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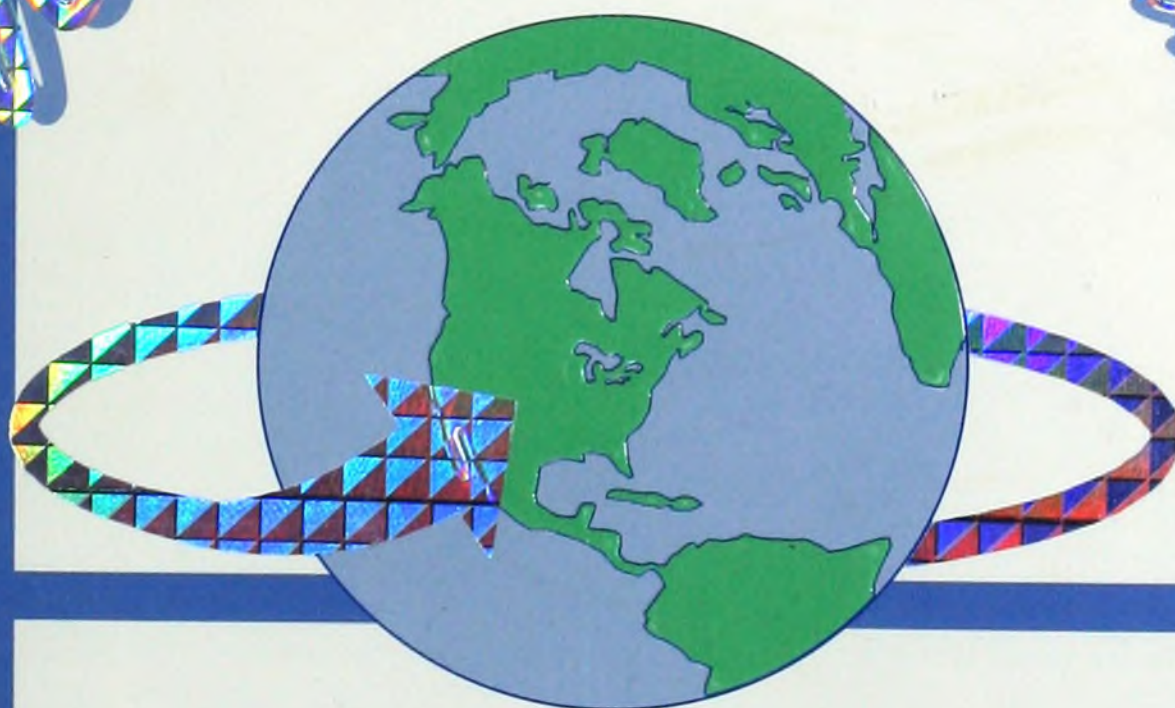
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Where In The World?



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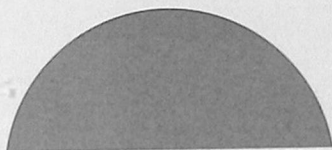
THE GRADUATE RECORD

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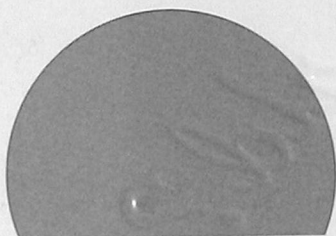
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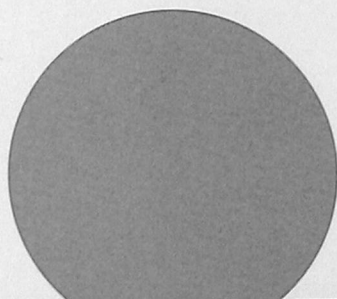
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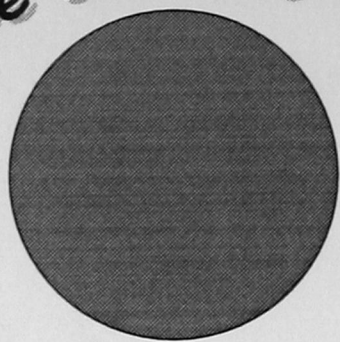


Photo by Jennifer Cragg

Your world and welcome to it. Painted with school pride, fans gear up to cheer on the football team at each home game. Here, the Bulldogs defeated Harding University 18-0.

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Weatherford, Oklahoma 73096
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Where In The World?



Geographically?

—To grad students like Bojana Popic, from Bosnia, it was home away from home, half a world away from family.

—To seniors like Marcella Dexter, it was flat and non-scenic—about 19 hours from home in White Pigeon, Mich.

—To Jamie Keehn from some 30 miles away in Butler, it was “a place where students stop and say ‘Hi’ as you pass.”

—To most, it was the buckle on the Bible Belt, forever wheat fields and winds that never quit.

Politically?

—To College Republicans like December graduate Todd Speaks, it was the stronghold of the Oklahoma Republican Party.

—To Young Democrats like Ken DeFrank, it was land of opportunity for building the party.

Culturally?

—To Cheyenne princess Angie Newcomb and Kiowa princess Amber Toppah, it was Native Oklahoma, home of powwows, festivals and fierce ethnic pride.

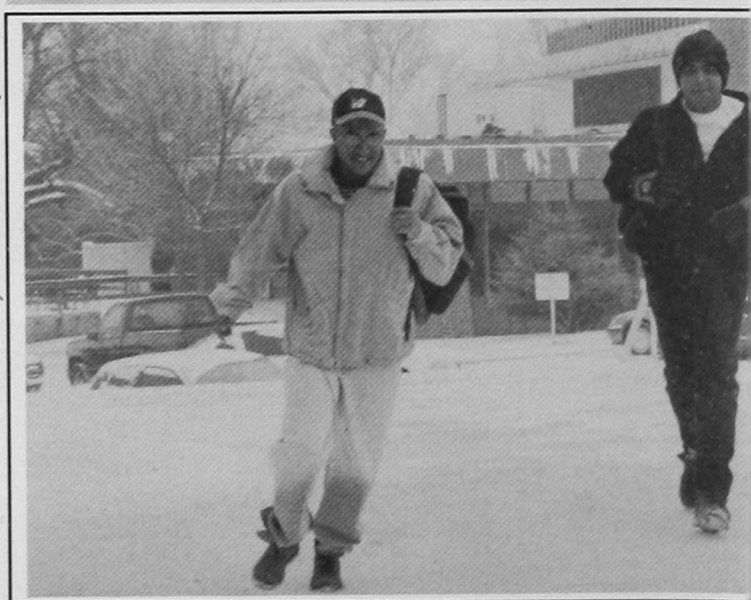
—To country enthusiasts like Misty Cloud, it was C&W music and rodeos, seasoned with jazz festivals, ballet and community theatre.

There's No Place Like It

“...and the wind (and the snow) come whistling down the plains” was more than part of a song for sophomores Jebessa Mosissa and Matesh Patel and junior Sangita Patel, who must lean into the stuff in order to get to the next class.



Photos by Elise Mosissa





A mid-winter view of "The Hill", shot by photographer Ellie Miranda, was made possible by the flight skills of graduate student Brad White. Far left stands the Physical Plant, Fine Arts Center and residence halls. Right corner shows Rankin Williams Fieldhouse, Harris Library and Neff Hall.

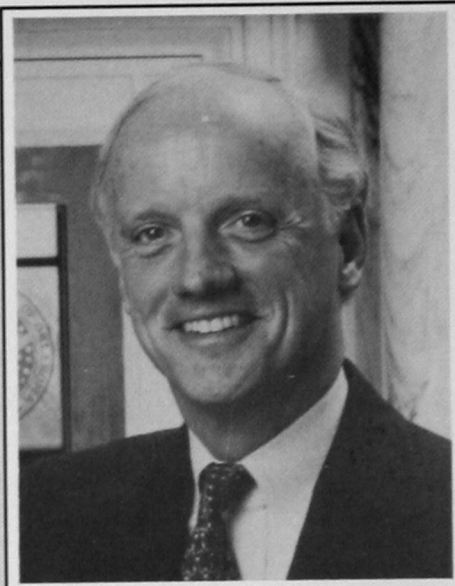
After completing a tribal dance, senior elementary education major and former Cheyenne Princess Angie Newcomb (center) is joined by her mother Norma Glenn and friend Irene Deere. The four-day powwow was hosted by Colony over Labor Day weekend and brought participants from as far away as the Dakotas. Southwestern's international students joined in the festivities.

Under proven leadership

It's a tough job, but somebody's ...

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Dr. Joe Anna Hibler (left) leads a group of visitors to the newly-opened Southwestern Museum, the old Y-Chapel. The museum hosted its open house during homecoming festivities. *Photo by Ellie Miranda*

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Bernhardt Award Winner

Just four weeks away from end of term, Dr. Gary Wolgamott took his place among the top profs on campus.

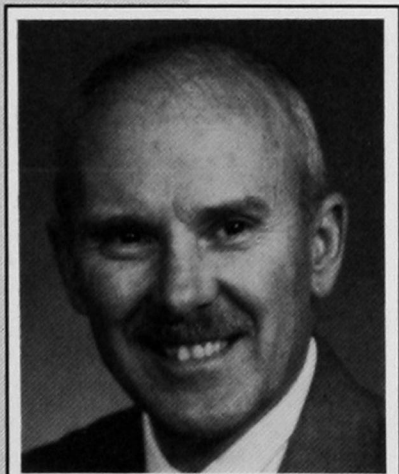
Wolgamott, professor of microbiology and associate dean of health sciences, received the annual Bernhardt Award for Academic Excellence.

It was the third year the prestigious award had been given.

Wolgamott grew up in Kansas, received his bachelor's from Northwestern Oklahoma State in 1963, completed his doctorate at OSU in 1968, then came to Southwestern.

His lengthy list of achievements includes working with NASA, organizing the Oklahoma Society for Medical Technology Educators and helping develop the Western Oklahoma AIDS Network.

He advises students in health careers, primarily medical technology, physical therapy and occupational therapy.



Dr. Gary Wolgamott

Faculty, staff and administrators had tackled projects at all levels in '94-'95, including snagging \$1.24 million in funded grants. By the end of April, it was apparent that '95-'96 would be even better, as grant totals had already exceeded \$1.6 million and the list continued to grow. A host of faculty and administrators conducted studies abroad, submitted papers or were recognized for accomplishments. The list of feats, both on and off campus, included:

—Pharmacy School received \$580,000 to implement an ambulatory care teaching research site at Ft. Sill.

—Marvin Hankins, Ralph May and Jerry Kaufman developed the Great Plains General Business Index.

—Chemistry chair Dr. Don Hertzler helped acquire a workstation for the nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer, one of the world's most powerful research instruments.

—Assistant professor of technology Dr. James Jent pulled down some \$80,000 in grant monies for his department.

—Public Access Services librarian David Scott and Dr. Rolan Decker acted and directed, respectively, in Southwest Playhouse productions of *The Sound of Music* and *Amahl and the Night Visitors*.

—Carolene Jackson of the Child Development Lab was awarded \$59,000 and \$67,000 for two childcare programs, one for pre-school, one for school-age.

—Computer science instructor George Atkins won \$16,000-plus from Microsoft Corporation and another \$32,000 for teaching telecomputing to K-12 educators.

—Under the direction of Dr. Lessley Price, the telelearning center offered 10 new courses.

—Under the leadership of Dr. Ken Rose, the university began a cooperative effort with the Office for Juvenile Affairs for the Foss Lake Adventure Program.

—Members of the music department entertained visitors nationwide at the 26th annual Jazz Festival and the first-ever Beethoven Festival held in Weatherford.

—The School of Business established a scholarship in memory of Dr. Barbara Matthews, who lost her life after a heart attack in late January.

—Drs. Blake Sonobe and Allen Lane were awarded a \$77,484 grant from the State Regents for Higher Education.

—In three separate grants for the math department, Dr. David Lawrence and Dr. John Woods won almost \$110,000 in grants.

—Thirty-three faculty helped 120 students prepare presentations for the third annual Scholarly Activity Fair.



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Garrett, Sandy, Position 9

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Nelson, Gene, Secretary, Position 1
Wilkins, Dr. Leonard, Position 4
Marseda Garrison, Position 3
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Senior pharmacy major Shannon Pruett "hams" it up as she belts out her best hog call during the Ninth Annual Championship Hog Call in downtown Weatherford. Pruett dedicated her fruitless performance to her father.

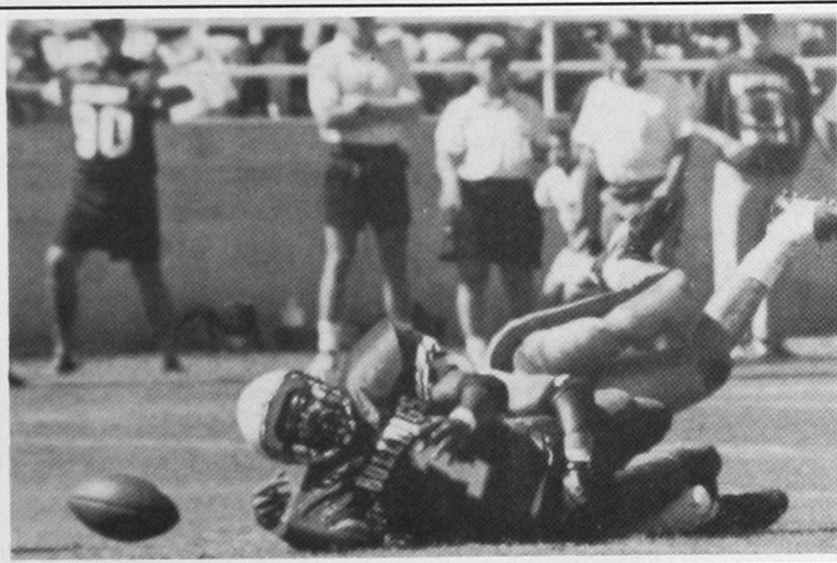


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Student Life

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Sports



Tailback Willie Brown is stopped short of the ball by a Harding University defender. The Bulldogs went on to win the homecoming game match-up.

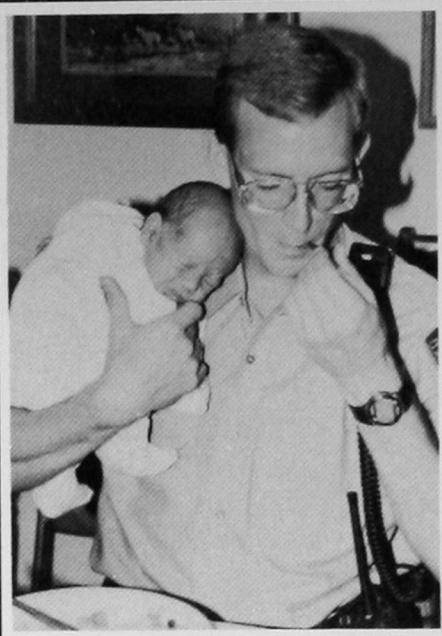
Photo by Don Price

The first Miss Black Southwestern pageant. Four NAIA All-Americans. The new Thomas P. Stafford Center. National women's basketball tournament participants. The list of winners goes on and on.

Life outside of school, as well as life in the sports arena helped produce achievements unmatched by any other school. With each new milestone, Southwestern became more than just a dot on the state map. It became a center of attention which could be duplicated nowhere else on earth.

Thanksgiving is a family affair with Tracy Sipe and his new son Taylor sharing dinner with the Bible Chair bunch. Sipe was a senior completing his student teaching at Weatherford High School's math department.

Friends kill a sunny afternoon watching the volleyball matches across from Neff Hall. They are freshmen Angie Campbell of Ringwood and Jessica Cody of Laverne, junior Phillip Lewis of Chickasha, freshman Brandi Price of Laverne and freshman John Sixkiller of Blackwell.



How do you stay in touch with friends who live somewhere else?



..We call each other after midnight and we switch spending the night at each other's house. We write each other too. Even when she was in Weatherford, we sometimes wrote letters.

—Ellie Miranda



Ellie Miranda & Flora Mugambi



Photos by Ellie Miranda

Of all the classes I had in the School of Arts and Sciences, the most memorable one is...



Dr. (Bill) Seibert's botany class. He always called me "Miss Crash" because I had two wrecks that semester.

—Trinh Do,
OKC, Bio. Sci.

..entomology...the field trip to SE Oklahoma. Spending the weekend with Dr. (Peter) Grant and the rest of the guys was quite an experience.

—Chris Spivey,
Rush Springs, Bio Sci.

Acting...everybody got their chance to act, even if it wasn't on the big stage. It was a new experience for some of us.

—Misty Cloud,
Elk City, Sp/Theater

When the going gets rough, who ya gonna call on?

Best buds & family friends

The stress of studying and campus activities sometimes got the best of people. In order to cope with this stress, students turned to family and friends. It is through these people that many students found the strength to push forward when all they really wanted to do was nap.

Mother and student Bonnie Blakley could not have made it through without her children's understanding.

"My kids are good at helping," Blakley said. "Two of my kids live at home and my daughter helps by watching her little brother when I need her to."

Blakley admits that it is sometimes tough to balance between school and family. She said sometimes the balance does not happen at all.

"There are times when I focus on one more than the other," she said. "It just depends on what is going on that week."

Senior education major Tracy Sipe said it is hard work keeping that balance, but still managed to do it. He said he had to, because his family was important.

"I work thirty hours a week and attend school," Sipe said. "When I come home, my wife needs a break, so I'll take the kids and do something with them. I try to help relieve some pressure on her."

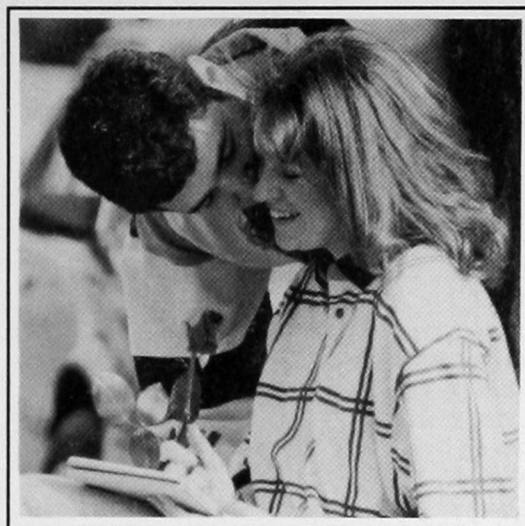
Although not every student had a family at home to keep happy, some considered their closest friends family. For students that lived away from home, best friends served as support systems.

"You have to have friends to turn to and have fun with," senior Brandi Morisse said. "It breaks up all the monotony of everything else."

Brandi's friends were the closest family she had around, since family lived hours away in Elkhart, Kan.

"It's sometimes tough being that far away from supportive parents, but my friends seem to give me a boost when I need it," Morisse said.

For students that needed a boost to help get through college, very often friends and family provided that needed support.

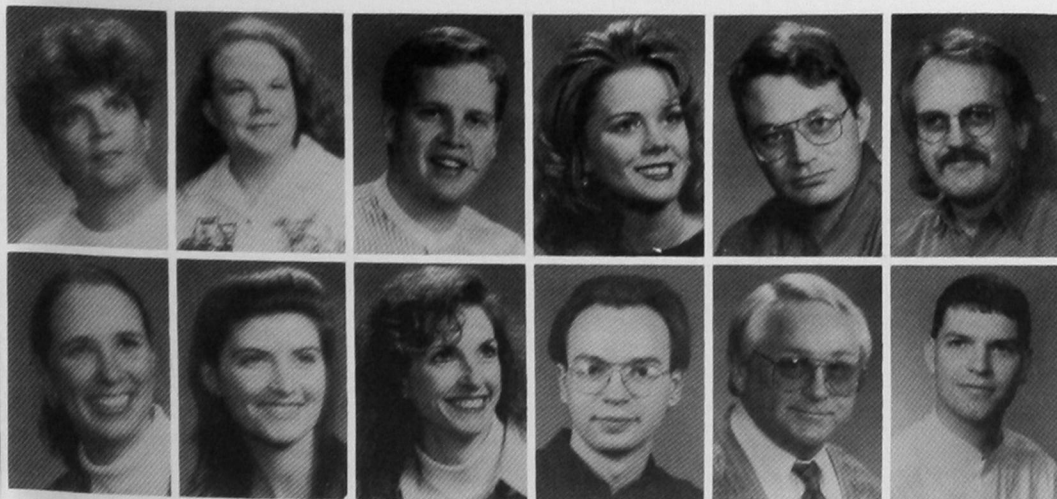


Senior math major Terry Price surprises his sweetheart, freshman Linda Raff with a red rose to celebrate Valentine's Day. Florists and candy shops reported a booming business day.



Carmen Barnes and Luz Blanco Fuentez share time in Luz's kitchen at the beginning of a special Spanish Club get-together. Luz provided the home and the home cooking.

Robyn Hoffman



Bailey, Janet, Arnett, B.S. Psychology
Barnes, Carmen, Randlett, B.S. Bio-Physics
Barnett, Michael, Weatherford, B.A. Chemistry
Bartlow, Michelle, Quincy, IL, M.S. Appl. Psych.
Blaylock, T. S., Cordell, B.A. Crim. Justice
Bodey, Terry, Elk City, B.S. Psychology

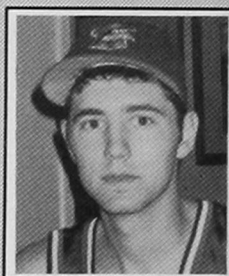
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Brown, Tanya, Tipton, B.S. Psychology
Bruce, Linda, Arapaho, B.A. Sociology
Butler, John, Ft. Cobb, B.S. Comp. Sci.
Carroll, Leroy, Elk City, B.A. Sociology
Carter, Dean, Burns Flat, B.S. Bio. Sci.

Deep in concentration, senior computer science major Mike Hodges cues up in the game room of the Student Union. It was a favorite place to hang for those needing a stress reliever.

In the evening, the snack bar is a popular hangout. Here time-out means loads of junk food washed down with loads of ...well, junk drink, for sophomore art major Melissa Walker, ed major Melissa Cramer and pre-pharm major Kristy Gregory, both freshmen.



My favorite place on campus to just hang with friends was...



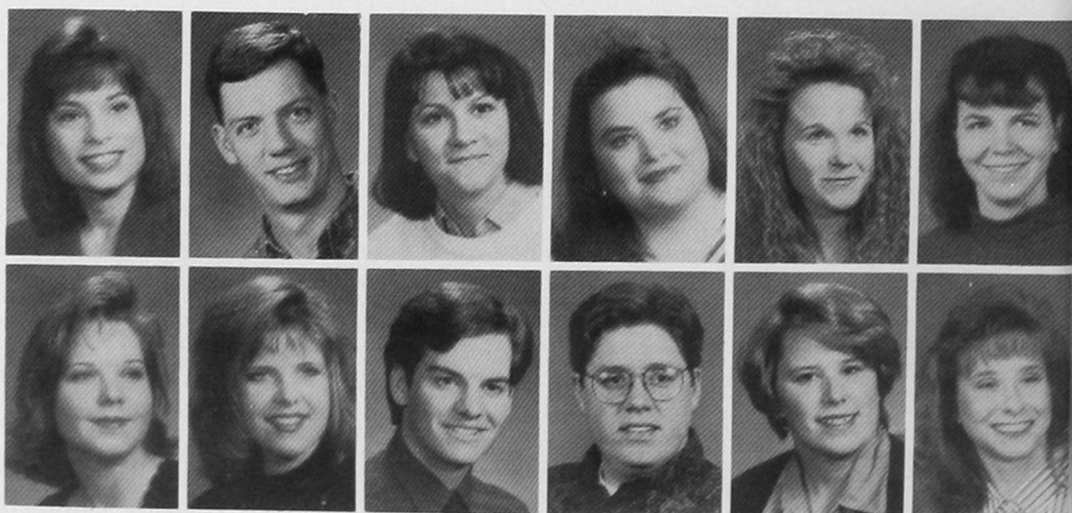
...the Church of Christ Student Center. I could hang out with my Christian friends and do pretty much what I wanted. The Center has a pool table, a gym, a TV, a kitchen...it's a lot of fun.

