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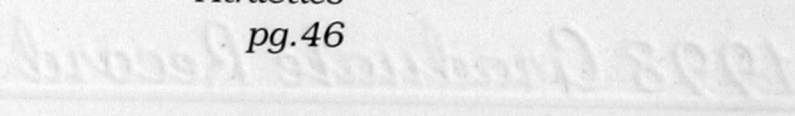
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1998 Graduate Record



Photo by Steven McLenore

Southwestern students flock to cheer on the Bulldogs at the first home football game of the year. The reigning NAIA champs lost their first four games but rebounded to win five of their last six.

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what U want

This year was all about you

This was your graduation year. Only you could have done it. This was your school; you chose it over dozens of others. You picked your major, your classes and your friends.

Over the last few years you took hundreds of lab hours with only 12 credits to show for it. You played intramural football and knew how to win close but more about how to lose big. You found time to hang out at the BSU coffee house until 2 a.m. and still make it to your 9 a.m. class. You worked at the snack bar and the library but still didn't have enough money.

Somehow through it all, you managed to have a social life.

What you didn't select were the memories. They came without warning.

You may recall the move to NCAA Division II or the first time you saw "Campbell Building" on the side of the former Math and Business Building. More personal memories like first dates and attempts to get along with new roommates are closer to the heart.

Memories are what this book is all about. These pages contain memories of the life you lived at Southwestern.

This is all about you.

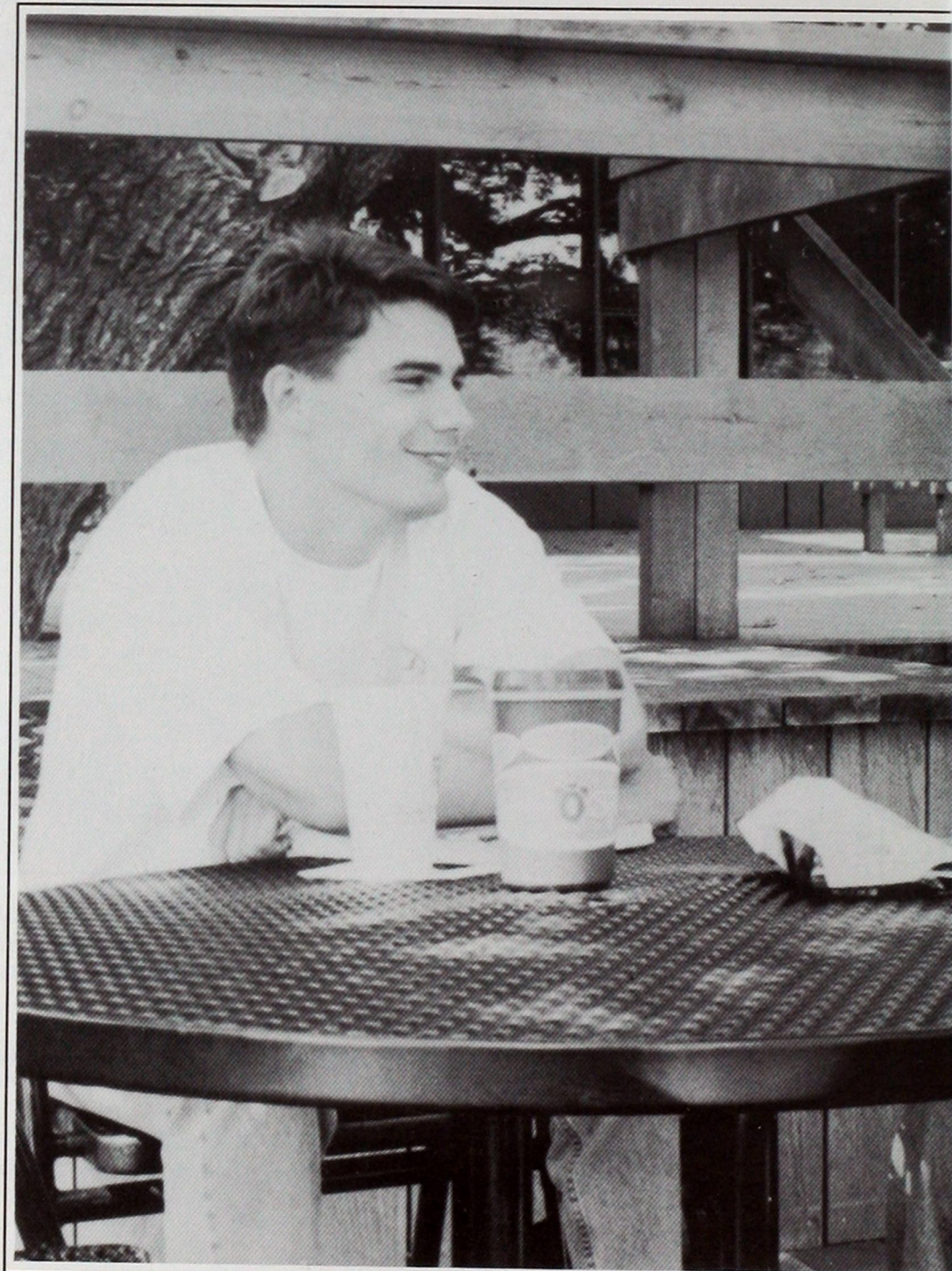


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Jamey Zeka, senior business major from Weatherford, enjoys the fall months by studying outside the library. Many students found ways to enjoy the ever-changing Oklahoma weather.

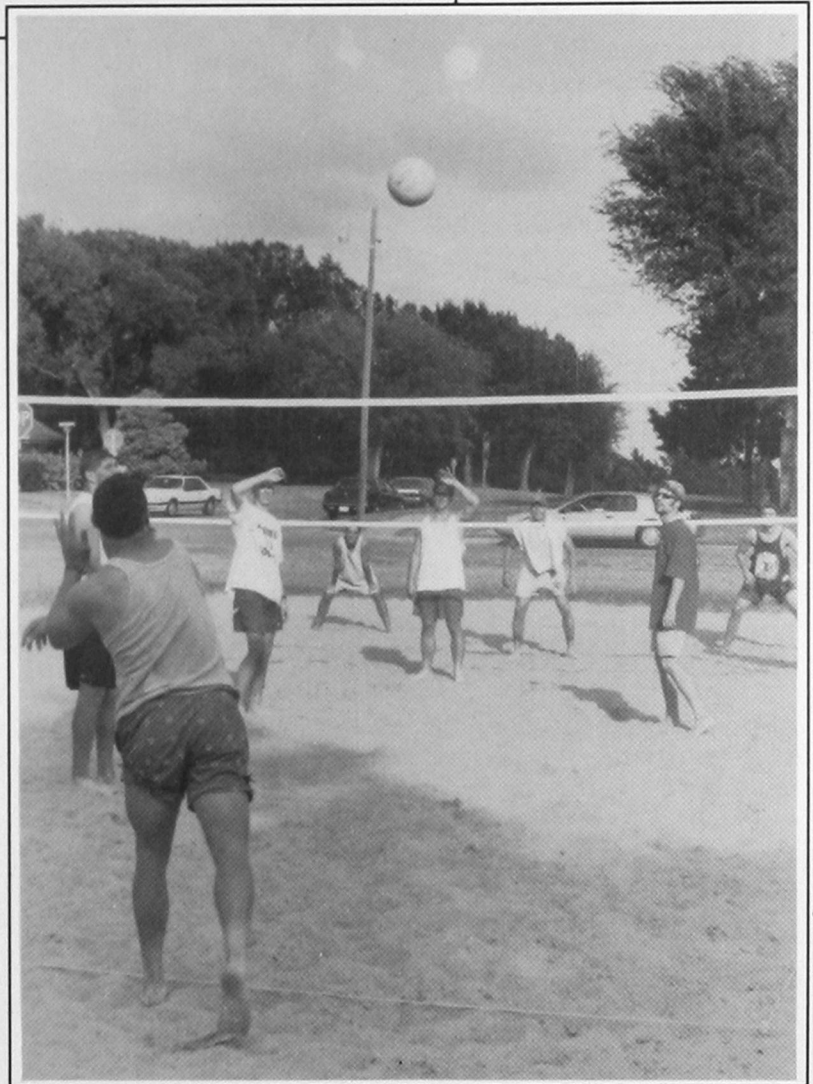
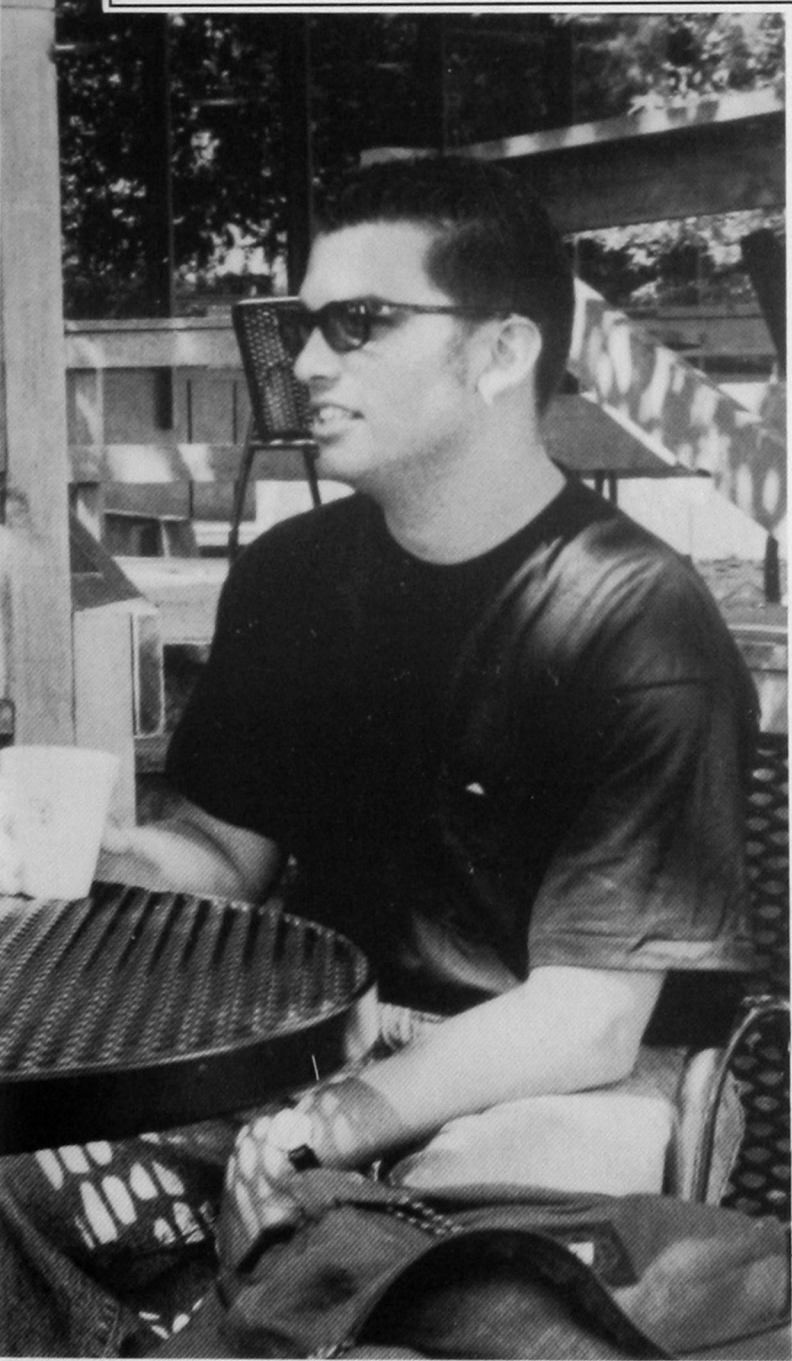


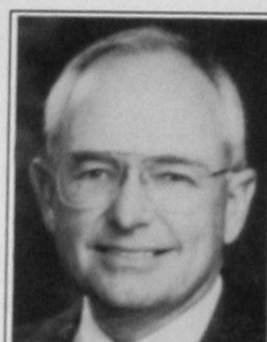
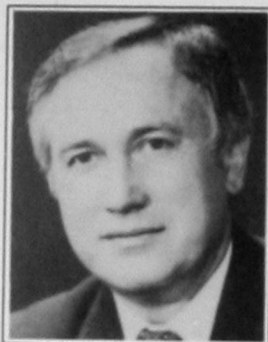
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The competition is on at an August Fellowship of Christian Athletes cookout and volleyball tournament. Adam McNeely, president of the club, serves the volleyball.

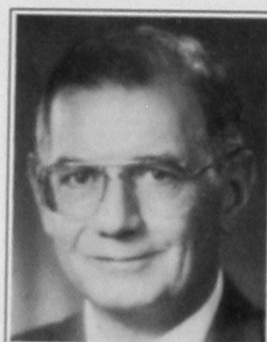
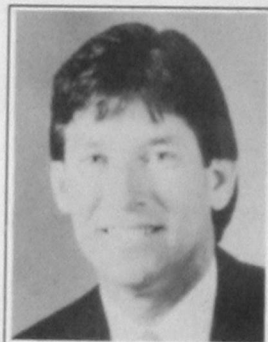
Chris Bryant, senior computer science major from Hobart, and Jason Zaragoza, senior communication arts major from Oklahoma City, sit outside the student union in October enjoying the last days of nice weather. The union deck was a popular hangout for students.

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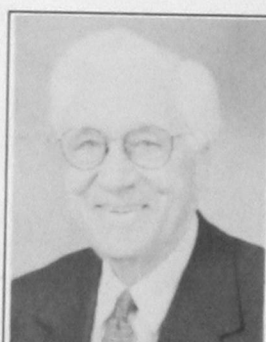
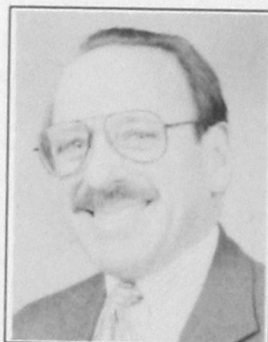


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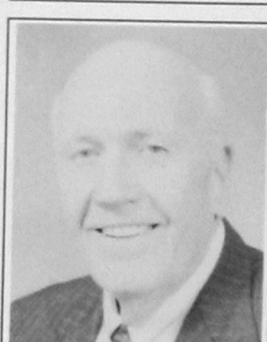


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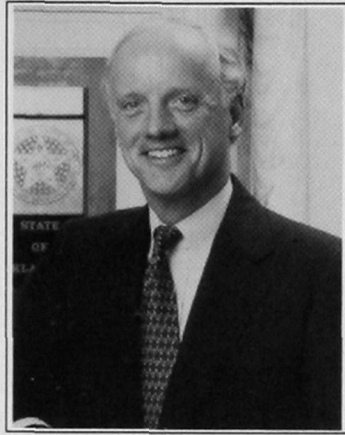


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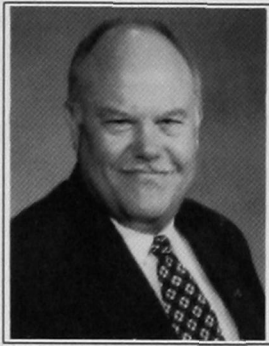
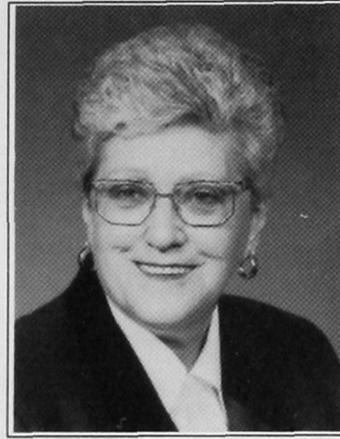


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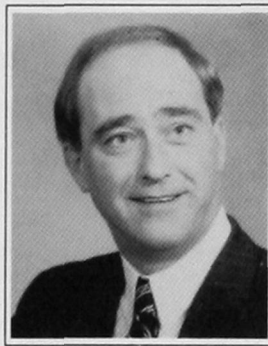
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Dr. Jim Hunsicker 1998 Bernhardt Winner

The recipient of the Bernhardt Award for Academic Excellence was Dr. Jim Hunsicker.

Dr. Hunsicker briefly taught at Southwestern in 1976, moved on to the University of New Orleans, and then returned to his previous position at Southwestern.

He said he enjoys conducting research,

especially as a means of educating, but felt his true career calling is the teaching of psychology. For this, he came highly recommended.

One student said, "I wanted to applaud the really exceptional job that you do in the classroom. Of all the instructors that I have had (including my undergrad work at OSU), I will always consider you to be the one with the most thorough grasp of your subject."

Another said, "I can honestly say that you have made me

"stretch" harder than anyone else. For that, I say 'thank you.'"

Dr. Hunsicker is the author and co-author of numerous publications, the latest of which is the third edition of *A Primer of Statistics*. He also served as a book reviewer for Robert J. Sternberg's book, *Cognitive Psychology* and for the Spear, Penrod, and Baker general psychology text for Wiley and Sons Press.

In service to Southwestern, he served as faculty senate president twice and served on several committees. He chaired the first university promotion and tenure review committee and has been a co-sponsor of the student senate. This year, he sponsored Psychology Club and coordinated the psychology section of Southwestern's annual interscholastic meet.

Hunsicker served as president of the Weatherford Soccer Association, and was a member of the Behavioral Intervention Committee of the Weatherford Opportunity Workshop. He served as a member of the Curriculum for the 21st Century Committee for Weatherford Schools.

Dr. Hunsicker graduated Bradley University in 1972 where he served as an undergraduate research assistant in the physiological psychology laboratory. He attended the University of Oklahoma graduate school, completing his master's degree in 1973 and his doctorate in 1976.



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What was your most memorable college event?

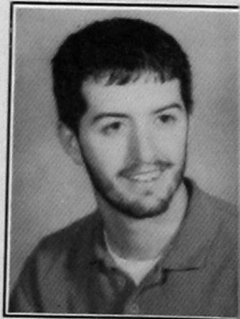
"The NAIA national championship football game last year. I got to be on the sidelines to watch the game."

-Stephanie Heidebrecht Idabel



"Two years ago, some friends and I went to Lawton late at night. On the way back it was snowing hard. We got lost and ended up in a wildlife refuge."

-Travis Eggleton Hobbs, N.M.





'Man in Blue'
Chip Diffendaffer,
sophomore from
Rocky, and
Brandy the
Bulldog cheer on
the football team
against the Texas
A&M Commerce
Lions. The 'Men in
Blue' were a
group started in
the fall to boost
school spirit.

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It had to be

Classes weren't the only thing happening this year. From Howdy Week and Playfair to the homecoming bed race, from the Mr. Dimes Pageant to the Naked Guys and the Bulldog block parties. Even down to the MIB's. This was a big year on and off campus.

Some of the fun was found on the intramural field with teams ranging from female flag football to men's bowling. Teams formed and broke records all in the name of having a good time. Places to hang out were also valuable as all students looked for their "place."

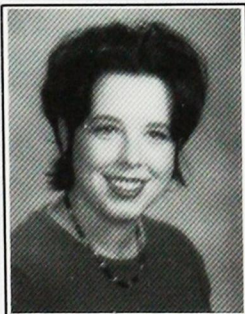
If you went to Jerry's in the smoke, the new Citgo at 3 a.m., the student union game room after lunch or the Student Government House in the afternoon, odds are students were there killing time. No path was left untaken and no stone unturned as the students of Southwestern searched to find fun.

Some Southwestern students found fun on their way to Model United Nations in St. Louis while some Baptist Student Union members had fun meeting Barry Switzer on the way to a conference in Davis.

No matter the cause or the reason for the fun, Southwestern students were in the thick of it all. This is your

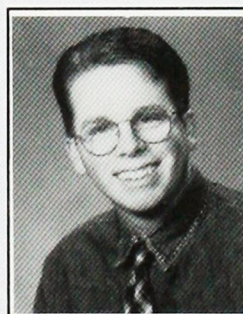
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"Two things. Meeting Ethan Hawke last year on Halloween night and finally graduating after seven years of college."



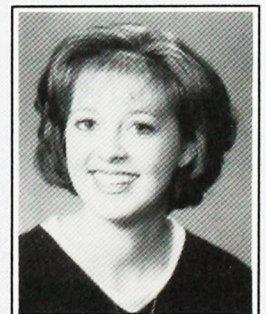
-Kimberly
 LoVecchio
 Weatherford

"I won't forget last year in football when we beat Northwestern two times in nine days and then won the NAIA national championship."

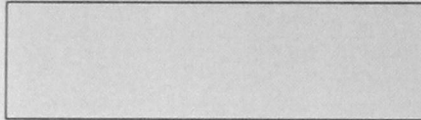


-Jeremy Witt
 Keyes

"Last summer, I worked as children's minister at my home church. It was great to see kids learning about God's love."



-Ashley
 Lingenfelter
 Enid



SWAT member sophomore Lisa Barnes introduces herself at the Playfair to freshman Kara Swartwood.

Photo by Steve McLemore



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Sophomore Jennifer Berry signs up for more information at the Church of Christ Student Center booth.

The first week of school brought about the Organizational Fair, where SGA president, senior Bryan Evans was in charge of cooking the hot dogs.

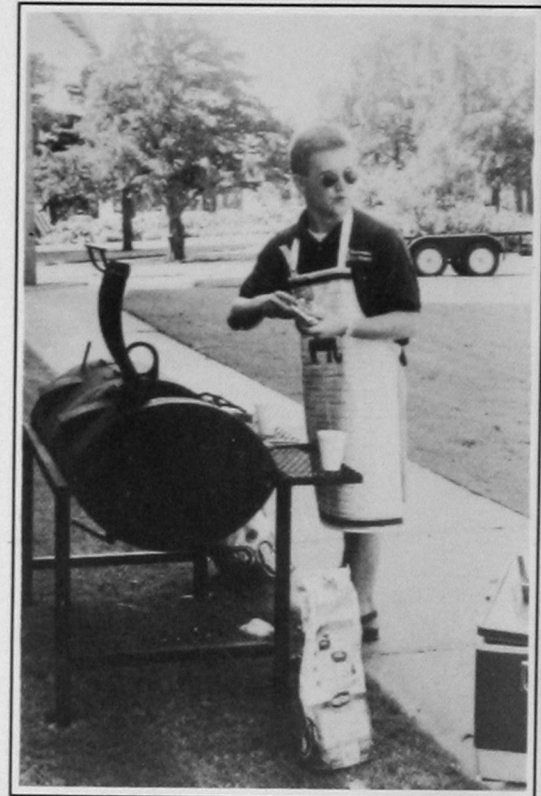
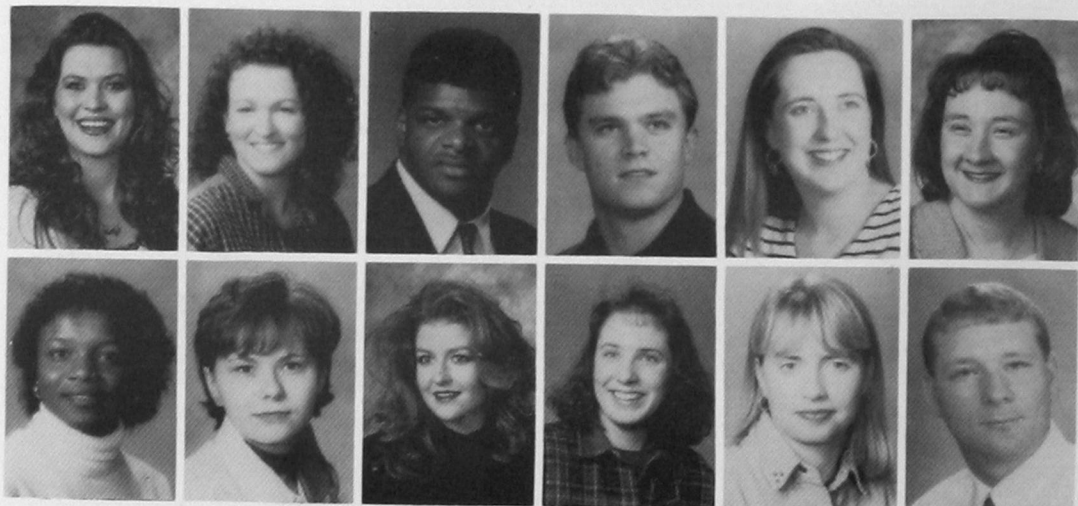


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- Adams, Lara, Pampa, TX, Bachelor of Bus Admin
- Adams, Michael A., Altus, Master of Education
- Adams, Robby, Burkburnett, TX,
Bachelor of BusAdmin
- Admas, Serenity, Elk City, BS Education
- Adams-English, Lana, Weatherford, BS Pharmacy



- Ajayi-Ogunya, Ibijoke, Oklahoma City,
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- Aksamit, Marta, Poland, Bachelor of Science
- Alberty, Deanna, Watts, BS Pharmacy
- Allen, Kimberly, Elmer, BS Education
- Allen Richalle, Leedey, Bachelor of Bus Admin
- Ames, Darrin, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science

Y ou came, you saw ou said howdy

The first week of school brought out the sun and the new students, who had the chance to participate in Howdy Week activities.

The annual event allowed new students to get more comfortable with Southwestern and meet new people.

Activities included the Playfair and the Organization Fair. Held in front of the student union, both gave students the chance to check out the various information booths set up

by different organizations.

"After meeting some interesting people, I decided why not and joined the Spanish Club," senior Ana Ortiz said.

The Playfair gave incoming freshman and other students the chance to meet others while playing a variety of games.

Many students wearing Southwestern Assistance Team shirts were seen throughout the fair. SGA vice president Heather Largent said SWAT was formed to help

freshman make the transition from high school to college.

Parents Day was kicked off with the Southwest Festival of the Arts at Means Park and included the work of both professional artists and art majors.

Students also had their chance at a \$800 tuition waiver given away at half time of the football game. This year's winner was freshman Michael Falen of Elk City.

Many students found the weekend an ideal opportunity to have their parents visit.

"My mom came down here for the first time ever. She enjoyed all the activities that were going on," Boise City senior Carl Sinclair said.

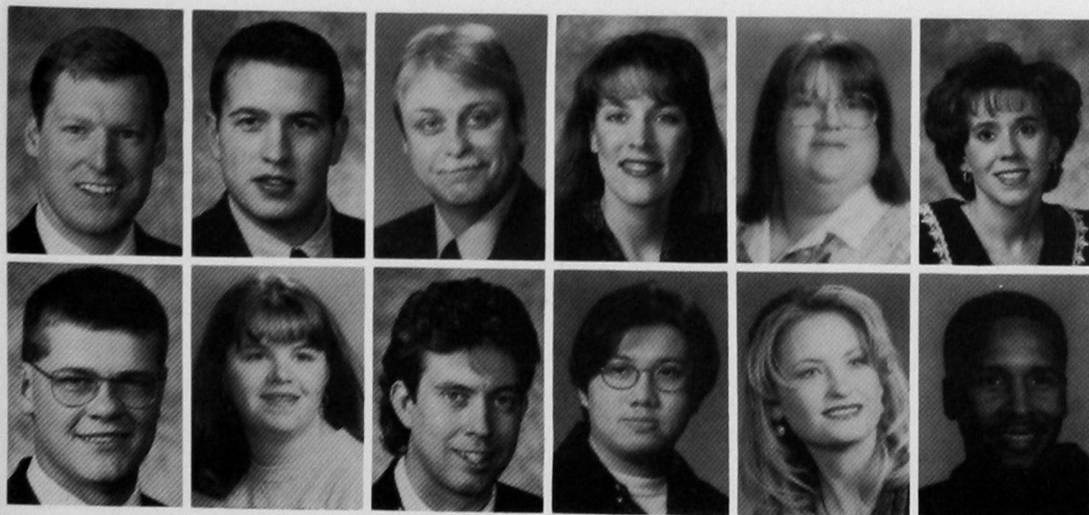
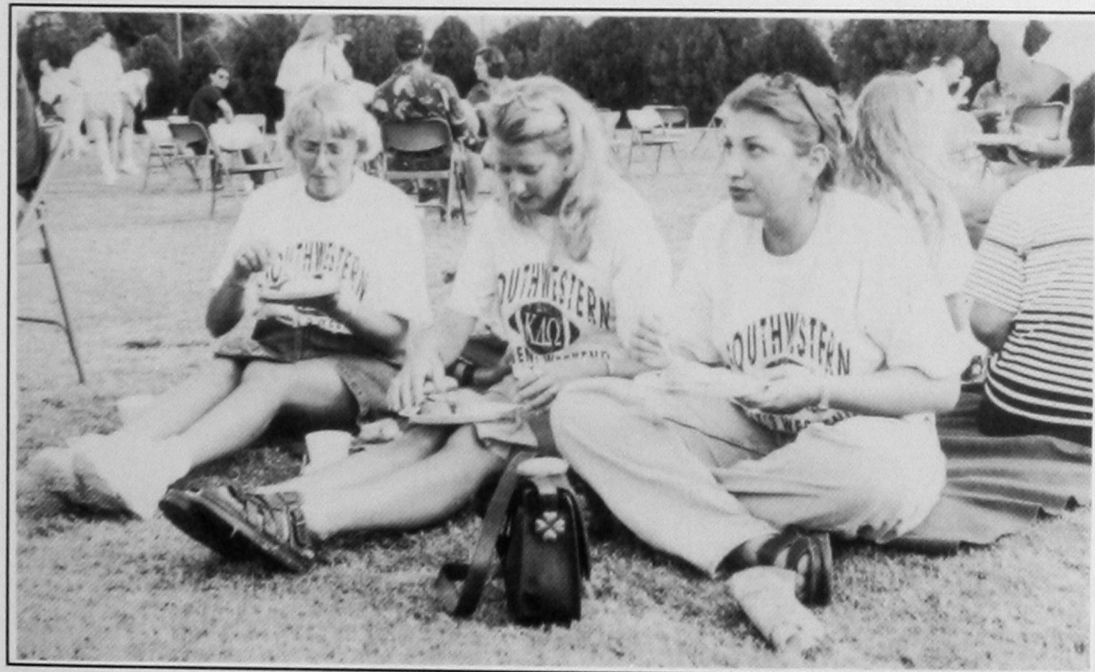
Festivities also included a BBQ/tailgate party before the football game.

The day ended with the Bulldogs' first home game of the season, against West Texas A&M. Although the Bulldogs lost 34-7, both Howdy Week and Parents' Weekend were big successes.

-Mike Martin

Beverly Bennett of Pond Creek enjoys the pre-game BBQ with her daughter, sophomore Mindy Halcomb, and freshman Sarah Naifeh.

Photo by Steve McLemore



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Appling, Rick, Oklahoma City, BS Pharmacy
Atchley, C.L., Mangum, BA Education
Atherton, Shelby, Irving, TX, BS Pharmacy
Atkins, Melanie, Weatherford, BS Education
Bailey, Crystal, Lawton, BS Pharmacy

Bair, John, Sallisaw, BS Pharmacy
Baird, Brandi, El Reno, BS Health Info Mgt
Baker, Bradley, Chotaw, BS Pharmacy
Barli, Hendrawan, Indonesia, Bachelor of Science
Barnes, Tiffany, Poteau, BA Education
Barron, Bernard, Weatherford, BS Education

U were there Homecoming 1997

For homecoming queen Carrie Trusler, it was a weekend of sequins and coronation.

For Jefferson Hall, it was a weekend to redeem themselves in the bedrace competition.

For Ouachita Baptist University, it was the weekend they were "Welcomed to the Dawg Pound" and defeated 12-6.

It was homecoming 1997 and there was something for everyone.

During the homecoming assembly, Carrie Trusler was named queen. She and fellow candidates Tyler Musae, Stacy Headrick, Shea Broadus and Sarah Murphy made appearances at the assembly, parade and afternoon football game.

