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The new Resident Advisor rooms, renovated by the physical plant crew, have been one of the advantages enjoyed by the R.A.'s.

The rooms were painted, carpeted, and had some furniture to go with the room. "The rooms are great, I really enjoy all of the space, and I feel that this allows me to have more contact with the residents on my floor," Castleberry said.

Garret Castelberry, R.A. at Rogers Hall, has friends over to enjoy his new renovated room. The RA rooms are found on each floor on both Rogers and Jefferson halls.
Student life

Although Weatherford is known as the windiest city in Oklahoma, the winter weather can also leave chilling memories for most students.

Regardless of the uncomfortable weather, students have learned to make the best of every day, by participating in outdoor activities.

The volleyball court which is located in front of Neff Hall, has also been a popular area for many organizations who enjoy some late night cookouts.

Freshmen, Josh Abeney is focused on one thing, and it’s not the camera.

Lola Adeyemi is the new Brandy the Bulldog.

Students take advantage of the nice days, to enjoy some time with friends at the volleyball court in front of Neff Hall.
Chelsea Dunn of Enid is the new Miss Southwestern.

Dunn won the title at the November 1st pageant held at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford. Dunn represented SWOSU at the summer's Miss Oklahoma Pageant in Tulsa.

Dunn is a junior majoring in music therapy. She won a $2,100 scholarship for winning the Miss Southwestern title. Dunn sang "At Last" for the talent portion of the contest, and her platform issue is promoting community involvement with Special Olympics.
Chelsea Dunn wins title

Nicole Moody, Oklahoma City (Putnam City North), Adrienne Weaver, Pauls Valley, Shannez' Garcia, Hydro, Lauren Johnson, Yukon, Chelsea Dunn, Enid, Taylor Eicholz, Altus, Chelsea Dudgeon, Cordell, Kaila Grissom, Edmond (Santa Fe).

Yukon sophomore Lauren Johnson finished as first runnerup. Johnson won a $1,100 scholarship. She also won the talent competition of the pageant with her piano solo.

Other top finishers included: Taylor Eicholz, Altus freshman, second runnerup, $700 scholarship; Shannez Garcia, Hydro senior, third runnerup and winner of the Peer Respect/Leadership Award, $600 scholarship; and Chelsea Dudgeon, Cordell sophomore, fourth runnerup, $500 scholarship.

Nicole Moody, Oklahoma City (PC North) sophomore, won the physical fitness/swimsuit competition.

Kimberly Austin, Erick, Management Information
Julie Autry, Weatherford, Psychology
Keli Avant, El Reno, Elementary Education
Jereme Azees, Springfield, MO Pharm.D.
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Shea Bales, Sayre, Social Work
Jennifer Balles, Edmond, Communication Arts
Bradley Banister, Mangum, Pharm.D.
Carolina Barker, Weatherford, Computer Science
Anna Barnes, Weatherford, Psychology
Several hundred students gathered in the Student Union to celebrate Dawg Days during the week of Aug. 16-24.

Dawg Days gave an opportunity to new students and those returning to see what kind of activities Southwestern has to offer and they got to have a lot of fun as well. The new class of freshman, increased from 2002 by 5 percent to 1,063 students. It is the largest freshman class since 1990.

“Freshman are attracted to Southwestern because of our lower tuition,” said Bob Klaassen, registrar.
Although tuition increased 12 percent, Southwestern still has lower tuition than both OU and OSU. Both universities had a tuition increase, OU increased by 30 percent and OSU had an increase of 28 percent.

Organizational booths were set up in the courtyard to hand out information about the different clubs and organizations.

Also offered was free food and activities were held throughout the week, such as sumo wrestling, bull riding, a movie on the lawn and BINGO.

Fifty-one won prizes while playing BINGO in the Student union.
Chris Allen and Ryn Rogers were named homecoming King and Queen during half-time of the game.

Several fun activities highlighted this year's homecoming activities during a blustery weekend Oct. 24-25.

Superfreak, one of Oklahoma City's hottest bands, entertained homecoming finalist were: (From left) Casey Paulk, Elissa Clayton, Chris Allen, Lacey Looper, Gregg Gober, and Kathryn Rogers (not pictured).

Edward Bryant, Anococo, LA, Management
Zac Bryant, Edmond, HPER
Patricia Bryce, Altus, Special Education
Kasey Buchanan, Clinton, Psychology
Tushar Balsara, Ndola, Zambia, Computer Science
Matthew Burns, Owasso, Pharm.D.

Rebecca Burton, Hydro, Biological Sciences, Chemistry
Christian Callaway, Carnegie, Elementary Education
Miranda Carlisle, Altus, Social Work BSW, Child Development
Katie Carney, Granite, Accounting, Mathematics
Richard Carney, Granite, Social Sciences Education
Tara Carpenter, Arapaho, Pharm.D.
Homecoming is a breeze

at this year’s SWOSU Homecoming tailgate party that was held inside the Student Union due to rainy weather.

Charbroiled hamburgers, Indian tacos, hot dogs, bratwursts, hot links as well as strawberry newports for dessert were served for the party.

A SWOSU Homecoming Cordial took place from 3-5 p.m. at Java’s in downtown Weatherford.

Other homecoming activities included a golf scramble, pep rally/bonfire, and marathon basketball tournament on Friday and the parade, alumni brunch and 2:30 p.m. football game on Saturday.

In the parade, the Society of Manufacturing Engineers won first and $1,000 in the float competition. The Student Council for Exceptional Children finished second and the Psychology Club won third.

In the outside decorations competition for residence halls, Neff Hall took top honors and won $300. Stewart Hall placed second and won $200, while Oklahoma Hall finished third and winner of $100.
President Brandon Bensch (center), Treasurer Brandi Martin (left), and Vice-President Forrest Humphry along with the Executive Council (below) keep Southwestern running all year long.

The Student Government Association helps plan and promote events all over campus. Events such as Panarama with acts like the Peking Acrobats, SWOSUpalooza with local and national bands and Honoraria with speakers like Dr. Kenneth D. Kaunda, the first president of Zambia.
SWOSUpalooza gives students a full day to enjoy music and play, and to just hang out. After visiting the different booths set up by campus organizations students can sit back and listen to a little rock and roll from any of the live bands performing throughout the night.
Romeo & Juliet

"What's in a name? That which we call a rose, By any other name would smell as sweet."