—Terry Price



Cavins, Ruth, *Weatherford*, B.S. Psychology
Chapman, Brian, *Sayre*, B.S. Math
Clark, Nina, *Elk City*, Bach. Social Work
Cloud, Misty, *Elk City*, B.A. Speech/Theatre
Combs, Jo Lynn, *Taloga*, Bach. Rec.
Crisp, Terri, *Elk City*, B.S. Bio. Sci.

Crow, Jana, *Granite*, B.S. Psychology
Custer, Amy, *Coldwater, KS*, B.S. Bio. Sci.
Daubenspeck, Gregory, *Tuttle*, B.A. Speech/Theatre
Dehnisch, Michael, *Weatherford*, B.S. Bio. Sci.
Derollo, Tonya, *Altus*, M.S. App. Psych.
Dewbre, Jacquelin, *Lone Grove*, B.S. Biology



'Wanna just go hang out?'

The phrase heard 'round the world

Whether coping with the stress of college or trying to fill idle time, students targeted popular places all over campus for the special treat of just hanging out with friends.

Each had a personal favorite, and scenes such as friends having an informal chat on the Student Union deck or a team of television enthusiasts tuning into a favorite soap were common.

The year-old sun deck was home to more than a few friendships. It was the spot where people drank coffee, had a smoke and perplexed each other with original ideas. For social science graduate student Dylan Butler, it was a place to just relax and catch up on world events. For all, it was an oasis of escape when school life became either too mundane or too frantic.

With the information superhighway blazing its way across America and the world at light speed, Southwestern showed no immunity. Kimberly Johnson, senior health information management major from Quapaw said her favorite place on campus was the computer lab, where she went every day to check her email.

"I use email to keep in touch with friends from high school in Wisconsin," she said. "It is an easy and cheap way to stay in touch."

Some of the hangouts included sitting in front of the television in one of the six residence halls. Every Thursday night the Rogers and Jefferson Hall lobby overflowed with those eager to catch up on the latest events of the popular television story ER.

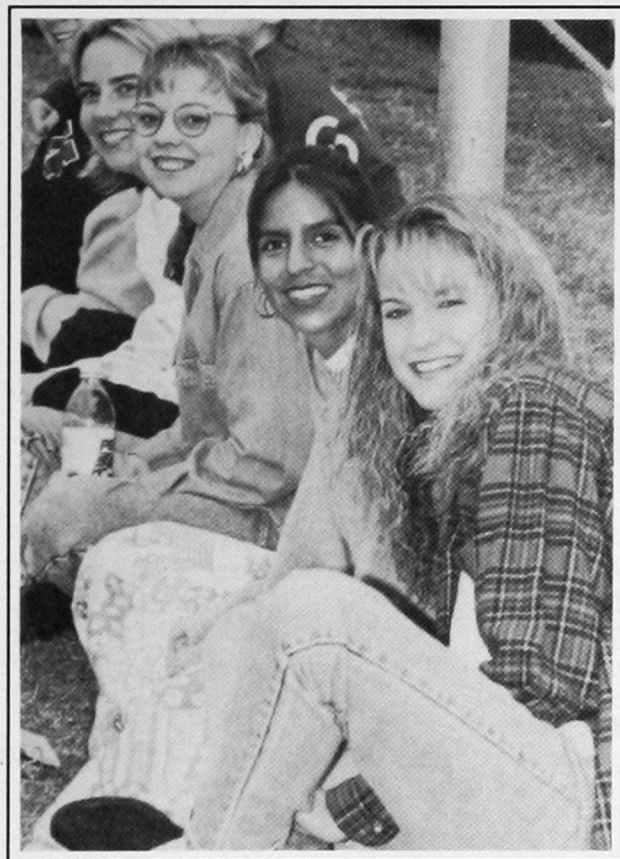
Across campus, Neff Hall residents gathered around the tube to watch Monday night football.

"Everyone had his favorite team," said Kelly Banwart, Neff's resident adviser. "And they would all really get into the game by yelling for their team."

The Student Union game room was also a popular place for the male population. The pool table was often the site of fierce competition. For those who chose to compete against a computer, video games such as Pole Position offered a different challenge.

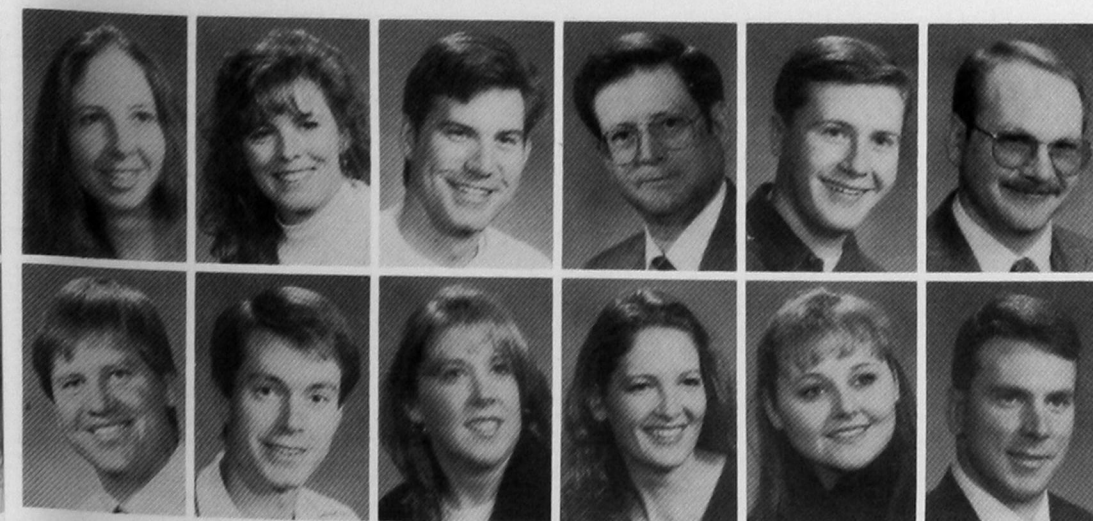
Anytime, day or night, a peek across the 73-acre campus caught more than a few of the academically inclined "just hangin'."

Jami Shields & Chris Young



Photos by Ellen Mizanin

Freshmen Natalie Melton, Ceann Martinez, and Timberly Mitchell brave the cool weather to watch intramural football favorites go head-to-head.



Dixon, Ronda, Enid, B.S. Psychology
Dobson, Amanda, Sayre, Bach. Social Work
Dodson, Scott, Altus, B.S. Comp. Sci.
Dudgeon, Terrance, Cordell, Bach. Ind. Tech.
Ellis, Scott, Elk City, B.S. Bio Sci.
Entz, Steve, Hydro, Bach. Ind. Tech.

Estes, Bryan, Canute, B.S. Eng. Tech.
Evans, Frankie, Camargo, B.S. Math
Fansler, Traci, Hydro, Bach. Rec. Leadership
Fette, Rachel, McAlester, B.S. Chemistry
Fisher, Brandi, McAlester, Bach. Rec. Leadership
Folks, John Mark, Weatherford, B.S. Bio. Sci.

W *Homecoming went above and beyond a* World of tradition

Homecoming '95: "Keeping the Tradition Alive."

Homecomings are all about keeping customs alive, and the theme reflected it, but festivities went beyond the traditional realm as doors were opened to a new facility and a bed race winning streak was snapped. But while some traditions were started, others returned, such as the homecoming coronation and, of course, the football game.

Southwestern tradition was forever immortalized as the Y-chapel opened its doors as a museum.

The brainchild of President Dr. Joe Anna Hibler and the creation of Dr. Michael Kerley, the museum showcased artifacts and photos from Southwestern's past. Among one of the first students to view the items was sophomore James Branum.

"Pictures of the campus from a long, long time ago did not even look anything like the campus today," Branum said. "It was like a picture into

the past."

The homecoming parade brought disappointment as Parker Hall broke Jefferson's six-year reign as bed race champions. But disappointment escaped Phi Beta Lambda as the club beat out competitors in the float contest.

Coronation ended with Sunny Craig walking away the new queen. Finalists Pepper Shepherd, Julie Williams, Chanda Kromer and Misty Porter looked on as 1994 queen Erin McGuire crowned her successor. Craig was nominated by the Baptist Student Union.

"I was totally taken by surprise," Craig said. "It wasn't something that I ever really thought about being, but I'm glad I won."

Her winning ways were mirrored on the football field, where the Bulldogs shut out Harding University 18-0 with their strong defense, despite the fact that Adam McNeely and Kirk Talley left the game with injuries. The win helped boost their record to 2-2.

As the final seconds ticked off the clock and the homecoming celebration drew to a close, those involved were turning to 1996 in hopes of 'keeping the tradition alive.'

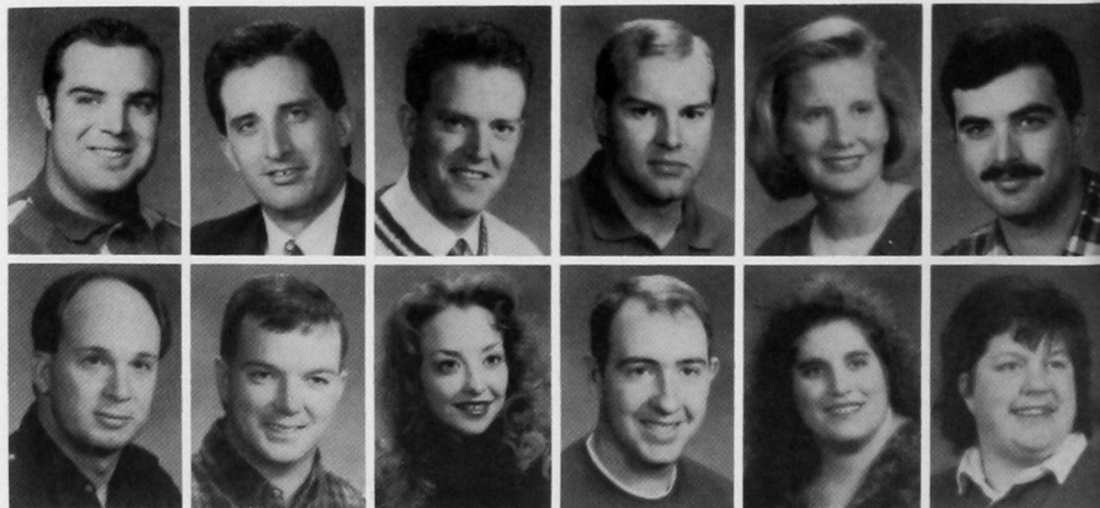
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After a six-year reign as bedrace champions, Jefferson Hall fell short of upholding their winning ways. Parker Hall handed Jefferson the loss.

Freeman, Josh, *Texboma*, B.S. Psychology
Fuller, Mitchell, *Cordell*, B. S. Pol. Sci.
Fulton, Brad, *Weatherford*, Bach. Rec. Leadership
Gartrell, Gary, *Fargo*, B.S. Chemistry
Gray, Amy, *OKC*, Bach. Music
Greco, Skyler, *Weatherford*, B.A. Pol. Sci.

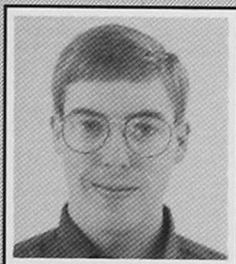
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Hickman, Jason, *Ulysses, KS*, B.S. Eng. Tech.
Hickman, Julie, *Ulysses, KS*, B.S. Bio. Sci.
Hodges, Michael, *Duncan*, B.S. Comp. Sci.
Hoffman, Andrea, *Custer City*, B.A. Speech/Theatre
Hoffman, Robyn, *Custer City*, B.A. English





The high-spirited cheerleaders fire up the crowd for the homecoming game. They watched as the Bulldogs shut out Harding University 18-0.

My favorite homecoming memory was...



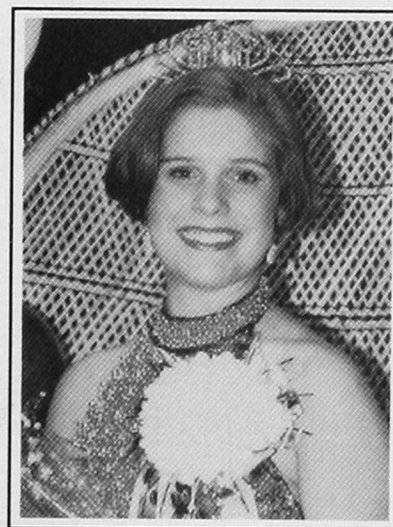
Getting together with Alpha Kappa Psi to work on a float for the parade. We ended up with third place.

—Joe Kobs



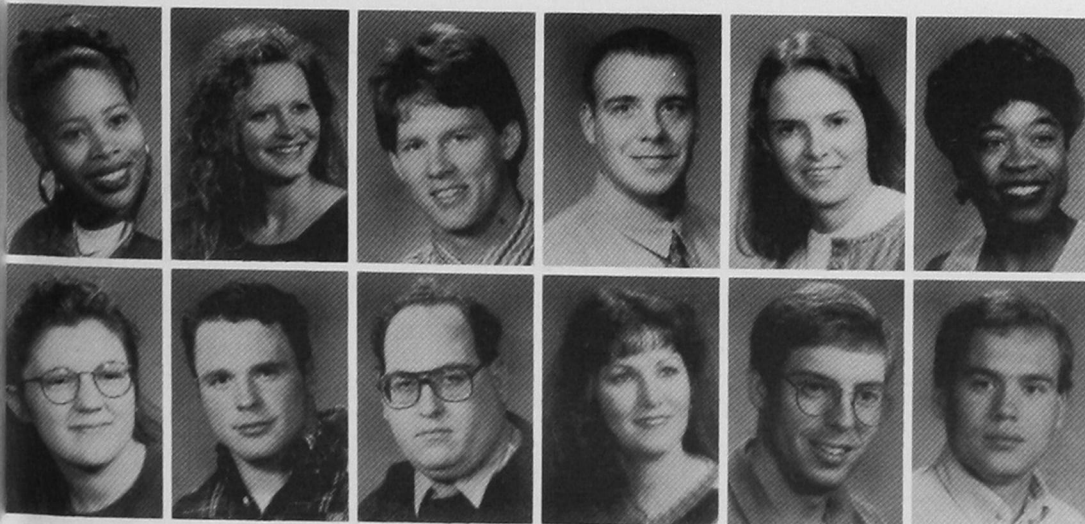
Being in the bedrace and being nominated by Oklahoma Hall for homecoming queen.

—Karen Neeland



Chemistry major Sunny Craig dons the homecoming queen crown. Craig edged out finalists Pepper Shepherd, Julie Williams, Chanda Kromer and Misty Porter for the title.

Photo by Ellie Miranda



Hollin, Quentonya, *Houlka, MS*, Bach. Rec. Leadership
Howard, Claudia, *Shawnee*, B.S. Psychology
Huber, Jason, *Apache*, B.S. Psychology
Hume, Scott, *Weatherford*, Bach. Rec. Leadership
Hunt, Amy, *Woodward*, Bio. Sci.
Johnson, Vivian, *Long Beach, CA*, Bach. Rec. Leadership

Kelley, Kristy, *Fort Cobb*, B.S. Psychology
Kerr, Don, *Columbia, NJ*, Bach. Rec. Leadership
King, Michael, *Burns Flat*, B.A. History
Kinnison, Brenda, *Cleveland*, B.S. Psychology
Kobs, Joe, *Mountain View*, B.A. Eng./B.S. Mgt.
Langley, Kevin, *Foss*, B.S. Psychology

Coffee houses, watering holes and restaurants The world outside campus

He shines up his ropers and starches his Wranglers. He makes sure his brightly colored western shirt is creased perfectly. He fastens his shiny gold belt buckle.

As he heads out the door, the fun-seeker grabs his black felt cowboy hat. Senior Jeremy Alexander is ready to dance the night away.

Alexander is headed to his favorite off-campus hangout, J.C. Cowboys. On arrival, he finds a dance partner, then notices that other students like Jennifer Edgar, Rob Salinas and Kelly Banwart are boot scooting their way around the dance floor.

This is South of the Border night and the place is packed.

Cowboys was one of the most popular hangouts for students. Whether they were attending retro-techno nights on Thursdays or going to

watch the male or female dancers, the club proved to be a hotspot of activity.

Across the county, west of Clinton, others gathered at Schreck's, another favorite for lo-

cals who wanted to dance and be entertained. Schreck's was the site of many country concerts, and students crammed elbow to elbow to hear superstars like Bryan White and Ty England belt out their top ten hits.

Senior Lori Kromer liked the hits, but she was there, stage front at every concert, for a reason. Kromer said she would often envision herself on stage doing the same things stars like White and England were doing. In January, she headed to Nashville.

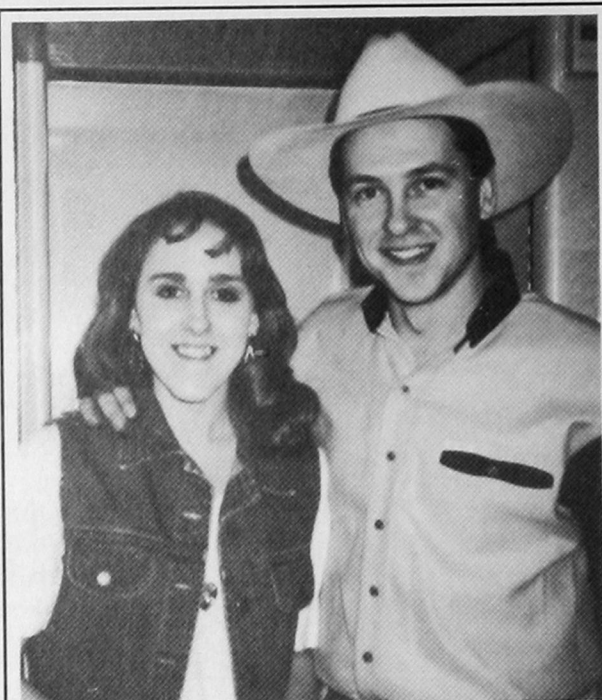
As 2 a.m. approaches, Alexander drives to Jerry's, a favorite Weatherford restaurant, to unwind. Again, he finds he is not the only college person there. Students KeriAynn Strickler and Nanisa Pereles are tucked away in a corner booth, sipping cokes and talking about life. During the weekdays, Strickler and Pereles could also be seen there on far more serious business than sipping cokes.

"We go there to study," Pereles said. "If we stay at home, we get too comfortable and fall asleep. We never get any studying done."

As for the earlier, daylight hours, Java's was the place most frequented. For an unusual lunch, a place to hear local musicians or just a place to grab a good cup of cappuccino, the New York deli atmosphere made the coffee house a favorite.

Anywhere there was a crowd, if you checked closely, it was probably a Southwestern crowd.

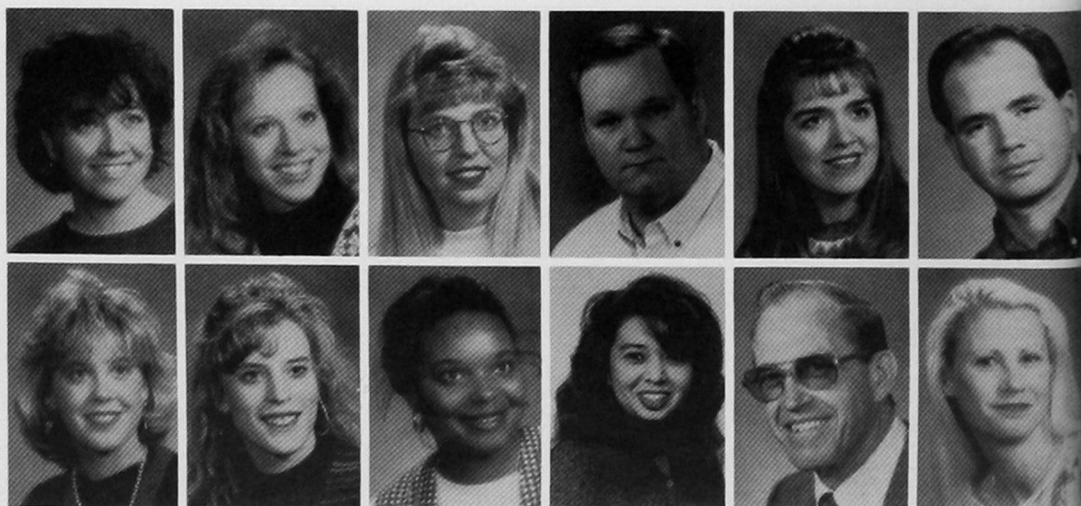
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On board country music singer Ty England's bus, senior Annette Russi takes time out for a picture with the superstar. Russi met England at Schreck's, where she was taking photos of him for the newspaper. *Photo by Robyn Hoffman*

Lee, Amy, Apache, B.A. Chemistry
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Morton, Mindy, Weatherford, Bach. Social Work
O'Neal, Julie, Weatherford, B.S. Psych/History
Oliver, Jewell, Mangum, Bach. Social Work
Patel, Hetal, Germantown, TN, B.S. Bio.Sci.
Patton, Jackie, Weatherford, Bach. Ind. Tech.
Pendergrass, Tiger, Weatherford, B.S. Psychology





Seniors Brandon Clark and Rodney Cline get in some late night study time at Jerry's, a local restaurant and hangout. The 2 a.m. study session was for a test the following day.

Richard Knabe, Chris Hampton, Byron Malone and Luis Rodriguez celebrate the Christmas season playing holiday tunes in front of Java Rods. Java's served as a place where students could hang out in a New York-style atmosphere.

Photos by Andrea Hoffman

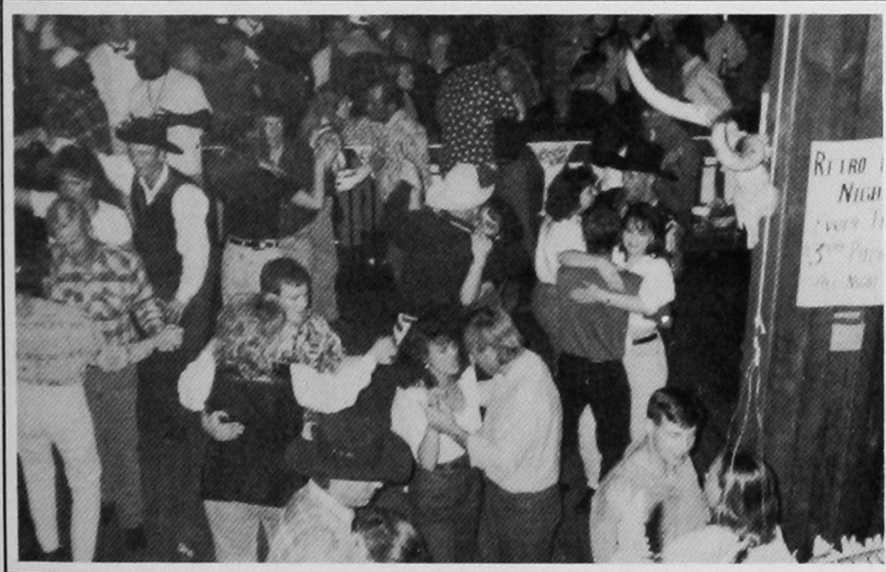
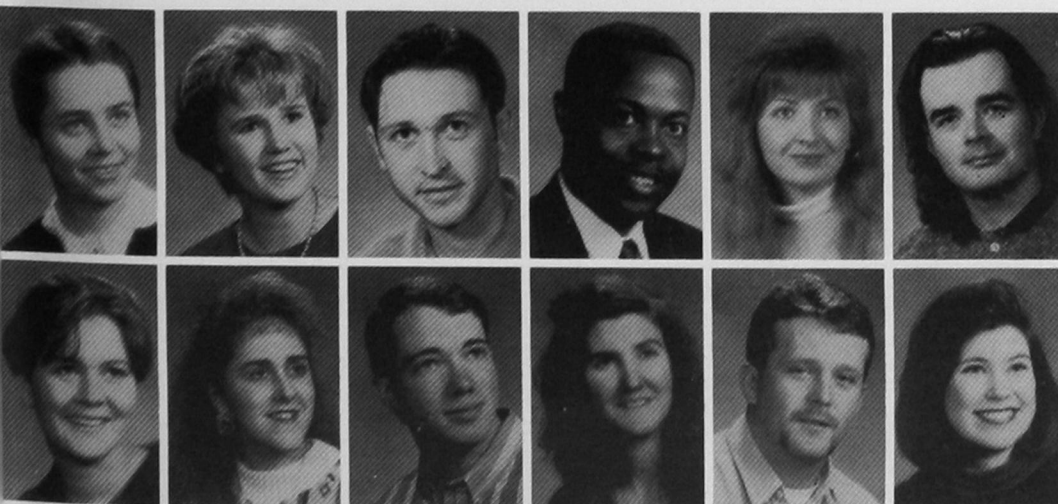


Photo by Elliot Alexander

The crowd dances up a storm on a Saturday night at J.C. Cowboy's, one of the most popular hangouts for students.



