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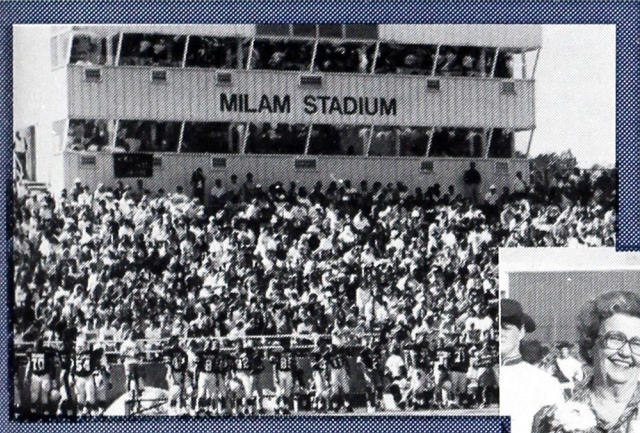
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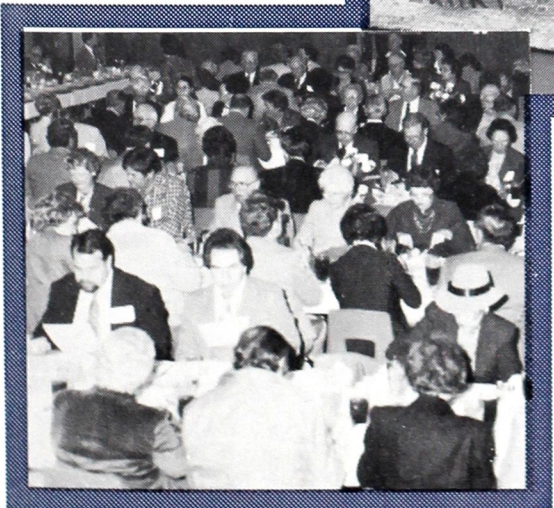
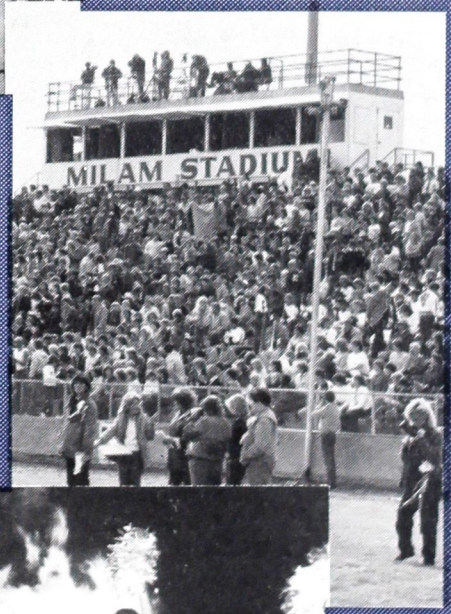
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*Homecoming-
A Parade of Memories*



From the desk of the President...

Dear Alumni and Friends,

As I write this letter, we are starting the second week of the fall semester. We had a good beginning last week. The freshman enrollment is up by approximately 13 percent, and our overall FTE shows an increase of approximately five percent. This type of enrollment increase causes good kinds of problems!

Of course, people want to know what has caused the increase in our enrollment. It is difficult to pinpoint any one or two reasons. We revamped our scholarship program; we expanded class size; we opened new sections; and we extended our recruitment efforts. At best guess, all of the above have made a difference.

History was made this summer. After a fifteen year struggle--some say twenty--the doctor-ate of pharmacy program is a reality! Nine women enrolled in the first class. Additional clinical faculty have joined the Southwestern School of Pharmacy, and a cooperative program with the University of Oklahoma is being developed to address the needs of licensed pharmacists.

The heat was extreme this summer, but our physical plant staff did their usual excellent job of keeping our grounds in shape and completing our needed renovations. The 40-year old floor in the Rankin Williams Fieldhouse has been replaced, along with a new scoreboard and goals. An elevator has been installed in the Old Science Building, and work continues this fall on some of our ADA needs (curb cuts, ramps, and automatic doors).

We have completed the three-year provisional membership in the NCAA and will be eligible for the playoffs in all sports this year. Recruitment efforts have gone well, so the Bulldogs will be competitive in the Lone Star Conference. (How do you adjust a six-foot stationary bed in Jefferson Hall to accommodate a seven-foot basketball player?)

Fall is a great time on the Southwestern campus! Join us for Parent's Day, Homecoming, Panorama, or any of the other events presented by our music and drama students. There is always something happening on campus. Most of the time, you have to make a choice!

Come back to The Hill!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe Anna Hibler".

Joe Anna Hibler, President

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Distinguished Alumni Honored

A long-time medical doctor in western Oklahoma and a university president in Michigan will be honored during homecoming activities this fall at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

Dr. James Rhymer of Clinton and Dr. Gary Russi of Rochester, Mich., will be inducted into Southwestern's Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame on October 31.

The pair will be honored and recognized at several homecoming activities including the 10 a.m. parade, 11:30 a.m. luncheon and half-time of Southwestern's 2 p.m. football game. Tickets for the luncheon are \$8 and now available by calling the SWOSU Alumni Office at (580) 774-3267.

DR. JAMES RHYMER is a Clinton native and the grandson of Dewey County pioneers. After graduation from Leedy High School, Rhymer attended Southwestern where he earned a bachelor of science degree in 1951. He continued his studies at Southwestern and completed his pharmacy degree in 1954.

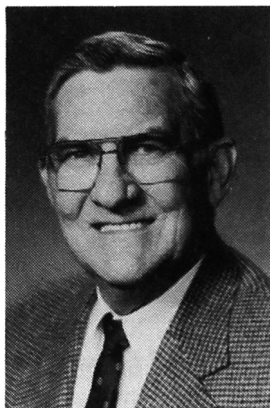
Rhymer then attended the University of Pittsburgh Medical School in Pittsburg, Pa., graduating in 1959. He interned from 1959-60 at St. Luke's Hospital in Denver. For six years following graduation from medical school, Rhymer was in the Oklahoma National Guard 45th Infantry Division assigned as battalion surgeon of the 1/245th Armored Battalion and later as flight surgeon for the 45th Division.

He established his private practice in Clinton in 1961. Additional associations include being president of the Oklahoma State Board of Medical Examiners and serving on the board of directors for the Oklahoma Foundation for Medical Quality. He has also served as legislative chairman for the Oklahoma Academy of the Family Physicians.

Rhymer is an energetic man who is not only dedicated to his profession of medicine but also serves many hours in civic responsibilities. He belongs to the Woodward Elks Lodge and the Clinton Masonic Lodge and is a 32nd degree Mason.

In a volunteer capacity, Rhymer is physician for the Clinton High School football team and the SWOSU Bulldog varsity athletic teams. He serves every year as physician for the Oklahoma Highway Patrol and Elks Major Projects Cadet Lawman Academy at Burns Flat.

For years, Rhymer has provided medical expertise to the



Dr. James Rhymer



Dr. Gary Russi

SWOSU athletic teams, athletic trainer program and the university's SCUBA program. He has been a guiding force for medical treatment and rehabilitation for many SWOSU students, athletes, faculty and staff.

It is not uncommon to see Dr. Rhymer in the SWOSU training room until late hours of the night, the SWOSU pool during SCUBA, on an openwater dive or on the sideline of football games at both home and away contests. His

famous tootsie rolls have broken the ice many times with SWOSU students, athletes and spectators.

Rhymer and his wife, Colleen, have three children—Jim Bob, Kenny and Gwili.

DR. GARY RUSSI is serving as president of Oakland University in Rochester, Mich. Oakland, which was founded in 1957, has an enrollment of approximately 14,400 students.

Russi earned his bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from SWOSU in 1969. He then earned his doctorate in pharmacology and toxicology from the University of Kansas in 1972.

He began a long-running tenure in 1972 at Drake University where he served as professor of pharmacology and toxicology before becoming executive assistant to the president and vice provost for planning and budgeting in 1986. In 1989, Russi was named vice provost for academic affairs at Drake University and, in 1992, was named vice president for research and strategic planning.

Russi then moved to Oakland University where he was named vice president for academic affairs, a position he held from 1993-96. He was named interim president in 1995 and was named the university's fifth president in 1996.

Russi has quickly moved Oakland forward. He is credited with bringing to life Oakland's 10-year strategic plan, record enrollment growth, major campus construction, historic articulation agreements with community colleges, new market-driven degree programs, and increased community and business partnerships.

With race-course precision, Russi has begun shifting Oakland into its future with a powerful cadre of initiatives. The Electronic Network Management Program was the result of discussions with top business and industry leaders

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and resulted in a market-driven program to address the national shortage for highly-skilled network managers. It is believed to be the first of its kind in the United States.

Another successful program of Russi's is a Creating the Future external relations program which seeks advice and counsel from 500 or more top alumni and other movers and shakers in the Oakland region.

Russi has enjoyed a long career in higher education and has started a very successful journey at Oakland University.

The 1964 Frederick High School graduate has two children, Chris and Jennifer.

Distinguished Alumni Nominations

Persons wishing to nominate alumni for the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame and the Athletic Hall of Fame may submit names and addresses to:

President Dr. Joe Anna Hibler
100 Campus Drive
Weatherford, OK 73096

The Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame ceremonies are held each year at homecoming.

The Athletic Hall of Fame inducts recipients every third year. Homecoming 1999 will be the next Athletic Hall of Fame induction.

Deans Named for Arts & Sciences and Education Departments

Dr. Vilas Prabhu and Dr. Greg Moss have been named deans of the School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Education, respectively, at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

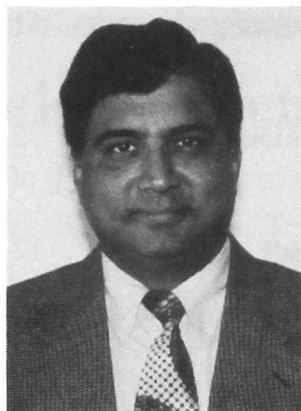
Their appointments were reported on Friday (May 15) at a meeting of the Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges in Edmond.

Prabhu has served the past four years as chairman of the pharmaceutical sciences department in the SWOSU School of Pharmacy, while Moss has served the past year as interim dean of the School of Education. Both new appointments began July 1.

Prabhu will serve as chief administrative officer for the largest school on the SWOSU campus. The School of Arts and Sciences currently has 12 departments and more than 100 full-time faculty who provide 22 degree programs to more than 1,500 students.

Prabhu came to Southwestern in 1980. He has assumed a variety of leadership positions on campus and in the community. Prabhu received the inaugural Bernhardt Academic Excellence Award in 1994. He has served on the SWOSU Faculty Senate

and was president in 1990-91. He has also been very active on numerous university committees.



Vilas Prabhu



Greg Moss

Also active in the community, Prabhu was elected in 1997 to a five-year term on the Weatherford Board of Education. He served as president of the Weatherford Rotary Club in 1995-96 and has been involved in several fundraising efforts for community projects. He served as vice-president of the Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics Parents' Association from 1995-97.

Prabhu has a broad academic background, earning a bachelor's degree in chemistry, master's degrees in both pharmacy and business administration, and a doctoral degree in pharmaceutical sciences. Prabhu replaces Dr. Dan Dill who was named associate vice president at SWOSU.

Moss came to Southwestern in 1995 after serving as superintendent of Weatherford Public Schools for five years. He served the 1996-97 year as chairman of the department of school service programs in the School of Education. He became interim dean after Dr. John Folks resigned to take a position in Texas.

Moss has been involved in the field of education since 1973 when he started as a teacher in the Edmond Public Schools. Later, he served the Edmond school district as assistant principal, principal, director of personnel, and assistant superintendent before leaving in 1988 to become assistant superintendent in Flagstaff, Ariz. He moved to Weatherford in 1990.