William Shakespeare's classic play of passion, politics, and undying love, Romeo and Juliet, was performed by the Ark. Repertory Theater of Little Rock, Arkansas, on April 13 as part of the Panorama events.

Now in its 27th season, the Arkansas Repertory Theatre produces a diverse body of theatrical work ranging from contemporary comedies to cutting edge dramas and from musical theatre to the classics of dramatic literature. Since its creation in 1976, the Repertory has produced over 230 productions including 30 world premieres. Robert Hupp directs Romeo and Juliet.

Comedian Lewis Black

Comedian Lewis Black was a big hit this fall. Known as "America's foremost commentator on everything," Black was never at a loss for words.

Black is a weekly political commentator on Comedy Central's The Daily Show and has also starred in two recent half-hour comedy specials for Comedy Central.

As a stand-up comedian, he has performed at the U.S. Comedy Arts Festival in Aspen and opened for Ray Charles, Gladys Knight, The Band, Chicago, and Harry Belafonte.

Black also received the 2001 AmericanComedy award for Best Male Stand Up.

Jennifer Earls, Duke, Pharm.D.
Nelson Edgeman, Durant, Pharm.D.
Sabrina Edgeman, Durant, Pharm.D.
Angela Edwards, Sand Springs, Pharm.D.
Kimberly Ellis, Oklahoma City, Pharm.D.
Steve Elmenhorst, El Reno, Criminal Justice

Julia Evans, Clinton, Elementary Education
Brandon Evetts, Cordell, Management
Jamie Ezernick, Guthrie, Music Education
Sarah Farrar, Broken Arrow, Health Sciences
Lisa Farris, El Reno, Marketing
Jessica Felder, Weatherford, Mathematics Education

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Panorama events

Peking Acrobats

The Peking Acrobats, a troupe of China's most gifted tumblers, contortionists, jugglers, cyclists, and gymnasts complemented by live musicians, were a part of this year's panorama events.

"The show was a hit, over 1,100 people came to see it and we have heard nothing but good things about it," said Brian Adler, Director of Public Information and the head chairman of the Panorama Committee.

Adler was pleased that the student body enjoyed the show.

"I was more impressed by the women in the stunts more than the men. The women need more practice because of the balance and concentration it took for them," said Cody Thiessen, hpe-r major from Eakly, Oklahoma.
Nation Making Headlines...
What do you remember about your Senior year?

Madonna and Britney Spears' kiss at the 2003 MTV Music Awards....The Jackson family made headlines yet again: Michael Jackson is caught up in anther sex scandal and Janet Jackson shows off more than her talent at Super Bowl XXXVIII. Saddam Hussein is captured. Lakers star Koby Bryant is standing trial for allegedly raping a Colorado woman. No more sex...Sex and the City airs season finale. Martha Stewart is convicted of lying to investigators. Condélla Rice testifies for the 9/11 Commission. George Bush is running his re-election campaign for the 2004 Presidential Campaign.
Initialize your creativity, Low Carb is High Demand, Trucker Hats and Pearl Snaps, Pretty in Pink, Hoodies and Shox, Capris and rubber heels, Texas County and Mid-West Rap, Poka Dots and Plaid, Like Choppers?

Natasha May poses as she chills out.

Lyndee Green, Thomas, Business Information Systems
Joshua Greenan, Enid, Management
Kelly Greer, Guthrie, Elementary Education
Jarrod Gregg, Enid, Engineering Tech
Kimberly Grisham, Hinton, Pharm. D.
Nichol Grube, Weatherford, Accounting

Buck Guest, Altus, Communication Arts, History
Brianne Gulbranson, Midwest City, Psychology
Tyson Gutherless, Holdenville, Pharm.D.
Tera Hager, Weatherford, Recreation Leadership, Management
Starla Hajny, Reydon, Special Education
Courtney Hale, Rush Springs, Marketing, Social Sciences
Nursing students go south during Spring Break

Spring break was not a typical student spring break for several nursing students. Ten students, accompanied by faculty member Mattie Tolley, drove 15 hours to the Rio Grande Valley of Texas to spend their spring break treating the area’s uninsured patients. The students set up a diabetic foot care clinic at Hope Medical Clinic in McAllen and treated patients’ feet and gave tips on such items as cutting toenails properly and buying the proper shoes.

Involvement

This year, SWOSU Center for Economic and Business development hosted a workshop to help area farmers.

Also, plans to be involved in EDGE, a plan that works toward improving Oklahoma’s economy and quality of life, are in Southwestern’s future.

Southwestern's Social Work students prepared gift packages for nursing center residents. The students have been involved in several other community service projects such as: hosting a coat and food drive and painting family rooms at Beckham and Custer county DHS offices.

Pictured from front left: Casie Brittain and Nancy Adkerson. Back from left- Shea Bales, Susan Thomas, Julie Schmidt and Lois Bach.

Kelly Hammond, Weatherford, Education
Shanna Hand, Mustang, Elementary Education
Melinda Hargues, Elk City, Elementary Education
Lyndi Harris, Elk City, Elementary Education
Grace Hassan, Bodija, Ibadan, Nigeria, Biological Sciences
Shannon Haught, Weatherford, Education

Bambi Hayes, Weatherford, Psychology, Child Development
Richard Hazel, Altus, M. Educational Administration
Jennifer Heisman, Paola, KS, Recreation Leadership
Linda Hernandez, Elk City, Elementary Education
Gregory Higgins, Houston, TX, History
Kayla Hiler, Weatherford, Interdisciplinary Studies
Community service

Successful Blood drive at SWOSU

On February 24, Southwestern held a successful blood drive. The drive was organized by SWOSU student, Chris Robertson and sponsored by the Student Government Association. The Oklahoma Blood Institute received 218 donations of blood. Coach Paul Sharp, the coaching staff and players received special recognition for being part of the drive.

Southwestern student staying calm while donating.

Donor watching as blood is about to be drawn.

A moment of peace in a hectic school day.