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Radke, Joseph, Arapaho, B.A. Pol. Sci.
Ray, Steve III, Weatherford, B.S. Psychology
Richardson, Melinda, Rocky, B.S. Comp. Sci.
Robins, Aaron, Norman, B.S. Bio. Sci.**

**Rowe, Cynthia, Enid, B.S. Psychology
Russi, Annette, Walters, B.S. Psychology
Sasseen, Eddie, Foss, B.S. Eng. Tech.
Seeley, Rebecca, Elk City, B.S. Bio. Sci.
Shelly, Greg, Keyes, B.S. Eng. Tech.
Smith, Jeannine, Weatherford, Bach. Music**

The four finalists surround Miss Southwestern Ann Marie Perkins. Finalists were third runner-up Chanda Kromer, first runner-up Jeannine Smith, second runner-up Lacey Legnon, and fourth runner-up Charity McGuire.



If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?



I would eliminate racism, because people are created equal and they should be treated as equals.

—Binsu Johnny



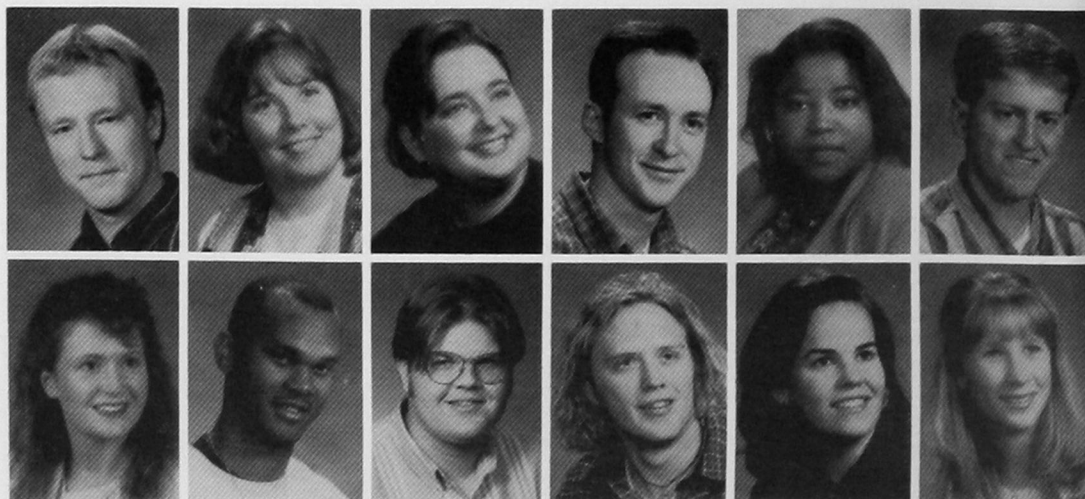
Miss Black Southwestern Binsu Johnny is flanked by contestants Sharlette Miller, Richelle Dodoo, Cozettee Hinton and Vivian Johnson. Dodoo garnered first runner-up, while Hinton was named second runner-up.

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Smith, Virgil, *Arapaho*, B.S. Eng. Tech.
Spitzer, Joan, *Sayre*, B.S. Psychology
Stevenson, Katherine, *Weatherford*, B.S. Psychology
Stoneman, Chad, *Weatherford*, B.A. Pol. Sci.
Toombs, Corie, *Kansas City, KS*, B.S. Psychology
Umdenstock, Jeremy, *Waukomis*, B.S. Math

Waxdahl, Tricia, *Flandreau, S.D.*, M.S. App. Psych.
Williams, Calvin, *Pascagoula, MS*, Bach. Rec. Leadership
Williams, Ronnie, *Marlow*, Bachelor of Music
Winther, Brent, *OKC*, B.S. Psychology
Woodard, Kristen, *Weatherford*, B.S. Math
Zacharias, Aimee', *Yukon*, M.S. App. Psych.



M *The traditional and the new* iss-tifying moments

Vaseline, fishing weights, duct tape, safety pins, and fingernail polish really do not have much in common.

However, on pageant night they most definitely do. It's amazing how long you can smile if you grease your teeth. Weights keeps those elegant dresses from riding up in the wrong places. Tape has numerous uses and, well, safety pins are great to have when straps or zippers break. And of course, the polish keeps those inevitable runners in hoses from going too far.

The contestants who participated in the Miss Southwestern pageant and Miss Black Southwestern pageant knew these pageant tricks meant higher scores.

However, these little secrets only helped out with appearance. In other areas like talent and fitness, contestants had nothing to rely on except their innate ability.

And they went all out. In its first year, the Miss Black Southwestern pageant named freshman pharmacy major Binsu Johnny its first queen. The historic queen wowed the audience with her rendition of contemporary Christian singer Amy Grant's "El Shadai."

Cozettee Hinton, Vivian Johnson, Richelle Dodoo and Sharlette Miller also vied for the crown. First runner-up honors went to Dodoo, while second runner-up was bestowed upon Hinton.

Johnny was to represent the university in the Miss Black Oklahoma. Dodoo would join her also. In a combined effort, Miss Black Southwestern and Miss Black Clinton held the

pageants together, and agreed that first runner-up would be named Miss Black Clinton.

The campus made history with the first Miss Black Southwestern, but an unbroken tradition made its regular appearance on campus.

The Miss Southwestern pageant, usually a spring event, was moved to fall.

A senior music education major, Ann Marie Perkins from Nashoba, took home the crown. She sang for the talent portion of the program. She would travel to Tulsa in June to compete in the Miss Oklahoma pageant.

Other honors went to Jeannine Smith, Lacey Legnon, Chanda Kromer and Charity McGuire.

"Staying calm while performing in front of all my friends was most definitely the hardest part for me," Legnon said.

Robyn Hoffman & Annette Russi



Reigning Miss Southwestern Lori Kromer congratulates Ann Marie Perkins for taking the 1996 Miss Southwestern crown. Perkins beat out six other competitors for the title.

Photo by Ellen Miranda

Because of my involvement in the School of Business, I learned the working world is...

... difficult and full of challenges. You have to have some experience behind you.

—Tracy Pritchard, Mt. View, Management

First and foremost, I learned that in order to go out in the working world, you need an education.

—Sarah Wursh, Hydro, Accounting

Competitive. Ms. (Midge) Gerber has taught us that, as well as teaching us what opportunities are out there.

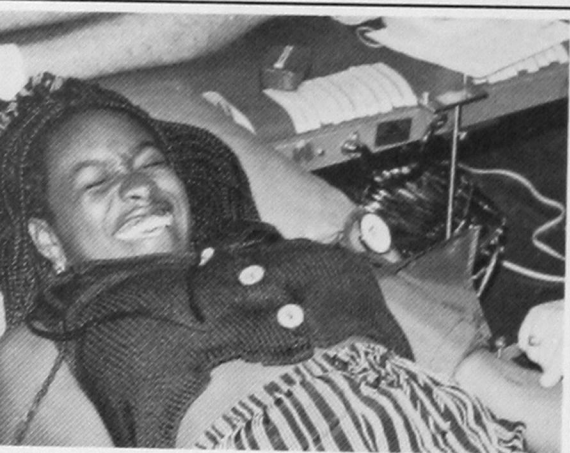
—Hattie Winters, Mooreland, Bus. Adm.

A stunning Travis Fogle makes his way down the runway after winning Phi Beta Lambda's Mr. Dimes contest. The event, emceed by Mr. America Chris Whatley, drew record numbers of participants. All proceeds went to the March of Dimes. Contestants Bryan Evans and Tymon Lamar are in the background.

...the thing I remember about the Mr. Dimes contest was...



...asking the guys to be in it and hearing them all ask 'You want me to do what?'
—Stacey Baty, Coordinator



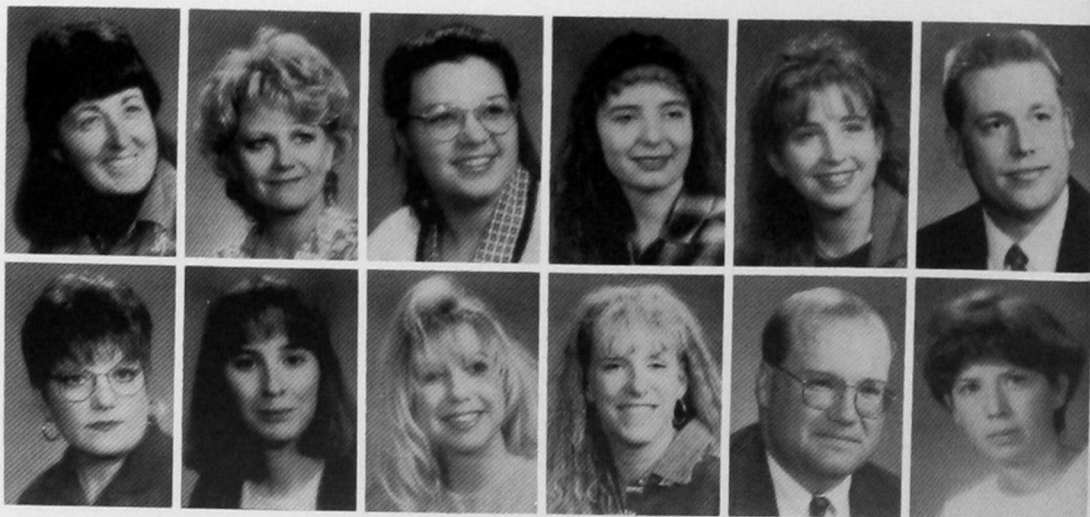
Moore senior Richell Dodoo does her part, albeit reluctantly, to help set a new record of 148 pints of blood donated in the Student Senate/Oklahoma Blood Institute fall drive.



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Beaty, Amy Diane, *Arapaho*, B.S. Accounting
Bowman, Katrina, *Vici*, B.S. Finance
Brewer, Michelle, *Altus*, B.B.A. Finance
Briggs, Carlin, *Granite*, B.S. Accounting

Bryson, Debra, *Clinton*, B.S. Accounting
Burris, Melody, *Weatherford*, B.S. Info. Proc.
Carter, Connie, *Weatherford*, B.S. Bus. Admin.
Christensen, Melinda, *Thomas*, B.S. Accounting
Dodd, Tommy, *El Reno*, B.S. Accounting
Driver, Jill, *Weatherford*, B.S. Accounting



'Cause they're worth it

Abundant benefits, auctions and donated talents

As Travis Fogle strutted away with the title of Mr. Dimes, and donors grimaced their way through the needle stick to give blood, the campus took its place among the charitable.

Student Senate, along with the Oklahoma Blood Institute, set a record breaking intake of donations in September. Last year's drive had produced 119 pints to be used for transfusion and research.

This year's whopping 148 pints would keep the cycle of life going for those in need.

Phi Beta Lambda held a pageant for some unusual females to help the March of Dimes Foundation. The contest required men, sponsored by an organization or dormitory, to dress as females and display talents such as lip-synch, comedy, or skit performance.

Senior Travis Fogle's lip-synched "Any Man of Mine" won him the crown the title of Mr. Dimes. Fogle, a physical education major, also wowed the audience in his slinky black glitter gown and dramatic make-up.

First runner-up to Fogle was Chip Hodgson, sponsored by Alpha Kappa Psi. Hodgson hula-hooped his way into the judges' hearts. Right behind him, in second runner-up spot, was Mike Peottcker, sponsored by Gamma

Delta Kappa and Kappa Delta Omega.

Music Therapy Association extended help year round by sending students to areas like Oklahoma City, Burns Flat and Foss lake to help with different youth programs.

Dr. Michael Cassity, sponsor of the Music Therapy Association, said students traveled to these places giving free therapy to high risk, emotionally-disturbed children and occupants of nursing homes.

Cassity said the students got high ratings from people they reached, thus "making the demand for music therapy more than we can fill."

Members of Kappa Delta Omega social sorority picked angels for needy children at Christmas. The angel tree carried names for both boys and girls so benefactors could choose whom to buy a present for.

University Media Association members, with the help of some 100

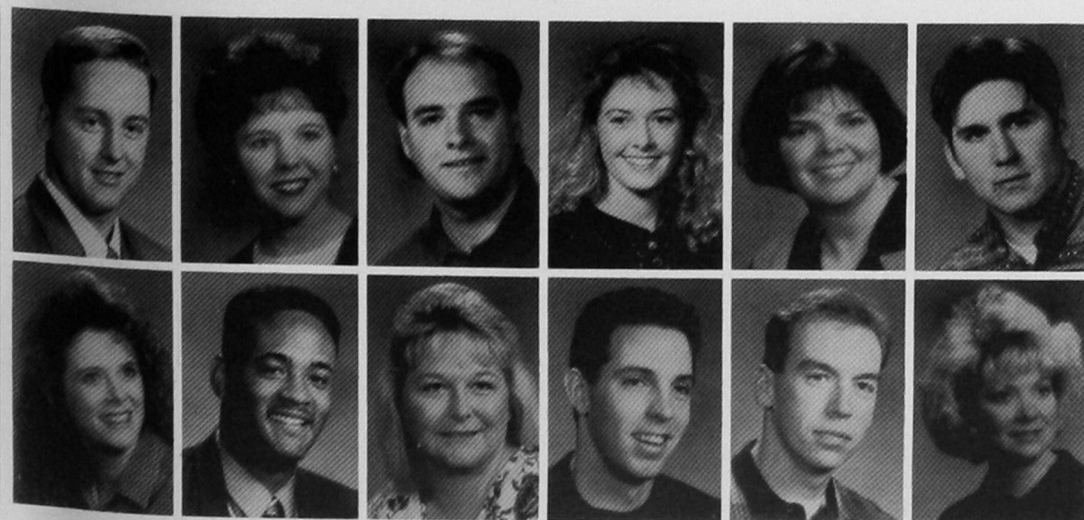
nationally known entertainers, athletes and celebrities, pulled off an auction and netted close to \$3,000. The proceeds went to help defray medical expenses for Steve and Molly Strickler.

Tangie Hollin



Photo by Elina Miranda

Auction-goers whoop it up as auctioneer Mayor Gary Rader wheedles another five dollars out of bidder Robyn Hoffman. The item? A shirt from country music star Tracy Byrd. The shirt went to a competing bidder for \$80, but Santa brought it back to Robyn for Christmas. The event was the Molly Strickler Benefit Auction.



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Ferguson, Angela Shae, Enid, B.S. Ofc. Admin.
Fischer, Ernest, Lone Wolf, B.S. Accounting
Freeman, Carrie, Texhoma, B.S. Info Proc.
Gilbreath, Kelli, Woodward, B.S. Bus. Admin.
Gill, Matthew, Weatherford, B.S. Bus. Admin.

Graybill, Cindi, Weatherford, B.S. Management
Hayes, Shannon, Clinton, B.S. Management
Helvey, Linda, Arapaho, B.S. Accounting
Hodgson, Galen, Clinton, B.B.A. Finance
Immell, Michael, Buffalo, B.S. Bus. Admin.
Jeffrey, Devonne, Clinton, B.S. Accounting

M *'Under construction' meant stay tuned to* **ore Grand Openings**

It stands, regal, in the center of campus following three years of planning and construction. Dignitaries, regents, architects, faculty and students were in attendance at its dedication in mid-February.

It was the long-anticipated Stafford Center, new home to the School of Business, computer labs and a number of administrative offices.

The building was named for General Thomas P. Stafford, one of Oklahoma's most famous natives. He graduated from Weatherford High in 1948, then went on to become one of the country's best-known astronauts.

The Stafford building which shares the general's name contains six state of the art computer labs, four conference rooms, and office space for the School of Business and the computer science department.

Those who would call the Stafford Center home began the transfer to their new quarters shortly before Christmas break.

The new facility boasts open grid work, large columns, a green roof and green windows. It offers the first ever open-view elevator on campus and shows occupants a spectacular view of

junior Leslie Taylor, who appreciated the colors, design, and especially computer facility. "I hope the rest of the campus looks as nice after all the remodeling is finished."

The remodeling she spoke of began a year ago with the addition of a deck to the Student Union. It included the restoration of the old Y-Chapel which became a Southwestern museum in early fall of 1995. Early plans included moving the language arts department into the building the Business School had vacated.

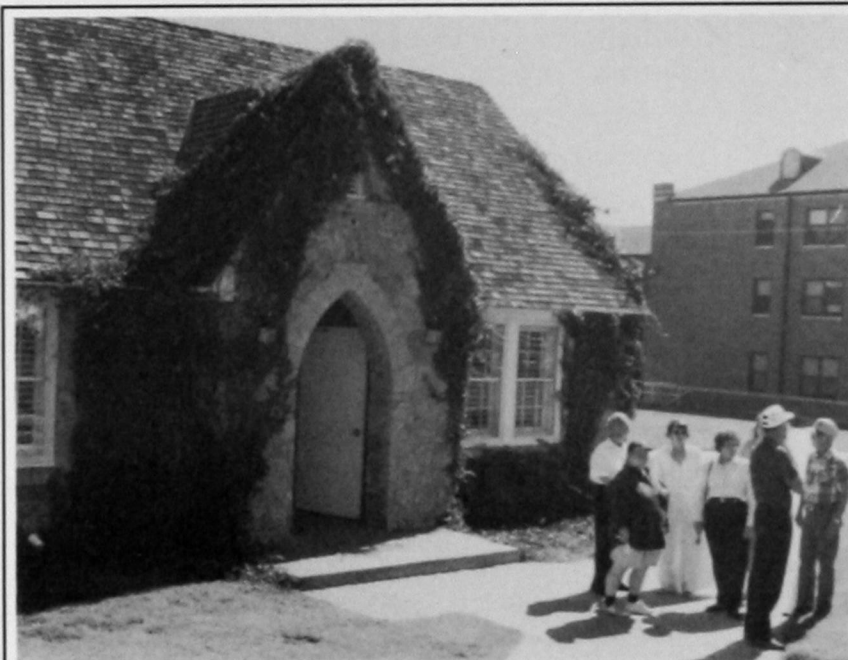
The renovated quarters of language arts would mean Old Science would actually become home to science.

The move was to begin immediately after school was out in May. But in early April, faculty

members received memos stating the move would not occur until 1997.

In terms of new construction, campus was not due a breather for some time, but the changes were welcome.

Tangie Hollin



As a group of people gather outside the newly-opened Y-chapel, others gather inside to view Southwestern's history. The chapel reopened as a museum during homecoming. Photos by Ellie Miranda

Weatherford and the surrounding area.

Many students liked the structure and the look of the center. Not all. "It's pretty, but why green?" became a common question.

"The building is gorgeous," said

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Lee, Bryan, Altus, B.S. Marketing
Lierle, Douglas, Hydro, B.S. Accounting

Lippencott, Rebecca, Cheyenne, B.S. Finance
Locke, Mandi, Clinton, B.S. Accounting
Long, Susan, Weatherford, B.S. Ofc. Admin.
Love, Jason, OKC, B.S. Bus. Admin.
Manhart, Mel, Durham, B.S. Bus. Admin.
Massey, Jennifer, Sayre, B.S. Accounting





A panoramic view of the city greets visitors to the second floor of the new Stafford Center. Woodward freshman Ben Hunter was one of the first to get a peek.

What in the world?

Do you do with a tiny chapel built in the '30s which is really too small to be functional?

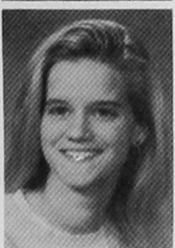
You turn it over to Drs. Joe Anna Hibler and Michael Kerley who will set about restoring it, then turn it into a treasure chest full of historical furniture, photos, and artifacts to tell the story of a campus rich in lore and appreciation. For a good example, visit the old Y-Chapel—or the new Southwestern Museum—nestled between the CPP building and Stewart Hall.



Labs moved at Christmas break and spring semester students began taking computer and business classes in the newly opened Stafford Center.

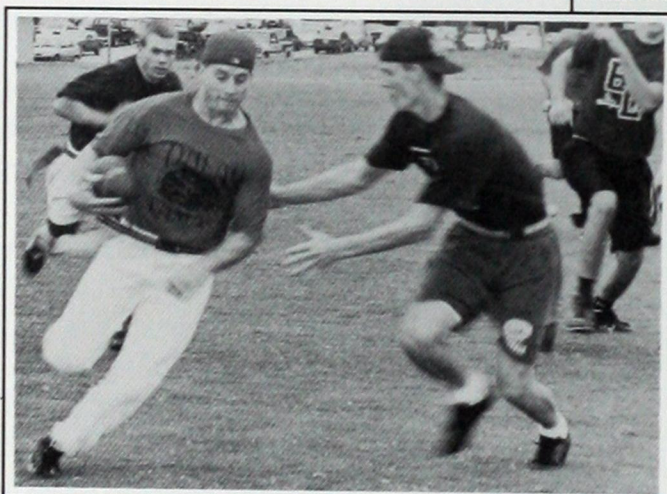


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Miller, Marci, Taloga, B.S. Accounting
Mills, Lori, Duke, B.S. Info. Proc.



Moon, Valeri, Greenfield, B.S. Accounting
Morton, Jana, Hammon, B.S. Bus. Admin.
Moss, Francie, El Reno, B.S. Bus. Admin.
Mouse, Jace, Elk City, B.S. Bus. Admin/Comp. Sci.
Mumford, Jana, Walters, B.S. Bus. Admin.
Nachbauer, Tamara, Lindenhurst, IL, B.S. Management

Senior Shane Garner lays it up for two points during an intramural basketball game. Basketball drew the biggest number of participants of all the intramural sports.

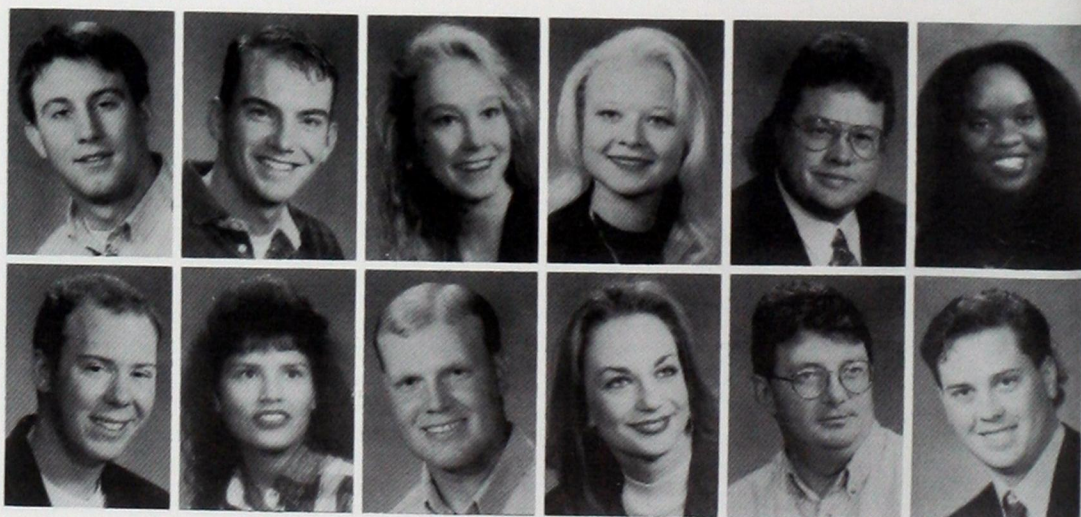


Barge Loobies defender Bobby Wechsler seeks to stop Dalai Lama carrier Steve Sparks. The DLs won the game 14-0, and ultimately were flag football champs.

