Nye could not stay away from serving his fellow citizens of Oklahoma and from teaching. He continued to present “Let’s Talk About It” book reviews at libraries throughout western Oklahoma as a scholar for the Oklahoma Humanities Council. He also served on the board of directors for OETA and was a member of the SWOSU Main Street Museum Committee. For the final eight years of his life, culminating with the fall semester of 2014, Dr. Nye also returned to teaching. As a professor emeritus, he taught the same English composition classes that originally brought him to the SWOSU campus forty-seven years before.

Overall, Dr. Nye spent more than forty years at SWOSU: thirty-nine and one half years teaching and one year writing the centennial book. During that time, Dr. Nye made many friends, helped to educate thousands of students, and influenced any number of others throughout Oklahoma in the positions he served and with the speeches he gave. It will be a very long time before SWOSU and its students see and benefit from such a strong and loyal educator, administrator, and friend.

Donations in memory of Dr. Nye can be made to the “Dr. Jerry G. Nye Memorial Scholarship Fund” at the SWOSU Foundation, Inc., 100 Campus Drive, Weatherford OK 73096, www.givetoswosu.com, telephone (580) 774-3267. These funds will be used for scholarships at SWOSU for students in the language and literature department.

“Dr. Nye always presented his best side to everyone. There was no other side! He was the same wonderful man every day of his life.”

- Dianne Hunter, SWOSU Class of 1986, current 1st Vice-Chair of the SWOSU Foundation, Inc.
2016 Homecoming
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Save the Date
General Thomas P. Stafford has been awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

SWOSU President Randy Beutler made the surprise presentation at the 50th anniversary celebration of the Gemini VI mission held December 16 at the Oklahoma History Center in Oklahoma City. It is the first time that an honorary doctorate has been awarded by the university.

"The SWOSU community is extremely pleased to award the first-ever honorary doctorate from our 114-year-old institution to Gen. Stafford," Beutler said. "He has been a great supporter and benefactor of this university, and we are extremely proud to honor his world-renowned and history-making achievements."

A retired lieutenant general of the United States Air Force and NASA astronaut, Stafford was born and raised in Weatherford. Even though he never received a degree from SWOSU, the man continues to support the university, western Oklahoma, and Weatherford.

Stafford currently has the largest individual endowment with the SWOSU Foundation, and many Weatherford High School students are benefiting with scholarships from Stafford. At the time when he started the endowment in 1993, there was not a specific endowment to help Weatherford students. At this point, around 150 Weatherford students had each received four-year scholarships to SWOSU because of Stafford.

Stafford is a 1948 Weatherford High School graduate who received his Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Naval Academy in 1952. He has flown six rendezvous in space and holds the all-time world speed record of 24,791.4 miles per hour. He has flown over 127 different types of aircraft and helicopters and four different types of spacecraft.

Stafford served as pilot of Gemini VI (6) and served as commander on Gemini IX (9), Apollo X, and the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project. Stafford was commander of Apollo X, which was the first flight of the lunar module to the moon. He performed the first rendezvous around the moon and the entire lunar landing mission except the actual landing. He directed the start of the F-117A Stealth Fighter program and personally wrote the initial specifications of the B-2 Bomber. SWOSU named a building after Stafford in 1996 - the three-story Thomas P. Stafford Center.

Astronauts who saw Stafford honored at the 50th anniversary celebration of the Gemini VI mission were "Buzz" Aldrin, Alan Bean, and Jim Lovell. SWOSU graduate Tom Weichel of Colony, Oklahoma worked at NASA on the mission and also attended the event.
ANITA WICHERT  
Accountant, Office of Institutional Advancement

WHO ARE YOUR PEOPLE?  
Husband of nearly 30 years, Jerome Wichert; we have 3 children - all SWOSU Bulldogs.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PASTIME?  
Gardening and sewing.

WHAT FOOD & DRINK CAN YOU NOT LIVE WITHOUT?  
Chocolate chip cookies fresh from the oven and iced tea with lemon.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PLACE ON SWOSU CAMPUS & WHY?  
Memorial Student Union because it is the “hub” where students gather and you are reminded of your days as a former SWOSU student.