Moss has maintained memberships in several professional and academic organizations and has served on numerous university committees. He has been involved in scholarly activities during his tenure at SWOSU. Moss is a member of the Weatherford Kiwanis Club.

Southwestern's School of Education currently has two departments with 22 faculty members. Approximately 1,150 students are served each year by the SWOSU School of Education.

SWOSU



Friday, October 30

Homecoming assembly & queen coronation	Fine Arts Auditorium	11 a.m.
Y Chapel open house	East of Student Center	1-5 p.m.

Saturday, October 31

Alumni registration	Student Union Lobby	9-11 a.m.
Parade watch parties	Downtown	9:30 a.m.
Parade	Downtown	10 a.m.
BSU brunch and open house	BSU Center	11 a.m.
Alumni and friends luncheon	Student Center Ballroom	11:30 a.m.
School of Pharmacy open house	Pharmacy Building third floor	11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Band directors and music alumni complimentary luncheon	Fine Arts Building, 102	12 noon
Phi Beta Lambda alumni reception	Stafford Building room 322	12-1:30 p.m.
Dedication of the Burton House	Front steps of the Burton House	1:15 p.m.
Football game SWOSU vs Univ. of Central OK halftime activities and Distinguished Alumni presentations	Milam Stadium	2 p.m.

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BSU banquet	First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall	5:30 p.m.
All Greek gathering	T-Bone Steak House	Following game

Sunday, November 1

Pharmacy Continuing Education	Conference Center	8 a.m.-5 p.m.
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Homecoming

Reunion of Former Miss Southwesterns Planned for October

Former Miss Southwestern Scholarship Pageant winners will have a first-ever reunion during the weekend of the 1999 Miss Southwestern Pageant which will be Saturday, Oct. 24, at 7:30 p.m. on the Weatherford campus.

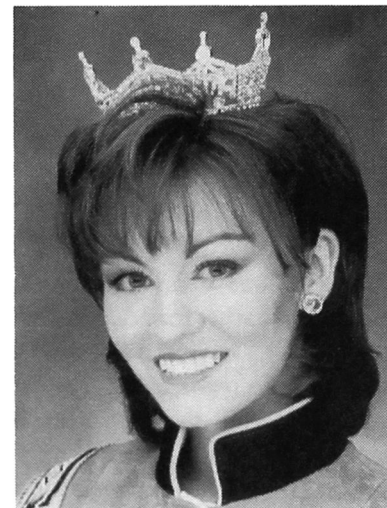
All former pageant winners are invited and encouraged to attend. A breakfast for both the winners and past board members will be held Saturday morning at 10 a.m. in the Skyview Room in the Student Union.

Everyone will then gather that evening for the annual pageant which has been held every year since 1958. The pageant is a preliminary event

for the Miss America Pageant.

Organizers of the event need people to RSVP for the breakfast by calling Debbie Brown in the SWOSU Public Information Office at (580) 774-3063 or Pageant Director Denise Hamburger at (580) 774-3041. Please RSVP by October 22.

Several previous winners are still being sought and addresses are needed for the following: Donna Durham, 1961; Karen Jones, 1963; Sandi Curtis, 1965; Karen Lane, 1967; Deborah Drennan, 1968; Shelia Willis, 1969; Gayle Smith, 1972; Ora Ray, 1973; Gayla Sue Donnell, 1975; Margaret Park, 1975; and Cinda Hill, 1982.



*Tascha Lawless
1998 Miss Southwestern*

Parade Watch Party Locations

Benchwarmer Brown's: President's reunion

Butcher's Clothing Co.: Beta Tau Beta, Tri J's and Phi Kappa Alpha

Java's: Art department and Music department

Delicious Designs: School of Education, and Math department

Edward Jones: School of Business, Phi Beta Lambda, Marketing/Management Club, Alpha Kappa Psi, Accounting/Finance and Circle K Club

Hooked on Books: Physics department and Computer Science department

Kelley Jewelers: School of Pharmacy and Pharmacy fraternities: Kappa Epsilon, Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Chi, Phi Lambda Sigma, Rho Chi, Division of Nursing and Health Information Management

The Kloset: Home Economics Alumni, Language Arts department and Canterbury Association

Dusty Rose: Kappa Delta Omega and Psychology department

Nabor's Shoe Center: Baptist Student Union

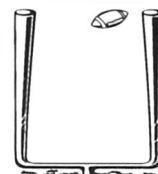
New Life Bookstore: Church of Christ Student Center and Chi Alpha Gamma Delta

The Pink Turtle: Chemistry Club, Biology Club and Wesley Foundation

The Smart Shop: Gamma Delta Kappa

Sharon's : Sigma Sigma Chi, HPER department and Graduate students

Tautfest: Social Science department and Catholic Student Association



SWOSU Alumnus Named as new Bulldog Baseball Coach

Successful Oklahoma high school baseball coach Charles Teasley has been named head baseball and assistant football coach at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford

Teasley has been head baseball coach at Weatherford High School since 1984. The 1971 Southwestern graduate, who owns a 614-281 career coaching record, has also been head coach at Mustang and Yukon high schools. He has been a head baseball coach for 23 years.

"Southwestern has always had a place in my heart," Teasley said about his decision to leave WHS and coach at SWOSU which becomes a full member of NCAA Division II this fall. "I graduated from Southwestern and have many good memories. I came back to Weatherford in hopes that maybe someday I could coach at Southwestern."

Teasley played baseball four years at Southwestern under Cecil Devine. The second baseman was named all-conference and all district three years. During his senior season, the Bulldogs

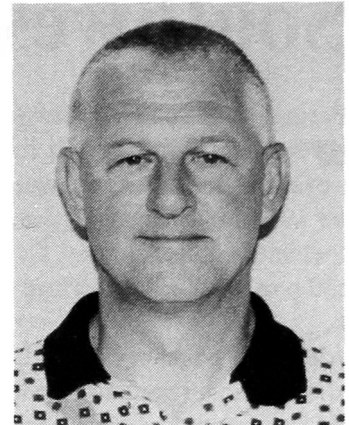
qualified for the NAIA national tournament in Phoenix, Ariz., where Southwestern placed fifth.

Teasley takes over for Larry Geurkink, who recently announced his retirement after spending 22 seasons as head coach of the Bulldog Baseball program.

"I am looking forward to taking over a program that has been so successful under Coach Geurkink," Teasley said. "I've always had great admiration for Coach Geurkink, and I know I have big shoes to fill."

Teasley guided Weatherford to this year's Class 4A state championship title. His 1995 WHS squad also won a state title, and his 1992 and 1993 WHS squads were state champion runnerup. Teasley also coached Yukon High School to a 1982 state championship title.

The 1967 Weatherford High School graduate earned his bachelor's degree from Southwestern with majors in mathematics and physical education. He earned his master's degree of education in 1974, also from Southwestern.



Charles Teasley

His first job out of college was in Eldorado, Kan., where he was assistant coach in baseball, football and basketball. He then coached at Mustang High School from 1975-77 and Yukon High School from 1978-83 before coming back to his hometown of Weatherford.

Teasley is a past president of the Oklahoma Baseball Coaches Association and served two years as president of the Western Oklahoma Baseball Coaches Association.

Teasley is only the fifth baseball coach in the history of Southwestern. Previous coaches were Rankin Williams, Jerry Jobe, Devine and Geurkink.

Coach Larry Geurkink Retires



Larry Geurkink

Long-time head baseball coach Larry Geurkink retired after the 1998 baseball season. Geurkink coached 22 years at SWOSU and was dean of the baseball coaches at Oklahoma's four-year universities.

The Enid native had a 600-518 record during his Bulldog tenure. Combined with his 11 years of coaching at Edmond, Stroud and Putnam City schools, Geurkink has a career coaching record of 813-626 in 33 years of coaching

The Phillips (OK) University graduate started his SWOSU career in

1977 and was named Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference Coach of the Year that season. Geurkink also won the award in 1992. He was named NAIA District 9 Coach of the Year in 1984, 1987 and 1992. Geurkink also was selected as the 1992 NAIA Area Diamond Sports/American Baseball Coaches Association Coach of the Year.

Geurkink was only the fourth baseball coach in the history of Southwestern. His last season was 24-24 overall and in third place in the Lone Star Conference standings.

SWOSU Honors Retiring Faculty



These faculty members at Southwestern Oklahoma State University were recently honored at a retirement reception on the Weatherford campus. Among those retiring faculty are (from left): Dr. James Griffin, technology; Dr. Kay Branson and Dr. Gary Tompkins, both in social sciences; Linda Howard, language arts; Lynne Young-Studier, pharmacy and university nurse; and Dr. Lin Murdock, health, physical education and recreation. Other retiring faculty not pictured include Dr. Neal Weber, pharmacy; Larry Geurkink, head baseball coach and health, physical education and recreation department; and Dr. C. Dean Wheeler, computer science.

Doctor of Pharmacy's First Class

Summer 1998 was another significant moment in the history of Southwestern Oklahoma State University's prestigious School of Pharmacy at Weatherford.

The summer semester was a special time because nine students--all females from Oklahoma cities--comprised the first-ever class admitted to the new Doctor of Pharmacy program at SWOSU.

Southwestern has been offering a five-year bachelor of science program in pharmacy since 1939. The university was approved in 1996 to initiate a six-year doctor of pharmacy program which will be the only professional pharmacy degree accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education, the accrediting agency for all pharmacy schools in the United States.

"This has been a long-term goal for Southwestern Oklahoma State University," SWOSU President Joe Anna Hibler said. "The approval recognizes the quality of education that Southwestern offers and the fine work that our faculty does in delivering a modern pharmaceutical education."

The modification of the pharmacy degree program increases the length of the professional program at SWOSU from three years to four. The program is preceded by two years of prescribed pre-professional courses.

Dr. David Bergman, dean of the

SWOSU School of Pharmacy, said the new program will admit approximately 75 students per year with a total enrollment in the school of approximately 300 students. Nine students were admitted this summer, and around 65 students will be admitted during the 1998 fall and 1999 spring semesters.

Comprising the first class were: Chanda Barnes, Arnett; Sarah Cobb, Enid; Kelly Cromer, Clinton; Carrie Fryrear, Tuttle; Kristin Harrison, Kingfisher; Kimberly Hines, Cordell; Lindsay Jones, McAlester; Shari Juarez, Weatherford; and Sherry Ray,

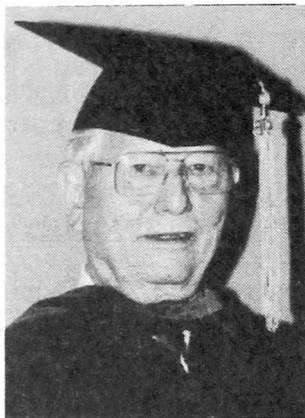
Stillwell.

Southwestern's School of Pharmacy was born in the minds of two pharmacists, Albert Eaton of Weatherford and Bert Brundage of Thomas, during the early 1930s. They made many trips and attended many meetings to bring a pharmacy school to western Oklahoma, and their dream came true when the first classes were offered in September 1939.

Southwestern's latest dream for its School of Pharmacy is now fulfilled with the addition of the Doctor of Pharmacy program.



(Front from left): Dr. David Ralph, assistant dean of the school; Dr. David Bergman, dean of the school; Dr. Bill Kermis, SWOSU academic vice president; Dr. Joe Anna Hibler, president; Dr. H.F. Timmons and Dr. B.G. Keller, former deans of the school. Inaugural class members are (back form left): Chanda Barnes, Arnett; Kimberly Hines, Cordell; Carrie Fryrear, Tuttle; Kristin Harrison, Kingfisher; Sherry Ray, Stilwell; Lindsay Jones, McAlester; Kelly Cromer, Clinton; Shari Juarez, Weatherford; and Sarah Cobb, Enid.