Other Services

The SGA is only one of many organizations across campus that gets involved with community service. Almost every fraternity and sorority has at least one community service project each year, as do many classes. Some students take it upon themselves to help in the community. This year a new support system was started by students Jacki Banks and Cindy Maxwell. They formed the Wesley Student Center Cancer Support System on March 2, 2004. Jacki said, "When cancer strikes a family, it becomes this dark scary thing that can take over the mind. We offer students and the community hope."

Douglas Hill, San Antonio, TX, Political Science
Kyle Hilberbran, Weatherford, OK, Interdisciplinary Studies
Jayme Hixon, Weatherford, Management - BBA
Lucas Hobbs, Mountain View, Elementary Education
Terry Holbrook, Tulsa, Pharm.D.
Amy Hook, Clinton, Elementary Education

Frank Hooper, Carnegie, Engineering Tech
Andrea Horne, Fanshawe, Elementary Education
Douglas Horne, Fanshawe, Pharm.D.
Natalie Houck, Yukon, Pharm.D.
Charles Howard, Oklahoma City, Pharm.D.
Wendy Hubbard, Woodward, Pharm.D.
Deanna Hubble, Norman, Elementary Education
Kyle Hubble, Oklahoma City, Management
Devin Huber, Weatherford, Communication Arts
Hattie Hughes, Elk City, Social Work BSW,
Forrest Humphrey, Rocky, Accounting
Brandon Hursh, Weatherford, Recreation Leadership

Lisa Hurtgam, Cordell, Social Sciences M Ed
Lance Ivey, Hammon, Industrial Technology
Ashley Jackson, Colony, Psychology, Social work
Alejandro Jaquez, Forgan, Communication Arts
Sarah Jarnagin, Weatherford, Marketing
Danielle Jerden, Oklahoma City, Music Education
Religious organizations

Students at Southwestern had a variety of choices when it came to religious organizations. Chi Alpha, Campus Crusade for Christ, Baptist Student Union, Catholic Student Association, Church of Christ Student Center and Wesley Foundation were all organizations the students liked to participate in.

Weekly meetings were held by the organizations for students to gather for worship, service projects, games and fellowship. Popular events included indoor volleyball games at the CCSC and hanging out at the BSU during Coffeehouse.
Many students enjoy activities outside the classroom, whether it's hanging out with friends or rappelling at Red Rock Canyon.
The Sir Mix-A_Lot and Tone-Loc performed at the Rt. 66 Drive-In in Weatherford. Tone-Loc was the first black rap artist to hit No.1 on Billboard Charts. His album Loc-ed after dark in 1989 featured his mega hits "Wild Thing" and "Funky Cold Medina." Best known for "Baby Got Back" off of Mack Daddy in 1992 Sir Mix-A-Lot received a Grammy for Best Solo Rap Performance.
Thanks to the expensive cost of living, many college students are forced to find jobs. Some have jobs to help cut the costs of school, some to pay bills and some to save money for things like Spring Break. Whatever the reason today's college students are working as hard as they are studying. Maybe even harder.

The alarm clock goes off at 6 a.m., but that's just a warning, he really has to get up in 30 minutes, very short minutes, he may add.

Jake Smith has worked for Sawatzky Construction Company for almost 3 years. Smith's primary concern is his education. This is his final semester in college. He still works about 15 to 20 hours a week.

Smith gets to work by 6:45 a.m. and works until noon. He has about 20 minutes to prepare for class and have lunch.

His afternoon classes are over at about 3 p.m. This gives him enough leisure time to schedule in a few Madden 2004 Nintendo games, hang out with friends, occasionally do some homework, and spend time with his fiancee.

Working students can be categorized into two groups: those who identify themselves as students but who work, and those who work and take some classes. Whether you're a "student who works" or a "worker who studies" doesn't seem to matter because everyone's doing it.
Fine Arts Center worker Ryan Klein gets the center ready for the high-flying antics of the Peking Acrobats.

It's midnight and Kelly Howell's day is just ending. Now it's time for friends and free time. She started today at 8 a.m. and hasn't stopped since.

The part-time student, a senior criminal justice major from Navajo, works at Red Rock Behavioral Health Services as a mental health aide.

At Red Rock, Kelly admits clients, monitors vital signs, prepares meals, and takes calls. Balancing nine hours at school and a 40-hour work week can be challenging, but it has its rewards.

"It teaches you time management skills," Kelly said. "Work is also a way to get away from school worries."

Studies show working students tend to be more focused and efficient in the classroom.

As he makes his way to the rear end of the store, the service manager smiles and calls several people by name as he passes. At the orange juice display, he moves several gallons around, speaking to a gentleman with a clipboard. He moves so fast a blink of an eye will shield his exit.

Senior Chris Keim began his day at Burcham Elementary School reading to a child. Between the Early Bird Reading Program, working at United Supermarket, 18 hours of class time, and Rotary Club, the mass communications and political science major even finds time to spend with his wife of seven months.

"I feel fortunate to be able to be in two places at once. I get the ability to work in a professional field and manage in a positive setting," Keim said.

Tomara Lovelace, Elk City, Computer Science
Carolyn Lumpkin, Weatherford, psychology, Child development
Kris Mahlock, Hydro, Athletic Training
Travis Mangum, Yukon, Management
Sherry Manke, Watonga, Elementary Education
Jennifer Manney, Hollis, Elementary Education

Dora Marin, Elk City, Elementary Education
Amy Martin, Ringling, Pharm.D.
Calie Martin, Enid, Computer Science
Cory Martin, Enid, Biological Science, Chemistry
Jay Martin, Weatherford, Communication Arts
Sarah Martin, Sperry, Pharm.D.
we are playing ball

Intramural sports: where the athletic and the not so athletic come to play basketball, flag football and softball.

The sports range from water aerobic classes to volleyball games to flag football.

"We have walking, running and swimming contests, as well as soccer games," said Nelson Perkins, intramurals director.