The traditional bedrace also found its way into the busy homecoming schedules of students. Just ask Matt Cook. The second-year freshman resident adviser was one of the participants in the annual rivalry. He said the widely-recognized competition between Parker Hall and Jefferson Hall did not come to a standstill, even though

Parker Hall closed after the spring 1997 semester.

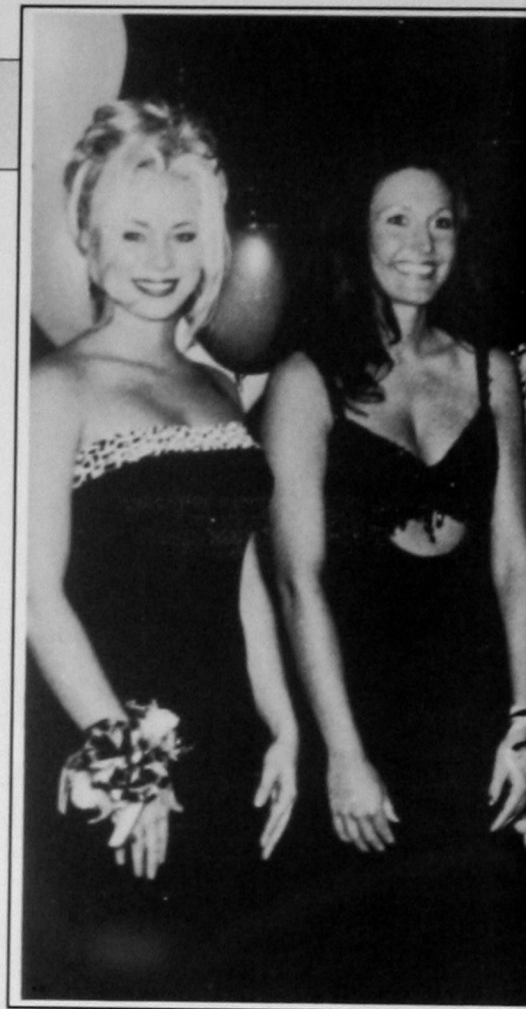
Instead of letting the tradition die, Cook said the Parker Hall residents (now living in Rogers Hall) entered a bed in the race under the name of their old dorm. They were defeated by their new neighbors to the north.

"For Jefferson, our strategy was just to win," Cook said. "The girls in Oklahoma Hall decorated our bed and our plan was just to run and run fast."

According to homecoming chair Kay Robinson, all the homecoming activities were a success.

"Everything went great," Robinson said. "It went smoothly without a glitch from the bonfire to assembly."

-Amber Graham



A long line of Sigma Sigma Chi sorority members encouraged the Bulldogs to "tame the Tigers" during the homecoming parade. The Western Technology Center took top honors in the float competition.



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Basler, Jennifer, Leedey, Bachelor Bus Admin
Bates, Shellie, Hobart, Bachelor of Science
Bauldridge, Lori, Elk City, BS Education
Baxter, Dennis, Arapaho, Master of Education
Beals, Penny, El Reno, BS Education
Beaver, Lee, Choctaw, Bachelor of Science

Behram, Floyd, Grandview, TX, Bachelor of Science
Belergrohslein, Mike, Claremore, BS Pharmacy
Bell, Candy, Stinnett, TX, Bachelor of Music
Bengs, Jason, Crescent, BS Education
Benovil, Anne, Oklahoma City, BS Pharmacy
Berry, Jo, Weatherford, Bachelor Bus Admin





Photo by Steve McLemore

Homecoming queen Carrie Trusler is flanked by fellow candidates Shea Broadus, Staci Headrick, Tyler Musae and Sarah Murphy. Trusler was sponsored by Stewart Hall. The others were sponsored by KQMX, University Media Association and Alpha Psi Omega; Graphic Design Student Association; Political Science Club and Oklahoma Hall, respectively.

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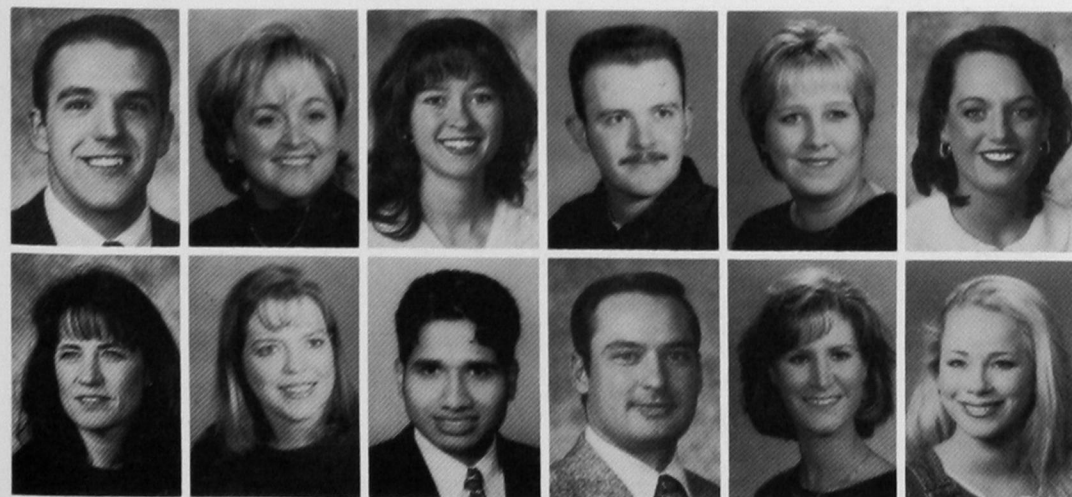


After watching her daughter's coronation at the homecoming assembly, Carolyn Trusler congratulates Carrie with a hug and a photo.

The naked guys: Shane Metheny, Chris Carlisle, Jason Kemper, Tony Horton and Gary Hickerson continued the tradition that began last year.



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Blankenship, Amy, Weatherford,
 Bachelor of Soc Work
Boedeker, Kiml, Enid, BS Pharmacy

Boley, Kerry, Altus, BS Pharmacy
Boothe, Debra, Cordell, Master of Education
Bose, Thomas, Oklahoma City, Bachelor of Science
Boydston, Kyle, Allison, TX, BS Pharmacy
Britton, Lori, Leedey, BS Education
Broadus, Shea, Woodward, Bachelor of Arts

Battle of the sexes

Men, women fight for crown

Thirteen men and eight women competed for top honors in pageants. Sound strange?

The Mr. Dimes and Miss Southwestern pageants gave new meaning to "equal opportunity."

The Mr. Dimes charity benefit raised \$585 for the March of Dimes and gave students a chance to laugh and have a good time.

Although competition was close, Jeremy Smith, the Southwestern pharmaceutical department entry, came away with the crown. University Media Association entry Steve McLemore was first runner-up, while Jason Glassey, sponsored by Gamma Delta Kappa, was second runner-up.

In front of a large crowd the "girls" attempted to sing, dance, talk, and lip sync through the talent portion of the pageant.

Most of the contestants had problems with their hair, clothing, and high heel shoes. Landon Curtis, senior physical education major, experienced serious difficulties during his evening as a woman.

Mr. Dimes contestants Landon Curtis, Jason Glassey and Steve McLemore drag event judge Brian Adler, director of public information, onto stage for a "Showgirls" performance during the annual Phi Beta Lambda charity event.

"The make-up was the hardest part," Curtis said. "If I was a girl I would just go natural. Our chest sizes were all different and we had a lot of trouble trying to keep them in place."

On a more serious note, there were those who were preparing for competition in the Miss Southwestern Scholarship pageant.

Tascha Lawless, sophomore communication arts major from the Sayre campus, was crowned Miss Southwestern on Oct. 25. The title meant she would represent Southwestern at the Miss Oklahoma pageant in Tulsa the following summer.

Lawless won both the talent

and swimsuit competitions. In all she won more than \$4,000 in scholarships, awards, and gift certificates.

"This pageant went over really well," Lawless said. "We were involved with the public and I really had a chance to get to know the other contestants. This helped ease the tension."

Erica Hightower, sophomore political science major, was first runner-up, while sophomore voice major Edie Spencer was second runner-up.

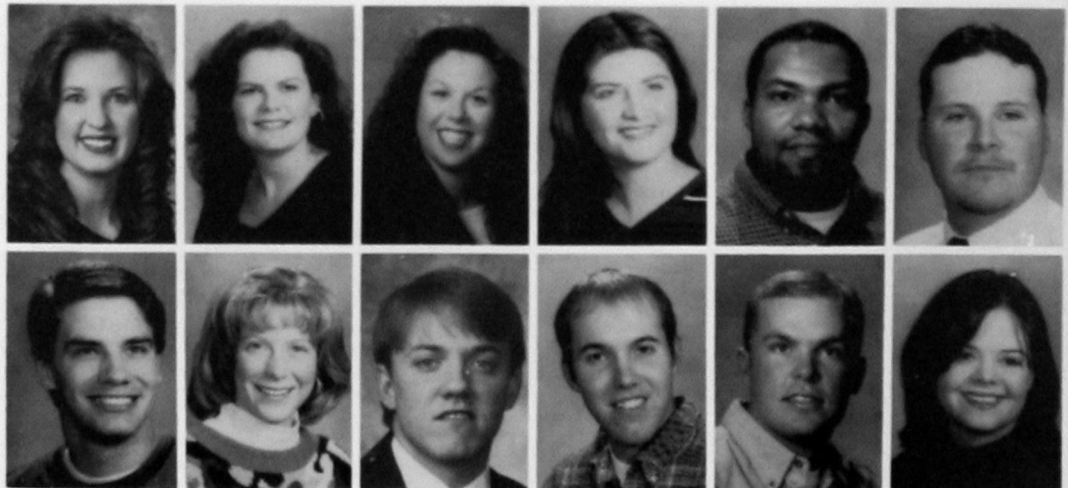
The crowd-pleaser award went to Lindsey Craighead, sophomore finance major from Woodward.

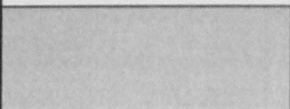


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Brown, Suzanna, Erick, Bachelor of Science
Brown, Tanya, Tipton, MS Applied Psychology
Brown, Yohance, Altus, BS Education
Bryant, Chad, Cordell, BS Industrial Technology

Bryant, Christopher, Hobart, Bachelor of Science
Burgess, Claudia, Shattuck, Bachelor of Science
Burkart, Lance, Hydro, BS Pharmacy
Burke, Phil, Mustang, BS Health Info Mgt
Burleson, Joel, Arapaho, Bachelor of Science
Campbell, Susan, Yukon, BS Education





Miss Southwestern 1998 Tascha Lawless "Can't Even Get the Blues" during the talent portion of the Miss Southwestern Scholarship Pageant. Photo by Steve Lounsbury



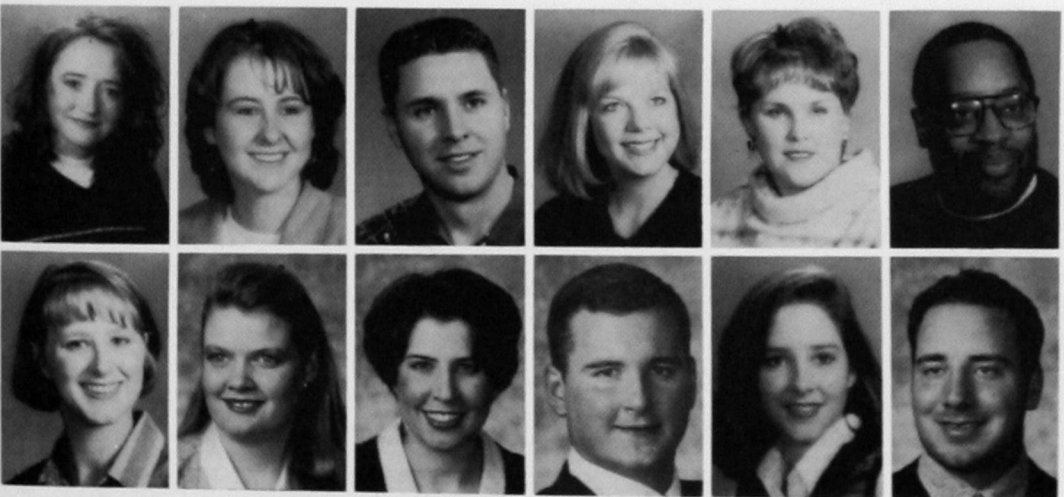
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After being crowned Mr. Dimes 1997, Jeremy Smith strikes a pose of happiness. Smith was among 13 contestants who competed for the title in the annual charity event, which raised more than \$500 for the March of Dimes.



Photo provided

Posing with Mayor Gary Rader as he signs the proclamation for Miss Southwestern Week are contestants Erica Hightower, Binsu Johnny, Jamie Porter, Tascha Lawless, Jill Johnson, Edie Spencer, Jodie Forgay and Lindsey Craighead.



Cannon, Melissa, Okeene, BS Health Info Mgt
 Carlisle, Jeana, Butler, BS Education
 Carlisle, Jeff, Burns Flat, BS Education
 Carlisle, Shay, Cold Water, KS, BS Nursing
 Carman, Brandi, Weatherford, BS Nursing
 Carpenter, Eric, Lawton, BS Education

Carrera, Reagan, Yukon, Bachelor of Bus Admin
 Carroll, Cory, Jay, BS Pharmacy
 Carter, Kathryn, Buffalo, BS Pharmacy
 Chalfant, Chris, Cheyenne, BS Pharmacy
 Chambers, Rachel, Ardmore, BS Nursing
 Chapple, James, Spiro, BS Pharmacy

no matter the occasion

A reason to celebrate

Students very seldom needed a reason to celebrate or to have fun. Both were all weekly occurrences. However, it was great when days of the year rolled around when students could express something they ordinarily could not.

From dressing up as a Halloween pumpkin or a Power Ranger or a Spice Girl to passing out marshmallow bunnies on Easter, from telling your friends how thankful you were for their friendship to pinching the one person who didn't wear green, holiday celebrations were in force at Southwestern.

The first major holiday that rolled around was Halloween. It fell on a Saturday, but the days before, college students could be seen sporting some kind of costume or begging for candy from passersby.

Chad Vansyke, a senior from Pratt, Kan., said that he and some friends did something extra special this last Halloween.

"Two friends and I dressed up in togas to commemorate the movie *Animal House*," he said.

Thanksgiving and Christmas were next up and, once again, students participated in the mood of the season. Gamma Delta Kappa had a Toys for Tots drive while Sigma Tau Delta held a food drive. The Accounting and Finance club held a Christmas party at the Banc First community room.

"We invited alumni, community and faculty," said Sandy Bare, treasurer of the group. "The turnout wasn't as good as we expected, but it was our first time."

Most other groups participated in the spirit of the holidays with parties, food drives

and Christmas caroling. What was interesting about Southwestern celebrations was that everybody did something and each did it his own way.

Moving into the spring and the new semester, students recovered from the New Year's Eve parties and geared up for Valentine's Day.

Some saved up their money while others searched for a significant other to have on the 14th. An endless parade of cupcakes, hearts, cookies, chocolates, roses, balloons and stuffed animals followed.

Regardless of the day or the event, every day was significant. In the lives of students, a holiday was not just a date on the calendar.

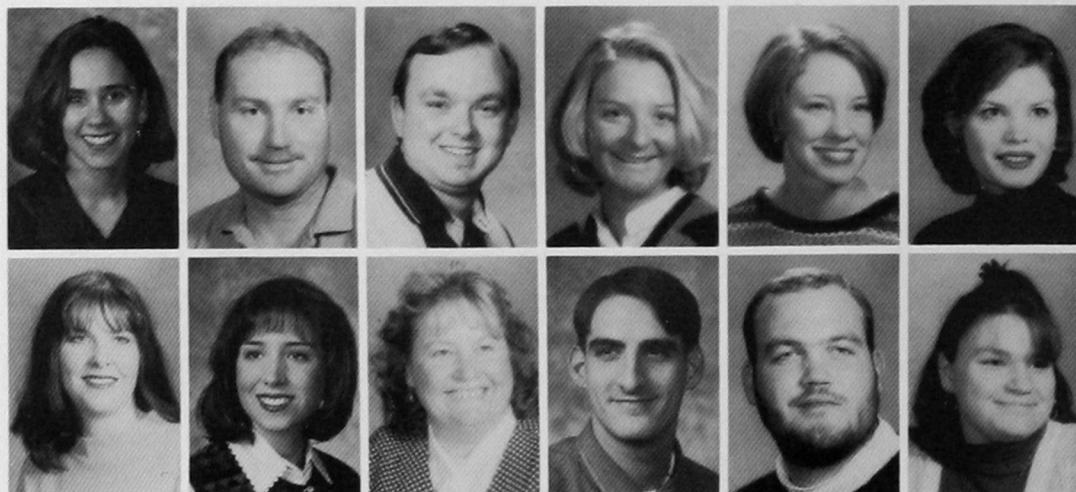
Stephanie Moore, a sophomore from Okmulgee, is making a floral arrangement for Valentine's Day. February 14 is celebrated as a great day for some and not so great for others.



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Chase, Roger, Shamrock, TX, BS Education
Chastain, Kert, Sayre, Bachelor of Science
Cheek, Ashley, Moore, Bachelor of Recreation
Chenault, Jalonda, Eldorado, BS Education
Chittum, Lea, Clinton, BS Nursing

Choate, Stephanie, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
Christie, Amy, Miami, BS Pharmacy
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Clagg, John, McAlester, BS Pharmacy
Clark, Joseph, Crowley, TX, BS Education
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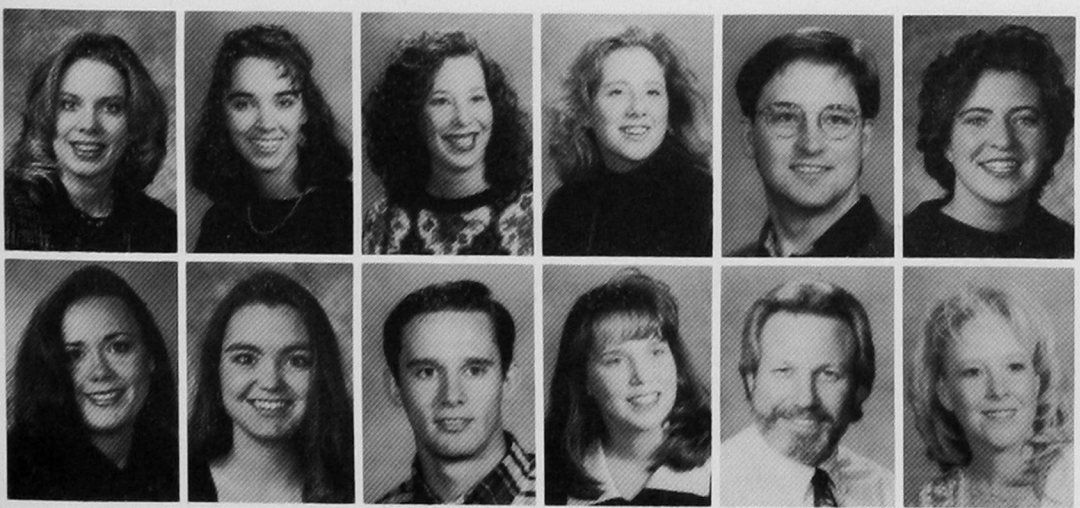
Hillbilly wedding is the theme these two seniors took on Halloween. With the help of six friends, Jeremy Witt and Jeana Smalts are getting "hitched" in this "country" affair. Smalts, a senior from Altus, eventually did get her wedding kiss after the best man dipped her. The bridegroom Witt, a senior from Keyes, said he didn't mind sharing her.

Natalie Ledford, a junior from Mountain View, hangs her ornament on a Christmas tree during the "Hanging of the Green." Student Government Association sponsored the first-time event.



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- Copeland, Mistie**, Tomball, TX, BS Pharmacy
- Cornelson, Justin**, Dallas, TX, BS Education
- Cosper, Linda**, Calvin, Bachelor Bus Admin
- Cottle, Steven**, Watonga, Bachelor of Arts
- Cox, Terri**, Hydro, BS Education

Doing it the right way Religious Involvement

The different religious organizations on campus provided students with fellowship, friendship, and opportunities for helping others.

The Baptist Student Union's new coffee house, "Common Grounds" was a big hit, drawing in more than 160 people on opening night. The BSU also offered "Noon Day," which gave students the chance to come together for Bible study and a free lunch.

The BSU also gave students the chance to meet new people and to gain lifelong friendships.

According to senior Scott Holuby, "The Baptist Student Union has helped me make more friends than

I ever thought I could."

The Church of Christ Student Union's annual Thanksgiving dinner provided more than just a home cooked meal for those attending. The money raised from the dinner was used to buy Christmas gifts for children in the community.

This experience was an important one for many of those involved.

"We tried to meet children's needs," said senior Joby Young.

Students from the Wesley Foundation met in the evenings for "Stress Relief" and participated in activities like watching movies and playing volleyball. The Wesley Thespian Company's production of "The Fifth Gospel," an audience

interactive play, helped raise money for the group's spring break mission trip to Mexico.

The play had a serious purpose, but provided those participating with the chance to have some fun.

According to Jimmy Davis, his favorite part of the production was "just making people laugh."

Whether they were hosting dinners, producing plays or joining together in fellowship, the religious organizations on campus provided students with life-long memories.

-Ryan Barber

Freshman Sonny Smart, sophomore Meridith Fite, and senior Ashley Lingenfelter have front row seats at the FCA concert homecoming week. The concert was held on the front steps of the Stafford Building.

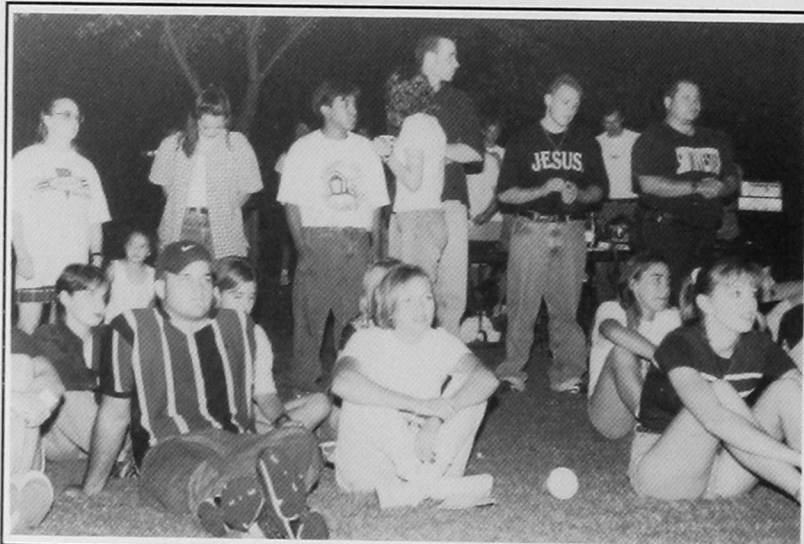


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Senior Tara Mahan and junior Tony Earp pose for the camera at the Baptist Student Union's '50s Valentine Banquet.

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Crockett, Diana, Weatherford, BS Pharmacy
Crook, Dawn, Guymon, BA Education
Crowley, Joe, Crowley, TX, BS Pharmacy
Czaruk, Greg, Lawton, BS Pharmacy

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Daniels, John Davis II, Edmond,
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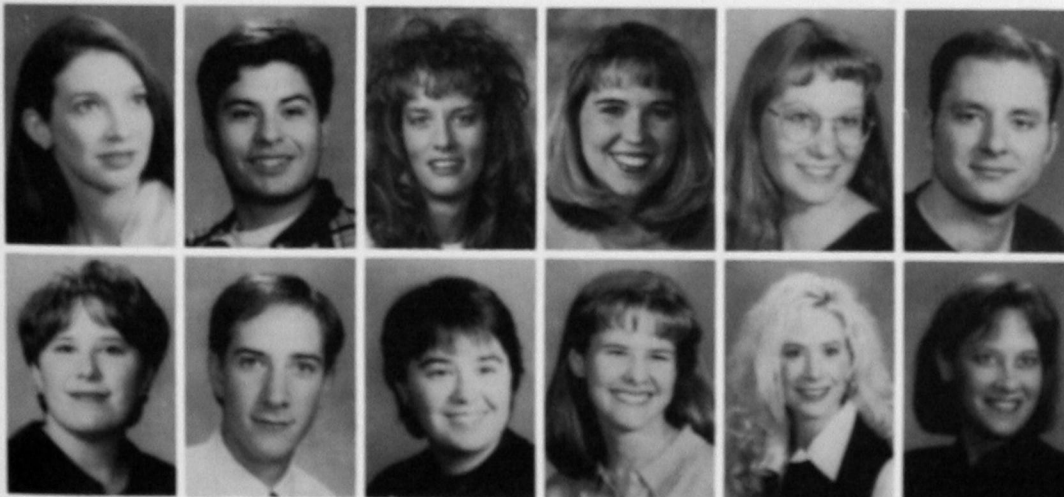
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The Spice Girls? Not quite. Freshman Courtney Gerber (*Sporty Spice*), sophomore Jessica Johnston (*Sexy Spice*), freshman Nicole Barrick (*Posh Spice*), junior Steve McLemore (*Baby Spice*) and freshman Sara Ham (*Scary Spice*) perform during the Baptist Student Union's "Mock Rock." The annual event gives students the chance to let their hair down (or put their hair on).



Photo courtesy Wesley Foundation

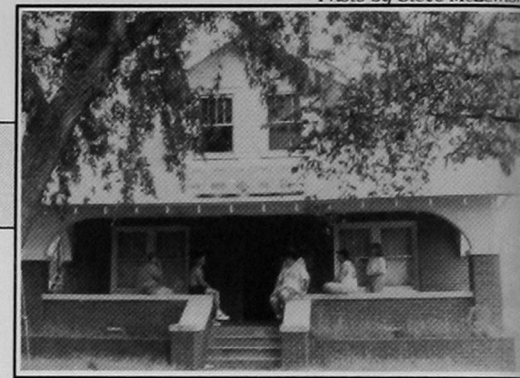
Sophomore Krista Hodges and freshman Melissa Tener help build fence at Mt. Top, Tenn. during the Wesley Foundation's spring break mission trip. Their trip was one of many taken by the university's various religious organizations.



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News **2** you Campus Changes



Early in the fall semester, some TKEs and friends say good-bye to their old home.

Right, as they prepare to conquer the trails at Red Rock Canyon, sophomore Brian Johnson, seniors Scott Pope and Nathan Smith, and grad student Ron Babcock show their cycling enthusiasm. The new club encouraged other students to join and enter biking competitions.

Hmmmm. I need to get involved. Should I join the Math Club or the English Club? Nah. Mountain Biking Club—now that sounds interesting.

New clubs and organizations all but took over the campus, ranging from tutoring to sporting clubs.

A new tutoring program came as the American Reads program. It provided federal funds for student tutors like freshman Nick Simpson to help children learn to read.

"I like the kids; plus, it gives me great experience, since I'm an education major," he said.

The Roller Hockey Club was founded during the fall semester. These die-hards played on the parking lot next to Jefferson/Rogers Halls and used only their headlights to see.

"We just wanted to create a club for people who wanted an alternative from the other intramural usuals," said sophomore Chip Diffendaffer.

The Ultimate Terrorists came to life, too. Frisbee was the passion of guys like sophomore marketing major, Joel Davis. This game was not for the faint of heart. At one rigorous session, Davis said as he pointed, "Today I ate before I came here, so I already hurled over there."

Mountain bikers became a

familiar sight, taking roads less traveled. They prepared for and entered competitions, plus welcomed anyone with an interest in biking.

This club was not new but they got a new home. The Student Government Association used a renovated facility at the corner of College and Broadway for their headquarters.

The student flow in the office increased 200 to 300 percent after the move.

"We probably have 20 students a day come by to ask questions or ask for help with something," said President Bryan Evans.

Citing unsafe living conditions and no funds for repairs, Tau Kappa Epsilon closed its doors in the fall semester. Even though they sold their house, the TKEs remained on campus.

The changing world reflected on campus with so many new additions and changes to campus life.



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Chip Diffendaffer, computer science major, defends the goal against his opponents in the parking lot of Rogers-Jefferson Hall during a game between the members of the Roller Hockey Club.

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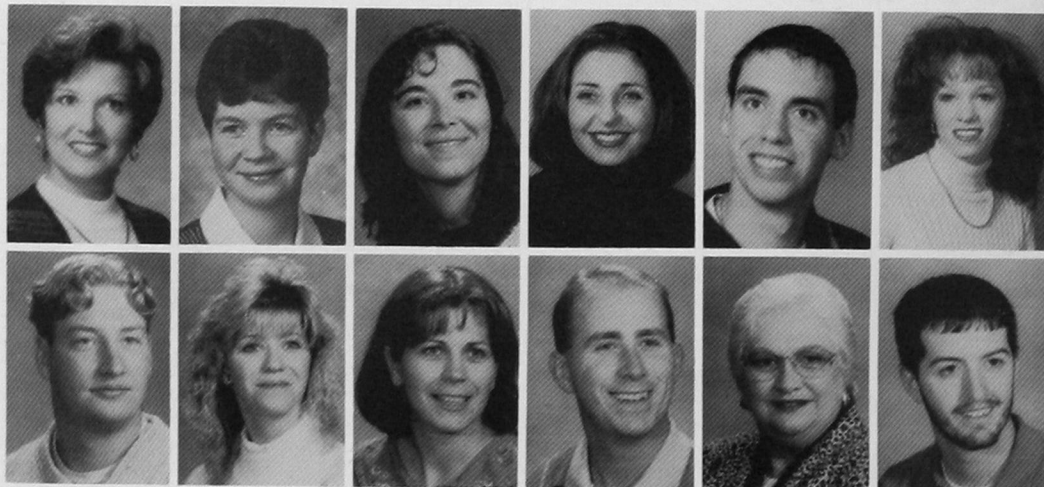




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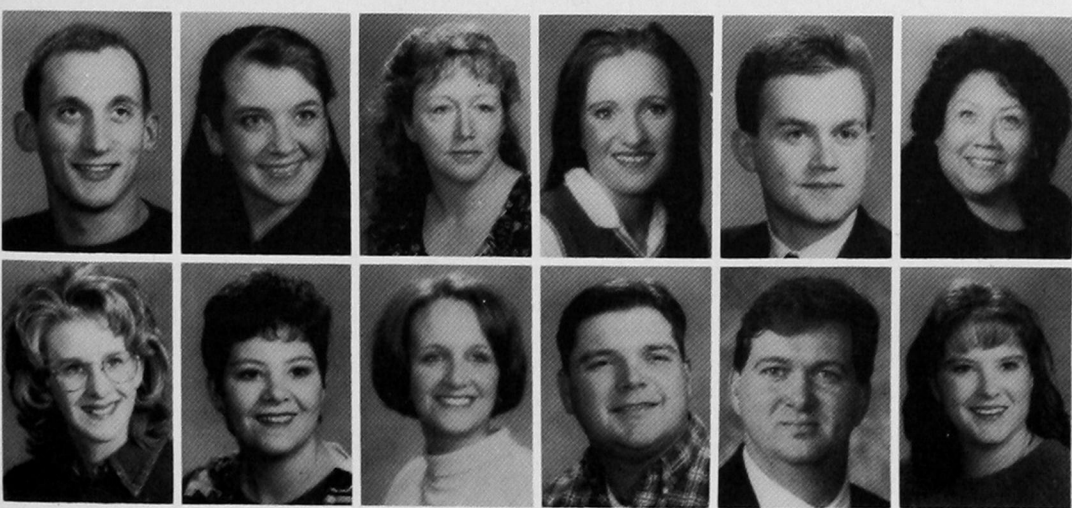
The Bulldog Brigade: AKA Men in Blue

This group was born during the '97 football season when a few men thought more school spirit was needed. Dressed in blue blazers, t-shirts and other casual wear, these men razzed the visiting team, fans and cheerleaders. The original six, all members of Student Senate, pepped up the crowd to give the Bulldog team all of their support. Here, sophomores Aaron Platt, Joel Davis, Chip Diffendaffer, senior Bryan Evans, and sophomore Carter Robinson sing as the alma mater played on before a fall game.