WHAT MAY YOUR COLLEAGUES NOT KNOW ABOUT YOU?  
I was born in Missouri (the “Show-Me State”) but have been an Oklahoman since the age of 5. I also have a pet donkey named Trouble.

WHY DO YOU LOVE SWOSU?  
SWOSU strives to provide for the needs of students – academically, socially, physically, mentally, and financially.

BRANDI RIZZI  
Assistant Director for Development, Office of Institutional Advancement

WHO ARE YOUR PEOPLE?  
Husband Nicholas, son Brody, daughter Audrey.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PASTIME?  
Taking my kids places and shopping!

WHAT FOOD & DRINK CAN YOU NOT LIVE WITHOUT?  
Sweet tea, chocolate chip cookies, McAlister’s, and chips and salsa!

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PLACE ON SWOSU CAMPUS & WHY?  
My favorite place on campus is the Memorial Student Union. I love seeing all the students and the vibe of the hang-out location the union provides. It was also my favorite place as a student, and I love the Bulldog Beanery!

WHAT MAY YOUR COLLEAGUES NOT KNOW ABOUT YOU?  
I dabble in photography. I love taking pictures of my (now) two kids! (But I think everyone knows that)

WHY DO YOU LOVE SWOSU?  
SWOSU was so good to me as a student. I thoroughly enjoyed my time as a student and am now so pleased to be working for the university. I loved my small classes, knowing many fellow students, and seeing them on campus, and being involved with the The Southwestern newspaper, UMA, the BCM, and Gamma Delta Kappa.
GARRETT KING
Asst. to the Pres. for Institutional Advancement/Executive Director, SWOSU Foundation, Inc. and SWOSU Alumni Association, Inc.

WHO ARE YOUR PEOPLE?
My wife of almost nine years, Carissa (Marquis) King (SWOSU Class of 2008, B.B.A.) and our baby daughter, Julia Nell “Nellie” King.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PASTIME?
Reading! I love reading more than I love chocolate. Dark chocolate.

WHAT FOOD & DRINK CAN YOU NOT LIVE WITHOUT?
Well, dark chocolate. Also, good BBQ and Cajun dishes like gumbo and jambalaya. And Woodford Reserve.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PLACE ON SWOSU CAMPUS & WHY?
The Burton House is truly a beautiful place in which to work, and I am so very, very proud of the Pioneer Cellular Event Center; however, my heart will always belong to the “Y” Chapel, now the home of the SWOSU Honors College. That historic building is where I held my last cabinet meeting as SWOSU’s student body president, and its rich New Deal-era history romanticizes it tremendously for me.

WHAT MAY YOUR COLLEAGUES NOT KNOW ABOUT YOU?
I love to read history and biography, but when it comes to television I am a devoted fan of “The Golden Girls.”

WHY DO YOU LOVE SWOSU?
So many, many things in my life are attributable to this wonderful university...meeting my wife at SWOSU tops the list. My mentors during undergraduate days - people like the late Roger Bromert and so many others, some since passed, some living — taught me so much about life and equipped me well. Now that I’ve returned to campus as a member of the university’s workforce I reish the camaraderie with colleagues and the tangible commitment to helping our students succeed.

KARI JONES
Assistant Director for Alumni Affairs, Office of Institutional Advancement

WHO ARE YOUR PEOPLE?
Husband, Willis and daughter, Lauren. I really enjoy watching Lauren play soccer, softball, basketball, and track as a Weatherford Eagle.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PASTIME?
Reading and doing puzzles.

WHAT FOOD & DRINK CAN YOU NOT LIVE WITHOUT?
My favorite food is cajun food, and my favorite drink is dark roast coffee.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PLACE ON SWOSU CAMPUS & WHY?
The Art Building still holds my heart. I spent many wonderful hours creating art with the awesome faculty and great friends while pursuing my undergraduate degree in graphic design.