Senior marketing major Phillip Lewis rounds the bases as freshman business education major Ericka Haas runs for the ball. Intramural softball was a favorite at Rader Park during the warm weather months.

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Payne, Ray, Weatherford, B.S. Accounting
Powell, Naomi, OKC, B.S. Info. Proc.

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Sanders, Scot, Hobart, B.S. Accounting
Shepherd, Brandon, Butler, B.S. Accounting



No arm chair athletes

All the world loves a jock

Whistles blew. The air made a swishing sound as a club connected with the ball. A gun exploded. A football snapped.

On any given day, the Weatherford YMCA was full of aerobicizers and weight lifters. The weight room was also a good place to stay in shape. T.D. O'Hara, junior HPER major from Sentinel, said the baseball team spent most of its off-season lifting weights. The players divided into groups with three people per group. They did stations, six for upper body toning and six for lower. Before lifting weights, they ran two laps around the track.

But spare time athletes worked out in a variety of ways. Jennifer Wood, senior chemistry major from Rocky, divided her time between playing basketball and officiating the sport. She played intramurals and refereed grade school games at Lookeba-Sickles twice weekly.

The golf course was another hot spot for athletes. Julie Millsbaugh, senior psych major from Weatherford, liked to play golf in her spare time,

usually on the weekends. She started playing when she was a senior in high school, where she was on the golf team.

Hunting and fishing were popular sports. Michael Mauney, junior marketing major from Cincinatti,

Ohio, liked to hunt with his friend Joey Rozell. Although he had only been hunting a few times before moving to Oklahoma, he quickly became involved in the sport when his dad bought him a gun.

The oft-frequented intramural fields and courts testified to the fact that, while there may have been only a few scholarshiped athletes on campus, school was full of its own brand of jock. Many of the guys in Jefferson Hall gathered to play football even on cold winter afternoons.

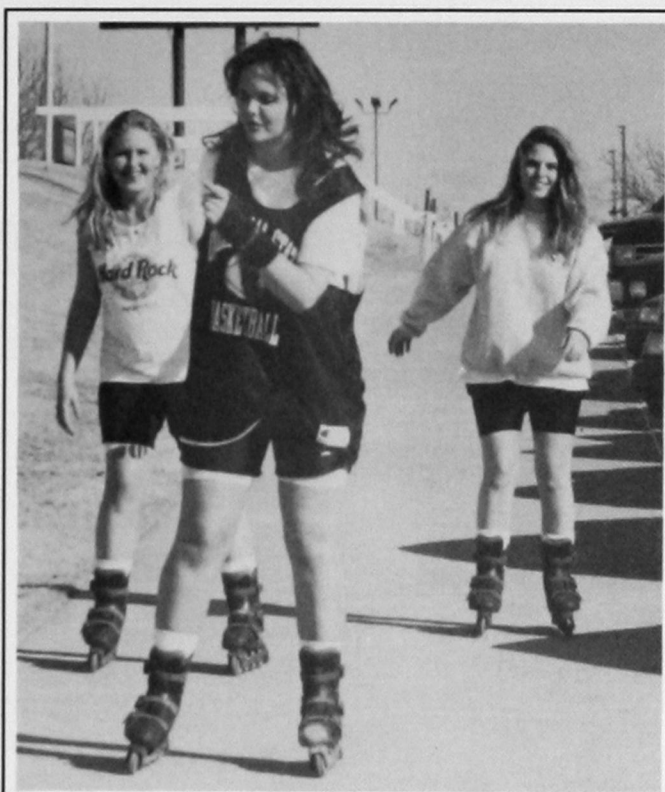
During the warm summer and fall days, it was common to see the sand volleyball courts across from Neff Hall full of students.

Fall and spring intramurals continued to attract hundreds, and basketball never had to scramble for teams.

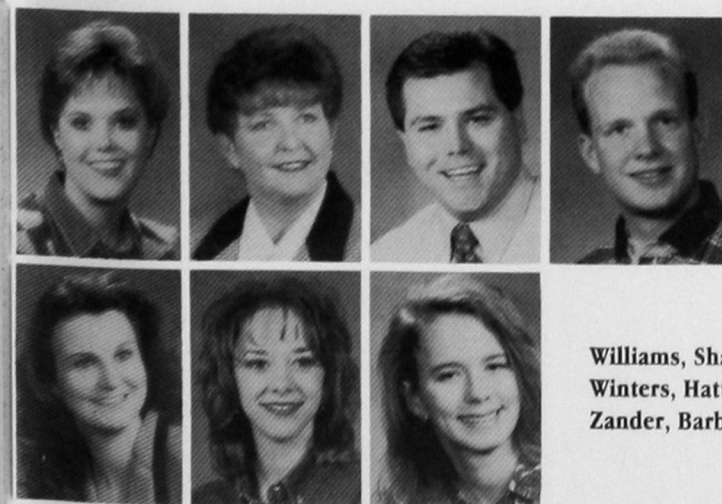
But the hottest new scene around town and campus was the growing number of roller-blades. What was a rare sight just three years ago became common, with some students even traveling to class via inlines.

Obviously, physical education was alive and well.

Staci Hart



Taking advantage of the spring afternoon, Sunny Graham of Hobart, Tanya Cooper of Lahoma and Allison Parsons of Apache make their way down the sidewalk in front of Administration. Inline skates were definitely IN. Photo by Ellis Miranda



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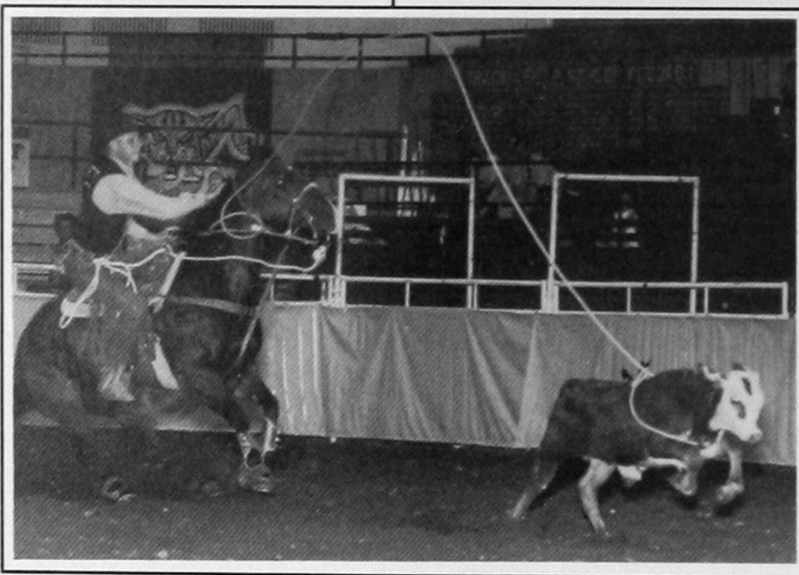
Where in the world?

Did all the business classes go when they vacated Math and Business at mid-term?

To the third floor of the new Thomas P. Stafford Center, where they shared six computer labs, 13 classrooms, four conference rooms and the first open view elevator on campus.

T.W. Snyder makes one of his three runs which netted him a total time of 31.0 in calf roping. Snyder outdistanced the competition and brought home Southwestern's first calf roping championship.

Dixon McGowan competes for the individual calf roping championship at the national finals. Although he did not win the individual trophy, he earned runner-up with teammate Dustin Drake in team roping.



With a national title in mind, Kelley Johnston tries to earn the best time in goat tying at the CNFR. Johnston did not rank nationally, but she earned a number four ranking regionally.



I chose the School of Education because...

I really like math, and I thought this would be a good way to put it to use. Besides, several people in my family are teachers already.

—Shawna Hale,
Guymon, Math Ed

Acord, Floyd, Canton, M.Ed. HPER
Allen, Nikki, Weatherford, B.S. Elem. Ed.
Alvarado, Cecilia, Carnegie, B.S. Elem. Ed.

Anderson, Shelly, Hobart, B.S. Elem. Ed.
Andraszek, Martin, Clinton, Bach. Music Ed.
Baird, Krista, Burns Flat, M.Ed. Admin.



National contenders

Tying up another championship

The cowboys and cowgirls of the rodeo team finished off the '95 season by sending 16 competitors to the College National Finals in Bozeman, Mont., and bringing back one individual championship.

T.W. Snyder, a senior from Medicine Lodge, Kan., brought home the national title in calf roping by winning both go-rounds. The men's team finished sixth and the women's twelfth.

The team started the fall season in October at Pratt, Kan., Community College, with the men placing third and the women fourth.

They ended the fall competition at Alva in early November. The men won the team title and the women placed second.

In April, just as this publication was going to press, the men won Southwestern's own rodeo by scoring 470 points, the highest total of the season.

Four men finished first

in the average: Doug Fennell in bareback, T.W. Snyder in calf roping, Wes Bailey in saddlebronc, and Lee Akin in bullriding.

The women placed second overall, trailing Fort Scott Community College

by only ten points.

After the results of their own rodeo were tallied, the men were ranked first in the Central Plains Region, and the women second, trailing only Southeastern.

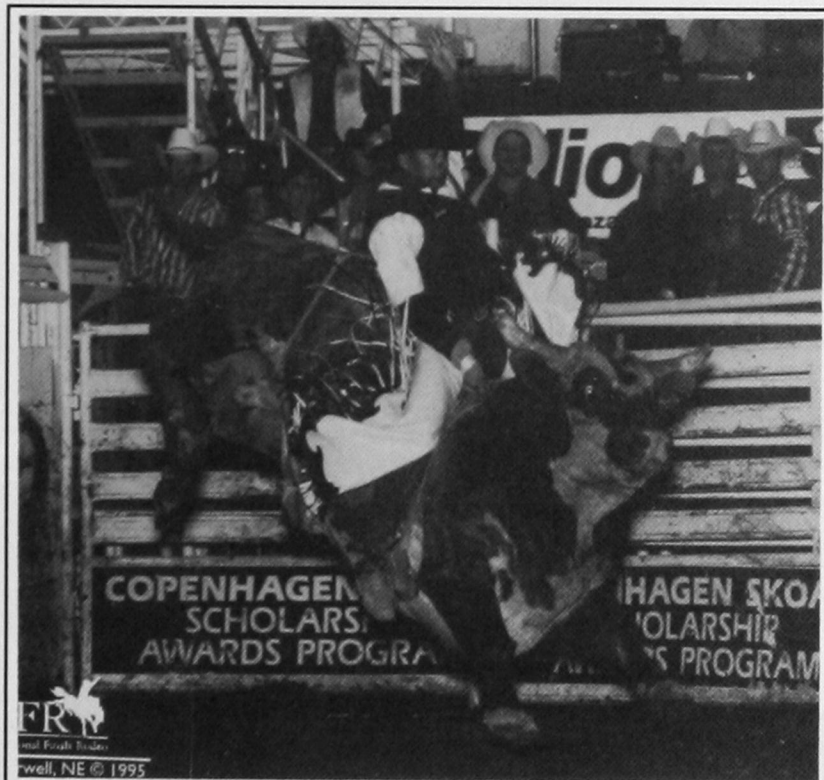
The team had four more

rodeos to complete before the season was over. They would include Garden City Community College, Fort Hayes State and the Central Plains Regional Finals at Northeastern in early May.

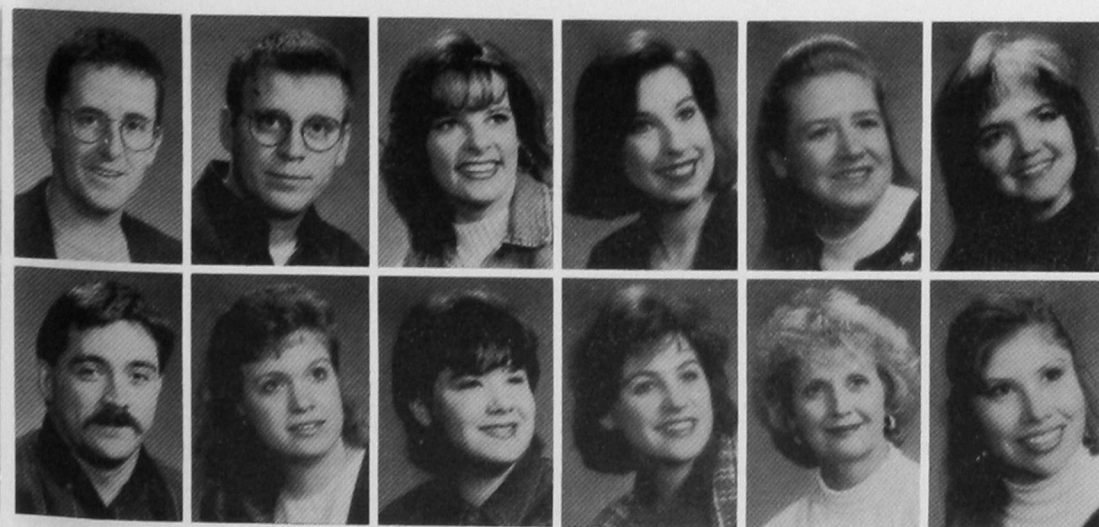
Billy Cook, a bullrider from Nash, said he believed Southwestern's rodeo team had the toughest athletes in the region.

Dr. Don Mitchell, Southwestern's coach for 29 years, made sure his teams were no strangers to the CNFR. Since 1985, he has led his athletes to five national titles, 25 individual national championships, and men's or women's teams as defending national champions for the past four years.

Southwestern has had more than 150 alumni advance to the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association. Eleven have qualified for the National Finals at least one time. More than 30 have reached the international finals. *Kim Britton*



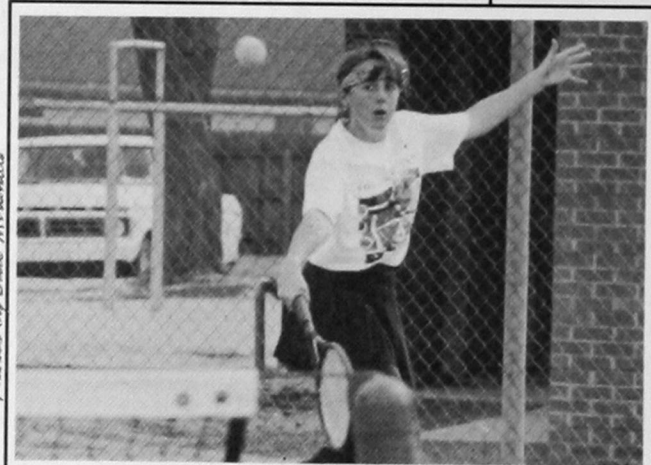
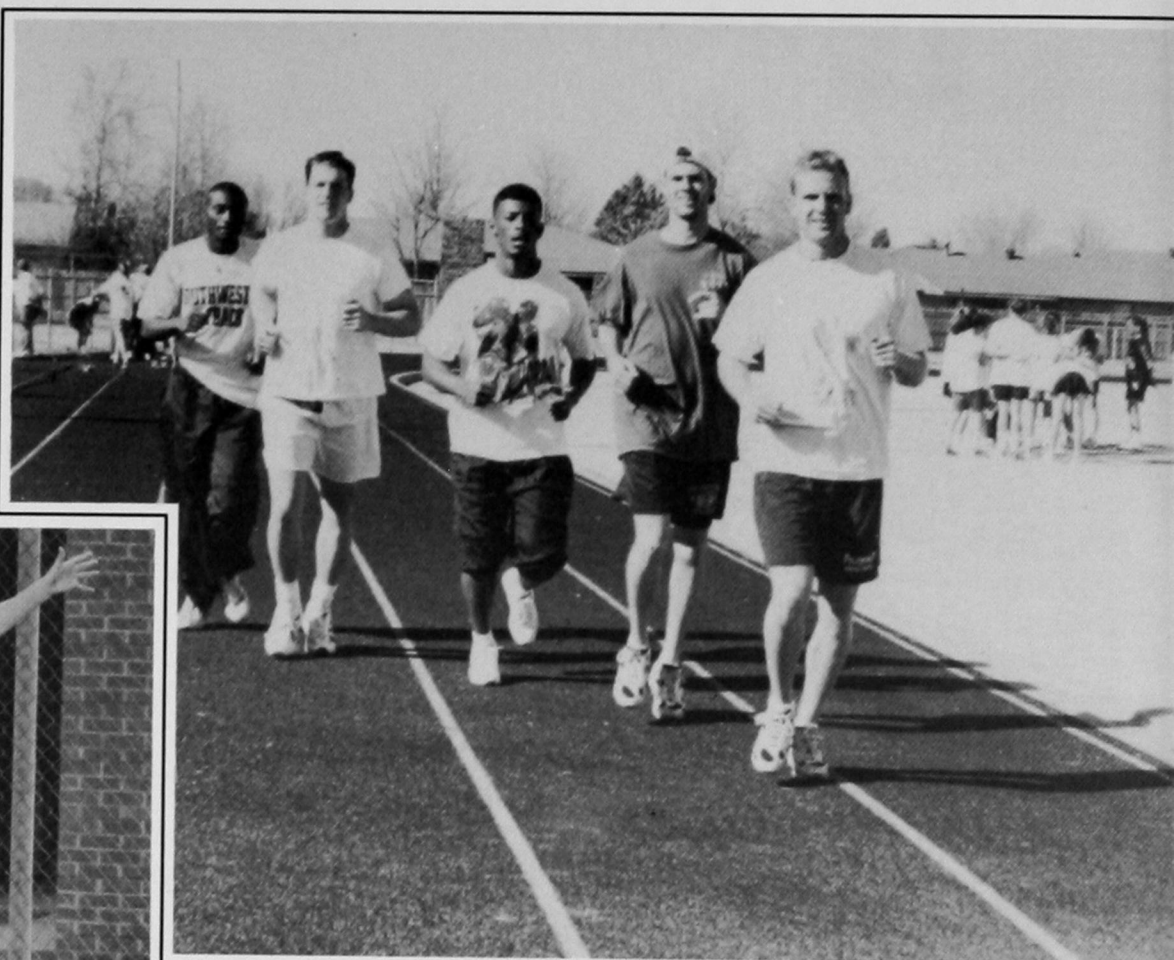
Lee Akin begins an eight second ride which left him empty handed at the CNFR. The cowboy came home without a national title, but in April he won the Southwestern rodeo for the same event.



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Bell, Kristie, Woodward, B.S. Elem. Ed.
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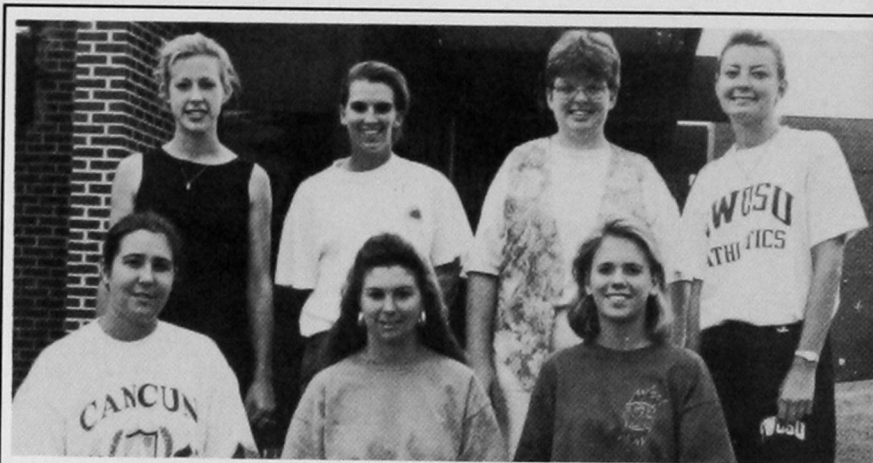
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Bymaster, Amy, Amber, B.S. Sci. Ed.
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Clark, Teresa Renee, Watonga, B.A. Eng. Ed.
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Tracksters Damon Willis, Landon Curtis, Willie Brown, Craig Schlessman and Jake Jensen practice at the Weatherford High School track. Willis, Curtis, Brown and Jensen qualified as a sprint relay team for nationals at their first track meet.



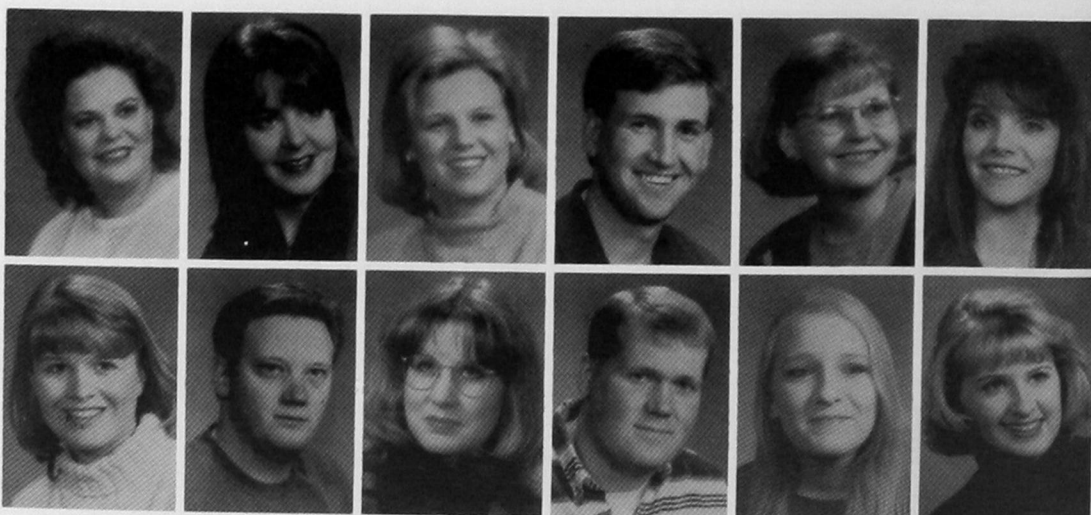
France senior Vanessa Fiaud proves her abilities as OIC women's tennis runner-up during a game with West Texas A&M on Southwestern's home turf. Fiaud and the team garnered first place.

(front) Natalie Plummer, Rachel Preble, Kala Freeman, (back) Bridgett Millican, Melanie Folsom, Donna Urbassik and Shandelle Wolfe comprise the first ever women's golf team. The team opened their season in Abilene, Texas against Hardin-Simmons.



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Frederick, Emily, Seminole, B.S. Elem. Ed.



Springing into action

Serving up success and making history

It was a year of national champions and historic firsts. From national champions in women's cross country to Southwestern's first women's golf team, each highlight wrote its own page in the history books.

The women's cross country team led the pack. In its second year, the runners brought home a national championship plaque. Senior Nicole Goldston also earned the individual national cross country champion. And yet another award was presented to Coach Kevin Lawler when he was handed the plaque for OIC Coach of the Year.

The inaugural men's track team made headlines of its own, when the 400m relay squad qualified for nationals at Oklahoma Baptist University. The team qualified with a time of 41.13 seconds. 400m relay members included senior Jake Jensen, junior Landon Curtis and sophomores Willie Brown and Damon Willis. The team would compete at nationals in late May.

At that same meet, the women tracksters saw a teammate place. Fresh-

man Chastity Tollefson won the discus with a throw of 122 feet and placed second in the shot with a hurl of 35-9.

While the cross country and track teams were making names for themselves and the university, women's tennis ace

squad by taking the runner-up singles slot. At press time, the men's team held an 8-3 record, with recent wins over USAO, ECU and OBU.

For the first time in school history, a women's golf team emerged in the fall to join a strong men's program. Season results up to press time, however, showed that each squad could hold its own.