-JoLynn Steels



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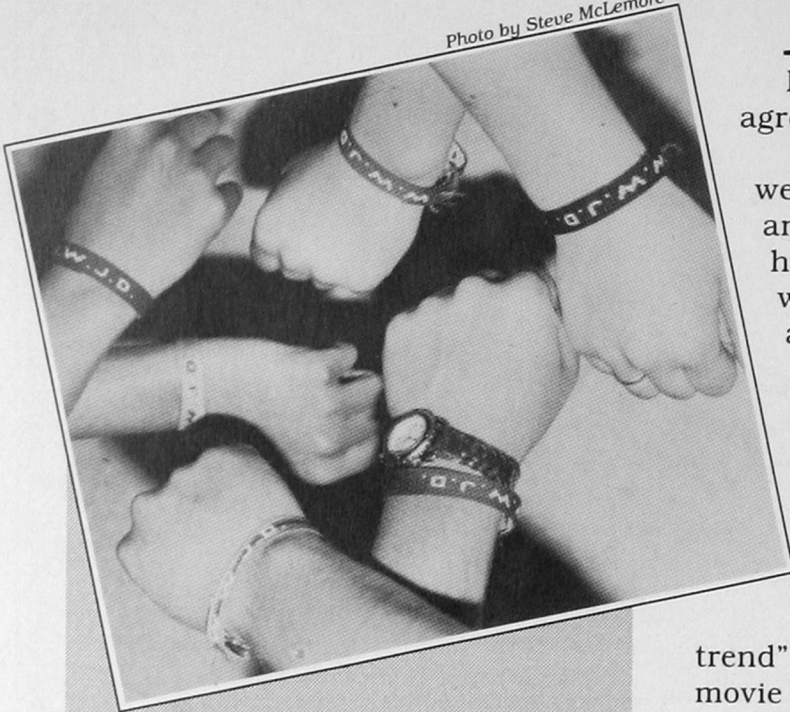
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Fanning, Dena, Clinton, Master of Education

Farmer, Alisha, Woodward, BS Health Info Mgt
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F lannels to bracelets

What do you like?

Photo by Steve McLemore



WWJD bracelets were the rave as area stores were unable to keep them on their shelves. Students everywhere could be seen wearing the Christian bracelets. Above some students proudly show off theirs. They are Bethany Shannon, Chris Carlisle and Kari Millemon.

The story of 1998 could have been about individuality, everyone going out and doing his own thing or all people with differing opinions.

Instead, the individuals seemed to go and come back in agreement.

In fashion, anything flannel was HOT. Students could wear flannels to class, the Student Union, the gym, and anywhere else. Wide leg and baggy jeans were also a big hit. Funky fingernail polish covered the nails of many women, while funky toe nail paint could be found on anyone, including some brave men.

One of the biggest fashion crazes were WWJD (what would Jesus do) bracelets. The trendy little bracelets of all colors adorned many wrists, both male and female.

In entertainment, no story was as big as *Titanic*. The movie broke dozens of records on its way to the top.

Hollywood's *Men In Black* (MIB's) also made its way from theaters to campus. SWOSU's *Men In Blue*, with their blazers, hats and sunglasses made the "fashion trend" a local one. The hot musical group *Spice Girls* made a movie and could be seen just about everywhere on television.

Even events thousands of miles away made an impact on students at Southwestern, most far more serious than fashion.

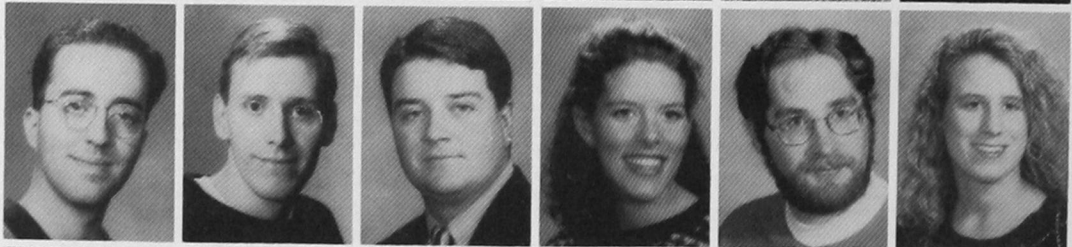
The deaths of Mother Teresa and Princess Diana of Wales were two world events that left their mark. Threatened war in the Gulf kept many students glued to the television. Other big news stories were the alleged affairs of President Clinton and the on-going trial of defendants Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols, accused of blowing up the Oklahoma City Federal Building.

-Steven McLemore

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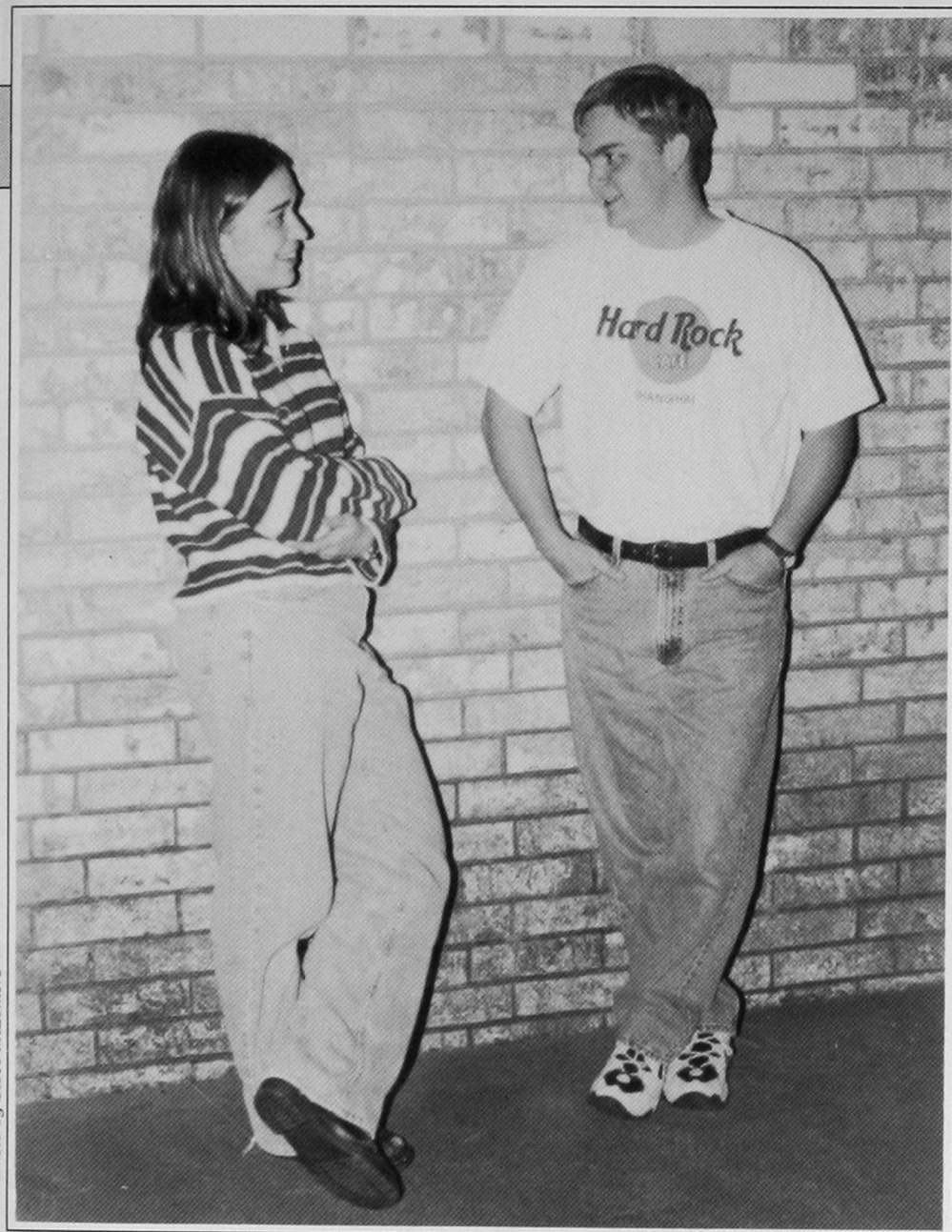
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 Frieling, Leigh, Mustang, BS Nursing



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“TITANIC”
 Knowing the ending already, millions flocked to see the movie *Titanic*. Starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslett, the film talks of the love two teenagers found on a ship that would eventually bring them to their death.
 The ship was not the only thing to break in the process, as *Titanic* became the all-time biggest money-maker at the box office and broke countless records, including a record 11 Oscars.



Left, junior Sara Savage and senior Andy Simpson hang out and talk about classes. Individuality was the theme for fashion. Students could wear a t-shirt and jeans or striped sweaters and baggy pants and still be in style.



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- Gartrell, Jason, Fargo,** BS Engineering Technology
- Gates, Jason, Weatherford,** Bachelor of Science
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- Gerhart, David, Weatherford,** BS Pharmacy
- Gilchrist, Christie, Weatherford,** Bachelor of Science
- Gill, Joseph, Erick,** Bachelor of Science
- Gillett, Jennifer, Geary,** BS Education
- Gimlin, Jan, Hobart,** BA Education

- Gober, Josh, Enid,** Bachelor of Arts
- Goetzing, Eleanor, Woodward,** Master of Education
- Gooch, Tammy, Binger,** Bachelor of Science
- Gore, Angela, Taloga,** BS Education
- Gore, Bryan, Taloga,** BS Education
- Goucher, Tina, Clinton,** Bachelor of Science

4 *and all about others*

Did You Care?

That good old college life. Carefree days, rose-colored glasses, and being absolutely self-centered. Right?

Wrong! Local students were out to prove they were students who cared and did something about the needs of the community.

The Baptist Student Union stayed busy during the Christmas season caroling and gathering food for needy families. They also collected coats for the people of North Korea.

Contributing their time to help others wasn't new to the BSU. Every Wednesday and Thursday the group sang at Littlebird Nursing Home and Legacy Square, an assisted living center.

The Wesley Foundation kept the only food pantry in Weatherford. It opened at least 12 hours per week throughout the year.

"It is staffed and stocked by our students," said director Greg Tener, "We never have any problem keeping it full or with staffing."

Kappa Delta Omega went to area nursing homes just before Thanksgiving to decorate and to visit with the elderly.

"It makes me happy to be able to brighten the day of those who might not have anyone to turn to during the holidays," said senior member Diertra Baird.

Habitat for Humanity became active in the community with the help of president Ginger Manning, a senior.

Although the group hit some bumps, many helped from the university for the first house built in Weatherford.

The biggest and most successful charity work that took place were the five blood drives.

"Southwestern always has a great turn out. We have even won the best university for blood drives," said senior Student Senate member Brendon McCollom.

During the last blood drive of the fall semester, the university set a record of most pints donated by a university with 281 willing donors.

Whether students give their time out of guilt or just because they wanted to help, Southwestern carried on the theme of "southern hospitality."

-Jo Lynn Steele

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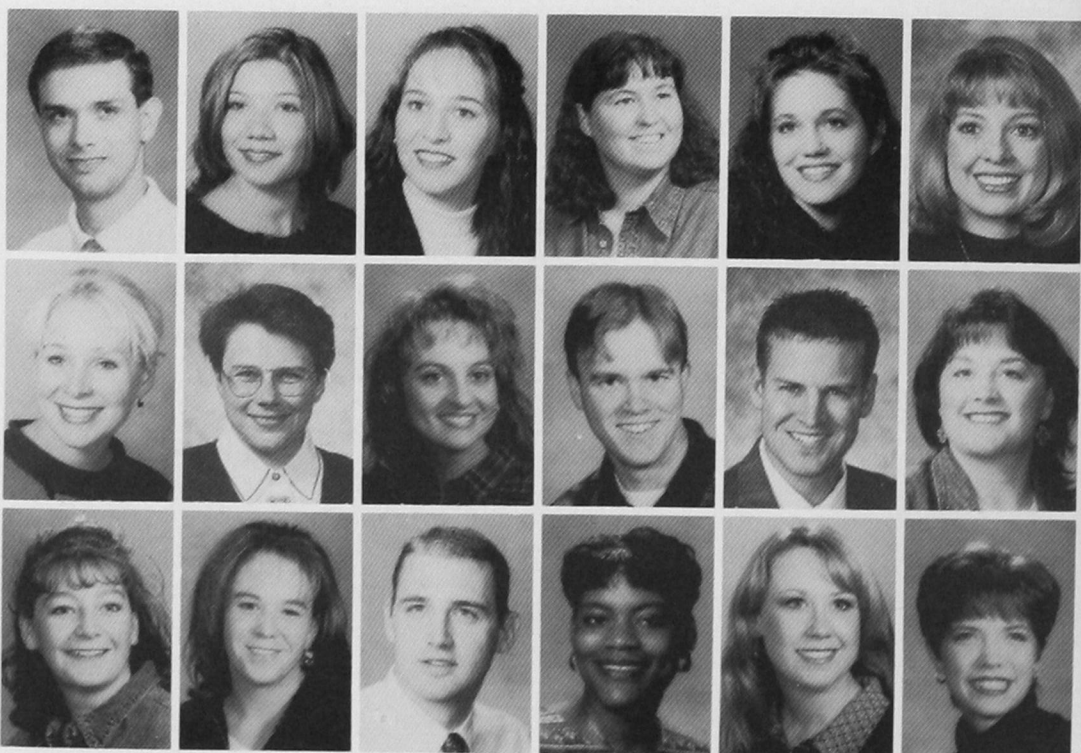


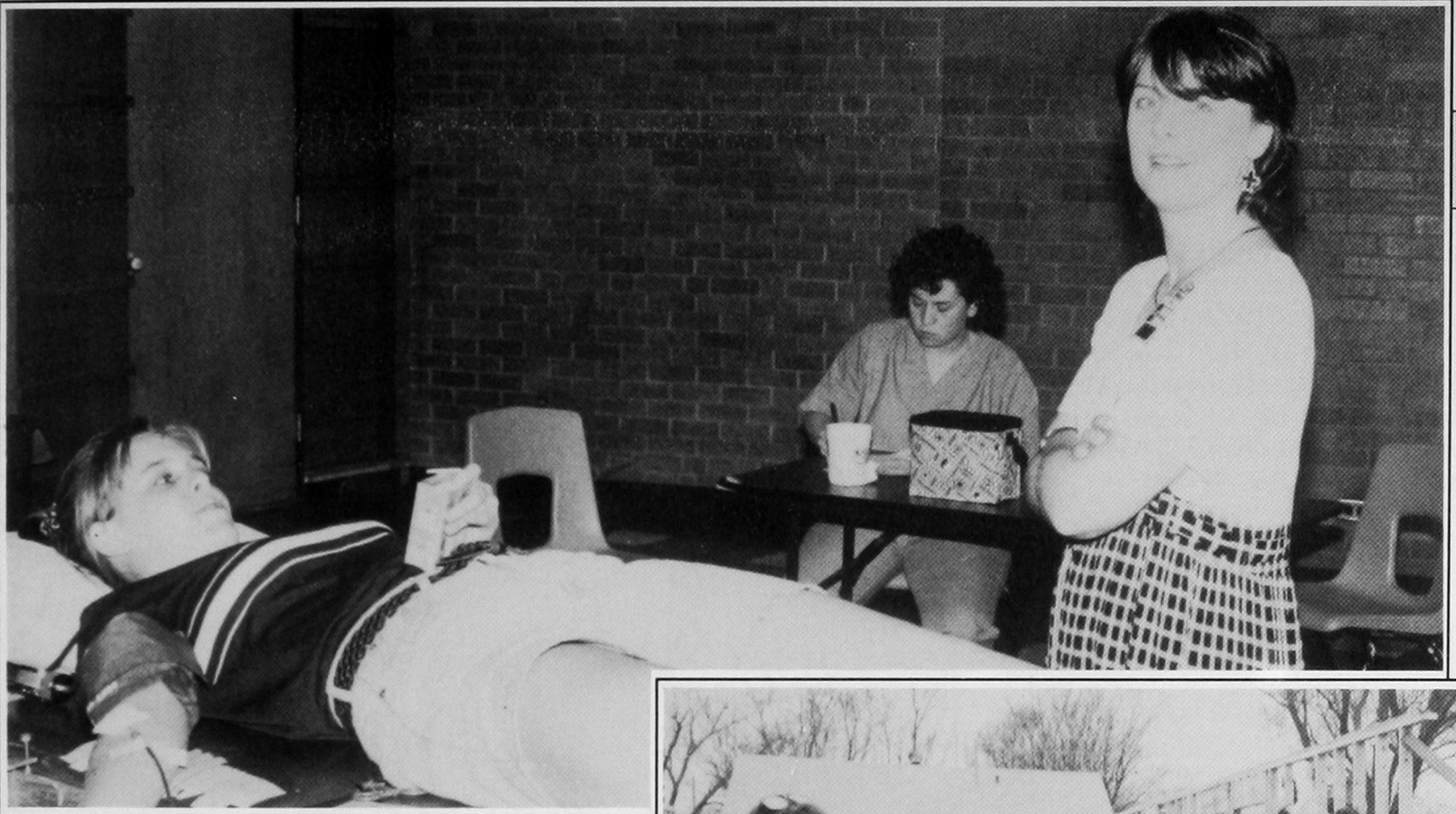
Helping to feed more than 650 people, many university and community volunteers worked at the Molly Strickler spaghetti dinner at the Pioneer Center during the fall semester. The benefit raised over \$3,500 according to organizer Todd Swink.

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Green, Amy, El Reno, Bachelor of Science
Gregory, Samantha, Altus, BS Education
Griffith, Melinda, Rocky, BS Education
Groom, Karen, Skiatook, BS Pharmacy

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Blood drive coordinator Michelle Stinson checks on donor Courtney Gerber during a fall drive. This blood drive brought in more than 130 pints, which put Southwestern ahead of Oklahoma Baptist University in the college competition.

Ginger Manning, senior political science major, supervised a work day for the Habitat for Humanity. This house was the first to be built by Habitat in the Weatherford community. Both students and faculty volunteered for the project.

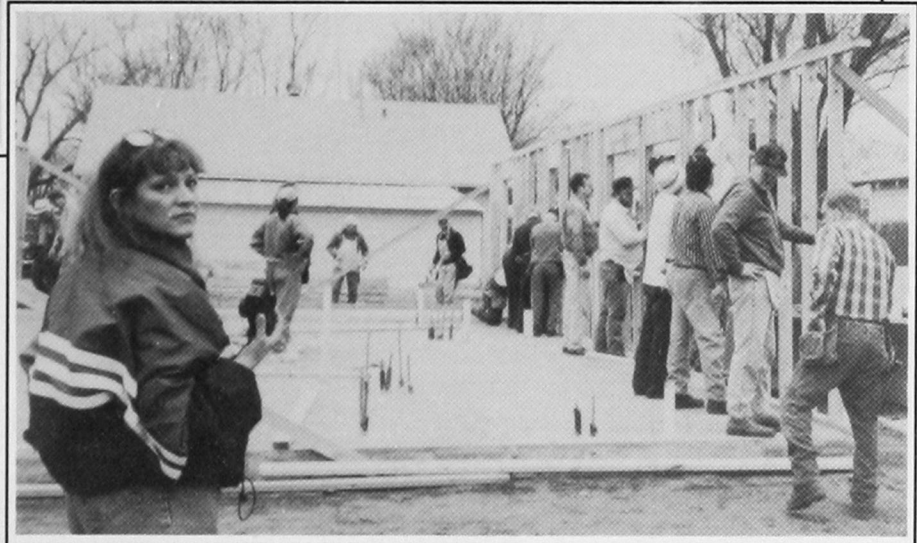


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- Hileman, Christy**, Weatherford, BS Health Info Mgt

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- Hodges, Amber**, Oklahoma City, BS Nursing
- Holuby, Scott**, Ft. Gibson, BS Pharmacy

- Hooper, Kerrie**, Hastings, BS Education
- Hope, Teddy**, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
- Howell, Elsie**, Clinton, BS Health Info Mgt
- Hughes, Rachel**, Weatherford, Bachelor of Arts
- Hunter, Meshell**, Taloga, Bachelor of Science
- Hurt, Heather**, N Myrtle Beach, SC, BS Nursing

All night long Where's the party?

Late nights and college students are a good mix. On any night of the week and at any business in Weatherford, students could be found cramming for finals, studying for mid-terms, avoiding bed or just having some fun.

In a town like Weatherford, choices of places to hang out were plentiful. Some chose local surroundings like Benchwarmer Brown's, Cowboy's or the new Domino Express. Others found time to kill at campus spots like the Wesley, the Bible Chair or the BSU.

Still others took refuge at the snack bar, the game room, the weight room or even on the school lawn.

Some even hung out at their apartments,

houses or dormitory rooms.

Jeana Smalts, a senior education major from Altus, said she loved to spending her nights hanging out with her friends.

"I like to hang out at the Cherrystone apartments, also known as the 'cherry bomb,'" she said. "There are a lot of cool people who live there. We cook out all the time. We also take in any stray dogs that come by. It really feels like a big family over there. Sometimes on weekends we go to Yukon and polka," she said.

Choosing to stay close to campus was senior Jason Bengs. He said

"Early to rise and early to bed makes a man healthy but socially dead."

-Anonymous

that he lived on campus for three years and moved into the BSU apartment this last fall.

"I loved hanging out at the BSU; that is, until I moved in here. Now, I hang out wherever I end up. Most of the time, my friends and I just goof off and talk," he said.

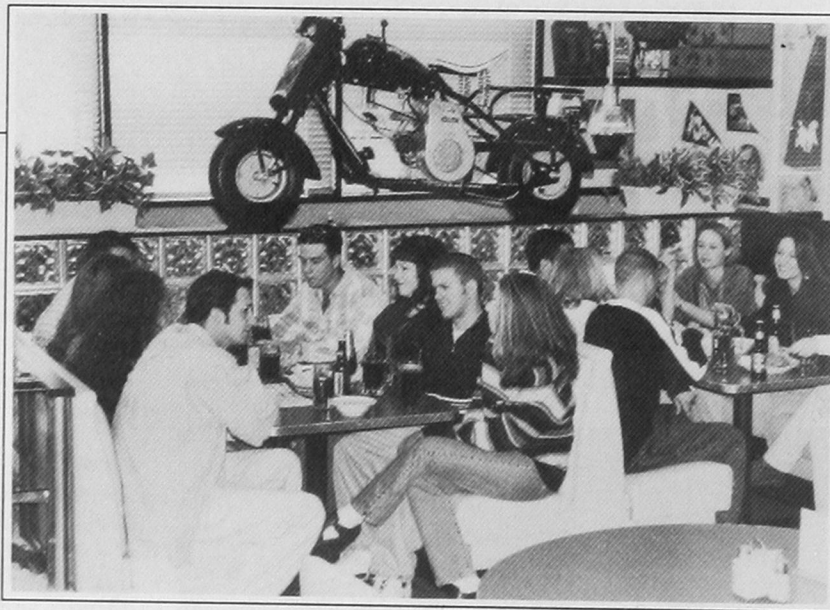
Enid senior Ashley Lingenfelter and her friends passed time by killing time. Late night studying in Oklahoma Hall opened opportunities for late night snack breaks.

"We would go to Sonic during happy hour and hang out and then rent movies and watch them back at the dorms. A lot of times, we made late night Taco Mayo runs when we were studying for tests," she said.

-Steven McLemore

What else could happen when college students get together other than eating? These students enjoy some food at City Diner. Restaurants and fast food places were a favorite hot spot for students to spend late nights and free afternoons.

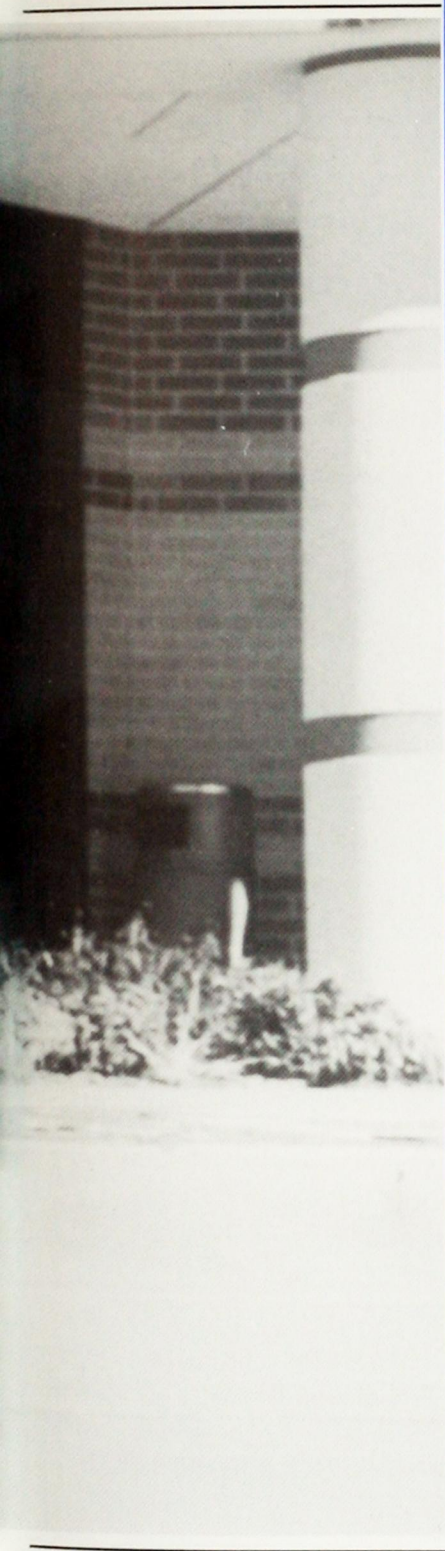
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Jackson, Betty, Rochester, MN,
 Bachelor of Bus Admin
Jantzen, Becky, Yukon, BS Education



Jarvis, Shauna, Weatherford, BA Graphic Design
Johns, Jeff, McAlester, BS Pharmacy
Johnson, Barbara, Weatherford, BA Education
Johnson, Brooke, Elk City, BS Pharmacy
Johnson, Cathy, Mountain View, Bachelor of Science
Johnson, Chris, Mountain View, BS Pharmacy



Senior management major Tonya Lierle from Arapaho and senior accounting major Elise Sprowls from Elk City study and do their home work in front on the Stafford building on a sunny afternoon.

U passed!

This is why you came to school. Academics. Maybe not originally, but this is why you were at Southwestern.

From endless hours in the lab to countless pages of research, you gave it all you could. Late nights were common for you and all the computer lab assistants knew you by your first name.

You wanted to drop zoology two weeks into it, but knowing that no refund would come your way, you hung in there. You spent long nights in the library trying to find a book about some man whose name you couldn't even pronounce.

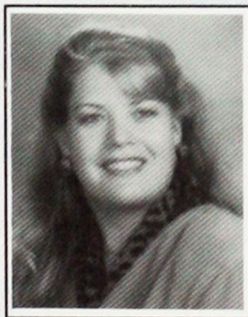
Those are some of the things you experienced as a student. Study groups were your comfort zone while the word "comprehensive" struck fear into your heart and made you sweat.

That is all over now. You came, you studied, you conquered.

This was your life for the past few years, but now you have moved into life and out of

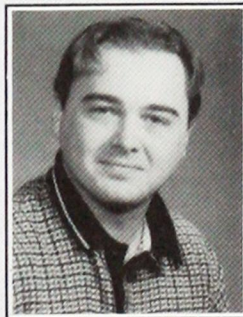
academics

"Architecture and Society. I took it at OSU and it involved every aspect of architecture. It was also comprehensive. I would never take it again."



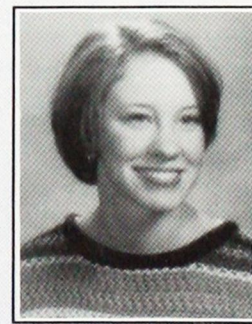
-Jan Garza
Sentinel

"Organic Chemistry I. That class was hard because all the learning was visual. I need to learn by touching or hearing something real."



-Jason Bengs
Crescent

"Reading I. It sounds easy, but it's not just about reading. It is about teaching others to read. It was complicated."



-Jalonda
Chenault
El Dorado



SWAT member sophomore Lisa Barnes introduces herself at the Playfair to freshman Kara Swartwood.

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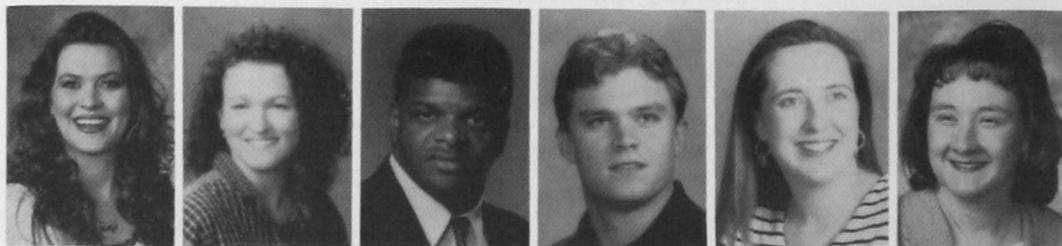
Sophomore Jennifer Berry signs up for more information at the Church of Christ Student Center booth.

The first week of school brought about the Organizational Fair, where SGA president, senior Bryan Evans was in charge of cooking the hot dogs.



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- Adams, Michael A., Altus. Master of Education
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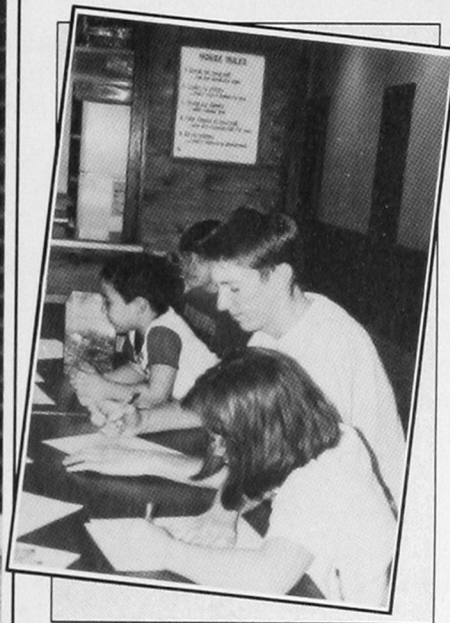
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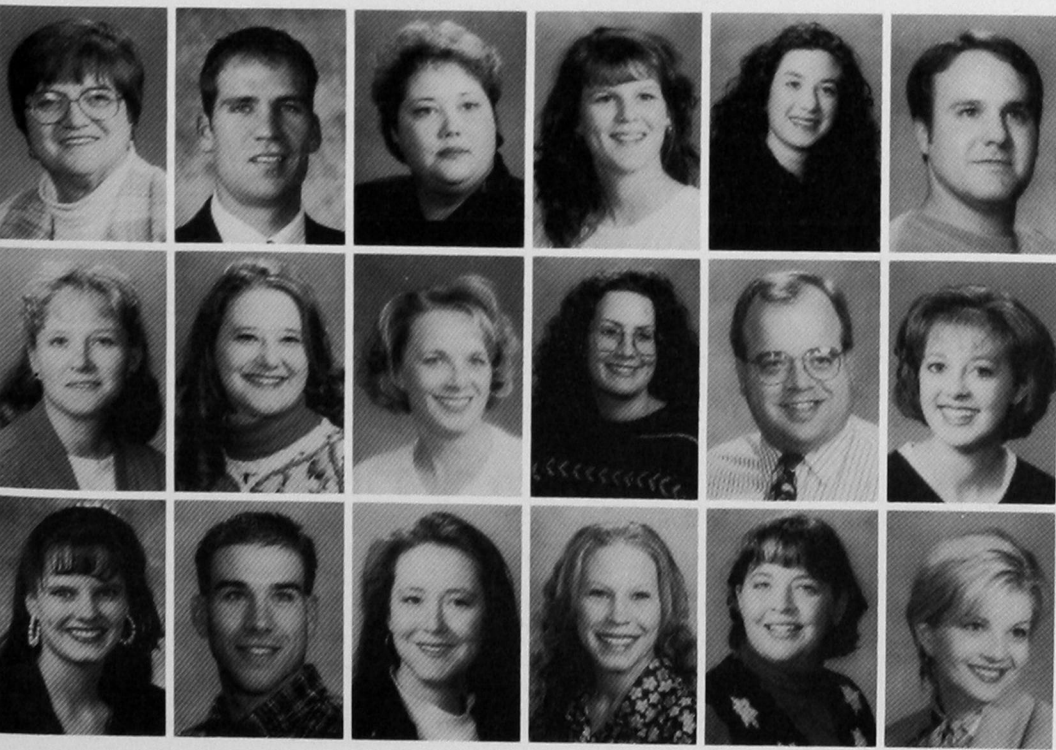
Junior Kaysee Sheperd reads the news at the radio station, Y-97 KWEY.