Dr. Roy Dowdell

Dr. Receives Bachelor's

college classes at Southwestern in 1948. He attended one year before deciding to attend classes at Carver Chiropractic School in Oklahoma City where he graduated in 1952.

He then moved to Hydro where he was a chiropractor until 1957 when he decided to return to college. He decided to major in pre-medicine at Southwestern. Dowdell was then accepted into the University of Oklahoma Medical School in 1959, one year short of completing his bachelor's degree at SWOSU.

After graduating from medical school, Dowdell started a family practice in the Oklahoma City and Norman areas until 1975 when he and his family moved to Baytown, located on the east side of Houston.

Dowdell's recent recognition at Southwestern is the result of a state regents' policy which allows individuals who have professional degrees to be awarded bachelor's degrees. Dowdell

recently became a life member of the SWOSU Alumni Association, and SWOSU President Joe Anna Hibler encouraged him to come back and "officially" receive his degree.

Several family members accompanied him to Weatherford for the ceremony. He enjoyed his visit to Southwestern and especially a coffee visit with former SWOSU President Dr. Al Harris, retailer Lee Ratcliffe, and Dr. Louis Morris, who taught Dowdell at Southwestern.

Dowdell is a successful medical doctor who has served as chairman and secretary of the family practice section of the Southern Medical Association. He also wrote a paper on cholesterol and heart disease which has been featured at conferences around the world.

Dowdell's recent visit to western Oklahoma rekindled fond memories, and he said his future plans include moving back to Oklahoma.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's 1998 graduation ceremony in Weatherford was a special event for Dr. Roy Dowdell.

Dr. Dowdell, a 70-year old medical doctor who still maintains his family practice in Baytown, Texas, was one of 800 plus Southwestern students who walked through the recent ceremonies. He "officially" received his bachelor's degree in chemistry.

Dowdell, an Elk City native, started

Skarda's on the Road

Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford has a new recruiter on the road this year.

Jena Skarda is the new assistant director of high school relations. She replaced Tamra Misak who is now assistant director of student development/placement services at SWOSU.

Skarda is no stranger to SWOSU. She earned both her bachelor's and master's degrees at Southwestern and served four years as publications/graphics coordinator with the SWOSU Development and Alumni Office until starting her new position this fall.

Skarda graduated with her bachelor of arts degree in education in 1995 and completed her master of education degree in 1998. While an undergraduate student at SWOSU, she served as advertising manager for *The Southwestern* student newspaper and was on the yearbook staff. She was named the Journalism Student of the Year in 1994.


She and her husband, Mark, live in Weatherford. The Cheyenne High



Jena Skarda

School graduate is active on the SWOSU Graduate Council and is involved with Gamma Delta Kappa honor society and Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

Skarda and Todd Boyd, director of high school relations, have already started their recruiting travels around the state of Oklahoma in search of future SWOSU students.



**What
in the
World
have you been
doing?**

Echoes from the Hill is looking for news about: awards, honors, promotions, appointments or achievements that you, an alumnus, have accomplished. Send news and photographs to :

**Alumni Office
100 Campus Drive
Weatherford, OK 73096**

**or email it to
wilkerk@swosu.edu.**

* photographs will be returned
if requested

Dr. Dill Surprised with Reception

Dr. Dan Dill (seated) was recently surprised with a reception by the chairpersons in the School of Arts and Sciences at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford in honor of Dill's nine years as dean of the school. Dill will begin a new position--

associate vice president of academic affairs and dean of the graduate school--on July 1. With Dill are (from left): Dr. Nancy McClain, assistant dean of the School of Arts and Sciences; Dr. Ken



Rose, health, physical education and recreation; Dr. Michael Kerley, biology; George Atkins, computer science;

Dr. Garabed Armoudian, physics; Joe London, art; Dr. Blake Sonobe, chemistry; Dr. John Woods, (interim chair) mathematics; Dr. Les Levy, psychology; Dr. Stan Nadel, social sciences; Dr. Jerry Nye, language arts; Dr. Radwan Al-Jarrah, mathematics; Paula Price, representing Dr. Charles Chapman in music; and Dr. Gary Bell, representing Dr. Don Mitchell in technology.

SWOSU Faculty Members Tenured

Several Southwestern Oklahoma State University faculty members at Weatherford received tenure and promotion recommendations at the April meeting of the Board of Regents of Oklahoma Colleges.

Receiving tenure included: Dr. James Jent, technology; Dr. William Kelly, chemistry; Mr. Michael McKinney, Sayre campus; and Dr. Virgil VanDusen, pharmacy.

Promotions were also approved for nine faculty members. Promoted from associate professors to professors were Dr. Robert Chambers in music, Dr. Michael Deimling and Dr. ElGenia French, both in pharmacy, and Dr. Jill Jones in language arts.

Named associate professors were Kelly, Dr. Jim Jawahar in business and Dr. LuJuana Reichmann in nursing. Named assistant professors were Duwayne Graybill in technology and Joyce Stoffers in language arts.

Klaassen Elected

Southwestern Oklahoma State University Registrar Bob Klaassen of Weatherford was recently elected president-elect of the Oklahoma Association of Veterans Coordinators and Counselors.

Klaassen took office on July 1 of this year and then serve as president starting July 1, 1999.

OAVCC is comprised of certifying officials who help veterans with their educational benefits. All colleges and universities in Oklahoma--as well as vocational-technical schools and several out-of-state colleges which have ties with the military bases in Oklahoma--are members of OAVCC.

As president-elect, Klaassen will have a major responsibility in planning programs for the two state conferences held each year in September and April.

Klaassen has been the certifying official at SWOSU for the last 15 years. He also works with veterans on the regional level, serving on the nominating committee of Western Association of Veteran Education Specialists, a region covering 11 states.

Klaassen, who is nearing 20 years of employment at SWOSU, has also served as state president of the Registrar's Association and the Oklahoma Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers.

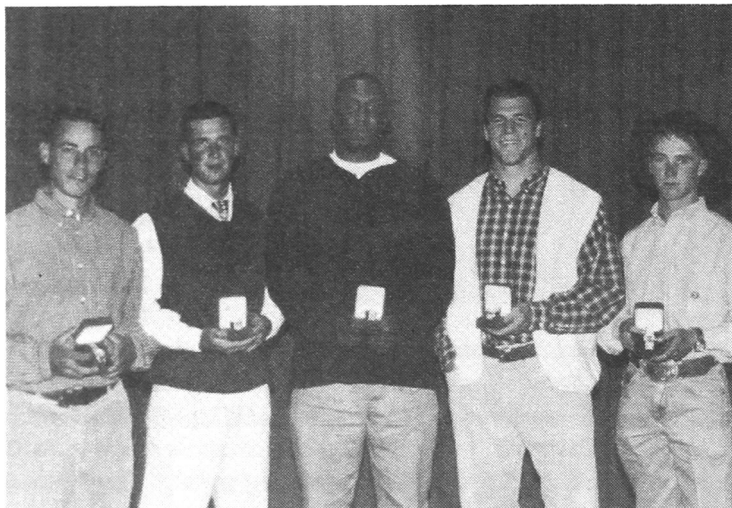
SGA wins Award from Oklahoma Blood Institute

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Student Government Association has been honored once again by the Oklahoma Blood Institute.

SWOSU won the Award of Excellence from the OBI for the most donations in the colleges/universities category. It is the second straight year that the SWOSU SGA has won the award.

During its latest drive which occurred in late April, Southwestern had 143 volunteers and 123 were actually able to donate blood, according to Michelle Stinson, blood program consultant at the OBI.

“Athletes of the Year” Honored at Sports Banquet



These Southwestern Oklahoma State University student/athletes were named “athletes of the year” for the six men’s athletics programs on the Weatherford campus. The men were honored at the 1997-98 SWOSU All-Sports banquet held recently on the SWOSU campus. Honored for their sport were (from left): Cory Smith, Elk City, golf; Robert Kreysa, Brussels, Belgium, tennis; Jo Jo Daniels, Edmond, basketball; Landon Curtis, Oklahoma City (Putnam City), football; and Dustin Drake, Sayre, rodeo. Not pictured is Bobby Wechsler of Elk City who won the baseball award as well as the overall Male Athlete of the Year at SWOSU.

These Southwestern Oklahoma State University student/athletes were named “athletes of the year” for the six women’s athletics programs on the Weatherford campus. The women were honored at the 1997-98 SWOSU All-Sports banquet held recently on the SWOSU campus. Honored for their sport were (from left): Angie Wiseman, Newalla, rodeo; Jamy Sexton, Thomas, cross country; Mindy Bedford, Webbers Falls, basketball; Jamie King, Moore, softball; Kala Freeman, Woodward, golf; and Ceann Martinez, Beaver, tennis.

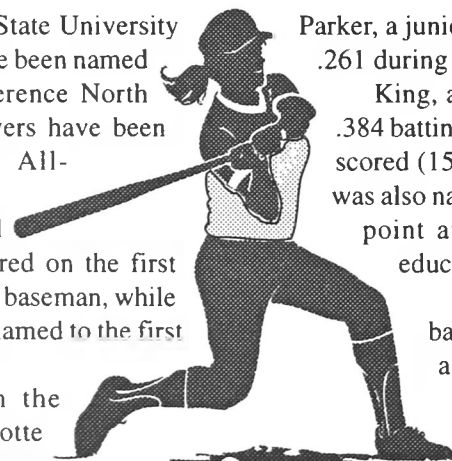


3 Softball Players Recognized

Two Southwestern Oklahoma State University softball players at Weatherford have been named to the 1998 All-Lone Star Conference North Division first team, and two players have been named to the LSC Academic All-Conference squad.

Chelle Parker of Ft. Cobb and Jamie King of Moore were honored on the first team. Parker was the team’s second baseman, while King was one of three outfielders named to the first team.

King was also honored on the academic team as well as Charlotte Pfeil of Moore.



Parker, a junior, played in all 34 SWOSU games. She hit .261 during the year and led the team in RBIs with 20.

King, a sophomore, led the team in hitting with a .384 batting average. She led the Lady Bulldogs in runs scored (15), hits (38), doubles (8) and steals (7). She was also named to the academic team with a 3.87 grade point average. King is majoring in elementary education.

Pfeil, a sophomore, was SWOSU’s third baseman this season. She has a 3.30 grade point average with a major in biology.

Southwestern is coached by Steve Williams. This was the second year for SWOSU to field a women’s softball squad.

1998 SWOSU Baseball Players Named All-Conference

Eight Southwestern Oklahoma State University players at Weatherford have been honored on the 1998 Lone Star Conference North Division Baseball All-Conference squad.

Five players were named to the first team, including third baseman A.J. Misialek of Edmond, catcher Greg Seagraves of Tulsa, outfielder Todd Barnhart of Clinton, infielder Paul Wilson of Prince George, British Columbia, and pitcher Brent Zulyniak of Alberta, Canada.

Two Bulldogs were named to the second team, including second baseman Bobby Wechsler of Elk City and outfielder Isaac Williams of Edmond. Named as honorable mention was shortstop Rodney Cope of Seiling.

Southwestern, coached by Larry Geurkink, finished the 1998 season with a 31-26 overall record. This was the first

season for the Bulldogs to compete in the Lone Star Conference, the largest NCAA conference in the nation.

Misialek, Seagraves and Barnhart are all seniors, while Wilson is a junior and Zulyniak a sophomore.

Misialek was the team's second-leading hitter this season with a .422 batting average. He played in all 57 games. The Edmond Memorial High

product had 51 RBIs which was fourth-highest on the team. Misialek struck out only 10 times this season in 185 bats.

Seagraves handled most of the catching chores this season for the Bulldogs. He was second in doubles with 17. Seagraves, who transferred this season from Pittsburg State, is a

SWOSU team.

Wilson was the team's leading hitter with a .443 average. His 86 hits and 65 RBIs were team bests. He also was walked a team-high 29 times. Wilson was in his first season at SWOSU after transferring from North Idaho College.