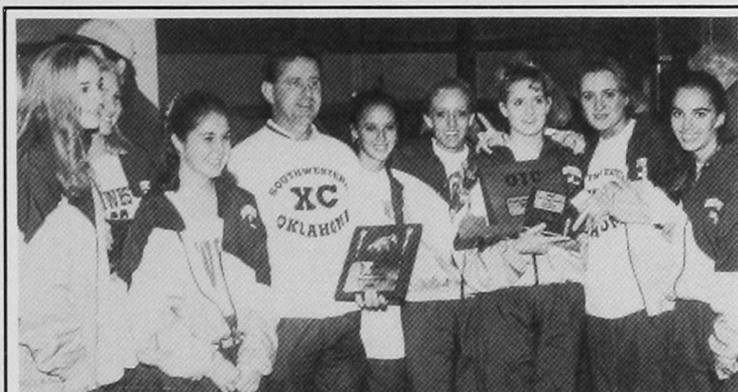
The women took third in the Abilene Intercollegiate Golf Tournament, with an overall score of 408. Freshman Janie Wilkerson took third place individual honors.

The men's golf team snagged second place at the Pecos Valley Classic and boasted an individual winner at the Fort Worth Invitational. Senior Shannon Friday took first at the invitational. At the classic, the team of Friday, senior Steve

Thomas, juniors Joel Burleson and Darrin Davis and sophomore Cory Smith earned runner-up.

The cross country, track, tennis and golf teams all produced winners, capping off a stellar season, and the hope of more to come.

Leslie Taylor & Robyn Hoffman

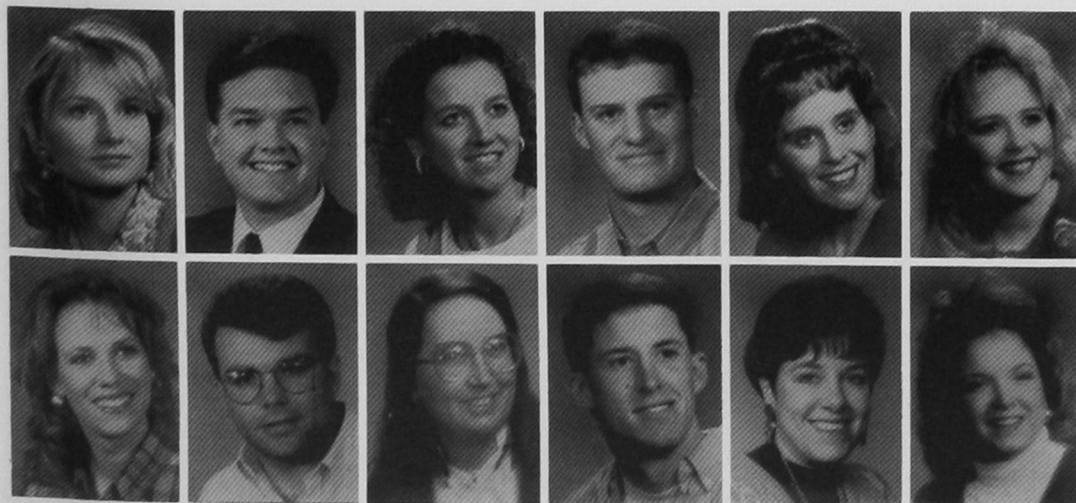


Gina Driskell, Tara Overstreet, Aubrey Sanders, Coach Kevin Lawler, Tina Plagman, Nicole Goldston, Alisha Williams, Kendra Errington, and Jode Colbert proudly display the OIC championship plaque. Lawler also received Coach of the Year, while Goldston took home the OIC individual championship.

Photo courtesy of Thomas Lee

Vanessa Fiaud worked to keep her tough reputation. As returning OIC runner-up, Fiaud's record was 9-1 when this publication went to press. A Northeastern rival handed Fiaud her only loss.

The men's tennis team started spring competition with a 1-7 loss to West Texas A&M. Freshman Zeljko Gakovic led the



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Oh my, it was soooo close

Seven seasons mean a national fixture

The Lady Bulldogs ended another season at the national tourney in Jackson, Tenn. It was the seventh season the team had made the trip, but they were unseeded for the first time.

Coach John Loftin had to rebuild from last year's final four squad. Those who returned were starter Jana Hilbert, Rachelle Cannon and one senior, Tangie Hollin from Mississippi, who had redshirted the previous year.

Along with the newcomers were two international players, Joanna Kailahi from New Zealand and Miriam Owiti from Nairobi, Kenya. Owiti's talent was shown on the big screen as well as on the court when she played the role of an African tribal princess/hoopster in the 1993 movie *The Air Up There*.

The Lady Bulldogs began the season with fire, outscoring the first four opponents by more than 30 points. They lost two of 12 games first semester.

The Ladies fell upon hard times in February. The team's leading scorer, Kailahi, was denied participation in

four games for disciplinary reasons and starter Tammy Gooch was out temporarily due to illness and ankle injuries.

Lady Bulldogs had no problem sending the Aggies of Panhandle State home with 73-48 loss in the first round.

In semi-final action, the Bulldogs traveled to Ada to seek revenge on the East Central Tigers, but lost once again 69-61.

A 21-game win earned the Lady Bulldogs an at-large berth at the national tournament in Jackson.

This year's tourney saw six teams from Oklahoma competing for the honor, including defending champions Southern

Nazarene, who went on to a three-peat OIC win.

The Bulldogs faced tough opponent Western New Mexico in the first round. In overtime, Western New Mexico made a debatable basket after the buzzer, prevailing over the Bulldogs 69-68.

They ended the season 21-9.

Tangie Hollin



In a scene familiar to home crowds, Coach John Loftin gives center Joanna Kailahi and forward Jana Hilbert complete instructions for the next play. *Photo courtesy Thomas Lee, WDA*

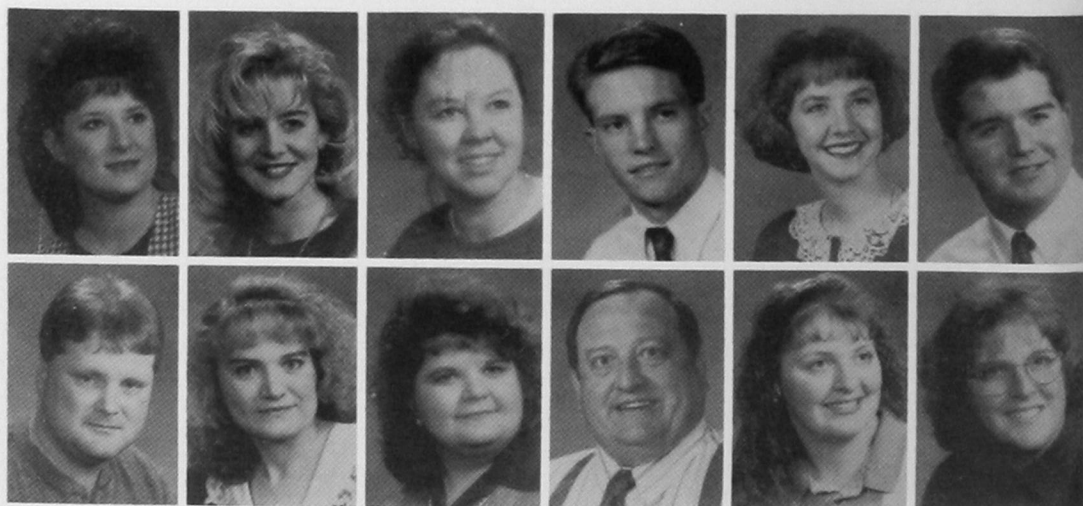
Top guard, Maranda Roberts, dismissed herself from the squad permanently and Owiti chipped a bone in her left hand.

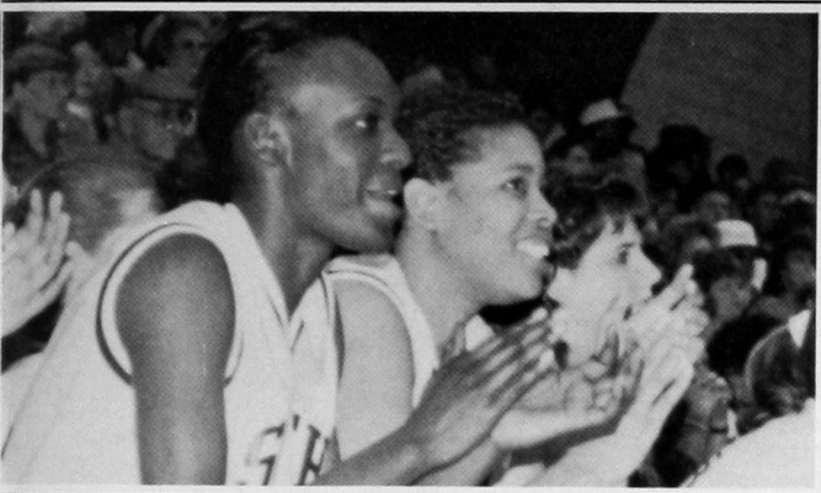
But the set-backs did not halt the team from defending their five time OIC title.

Having beaten every OIC opponent except nationally-ranked Southeastern and East Central, the

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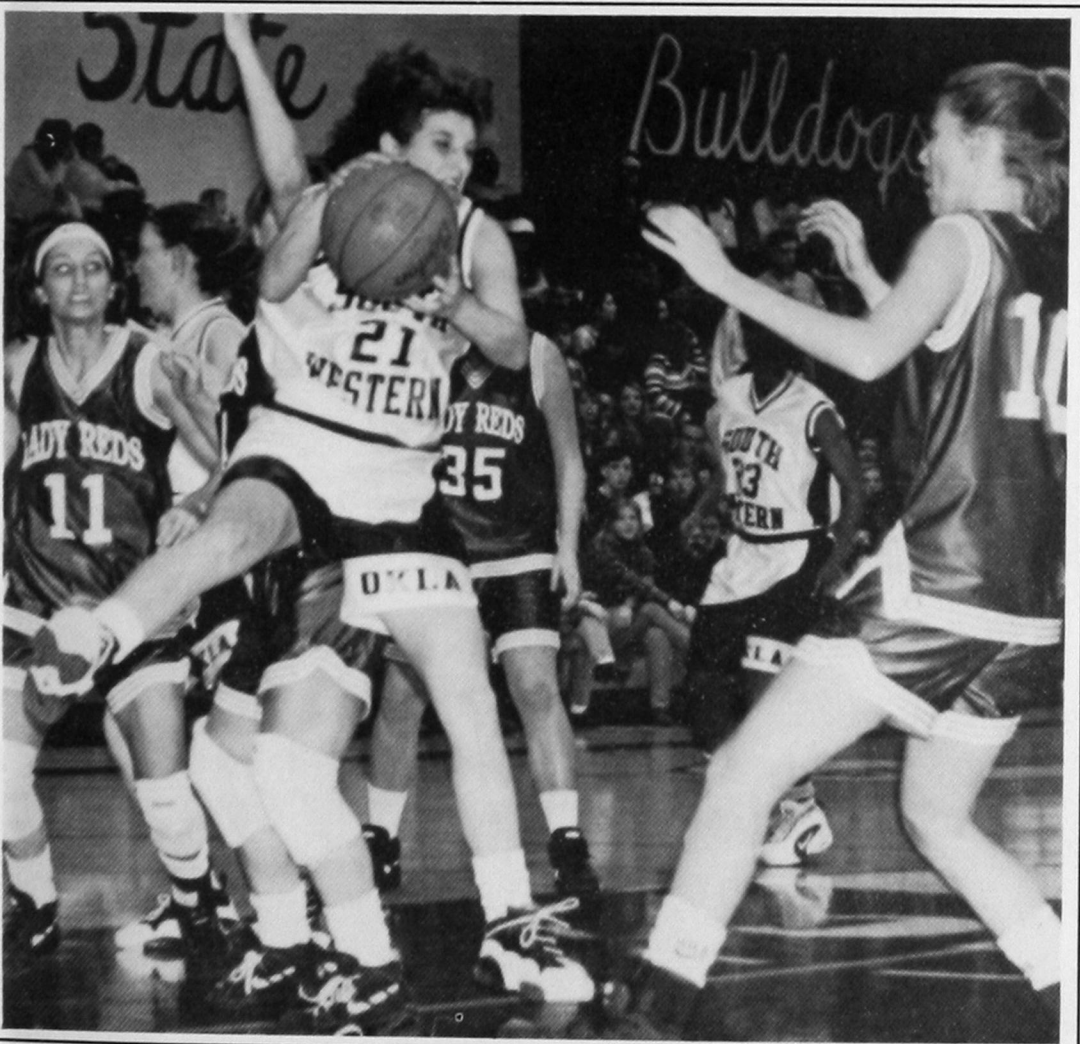
The Lady Bulldogs perform for a packed house against Northwestern in January. Miriam Owiti and Tangie Hollin cheer on their teammates as they claim a 72-59 victory.

The highlight of my Southwestern basketball career was...



...playing East Central. Even though we lost by one point, I felt like it was my best game.

—Tangie Hollin



Rebounder Tammy Gooch shows a strong comeback in the 75-55 trouncing of Northeastern. An illness had kept her out of practice several days prior to the game.

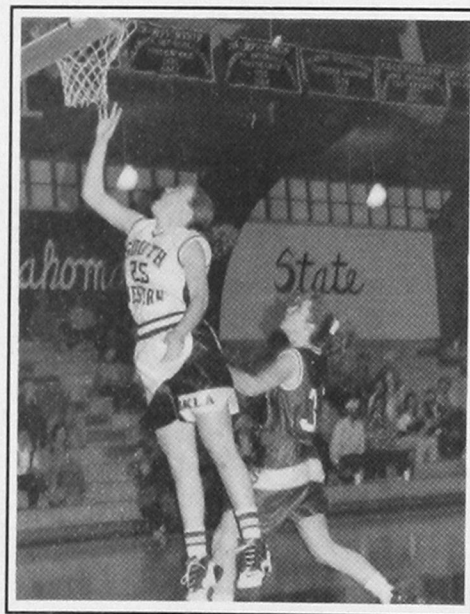
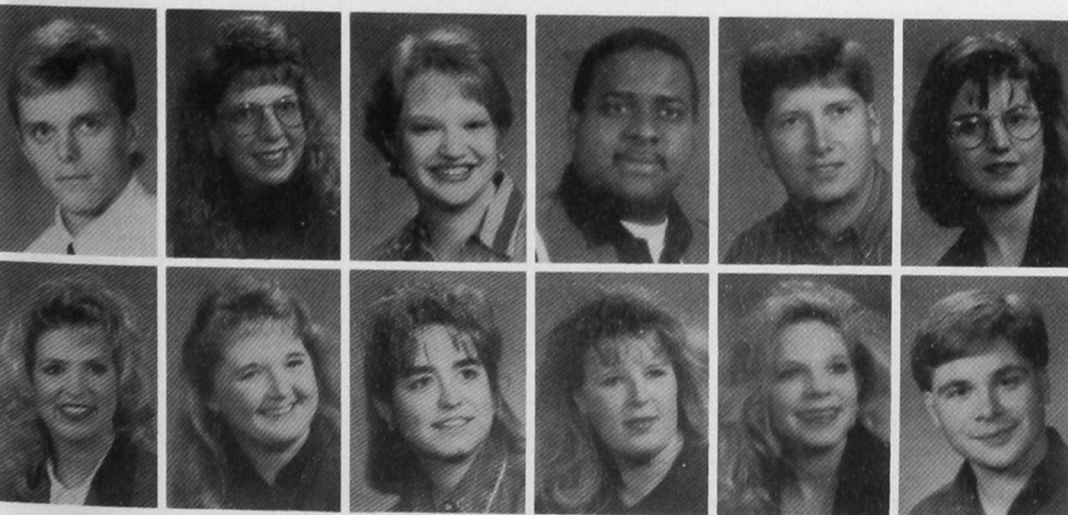


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It's two points for freshman Kristi Dickerson against Panhandle State in the first round of the OIC. She averaged 9.7 per game.



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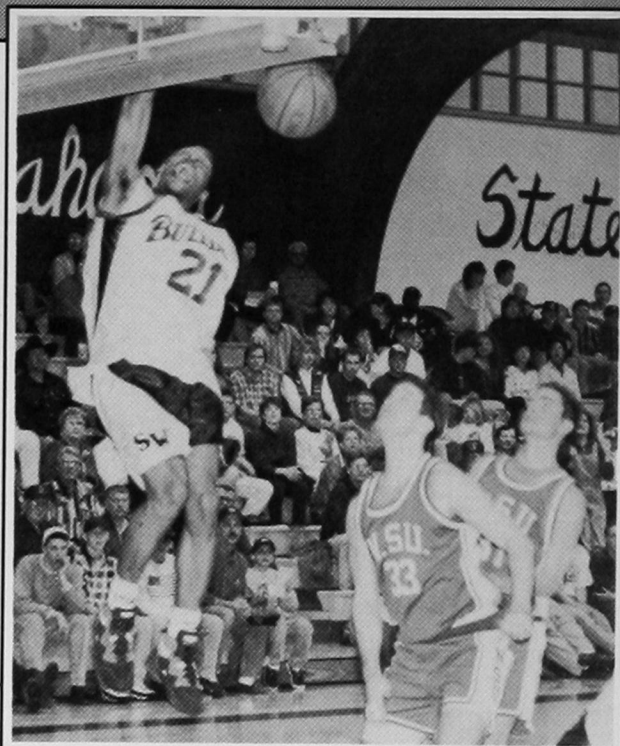


One particular game in my career...we beat USAO to go to the national tournament. I had 21 points, 13 rebounds and a couple of dunks.

—Cal Clinton

The crowd watches in amazement as Cal Clinton displays his talent in the 86-82 thrilling victory over Northeastern. Named to OIC second team, Clinton averaged 12.4 points per game.

Photos by Ellie Miranda



It's a seat-squirmier for players and fans as Southwestern takes on Southeastern in Rankin Williams Fieldhouse. The Savages slid by with a one point victory, 73-72. High point man was Delancey Donley, 20 pts.



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Where the 'dawgs were

16-15 record just not quite good enough

Even though they were the defending Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference champions, the men's basketball team fell short of returning to the NAIA national tournament. They ended their season in semi-final OIC post-tournament play.

In the race for conference championship, the Bulldogs rolled past Panhandle State 86-67 before falling to Southeastern for the third time in the season. The Bulldogs lost 76-67 to the eventual OIC tournament champs, but finished the season with a 16-15 overall record and tied for second place in the OIC regular season.

George Hauser's squad began the year with five players returning from the previous year. Barry Schwarz and Cal Clinton were the only seniors on the squad.

The Bulldogs fought through a tough semester of play with two post men, sophomore Dustin Holdge and juco transfer Robert Sheets. Victorious four of 11 games, the squad suffered losses from nationally ranked Concordia, Neb.,

and Oklahoma City University, who ultimately became the 1996 national champions.

Second semester brought five eligible players to help rebuild the squad. They were newcomers Scott Coleman, Israel Waitman, Robin Dunagan and Delancey Donley, who until February led the Bulldogs in scoring.

The season was looking up for the Bulldogs until the loss of Coleman to injuries, Donley for conduct purposes and Dunagan and Waitman for unknown reasons.

An additional setback came when

Clinton suffered a severe ankle injury. But he refused to let down the squad.

"I just dealt with it day to day," Clinton said, adding that he and Schwarz, being the only seniors, had to keep the team together.

Clinton was named to the 1996 All-OIC second team. JoJo Daniels, Corey Harbert, Barry Schwarz and leading scorer Donley were named OIC honorable mention.

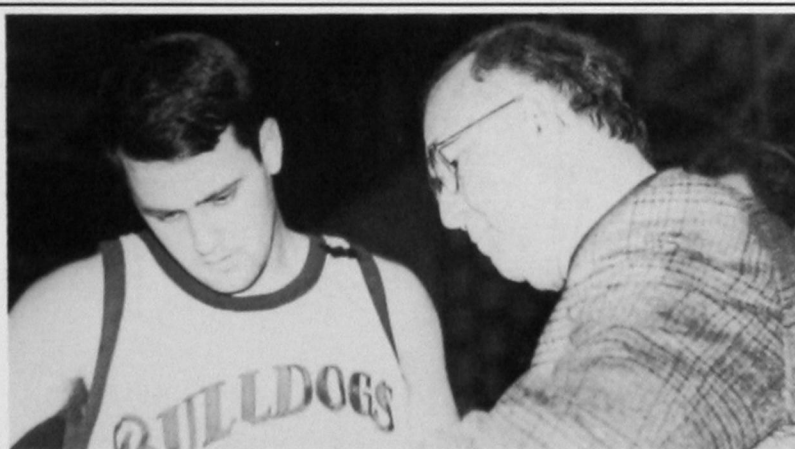
Schwarz, a four-year starter, was named scholar-athlete for the second time in his career.

"It was a lot of hard work,"

Schwarz said. "I set my mind from the beginning to get my degree and be successful both on and off the court."

The Bulldogs dedicated the season to former player Mike Jones, who died from a heart problem during a pickup game of basketball in late June. Surviving teammates wore a black band on the left side of their uniforms in his memory.

*Tangie Hollin
& Shea Broadus*



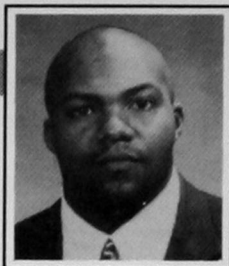
Senior Barry Schwarz gives Coach George Hauser his undivided attention during a player/coach session. Schwarz was named NAIA scholar-athlete for the second year. Photo courtesy Thomas Lew



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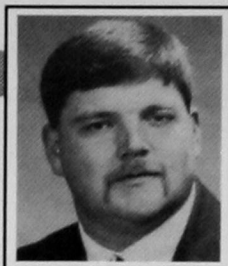
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The highlight of my Southwestern football career was...



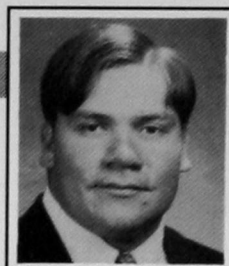
I guess being a two-time All-American and having the opportunity to be a three-time All-American.

—Yohance Brown



Our win over Langston because we were supposed to lose, but we put it to 'em pretty good.

—Chuck Felts



The highlight for me was being a three-time All-American.

—Junior Lowden



The highlight for me was winning the OIC championship in 1992.

—Scott Williams

Keith Kizzie (4) looks for running room after fullback Adam McNeely (22) gets through burying a Harding University defender.

Keith Kizzie sprints from a Langston defender. Kizzie helped carry the Bulldogs to a 26-6 victory.

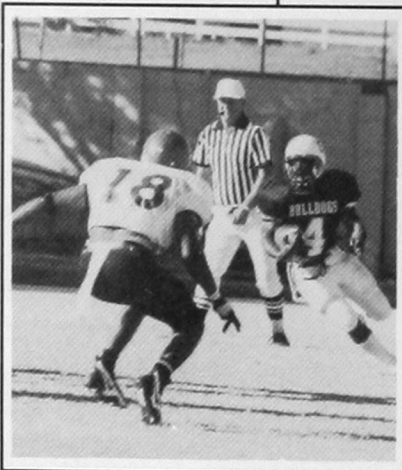
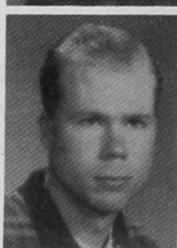


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World class teamwork

takes the Bulldogs to OIC finals

In Southwestern's ninetieth consecutive year to field a football team, the Bulldog gridsters managed to yield a record breaking year. Although a 5-5 season in and of itself doesn't require any rewrites, several updates of the books were necessary upon the season's conclusion, thanks to outstanding efforts of several Bulldog players.

With 15 returning starters, and a whole cast of junior college transfers to help fill the empty spots from 1994's graduating class, the Bulldogs hoped to find themselves in the race for an OIC championship. With perennial powers Northeastern and Southeastern having lost many seniors last year, the battle for the title in the toughest of NAIA conferences looked to be a good one.

After defeating a highly regarded Langston team midway through the season, Southwestern did in fact find themselves in a three-way tie for first place and talk of a playoff berth sur-

faced. However, enroute to the playoffs, the Bulldogs would not only have to defeat OIC powerhouse and defending NAIA champs Northeast-



Coach Paul Sharp gives sideline instructions to his team as they take on Harding University during Homecoming. The Bulldogs won the game 18-0. Photo by Ellis Miranda

ern, but also win the competitive Northwestern-Southwestern rivalry.