Tandy Martin, Vernon, TX, Pharm.D.
Roxanna Martinez, Weatherford, Criminal Justice
Gina Kay Massey-Hill, Hobart, Elementary Education
Meagan Matthews, Sayre, Music Education
Melissa Mayfield, Fort Cobb, Communication arts
Seantawqua McCray, Norman, Social Work

Colleen McDaniel, Goodwell, Pharm. D.
Jason McGuire, Sayre, Communication Arts
Kyle McPherson, Marlow, Recreation Leadership
Rodna Mendel, Weatherford, Computer science
Kristen Miller, Blue Mound, KS, Health Sciences, marketing
Matthew Miller, Taloga, General Business
Intramural champs

The Bushwackers Flag-Football

Coed - The Kwan

Men's 3 on 3
The Delts

3 on 3 Womens

Robert Miller, Lawton, Music Education
Bosy Mnsanga, Ethiopia, computer science
Scott Mitchell, Weatherford, Education
Michelle Montgomery, Cordell, Business information system
Sharon Moore, Burns Flat, Accounting
Rito Mora, Sublette, KS, Management, Rec Leadership

Jacquie Morgan, Yukon, Elementary Education
Trisha Morris, Mustang, Elementary Education
Lara Mosier, Cordell, English education
Jarrod Muegenborg, Okarche, Health Sciences, Chemistry
Marte Mullens, Elk City, Engineering Tech
Christa Murphy, Altus, Biological Sciences

SWOSU
Traditionally, highschool seniors plan to attend college. Who are college students that are transfers, married, parenting, or divorced or out of the workforce? They are termed as Non-traditional students.

The Non-traditional Student Association used to be called Older Wiser Learning Students (OWLS) in 1995. The organization is one year old and is experiencing growing pains in its revitalization.

Lisa Boggs is the director over this student organization while Heidi Thompson is their president.

The Non-Traditional Student Association’s mission is to help students adjust to college life and western Oklahoma surrounding communities. Also, the organization desires to distribute information to non-traditional students. The Non-traditional Student Association participated in last year’s homecoming parade, the Heart Walk and is working on a survival manual for their members. Kim Ward, a member, will graduate Spring 2004.

Rebecca Mussur, Amarillo, TX, Accounting
Michelle Nance, Clinton, Finance
Dustin Newman, Ringwood, Accounting
Tai Nguyen, Tulsa, Pharm.D.
Victor Njoh, Oklahoma City, Pharm.D.
Rachel Nondorf, Altus, Elementary Education
Shane Norris, Enid, Pharm.D.
Cher Oblander, Yukon, Pharm D.
Jennifer O’Nan, Weatherford, Special Education
Gerardo Orellana, Clinton, Computer Science
Lisa Ousley, Sayre, Elementary Education
Tiffany Oswald, Keyes, Pharm D.
Southwestern is a second home to the 130-140 internationals students. These students come from a plethora of nations, including Zambia, Nepal, Mexico, Peru, Pakistan, Kenya, and others nations on each continent.

The Southwestern International Student Association (SISA) provides an opportunity for this international community to gather. "Our goals are to promote good will and better understanding among international students and between international students and the university community," writes Dr. Blake Sonobe, SISA sponsor, on the organization's webpage. The organization fulfills these goals by hosting an annual banquet that is prepared by the international students. The organizations other activities have included picnics, movie nights, bowling, ice skating, and, of course, the regular meetings.

Above: Members of SISA await their turn to go through the ropes course. Throughout the year SISA provides different opportunities for its members, such as the ropes course and ice skating.

Below: SISA officers (from left): Kavita Bhathela, treasurer; Tushar Bulsara, historian; Jacqueline Davies, secretary; Adina Peters, president; Abiade Adedoyin, social coordinator; Bhavik Taylor, V-president; and Miriam Owiti, historian.

Above: Students from Zambia prepare a dance for SISA's annual banquet. For the banquet, international students serve cultural foods and perform songs and dances from their home countries.

Jessica Oxford, Huntsville, MO, Communication Arts
Briana Parker, Norman, Music education
John Pate, Southmayd, TX, Pharm D.
Amisha Patel, Zambia, Computer science
Amit Patel, Zambia, Management
Chaitali Patel, Zambia, Management Information syst
Gauran Patel, Zambia
Manish Patel, Zambia, Engineering Technology
Leslie Pearman, Stroud, management
Chavonne Penner, Weatherford, Art Education
Patrick Penner, Isabella, Health, PE, And Recreation
Language Arts professor Stewart Keith Long died in his home on October 7 at the age of 47. Long was diagnosed with brain cancer in July and had taken a leave of absence to recover and spend time with his wife Anna and their 12-year-old son Parker. This was not the first life-threatening disease Long had faced, about ten years ago he had two kidney transplants and endured grueling dialysis treatments.

Long had taught at Southwestern since 1988 and was dear to the hearts of the faculty and students. Comm. Arts professor, Steve Strickler, remembers Keith, "I think the time I was most struck by his courage was when I saw Keith doing a dialysis treatment and holding his very young son (Parker must have been about two) on his lap. There he was—still fulfilling his role as daddy and professor while he was fighting for his life. I'll never forget that image as long as I live."

Margaret Perkins, Madill, Pharm D.
Elizabeth Perry, Indiahoma, Elementary Education
Brenda Phillips, Thomas, Elementary education
Ryan Pieper, Hydro, Health, PE, and Recreation
Christopher Pivinski, Mustang, Chemistry, Mathematics
Linda Pizzini, Weatherford, Interdisciplinary

Christopher Plemons, Weatherford, History
Kimberly Porter, Pampa, TX, Elementary Education
Kaletha Posey, Chickasaw, Pro-Nursing
Drew Price, Oklahoma City, Education
James Price, Yukon, History education
Marci Prince, Edkly, Pro Nursing
we are changing

One major change the 2004 graduates will not be able to take advantage of is the new wellness center under construction. The Wellness Center is being constructed by Landmark Construction Company. The center is being built between the old football field and Parker Hall.

A running track, intramural facilities, cardiovascular equipment, a weight room, classrooms and even air conditioning are many features of this new center.

Unfortunately, the new Student Union building was put on hold because there was not enough money for both projects.

Officials have their golden shovels read for ceremony.

Brandi Martin talks to the press at the Wellness Center groundbreaking last fall as SGA president Brandon Bench and Southwestern president Dr. John Hays look on. Martin serves as the campus representative for many occasions.

Baseball players breaking in new field.