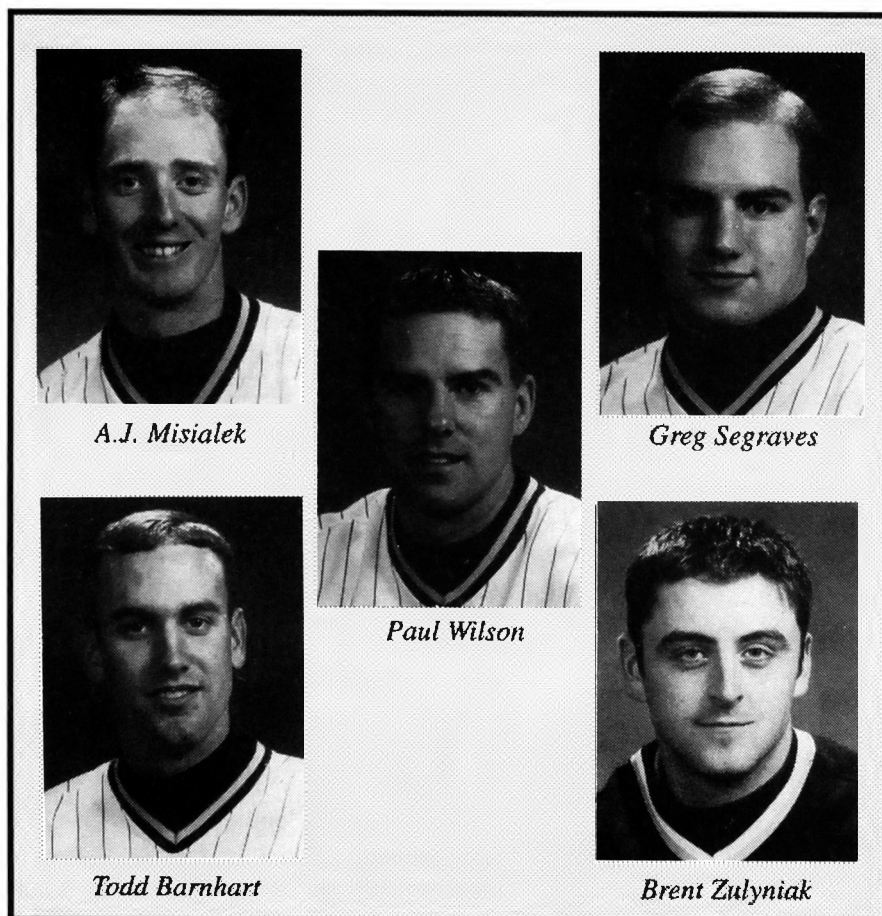
Zulyniak made 18 appearances on the mound for the Bulldogs. The sophomore ended up with an 8-5 record. He pitched eight complete games and ended up with a 4.60 earned run average. He had a team-high 81 strikeouts.

Wechsler has been a four-year starter at SWOSU. The Elk City second baseman played in all 57 games and hit .346. He had 11 doubles and 34 RBIs during the 1998 season.

Williams, a senior, was the Bulldogs' leader in steals with 27. He also hit .384 and, like

Wechsler, played in all 57 games. He had a team-high 60 runs and was second on the team in hits with 81. He ended up the season with 46 RBIs.

Cope, also a senior, was the Bulldogs's shortstop has played in all 57 contests. He hit .338 and led the team in doubles with 19 and home runs with 13. His 56 RBIs were second-best on the Bulldog squad.



A.J. Misialek

Greg Seagraves

Paul Wilson

Todd Barnhart

Brent Zulyniak

graduate of Metro Christian Academy in Tulsa.

Barnhart had a stellar senior season. The left-fielder hit .379 and played in 56 of the Bulldogs' 57 games. He scored 58 runs and 81 hits which were second-best marks on the squad. Barnhart added 16 doubles and 7 homeruns to his output. His 53 RBIs were also the third-best mark on the

Women's Golf Team Ties for Second in Last NAIA National Tournament

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's women's golf team at Weatherford came close but fell short by eight strokes of winning its first-ever national championship title.

The Lady Bulldogs, coached by Cecil Perkins, tied for second with Southern Nazarene University at the 4th annual NAIA national tourney held May 19-21 at Stone Creek Golf Course in Tulsa. This was Southwestern's final year to compete at the NAIA national tourney, since Southwestern will become full members of NCAA Division II this fall.

Two SWOSU golfers were named All-Americans by finishing in the top 10 of the individual standings. Seniors Melanie Folsom of Broken Arrow and Rachel Preble-Poole of Del City actually finished in the top five.



Representing SWOSU at the tourney were (from left); assistant coach Kelli Litsch; Christina Gage, Pampa, Texas; Melanie Folsom, Broken Arrow; Kala Freeman, Woodward; Lindsey Harrison, Shattuck; Rachel Preble-Poole, Del City; and head coach Cecil Perkins.

Folsom ended in third place by shooting rounds of 83-75-74 for a three-day total score of 232, two shots behind the winner. Preble-Poole, who led after two rounds, tied for fourth with rounds of 79-75-79 for a total score of 233.

It was the second straight year that Folsom and Preble-Poole were named All-Americans.

Other scores for SWOSU were: junior Kala Freeman, Woodward, 17th, 84-81-79=244; freshman Christina Gage, Pampa, Texas, tied for 57th, 89-89-92=270; and freshman Lindsey Harrison, Shattuck, 98th, 109-95-95=299.

Folsom set a national tourney record for lowest 36-hole score at 149 (second and third rounds combined). Preble-Poole also won the longest drive contest. She hit a

ball 269 yards, 18 yards longer than her nearest competitor. For her effort, she won a Ping putter and one dozen golf balls.

Mobile (AL) won the tourney with a 971 score.

Women's Rodeo Team Wins Regionals, Takes Seventh at Nationals



Southwestern Oklahoma State University's women's rodeo team members are (from left): assistant coach Shelly Johnston; Angie Wiseman, Newalla; Shawn Wise, Vernon, Texas; Sonya Shields, Hammon; head coach Dr. Don Mitchell; and Mary Ann Barrow, DeQuincy, La.

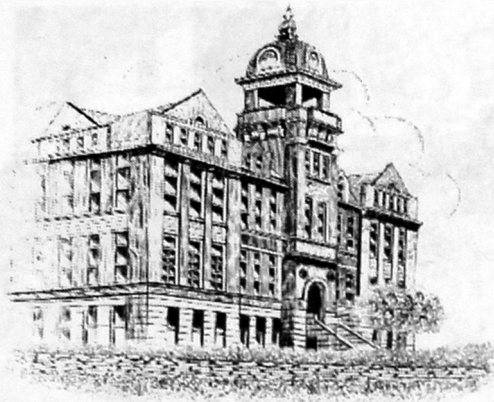
The Southwestern women's rodeo team qualified for the College National Finals Rodeo by finishing first in the Central Plains Regional during the 1997-98 season. SWOSU competed in the regional comprised of colleges and universities in Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri.

The SWOSU women placed seventh at this year's CNFR. Southwestern ended up with 195 points. Lewis-Clark State College (ID) won the women's title with 495 points.

SWOSU head coach Don Mitchell said he was proud of his team's effort.

Southwestern's women's team was led by Angie Wiseman of Newalla and Shawn Wise of Vernon, Texas. Wiseman finished second in the second go of barrel racing with a 12.13 time, and she finished third in the third go with a 12.23 time. She hit a barrel during her first run which caused her to miss the short go finals. Wise split second and third place in the second go of breakaway.

Representing the SWOSU women's squad were seniors Shawn Wise of Vernon, Texas, and Angie Wiseman of Newalla; junior Sonya Shields, Hammon; and freshman Mary Ann Barrow, DeQuincy, La.



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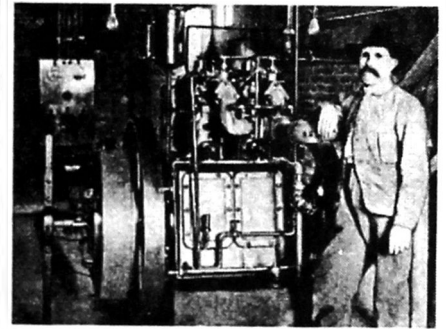
Normal Building Completed

With the completion of almost two quarterly terms of school in temporary facilities scattered about the town of Weatherford, the students and faculty of the Southwestern Normal were more than ready for the move into the new Normal Building. Many construction problems had delayed occupancy. The presence of dirt in the city water supply had damaged the heating system. This unforeseen event forced the school to dig its own well. The frustration with water, whose availability was one of the requirements for securing the location of the Normal in Weatherford, was further aggravated when the shipment of the gasoline engine to operate the well pump was delayed. In addition, the windows were not securely fitted nor were screens installed. The seemingly constant wind driven dust required the building to be swept, the windows washed, and the grounds watered daily. The student wage of \$1.50 per day, needed for this additional maintenance, was an unanticipated expense. Moreover, the sweeping aspect was made even more challenging as the flooring had not been properly jointed. (1,2)

In spite of these and other construction problems delaying the building opening, much had been accomplished by the Southwestern Normal. The Athenian Literary Society was organized the evening of October 16, 1903, at the Congregational Church. Forty students approved a constitution and meetings were held every other Friday evening. (3)

A competing organization, the Aurora Literary Society, was formed the following December in a vacant store building in downtown Weatherford. It had as its theme, "perfect eloquence clothes a man with kingly power." (4)

A band was organized at the beginning of the Winter Term by Professor Ferrell who made available his personal collection of instruments including one tuba, one tenor and three alto saxhorns, one cornet, and two drums. Each member was assessed a \$1.00 fee to help defray costs associated with obtaining music stands and other instruments. The students planned to eventually purchase their own instruments with proceeds from providing entertainment for various town



John Beck, Custodian, in Building Engine Room (1906 *Oracle*, SWN Yearbook)

and school functions. The band consisted of thirteen students who practiced daily. (5)

The move to the new building began Saturday, February 6, 1904. The student maintenance employees began unloading and assembling the newly arrived desks, chairs, and library tables. While moving items during the evening of Monday, February 22, it was suggested by Mr. Beck, the Building Supervisor, that all of the school's furnishings being utilized in the Main Street quarters should also be moved since the building was essentially ready for occupancy. President Campbell agreed, and unknown to most of the

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Town Items

"Many newcomers doubt very much in their Oklahoma days of infancy that this is an excellent country for swine raising. But it takes only a very short time to change their opinions in this case."

Custer County Republican
December 3, 1903

The street commissioner ought to take a trip around town and see to it that the sidewalks in the residence part are kept up, the weeds cut out, and all obstructions such as wire, wagons, etc., are removed. There are a good many places where you have to take the middle of the road on account of the sidewalk being blocked."