Before a capacity home crowd, Southwestern gave Northeastern—who went on to play in the NAIA championship game—all they could handle, but suffered a disheartening 17-10 loss. The Bulldogs did not fare so well against Northwestern, losing 30-7 in the season finale.

Making his mark in the Southwestern record book, Weatherford native Todd Ritz finished his career at Southwestern owning almost every passing record.

During the '95 season, Ritz threw for a record 17 touchdowns and 2,006 yards, making a record 3,249 career yards. On the receiving end of Ritz's cannon were several pairs of record breaking hands: Junior Lowden—most receptions and yards gained receiving in a career, Reggie Jackson—most yards receiving in a single game and Alvin

Milton—most touchdown passes caught in a season.

Defensive standout Yohance Brown, and Junior Lowden were named NAIA first-team All Americans, and offensive lineman Scott Williams and defensive lineman Chuck Felts received second team honors.

Chris Young

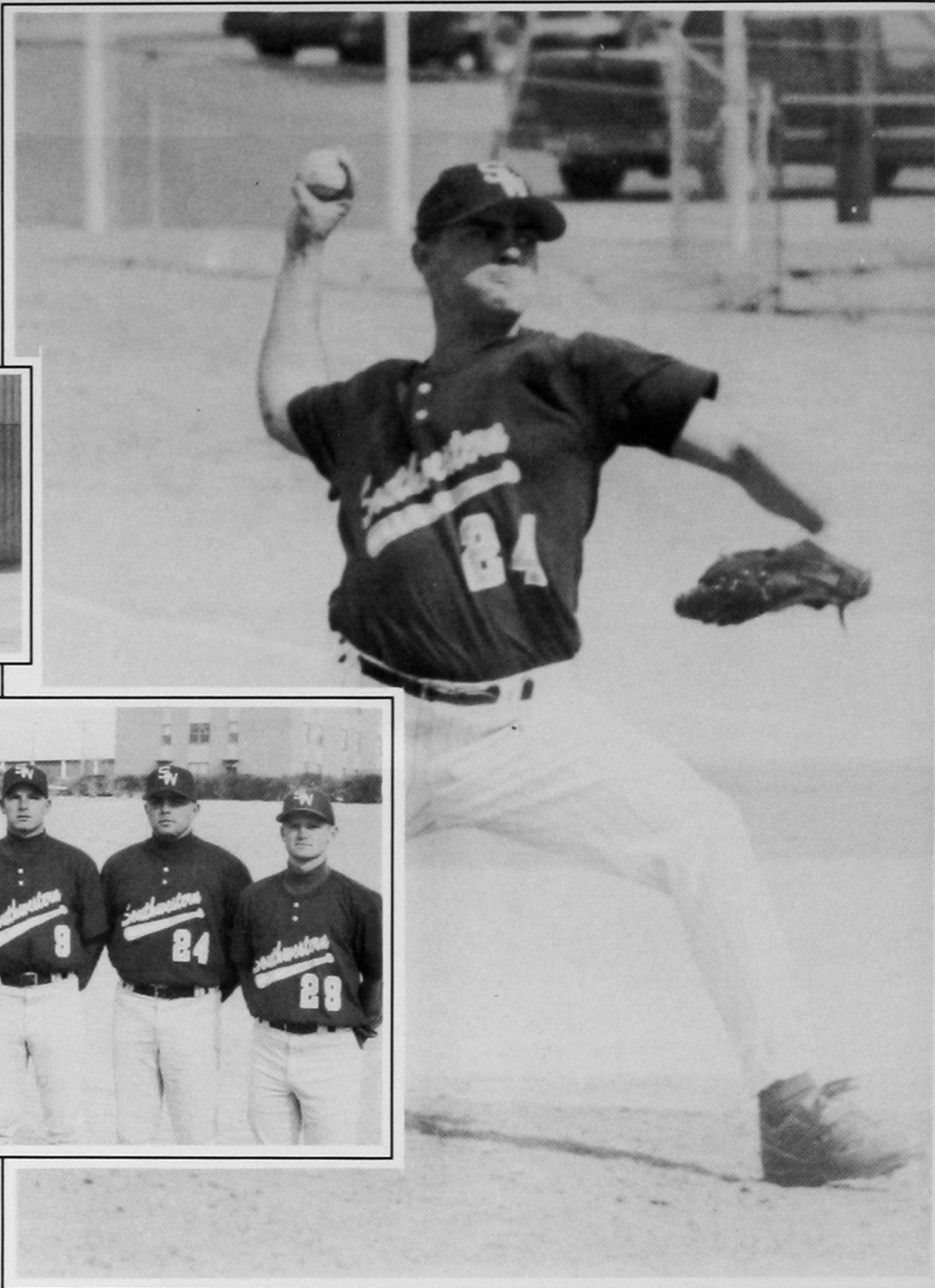


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Senior Bill Lindbloom throws a three-hit shutout as the Bulldogs sweep a 21-5 doubleheader against East Central in their first conference game.

Todd Barnhart slides safely into home during a face-off with Hillsdale Baptist. Barnhart played left field for the team.



Senior members of the baseball team are Chad Redding, Willie Higgins, Matt Hawk, Terry Hawk, Bill Lindbloom and Cory Robinson.

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In a league of their own

One, two, three strikes 'yer out'

When head coach Larry Geurkink announced his retirement news to his team in early April, the players pulled together with one common goal. Knowing that Geurkink's legacy would soon come to an end, the team vowed to make the season one of his best.

Geurkink had the same goal.

"This year I want to win a championship, OIC-everything. I don't want to lose my last game here," he said.

Last year the team had won the OIC tourney and advanced to regionals where Southeastern stopped them from visiting the NAIA World Series.

This year they began Inter-collegiate Conference play in March against East Central. When *The Record* went to press, conference play was not complete. With eight OIC games left, the team had a record of 5-2 and were working to beat last year's record of 10-6.

They had already suffered three injuries. Brian Bayless had an ankle injury, Lee Beaver stayed out with a torn ligament in his elbow and T.D.

O'Hara had back problems all season.

The team included six seniors who would leave with Geurkink: Bill Lindbloom, Willie Higgins, Terry Hawk, Matt Hawk, Chad Redding, and Cory Robinson.

Lindbloom and Robinson rotated on the pitching staff. Terry Hawk, a four-year starter for the Bulldogs, would end

his Southwestern career at short stop. Matt Hawk would make his final run to right field, and Redding would be catching his last ball in the outfield. Higgins would leave open the centerfield slot.

Terry Hawk had played an important role for the Bulldogs as one of the more consistent hitters.

Although the seniors and Geurkink would leave some big shoes to fill, the rest of the team felt they had enough depth to carry them into the next year. They were young, the majority being sophomores and freshmen.

Geurkink had coached 31 years, 20 at Southwestern and 11 at high schools. He started the 1996 season with a career record of 833-560-1, and a school record of 517-439-1. Although the coach would soon part with his team, the players were fully supportive of his decision.

"I think this is something that is really positive for him and his family. I wish him the best of luck," said All-OIC senior pitcher Bill Lindbloom.

*Darcie Parton
Tangie Hollin*



Senior Willie Higgins is welcomed by a high five from teammates after he completes a homerun against USAO in early April. Photo by Ellie Miranda



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Academics & Organizations



Sophomores Jennifer Graves and Casey Pollock begin to dissect the muscular system of a cat for their anatomy class. The lab partnership was under the direction of instructor Sue Ball.

The college experience was not complete without cramming for major tests or becoming involved in organizations. Although academics was the real reason everyone was here, organizations offered equal education.

Whether students were preparing for the Scholarly Activity Fair, planning a club banquet or designing just the right fundraiser, the end result was almost always a new learning experience.

It was this unique learning experience that broadened horizons beyond the classroom or lab.



Photos by Ellie Miranda



Art minor Brad Lewis turns a lump of clay into a work of art. The senior recreation major created the vase in ceramics, a class which often drew students from several areas of concentration. Why? "Because this class is just a lot of fun" was the usual answer.

Academic Incline

Your uphill battle to the top of the grade

The lamp burns brightly beside accounting major Meggan Shores' desk. Yards and yards of adding machine tape unfurl from the adding machine. It is 2 a.m. and Shores is still struggling to make her figures balance.

The balance could mean the difference between being a success and being a failure. But more than anything, it meant hours upon hours of studying time.

"In accounting you have to be very precise," Shores said. "One little mistake could force you to spend countless hours on your homework."

Long hours were not uncommon to John Holthe. He also spent quite a bit of time studying, usually reading, analyzing and explaining stories from his literature classes. It did not matter if he was delving into Carlyle or Eliot, he had a definite study system devised.

"I usually read 10 pages in the morning, 10 pages in the afternoon, and then 10 pages at night," Holthe said. "And I usually read it the day

before the assigned reading is due."

Sometimes studying for long hours was expected, especially in the School of Pharmacy. At almost any hour of the night, aspiring pharmacists could be found in the pharmacy lounge studying something like pharmacokinetics or biomedicinal chemistry. Suzanne Hodge said that she couldn't have made it without rigorous studying.

"On really slow weeks, I probably put in 10-12 hours of study time outside class," Hodge said. "There is no way you could get by without studying."

Although the pharmacy students

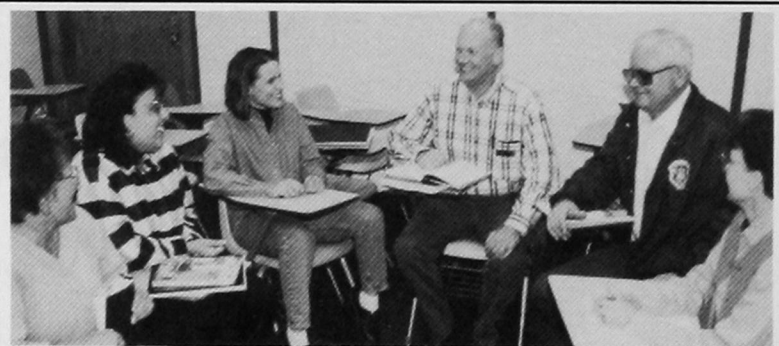
had their lounge to study in, no matter where you went on campus, you could find someone with his nose buried in a textbook. The Al Harris Library was among the most popular places. Director Beverly Jones saw many pass through those tall wooden doors.

"In the month of February alone, 23,759 students came through the library," Jones said. "That averages out to 819 students per day."

Jerry's, a local restaurant, was another popular place for students to drown themselves in information and the gallons of coffee that carried them through their studies. Regulars like graduate Ken Phillips and finance major Eric Rager made the restaurant their home away from home.

Other popular places were the Union, dorm lobbies and friends houses, but wherever students studied, they all discovered that the long hours added up to better grades and brighter futures.

It did for Shores. She was hired as an accountant in January. *Robyn Hoffman*



Students Cheri Tharp, Debbie Davis, Lisa Carnahan, Ric Pierson, Ed Hedrick and adjunct instructor Sharon Neasbitt take part in a discussion in the agency counseling class. The class is composed of all graduate students.

Through clinicals in the School of Health Sciences, I learned...

...how to handle the day-to-day business of health information management. Sometimes, it is challenging.

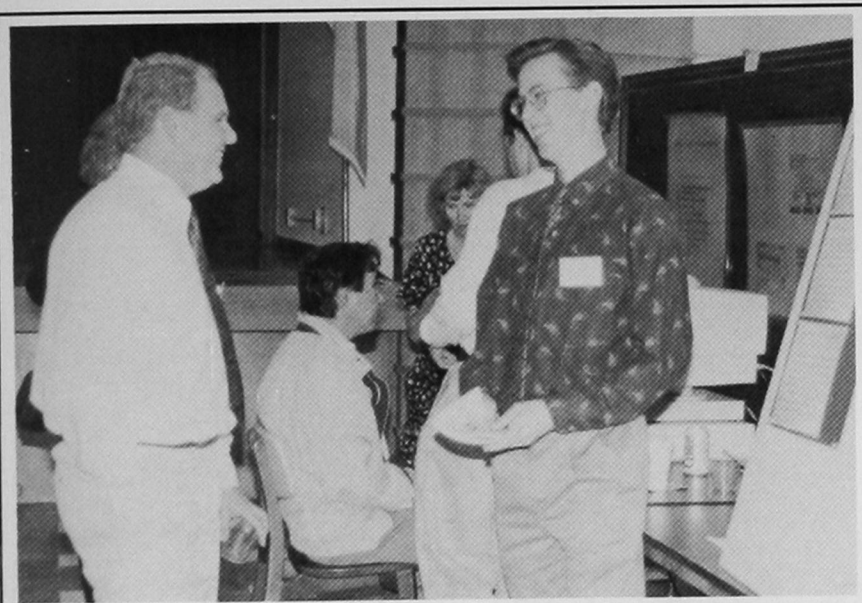
—Shannon McKeever,
Yukon, HJM.

...what a working environment in the 'real world' is like. We face some of the same problems in clinicals.

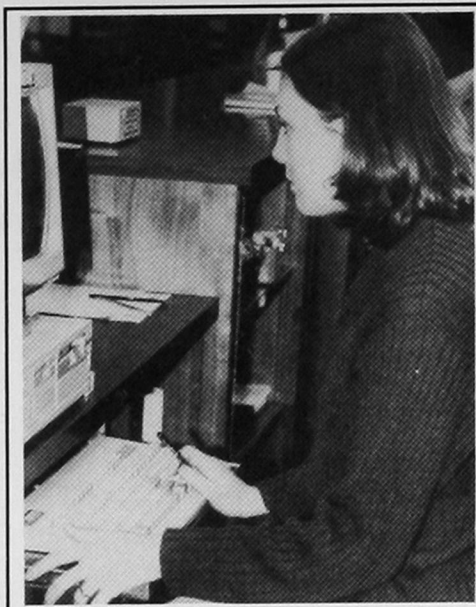
—Christy Brown,
Tryon, HJM

Things that they don't teach in textbooks. Clinicals are more of a hands-on experience for nursing students.

—Russell Jones,
Lawton, Nursing



Senior biology majors Aaron Smith and Chris Spivey discuss Spivey's project, entitled *Ecological Effects of Tumbleweeds*, at the third annual Student Research/Scholarly Activity Fair. The event, held March 20 in the Student Union Ballroom, showcased the work of 116 students.



Above, Junior Leslie Butler checks out a book via computer for one of the 23,759 students that visited the library in February. On any given day, Butler saw as many as 819 students engrossed in scholarly activity.



Senior chemistry major Dustin Baker adjusts the nuclear magnetic resonance machine in the instrument lab. Baker later used his chemistry skills as an employee of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation.



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A Panoramic View

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A fairy tale was brought to life.

A popular '60s band revived its music.

And a journalist known for his biting humor let his political opinions be known.

Students were treated to everything from ballet to politics as the Panorama series, the center of cultural activity on campus, returned to the Fine Arts stage.

The dance troupe Ballet Oklahoma danced the Halloween night away. To add to the spooky nature of the holiday, the ballerinas performed their version of the popular tale *Dracula*.

The spooky tale was not the only one brought to center stage.

The Dallas Children's Theater performed *Sleeping Beauty: The Hundred Year Adventure*. The story featured fairies, swordplay and haunting dreams.

Panorama hosted more than tales as music rang out across campus. Violinist Jana Jae, 1960s sensation The Kingston Trio, and jazz band Rhythm & Brass brought their varied music styles to campus. All three were so popular that buses brought people in from as far away as Oklahoma City, though admittedly, not all were overrun with student attendance.

Frosty Troy, Arthur Schlesinger and Gary Rydstrom rounded out the Panorama schedule. Schlesinger, once the special assistant to the late John F. Kennedy, presented his talk "Disuniting of America," a political commentary of current events.

Troy, the feisty editor of the *Oklahoma Observer*, brought



Dallas-based Rhythm & Brass bring their music to the Fine Arts building as the sixth event in the Panorama series. The band performed music ranging from jazz to contemporary.

his own brand of humor. He spoke about the free enterprise system, education and politics, taking more than a few jabs at state politicians and the media that cover them. His message was full of the same rapid-fire, no-holds barred politics-pounding found in the pages of his newspaper.

Sound designer and re-recording mixer Rydstrom shared his work from the sets of hit movies *Jurassic Park*, *Casper*, *Mrs. Doubtfire* and many others.

All the Panorama events combined to provide the university and the community with intellectual stimulation as well as much-needed local entertainment.

Fields, Marilyn, Sayre, B.S. Nursing
Free, Cathy, Snyder, B.S. Nursing
Gable, Kathleen, Granite, B.S. Nursing
Goldston, Nicole, OKC, B.S. Allied Health Adm.
Helmke, Stephanie, Preston, KS, B.S. Health Info Mgt.
Helton, Stephanie, Weatherford, B.S. Health Info Mgt.

Hill, Vickie, Ardmore, B.S. Nursing
Jones, Linda, Cordell, B.S. Nursing
Lavery, Susan, Weatherford, B.S. Nursing
Lewis, Valari, Elk City, B.S. Nursing
Logan, Lou Ann, Cheyenne, B.S. Nursing
Madden, Tonya, Blair, B.S. Nursing





The fairy tale *Sleeping Beauty* is brought to life in the Fine Arts Center by The Dallas Children's Theater. The DCT was named professional Children's Theater of the year by Southwest Theater Conference.

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Frosty Troy visits with students Julie O'Neal and Matt Etters and social science professors John Hayden and Roger Bromert during a reception following Troy's address. Troy spoke about the current political scene.



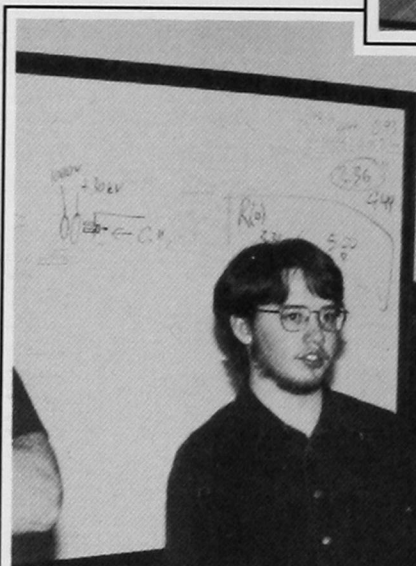
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McNinch, Michelle, Weatherford, B.S. Nursing
Moser, Tommy, Weatherford, B.S. Allied Health Adm.
Music, Leslie, Elk City, B.S. Nursing
O'Connell, Shelby, Tulsa, B.S. Nursing

Osmus, Cynthia, Okeene, B.S. Nursing
Owens, Nicole, Putnam, B.S. Nursing
Ratchel, Kimberly, OKC, B.S. Nursing
Rhoads, Shauna, Mt. View, B.S. Health Info Mgt.
Roberson, Deonda, Weatherford, B.S. Nursing
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HPER students (center to left) Tangie Hollin, Jana Hilbert, Tamika Littleton, Cindy Stagner and April Clayton (fourth right from center) participate in a student leadership conference at the YMCA in Midwest City. Their male partners are from Langston, while the other female (far right) is from UCO. *Photo courtesy HPER*

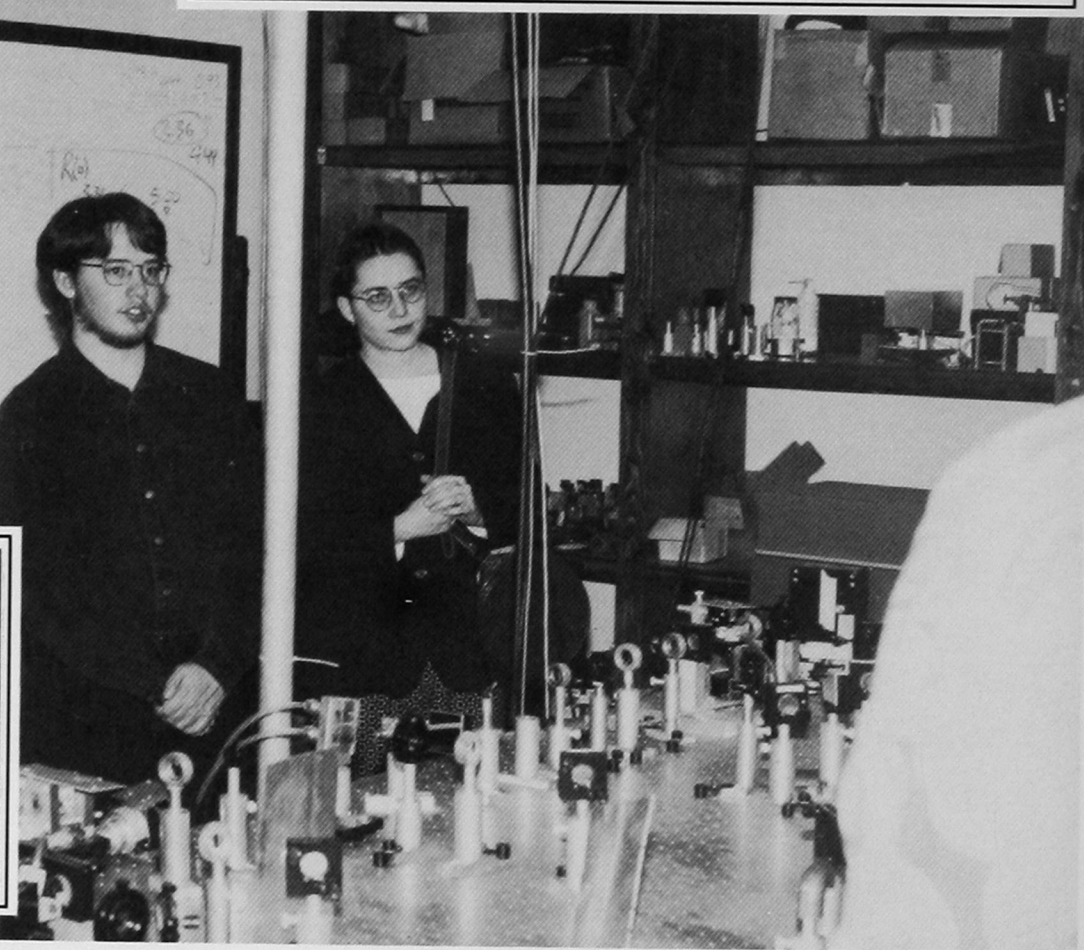


Freshman Stephen Russell and graduate student Bojana Popic watch as a Texas Tech lab tour guide explains the college's optical set-up. Popic and Russell were members of the Physics and Engineering Club.



Christy Maynard, Julie Fowler, Traci Fansler, Rebecca Lippencott and Chesna Perky brave the cold weather to earn two hours credit snow skiing. The group traveled to Red River over spring break.

Photo courtesy Dr. Kous Rose



Smith, Shane, Claremore, B.S. Nursing
Stiles, Elizabeth, Wheeler, TX, B.S. Nursing



Taylor, Denise, Cordell, B.S. Nursing
Trout, Susan, Weatherford, B.S. Health Info Mgt.
Wirth, Leigh Ann, OKC, B.S. Health Info Mgt.



How in the world?
did the School of Pharmacy
improve on an already spectacular program?

In February of 1996, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education approved changing the bachelor of science degree in pharmacy to a doctor of pharmacy degree, beginning in 1998.

Back on the road again

The slopes, ropes course, national parks, etc.

The pole didn't shake so viciously near the bottom. However, with each inch the Quality Improvement student pulled herself up, it got shakier.

So did she.

She pulled her left leg up, keeping it as near the tall wooden pole as possible, and blindly searched for a peg to plant the sole of her foot on. After finding it, she edged her right arm up so her hand could grab a higher peg.

In this alternating fashion she slowly made it to the top of the 20 ft. pole, only to balance herself enough to cross a horizontal pole and fall backwards off it. The only thing that broke her fall were her team members, her classmates.

She quickly learned about teamwork and trust.

The students of the fall QI class weren't the only students to throw away textbooks, pencils, and paper and miss lengthy lectures; there were numerous others that went to a variety of places.

In late November several biology majors went with Dr. Bill Seibert, to Big Bend National Park in south Texas to explore wildlife and vegetation.

"The students were able to experience ecology of the desert firsthand," Seibert said, adding that the park served as an "outdoor classroom."