Communication arts senior Shea Broadus is hard at work at Wright Radio (95.5 The Hot Mix), where she worked while attending school.



Political science junior Michael Allen spends his time helping children and fitness buffs at the local YMCA.

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for The Record

*-More than 600 students
attended intramural games.*

*-Nearly 350 students
participated in water aerobics.*

*-2457 students used the
weight room.*



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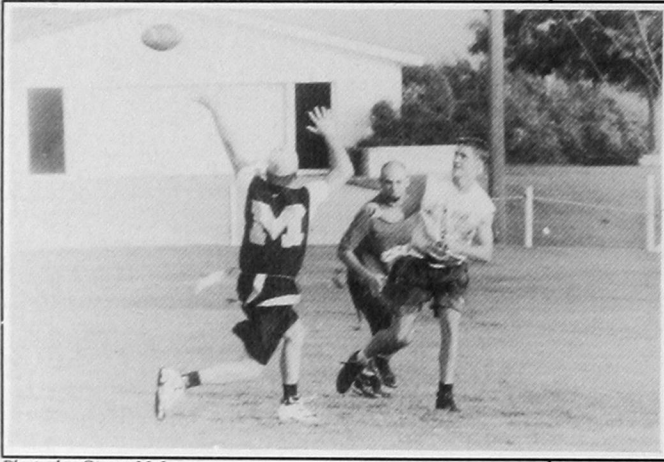


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Sophomore Brian Childers and junior Sean Weibling try to defend receiver sophomore Eric Williams during a game of flag football.

The new Mountain Biking Club gives members like Ron Babcock the chance to live dangerously along with other riders.

LoVecchio, Kimberly, Weatherford, Bachelor of Arts
LoVecchio, Kristy, Weatherford, BA Education
Lovelace, Becky, McLoud, Bachelor Bus Admin
Lunsford, Jodi, Miami, TX, Bachelor of Recreation
Madden, Patricia, Hobart, Bachelor of Science
Maddox, Shelby, Elk City, BA Education

Mahan, Maurisa, Altus, MS Applied Psychology
Mahanay, Sheri, Arapaho, BS Education
Mar, Tracy, Lawton, BS Pharmacy
Martinez, Corinne, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
Massey, Guy, Guymon, BS Pharmacy
Massion, Robin, Yukon, BS Pharmacy



Keepin' busy Intramurals & Personal Sports

Despite busy class schedules and part time jobs, more than 3,000 students found time to participate in intramurals and personal sports.

Intramural sports not only helped students stay active, it also gave them the chance to meet others with similar interests.

"I enjoyed intramurals because I got to compete against other people who liked the same sports as me," said sophomore Barney Hastie.

Intramurals were kicked off with coed softball. Twenty teams participated, with more than 250 students joining in the competition.

Flag football got started before softball even ended. Fifteen men's teams and two women's teams entered, with nearly 200 students participating. The Kickers won the men's championship, while the Hodawgs received the women's title.

As the weather changed, the sports moved indoors. Men's and women's three-on-three basketball

proved popular, as 33 men's teams and 10 women's teams showed up to compete. On the men's side, Bye won the championship, while the Exballers took the women's title.

Men and women also got the chance to team up, with coed volleyball and coed bowling. Eleven teams entered in volleyball, totaling nearly 100 students who participated. The team Automatic ended up with the title of coed volleyball champions. Coed bowling had eight teams with three people to each team.

Many students found time for personal activities as well. Weightlifting, rollerblading, and aerobics were some of the popular activities throughout the year.

-Ryan Barber

The Kickers pose after winning the flag football championship. Team members are, (front) Junior Brian Childress, graduate student Yohance Brown, senior Larry West, Leotis Smith, and graduate student Chad Crane. (back) Seniors David Garmon, Braun Dupy, Devin Wilcox, Erron Kauk, Shawn Scammahorn, and Dustin Harms.

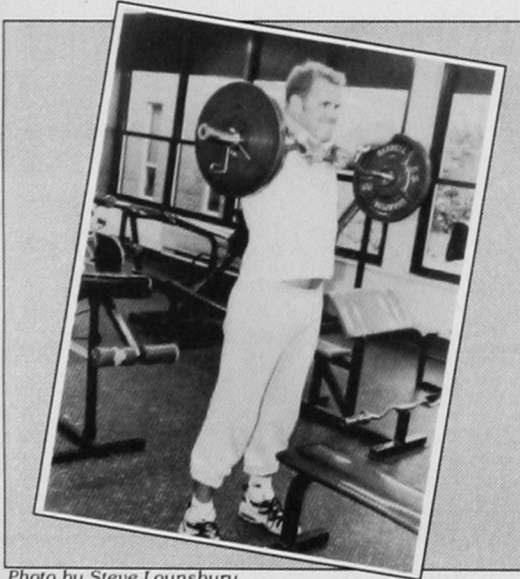


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Dallas, Texas, senior Michael O'Neal takes advantage of the weight room to try and "beef up".

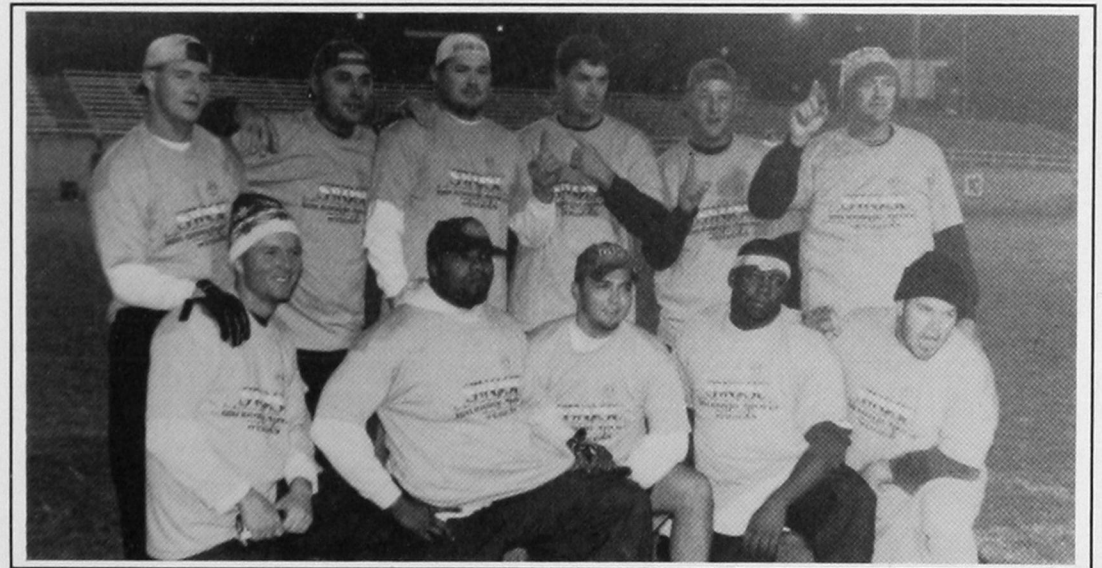


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McCarty, Alyson, Ashland, KS, Bachelor Bus Admin
McCollom, Brendon, Oklahoma City, Bachelor of Science

McCoy, Wyley, Lubbock, TX, BS Pharmacy
McFarland, Sheila, Oklahoma City, BS Nursing
McGuire, Kendra, Watonga, Bachelor of Science
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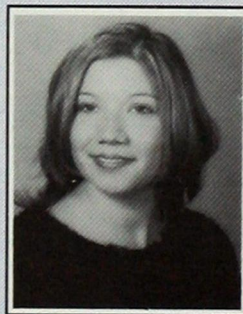


U said it

What was the hardest class you took while in college?

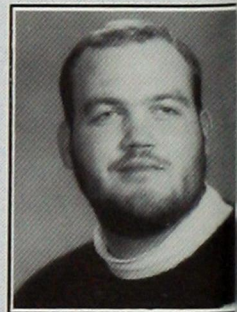
"Sociology. I took it my freshman year as a general education course and I studied for that class more than any other in all of college."

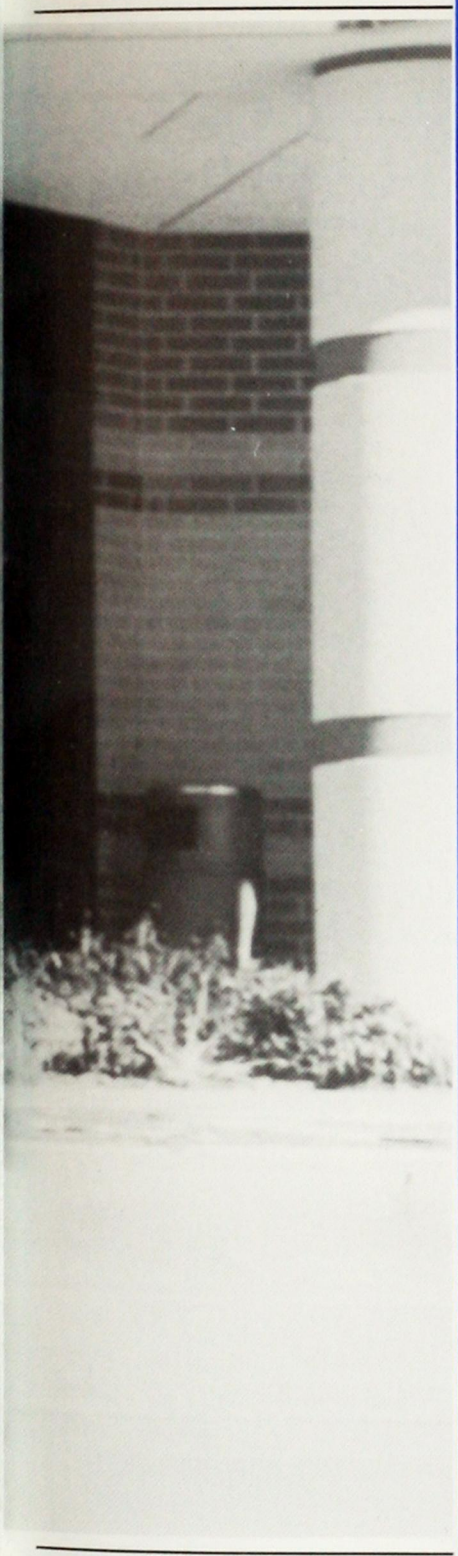
-Amber Graham Marlow



"Organic. I actually had to study for it. I'm not use to doing that."

-Jody Clark Crowley, Texas





Senior management major Tonya Lierle from Arapaho and senior accounting major Elise Sprowls from Elk City study and do their home work in front on the Stafford building on a sunny afternoon.

U *passed!*

This is why you came to school. Academics. Maybe not originally, but this is why you were at Southwestern.

From endless hours in the lab to countless pages of research, you gave it all you could. Late nights were common for you and all the computer lab assistants knew you by your first name.

You wanted to drop zoology two weeks into it, but knowing that no refund would come your way, you hung in there. You spent long nights in the library trying to find a book about some man whose name you couldn't even pronounce.

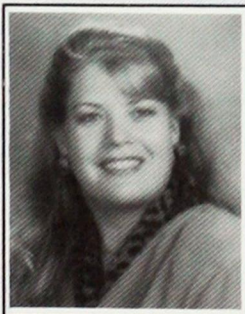
Those are some of the things you experienced as a student. Study groups were your comfort zone while the word "comprehensive" struck fear into your heart and made you sweat.

That is all over now. You came, you studied, you conquered.

This was your life for the past few years, but now you have moved into life and out of

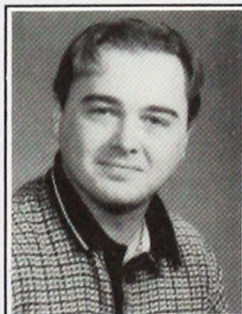
academics

"Architecture and Society. I took it at OSU and it involved every aspect of architecture. It was also comprehensive. I would never take it again."



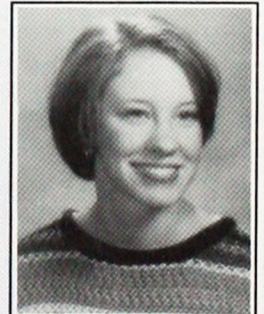
-Jan Garza
Sentinel

"Organic Chemistry I. That class was hard because all the learning was visual. I need to learn by touching or hearing something real."



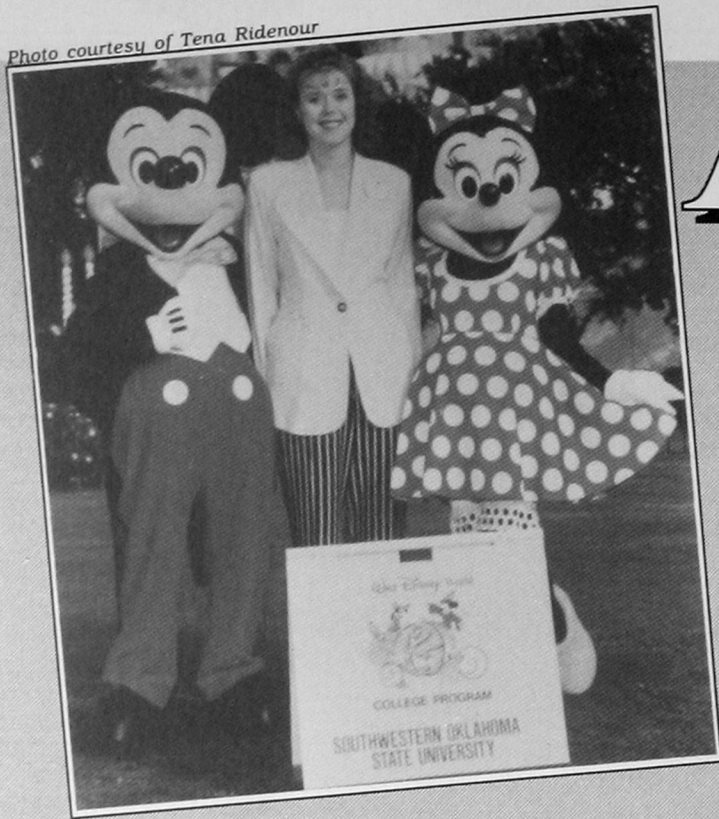
-Jason Bengs
Crescent

"Reading I. It sounds easy, but it's not just about reading. It is about teaching others to read. It was complicated."



-Jalonda Chenault
El Dorado

Photo courtesy of Tena Ridenour



Accreditation

Better Jobs, More Money

Accreditation—it's not just about paperwork.

Thanks to three recent accreditations on campus, students may have had a better chance of landing a job after graduation. They might have even seen a little extra in their paychecks for it.

The School of Business and the departments of technology engineering and allied health were all certified during the year.

According to technology department chair Dr. Don Mitchell, the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) gave its approval of Southwestern's technology engineering degree Sept. 1.

The process to accredit had begun in 1980. The technology department slowly started adding, revising and deleting classes from the department until the quantity and quality of

classes and instructors satisfied ABET.

The School of Business was accredited by the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs during the summer of 1997.

Of the more than 2,400 institutions in the nation that have business programs, Southwestern was one of approximately 500 schools to have been accredited by the two national accrediting associations.

The allied health department's occupational therapy program was accredited in the spring of 1997 by the American Occupational Therapy Association, a specialized accreditation body of the Committee on Accreditation in Education. Physical therapy, health care administration and medical technology were all accredited programs.

— Amber Graham

Mickey, Minnie and Tena Ridenour? This Southwestern senior spent her spring 1997 semester enjoying an advanced internship at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla., after completing another internship at the theme park the summer prior.

"My first intership I worked in merchandise," Ridenour said. "I sold panchos, panchos and more panchos!"

However, during her advanced internship, she got to do much more. She assisted with reporting sales figures for her department and reasorting merchandise—deciding which merchandise would sell best and which should be on the shelves.

Ridenour said the internship was valuable because it gave her "working knowledge, not just something that was in the book."

Although most internships for the School of Business had to be approved, she encouraged everyone to participate in one.

"Because of the experience I gained, I think internships should be required," Ridenour said.

— Amber Graham

McTommonney, Andrea, Clovis, NM,

Bachelor Bus Admin

Meece, Mark, Gainesville, TX, BS Pharmacy

Merkey, Darrel, Thomas, BS Education

Metheny, Kari, Watonga, Bachelor of Science

Miller, Amy Stewart, Duncan, BS Education

Miller, Casey, Weatherford,

BS Engineering Technology

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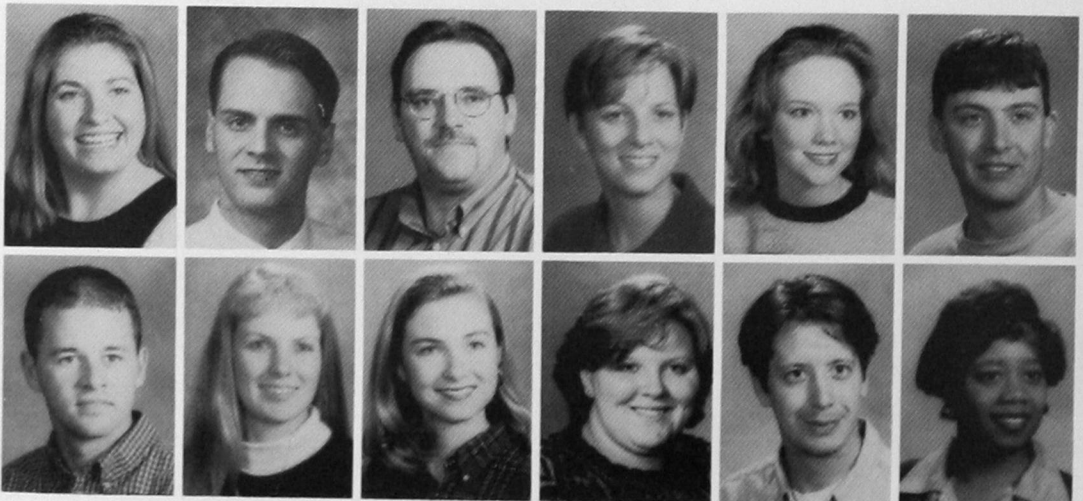
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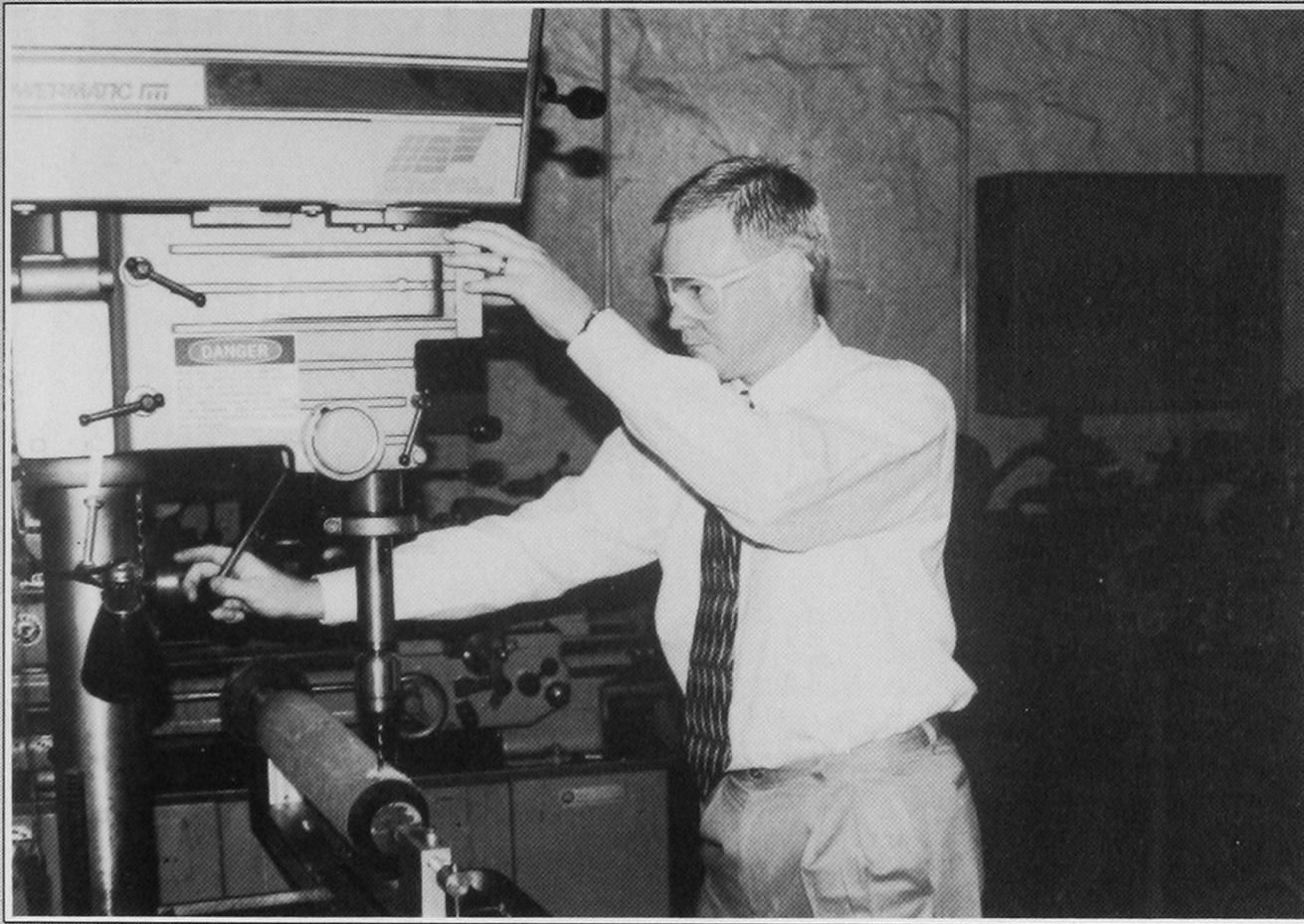
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Miller, Rebecca, Erick, BS Nursing

Miller, Robert, Thomas, Bachelor of Science

Miller, Sharlette, Ardmore, BS Education





Senior engineering technology major Derek Hawkins demonstrates how the drill press works. This contributed to Southwestern's Society of Manufacturing Engineers winning third place at the Chapter Officer Conference in Dallas.

- Photo by Steve Lounsbury

Engineering Ingenuity

It started as a project for the Capstone program, a new requirement for the newly-accredited manufacturing technology degree.

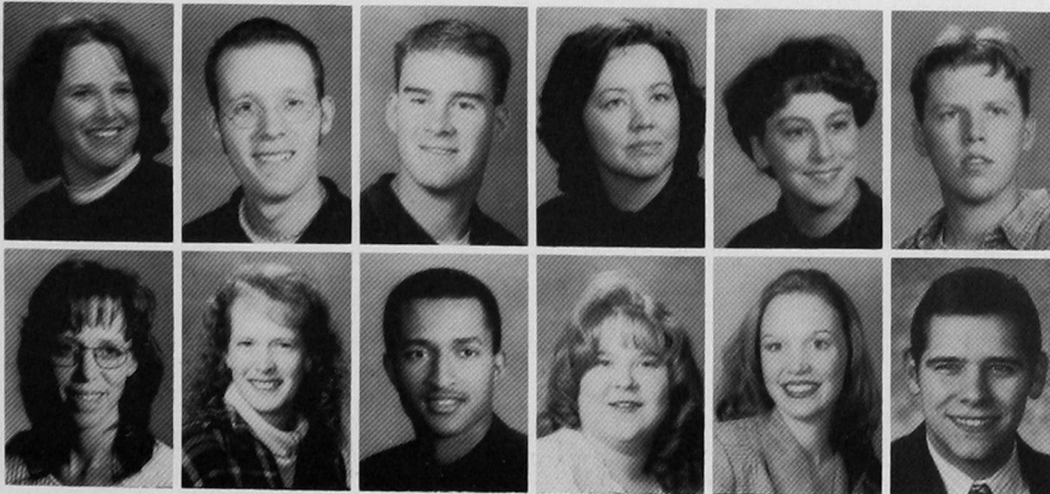
When completed, the project had turned into a mounting for a drill press that would accommodate round stocks of wood. Since instructors believed there was no other round type of machine in existence, there was even a possibility to patent the product.

Reydon senior Derek Hawkins and SWOSU graduate Shawn Horton, who began the project in the spring, said the Capstone project required that students implement the project from start to finish.

After borrowing the idea from their instructor, Hawkins and Horton got to work on their "indexing mechanism." The product could drill holes evenly spaced towards the center of round wood—a unique feat.

The project contributed to an overall third place finish for Southwestern's Society of Manufacturing Engineers at the Chapter Officer Conference in Dallas. The group competed against Baylor University, Oklahoma State University and other larger Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas universities.

- Amber Graham



Mincher, Dana, Elk City, BS Education
Minyard, Adam, Oklahoma City, BS Education
Montgomery, Branden, Yukon, Bachelor Bus Admin
Montgomery, Kathleen, Granite, BA Education
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Moore, Casey, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science

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Morrison, LaVonne, Cordell, Bachelor of Recreation
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Moxley, Brandee, Hydro, BS Health Info Mgt
Musae, Tyler, Yukon, Bachelor of Arts
Myers, Jeremy, Prue, BS Pharmacy

From homework to field trips

It's all in the numbers

Every person who graduated from Southwestern had something to do with numbers. Whether it was worrying over work study hours or having good numbers on transcripts and exams, numbers played a large role in your life the last few years. For some, numbers may have been to important; for others they meant little.

Richalle Allen, an accounting major



Photo by Cheryl Wagner

Dawn Crook, senior history education major from Guymon, pets a unicorn at the Renaissance Festival in Kansas City. The history club took the trip to learn about the medieval period.

from Leedey, said that she worked with numbers all the time and because of accounting she was able to be in Phi Beta Lambda and learn a lot more about business.

"I love working with numbers. It's fun and I understand it. Because of my accounting major I have been able to participate in accounting competitions," she said.

Amy Rice, a math education major from Boise City, said that numbers aren't meaningless to her, but fun.

"Math has always come easy for me. I like it a lot and I am good at explaining it. I think being a math teacher will be a lot of fun. It's not just an ability for me, it's something I enjoy doing," she said.

One Southwestern student who didn't start working with numbers is Ray Pierce. He was once a pharmacy major, but after time in organic chemistry, he wanted something else.

Pierce moved to computer science and for the last few years he helped to build web pages for the university.

"I love working with the internet. I love to work with all the technology.

It seems to right for me," he said.

Pierce added that he never minded dealing with all the numbers. He just looked at it as part of the territory.

All those numbers being part of the territory is not what some social science majors planned on. Remembering a hundred dates, the length of the Seven Year War, the total number of Louies and all the wives of Henry VIII could be a little bit annoying.

For Andy Simpson, a senior from Sam Norwood, Texas, it wasn't so bad. He said that history and social sciences was not boring to him, but actually fun and interesting.

"I like studying people-who they are and what they did. I like to learn about people in our history, to see where we came from," he said.

College seemed to be about studying where we have been to prepare us for where we are going. Just remember that the past or the future-it's all in the numbers.

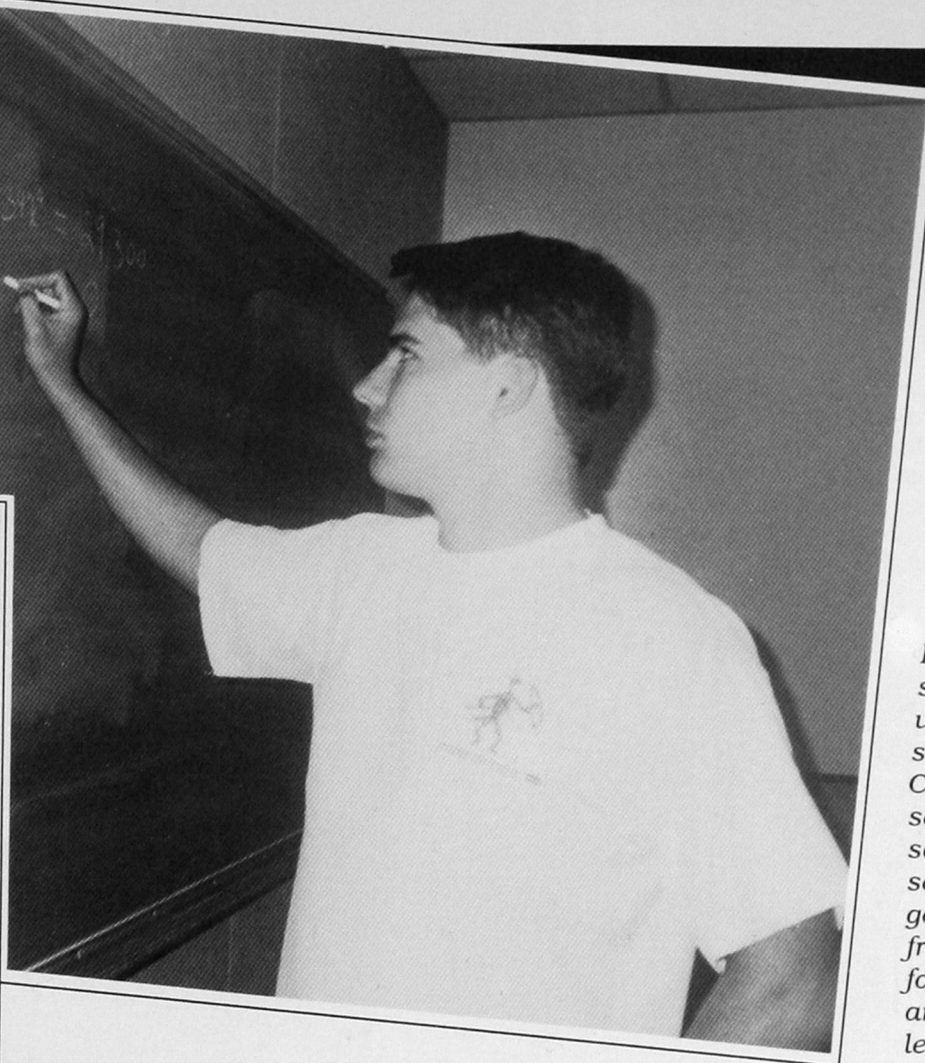
-Steven McLemore

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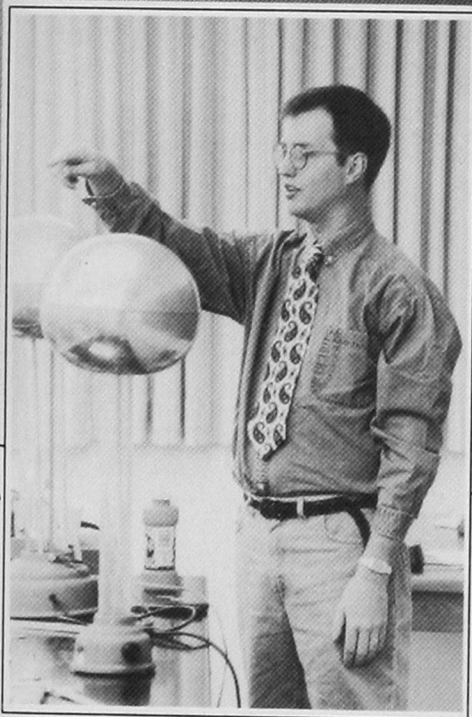
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Nguyen, Phunga, Dallas, TX, BS Pharmacy
O'Hara, T.D., Sentinel, BS Education
Oldham, Tandra, Blackwell, BS Pharmacy
O'Neill, Eddie, Clinton, BS Education

Osberry, Jessica, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
Osgood, Chad, Enid, Bachelor of Science
Owen, Charlotte, DeLeon, TX, BS Pharmacy
Owen, Cimoni, Leedey, Bachelor of Science
Owen, Vilette, Watonga, Bachelor of Science
Owens, Julie, El Reno, BS Education





Long hours of studying are not uncommon for most students. Chris Bryant, a senior from Hobart, said in the spring semester he spent a good portion of his free time studying for linear algebra and other senior level courses.