Custer County Republican
November 5, 1903



Recently Constructed Normal Building (Southwestern Normal School Second Annual Yearbook, 1904-05, facing title page)

Normal Building

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faculty and students, three drays were secured to move the remainder of the school's inventory to the new building. The move was finished by 9:00PM even though the building had not been accepted by the Territorial Board of Regents. (6)

Professor Bohannon was hurriedly placed in charge of organizing suitable ceremonies for the following morning. Edgar Evan Norman, a student from Weatherford, was asked to carry the flag at the head of a faculty and student procession. In addition, the mayor of Weatherford and several other townspeople were recruited to offer appropriate remarks. (7,8,9)

The following morning at 8:00AM, the delighted faculty and student body posed for pictures in front of the now vacant Main Street classroom buildings. Following the photo session, a two by two line was formed with Professor Ferrell and the Normal Band at the front followed by the flag bearer. The procession

marched north on Custer Street to the cheers and applause of bystanders. Upon reaching the building, the procession was seated in the top floor auditorium for the regularly scheduled morning Chapel exercises featuring the special program. The usual seating arrangements were maintained with female students occupying seats north of the center aisle with male students seated on the south side. With the conclusion of the special program, students reported to their first class in a suitable educational environment for the first time. (10, 11)

During the evening, some of the students celebrated by building bonfires. This celebration, along with the hope of an annual tradition, was promptly extinguished by the Fire Department. (12)

The Territorial Board formally approved the building the following Monday at their meeting in Weatherford. (13)

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1903-04 Football Team (Southwestern Normal School
Second Annual Yearbook, 1904-05, facing page 50)

Blue and White Football

A football team was organized within a few weeks of the opening of school in September, 1903. Games were scheduled to coincide with the Weatherford Horse Races held October 13-15. The Normal players were guaranteed a sufficient percent of the admission proceeds to purchase jerseys. (1) These were ordered, but due to the short notice, the supplier could only deliver colors of navy blue and white. When it was later determined that these colors were not those of any other territorial school, they were adopted by student vote in one of the morning assemblies. (2)

The individual most responsible for encouraging the formation of a football team, John Clarence Livingston, a student from Ft. Scott, Kansas, also served as player and coach. (3) Professor Bohannon was the faculty advisor. (4)

The first game, held the week before the races, was played against the Weatherford city team, October 7, at the local fairgrounds. The contest ended

in a scoreless tie. (5) The second game, played October 13 during the races, was won by the city team 11-0. (6) Games scheduled for October 14 and 15 did not take place as the Normal team failed to take the field claiming that an ineligible player (one not from Weatherford) on the city team participated in their second game defeat. (7)

The next game against a Thomas, O.T., city team was scheduled for Saturday, October 24, in Thomas. (8) Most of the faculty and many students showed their support by making the four hour buggy trip for the 2:30 PM kickoff. Cheers for the visiting team were evident thanks to Professor Linville's cardboard megaphone. It was noted by one observer that the Thomas team, which ". . . scarcely resembled 'boys'," was much heavier than the Normal team whose average weight was 160 pounds. (9,10) The game ended at 5:45 PM with the home team winning by the score of 15-6. The Normal points resulted from Livingston's 55 yard touchdown run. (11,12)

Although the Normal team was

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Normal Notes

A \$1,275.00 Steinway Grand Piano was ordered by Professor Roper.

Custer County Republican
December 31, 1903

"President Campbell, Professor Ferrell, Mrs. Barker, and Mr. Roper will take part in the Territorial Teachers Association at Oklahoma City during the (Christmas) recess."

Custer County Republican
December 17, 1903

"Miss Paine, Miss Ferguson (Normal faculty members), and Mrs. Craig spent Sunday at the Seger Indian School (the Colony, O.T.)."

Custer County Republican
November 5, 1903

"George Dunn, Jr., a Normal student, spent Saturday and Sunday on his claim near Swan, and visited with folks near Thomas."

Custer County Republican
February 4, 1904

"Normal View derives its name from the beautiful view which one has of the Southwestern Normal at Weatherford. It is in the fertile valley between Deer Creek and Five Mile Creek."

Custer County Republican
February 18, 1904

Emerson Dudley, a Normal student from Grant, Day County, was thrown from his pony and kicked in the head. He was riding the pony bareback and without a halter. Mr. Dudley has been working his way through school doing chores at the Farmer's Wagon Yard. Although seriously injured with a skull fracture, he is expected to fully recover.

Custer County Republican
January 14, 1904

Football Team (continued from page 3)

not officially a member of any territorial athletic association, appreciation of their efforts was demonstrated with a banquet honoring the team at the home of President Campbell the evening of October 26. (13,14)

A blue - white intrasquad game was played November 9 between a sophomore and freshman team with few in attendance. (15) The season ended with a 23-0 loss by the Normal second team to the Weatherford High School. (16)

The Normal did not field a football team the following Fall, 1904. (17) This may have been due to the loss of the leadership of John Livingston in that he did not enroll for the 1904-05 academic year. (18) However, in February 1905, the Southwestern Normal was elected to membership in the Oklahoma Territorial Association of Colleges which enabled all school organizations to compete with the other schools on a formally recognized basis. (19) Accordingly, Southwestern's football tradition commenced with the 1905-06 team. (20)

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Normal Building

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The Normal Building offered conveniences not often seen in Oklahoma Territory. It was equipped with steam heating and a septic system which served restrooms equipped with showers. An electric bell system was operated by a large clock in the second floor hallway for signalling class change times. Long distance telephone connections were available.

The building's lower three floors housed seventeen recitation rooms, music rooms, science laboratories, a library, reading rooms, and the President's Office with an adjoining reception room. The top floor auditorium also served as the gymnasium. (14)

This first school building served Southwestern until it was destroyed by fire which began during the late evening of June 27, 1939, shortly after the close of the Summer Commencement Exercises. (15) The last saloon/classroom building on the corner of Weatherford's Main and Broadway Streets was demolished in 1924. (16) Removal of its floors exposed dried corn stalks from the original Weatherford 1898 plat once described as " the prettiest

cornfield you ever saw." (16, 17)

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For Rent

A two room house near school house, \$6.00.

A three room house, good for office room, on North Broadway, \$8.00.

Custer County Republican
November 12, 1903

Men's Golf Team takes Fifth in Last NAIA National Tournament

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's men's golf team at Weatherford finished fifth at its final NAIA national golf tourney.

The Bulldogs, along with 33 other teams, competed at the 47th annual NAIA men's golf tourney May 19-22 at the prestigious Southern Hills Country Club in Tulsa.

Cecil Perkins' Bulldogs shot rounds of 312-305-304-304 to finish with 1225 strokes. Berry (GA) won the team title at 1196, while Texas Wesleyan was right behind at 1197. Huntingdon (AL) was third at 1207, while Texas Lutheran finished fourth at 1218.

Southwestern finished highest among the six Oklahoma colleges at the tourney. Oklahoma City University was right behind the Bulldogs



Representing SWOSU at the tourney were (from left): Russell Smith, Elk City; Greg Jones, Edmond (Memorial); Mark Fairchild, Lufkin, Texas; graduate assistant coach Jason Hughes; Jeff Wirth, Mesa, Ariz.; Cory Smith, Elk City; and head coach Cecil Perkins.

in sixth place at 1229, while East Central was seventh at 1236.

Brothers Russell Smith and Cory Smith, both of Elk City, led the way for Southwestern. Freshman Russell Smith tied for 15th in the individual

standings and was named All-American. Russell had rounds of 76-76-77-74 for a four-day total of 303.

His brother, senior Cory Smith, came up just short in becoming a four-time All-American. Cory, who has had a fabulous career at SWOSU, tied for 19th in the individual standings with a 304. Cory's rounds were 76-78-74-76.

Other SWOSU scores were: Greg Jones, Edmond, 33rd, 77-74-79-78=308; Jeff Wirth, Mesa, Ariz., 42nd, 83-77-74-76=310; and Mark Fairchild, Lufkin, Texas, 90th, 85-85-80-80=330.

This was Southwestern's fifth straight trip to the NAIA national tourney. The Bulldogs were playing in their final NAIA national tourney, since SWOSU becomes a member of NCAA Division II this fall.

Sheilds and Navarre Win Titles at Nationals, Team takes Third



Southwestern Oklahoma State University's men's rodeo team members are (from left): assistant coach Jeff Bevers; Mike Visnieski, Harrah; Jeremy Hennigh, Sayre; Clark Dees, DeRidder, La.; Danny Varnadore, Waycross, Ga.; Davey Shields, Alberta, Canada; Corey Navarre, Sulphur, La.; Jerome Schneeberger, Ponca City; and head coach Dr. Don Mitchell.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University men's rodeo team members Davey Shields and Cory Navarre were crowned national champions in the short go finals of the College National Finals Rodeo in Rapid City, S.D.

Shields and Navarre led the SWOSU men's team to a third-place finish at the CNFR which was held June 16-20 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center. Southwestern finished with 675 points. Panhandle State (OK) won the team title with 939.5 points, while Dickinson State (SD)

finished second with 797.

Shields, a junior from Alberta, Canada, won the bareback riding title, while Navarre, a junior from Sulphur, La., claimed the bull riding title. Also finishing very high was calf-roper Jeremy Hennigh of Sayre who finished fourth and Clark Dees of DeRidder, La., who finished sixth in bareback riding.

Shields, who had won two previous CNFR reserve titles in bareback, finally became a college national champion. He scored an 81 on his ride in the short go finals to win the round and his four-round total of 301 earned him the national title.

Finishing second at 292 was Ross

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Coleman of UNLV. Shields also shared first place in the second go with a 77, tied for third place in the first go with a 72, and finished seventh in the third go with a 71.

Navarre was the lone cowboy to ride all four bulls in the competition. He scored 274 points on the four rides which easily outdistanced Coleman, the second-place finisher with a total score of 228 points. Navarre scored a 77 on his final ride which split second and third place in the round. Navarre also finished seventh in the third go with a 65.

Hennigh had a time of 9.6 in the finals which placed him third in the round. His four-ride total of 41.30 was good enough for fourth place in the overall standings of calf roping. Hennigh split sixth and seventh place in the third go with a 10.3 time. Hennigh also won an academic scholarship at the CNFR.

Dees of DeRidder, La., finished sixth in the standings with 280 points. Dees placed fourth in the final round with a 74 and tied for third place in the first go with a 72.

Other SWOSU cowboys who won points at this year's CNFR included: Jerome Schneeberger, Ponca City, tied for second in the first go of calf roping with an 8.8 time and third place in the third go of calf roping with a 9.4 time; and Danny Varnadore, Waycross, Ga., tied for eighth in the first go of bull riding with a 74.

Academic Excellence Award Nomination Forms available

To nominate a member of the Southwestern faculty to be considered for the Bernhardt Excellence Award, you may pick up a nomination form in the Development and Alumni Office, Room 201, in the Administration Building. You may also call and request a form be sent to you. The nomination deadline is February 1, 1998.

Anyone is eligible to nominate an instructor for the \$2,500 cash award and engraved Waterford clock and pen set.

All nomination questions should be directed to Jim Waites, 774-3267. All selection questions should be directed to Dr. Bill Kermis, 774-3770.

*If you would
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The Y Chapel

Stop in and visit the Y Chapel during homecoming weekend. The chapel will be open Friday, October 30, from 1-5 p.m.

The chapel displays historical artifacts, such as, a letter sweater, charter faculty information, records, an Oracle, and other memorabilia.

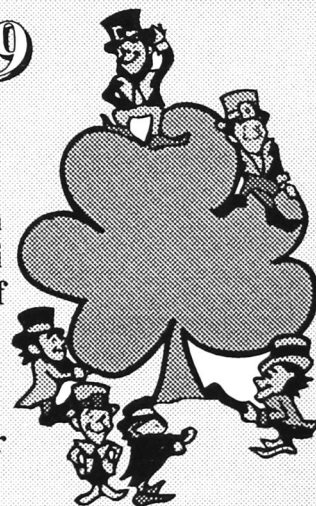
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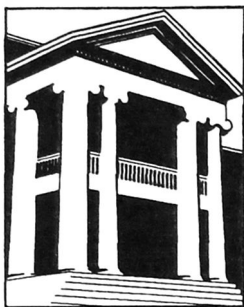
Mark March 17, 1999 on your calendar!

Come on over to The Bricktown Brewery Restaurant in Oklahoma City for the second annual St. Patrick's Day Metro Alumni Chapter Meeting. There will be great food, former grads, and lots of fun!

Everyone is welcome, so dress casual and join us from 7-9 pm in the upstairs banquet room.

If you are interested, call the Alumni Office, at 580-774-3267, for details and to purchase tickets!





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Stafford Endowment Hits \$1 Million Mark in Just 5 Years

Thanks to Lt. Gen. Thomas P. Stafford, the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation at Weatherford has its first \$1 million endowment.