Foundation of art and modern art history classes visited the Oklahoma Museum of Art and the Independent Artists of Oklahoma Gallery in OKC to gain appreciation of style and technique.

Students not only gained knowledge but also influenced students in area elementary and high schools. Occasionally recreation leadership students took elementary children from Weatherford, Hydro, and Clinton to the Wichita Wildlife Refuge in Lawton for two to three-hour hikes.

According to Nelson Perkins, coordinator for the trips, both younger and older students learned in a fun way.

"We try to make it an environmental lesson without making it a lesson," Perkins said.

Area high schoolers were pulled into the learning process when the Jazz Band and the Woodwind Ensemble toured and held concerts in their schools. It allowed college students to develop their talents further and the

high school students to become familiar with music and musicians.

Educational field trips sometimes took the form of associational meetings. Physics students attended the Texas Section of the American Physical Society and Society of Physics Students at Texas Tech in Lubbock. At the meeting students heard three Nobel Prize winners speak.

Pharmacy students also attended associational meetings. In the fall they traveled to the Regional American Pharmaceutical Association in Kansas City. In the spring they went to the Annual Pharmaceutical Association meeting in Nashville, Tenn., where some of the students participated in the National Patient Counseling Competition.

Education became a little more interesting when it left the classroom and exchanged read-lecture-test for active and hands-on.

That's not to say it became any easier. After all, several of the height-fearing Quality Improvement students grew quite anxious when it came time to fall.

Annette L. Russi



Abeldt, Jeff, Lufkin, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Abubeker, Meftuh, Garland, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Anderson, Dale, Ardmore, B.S. Pharmacy
Barnes, Stephen, Wilburton, B.S. Pharmacy
Bean, Jason, Okemah, B.S. Pharmacy
Borchardt, Julie, Borger, TX, B.S. Pharmacy

Bradley, Debra, Broken Arrow, B.S. Pharmacy
Brendle, Debbie, Muskogee, B.S. Pharmacy
Bridges, Janet, Lubbock, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Brooks, Kevin, Tulsa, B.S. Pharmacy
Brown, Marianne, San Marcos, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Bruns-Pruitt, Cathy, Ft. Worth, TX, B.S. Pharmacy

Ya All Gotta Lab It

No one escapes the practice and experiments

Long white lab coat.
Clear plastic safety glasses.
Test tubes. Beakers.

All is ready for pharmacy student Scott Johnson to concoct a solution for one of his required labs.

Johnson quickly found out, as did many others, that there was more to school than just taking notes and trying to comprehend lectures. Their learning extended beyond the classroom walls, as labs were essential for preparing students for the real world.

"If you are a chemistry, physics, or pharmacy major there is no way you can get by without having lab," Johnson said. "That's what chemistry is about...that's what physics is about...and it is absolutely essential that pharmacists have some chemistry and physics background."

Although not working towards being a pharmacist, senior chemistry major Norvella Adams knows what

those chemistry labs were like. In her final semester, Adams undertook Physical Chemistry I lab. She said the class had the reputation for being the hardest one on campus. It was definitely her hardest.

"It was tough," Adams said. "I have never had a lab or a class this difficult. I'll be glad when it's over."

That hard work was also practiced in other labs on campus, such as the

Child Development Lab. The lab offered practical experience for education majors in supervising pre-school children. It was the site where graduate Jennifer Ayers served as a teaching assistant. Whether she was pushing a kid in a swing at recess or reading the children a story, Ayers gained some insight and pointers into the education of elementary school students.

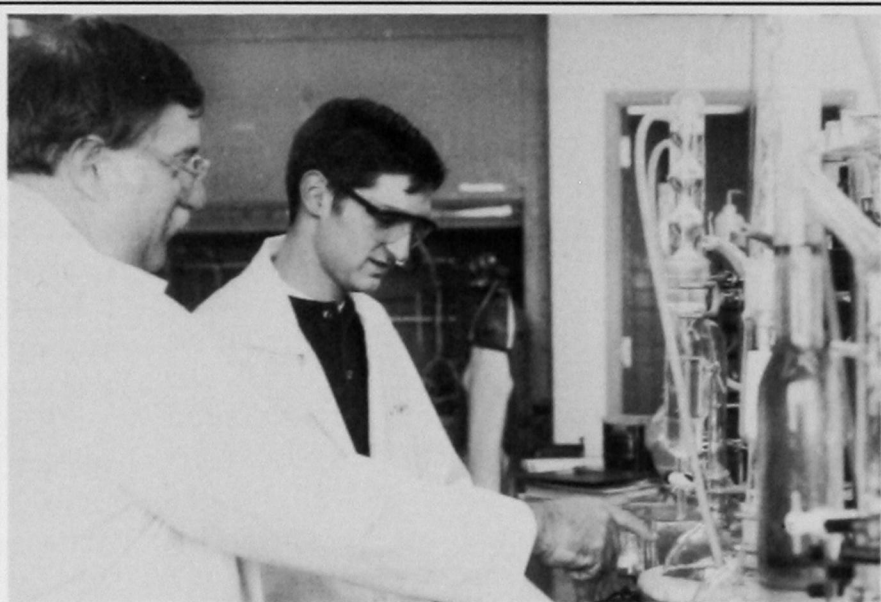
Students could also be seen in the computer lab in the Thomas P.

Stafford Center and the writing lab in the Old Science building.

Juniors Beth Goldsberry or Leslie Taylor were always on hand to assist anyone that needed help typing papers. The labs became a student's second home.

That second home helped formed a core of knowledge that could not be gained anywhere else.

Robyn Hoffman



Organic chemistry captures the time and effort of Dr. William Kelly and junior Scott Holuby during the fall semester. *Photo by Ellis Miranda*

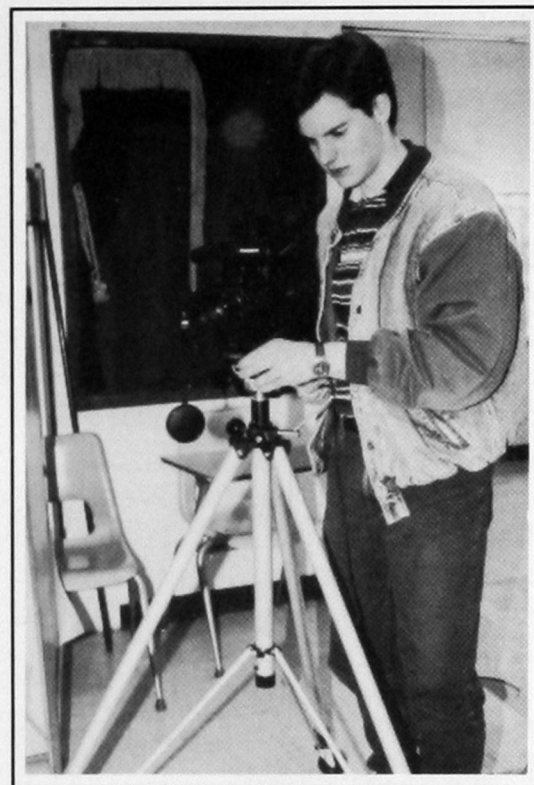
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Cameron, Bruce, Chouteau, B.S. Pharmacy
Cardona, Santiago, Grandfield, B.S. Pharmacy
Carter, David, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
Cartwright, Chad, Lubbock, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Chaffee, Liz, Broken Arrow, B.S. Pharmacy

Chesterfield, Kristen, Mustang, B.S. Pharmacy
Clyde, Gregory, Lawton, B.S. Pharmacy
Coffelt, Lisa, Mabank, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Cox, Kimberly, Amarillo, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Crabtree, Adam, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
Culver, Kevin, Jay, B.S. Pharmacy

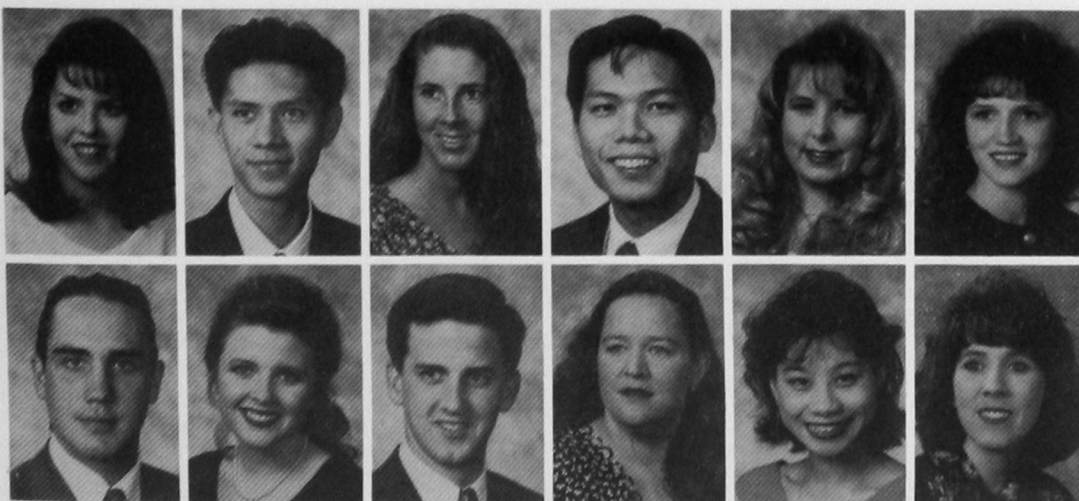




Junior English education major Beth Goldsberry assists sophomore nursing major Hannah Lambe in the writing lab of the Old Science Building. The lab was a familiar site of English 1113 and 1213.



Speech/English major Greg Daubenspeck prepares to film an interview for his media presentation class. The class met during the fall semester. *Photo by J. J. Cagg*



Davis, Jyme, Idabel, B.S. Pharmacy
Dinh, Thomas, OKC, B.S. Pharmacy
Dixon, Catherine, Elk City, B.S. Pharmacy
Do, Thuong, Dallas, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Driever, Lisa, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
Driskill, Dondra, Lubbock, TX, B.S. Pharmacy

Dusek, Marc, Springtown, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Eccles, Gena, Beaver, B.S. Pharmacy
Emerson, Justin, Knox City, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Farmer, Darla, Duncan, B.S. Pharmacy
Fong, Sandy, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
Foster, Pam, Anadarko, B.S. Pharmacy

All the World's a Stage

Spotlight shines on SW performers

Lights! Camera! Action!

Cameras may not have been rolling, but the lights and action took over the stage as Southwestern saw its share of productions, both on and off the campus.

The theater department held several productions. *Love Letters* was a little different from the normal play the department produced. In fact, it really wasn't a play at all, but a dinner theater held over three nights. Casting was a little different, too. A different cast of two performed each night, allowing six actors to participate.

"It was a different experience for me, because I only had to perform for one night, instead of three," said Keri Aynn Strickler, leading lady for the second night.

The department also staged *Blue Plains*, *The Diary of Anne Frank* and *The Servant of Two Masters*.

The music department kept busy with a variety of concerts all year long. Groups from jazz ensembles to orchestras filled the Fine Arts Building with music. A few of the musically inclined people banded together to share their music with others off

campus.

"Some of the members of the orchestra formed a string quartet to perform at weddings," said Melissa McSpadden, music education major.

The music department was also responsible for hosting the United States Marine Band, the 26th Annual



Jazz Festival, and the musical *A Grand Night For Singing*.

But Southwesterners also participated in concerts and productions off campus, namely at Clinton's Southwest Playhouse. Senior Natalie Ferrell starred as Maria von Trapp in *The Sound of Music*, while public services librarian David Scott played Max.

Penny and Dawn Askew both had a part in *Amahl and the Night Visitors*. Chemistry professor Rolan Decker directed the Christmas event. He said it took a great deal of time to direct a play.

"I feel like I have two jobs," Decker said. "But when you see the end result, it makes it all worth it."

In the end, the lights were lowered, cameras stopped, stages were lifeless, while another notch of experience was added to performers' belts.

Staci Hart & Robyn Hoffman

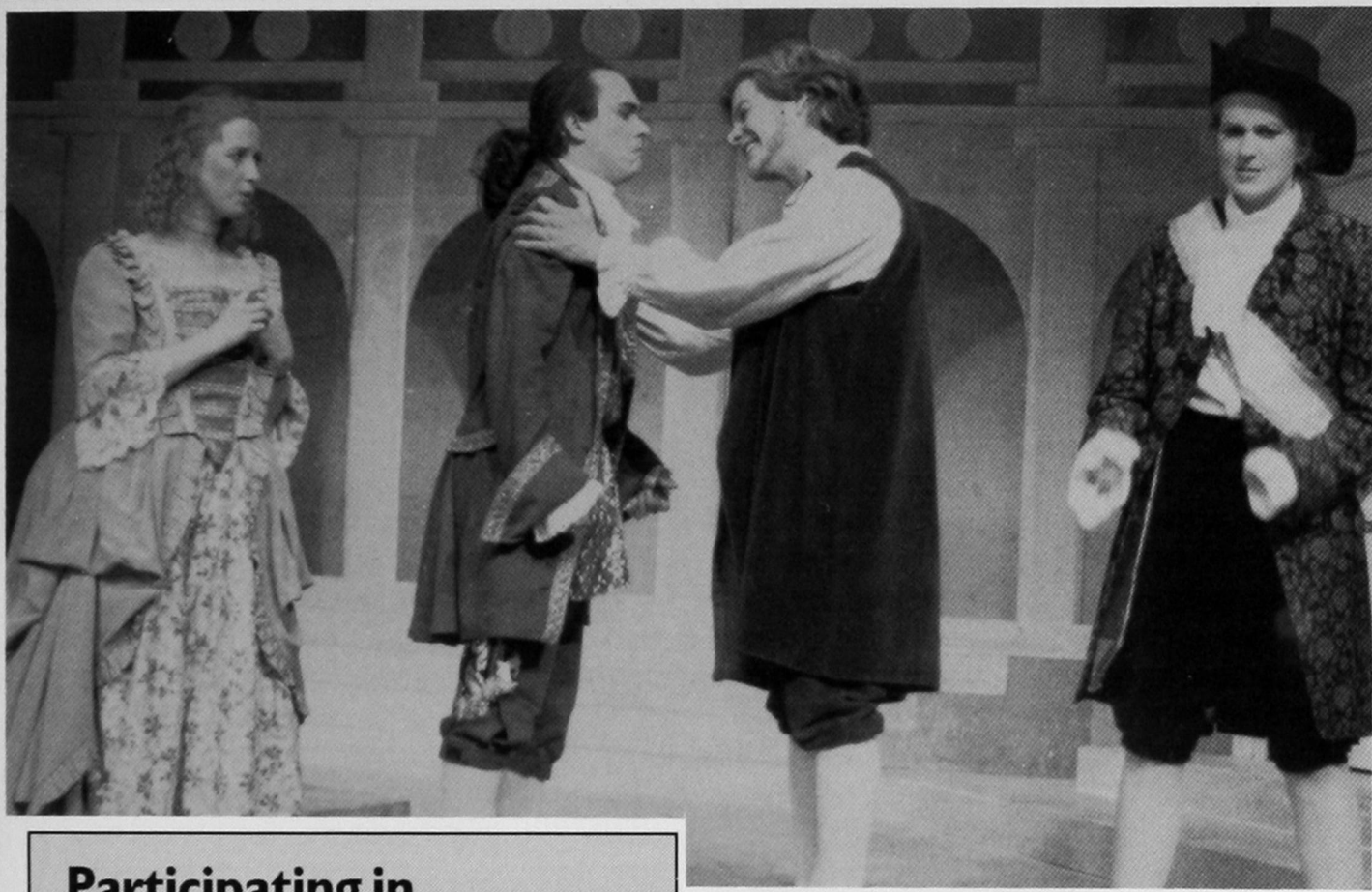
Senior music major Natalie Ferrell and Clinton resident Terry Brooks portray Maria and Captain von Trapp in the Southwest Playhouse's production of *The Sound of Music*. Students and faculty were often involved in the plays at the Clinton community playhouse.

Photo courtesy Clinton Daily News

Freitas, Adam, Pocola, B.S. Pharmacy
Frymire, Annie, Thomas, B.S. Pharmacy
Gaston, Rob, Andrews, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Gillis, Susan, Harrold, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Gorman, Nikki, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
Green, Justin, Broken Arrow, B.S. Pharmacy

Hacker, Sherry, Myra, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Hampton, Natalie, Lawton, B.S. Pharmacy
Hancock, Jamie, Wagoner, B.S. Pharmacy
Harrel, Marsha, Leedey, B.S. Pharmacy
Hefner, Kris, Fritch, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Hickerson, Craig, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy





Sophomore Toni Sherrill, seniors Marc Moyer and Greg Daubenspeck, and junior Beth Lakey help open the spring semester with the production, *The Servant of Two Masters*.

Participating in SW productions helped me...

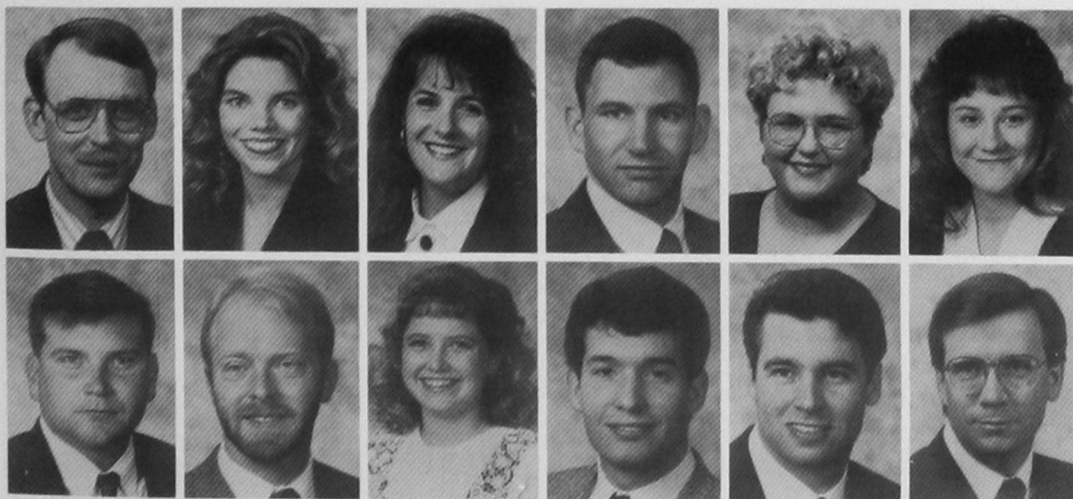


“...gain some valuable teaching experience. I'm going to be a music educator, and this experience will hopefully help me produce successful productions in the schools.”

—Sean Williams



Sophomore saxophonist Scott Garrison jazes it up with guest artist Delores King Williams at the 26th annual Jazz Festival. The festival featured famous jazz musicians as well as the campus' Jazz Ensemble "A".



Hill, Burt, *El Reno*, B.S. Pharmacy
Hirschbach, Emily, *Colo. Springs, CO*, B.S. Pharmacy
Hodge, Suzanne, *Weatherford*, B.S. Pharmacy
Hohstadt, Mark, *Woodward*, B.S. Pharmacy
Huffman, Alicia, *Paris, TX*, B.S. Pharmacy
Hurley, Mary, *Dallas, TX*, B.S. Pharmacy

Hurst, Ryan, *Stillwater*, B.S. Pharmacy
Irby, Wade, *Artesia, NM*, B.S. Pharmacy
Isbell-Gilliam, Dianna, *Braggs*, B.S. Pharmacy
Jackson, Todd, *Bethany*, B.S. Pharmacy
Jones, George, *Thackerville*, B.S. Pharmacy
Karns, Bruce, *Yukon*, B.S. Pharmacy

Your Turn to Intern

Ed, Med, Pharm & Phys ed—on the job

With at least five different departments requiring internships in job preparation, it was hard to find a Southwestern graduate who hadn't participated in an internship, clinical or practicum.

From the School of Pharmacy to the School of Education, between 15 and 148 students participated in internships and practica. They lasted from two weeks for allied health minors who took the health care administration class to 12 weeks for nursing and education majors.

Senior nursing major Nicole Owens remembered her clinicals at Ft. Supply's mental hospital.

"The place had a bowling alley," Owens said. "I bet we bowled three or four times a day with the patients. Our arms were really sore by the time those clinicals were over."

In the spring semester, students began participating in the new Foss Lake

Recreation Internship, a cooperative project owned and operated 24 hours a day by Southwestern employees. Dr. Ken Rose, chairman of the health, physical education and recreation department said the internship was an asset to everyone involved.

"It offers a tremendous learning experience for the student and the university faculty," Rose said. "To my knowledge we are the only university to have this kind of association."

Although not technically an internship, the Child Development Lab offered practical experience for those pursuing careers in education. As a requirement for her class in guidance of grade school children, Cher Brown spent many hours at the lab with preschoolers. She said the experience assured her she had chosen to right career field.

"I love the interaction with all the kids," Brown said. "I know I'm doing what I was meant to do."

Pharmacy students also were required to devote some time to real working situations in the "real world." They could be seen at almost any pharmacy in town, as well as in surrounding cities. Pro-practices helped bring their education full-circle.

That "full-circle" period helped all students who participated in internships prepare for their future.

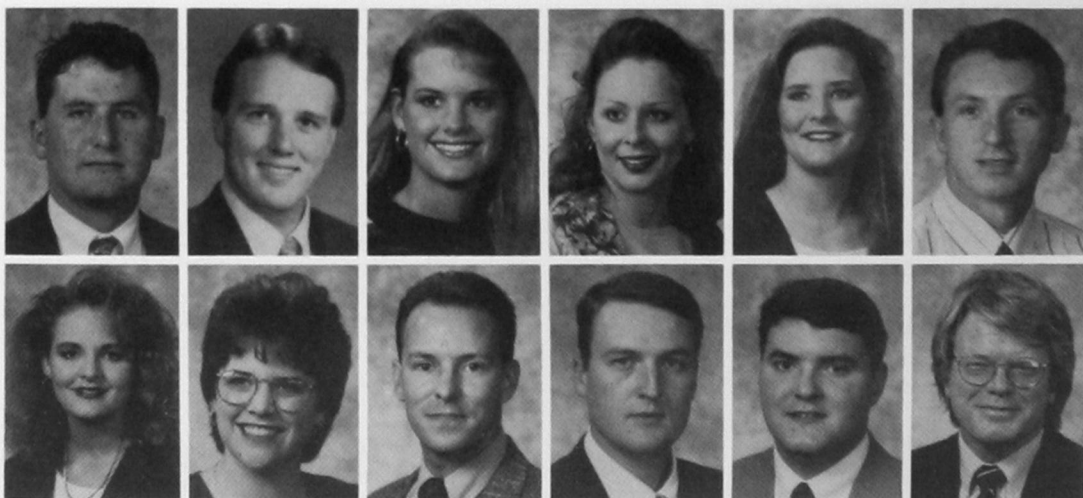
*Robyn Hoffman
& Jami Shields*

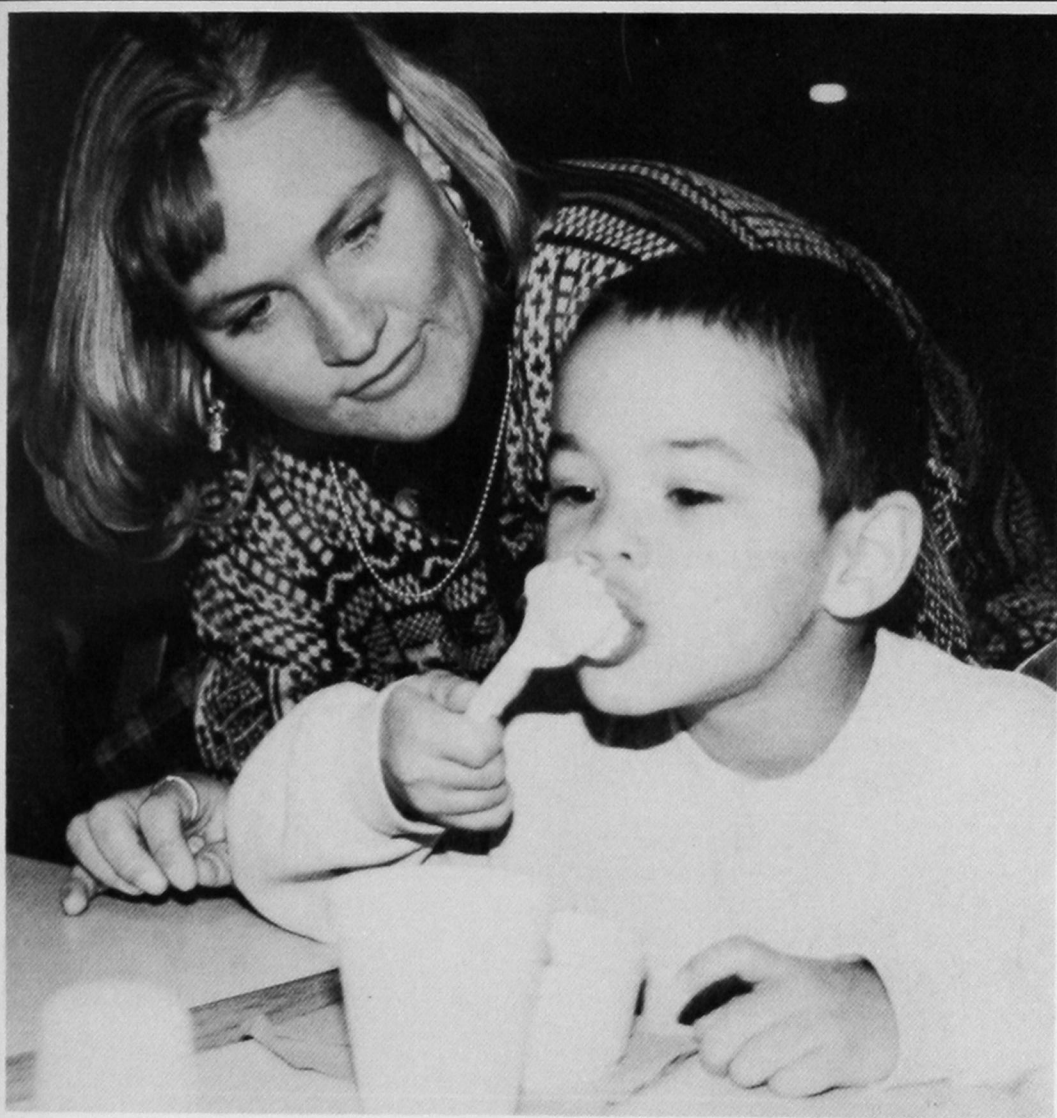


Senior Teresa Biddle, aka Ashley Stone, broadcasts a night show at local radion station KWEY. In a cooperative effort between school and station, Biddle served as an intern for the station before becoming an employee.