Kelly Quattlebaum, Leedey, Elementary education
Randy Quattlebaum, Athens, TX, Pharm D.
William Quick, Weatherford, Management
Russell Radford, Weatherford, HPER
Sheriff Raji, Oklahoma City, Biological Science, Chemistry
Paige Ralph, Weatherford, Special Education

Amber Ramer, Kingfisher, Elementary education
Ronnie Ramer, Omega, HPER
Sammy Rangel, Clinton, Elementary Education
Joe Ray, Weatherford, Education
Jennifer Reeve, Dill City, Health Information Management
Heather Reeves, El Reno, History education
Academics

Although the friends, special events, and parties come with the college experience, the real reason for students at college is an education. Students at SWOSU work hard to reach that final goal of graduation. With many resources such as the writing center, students can excel easier with help. With hours of studying and lots of caffeine, students strive to reach the day where all their hard work can be put into use in a career of their choice. Making the grade can be frustrating and a struggle for many, but the reward is so much greater. Dead days and final weeks are the most anxiety filled weeks of the semester. With students' grades on the line, many study all night to try to grasp the material for the tests. After the tests, students either celebrate by going home for the break or celebrate by walking across the stage ready and able for their future.
Officers of the Biology Club during the 2003-04 year are (from left): Sara Cook, Wellington, Kan., secretary; Robyn Moran, Perry, president; Serena Bonham, Oklahoma City (Northwest Classen), historian; and Cory Martin, Enid, vice president. Not pictured is historian Lysie Morris.

The computer lab is open to students.

Pharmacy Students work hard in class.

They must really trust their classmates.
Whether students are performing arts or doing experiments, the School of Arts & Sciences allows students to graduate with many different degrees.

The degrees offered include art, biological sciences, chemistry and physics, computer science, health, physical education and recreation, language arts, mathematics, music, psychology, social sciences, and technology. The school also offers an interdisciplinary studies degree program.

Dr. Radwan Al-Jarrah became the Dean of the School of Arts & Sciences in fall 2003.

The theatre presented Blood Knot in fall 2003 and advanced through competitions during the spring. The department also performed This Is Where We Came In during the spring.

Southwestern gained ownership of Crowder lake in 2003. Classes offered at the lake are a departure from the traditional classroom setting. HPER classes include, sailing, canoeing, hiking and rapelling.
Experiencing life first-hand

Sailing and canoeing are a few of the classes offered at Crowder Lake.

A student studies samples in the biology lab.

Students gather after a busy day in class.

Brennan Schmidt, Weatherford, Management
Breanna Schneberger, Burns Flat, Communication Arts
Nathan Schreck, Weatherford, Marketing - BBA
Kristen Rodgers-Soggin, Durant, Pharm.D.
Clint Scott, Cache, Recreational Leadership
Jennifer Sebastian, Mccloud, Social Work
Heather Seidel, Erick, Medical Technology
Colby Setzer, Olin, NC, Industrial Technology
Kaycee Sexton, Hammon, Marketing
Tamra Shaw, Weatherford, Marketing - BBA
Christopher Shelby, Skiatook, Pharm.D.
Bridgett Sims, Weatherford, Community Counseling
Governor Henry

Governor Brad Henry visited Southwestern December 03. He took the opportunity to visit with students, employees, and local civic organizations.

Above: Governor Henry meets students

LOCAL DONATIONS

Southwestern kicked off a $5 million fund-raising campaign in the spring, and several donors stepped up. The donations included $250,000 from Winnie Ola Berrong, $25,000 from Chesapeake, and $1 million from an anonymous donor.

Above: Ed Sr. and Winnie Ola Berrong of Weatherford

Chesapeake's Senior Vice President Tom Prince Jr. announced a $25,000 donation to Southwestern. Southwestern President John Hays (right) attended the grand opening festivities.

Kyle Sims, Wichita Falls, TX, HPER
Toby Sims, Weatherford, Finance
Trevor Sipes, Midwest City, Pharm D.
Tiffany Skaley, Piedmont, Elementary Ed
Renee Skladzien, Weatherford, Psychology
Catheryn Smith, Canton, English Ed
Joseph Smith, Weatherford, Industrial Technology
Kelly Smith, Mangum, Special Ed
Trevor Smith, Elkhart KS, Marketing
Lisa Snider, Corn, Social Work
Johnna Snow, Heber Springs, AK, HPER
Sarah Snow, Balko, Business
we are making music

Whoever thought music was just notes on a page, has never met a Southwestern musician. Through participation in an orchestra, jazz ensembles, choral ensembles, and several bands and percussion ensembles, Southwestern music majors lift the notes off the page and turn them into an experience. With so many opportunities available to showcase their talent, students provide musical enjoyment and education to their fellow students. "I enjoy not just learning about music from my professors, but also from my peers," said Joshua Trent, freshman, vocal performance major.

Patricia Sorrels, Geary, Elementary Ed
Blake Spivey, Foster, HPER
Zachary Sproul, Isabella, Political Science
Paul Staggs, Clinton, General Business
Paul Stangeby, Weatherford, Graduate Performance
Brock Steffes, Canute, HPER

Anne Stein, Weatherford, Master Music Ed
Kimberly Stephenson, Camargo, Accounting
Clint Stevens, Mustang, Business Information
Nechelle Stevens, Midwest City, Master Business Admn
James Stough,
Lydia Strong, Vernon, TX, Special Ed
"In college, you've got an amazing opportunity to be creative... to go outside the lines," says Corey Fuller, a Senior in Graphic Design. "In the job world you might not feel so much freedom" because you have to please the client.

This spring semester, Fuller presented his senior exhibit, a requirement for all graduating art majors. He says it is interesting to see his own development as an artist by presenting the works he has created over the past four years.

When he came in as a freshman, Fuller found himself surrounded by great artist. You have to "forget everything you've learned" says Fuller.

Fuller says that the early part of an art major's college career is all about "trying to find yourself. The first couple years is a crash course" in art.

However, after 4 years experience, he feels that he, and most seniors, has found their style.
We are Artists

Right: Ana Diaz works on a multimedia collage for paint studio.