Jim Waites, director of the SWOSU Foundation, said Stafford, a retired astronaut from Weatherford, started a scholarship endowment in 1993 to benefit Weatherford High School students, and the fund has topped the \$1 million mark in just five years.

"When General Stafford started this endowment, there was not a specific endowment to help Weatherford High School students," Waites said. "At this point, 23 Weatherford students have each received four-year scholarships to Southwestern, thanks to General Stafford."

"He (Stafford) has been very gracious to Southwestern," Waites added. "He has told me numerous times that everyone should be willing to help students in their educational endeavors."

Stafford is a Weatherford native who served as pilot of Gemini VI and served as commander on



*Front: Robyn Cannon, Gen Stafford, Linda Stafford, Tosha Villines, and Kristi Hiler Roark.
Second row: Courtney Gerber, Stephanie Burton, Kerry Myers, Sasha Blakley, and Carissa Chatigny
Third row: Nathan Hawkins, Cory Hidlebaugh, Guy Grammer, and Dustin Devine.*

Gemini IX, Apollo X and the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project. He directed the start of the F-117A Stealth Fighter program and personally wrote the initial specifications of the B-2 bomber.

The 1948 Weatherford High School graduate 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 space craft.

Southwestern named a new building after Stafford in 1996. The three-story, 64,886 square foot Thomas P. Stafford Center houses six state-of-the-art computer labs, 13 classrooms, four conference/seminar rooms, and office space for the School of Business, computer science department, computer services office and several functions of student services.



Lt. Gen. Stafford signing autographs

Imation donates Laser to SWOSU



Imation Enterprises Corporation of Weatherford recently donated a laser, estimated value of \$59,750, to the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Physics Department in Weatherford. Dr. Garabed Armoudian (far left), chairman of the physics department, said the laser will be used for faculty and advanced student research. Making the presentation were Imation officials (fourth from left) Dan Swartwood, Gerd Renno and Jason Sheard. Accepting for SWOSU were (from left): Armoudian, Vice President Bill Kermis and President Joe Anna Hibler.

Genie Whitfield donates 1906 Oracle



Genie and Lloyd Whitfield

retired. Her late husband, Lloyd Whitfield graduated in 1940 from Southwestern Oklahoma State College of Diversified Occupations (which was the name of SWOSU from 1939-1941) with a degree in English and journalism.

Mr. Whitfield taught journalism at Southwestern; was the advisor for a book of student poetry that was later named

The Chapbook; and was instrumental in changing the yearbook name from Oracle to The Bulldog.

The newly donated items, along with other Southwestern memorabilia are on display in the Y Chapel.

The Y Chapel is located across the street on the east side of the Student Union; in front of the Chemistry Building.

Genie (England) Whitfield recently donated a 1906 Oracle and some original sheet music to Southwestern. Dr. Joe Anna Hibler and Dr. Michael Kerley were on hand to receive the donation and to talk with the 1938 graduate.

Mrs. Whitfield, earned a degree in history from Southwestern Oklahoma State Teachers College (which was the name of SWOSU from 1920-1939). Mrs. Whitfield taught elementary school in Wichita Falls, Tex., until she



From left to right: Dr. Joe Anna Hibler, SWOSU President, Mrs. Genie Whitfield, and Dr. Michael Kerley, Chair of Biology.

Walters Completes Tree Inventory

Thanks to the efforts of student Matthew B. Walters of El Reno, Southwestern Oklahoma State University has a tree inventory for both its Weatherford and Sayre campuses.

Walters recently finished the project, under the direction of Dr. Bill Seibert, which indicates Southwestern has 455 trees on the Weatherford campus and 138 on the Sayre campus. Total value of the trees is estimated at just over \$1 million.

SWOSU President Joe Anna Hibler recently approved a "tree board" for the two campus locations. The board, using Walter's report, will make long-range plans for planting new trees, replacing old dead/dying or undesirable trees, and removing dangerous trees. The board also plans to help the university with various projects in conjunction with Southwestern's centennial celebration in 2001.

Members of the tree board are Walters, Seibert, Jim Loomis, John Hays, Erica Hightower, Don Groth and

Paulette Woods.

In Walters' report, there is a reference guide for each tree and its location on the SWOSU campuses. Information is also available on the diameter, breadth and height of each tree as well as the condition, growthspace, dollar value and space size of each tree.

Seibert said the tree inventory was

conducted using literature from professional arborists. Computer software was purchased from The National Arbor Day Foundation to aid in the categorization of all trees. SWOSU has a total of 56 species of trees on its campus locations with the most prominent trees being the American Elm and Siberian Elm.



Members of the newly formed tree board at SWOSU look over some of the inventory maps of both the Weatherford and Sayre campuses. Board members include (from left): Dr. Bill Siebert, Jim Loomis, Dr. John Hays, Erica Hightower and Don Groth. Not pictured are Dr. Paulette Woods and Matthew Walters.



Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Grassroots Environmental Club recently raised \$160 during its annual March for Parks at Rader Park in Weatherford.

The event is part of a nationwide project initiated by the National Parks and Conservation Association. Club and community members participated in the walk by gathering donations from sponsors for improving an area of Rader Park by enhancing habitat for wildlife such as quail and deer.

A pond with a fountain and viewing area are part of the projected

SWOSU Grassroots Environmental Club Raises Funds

plans. Not enough money was raised during the march to complete the project, so club president Joel Davis says the club will hold other fund raisers beginning in the fall to try to raise the additional \$1,000.

Marchers included Weatherford residents Donald Prophet, Kim Gonzales, Rachel Hughes, Joel Davis, Memory Adams, Laci Osamus, and Kelley Logan. Mu Rho Alpha members Melinda Garrison of Hydro and Deena Craighead of Thomas also participated. Brandi Stevenson and Terry Fults, both of Weatherford, won top recognition for raising the most

money. Four dogs owned by marchers also participated.

Another March for Parks may be planned for 1999 if there is enough interest. Any club, organization, or individual is invited to be part of the effort, either by participating in the walk or sponsoring a walker.

GEC representatives hope scout troops, youth groups, and service clubs throughout the area will want to be involved. A list of those who may be interested is now being formed.

Call 774-3086 for more information.



DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR DIPLOMA IS? MORE THAN 160 REMAIN UNCLAIMED

The Registrar's Office has quite an accumulation that will be of interest to specific alumni. According to Registrar Bob Klaassen there are approximately 164 unclaimed diplomas that belong to graduates from as far back as 1966.

If your name appears on this list, send a check or money order for the amount indicated to: SWOSU Registrar's Office, 100 Campus Drive, Weatherford, OK 73096.

1966			Jones, Janice S. Graves	Master of Ed	2.50
Lousch, Richard Wayne	Master of Ed	\$2.50	Travis, Ginger J. Kane	Master of Ed	12.50
1969			Verhines, Steve E.	BS in Ed	12.50
Holman, Shirley Aaron Caldwell	BA in Ed	12.50	1980		
1971			Alexander, Steven T.	BS	12.50
Beavers, Pamela Beth	BS	12.50	Hansen, Florence Clare Haskell	Master of Ed	2.50
Compston, Monte L.	BA in Ed	12.50	Margerum, Lois Lynn K.	Master of Ed	2.50
Copple, Oral Michael	BS in Pharmacy	2.50	Stephens, Michael Alan	BS	12.50
Harder, Nolita Jo	BS in Ed	2.50	Taylor, Virgil Everett	Master of Ed	12.50
Igo, Charles Roger	BA in Ed	12.50	Woolbright, Dianna Beth Stout	BS in Ed	12.50
Maloy, Loretta Ann Horrell	BS in Ed	2.50	1981		
1972			Balentine, Janie L. Stacy	Master of Ed	2.50
Davis, Dale Eugene	BS	12.50	Tran, Hong Bich	BS in Pharmacy	2.50
Fleming, Richard Milam	BS in Ed	12.50	1983		
Lyon, John Clark	BA	2.50	Adams, Tom P.	BS	12.50
1973			1984		
Hodges, Dale L.	Master of Ed	2.50	Charles, Frances N.	BS	2.50
Johnson, Gerald James	BS	12.50	Fincher, LaRonda	BS	12.50
Monroe, John Alton	BA	2.50	1985		
Sanders, Perry Ray	BS	12.50	Stearman, Michael S.	BS in Ed	12.50
Taylor, Tommy Thurman	Master of Ed	12.50	Wilhelm, Terry Lynn	Master of Ed	12.50
White, Melba S.	Master of Ed	12.50	1987		
1974			Pittman, Roger Alan	BA	27.50
Craig, Joe Bob	Master of Ed	2.50	1988		
Crow, Kenneth Wayne	BS	12.50	Crockett, Joe David	BS	27.50
Fitch, Donna Sue	BS in Ed	12.50	Reynolds, Christy Diane	BS in Ed	2.50
Hunter, Margaret Ann Holsapple	Master of Ed	12.50	1990		
Marcy, Catherine Kay	BS in Ed	2.50	Hill, Cary Christian	BS	2.50
Martin, Jr., Lucian H.	BS in Pharmacy	12.50	Hines, Billy Lloyd	Master of Ed	27.50
Monts, Isaac Lewis	Master of Ed	12.50	1991		
Nicholson, Alton Grant	BS	2.50	Bolf, Jeffrey Lynn	BS	Bus. Hold
Reynolds, Thomas Maywood	BS	12.50	Buschman, Doyle A.	BS	27.50
Rhoads, Elizabeth Kay Wallace	BS in Ed	12.50	Randall, Stephanie Michelle	BS	27.50
Tande, Gary Otto	BME	2.50	1992		
Williams, Frances Ellen	Master of Ed	2.50	Baccus, Rodney L.	BS in Nursing	Bus. Hold
1975			Morrison, Carrie Michelle	BS	27.50
Blake, Ross D.	BS in Ed	12.50	Musick, Carla Jane	BS in Ed	2.50
Carter, Teresa Annelle Barnard	BS	12.50	Reynolds, Christopher Brian	BS	Bus. Hold
Williams, Ronald I.	BS in Ed	12.50	Toppah, Kathleen L. Bearbow	BS	Bus. Hold
Winfield, Marilyn Kay Pilkington	BS	12.50	1993		
Witrock, Joseph F.	BS	12.50	Elliott, Naomi Nmano	BS in Pharmacy	Bus. Hold
1976			Kourt, Kevin Brent	BS in Pharmacy	27.50
Coleman, Homer W.	BS	2.50	McGee, Kevin Dale	BS in Eng Tech	27.50
Douglas, Gwendolyn Kay Mustain	BS in Ed	12.50	Stokes, Donnie Ray	BS	27.50 & Bus. Hold
Johnson, Joyce Charlene Ogletree	Master of Ed	12.50	West, Anthony Dudley	BS	Bus. Hold
Rhea, Barbara Louise Bowers	BA	12.50	Williams, Lisa Gaye	BS	Bus. Hold
1977			Washington, Alrick Ramon	BS	Bus. Hold
Barrow, Mark Kevin	BS	12.50	1995		
Hall, Charles Wayne	Master of Ed	12.50	Barney, Robert K.	BA	27.50
Johannesmeyer, Patricia	Master of Ed	12.50	Cabiness, Rodney Dale	BS	27.50
Weitz, Gail Robertson	BA in Ed	2.50	Carpenter, Brenda	Master of Ed	27.50
Williams, Kenneth Wade	BS	12.50	Collins, Lillian Ray	BS in Ed	27.50
1978			Garretson, Randy Ardell	BME	2.50
Dennis, Marie Oddette Matthews	BS in Ed	2.50	Grigg, Janet Gail	Master of Ed	2.50
Rotherford, Jimmy Allen	Master of Ed	12.50	Halverson, Tana	BA	27.50
Whitley, Sandra Louise	Master of Ed	2.50	Hanks, Michael Paul	BA	27.50
1979			Hartman, George	BS	27.50
Brown, Clark Travis	BS in Pharmacy	12.50			