Physics teacher Adam Fisher experiments with static electricity in one of his classes. Most of his students found the experiment to be a "shocking" experience.

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 Page, Brenda, Weatherford, BS Education
 Patel, Ketan, Altus, Bachelor of Science
 Patel, Sandy, Lawton, Bachelor of Science
 Patel, Tanuja, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science

Payne, Keith, Altus, BS Industrial Technology
 Payne, Rick, Thomas, Bachelor Bus Admin
 Pearson, Jodi, Woodward, BS Education
 Penny, Jason, Duncan, Bachelor of Science
 Perryman, Jaymie, Stigler, BS Education
 Phan, Oanh, Oklahoma City, BS Pharmacy

Phillips, Kevin, Washington, BS Pharmacy
 Pierce, Ray, Levelland, TX, Bachelor of Science
 Pierson, Richard, Hinton, Master of Education
 Pitt, Sandra, Weatherford, Bachelor Bus Admin
 Pollard, Christy, Willow, BS Education
 Pool, Douglas, Kingfisher, Bachelor Bus Admin

As a requirement of his ropes course class, junior Paul Faulk rappels down the side wall at Crowder Lake. The new ropes course was free of charge to students.

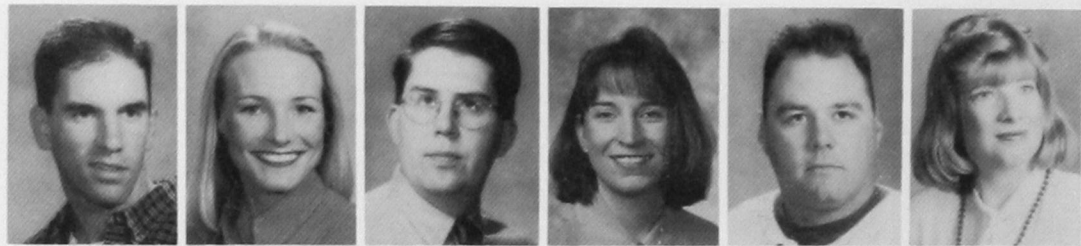
Junior Kim Miller and husband Greg take advantage of one of the many recreational activities now available to students at Crowder Lake. Canoeing, fishing, and access to the ropes course were some of the free services available at the university-managed lake.



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Porter, Jamie, Carter, Bachelor Bus Admin
Potter, Drew, Tucumcari, NM, Bachelor of Science
Potter, Lee Ann, Edmond, BS Pharmacy
Potts, David, Fremont, CA, Bachelor Bus Admin
Powers, Terri, Custer City, Bachelor of Science



Pruett, Shannon, Antlers, BS Pharmacy
Pruitt, Larry, Mutual, Bachelor Bus Admin
Pugh, Amanda, Clinton, BS Education
Rackley, Tina, Okeene, BS Education
Rainey, Amy, Sweetwater, BS Pharmacy
Ramirez, Marina, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science



Ramming, Robin, Hinton, Bachelor Bus Admin
Ratcliffe, Dana, Weatherford, BS Health Info Mgt.
 Bachelor of Science
Rawlins, Sheri, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
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Ray, Kay, Clinton, BS Nursing
Ray, Steve III, Weatherford, MS Applied Psychology



Body Works

Learning 'Outside the Classroom'

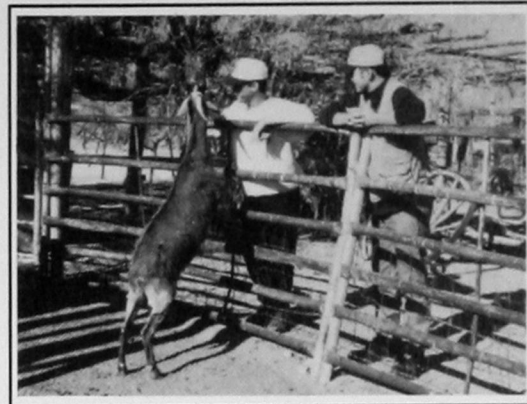


Photo courtesy Dr. Bill Seibert

Southwestern graduate Todd Cavins and junior Dustin McLemore take a break during their biology trip to Colorado to give a beer drinking goat his favorite beverage. Yes, the goat loves beer, and no, Todd and Dustin didn't share a cold one with the animal.

To better prepare themselves for the "real world", students put down their books from time to time for a little hands-on learning.

In the biology department, juniors and seniors participated in numerous trips throughout the year. During fall break, biology professor Dr. Bill Seibert took several students to the mountains in Colorado to camp.

The trip was a memorable experience for those involved.

"It was fun spending time with fellow students," said junior Jason Woodward. "The one thing I won't forget is how cold it was."

The biology department took

"While we were in Las Vegas, I saw a lady win \$98,000."

-Senior Mark Blaire

another trip over Thanksgiving break to lower Texas and Mexico to tour several observatories.

Students in the chemistry department also found time away from their studies to travel.

In September Dr. William Kelly, assistant professor of chemistry, and seniors Mark Blair and Justin Swaine traveled to Las Vegas to present a paper to the American Chemical Society.

According to Blair, the trip was a memorable one for more than just academic reasons.

"While we were in Las Vegas, a lady next to me won \$98,000," Blair said.

The health, physical education, and recreation department also stressed the hands-on approach. In early August Southwestern received the rights to care for and use the grounds at Crowder Lake. With the addition of the lake, the HPER department was able to put up a ropes course, then add canoeing,

kayaking, and many other activities to the intramural program.

Seniors were kept busy year round with summer camps and intramurals, which attracted nearly 80 percent of the student body.

Psychology students also gained hands-on experience by helping troubled youth at the Foss Lake Adventure Program. FLAP was student-run and was one of the few of its kind in the nation.

Through getting involved with a hands-on approach, students gained the experience necessary to succeed in the "real world."

-Mike Martin



Raymond, Jason, Scottsdale, AZ, Bachelor of Arts
Ream, Karen, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
Reasnor, Rebecca, Calumet, BS Education
Reed, Daniel, Weatherford, BS Education
Reese, Tami, Plainview, TX, BS Pharmacy
Regier, Shane, Mountain View, Bachelor of Science

Reneau, Cory, Borger, TX, Bachelor of Science
Rhea, Joyce, Cheyenne, BS Nursing
Rice, Amy, Boise City, BS Education
Richards, Garfield, Jamaica, Bachelor of Science
Ridenour, Colleen, Thomas, MS Applied Psychology
Ridenour, Tena, Turpin, Bachelor Bus Admin

Rizzardi, Marcia, Hurst, TX, BS Pharmacy
Roach, Sean P., Blair, Bachelor of Science
Roark, Kristie, Weatherford, BS Education
Roberts, Jeanne, Elk City, BS Education
Rodriguez, Rosa, Oklahoma City, BS Nursing
Rogers, Crystal, Pryor, BS Pharmacy

Prescriptives

Pharmacy, Nursing, Allied Health

For the temporary relief of minor aches and pains due to classwork, students in the pharmacy, nursing, and allied health departments had the cure.

Pharmacy students attended many events, including a Christmas party, a hypertension screening, a hamburger cookout, and the annual blood pressure certification. The department introduced a new doctor of pharmacy program (Pharm. D.), which was set to begin in June 1998. The importance of this new degree was not lost on those involved.

"This new enriched professional program has new accrediting guidelines, which reflect the contemporary roles of the pharmacist in the evolving health care system," said Dr. David Bergman, dean of the School of Pharmacy.

Nursing students gained valuable experience helping other students. In groups of three, they helped teach several wellness classes. They also witnessed the construction of new skills and computer labs. These labs replaced the old ones which had become too small to meet the growing demand of students.

"Our new labs will double the number of students who can use these labs at one time," said Dr. Pat Myer, chair of the nursing department.

Allied health students saw many changes for the better in their department as well. Not only did they receive accreditation for their occupational therapy assistant program, they also gained a new bachelor of science and health science degree.

According to allied health department chair, Dr. Gary Wolgamott, "This new degree provides another option for allied health students."

With the changes in these departments in 1997-98, next year promised to be even better.

-Ryan Barber

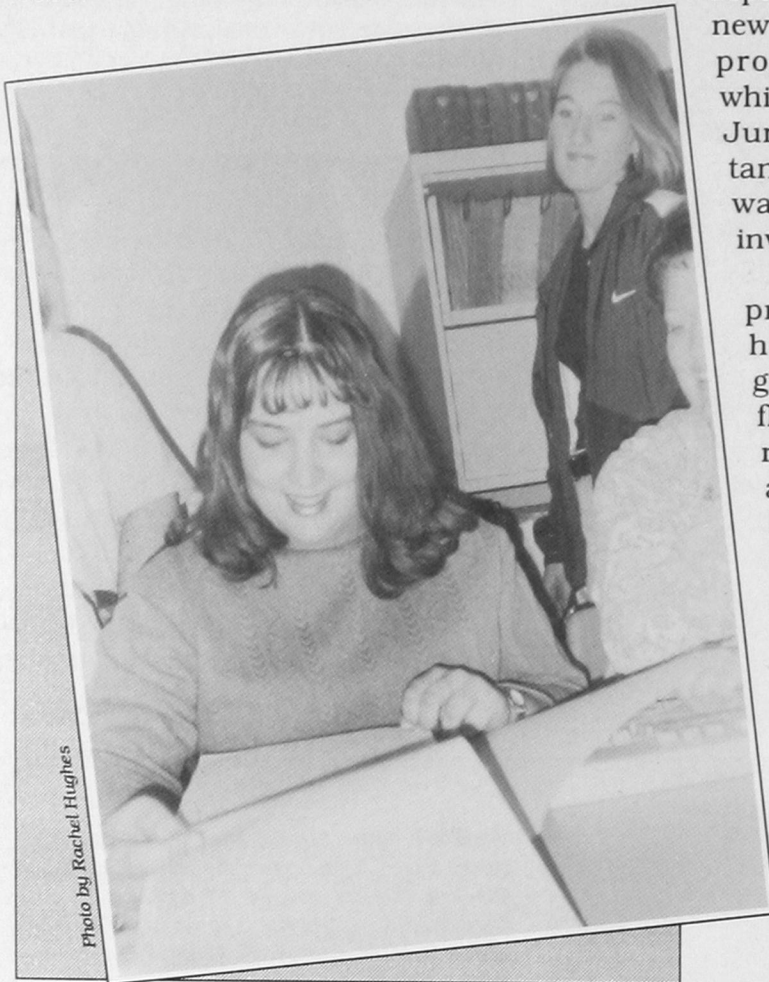


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Weatherford junior Lisa Wright looks over a patient's chart. Wright was one of a growing number who chose health information management as a major.

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Rutherford, Heather, Weatherford, BS Education

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Sager, Amanda, Duncan, Bachelor of Science
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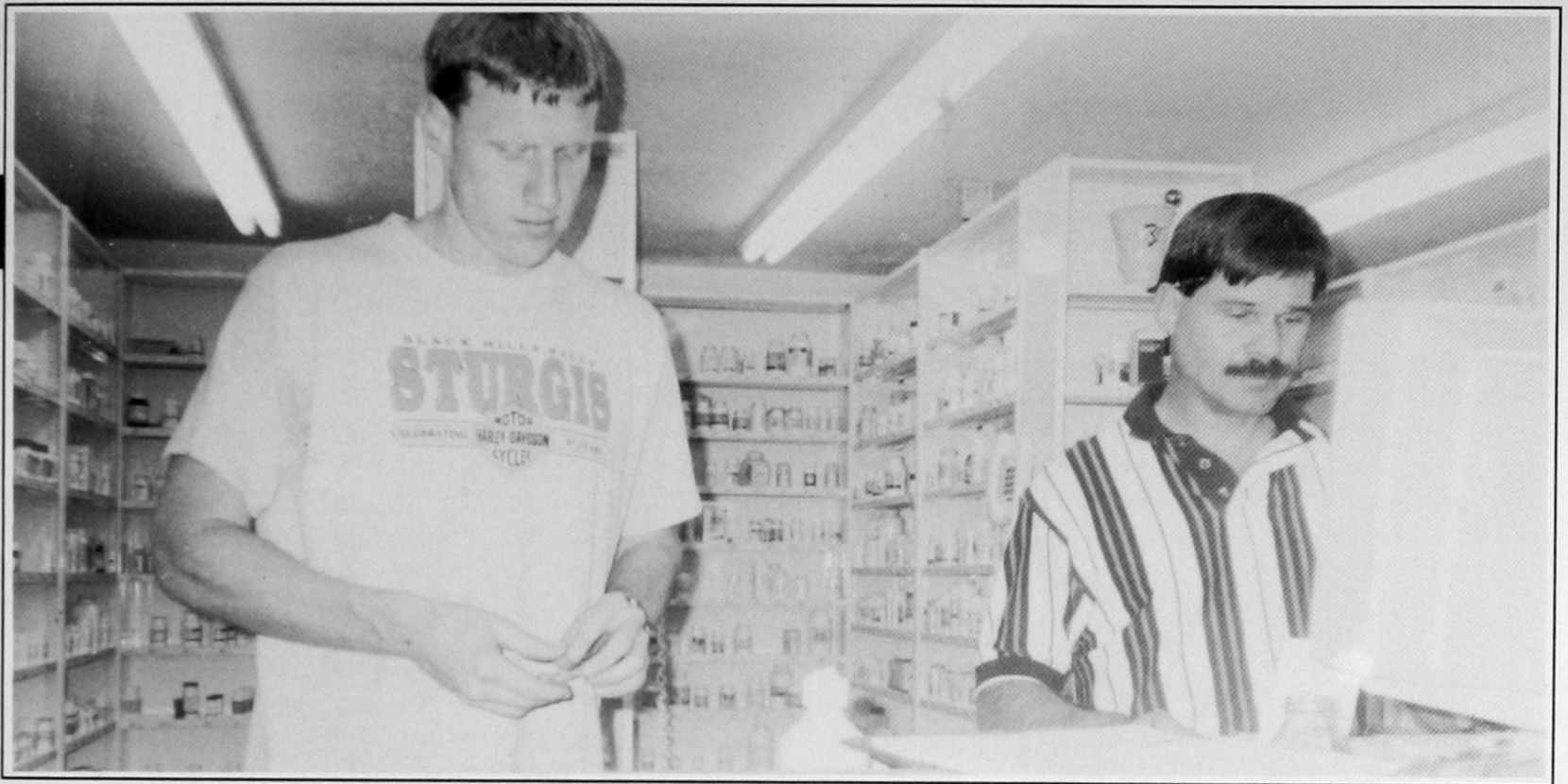


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Senior pharmacy major Dustin Harms and Southwestern alumnus Mike Schmidt are hard at work at More Than Medicine, a local pharmacy owned by Schmidt.

Col. Nancy Jaax signs a copy of the book based on her research for nursing student CeDana Lanig.

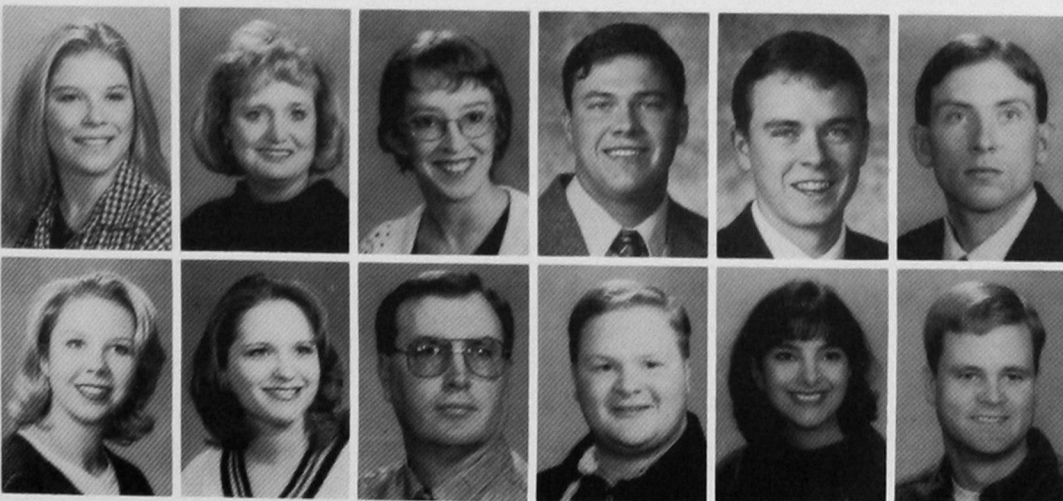
University nurse Lynne Studier coaches senior Jana Gonzalez as she takes the blood pressure of cousin Melissa Archer.



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Schneberger, Mary, Foss, BS Nursing
Schnee, Krista, Hinton, Bachelor of Arts
Schroeder, Ricky, Windthorst, BS Pharmacy
Seal, Chris, Weatherford, BS Pharmacy
Selfried, Stefan, Weatherford, BS Education

Sellars, Emily, Tuttle, BS Education
Shankle, Amber, Poteau, BS Education
Sharp, Doyle, Arapaho, Bachelor of Arts
Shaw, Greg, Tuttle, BS Education
Shelburne, Tracie, Pocasset, BS Education
Shelburne, William, Goodwell, BS Education

Rules and Regulations

More, more, more

Bigger and better was the theme of the education department. Additions and renovations occurred in more than the education building during the year. More regulations came into effect which meant extra work for students.

However, the new regulations

did not sway education majors. In fact, the fall 1998 class of student teachers had increased by 25 percent and the spring class had 93 students.

One of those was Matt Morgan who was placed in Merritt Schools. Morgan, a health and physical education major, coached junior high baseball and filled in occasionally for a home economics teacher. Morgan said he had not had any "bad parts" of student teaching, but he admitted high school boys were a challenge.

"They're ornery, real ornery," he said. "But I was just like that, so I understand."

Scott Fitzgerald, a Marlow health and physical education major, was placed at Clinton Elementary. Fitzgerald favored the younger students.

"High school kills me," he said. "You can't make them dress out, so you can't really make them participate. It was

great working with first and second graders."

Many graduating seniors, like Fitzgerald, planned to stay in Oklahoma to teach. However, the numbers of seniors searching for out-of-state jobs increased also.

The graduate program added a master's in agency counseling while the master's in library media and teaching were steadily being eliminated. Also, those working toward a master's of education would now be required to complete an interview for skills.

Yet even more requirements came into effect Sept. 1. The students had to be proficient in a foreign language and complete a portfolio. Plus, each student must have taken the Oklahoma General Education Test (OGET) and the Oklahoma Professional Teaching Examination (OPTE) before gaining certification.

-From reports by Cheryl Wagner and Angela Vesta

Senior health and physical education major from Marlow, Scott Fitzgerald, tries to teach an energetic elementary school student the timing of jumping rope.

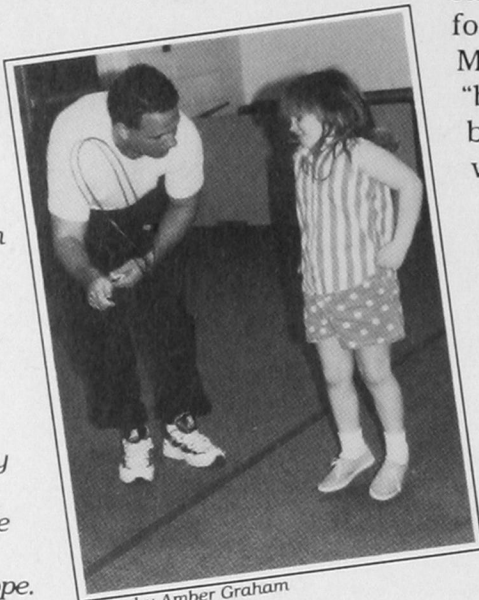


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Sinclair, Carl, Boise City, Bachelor of Science
Skorepa, Ricky, Guymon, BS Education
Sloan, Danica, Seminole, Bachelor of Arts
Smith, Amy, Guthrie, Bachelor of Science
Smith, David, Tulsa, BS Pharmacy

Smith, Derek, Amarillo, TX, BS Pharmacy
Smith, Grover, Pauls Valley, Bachelor of Science
Smith, Kathy, Hobart, Bachelor of Science
Smith, Keely, Liberal, KS, Bachelor of Music
Smith, Melissa, Oklahoma City, BS Pharmacy
Smith, Michael G., Evansville, IN,
 Bachelor of Science

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Steed, Carrie, Watonga, BS Education
Stelling, Travis, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
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Senior elementary education major from Texhoma, Jennifer Baber, practices teaching social studies units in front of other classmates. Preparing and teaching units were required of all students enrolled in teaching social studies in elementary schools.

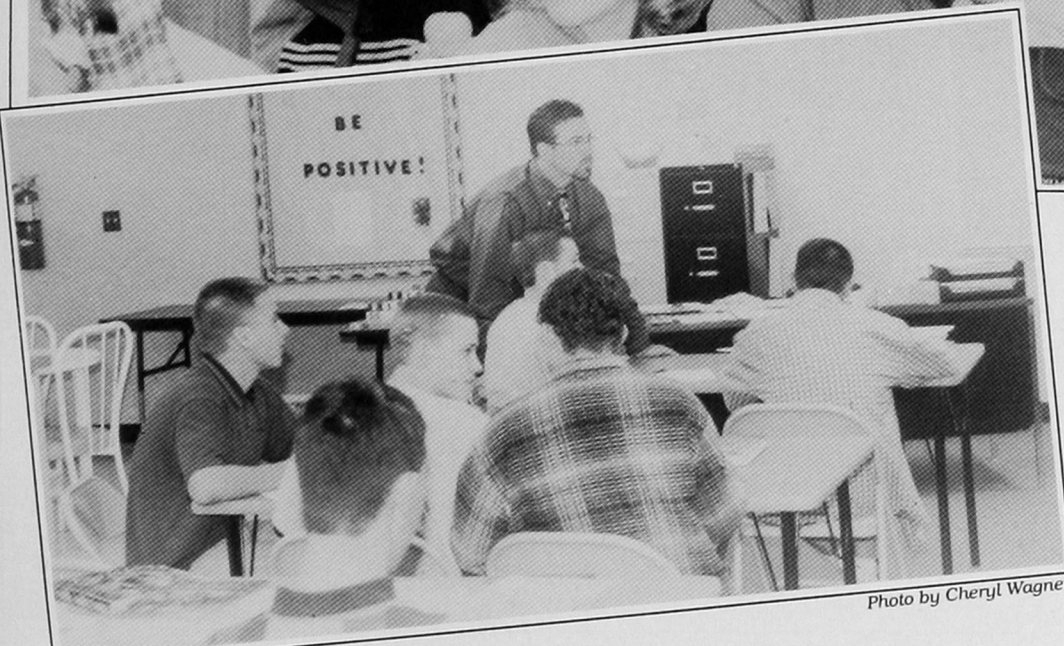
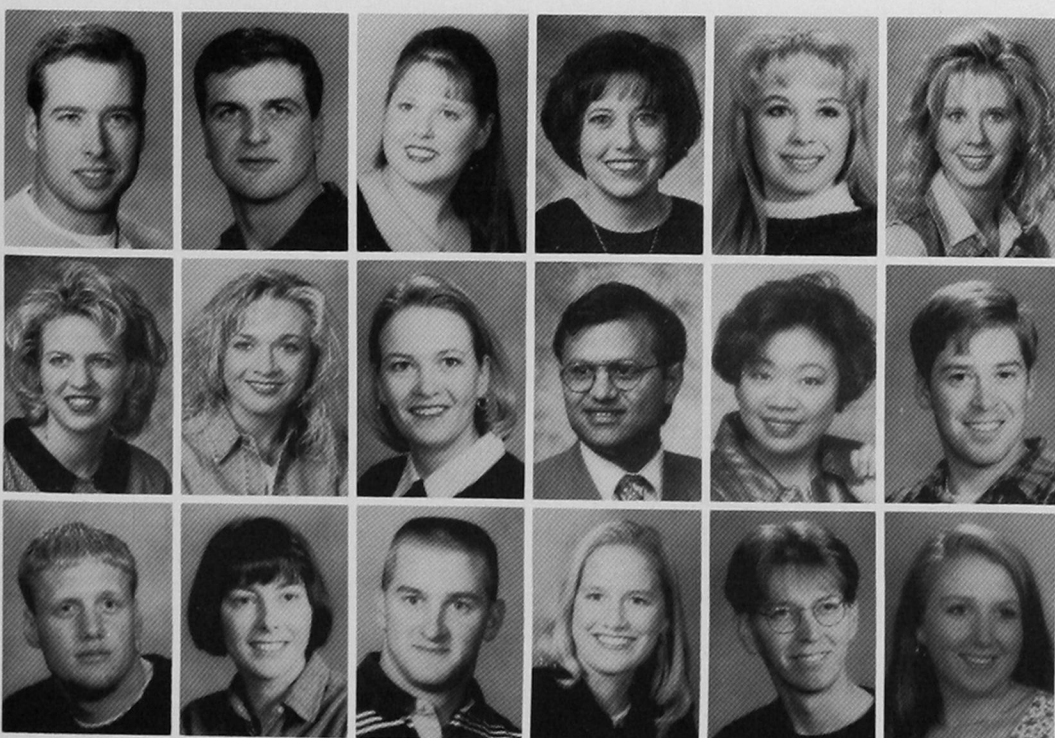


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Matt Morgan, a senior health and physical education major from Seminole, has been drafted to a home economics class to teach nutrition to a group of high schoolers at Merritt.



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- Stockton, Chad**, Hobart, Bachelor of Recreation
- Stout, Stacy**, Elk City, Bachelor of Science
- Stroud, Elizabeth**, Stinnett, TX, BS Pharmacy
- Suderman, Debbie**, Weatherford, Bachelor of Soc Work
- Sullivan, Kandi**, Maud, Bachelor Bus Admin

- Swaim, Rachelle**, Watonga, BS Pharmacy
- Swalley, Tonya**, Barlett, KS, Bachelor Bus Admin
- Swan, Shelli**, Weatherford, Bachelor Bus Admin
- Taghizadeh, Mike**, Oklahoma City, BS Pharmacy
- Tanidjaja, Yenny**, Indonesia, Bachelor of Science
- Tatum, Andy**, Union City, BS Education

- Teague, Jeromy**, Clinton, Bachelor of Science
- Teague, Sarah**, Lawton, Master of Education
- Teasley, Craig**, Weatherford, BS Education
- Teasley, Leslie**, Weatherford, Bachelor Bus Admin
- Thiessen, Cory**, Hydro, Bachelor of Science
- Thompson, Donna**, Okarche, Bachelor of Recreation

Rory Littleton's character, Leslie, comforts Beth Lakey's character, Kate, in the play "Sylvia" which the Theatre department performed during the spring semester.

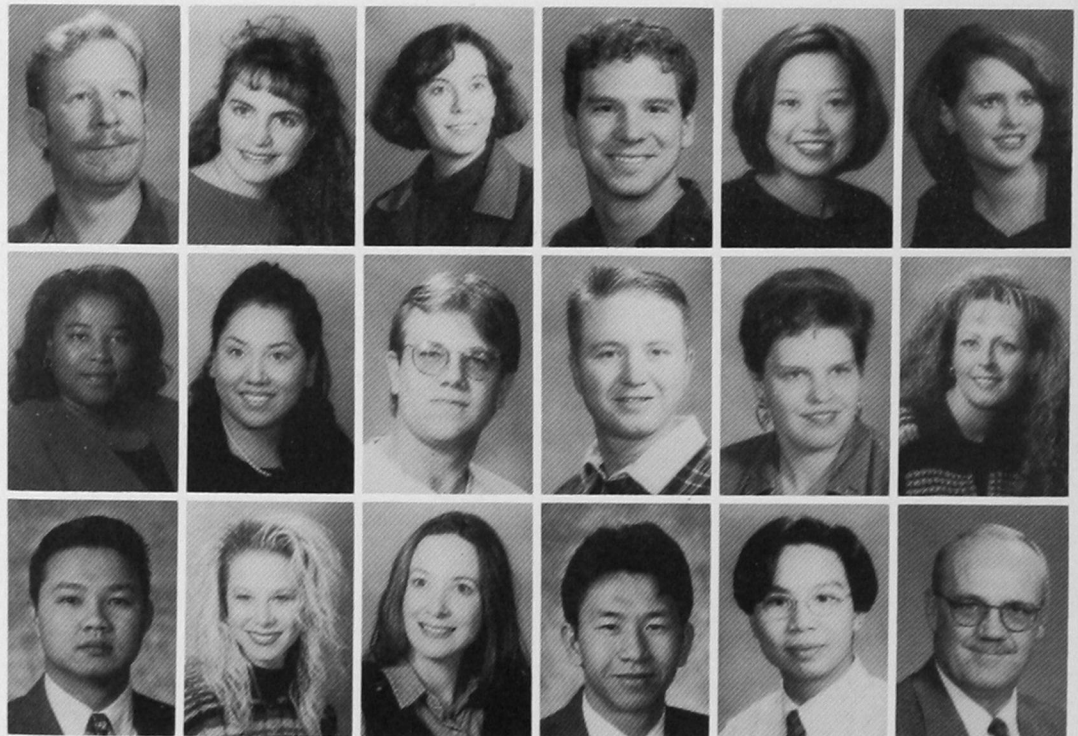
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Thurston, Jeana, Elk City, BS Nursing
Toczko, Christina, Copan, Bachelor of Arts
Toczko, Darren, Bartlesville, Bachelor of Science
Tolentino, Joy, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
Tolle, Amy, Clinton, Bachelor of Science

Toombs, Cori, Kansas City, KS, Master of Education
Toppah, Amber, Lawton, Bachelor of Arts
Touchstone, Tony, Elk City, Bachelor of Science
Towe, Kirk, Weatherford, BS Education
Townsend, Terri, Clinton, BS Education
Travis, Marci, Marlow, BS Education

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Trujillo, Patricia, Weatherford, Master of Education
Truong, Kim, Yukon, BS Pharmacy
Tso, Timothy, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
Uptergrove, John, Granite, BS Education



Growing Strong

Going for the Gold

The few students of liberal arts were not the so few any longer. Over the past two years the departments of communications, music, theatre, language arts, and art had grown tremendously.