Tyler Sims, Altus, Nursing
Christine Tolbert, Oklahoma City, Pharm D.
Kacie Tosh, Elk City, Elementary Ed
Erin Treadaway, Oklahoma City, Pharm D.
Amber Turley, Moore, Music Ed
William Turner Jr., Weatherford, Master Social Sciences

Joy Unruh, Meno, Music Ed
Nina Unruh, Enid, Social Work
Katie Vander, Oklahoma City, Pharm D.
Ashley Venable, Anadarko, Elementary Education
Vanessa Villanueva, Clinton, Psychology
Heather Villines, Weatherford, Nursing
Surviving the rigorous coursework, we became the tenth class of BSWs. Time and energy was dedicated to the community through coat and food drives, donating baby items, painting family rooms at two County Department of Human services offices, and celebrated Christmas and Valentine’s Day with the residents of Little Bird Nursing Center.

We increased our knowledge of Social Work positions by visiting Ronald McDonald House in Oklahoma City, Central Oklahoma Juvenile Center in Tecumseh, Diamondback in Watonga, and the Care Center in Oklahoma City.

Ronald McDonald House in Oklahoma City provides a vital need in the Medical Community.

Several students in the social work program recently visited the State Capitol in Oklahoma City. Randy Beutler (left), Governor Brad Henry’s liaison to the legislature, briefed the group on the working relationship between the Governor’s office and the legislature and led a tour of the Governor’s quarters.

Heather Waldrop, Clinton, Psychology
Kristen Wallar, Ft. Cobb, Special Ed
Regan Waller, Oklahoma City, Pharm D.
Kymberli Ward, Weatherford, English
Monica Weaver, Clinton, Social Work
Laura Weber, Canton, Pharm.D.

Robert Weber, Weatherford, Engineering Physics
Shelly Welborn, Bethany, Communication Arts
Lauren Wells, Healdton, Marketing
Robert Wells, Andy West, Moore, Graphic Design
B. Whisenant, Oklahoma City, Pharm.D.
Athletic trainers Morgan Donley and Amy Howard practice athletic training duties in preparation for an upcoming Southwestern football game.

The athletic training department strives to prepare students for real life job situations. In doing so, student athletic trainers help with Southwestern’s athletic teams. Two such students, Morgan Donley and Amy Howard, describe their routines before the big game.

First, they stretch the athletes and perform pre-game treatment. They tape ankles, knees, and arms of players.

During the game, they stay at the sidelines with water and PowerAde, which prevents cramping.

After the game, they perform post-game treatments if needed. “If the athletes are willing to stay,” Donley said.

The two enjoy their jobs. They like working directly with the athletes. Donley likes most “the hands-on learning experience in an athletic environment.”

The program is one of only 202 to receive accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, and is the only accredited program in Oklahoma.
When preparing for graduation, feelings of anxiety and nervousness surface due to intimidation of the scary job market the awaits. However, senior nursing student Bethany Kinney says that those feelings are minimal for her.

"I'm not too intimidated because I feel properly prepared by the program," said Kinney. "I start my new job May 19 at the Spine Hospital in Edmond."

Kinney is one of many Southwestern health science students who are preparing to graduate on May 10 with plenty of job experience already under their belts. Both the School of Pharmacy and Division of Nursing programs require students to complete clinical rotations around the state of Oklahoma and now parts of Texas.

Within the Division of Nursing students get hands on experience in the health care world by participating in clinicals throughout the Tulsa, Lawton, Altus, Woodward and Oklahoma City areas. All required clinical standards are set by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing which requires students to start...
participating in rotations as soon as they are admitted to the nursing program.

Nursing clinicals cover every aspect of the health care field from home health care settings to specialty areas including ob/gyn and geriatric work.

"I was able to work at an awesome facility known as the Center of Family Love in Okarche for 5 weeks. We were able to work with patients who had MR. It was a great experience," Kinney said.

Within Southwestern's pharmacy program, many find their clinicals taking them out of state. Some of the sites where students are able to take their clinicals include Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Lawton and even places in Texas such as Wichita Falls and newly included Lubbock.

Pharmacy students are required to fulfill requirements much like the nursing students.

Senior pharmacy student Derek Dennis is currently preparing for his upcoming clinicals in the fall and feels that the experience will give him an angle that the classroom doesn't.

"I'm really excited about it. I'll be at St. Anthony's hospital for two months and at Walgreens District Office this fall," said Dennis. "I'll have the opportunity to follow several patients and get alot of case study observation."

Dennis says that when students report back after clinicals that they are better rounded practitioners.

"They always seem to have a better handle of the practical side of pharmacy work and gain confidence in their performance when they are actually helping patients and see the results from it," said Dennis.
bulldog football

Quarterback Reade Box eludes a MSU defender.

Defensive lineman Rick Washington takes down an opposing quarterback for a sack.

Reade Box looks downfield in a rainy Tarleton State match-up and battle for a come from behind victory.

Adler, Brian, Director, Public Information
Al-Jarrah, Susan, Instructor, Language Arts
Albaugh, Patricia, Asst Prof, Social Sciences
Alsbock, George, Cataloging, Library
Alsberg, Fred, Asst Prof, Language Arts
Altland, David, Programmer, Computer Services

Ball, Sue, Instructor, Biology
Barnes, Robert, Asst Dir, Auxiliary Serv
Baugh, Madeline, Instructor, Computer Science
Baugh, Dr. Richard, Professor, Technology
Becker, Dr. Bettie, Provost
Bell, Dr. Gary, Assoc Prof, Technology
A season of ups and downs

Prior to the season opener the Bulldog team lost star running back Jimmy Jenkins to season ending surgery.

Southwestern picked up the slack by going to the air.

Quarterback Reade Box aired it out to claim two school records, One for most pass completions in a season with 155 and the other for most passing yards in a season with 2,325.

Wide receiver Chase Pratt also stepped up to an impressive season by grabbing the school record for most receiving yards in a season with 1,289.

Kicker Scott Poole also set the record for most field goals in a career with 27.

The Bulldogs opened with two impressive wins over West Texas A&M and Bacone College.

Southwestern had struggles on and off the field for the next three games. Just prior to the game four head coach Paul Sharp voluntarily suspended himself for undisclosed reasons.

The team would win the last two season games. The Bulldogs upset top ranked Tarleton State in a come from behind effort in the final home game with a win.