WHAT MAY YOUR COLLEAGUES NOT KNOW ABOUT YOU?
I own stock in the Green Bay Packers football team.

WHY DO YOU LOVE SWOSU?
I love SWOSU because it is where I learned to be an adult and to believe in myself.
WHO ARE YOUR PEOPLE?
Robbin and Billy met at SWOSU and have been married 22 years. Bree is 18 and a senior at Weatherford High School and will be attending SWOSU in the fall, Lilly is 14 and a freshman, Jaxson is 12 and in the 6th grade, Teddy, our 8-year-old Golden Retriever

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PASTIME?
Spending time with my family and friends, scrapbooking, crocheting.

WHAT FOOD & DRINK CAN YOU NOT LIVE WITHOUT?
Love Mexican and Italian food, all sweets, and sweet tea!

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PLACE ON SWOSU CAMPUS & WHY?
Burton House, it’s where my “other family” is!

WHAT MAY YOUR COLLEAGUES NOT KNOW ABOUT YOU?
I have a degree in psychology from SWOSU.

WHY DO YOU LOVE SWOSU?
I love SWOSU because it’s been a great place to work with wonderful people. I never dread going to work, and it truly is like a family! We have a beautiful campus. I loved my time going to school at SWOSU, have many many wonderful memories, and am so excited that my children will go there as well!

WHO ARE YOUR PEOPLE?
Daughter Ava is 6.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PASTIME?
Charity projects like the Christmas toy drive and backpack for kids.

WHAT FOOD & DRINK CAN YOU NOT LIVE WITHOUT?
Mountain Berry Blast (Blue PowerAde) and sushi.

WHAT’S YOUR FAVORITE PLACE ON SWOSU CAMPUS & WHY?
The Pioneer Cellular Event Center because so many people worked together to make the dream a reality for our university.

WHAT MAY YOUR COLLEAGUES NOT KNOW ABOUT YOU?
I’ve lived two years of my life on the Island of Cyprus.

WHY DO YOU LOVE SWOSU?
I love SWOSU because it has been a part of my life since the day I was born. I lived in married housing as an infant while my father was getting his degrees here. I attended my first SWOSU basketball camp 37 years ago with Coach Hauser and fell in love with SWOSU Athletics. My uncle was chair of the physics department, my aunt taught in the English department, my mother worked in the library, and my father got his bachelor’s and master’s degrees at SWOSU. This university has given so much to me and my family, and I want to give back to this place! I’m proud to say I also have my bachelor’s and master’s degrees from SWOSU.
Three former Southwestern Oklahoma State University faculty were honored recently by the SWOSU Alumni Association during a reception held in the Skyview Suite of the Pioneer Cellular Events Center on the Weatherford campus.

The Alumni Association board of directors voted in 2015 to begin recognizing former SWOSU instructors annually and celebrating their contributions to SWOSU. The 2015 SWOSU Alumni Association Emeritus Award honorees include:

**Roger Egerton** – Dr. Egerton began teaching at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in 1963 and taught for 30 years, retiring in 1993. He was professor of marketing in the business department.

**Mona Jean Suter** – Mona Jean Suter graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in 1956 with a B.A. in education. She earned her Masters of Teaching from SWOSU in 1963 and began teaching at SWOSU in 1968. She retired as an assistant professor in language arts in May of 1995 after teaching 27 years.

**Lamar Crall** – Lamar Crall graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in 1959 with a B.S. degree in accounting. He began teaching in the SWOSU School of Business in 1967 after receiving his MBA degree. He retired as an assistant professor in December 1996 after teaching 27 years. Crall was one of the original founders of the SWOSU Foundation, serving on the board for 31 years before retiring in 2008.

Also bestowed at the reception were two recent SWOSU Alumni Association Presidential Service Awards:

SWOSU Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. James South was cited by the SWOSU Alumni Association President Mike Wilkes of Oklahoma City for “going above and beyond for SWOSU.” Dr. South helped start the massed band feed at SWOSU’s Homecoming celebrations every year, which now serves over 1,500 students.