It was only last year that the students yearning for a communication arts degree were satisfied. This year, more than 60 students chose the major. A handful of these students churned out the weekly paper, *The Southwestern*.

Theatre churned out two plays per semester, and the forensics team brought back 18 awards in their first competition alone. The team had qualified for nationals every year since the program was started in 1990.

"The professors go out of their way to help you; I'm really going to miss them when I graduate," said speech emphasis senior Sunny Craig.

The art department boasted 60 students and five faculty. They may

have seemed short-handed, but the professors made the classes educational but fun.

"Everyone seems to enjoy all the art classes. I don't believe there is a class the students dread taking," said department chair Joe London.

One hundred and fifty students took part in the music department whether in marching band, instrumental band, jazz band, or the many choruses. The students provided half-time entertainment at ballgames, but the *Southwestern Singers* and the *Chamber Choir* also traveled over western Oklahoma and to places such as Tulsa and Dallas.

The seniors proved to play a vital role in all departments by providing great leadership.

"One of our major assets is our seniors. When I was a freshman, I knew exactly what was expected out of me. They set a great example for the rest of the group," said junior vocal music major Melet Springer.

- JoLynn Steele

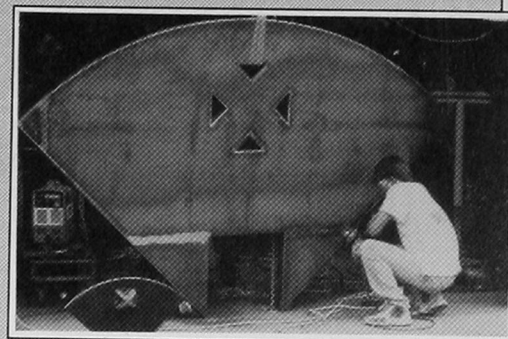


Photo courtesy Gary Hickerson

Hickerson Unveils Work

Senior art major Gary Hickerson was only one of nine who unveiled their art in the art gallery during the spring semester.

Hickerson's spiritual sculpture took 65 hours and cost \$3,100 for labor and materials. Because of its size, 6 feet high by 10 feet wide, the finishing touches had to be added at W & W Manufacturing.

This particular piece could be interpreted as largely environmental. The circular elements represented earth, while the square elements represented industrialization.

"My work talks a lot about me and what I believe," Hickerson said.

To Hickerson, art was a way of expressing himself, like painting a picture with words is to a writer. He was quick to share the credit.

"I believe we are created in God's image, and He has given us that ability to create."

- from a story by
Amanda Madden



Valderas, Teresa, Altus, Master of Education
Vanderpoel, Mike, Richardson, TX, BS Pharmacy
VanMeter, Charity, Canton, BS Education
Vesta, Angela, Newcastle, Bachelor of Arts
Victory, Gretchen, Marietta, Bachelor of Music Ed
Vincent, Amy, Leedey, Bachelor Bus Admin

Vogel, Marcia, Myra, TX, BS Pharmacy
Wagoner, Mark, Yukon, Bachelor Bus Admin
Wagoner, Michelle, Enid, Bachelor of Science
Wahl, Jennifer, Arkansas City, KS, BS Pharmacy
Wall, Shanda, Waurika, BS Nursing
Ward, Carrie, Camargo, Bachelor of Science

Watkins, Amy, Lawton, Master of Education
Weber, Kay, Fay, BS Education
Wellman, Melissa, Enid, BS Education
West, John, Enid, Bachelor of Science
Westrope, Cassie, Tulsa, BA Education
White, Travis, Sayre, Bachelor of Soc Work

PERFORMERS

Jazz Festival

Senior instrumental music major Walter Tarkington joined visiting musicians with his bass during the Jazz Festival in February.

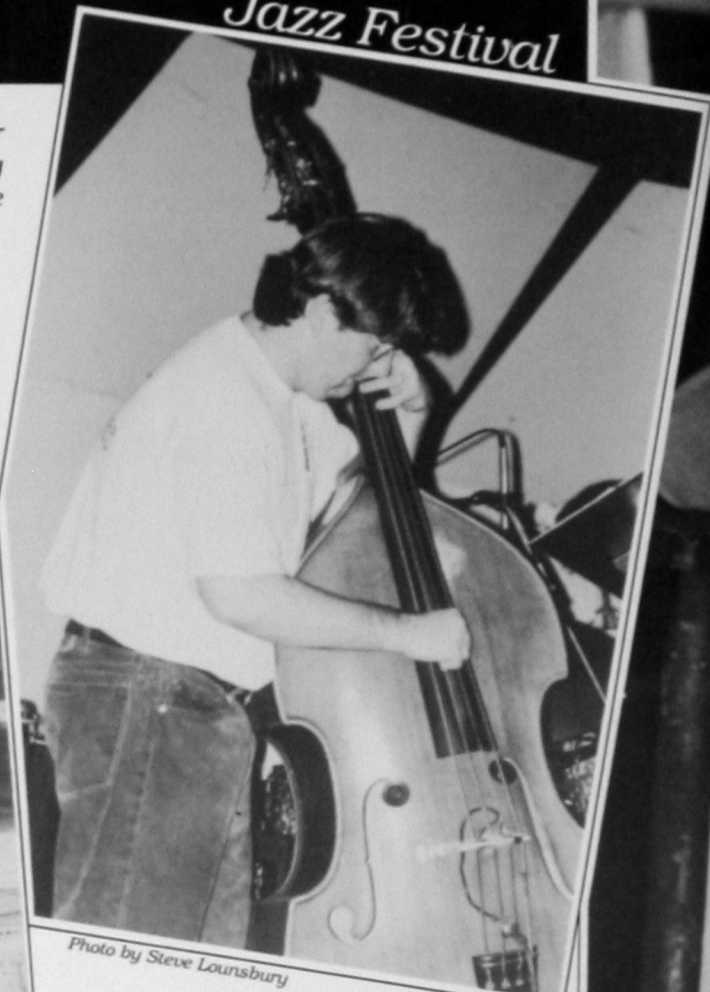


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Senior Exhibitions

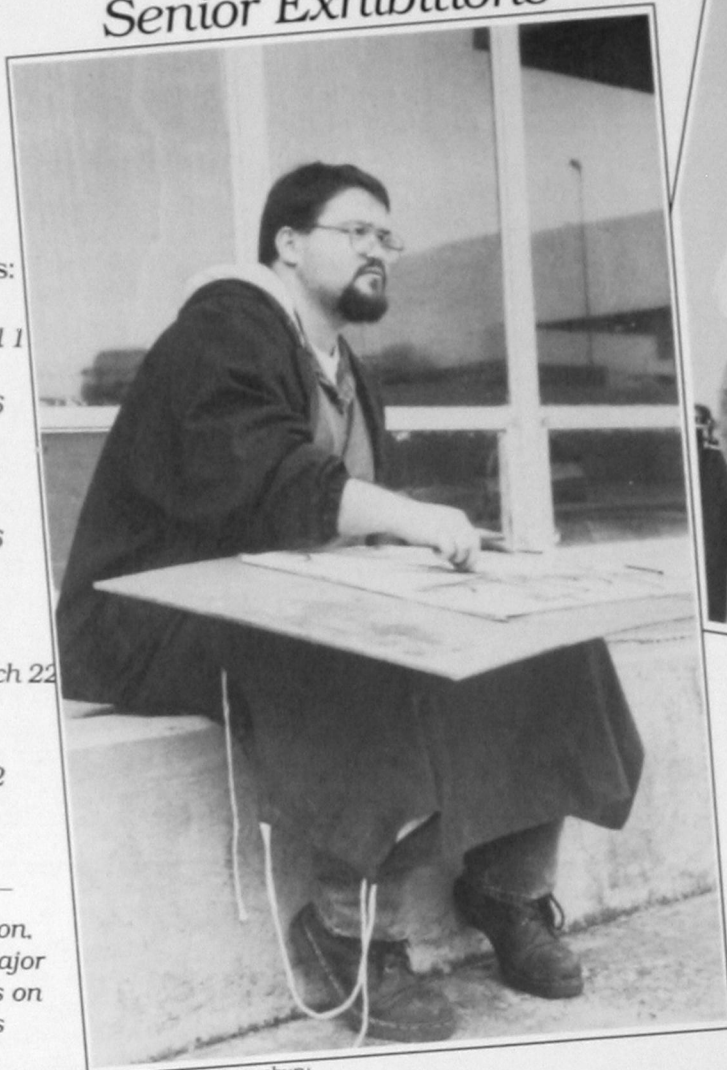


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ART

Senior Exhibitions:

- Brian Caldwell
March 23 to April 1
- Tami Deshell
April 27 to May 6
- Jan Gimlin
Feb. 8 to Feb. 22
- Staci Headrick
April 27 to May 6
- Gary Hickerson
Feb. 23 to Mar. 5
- Shauna Jarvis
March 16 to March 22
- Atlanta
Loewenkamp
April 2 to April 12
- Melissa Pantoja
Feb. 8 to Feb 22

Senior Brent Johnson, a graphic design major from Buffalo, works on one of his drawings behind Parker Hall.

THEATRE

- Molly Sweeney - Sept.
- A Cheever Evening - Nov.
(Rhonda Combs and Chad McCoy,
Irene Ryan nominees)
- Sylvia - Feb.
- Rhymes under Wrap - April
(A night of masks, poems, and magic)

Whitefield, Michelle, Weatherford, BS Education
Whitehead, Steve, Seattle, WA, BS Pharmacy
Wichert, Amber, Fairview, Bachelor of Science
Wilcher, Susan, Altus, BS Nursing
Wilkerson, Janie, Wellington, TX,
 Bachelor Bus Admin

Williams, Justin, Oklahoma City, BA Education
Williams, Linnie, Hollis, BS Pharmacy
Willis, Eric, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
Willis, Tammy, Verden, BS Education,
 Bachelor of Science
Wilson, Kelly, Elk City, Bachelor of Recreation



Theatre Productions



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A familiar face in Southwestern productions is senior Heather Sprague.

Atlanta Loewenkamp puts the final touches on her artwork before it goes on display in early April.

Senior Exhibitions



Photo by Kim Lovecchio

MUSIC

In the fall the music world seemed to come to you. The band played at football halftimes and parades; the Chamber Choir and Jazz "A" traveled to various high schools.

During the spring semester, you had to come to them. The calendar was full of concerts throughout spring.

But the main event of the year was the annual February Jazz Festival when Southwestern music majors got to combine their talents with noted jazz performers like Eddie Daniels and the Frank Mantooth Quartet and an awed audience came from across the state to listen.



Witt, Jeremy, Oklahoma City, BS Education
Wolfe, Shandelle, Weatherford, Bachelor of Science
Womack, Michael, Elk City, BS Pharmacy
Woodruff, Rebecca, Hollis, Bachelor of Arts
Worley, Kevin, Weatherford,
 BS Engineering Technology

Wray, Monica, Shattuck, BS Education
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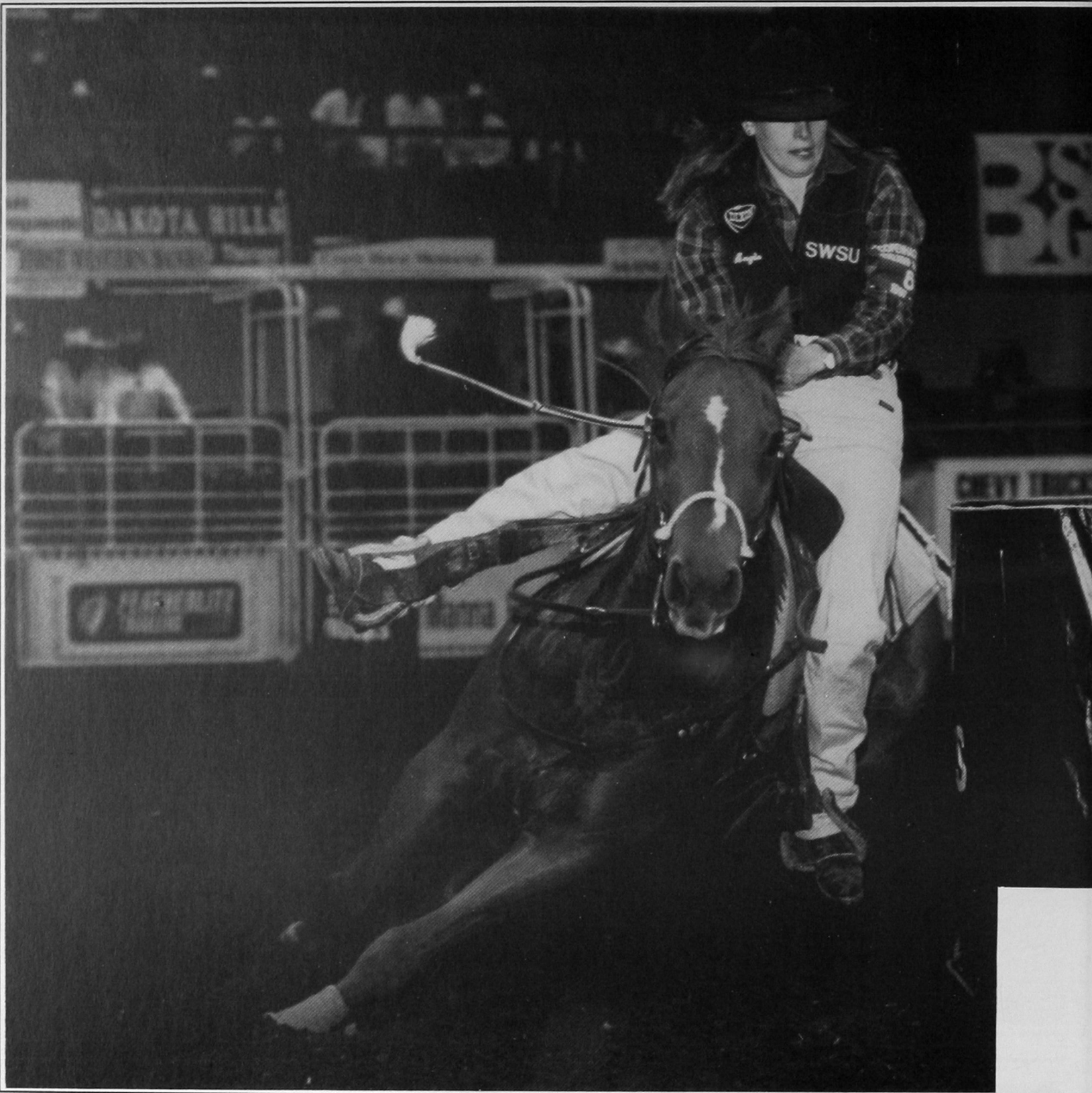


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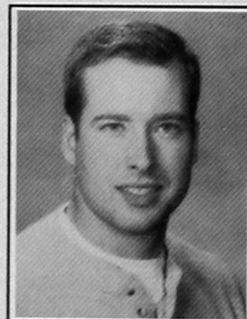
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said it

What game or event will you remember the most?

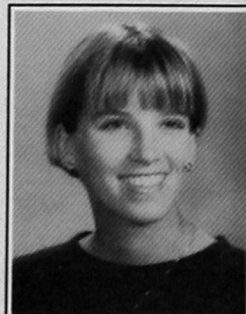
"Our football game against Texas A & M Commerce. I came in late and led the team to a touchdown. It gave me a lot of confidence."

-Christian Stillings
Tybee Island, Ga.



"Last year at the NAIA national golf championship. I finished in the top ten and was named an All-American."

-Melanie Folsom
Broken Bow





Angie West Wisman, a senior from Newalla, competes in the barrel racing in the 1997 College National Finals Rodeo last summer. The women finished sixth as a team, while the men finished second.

U *scored!*

You were there. When the final buzzer went off, the ball rolled around the rim and exuberantly the hands of all Southwestern students shot straight up. You knew this was one of those times you wouldn't forget.

College athletics are full of those breath-taking, heart-stopping moments and this year was no different. Tougher competition and higher standards faced all Southwestern teams in the school's first year of NCAA Division II competition. The move proved a worthy challenge as all athletes were asked to step up to the tougher competition.

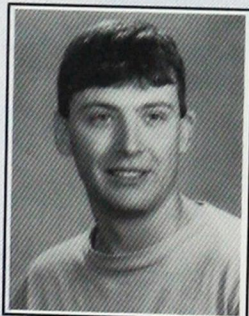
The football team played schools that have been established in NCAA for years, but still managed to win their division. The women's basketball team played a much tougher schedule but was still regarded as one of the top programs in the nation. Both rodeo teams continued to break records as they continued their winning tradition.

All athletic teams from Southwestern, regardless of the final outcome, showed what it was to be a Bulldog.

No matter what the final score, Southwestern students did it right when it came to

sports

"The last few years, I was able to be on teams with guys who are now ranked at the top of the world, not just in collegiate rodeo, but in the world."



-Casey Miller Weatherford

"Two years ago, we went into three overtime periods against Phillips University. We ended up winning. It was a good game."

-Tammy Gooch Binger



"A few years ago, we hosted a golf tournament and it snowed and was really cold. We had to play golf in the snow with a zero windchill."

-Jeff Johnston Borger, Texas

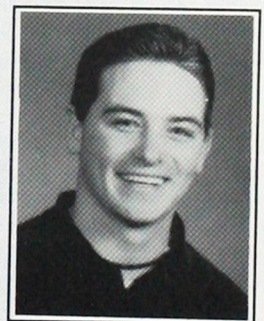


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Members of the men's rodeo team who competed in the 1997 CNFR are Ty Massey, Clark Dees, Corey Navarre, Shawn Minor, Dustin Drake, Davey Shields and head coach Don Mitchell. The team spent most of 1998 in first or second place and looking to better last year's second place finish in the nation.



Dustin Drake, a senior from Sayre, competes in the bull riding competition in last June's College National Finals Rodeo in South Dakota.

Noteworthy

Former Southwestern cowboy Eric Mouton was the 1998 NFR world bareback champion. Mouton was honored in between basketball games for his achievements in rodeo.

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Albaugh, Ms. Patricia, Asst Prof, Social Sci
Alsbach, Mr. George, Cataloging, Librarian
Alsberg, Mr. Fred, Asst Prof, Language Arts
Altland, Mr. David, Programmer, Computer Services



Armoudian, Ms. Ahga, Asst Prof, Language Arts
Armoudian, Dr. Garabed, Chair/Prof, Physics
Ball, Ms. Sue, Instructor, Biology
Barnes, Mr. Robert, Asst Dir, Auxiliary Serv
Baughter, Ms. Madeline, Instructor, Computer Sci
Baughter, Dr. Richard, Professor, Technology



Holding on for first

Cowboys, cowgirls look to be best in nation

The rodeo teams began practice early, before most Bulldog teams had begun to prepare.

The teams, which had competed at the College National Finals in South Dakota last June, were led by veterans.

Last year, the men's team finished as Reserve National Champions. The team performed well with their national championship hopes resting on Cory Navarre's last bull ride.

If Navarre could have a qualified ride the team would win; after a rough six seconds, he hit the arena floor and the team finished second.

The women's team didn't do as well, finishing eighth in the standings.

But head coach Don Mitchell was proud of both teams' performances, knowing they had gained valuable experience for the year coming up.

In early September, the team started their run at another CNFR with their first stop at Colby Community College in Kansas. The women's team started a winning tradition that took them all the way through the season. They next finished second at Dodge City, first at Pratt Community College, second at Kansas State, second at Fort Scott and third at Panhandle State.

At press time, the women sat in the top spot in the region standings with a commanding lead over second place Panhandle. Seniors Angie Wiseman and Shawn Wise and junior Sonya Coy were each in the upper standings in an event. Coy and Wiseman were leading the barrel racing standings with Coy in first and Wiseman in a close second. Wise also dominated the region standings in the breakaway competition.

Other seniors on the team were Renee Patzack and Tonya Swalley. Seniors on the men's team were Dustin Drake, James Griswold, Bryce Hoisington, Ty Massey,

Casey Miller, Jerome Schneeberger, Rusty Snider and Patrick Whitehill.

The men's team experienced an up and down year by trading the top spot in the region with Panhandle State every couple of rodeos.

The team won two rodeos at press time, Dodge City and Fort Scott, and finished second at the Panhandle State rodeo. The team sat in second place in the region behind Panhandle.

Southwestern dominated the bull riding standings with the top four spots in the region being occupied by Southwestern cowboys. Navarre led the way followed by Mike Visnieski, Drake and Danny Varnedore.

The team also fared well in the bareback riding with Davey Shields in third and Clark Dees in fifth. Jeremy Hennigh was in second place in calf roping.

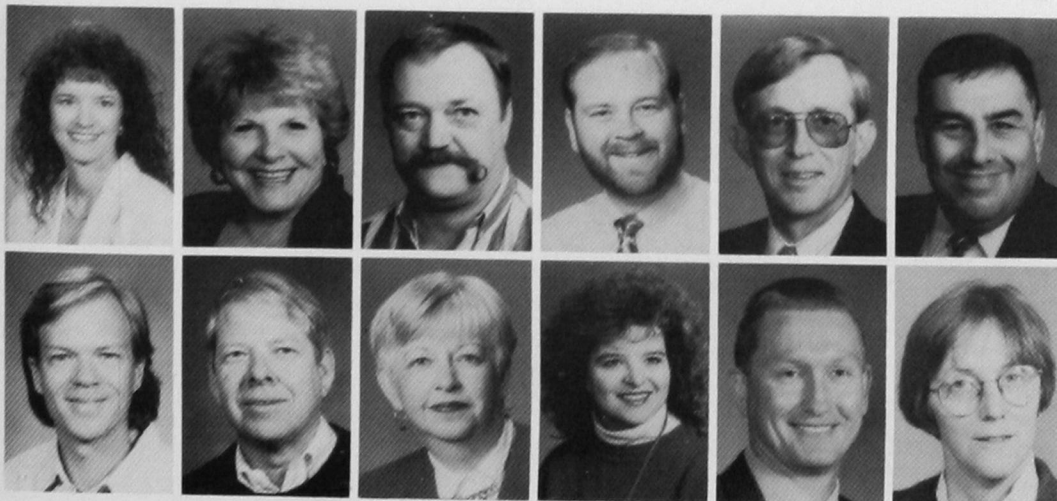
Both teams looked to finish strong and make another appearance in the CNFR.

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-Mike Martin



Members of the women's team who competed in the CNFR last June are Jana Campbell, assistant coach Shelly Johnston, Angie Wiseman, Shawn Wise, Sonya Coy and head coach Don Mitchell.



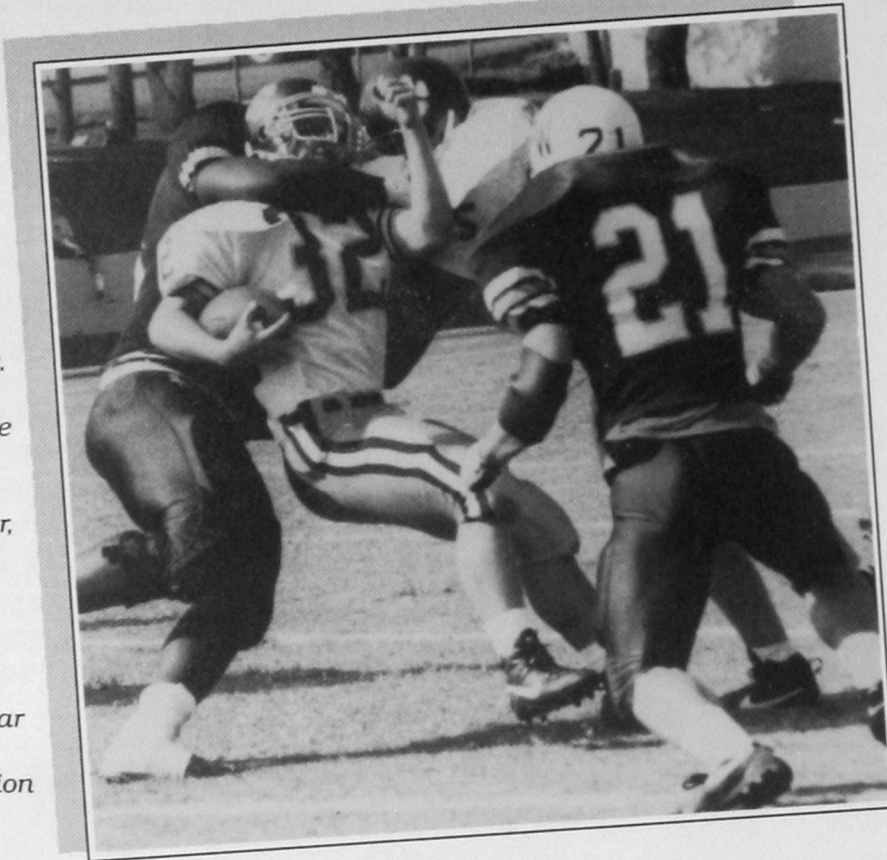
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Becker, Mr. Larry, Manager, University Press
Behara, Mr. Darin, Dean of Students
Bell, Dr. Gary, Asst Prof, Technology
Bergman, Dr. David, Dean, School of Pharmacy
 & School of Health Science

Bessinger, Mr. David, Asst Prof, Music
Blagowsky, Dr. Jim, Professor, Psychology D-Dec 15, 1997
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Boggs, Ms. Lisa, Instructor, Biology
Boyd, Mr. Todd, Director, HS/College Relations
Bradfield, Ms. Jan, Asst Prof, Art

New Dogs on the block

Bulldogs new to division, still finish first

Senior Brandon Tucker puts a strangle hold on a Ouachita Baptist Tiger at Homecoming. The 12-6 win was the Bulldogs first of the year. Tucker, a senior from Los Angeles, Calif., was selected to the Lone Star Conference North Division first team.



The football team overcame an 0-4 start to win five of their last six games and clinch a tie for first in the tough Lone Star Conference North Division.

In the team's first year of NCAA Division II, they faced a much tougher schedule against teams already established in Division II and other Oklahoma teams making the transition.

Despite being new, the reigning NAIA champions were determined to make an impact. The Bulldogs were picked to finish third in the division while the University of Central Oklahoma was the unanimous pre-season pick to win.

The Bulldogs entered division play winless and facing a homecoming game against Ouachita Baptist. Freshman kicker Kyle Bengs set a school record with four field goals in the game and the Bulldogs won 12-6.

The climb uphill continued the next weekend when the team defeated Southeastern in Durant. The next test came from Northeastern, with the Redmen winning a tough game 7-6.

Entering the biggest game of the year, the Bulldogs were not favored to beat 10th ranked Central Oklahoma. The Dogs put out the

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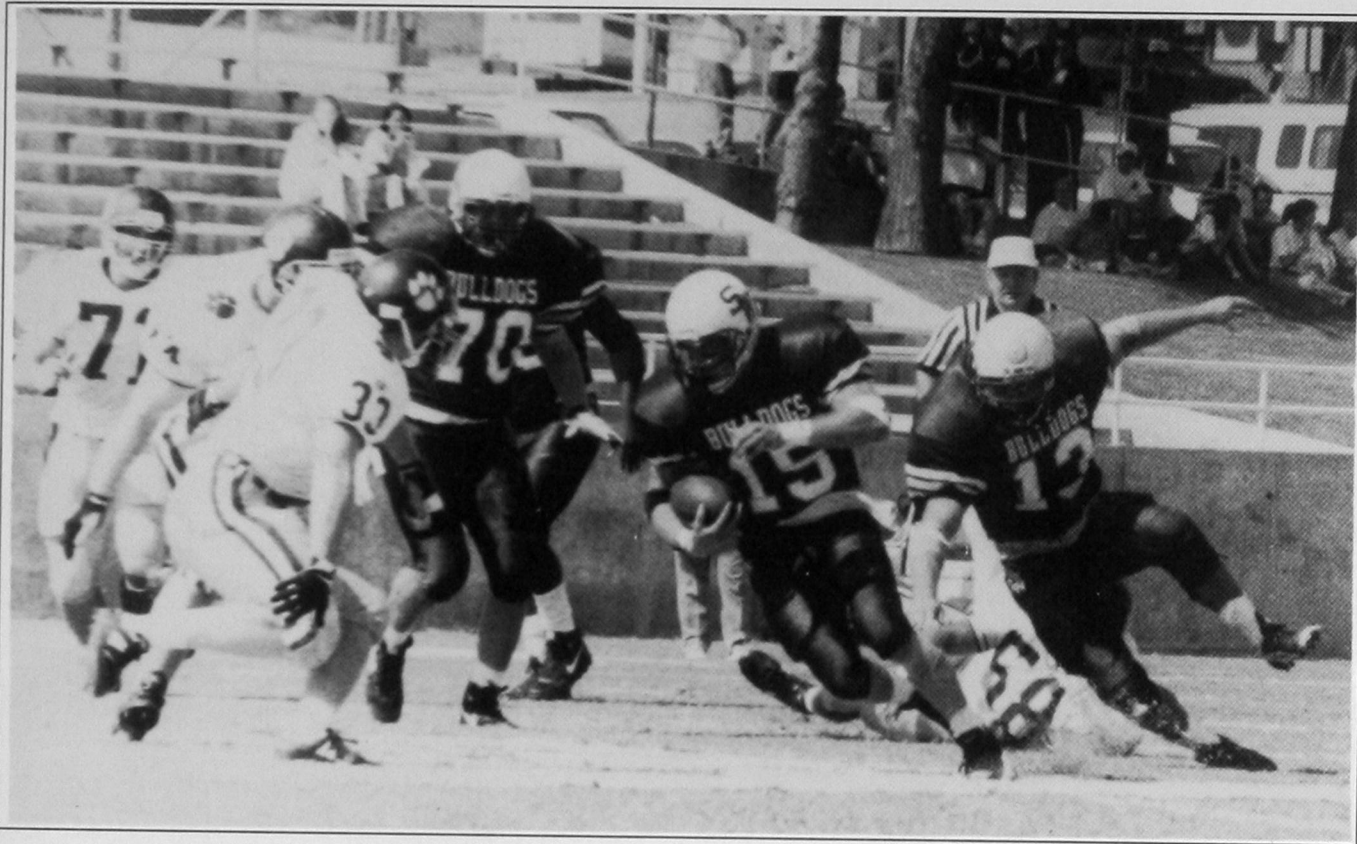
The Bulldog defense tightens up against the Texas A&M Commerce offense early in the year. The Bulldogs fought hard but lost the game 17-7.



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Buddy, Ms. Nancy, Asst Prof, Accounting/Finance
Busch, Dr. Dianne, Professor, HPER
Casebeer, Dr. Kelvin, Professor, Mathematics
Chapman, Dr. Charles, Chair/Prof, Music

Chapman, Ms. Sara, Instructor, Social Sciences
Church, Dr. Gerald, Assoc Prof, Mathematics
Clark, Mr. David, Bursar
Coates, Dr. David, Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences
Connelly, Dr. Michael, Assoc Prof, Social Sci
Craig, Dr. Viki, Asst Prof, Language Arts





Christian Stillings (15) runs for daylight against the Ouachita Baptist defense at Homecoming. The start was Stillings' first, and the win was the first for the Bulldogs.

team's best game of the year and beat Central 33-17. The win put Southwestern in a three-way tie with Central and Northeastern for first in the division.

Big wins over East Central and Harding followed and, in their first year of membership, the Bulldogs were first in the Lone Star North.

Post season honors followed, including senior free safety Landon Curtis' being named Lone Star Conference North Division defensive back of the year. Curtis led the team with five interceptions and 97 tackles. He was the sixth leading tackler in the Lone Star and was second for interceptions.