Sharp ended the season holding the career wins record with 92. It was his 18th year at the helm.

Overall Record: 5-6
LSC North Record: 1-4

Receiver Steve Carballo proved part of the Bulldog deep threat.
The Bulldogs this season had a number of players with outstanding stats.

The leading scorer was Jamaal Shells, a 6'4 forward out of Forth Worth, Tx. Shells averaged 16.0 points per game this season and also led the team in steals with 1.4 per outing.

The leading rebounder and shot-blocker this season was Lee J. Kirkpatrick, a 6'5 power forward from Crestview, FL. Kirkpatrick averaged 5.4rpg. and 0.6 blocks per game.

The leading assist man was Darron Lewis, a 5'10 point guard out of Culver City, Calif. Lewis was a tremendous passer, averaging 3.6 assist per game.
The Southwestern Bulldogs dreams were shattered Friday, March 5 as they fell short to the Redmen of Northeastern in overtime in the second round of the NCAA Division II playoffs.

The Bulldogs' season came to an end, but the team still had a wonderful season, finishing 18-11 overall on the year.

The Bulldogs started off great with a 5-0 record. As the season progressed, the Bulldogs hit some ups and downs. They lost three straight games at one point, but picked it up and proceeded to accomplish the goal of making the playoffs.

The Bulldogs finished 4th in Lone Star Conference and we’re rewarded a spot in the LSC Tournament to face the #1 team in North division, Eastern New Mexico Greyhounds. The Bulldogs were successfull against the Hounds, beating them 61-52. The Bulldogs marked their territory this season under first-year head coach Scott Reed, letting everyone know that they are capable of being a winning team.
Godley, Dr. Larry, Assoc Prof, Elem/Sec Education
Goforth, Terry, Assoc Prof, Physics
Grant, Dr. Peter, Assoc Prof, Biology
Grayhill, Duwayne, Assoc Prof, Technology
Hamburger, Denise, Assoc Prof, Business Admin
Hanks, Dr. Marvin, Assoc Prof, Business Admin
Harper, Patti, Director, Pharmacy Continuing Ed

Hatton, Dr. Vicki, Assoc Prof, HPER
Hemming, Dr. J.P., Assoc Prof, Accounting/Finance
Henson, Faye, Assoc Prof, Allied Health
Hertzel-Crum, Linda, Instructor, Language Arts
Hix, Janice, Secretary to the Dean, Pharmacy
Holm, Greg, Instructor, Athletic Training

Season Completed
Overall Record: 11-14
LSC North Record: 5-7
Season Stats

STANDINGS
2004 LSC North Final Regular Season Standings

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Lady Bulldog basketball

The Southwestern Lady Bulldogs basketball team continued its improvement under coach Shelly Pond in 2003-2004 as it posted a 11-14 record and finished 5-7 in the Lone Star Conference. The season was topped off with a 77-63 win over Central Oklahoma in the final game.

Julie Dawson, an Arnett native and transfer from Oklahoma State, was the first Lady Bulldog ever to earn first team Division II All-Region. Dawson, a 6-foot junior, was also named Lone Star Conference Newcomer of the Year. She led the team with 19.1 points and 9.6 rebounds a game.

Bethanie Bentz, a 6-foot forward from Garber, Kayla Horn, a 6-foot-1 forward from Hydro and Paige Adams, a 6-foot forward from Clinton, each earned a spot on the honorable mention squad of the Lone Star Conference.

Adams also earned first-time All-LSC academic honors. Those on the commissioner's honor roll were Karie Mueggenborg, Sarah Andrews, Autumn Aneshansley, Nikki Sloan and Roxie Camden, a senior from Weatherford.
The Bulldogs opened their 2004 season with a bang at the new Southwestern Sports Complex.

The new field was built flat, unlike the old field where the hill went from right to center. The new field was built so that the proposed Wellness Center could take the place of the old field.

The new field is deep in center and in the left center and right center gaps.

The most important factor for the Bulldogs is the wind at the new Ballpark, where a routine fly ball could easily be a homerun, or a pop-up could be pulled back into the infield. The way the Bulldogs began their 2004 season, it looks as if the team will be right at home.

Fast start for senior-filled team

Southwestern will be losing its core of players after the 2004 season.

The Bulldogs will be graduating almost a dozen seniors. During the Spring 2004 season, the seniors led the way for an awesome preseason, starting 8-0. Seniors like Dan Dody and Dillon Ball transferred to Southwestern to play under fifth year coach Charles Teasley.

The Bulldogs have had a rocky conference season with a 1-9 record. However, several Bulldogs have earned Lone Star Conference honors for the Bulldogs. Dan Dody, Dillon Ball, Gunnar Poff, and Jason Looper have been recognized by the conference for their achievements.
The Lady Bulldog softball team was in the thick of the Lone Star Conference all season. As of press time, coach Tami Loy’s team was 24-13 overall and 8-7 in Lone Star Conference play.

Several players took home honors throughout the season.

Senior second baseman, Ida Hoffman earned LSC “Hitter of the Week” honors. Hoffman, from Adair, OK batted .667 in four wins for the week of March 8-14. Hoffman added three doubles and two ripples while also driving in four runs and scoring twice. She also posted an impressive 1.133 slugging percentage for the week.

Pitcher Shandi McDonough twice received “Pitcher of the Week” honors. By April, she had a 0.65 earned run average.

Lauren Brown, a senior shortstop from Oklahoma City, was named the LSC “Hitter of the Week” earlier in the season. Brown came up big in the Lady Bulldogs’ season opener as her 3-run homerun lifted the Lady Bulldogs to a 3-2 win over Oklahoma Christian.

Marvin, Carrie, Asst Professor, Pharmacy
Maxson, Dr. Helen, Professor, Language Arts
May, Dr. Ralph, Director, MBA Program
McBride, Becky, University Nurse
McGurk, Dr. Don, Professor, Computer Science
McKee, Larry, Asst Prof, Business Administration

Misak, David, Director, Human Resources
Misak, Tamra, Asst to Provost/Asst Director, Student Development
Morris, Dr. Nina, Asst Prof, Pharmacy Practice
Moss, Dr. Greg, Dean/Assoc Prof, School of Education
Nail, Dr. Paul, Professor, Psychology
Neashult, Sharon, Instructor, School Service Programs
we are winning as usual
After competing at the rodeo in Ft. Scott KS, Southwestern’s women’s rodeo team is first in the standings while the men sit in third.