Wilkes also cited Oklahoma City physician Dr. David Hunter for being a tireless supporter of the SWOSU Alumni Association and their activities over the years, for volunteering to help with many golf tournaments, homecomings, graduations, and picnics as well as both fundraising and friend-raising events. Dr. Hunter is the husband of SWOSU Alumni Association Past President and current SWOSU Foundation 1st Vice-Chair Dianne Hunter.

The SWOSU Alumni Association is a dynamic group of volunteers from all walks of life who are passionate about giving back to SWOSU. The association offers members a variety of benefits and event opportunities. For more information, please contact SWOSU’s Office of Institutional Advancement at (580) 774-3289 or visit www.swosualumni.com.
The Southwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation board of trustees in Weatherford has new officers and committee chairs.

**Officers of the SWOSU Foundation for the two-year period until fall of 2017 are:**

Carl Hook, Norman, Class of 1967, chair

Dianne Hunter, Edmond, Class of 1986, 1st vice-chair and chair of development committee

Everett Dobson, Oklahoma City, Class of 1981, 2nd vice-chair

Joey Sager, Edmond, Class of 1984, secretary

Harvey Minton, Weatherford, Class of 1964, treasurer and co-chair of audit committee

Jim Mogg, Hydro, Class of 1971, past chair

**Other new committee chairs are:**

E. Vann Greer Andrews, Oklahoma City, Class of 1960, chair of corporate governance & nominating committee

George Cohlmia, Oklahoma City, Class of 1974, chair of investment committee

Philip Busey, Jr., Edmond, Class of 2004, chair of finance committee

Nelson Sims, Key Largo, FL, Class of 1971, chair of scholarships & grants committee

Debbie Shepherd, Weatherford, Class of 1979, chair of property committee

The SWOSU Foundation was established in 1977 to promote philanthropy and distribute funds to support the activities and programs of SWOSU. Located on the Weatherford campus in the historic Burton House, the foundation currently stewards over $20 million in assets for the benefit of SWOSU.

For more information, please visit swosufoundation.org or call (580) 774-3267.
Southwestern Oklahoma State University has played an important role in the lives of all its graduates and forever holds a special place in their hearts. By purchasing a personalized brick you will show your pride and mark your place in the history of SWOSU!

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Help give wings to a deserving student this year. The SWOSU Foundation is raising funds for SWOSU students in crisis. You can help us help a student by donating to the Bulldog Angels Fund. This fund may mean the difference in a student being able to continue learning at SWOSU or having to leave the campus due to external financial pressures.

HAVE YOU ENJOYED THE NEW ECHOES FROM THE HILL?

Then please help us to continue publication with a tax-deductible donation TODAY! The costs of producing and mailing Echoes continue to rise, and any amount you can give will help us keep the magazine rolling off of the presses. The goal of Echoes is to keep you connected to SWOSU, and we thank you in advance for your part in helping us achieve that goal.

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Contact the SWOSU Foundation at 580-774-3267 or go to www.givetoswosu.com to make your donation today! Your generous donation is always appreciated!
**ALUMNI PICNIC**
A highlight of the summer season at SWOSU! Join old friends and make new ones in a relaxed evening of fellowship on the beautiful lawn of the historic Burton House on the SWOSU campus in Weatherford.

**PARENTS DAY**
Come and cheer on the Bulldogs as they take on Henderson State University! While you are in town, participate in the many great retail and dining opportunities our wonderful Weatherford merchants and businesses provide.

**HOMECOMING**
The big day for Bulldogs past, present, and future! The Bulldogs will be playing Northwestern, and we'll celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the 1996 NAIA National Championship win. More details will be in the Fall Issue of *Echoes From the Hill*, so stay tuned!

**EMERITI RECEPTION**
This annual gathering will see former and current SWOSU faculty, employees, and staff come together on the Hilltop once more. The 2016 Emeriti Awards will be bestowed, and a great time will be had by all. Keep an eye out in the Fall Issue of *Echoes From the Hill* for more information!