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Hartman, John H.	BS	Bus. Hold	Nichols, Nicole Lea	BS in Ed	2.50
Hayes, Barbara Ann	Master of Ed	Bus. Hold	Pearcy, Rochelle Elease Ray	BS	27.50
Hightower, Brian Lee	BS in Ed	27.50	Smith, Valori Ann	BS	2.50
Krohmer, Michael Ray	BS in Gen Tech	27.50	Steffensen, Denise Renee	BS in Rec	2.50
Martinez, Jose' A.	BS	Bus. Hold	Williams, Brandon	BS in Ed	27.50
Mathews, James Marian	BS	Bus. Hold & R & B	Williams, Calvin	BS in Rec	Bus. Hold
Miller, Craig Gale	BS of Rec	Bus. Hold	Wood, William Keith	BS in Ed	27.50
Pugh, Nikki L.	Master of Ed	2.50	Birdsell, Karen Jill	BS in Pharmacy	2.50
Rightnowar, Harley O.	BS	27.50	Colby, Peggy anne Fairless	BS in Nursing	2.50
Sanders, Dannie Lee	BA of Ed	2.50	Garrett, Stephanie DeAnn	BS	27.50
Socall, Rita D.	BA	27.50	Haggard, Ryan M.	BS in Rec	2.50
1996			Ivey, Marvin Karl	BS in Ind Tech	2.50
Adrian, Matthew Scott	BS	2.50	Kirby, Brandon Lee	BS in Rec	Bus. Hold
Barbarick-Herring, Shelly R.	Master of Ed	2.50	Lubbers, Sandra Kay	BS in Ed	2.50
Becker, Brandy Sue	BS	27.50 & Bus. Hold	Reed, Thomas William	BS in Ed	2.50
Boyer, Tammy Kim	BS	Bus. Hold	Syed, Ali Imran	BS	Bus. Hold
Brown, Michael L.	BS	27.50	Trivette, Gina Marie Gerardy	BS	2.50
Clothier, Paula Sue	BS	Bus. Hold	1998		
Crawford, Anita Sue Tyson	BS	Bus. Hold	Ames, Darrin Edward	BS	2.50
Dunham, Stephanie Runia	BS	27.50	Berry, Jo Shawn	BBA	2.50
Erwin, Kimberly	Master of Ed	27.50	Blair, Mark W.	BS	2.50
Hightower, Brian Lee	BS	27.50	Carter, Tammy Marie	BA & BS	5.00
Jenks, Amy Jo	BS	27.50	Dyer, Viviane Friday Rovithis	BS in Ed	2.50
Johnson, Tim L.	BS	Bus. Hold	Grammer, Guy A.	BS	2.50
Lewallen, Heather Anne	BS in Ed	2.50	Heidebrecht, Stephanie Kay	BA	Bus Hold
Lewis, Robert Howard	BS	Bus. Hold	Rogers, Crystal M.	BS in Pharmacy	2.50
Morris, Marc R.	BS in Ed	Bus. Hold	Scammahorn, Robert Shawn	BA	2.50
Mugambi, Flora Mwari	Master of Ed	Bus. Hold			

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Weatherford Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Drive

The Weatherford Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an effort to raise additional scholarship money to bring students to Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

This will be the second year for the project which last year raised \$11,600 by nearly 30 businesses and individuals.

Several people recently met for lunch at SWOSU to discuss this year's drive which is currently underway. Interested businesses and individuals should contact the chamber of commerce office at (580) 772-7744.

The money, according to WACC President Evan Zorn, will be used to entice non-Weatherford High School students to consider Southwestern as their university choice. The money raised will not affect Southwestern's current scholarship program through the university and foundation.

Dr. Prince Attends Washington D.C. Academy

Dr. Shelly J. Prince, assistant professor in the Southwestern Oklahoma State University School of Pharmacy in Weatherford, was among 75 researchers and pharmacists who recently attended the Academy Leadership meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association, the national professional society of pharmacists.

Prince attended the conference, representing the basic sciences section of the Academy of Pharmaceutical

Research and Science.

The meeting, held in Washington, D.C., in early May, included visits to Capitol Hill to meet with members of Congress about issues affecting the ability of pharmacists to provide care to their patients as well as the level of federal funding for scientific and health-related research.

During the meeting, Prince and other conference delegates provided APhA with ideas and suggestions

regarding how the organization can assist pharmacists in providing the best possible service to their patients. The group also assisted in the development of the association's strategic plan.

The APhA Academy of Pharmaceutical Research and Science is composed of researchers in the basic, clinical, economic and social sciences whose goal is to develop knowledge and integrate the process of science into the profession of pharmacy.

Outstanding Alumnus Recognized

Bob Dishman of Lawton has been named the outstanding alumnus for 1998 by the Southwestern Oklahoma State University School of Pharmacy Alumni Association.

Dishman, co-owner of Gibson Pharmacy-Lee Blvd. in Lawton, was honored at the recent SWOSU School of Pharmacy senior awards banquet held on the Weatherford campus.

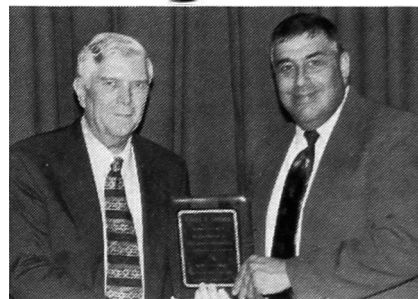
Dishman is a 1959 graduate of the SWOSU School of Pharmacy. He is currently a preceptor in Southwestern's community pharmacy intern practice program and has worked with more than 130 SWOSU students. He is president of the Oklahoma Pharmacists Association and a past president and current board

member of the Oklahoma Pharmacy Heritage Foundation.

He received the SWOSU Community Preceptor Award in 1995 and was honored in 1997 by the National Community Pharmacists Association with its Leadership Award.

During his college years at SWOSU, he worked at the S & D Drug in Clinton, Cheyenne Drug in Cheyenne and the Owl Drug in Sayre. Moving to Lawton in 1959, Dishman worked at Ray's Pharmacy and his wife, Ruth, taught in the Lawton Public School system. In 1966, Dishman went to work at Gibson's Pharmacy, a business he now co-owns.

The Dishmans have one daughter, Karen Walters, of Addison, Texas.



Bob Dishman (left) of Lawton was named the Southwestern Oklahoma State University School of Pharmacy Outstanding Alumnus for 1998 at the recent senior awards banquet held on the Weatherford campus. Making the presentation is Dr. H. David Bergman, dean of the SWOSU School of Pharmacy.

Dr. Weber working at Cancer Care

Dr. Maril J. Weber, received a bachelor's degree from Southwestern when it was still Southwestern State College. She is currently at Cancer Care, in their Norman, OK office.

She is a native of Okeene and came to Southwestern to get her bachelors. Then she received a master's from Arizona State University in Tempe.

Weber did both her internship and residency at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. She then completed a two-year fellowship in hematology/medical oncology including a fellowship involving bone marrow transplants with the American Cancer Society.

She had a solo practice for 10 years before getting involved with Cancer Care.

Dr. Weber currently is on the Oklahoma Pain Initiative board. The board educated clinicians and the public about the importance of pain management.

Wellman Appointed by Governor Keating

Ms. Karen Wellman, of Madill, Oklahoma, has been appointed to the State Textbook Commission by Governor Frank Keating. Her nomination is sponsored by Senator Billy A. Mickle. Ms. Wellman appeared before the Education Committee at the State Capitol on May 26 for the confirmation of her appointment, and was approved by the Senate Body that same day. Ms. Wellman will serve a term ending March 1, 2000.

Karen Wellman received her associate degree at Murray State College, in 1969. She obtained her bachelor's degree from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford and went on to obtain two master's degrees at Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant. She currently teaches second grade at Marietta Public School.

Teaching and being involved in the development of children is second nature to Ms. Wellman. She is a



Ms. Karen Wellman and Senator Billy A. Mickle

National Board Certified Teacher's candidate and is a member of the Coalition for the Advancement of Science and Mathematics Education in Oklahoma. Karen's husband is Albert Wellman and they have three daughters-Amy, LeAnne, and Jennifer.

SWOSU Alumni Notes:

.....**Sharon Eberhardt Millen**, principal of Pearblossom Elementary School in California, was recently chosen as California's 1998 National Distinguished Principal.

Miller, who graduated from Southwestern in 1966, will attend a recognition program in Washington, D.C. in October. She graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in education from SWOSU. She completed her master's degree from Pepperdine University.

Millen began her career as a teacher in 1966. Sixteen years later she became an administrator and served as principal at two schools in Castaic before joining Keppel Union School District in Pearblossom.

The award which she won is given each year by the National Association of Elementary School Principals and the U.S. Department of Education.

.....**Dr. Don L. Morris** has been named Development manager by the Eastman Chemical Company in Kingsport, Tennessee. The new appointment was effective September 1, 1998.

Morrison is a native of Weatherford, Oklahoma. He received a bachelor's degree from Southwestern Oklahoma State University and a doctorate in organic chemistry from Kansas State University.

A 24-year employee with Eastman, Morris was the manager of Chemicals Research, Europe, and located in The Hague, The Netherlands.

He and his wife, Alice, will be relocating to Llangefni, Wales, in September. He is a member of Alpha Chi Sigma and the American Chemical Society.

.....**Valerie Miller**, owner of the Valerie Boyles Miller Agency of the Farmers Insurance Group of Oklahoma, was elected to a four-year term on the board of directors of The Baptist Foundation of Oklahoma.

She is a 1986 graduate of SWOSU with a major in business administration and management. She is a member of the Washita Valley Association of Life Underwriters and is a Life Underwriters Training Council Fellow (LUTICF).

Miller is a member of First Baptist Church of Clinton where she serves on the scholarship and finance committee.

During her first year on the board Miller will serve on the Estate Stewardship and Promotion committee.

The Baptist Foundation of Oklahoma is the trust agency of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma offering a means for Oklahoma Baptist to provide perpetual support for its institutions and agencies.

The board of directors is comprised of 20 christian business and professional men and women elected by the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma to serve four-year terms. Directors and advisors are chosen for their professional skills and ability in financial affairs and also because of their personal integrity and spiritual commitment.

The Foundation has offices located in Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Muskogee and Duncan.

.....**Jim R. Holder** was selected by the Oklahoma Pharmacists Association as the 1998 "Bowl of Hygeia" award recipient.

The award, sponsored by Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories, is presented annually to one pharmacist in each state selected for outstanding community service.

Holder became a licensed pharmacist in 1949 after graduating from SWOSU's School of Pharmacy.

.....**David Browder**, class of 1995, is now the head rodeo coach at Mesa Technical College in Tucumcari, NM. Rodeo had been a club sport in the past at Mesa, but David was hired to start both men's and women's programs beginning in the fall of 1998. Mesa

will compete in the southwest region of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association along with schools from eastern New Mexico and west Texas. David was a member of the 1993 and 1994 SWOSU rodeo teams, coached by Don Mitchell, and he earned his degree in general technology.

.....**Stephen Griffin**, a 1989 graduate of SWOSU, has been named assistant principal at McLean Middle School in Ft. Worth, TX. He had been head basketball coach at Carter Riverside High School.

.....SWOSU graduate **Buddy Wood** will be the Elk City School District's next assistant superintendent.

Wood was given the job at the July Elk City Board of Education meeting.

Wood replaces ex-Weatherford High School teacher Jack Coody, who is the new superintendent at Chattanooga.

Wood is currently serving as director of special education and administrative assistant for Elk City Schools.

The Woodward native has a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in psychometry from SWOSU. He also received his elementary and secondary principal's certification at SWOSU.

