

# SWOSU Alumni Association Bestows Emeriti and Service Awards

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Three former Southwestern Oklahoma State University faculty were honored recently by the SWOSU Alumni Association during a reception held in the Skyview Suite of the Pioneer Cellular Events Center on the Weatherford campus.

The Alumni Association Board of Directors voted in 2015 to begin recognizing former SWOSU instructors annually and celebrating their contributions to SWOSU.

The 2015 SWOSU Alumni Association Emeritus Award honorees include:

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

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

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

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

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

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

The SWOSU Alumni Association is a dynamic group of volunteers from all walks of life who are passionate about giving back to SWOSU. The Association offers members a variety of benefits and event opportunities. For more information, please contact SWOSU’s Office of Institutional Advancement at 580-774-3289 or visit [www.SWOSUAlumni.com](http://www.SWOSUAlumni.com).