Seniors Brandon Tucker and Mark Patterson were also named to the first team. Tucker, a senior from Los Angeles, had 39 tackles.

*the*Final Score

Overall Record: 5-5

Lone Star North: 5-1

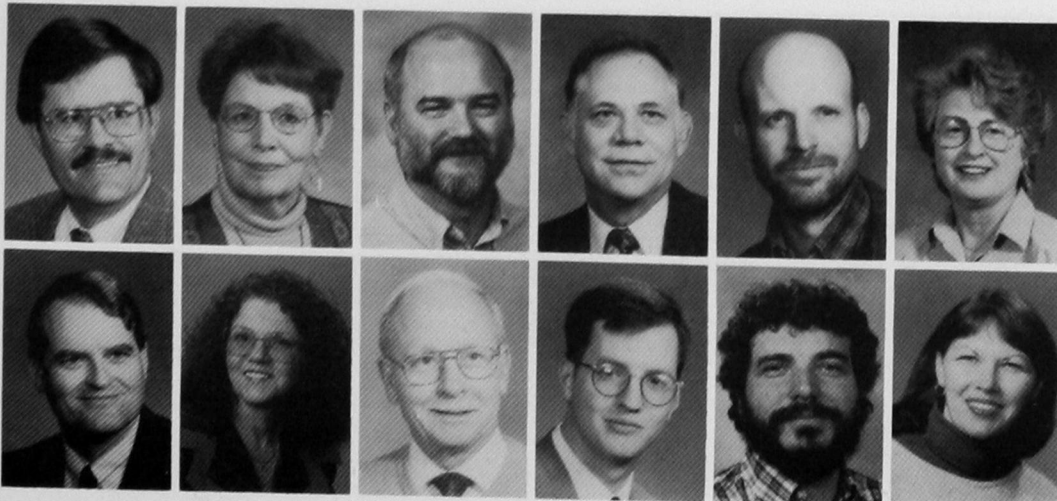
Patterson, a senior from Tuttle, finished out his Bulldog career with 275 tackles. In 1997, he was second on the team with 96

tackles. He also recovered three fumbles.

Five Bulldogs were named to the second team. They were Brad Woodard, Damon Willis, Charwick Reed, Jason Penny and Matt Ethers. Honorable mention went to Kirk Talley and Dewayne Richardson.

Three players were named to the Academic All-Conference team. Offensive tackle Casey Alexander, Curtis and strong safety Branden Montgomery were all named to the team, based on GPA, football achievement and academic standing.

-Steven McLemore



Crall, Dr. Leslie D., Assoc Prof, Bus Admin
Creach, Dr. Glenda, Asst Prof, Education
Deimling, Dr. Michael, Assoc Prof, Pharmaceutical Sci
Dill, Dr. Dan, Dean/Prof School of Arts & Sci
Dorlac, Mr. Bob, Asst Prof, Art
Dye, Ms. Thelma, Instructor, Nursing

Fagan, Mr. Tom, Director, Business Affairs
Ferrell, Dr. M. Elizabeth, Asst Prof, Bus Admin
Fiegel, Dr. Mel, Prof Emeritus, Social Sci
Fisher, Mr. Adam, Instructor, Physics
Fisher, Dr. Edward, Assoc Prof, Pharmaceutical Sci
Flett, Ms. Jane, Asst Prof, Social Sciences

A year to remember

Ladies win division; coach wins 700

This past women's basketball season was memorable for many reasons. Some remembered it as the last year of NAIA competition, others for the team making its ninth consecutive trip to the NAIA national tournament in Jackson, Tenn. Whatever the reason, it was a year to remember.

In the team's first year of membership in the Lone Star Conference, the women tied for first in the north division. Southwestern finished conference play at 11-3, sharing first with Southeastern Oklahoma State (Durant).

Also applaudable was that in his 17th year at Southwestern, head coach John Loftin won his 700th career and 600th collegiate game. At Southwestern, Loftin had accumulated an overall record of 459-72 and five national titles.

This fall started with big expectations. The team was ranked preseason at No. 2 in NAIA. Some tough losses early-on caused some concern about the squad. A first round loss in the NAIA national tournament also caused doubt about the actual success of the team.

Regardless of team losses, the year was bannered by individual honors.

Nelly Onjiko, a junior from

Mombasa, Kenya, was named to the Lone Star North first team. Onjiko averaged 10.6 points and 9.2 rebounds. Onjiko was also named as an NAIA honorable mention All-American. She led the team in rebounds, steals and blocks.

Mindi Bedford, a senior from Webbers Falls, was named defensive player of the year for the division. Bedford was the team's fourth leading scorer and leader in assists. She was also named as conference honorable mention, along with teammates Erica Downes and Jana Hilbert.

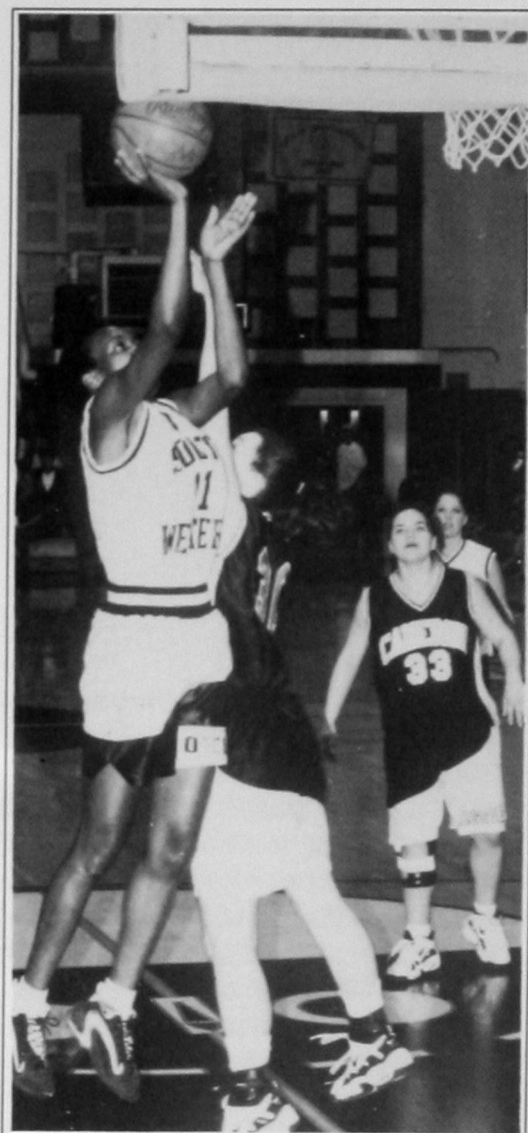
Looking back at the season, coach Loftin said he hadn't known early on what to expect from the squad.

"At the beginning of the year I didn't think we would win 20 games or go to the national tournament," he said. "But this group worked harder than any group I have ever had. They improved 100 percent over the season."

Loftin offered over-achieving leaders as a reason for their success.

"My seniors were why we improved so much. They were just blue-collar workers; they didn't have great talent, but they worked so hard for what they had. Those seniors were responsible for our doing all the things we didn't think we could do," he said.

-Steven McLeMore



Nelly Onjiko shoots for two over the top of the Cameron defense in the Bulldogs' 63-56 win. Onjiko, a junior from Mombassa, Kenya, was named to the Lone Star Conference North Division first team.

Foust, Ms. Cynthia, Asst Prof, Nursing
 Frame, Dr. Harlan, Prof Emer/Adjunct, Chemistry
 French, Dr. Benny, Professor, Pharmaceutical Sci
 French, Dr. ElGenia, Assoc Prof, Pharmacy Prac
 Gadberry, Dr. Lowell, Chair/Assoc Prof, Education
 Gales, Dr. Barry, Assoc Prof, Pharmacy Prac

Gentry, Mr. Jeff, Instructor, Comm Arts
 Gerber, Ms. Midge, Asst Prof, Business Admin
 Gilliland, Ms. Vicky, Coord Field Exp/Inst Education
 Godley, Dr. Larry, Assoc Prof, Elem/Sec Education
 Grant, Dr. Peter, Assoc Prof, Biology
 Graybill, Mr. Duwayne, Instructor, Technology



Head coach John Loftin instructs the women during a time-out. Loftin won his 700th career game and 600th collegiate game as a head coach. By year's end, Loftin had collected 707 wins and 140 losses.

Team members are (front) LaTisha Lang, Mindi Bedford, Tracy Root, Mandy Hewitt, Jill Kleiwer, Erica Downes and trainer Rosylnn Dunn. (back) Coach John Loftin, Kristi Dickerson, Nelly Orjiko, Sendra Smith, Erica Johnston, Jana Hilbert and assistant coach Shelly Pond.

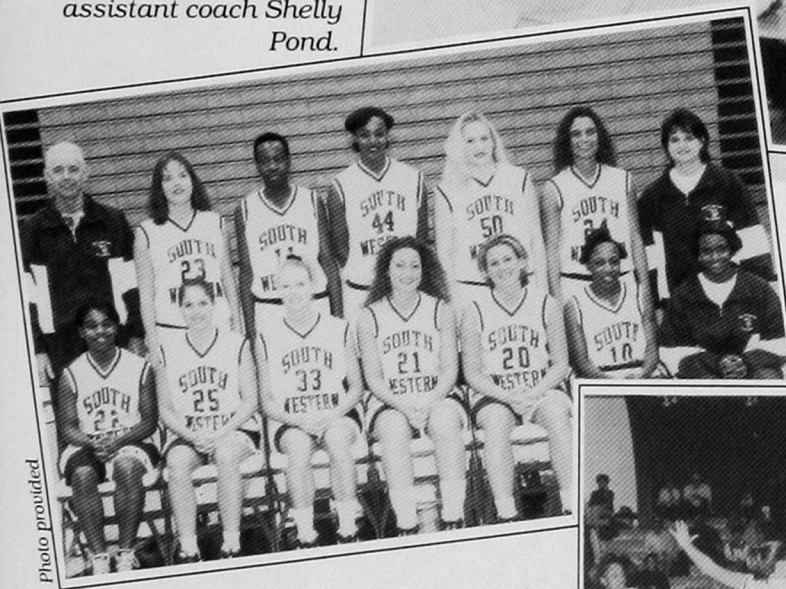
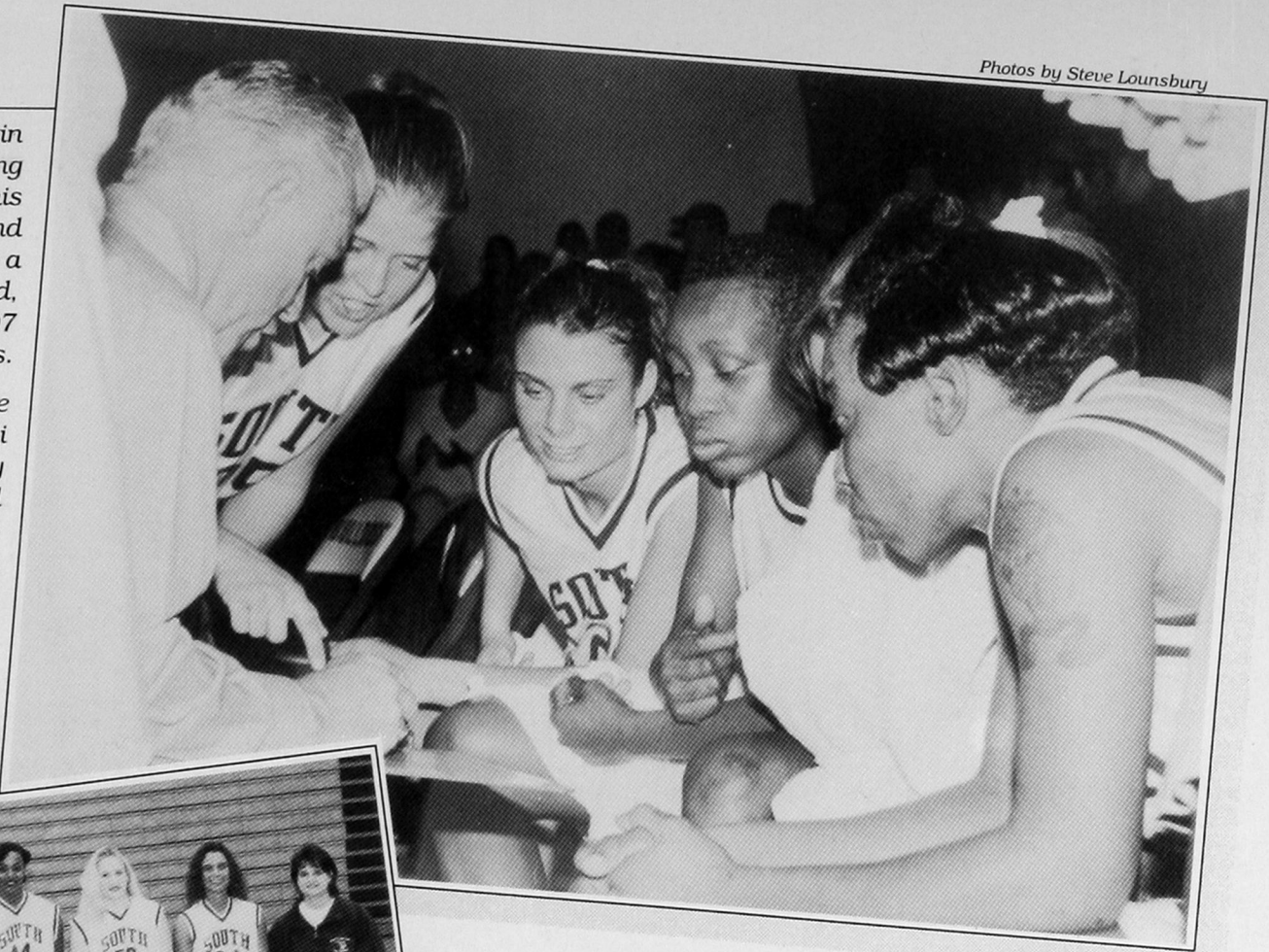
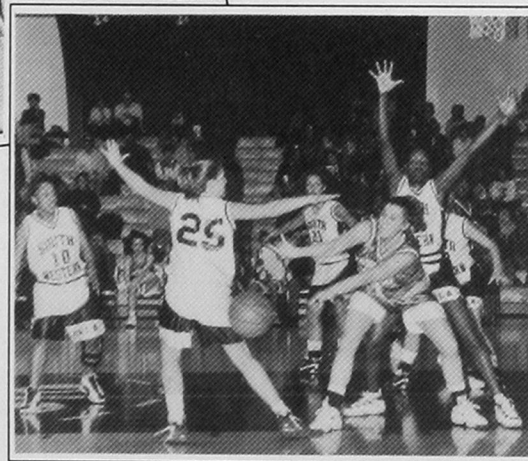


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Nowhere to go is what this Northeastern Lady Red finds against the Southwestern defense in February's match-up in Weatherford. The 63-56 win was the second for the Bulldogs over Northeastern for the year.



the Final Score

- Overall Record: 21-8*
- Lone Star North: 11-3*
- Home Record: 12-2*
- Road Record: 8-4*
- Neutral court record: 1-2*



Griffin, Dr. James, Professor, Technology
Hamburger, Ms. Denise, Asst Prof, Business Admin
Hankins, Dr. Marvin, Assoc Prof, Business Admin
Harper, Ms. Patti, Director, Pharm Cont Ed
Hart, Dr. Daniel, Asst Prof, Acct/Finance
Hatton, Dr. Vicki, Asst Prof, HPER

Hayes, Dr. Wayne, Assoc Prof, Mathematics
Henson, Ms. Faye, Asst Prof, Allied Health
Hertzler, Dr. Donald, Chair/Prof, Chemistry
Hertzler-Crum, Ms. Linda, Instructor, Language Arts
Hoffman, Mr. Kirk, Director, St Housing & Act
Howard, Ms. Linda, Instructor, Comm Arts

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T.J. Mack puts up a shot against Cameron. The Dogs defeated Cameron in Lawton 74-70 but lost 89-62 in Weatherford.



Bulldog Head Coach George Hauser talks to JoJo Daniels, Roderick Dunn, Nathan Miller and Joe Davis during a timeout against Cameron University.

Photo provided



Team members include (front) Roderick Dunn, Charles Smith, Brent Martens, Kris Avant, Brady Hamar, Tre Davis, Bobby Smith and Courtney Davis. (back) Assistant coach Scott Peterman, Nathan Miller, Joe Davis, T.J. Mack, Delancey Donley, JoJo Daniels, Patrick Brewer, Bryan Hough and assistant coach Paul Leafgreen.

the Final Score

Overall Record: 7-20

Lone Star North: 5-9

Home Record: 2-8

Road Record: 4-10

Neutral court record: 1-2

Hunsicker, Dr. James, Professor, Psychology
Jackson, Ms. Carolene, Asst Dir. Child Dev Lab
Jent, Dr. James, Asst Prof. Technology
Johnson, Ms. Sandy, Asst Prof. Mathematics
Jones, Ms. Beverly, Director, Library
Jones, Dr. Jill, Assoc Prof. Language Arts
 President, Faculty Senate

Jones, Dr. Ray, Professor, Physics
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Shooting for the top

Men fight hard, fall short

Facing a tough schedule and a rebuilding year, the men's basketball team surpassed the expectations of many and were competitive in their first year of NCAA Division II.

Coach George Hauser's team faced road games for nine of their first 12. After an 0-10 start in the fall semester, the men rebounded to win six of their first seven games in the spring.

The men finished sixth in the Lone Star North but still competed in the OIC playoffs, where they lost to Northwestern in Alva. The men finished the season at 7-20.

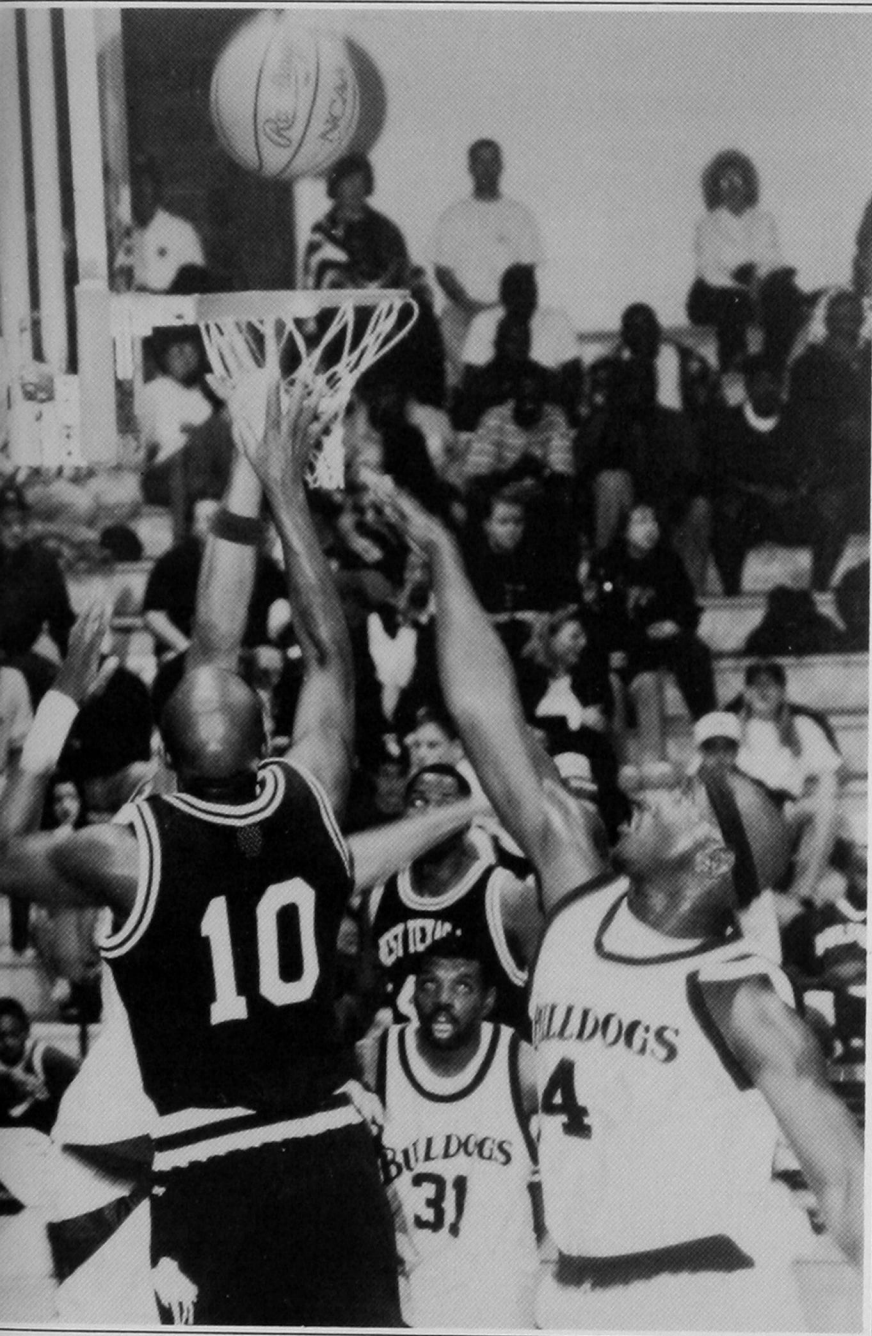
Throughout the year the team was led by a trio of players who each played only one semester.

Derrick Bogay, a senior from East St. Louis, played in the spring but still led the team in scoring. He averaged 20.5 points and exploded for 48 in a home game against the University of Central Oklahoma. In that game, Bogay set three school records: most points in a game (48), most three-pointers made in a game (9) and most three-pointers attempted in one game (17). Bogay was named to the Lone Star North first team and an honorable mention NAIA All-American.

Other players showed a lot of promise, despite tough losses. Senior DeLancey Donley averaged 19.2 points and 7.8 rebounds in the fall while Joe Davis averaged 11.9 points in the spring.

JoJo Daniels, a four-year player for Southwestern, averaged 8.4 points and 4.1 rebounds. Daniels led the team in assists and was second in blocks and steals.

-Steven McLemore



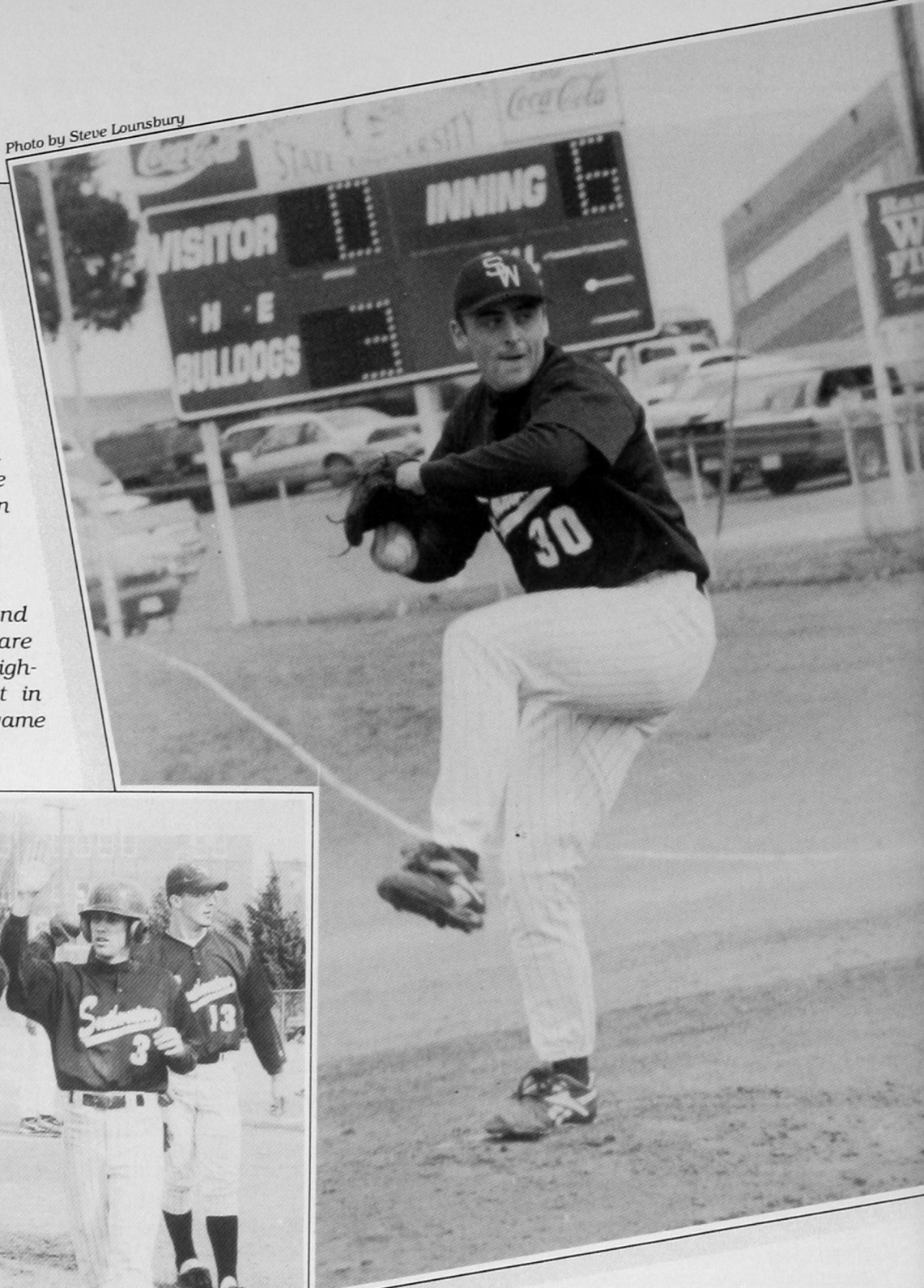
Senior JoJo Daniels defends the goal against West Texas A&M. The matchup was the first between the two teams since Southwestern joined the Lone Star Conference. The Bulldogs lost the game 86-56.



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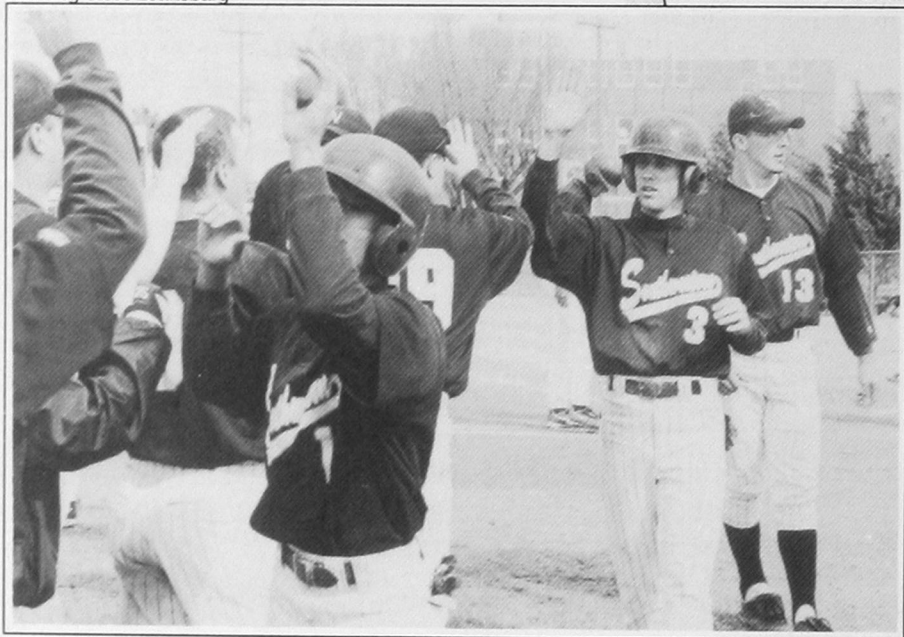
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Sophomore Brent Zulyniak from Canada pitches against Eastern New Mexico in early spring. Even though the game resulted in a 4-3 loss, the team went on to win 11 out of their next 20 games.

Senior Todd Barnhart, from Clinton, and junior Isaac Williams, from Edmond, are congratulated by their teammates with high-fives for scoring against Ouachita Baptist in early April. The team won all of the four-game series.

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'Dawgs get tough

Baseball has rough start, but recovers

The Southwestern baseball program went out with a bang, playing a season of streaks while competing in their last NAIA season.

As the season kicked off in February, the Bulldogs started slow, losing 13 of their first 20 games. However, senior pitcher Albis Ramos said after the Abilene tournament the team took it upon themselves to make a change.

"We had a team meeting and we all told each other that we needed to play harder; we needed to play Bulldog baseball," Ramos said. "Since then, things have really changed. Guys on the bench are standing up cheering and we are just having fun. We are playing hard and giving 110 percent."

The record reflected this attitude change. The Bulldogs won 11 of the next 13 games. The big win of the streak came when they defeated 12th ranked Oklahoma City

University 18-12.

"It is all attitude with our team," senior catcher Greg Segraves said. "If we play hard and come out really

pumped, we can beat anybody. If we come out flat with no enthusiasm, then anyone can beat us."

Eight returning seniors were the key to strong leadership for the team. Playing in their final season, Lee Beaver, Todd Barnhart, Rodney Cope, A.J. Misialek, Albis Ramos, Shane Robinson, Greg Segraves and Bobby Wechsler all played in their final season for the Dogs.

Another factor that turned the season around was pitching.

"All of our pitchers have been throwing strong, especially

Brent Zulyniak, who currently holds a 6-1 record," Geurkink said in early spring.

Pitcher Albis Ramos added that its easier to pitch for a team doing well.

"The offense makes you want to pitch," Ramos said. "You know you are going to win when the team puts up runs like we have."

As the Record went to press in mid-April, the Bulldogs were preparing for their shot in the playoffs. Coach Geurkink felt the team could make some noise in the tournament, and even, with a little help, win it.

- From reports by Mike Martin and Jeff Bell

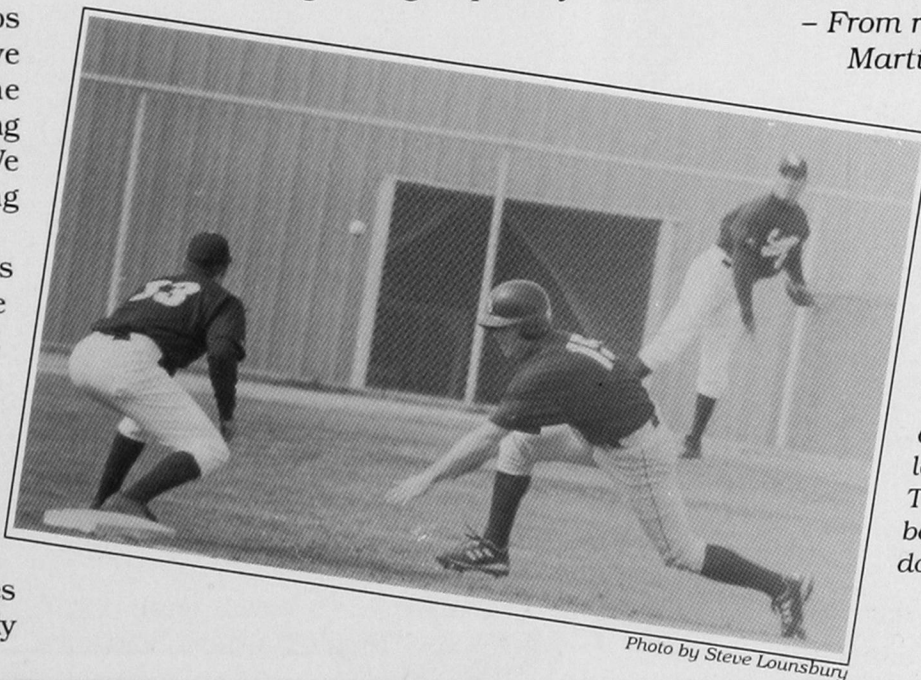
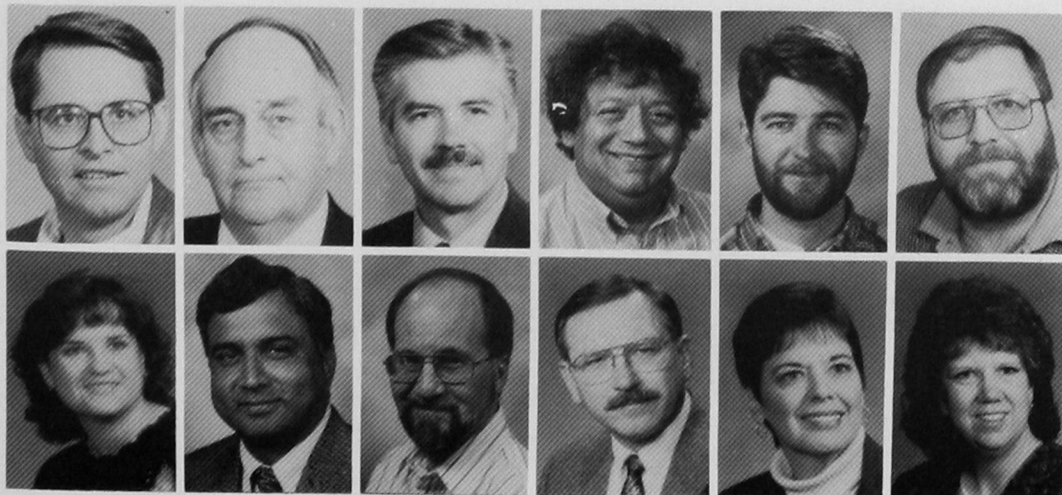


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Sophomore pitcher Craig Worthley tries to pick off an OBU base runner with the help of first baseman Paul Wilson during a double header in late February. The team lost both games in the double header.