.....**Dennis G. Kelly** is a Financial Advisor for Prudential Securities in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. He earned a bachelor's degree in Accounting from Southwestern

Dennis is currently an active volunteer for Special Olympics and serves on the Memorial Road Church of Christ's men's ministry.

He is married to Elaine Denson Kelly and they have three daughters.

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.....**Shawn Haskins** has recently been named as the new Rush Springs Middle School Principal. He was also voted Rush Springs 1998 Teacher of the Year.

Haskins has taught four years in Rush Springs as band and music director. His high school and middle school bands have won numerous awards and honors.

The native of Blackwell earned a bachelor's degree in music education in 1993 and a masters in education administration in 1996, both from SWOSU.

Haskins is a member of Oklahoma Bandmasters Association, Oklahoma Music Educators Association, National Association Jazz Educators and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

.....**Rick McNeil** has been awarded the Oklahoma Association of Secondary Principal's District 10 Administrator of the Year Award.

McNeil has been the Elk City High School Principal for the past 6 years.

He graduated from SWOSU with a bachelors and a Masters in math and was later certified in administration.

McNeil is currently the chairperson for the Roger Mills-Beckham School-to-Work Council.

.....SWOSU graduate, **Mark Baetz** has taken the head football coaching position at Perry. Baetz graduated from Southwestern in 1989.

He has been defensive coordinator at Woodward for the last four seasons.

.....SWOSU graduate, **Danny Hutson** has been named as a winner in the Centennial Fanfare competition. The Fanfare is sponsored by Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. The Fanfare was performed at the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia triennial convention in Cincinnati, OH.

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George Alexander	Borger TX	
Mary E. Berry	Granite	1935
Mary Anna Bollenbach	Weatherford	1937
Leonard Gillingham	Weatherford	1963
Charles Ingram		
Jimmy Dean Jones	Oklahoma City	1964
Jerry Don Key	Thomas	1972
Max Mapp	Chattanooga	
Carol Ogden	Hobart	
Dorothy Marie Rainge	Weatherford	1989
Joe Ross	Thomas	1933
Billie Poling Sebert	Clinton	1960
Ruth Helena Witcher	Elkhart CA	

Hutson earned a bachelor of music education degree and a master of education degree from Southwestern.

He played trombone on the

recording "A Different Kind of Heavy Metal" by the Rocket City Brass. Two of Hutson's arrangements were also included on the recording.

Alumni Album

Former Southwestern Graduates

1940s

Norma Hamburger graduated in 1943 with a degree in English and a masters in home economics. She retired after 35 years of teaching and lives in Weatherford, Okla.

Coot Nelson earned a degree in industrial arts in 1941. He retired from optometry and lives in Watonga, Okla.

Clark Hall is a retired special education teacher. He earned a history degree in 1949. He lives in Texas City, Tex.

1950s

Johnny Isernhagen earned a 1954 bachelors degree in music. He retired as Sr. Vice President, manager of First Federal-Builder Savings & Loan and then started Isernhagen Appraisal Service. He now lives in Bethany, Okla.

Ronald Scott earned a bachelors degree in physics and math in 1957. He is retired from NASA, where he worked on Apollo, the space shuttle and the space station programs. He now lives in Cape Canaveral, Fl.

Marvin Daugherty retired after 34 years in education. He earned a degree in industrial arts in 1958. He lives in Watonga, Okla.

1960s

James Bates earned both physics and math degrees in 1962. He is a science project manager for NASA in Houston, Texas. He has been active in

the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo programs.

David Gwinn is a 1969 graduate who has a degree in education. He is Director of the Conference Center, Media Services, and Continuing Education at SWOSU. He lives in Weatherford.

Marilyn Daugherty earned a degree in 1962 in business education and a degree in special education in 1963. She is a teacher in the Watonga Public School system.

1970s

Karla Bower earned a degree in home economics in 1976. She is a teacher at Hillcrest Elementary in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Ben Allison is a pharmacist at Osborn Drug in Vinita, Okla. He earned his pharmacy degree in 1976.

Darryl and Carly Haynes both received degrees in 1978. His in chemistry and hers in pharmacy. He is a numerical control programmer for Boeing in Wichita, KS and she is employed at the Wesley Medical Center. They live in Andover, Kan.

1980s

Tyrone and Letty Eby both earned degrees in 1986. His in pharmacy and hers in marketing. They are both pharmacists for Eckerd Drug in Oklahoma City.

Darrell Schultz graduated in 1981 with a degree in art. He earned his masters of education in 1991. He is an art and photography instructor at Cache Public Schools.

Rosemary Sauseda is a math teacher in Lawton, Okla. She earned a computer science degree in 1984.

1990s

Elizabeth Gwinn graduated with a psychology degree in 1991. She is a family therapist/counselor and lives in Weatherford, Okla.

Tate and Debbie Chesney each earned pharmacy degrees in 1992. They are both pharmacists at Krogers in Fort Worth, Tex.

Brian and Jana Welch both earned degrees in 1994 and 1995, respectively. His was in education and hers was in business administration. He is a coach/teacher at Brazosport High School in Freeport, Tex. She is a material planner for Benchmark Electronics in Angleton, Tex. They live in Clute, Tex.



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1998-99 Women's Basketball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Nov. 13	Panhandle State OK	Goodwell	6:30 pm
Nov. 14	Olivet Nazarene	Weatherford	7 pm
Nov. 19	Texas A&M-Commerce	Weatherford	6 pm
Nov. 2	Texas A&M-Kingsville	Weatherford	6 pm
Nov. 26-28	Queen's Classic	Plainview TX	TBA
Dec. 1	Langston OK	Langston	7 pm
Dec. 3	Angelo State TX	San Angelo TX	6 pm
Dec. 5	Abilene Christian TX	Abilene TX	6 pm
Dec. 8	Panhandle State OK	Weatherford	7 pm
Jan. 2	Cameron OK	Weatherford	6 pm
Jan. 6	East Central OK	Ada	7 pm
Jan. 9	Southeastern OK	Durant	6 pm
Jan. 14	Ouachita Baptist AR	Weatherford	6 pm
Jan. 16	Harding AR	Weatherford	2 pm
Jan. 21	Northeastern OK	Weatherford	6 pm
Jan. 23	Central OK	Weatherford	6 pm
Jan. 28	Univ. of Science & Arts OK	Weatherford	7 pm
Jan. 30	Cameron OK	Lawton	8 pm
Feb. 4	Northeastern OK	Tahlequah	6 pm
Feb. 6	Central OK	Edmond	4 pm
Feb. 11	East Central OK	Weatherford	6 pm
Feb. 13	Southeastern OK	Weatherford	6 pm
Feb. 18	Ouachita Baptist AR	Arkadelphia AR	6 pm
Feb. 20	Harding AR	Searcy AR	2 pm

1998 Soccer Schedule



<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
9-3	Northern OK	Tonkawa	5 pm
9-15	Dallas TX Baptist Univ	Dallas TX	6 pm
9-17	Northern OK	W'ford	4 pm
9-25	St. Mary's TX	Commerce TX	4 pm
10-3	Central OK	Edmond	3 pm
10-10	West Texas A&M	W'ford	2 pm
10-16	Texas A&M-Commerce	W'ford	3 pm
10-17	Bartlesville Wesleyan	Bartlesville	2 pm
10-21	University of TX-Dallas	Dallas TX	7 pm
10-23	Midwestern State TX	Wichita Falls TX	6 pm
10-25	Angelo State TX	San Angelo TX	1 pm
10-29	East Central OK	W'ford	5:30
10-30	Northeastern OK	W'ford	12:00

1998-99 Men's Basketball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Nov. 12-14	St. Mary's Classic	San Antonio TX	TBA
Nov. 17	Oklahoma City	Weatherford	7 pm
Nov. 19	West Texas A&M-Commerce	Weatherford	8 pm
Nov. 21	Texas A&M-Kingsville	Weatherford	8 pm
Nov. 24	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma City	7:30 pm
Nov. 27-28	Missouri Southern Classic	Joplin MO	TBA
Dec. 3	Angelo State TX	San Angelo TX	8 pm
Dec. 5	Abilene Christian TX	Abilene TX	8 pm
Dec. 30	Angelo State	Weatherford	7 pm
Jan. 2	Cameron OK	Weatherford	8 pm
Jan. 9	Southeastern OK	Durant	8 pm
Jan. 14	Ouachita Baptist AR	Weatherford	8 pm
Jan. 16	Harding AR	Weatherford	4 pm
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Jan. 23	Central OK	Weatherford	8 pm
Jan. 27	East Central OK	Ada	7 pm
Jan. 30	Cameron OK	Lawton	6 pm
Feb. 4	Northeastern OK	Tahlequah	8 pm
Feb. 6	Central OK	Edmond	2 pm
Feb. 11	East Central OK	Weatherford	8 pm
Feb. 13	Southeastern OK	Weatherford	8 pm
Feb. 18	Ouachita Baptist AR	Arkadelphia AR	8 pm
Feb. 20	Harding AR	Searcy AR	4 pm

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Yes,
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All alumni and friends with Internet access are encouraged to visit the SWOSU web site for both the Weatherford and Sayre campuses.

The address is:

<http://www.swosu.edu>

The site has been up and running for nearly two years. Many aspects of the university are featured, so all alumni and friends are encouraged to "look in" at Southwestern and see what is happening on "The Hill!"



Dawg Dates



September

19 SWOSU Parent's Weekend

21 *Comedian George Carlin

Fine Arts Center - 7:30 pm



December

18 Christmas Break Begins



January

14 1999 Spring Semester Begins

February

11-12 SWOSU Jazz Festival

28 *St. Petersburg Russian Ballet -

Fine Arts Center - 3 pm



October

15-16 Fall break

24 Miss Southwestern Scholarship Pageant

Fine Arts Center - 7:30 pm

28 *Dr. David Levy

Fine Arts Center - 7:30 pm



31 SWOSU Homecoming weekend

November

5 *Gilbert & Sullivan Society-Cox & Box

Fine Arts Center - 7:30 pm

25-27 Thanksgiving Break



March

15 *Sea Chanters - US Navy Chorus

Fine Arts Center - 7:30 pm

17 OKC Area Alumni -

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Bricktown Brewery - 7 pm



18 *Nadine Strossen -

Fine Arts Center - 3:30 pm

*Panorama events

Alumni office searching for yearbooks



The Southwestern Alumni Office keeps at least one copy of the yearbook from each year. Unfortunately, there are a few books that we do not have.

If anyone would like to donate a book, please contact the Alumni Office at (580) 774-3267.

These years are needed:

1914	1951
1918	1974
1931	



1998 Football Schedule



DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Sept. 5	Abilene Christian TX	Weatherford	7 pm
12	W. TX A & M Univ	Canyon TX	6 pm
19	*E. New Mexico Univ	Weatherford	7 pm
26	TX A&M-Commerce	Commerce TX	7 pm
Oct. 3	Ouachita Baptist AR	Arkadelphia AR	2 pm
10	OPEN		
17	Southeastern OK	Weatherford	2 pm
24	Northeastern OK	Tahlequah	3:30
31	**Univ of Central OK	Weatherford	2 pm
Nov. 7	East Central OK	Ada	2 pm
14	Harding AR	Weatherford	2 pm

*Parents Weekend

**Homecoming

Join the Alumni Association!

*Dues paid after August 31, 1998
extend from Jan.1, 1999-Dec. 31, 1999.*

Southwestern Oklahoma State University Alumni Association needs your help and support. We are more active and promoting more activities for the good of Southwestern. We have a progressive group of officers and Board of Directors. The Alumni Association helps promote and assist university academic projects, aids in student recruitment, sponsors homecoming events, parents' weekend, tail-gate parties and alumni golf tournaments, in addition to many more endeavors. In the future, our goal envisions establishing alumni chapters, implementing a placement service and establishing an alumni center.



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