The men were led by Bandy Murphy who earned the All Around cowboy for his performances.

In the saddle bronc riding Murphy placed first in the long round, third in the short round, and first in the average. In the bull riding Southwestern had three riders make the short round including Jordan Williams, Bandy Murphy and Andrew Steubbe.

Southwestern had three women make the short round in the breakaway roping event including Ginalee Tierney, Ashlilen Houston, and Jessi Houston. Tierney placed fourth in the long round. Ashlilen Houston placed second in the short round and second in the average and Jessi Houston placed third in the short round and third in the average.

Coach Chad Ramirez was “pleased with both teams performances.” He is looking forward to the upcoming rodeo in Garden City and says, “the women are right where we need to be and the men are holding still, we just need a few good rodeos.”
It will be an end of an era. The Bulldog men’s soccer team played its final game in the fall.

The program was originally eliminated last spring due to budget cuts. Women’s volleyball took its place.

Head coach Joe Bradley and soccer players worked with the community to raise funds to give a nice finish for the seniors and a transition for players that will transfer to play at another school. The soccer team will not finish with a winning record for its final year of play. However the team had other goals.

Bradley said at the beginning of the season that this year was a “season of transition” for his players, especially those who planned to transfer.

Learning different styles to the game was the priority over winning. “The men’s soccer players have been outstanding students at Southwestern and we hope they continue to be students here at this university,” Public Information Director Brian Adler said.

Perkins said the players will be successful in whatever they choose in life.

Russell, Dr. Randy, Professor, Business Administration
Scott, Dr. Rodney, Professor, Psychology
Scruggs, Dr. James, Professor, Pharmaceutical Sciences
Segal, Dr. Ronald, Professor, Biology
Seibert, Dr. Bill, Professor, Biology
Sharp, Randall, Asst Prof, Pharmacy
Silver, Dr. James, Asst Professor, Language Arts
Skachill, Dr. Penny, Assoc Prof, Pharmacy Practice
Sonobe, Dr. Blake, Chair/Assoc Prof, Chemistry
South, Dr. James, Assoc Prof, Music
Spurgeon, Dr. Debra, Assoc Prof, Music
Stoffers, Joyce, Assoc Prof, Language Arts
It was a season of many close losses for the women's soccer team. The season was summed up by the final game, in which the Lady Bulldogs took a 1-0 advantage over Eastern New Mexico when Stacy Lee scored on a free kick, yet lost 2-1 when ENM scored in the 59th minute.

Stacy Lee, a senior defender from Del City majoring in marketing, earned a spot on the LSC Academic Team.

Midfielder Katherine DeWitt earned second team LSC All-Conference honors for her play this past season. DeWitt recorded four goals and one assist.

The Lady Bulldogs finished the season 2-16-2 overall and 0-9 in Lone Star Conference matches.
The Crowder Lake Program, directed by Chad Kinder offers many activities, including rapelling and a ropes course. The activities are free to students.

Waites, Jim, Director, Development/Alumni Services
Walker, Ron, Program Director/Instructor, Athletic Training
Welch, Ben, Asst Prof, Pharmacy

White, Dr. Harold, Professor Emeritus, Chemistry
White, Max, Asst Prof, Business Administration
Wilson, Dr. Donald, Professor, School Service Programs

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"We're not the Blazers," said team captain Joseph West. They do know how to have fun at what they love. The roller hockey team has been faithfully practicing for many years, and host several games throughout the year.

Above: Players prepare to face-off.

Canoeing at Crowder Lake

Winchester, Dr. Judy, Professor, Elem/Sec Programs
Wolff, Dr. Michael, Ass Prof, Psychology
Wolgamott, Dr. Gary, Chair/Prof, Allied Health

Woods, Dr. John, Professor, Mathematics
Woods, Dr. Paulette, Dean of Students
Teasley, Charles, Instructor/Couch, Baseball
The ladies at every football and basketball game that help bring the crowd to their feet aren't just the cheer and pom squads. They are the spirit leaders of SWOSU dedicating their time and effort to pump up the crowd with their skill of dance, cheer, and flexibility.

With their sponsor, Pam Nichols, these squads work hard year-round to maintain their strength and energy for each game in which they participate.

The 2003-04 cheer squad captain is Kim Gable and co-captain is Kelsi Knauf. The pom squad's captain is Shelby Higdon and co-captain is Lindsey Grigg.

Both lady's groups appear at the games encouraging the teams, and the pom squad dances their hearts out on their halftime performance.

The Southwestern Oklahoma men's golf team placed sixth in its annual SWOSU Invitational. Cameron won the team title with rounds of 288-292-290 (870) over Southern Nazarene's 876 total.

Heath Myers fired rounds of 67-75-72 (214) to place second. Brian Hostetler tied for 13th with rounds of 71-76-72 (219). Tyson Mooring tied for 31st with rounds of 72-79-73 (224). John Repp tied for 55th with rounds of 74-83-74 (231) and Jarod Lundy tied for 65th with rounds of 77-82-7 (234).
We Ran Cross Country

Members are Laci Schumacher, Kishia Sharp, Morgan Brown, Heather Wallace, Sherri Manke, Jessi Robertson, Carman Zamora, Lauren Coleman, Coach Adina Peters

Senior Morgan Brown works hard for her team to reach the finish line.

The team poses for a quick picture at a meet.

Lady Bulldogs
The Southwestern Lady Bulldogs placed ninth at the Subway Invitational hosted by West Texas A&M in April. Southwestern had rounds of 382-384 (766). The team title went to Northeastern State with rounds of 308-308 (616).

Who We Are...

There's more to campus life than just fighting class and homework. Here at Southwestern students find time to have fun, make friends, all while making the grades.

A SWOSU student enjoys a break in the lobby of the Stafford building.

Daily, students deal with parking tickets, rushing to get to class on time, and Oklahoma weather (need I say more) all while maintaining there insanity of college life.
The Southwestern Life

Southwestern has always been known as "the home away from home."
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