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Eyes on the ball

Spring brings tennis, golf action

The men's and women's tennis teams hoped to overcome their lack of experience, while the golf teams looked to repeat last year's strong showings.

The men's golf team began the season ranked third in the NAIA preseason polls, while the women were ranked fifth.

Returning All-American Greg

Sophomore Jeff Barnum practices for an upcoming match. Despite the team's lack of success, players continued to work hard in practice.

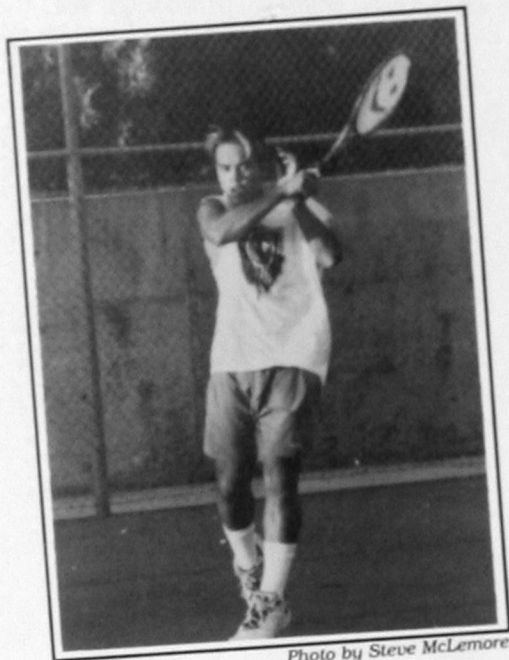


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Jones and three time All-American senior Cory Smith led the men's team during the 1998 season. At press time, the Bulldogs were ranked eleventh nationally and were seeking their fifth consecutive appearance in the NAIA national tournament.

The women's golf team was led in 1998 by All-Americans Rachel Preble-Poole, who placed second in the nation, and Melanie Folsom, who finished tenth at the national tournament. At press time, the Lady Bulldogs ranked second nationally, and were preparing to compete in their fourth straight national tournament.

The men's tennis team played in their first tournament March 5 against West Texas A&M. Their inexperience showed early as they struggled to win matches.

According to junior Filip Slaveski, preparing for matches was difficult, especially with a team composed mainly of freshmen and sophomores.

Despite a disappointing season, their 3-10 record at press time was not an accurate measure of their ability, according to team members, and the team had high hopes for the upcoming Southwest Regional tournament.

The women's tennis team began their season March 3 against Southern

Nazarene University. The team struggled early on, which coach Shelly Pond attributed to a lack of practice and conditioning.

According to junior Ceann Martinez, though, the team didn't suffer from a lack of talent.

"The team has a lot of talent, but the scores don't reflect it," Martinez said.

At press time, the team was preparing for their match against Oklahoma Baptist University.

*From reports by
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Senior Rachel Preble-Poole tees off in the Southwestern Invitational tournament. She was one of two returning All-Americans.



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Mesa, Ariz., junior Jeff Wirth watches a putt go in during practice. The golf team looked forward to another successful season after finishing third in the nation in 1997.

Sophomore Jamie Riggs eyes the ball during practice. The women's team struggled during the season due to tough scheduling and inexperience.

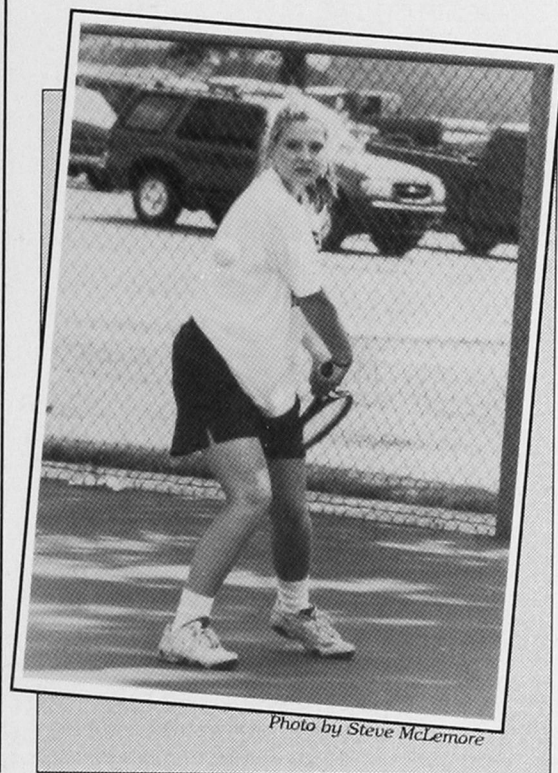
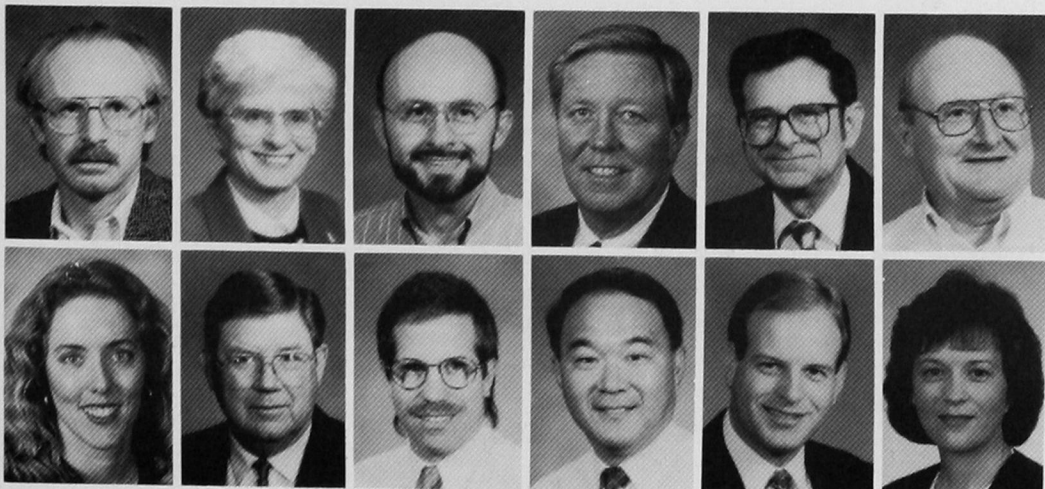


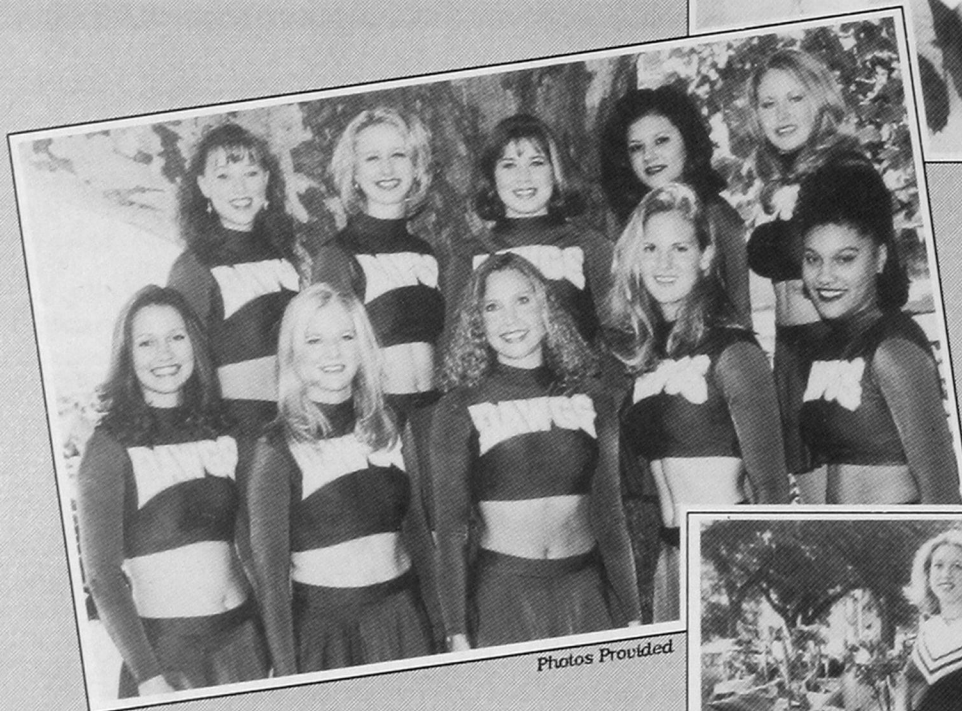
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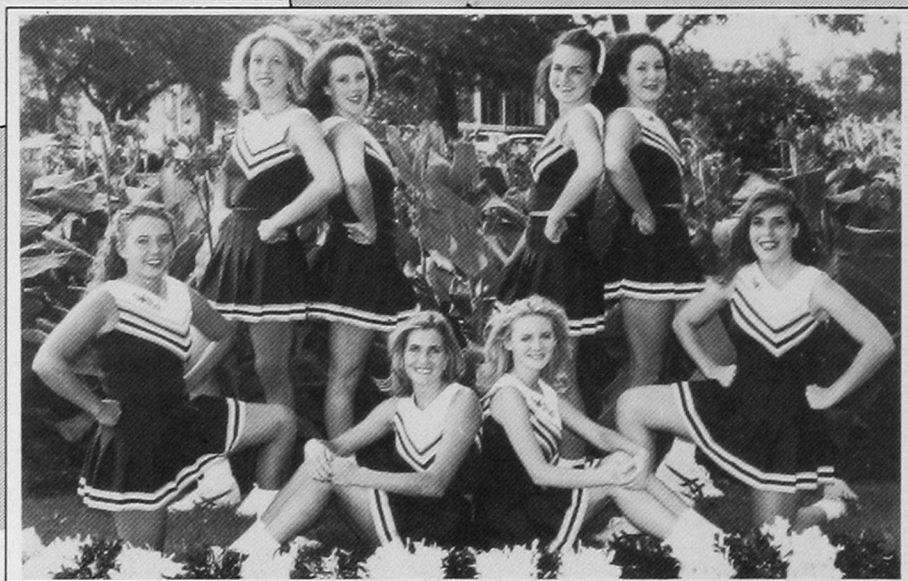
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Members of the cross country team are coach Scott Peterman, sophomore Jamie Stout, senior Alisha Williams, freshman Jamy Sexton, sophomore Kelsey Newton, graduate student Jode Colbert and sophomore Kelli Cowan. Cross country is a team sport offered for the women. The team competed in the NAIA for the last time, moving ahead to NCAA II competition.



Members of the pom pon squad are (front) junior Jamie Hutson, sophomore Shayla Hendrix, sophomore Kim Hill, sophomore Whitney Bank, freshman Lissi Oliver, (back) freshman Torri Ledford, sophomore Kristi Dye, freshman Melissa Major, sophomore Teresa Colmenero and sophomore Tanya Cooper.



Cheering for the Bulldogs are (front) freshman Meg Hinchey, sophomore Mika Benway, sophomore Melissa Davis and sophomore Jessica Johnston, (back) freshman Katie Campbell, junior April Shipley, junior Natalie Ledford and freshman Jennifer Brookshire.

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Just for the ladies

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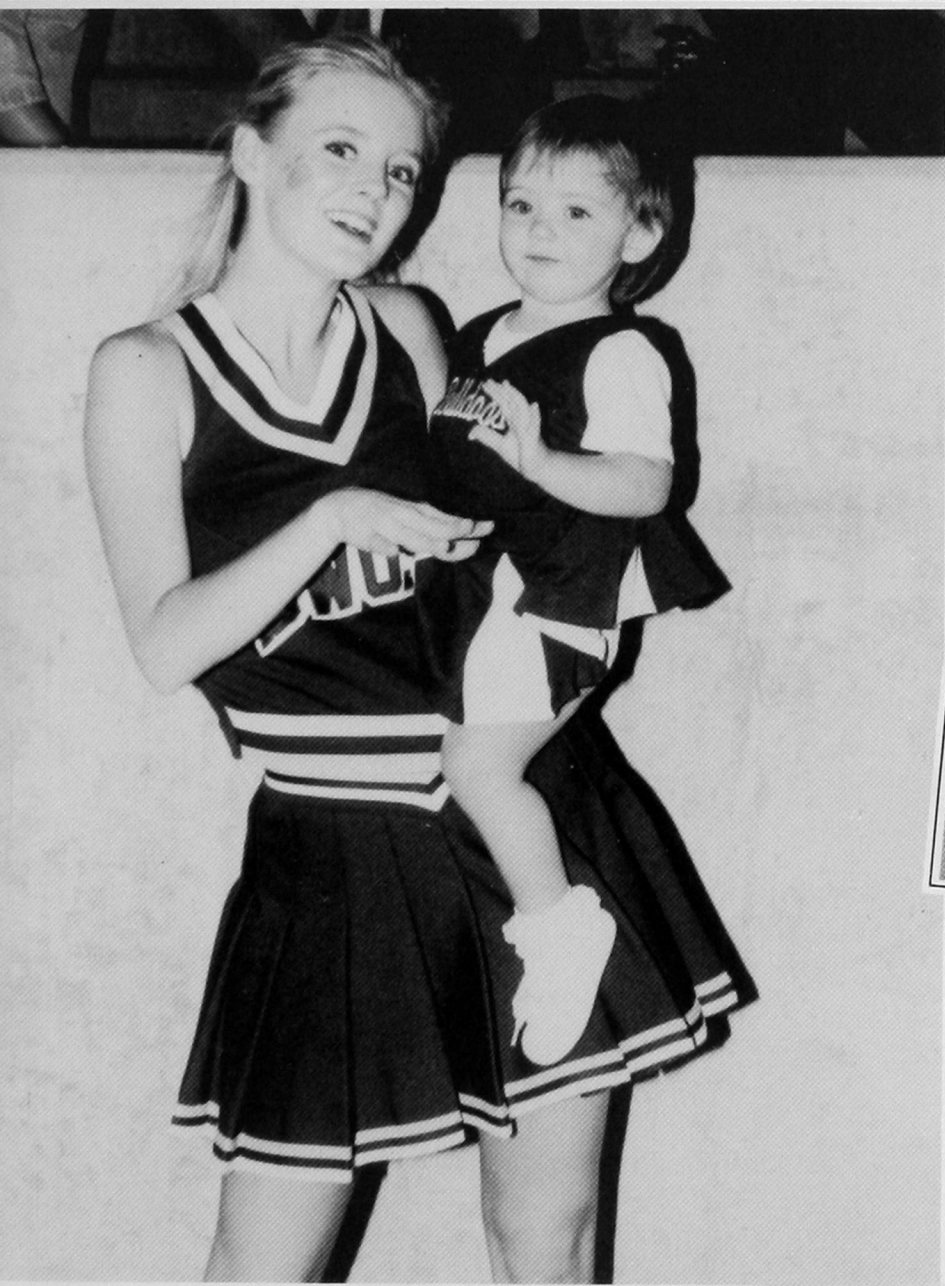
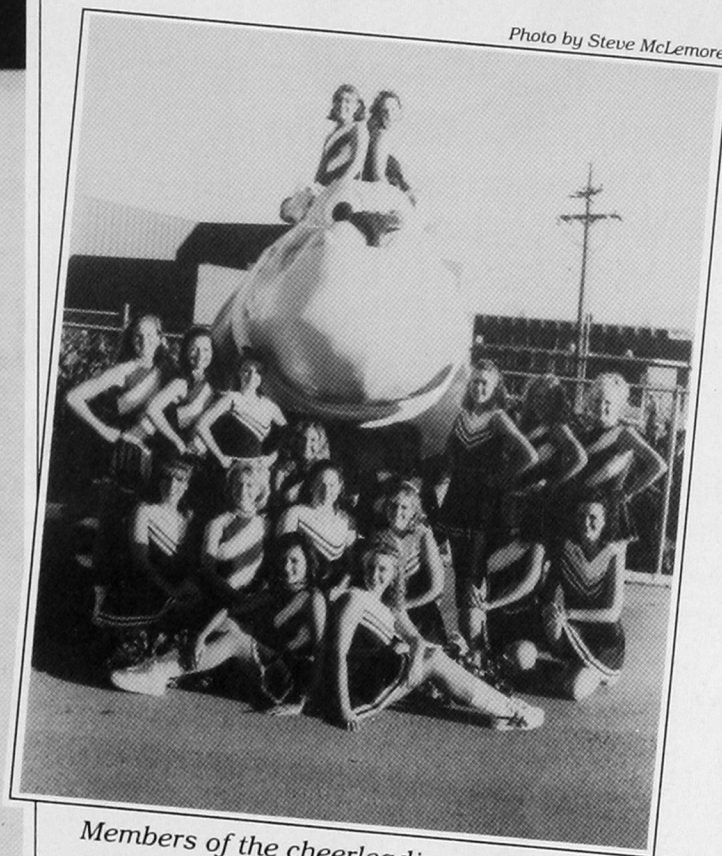
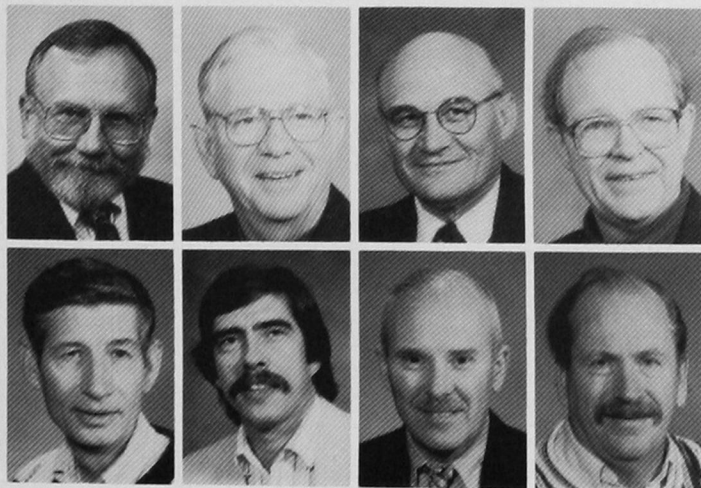


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Members of the cheerleading and the pom squad pose with school mascot Brandy. The 600 pound Bulldog turned 30 years old at homecoming.

Melissa Davis, sophomore cheerleader from Mountain View, and a future Bulldog cheerleader yell for the Bulldogs at a home football game. The cheerleaders and pom squad were at all home football games, rain or shine.



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U weren't alone

Your year is a memory

This was it. You did it. You gathered at Milam Field on May 9, 1998, to listen to Loyd Benson, Oklahoma Speaker of the House, give his thoughts to you.

You sat more than an hour in your gown in the hot sun. You took that last stroll for the sheepskin that had been your goal for the past four years.

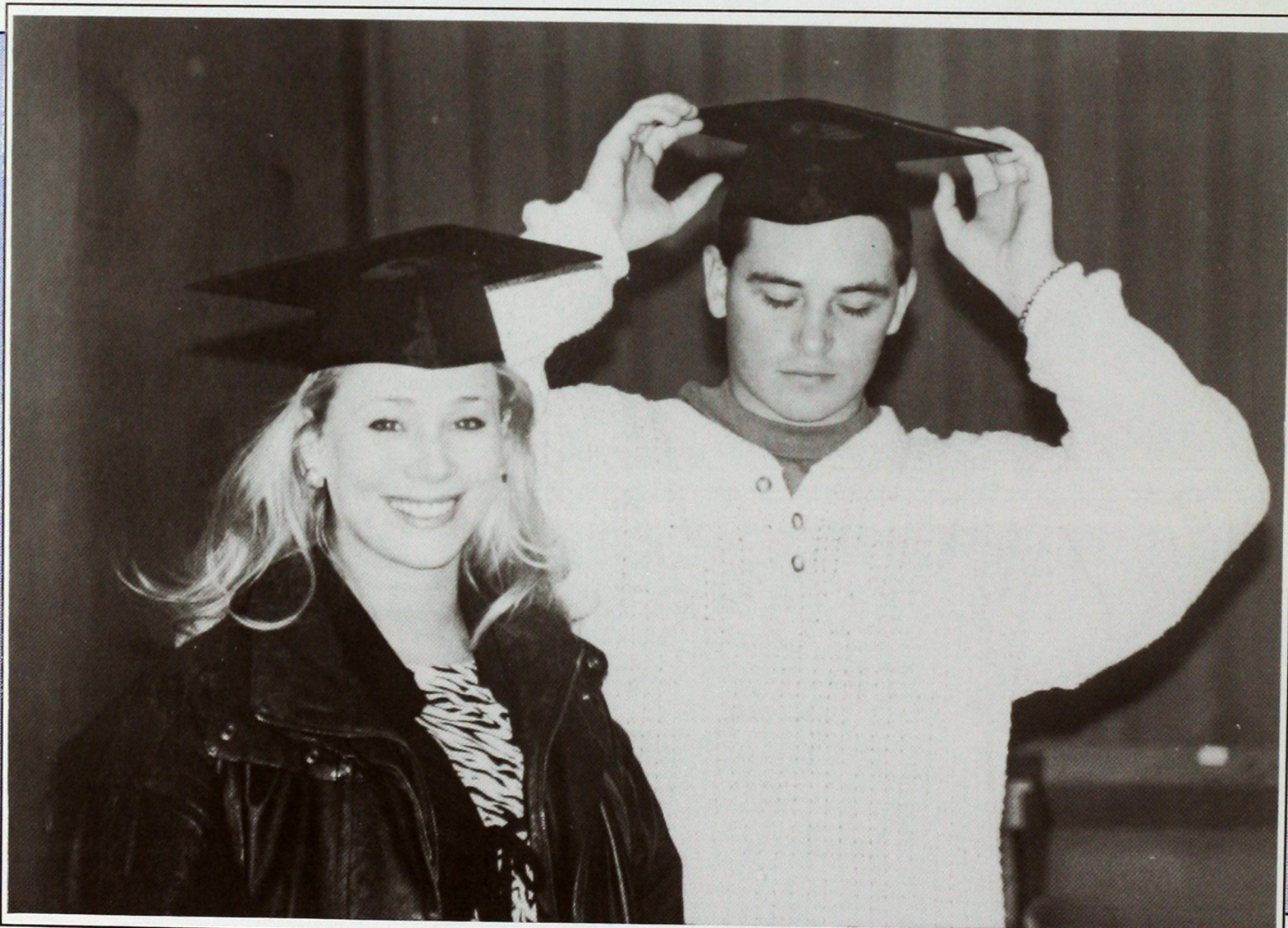
But as you took that last stroll, you looked back. You remembered the past years. The Clinton scandals, Princess Di's death, the skiing accidents of Sonny Bono and Michael Kennedy, the pop sensation Hanson. What? Who's Hanson?

You may remember the SGA resolution which proposed allowing registered guests to

stay overnight in the dorms or the first Block Party or the untimely death of psychology professor Dr. Jim Blagowsky.

You may not remember the mundane, like falling asleep in class or failing the algebra test.

But what is between these covers will ensure that you will not forget your days as a Southwestern Bulldog.



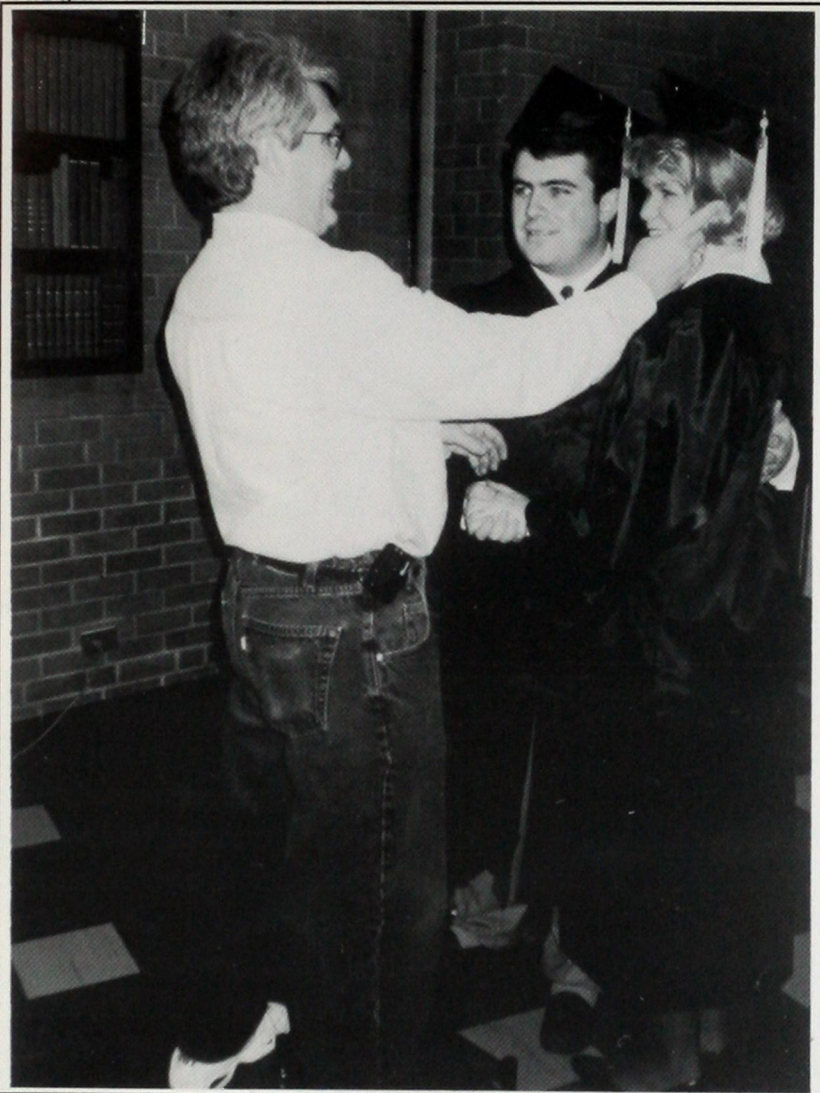
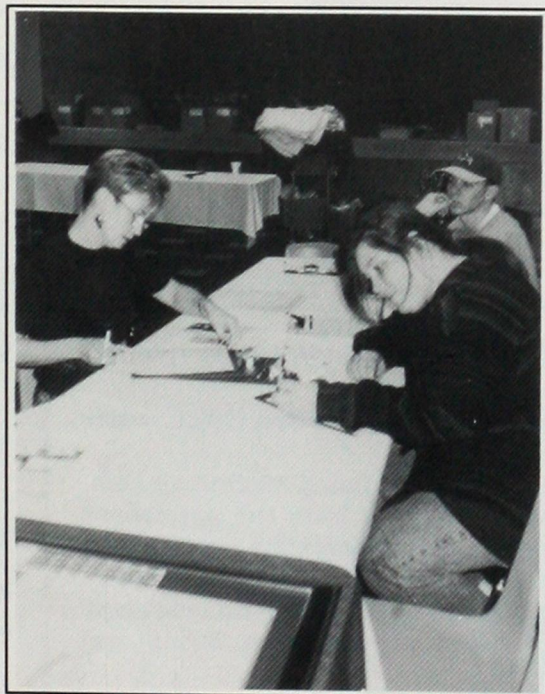


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A Jostens photographer positions accounting major Dustin Servais and his wife, social work major Amanda, for their graduation portrait. Like many seniors, they teamed up for a cap and gown pic during the Senior Salute in early spring.



Left: Seniors Shea Broadus, Woodward communication arts major, and Jeff Johnston, Borger, Texas, management major, try on their caps at the Senior Salute, where those set to graduate picked up their caps and gowns, ordered announcements and chose other items for commencement.

Tammy Carter, a communication arts major from Hydro, fills out her graduation announcement form with the help of the Jostens representative.

Brandy, who turned 30 this year, gives her support during a fall football game. She was donated by E.L. Belanger in 1967 and weighed in at 600 pounds!

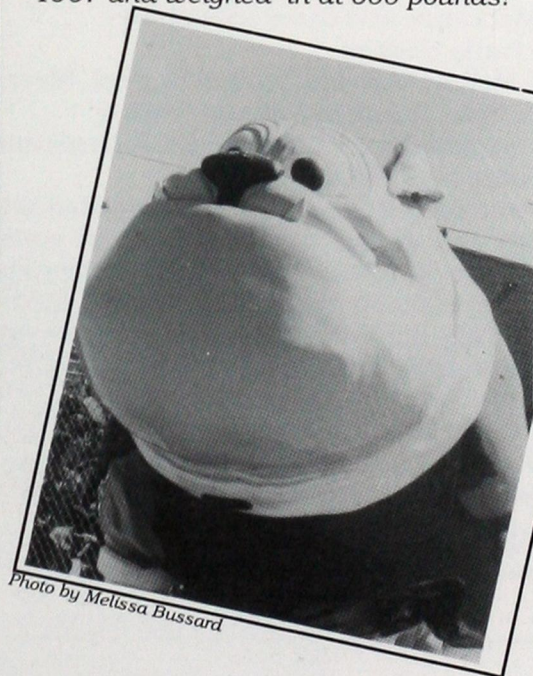
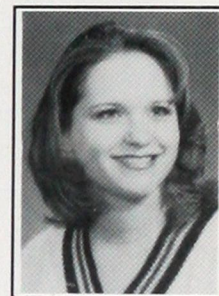


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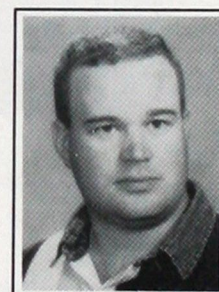
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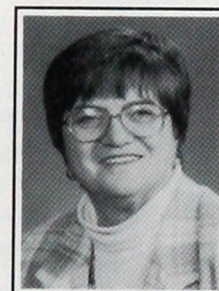
"I hope to get a job and make some money, so I won't be a starving student anymore."

-Amber Shankle Poteau



"I plan to pursue a career as an officer in the Marine Corps."

-Kelly Wilson Elk City



"I plan to teach English and take care of my old man in the manner in which he would like to become accustomed."

-Delcia Ledlow Geary

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