Keeler, Scott, Blanchard, B.S. Pharmacy
Keeny, Todd, Wichita, KS, B.S. Pharmacy
Kinder, Leonie, Colcord, B.S. Pharmacy
Kline, Heather, Alva, B.S. Pharmacy
Kocurek, Johnell, Clarksville, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Law, Allen, Hobart, B.S. Pharmacy

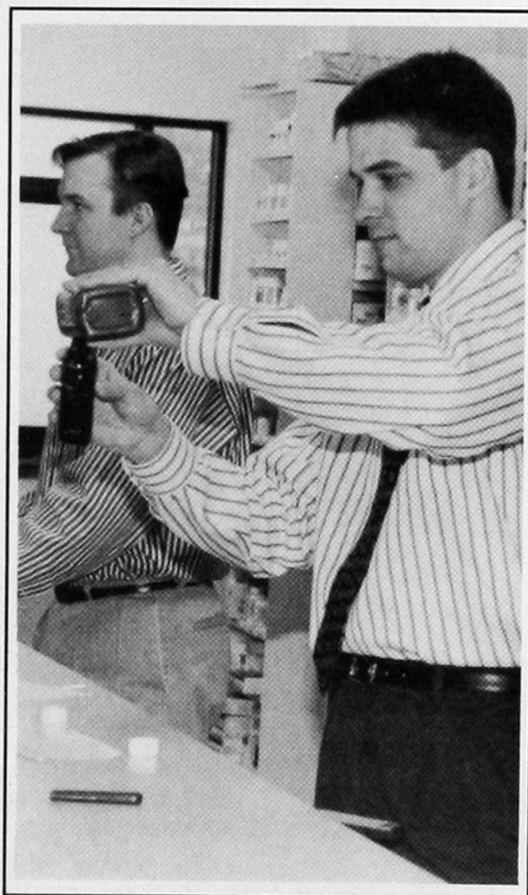
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Liner, Stephanie, Richardson, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Litsch, Tim, Yukon, B.S. Pharmacy
Long, Daniel, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
Lovell, Clendon, Anadarko, B.S. Pharmacy
Lowther, Phil, OKC, B.S. Pharmacy





Graduate teaching assistant Jennifer Ayers supervises four-year-old Aaron Long as he eats his ice cream during snack time at the Child Development Lab. Ayers worked in the lab to help fulfill requirements for her early childhood class.

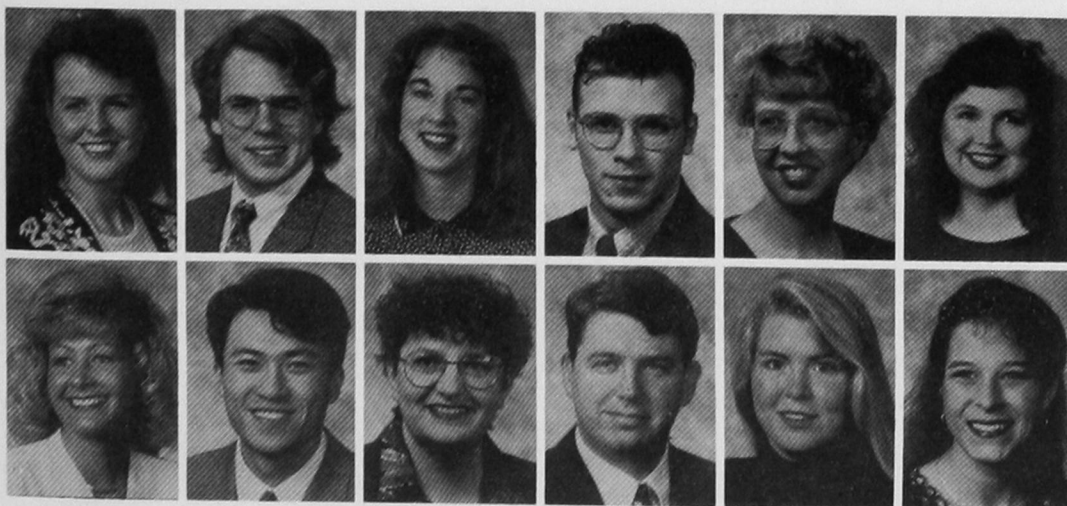
Senior David Barrow fills a prescription at the Medicine Shoppe, while proprietor Barry Smith tends to another customer. Barrow worked at the pharmacy to fulfill pro-practice requirements.



Through clinicals in the School of Health Sciences I learned...

...what a working environment in the "real world" of health information management is like. We face some of the same problems in clinicals.

—Christy Brown



Luginbill, Martha, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
 Mahan, Brad, Altus, B.S. Pharmacy
 Matkin, Christine, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
 May, Chris, Bartlesville, B.S. Pharmacy
 McAllister, Ronda, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
 McKinney, Julia, Trumann, AR, B.S. Pharmacy

McLemore, Ida, Colony, B.S. Pharmacy
 Mo, Frank, Broken Arrow, B.S. Pharmacy
 Morris, Linda, Palestine, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
 Neeley, Joseph, Cherokee, B.S. Pharmacy
 Nelson, Lane, Chandler, B.S. Pharmacy
 Newberry, Shelley, Marlow, B.S. Pharmacy

Greek seasoning

Sororities Kappa Delta Omega and Sigma Sigma Chi and fraternity Tau Kappa Epsilon may have been social organizations, but they offered more than social events.

Outside the normal activities, such as spring rush and barbecues, the Greeks performed service projects for both the community and school.

Kappa Delta Omega helped the March of Dimes and business club Phi Beta Lambda by sponsoring business administration major Mike Poettcker in the Mr. Dimes pageant. Poettcker walked away with second runner-up.

KDO also helped stuff 17,000 envelopes for the Southwestern Alumni Association. They purchased gifts for needy children in Weatherford through the First National Bank's angel tree, as well as helping with the Special Olympics.

Sigma Sigma Chi joined KDO in helping with the Special Olympics, an annual goal for SSX members. Pledges donated to the charity of their choice each semester.

Tau Kappa Epsilon helped the administration with Parents Day and supported the Southwestern Bulldogs by adding a new live mascot to the lineup early enough for homecoming festivities. By second semester, the new Brandy, (actually Gracie, registered as Southwestern Glamour Girl), had been

joined by a second mascot, Neffer. They were the pets of TKE member Greg Ditch and his wife Dawn.

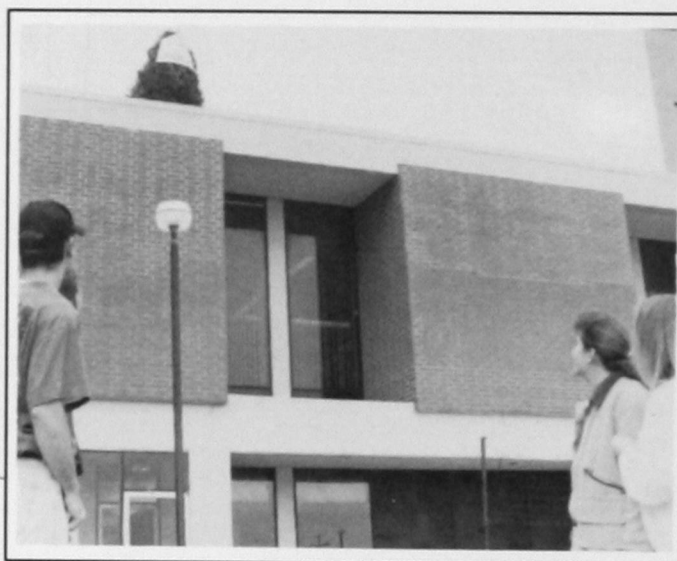
TKE fraternity brothers jumped into the traditional activities when they helped the Weatherford Chamber of Commerce with the arts festival. The chapter even brought back a tradition from seven years earlier when the fraternity took a composite group photo of the chapter.

To complete the fraternity/sorority picture, all three organizations entered floats in the homecoming parade. Graduate student Jason Noe, a TKE member, said the list of other activities is a long one.

"We participated in hundreds more activities than what were listed," Noe said. "We are a family network of friends as opposed to a club. We do not discriminate against students who want to join; we discriminate against those who are not willing to put the time and work into our program to join."

That work ethic translated into three social organizations that helped make a difference.

Jami Shields

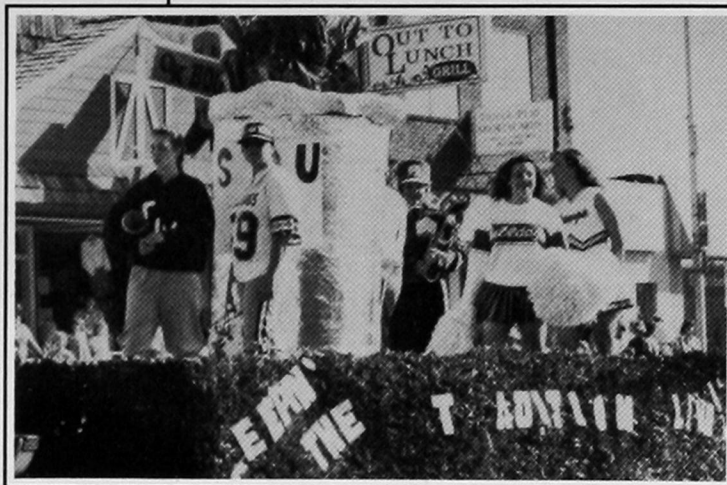


Practical jokes are not always a fraternity plot. In an on-going exchange of Christmas tree whodunit, pranksters deliver Parker Hall's tree to a new spot: the top of Rogers/Jefferson Hall. On-lookers vowed they didn't have a clue as to the culprits' identities.

Nguyen, Khanh, Durant, B.S. Pharmacy
Nichols, James, OKC, B.S. Pharmacy
Payne, Raquel, McLean, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Peters, Alisa, Plainview, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Petty, Royce, Stephenville, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Piehota, Jennifer, Snyder, B.S. Pharmacy

Polk, Debra, Norman, B.S. Pharmacy
Rains, Melissa, Clovis, NM, B.S. Pharmacy
Richards, Lance, Amarillo, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Roberts, Gina, Chattanooga, B.S. Pharmacy
Rorabaugh, Teri, Liberal, KS, B.S. Pharmacy
Ross, Carla, Broken Arrow, B.S. Pharmacy





Members and pledges of the Kappa Delta Omega help to show the crowd what the homecoming theme, "Keeping the tradition alive" is all about. They did not win, but members reported a good time.

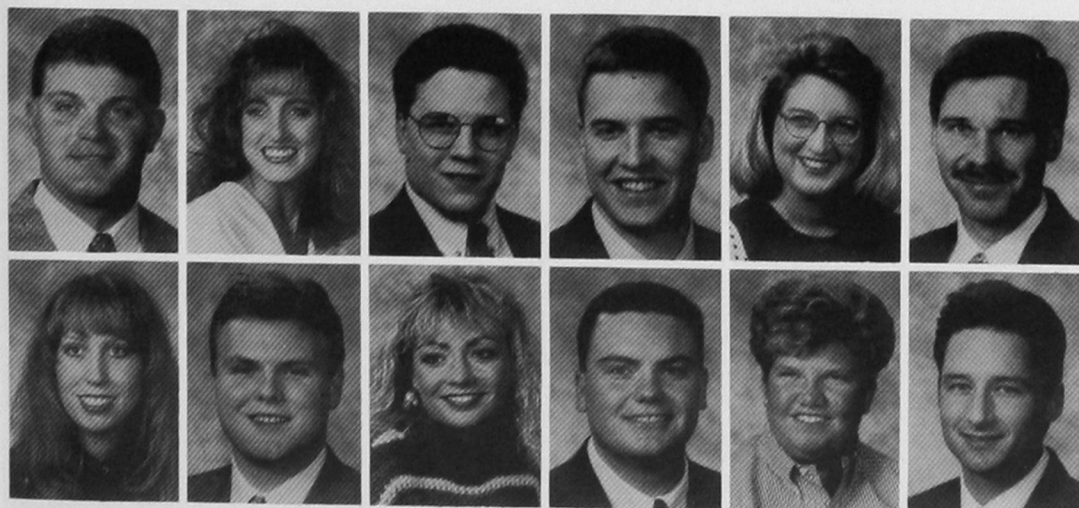
It is better to go Greek because...



...you meet a lot of new people and it's a great way to get involved on campus.

—Sara Moss
Kappa Delta Omega

Southwestern's newest mascot Brandy, a.k.a. Gracie, takes her place with owners Greg and Dawn Ditch and Greg's fraternity brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon. Brandy got a side-kick second semester.



Ross, Michael, Helena, B.S. Pharmacy
Rutledge, Connie, White Deer, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Sanders, Jay, Anadarko, B.S. Pharmacy
Schenk, Derek, Watonga, B.S. Pharmacy
Schmitt, Jennifer, Liberal, KS, B.S. Pharmacy
Schmitz, Michael, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy

Schroeder, Amy, Perryton, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Shastid, Kirk, Weatherford, B.S. Pharmacy
Shatswell, Terra, Altus, B.S. Pharmacy
Sheer, Tommy, Sulphur Springs, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Shook, Terri, Sand Springs, B.S. Pharmacy
Simpson, Chad, Amarillo, TX, B.S. Pharmacy

Sampling the real world

They were everywhere:

English Club officer elections Wednesday 1 p.m.

Chem Club annual Christmas dinner tomorrow night.

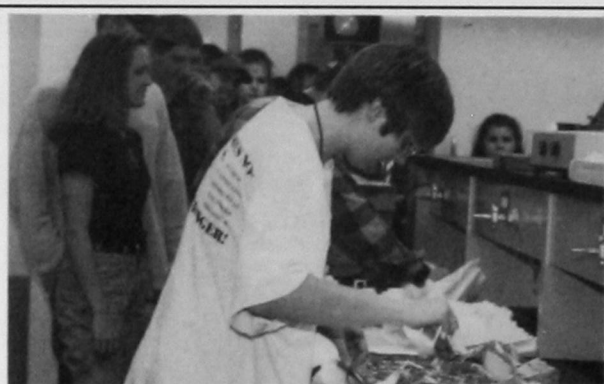
Social Work Club meeting today; everybody be there.

Campus was dotted with an array of signs announcing the next organizational meeting. They meant nothing to those who did not take part in professional organizations, but to those who were involved, the signs were a reminder of yet another obligation.

The organizations allowed students the opportunity to work towards professional goals that could not be reached in a regular classroom setting.

The Reading Council, a club for education majors, held monthly meetings with guest speakers such as high school principals who visited the club and gave members advice on what to expect when teaching.

The council also conducted fundraisers. Elaina Spratley, senior elementary education major and president of the club, said that the organization's biggest fundraiser was



Chemistry Club president Candis Pike prepares pizza for a school group from Washita Heights. The party wrapped up Chemistry Week, when high schoolers visited to watch campus chemists work their magic. Photo by Ellis Miranda

the book fair.

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers hosted fundraisers for themselves, but they also contributed to worthy causes and explored the manufacturing world.

"We were busy throughout the year," President Tyson Hinthier said. "We sold funnel cakes at the arts festival and sponsored a golf tournament in the spring...we made the awards platform for the Special Olympics...and we toured manufacturing plants and attended

several technical presentations."

Like the SME, the Nursing Students Association attended seminars each semester. President Michelle McNinch said the organization aimed to provide a forum for nursing students in a social as well as professional environment.

Stepping out of the ordinary, Phi Beta Lambda, a professional business club, hosted a pageant for men—all dressed in women's clothes. The Mr. Dimes Pageant was a first, and a topic of conversation for days to come. PBL President Stachia Day said proceeds went to the March of Dimes.

Lambda Tau, an organization for medical technology majors, also directed energy toward others in need. They sponsored a scavenger hunt for Sharing and Caring, an on-going program to provide food and clothes for the needy.

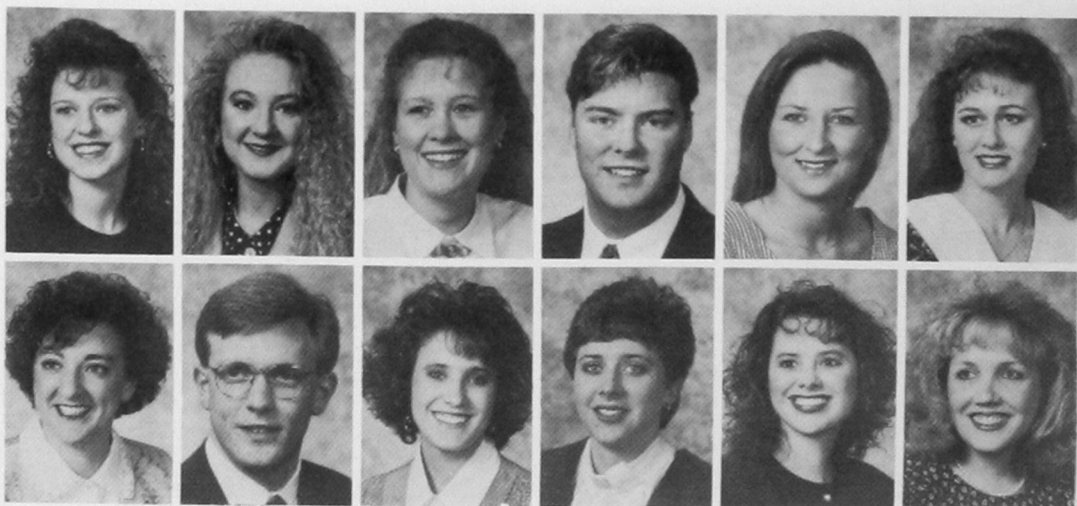
While they helped, the members remembered the purpose of the organization.

"The organization was created as an honor society for people who were considering medical technology as a career," President Lea Ann Pratt said.

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Underwood, Tricia, Muleshoe, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Voelter, Alison, Dallas, TX, B.S. Pharmacy





Alpha Kappa Psi's winning homecoming float rolls down Main Street. Atop the float are AKP members Maegan Boucher and Kathy Cole.

Members Dana Turner and Scott Ellis try to boost membership into History Club by recruiting exchange students Veronica Lutskova and Ivan Lapuka.

Photo by Ellis Miranda

I will remember being a part of...



Mu Phi Epsilon because we won the international chapter while I was associated with the organization
—Kerri Englund



Waggoner, Greg, Woodward, B.S. Pharmacy
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Wauson, Rosie, Plains, TX, B.S. Pharmacy

White, Chris, Abilene, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Womble, Tammy, Athens, TX, B.S. Pharmacy
Yoder, Grady, Jermyn, TX, B.S. Pharmacy

How in the world?

did students manage the heavy load required in pharmacy school and still maintain a family and social life?

"By faith. And I don't say that lightly. It has been by the grace of God and good friends that Mike has made it through."

Colleen Schmitz,
English Ed. major,
wife of Michael Schmitz

A buyer's market

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University Media Association, a group of communications, journalism and broadcast students, took on a phenomenal task when they sponsored the Molly Strickler Celebrity Benefit Auction.

The club gathered autographed celebrity memorabilia, then convinced Mayor Gary Rader to help auction it off. It earned \$2,800 for a student stricken with a rare disease.

Treasurer Robyn Hoffman, the brain behind the project, put in some 200 hours contacting celebrities.

Photo by Ellen Hernandez



Biology Club member Lori Poage (right) helps plant enthusiasts determine which plant to buy during the club's annual sale to help fund educational trips.

She said she was not at all surprised at the response. Nor was President Anne Meek.

"We started compiling celebrity addresses in early September, then sent off letters requesting an autographed item," Meek said. "In December, we had the auction, with over 90 different items to auction off. We deemed it a success."

Whether building on their professional futures or organizing to help others in need, professional organizations provided a much needed escape from routine and a good excuse to get together. *Staci Hart*

Adler, Brian, *Director*, Public Information
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Al-Jarrah, Ms. Susan, *Instructor*, Lang. Arts
Albaugh, Ms. Patricia, *Asst. Prof.*, Social Sci

Alsbach, Mr. George, *Cataloging Librarian*
Alsberg, Mr. Fred, *Asst. Prof.*, Lang. Arts
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Armoudian, Dr. Garabed, *Chair/Prof.*, Physics

Ball, Ms. Sue, *Instructor*, Biology
Barnes, Mr. Robert, *Asst. Dir.*, Auxiliary Serv.
Baughner, Ms. Madeline, *Instructor*, Computer Sci.
Baughner, Dr. Richard, *Assoc. Prof.*, Technology
Beatty, Ms. Rochelle, *Instructor*, Mathematics
Becker, Dr. Bettie, *Director*, Assessment

Becker, Mr. Larry, *Manager*, University Press
Bell, Dr. Gary, *Asst. Prof.*, Technology
Bergman, Dr. H. David, *Dean/Prof.*, Pharm./Health Sci.
Bessinger, Mr. David, *Asst. Prof.*, Music
Blagowsky, Dr. Jim, *Prof.*, Psychology
Blankenship, Ms. Anita, *Benefits Coord.*, Personnel





Beth Kocz flashes her present as **Stephanie Helton** and **Shawna Lee** examine theirs at the annual **Health Information Management Christmas party.**

Photo by Andrea Hoffmann



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Boyd, Mr. Todd, *Director*, HS/Coll. Relations
Bradfield, Ms. Jan, *Asst. Prof.*, Art
Busch, Dr. Dianne, *Assoc. Prof.*, HPER
Chapman, Dr. Charles, *Chair/Prof.*, Music
Church, Dr. Gerald, *Asst. Prof.*, Mathematics

Clark, Mr. David, *Bursar*,
Connelly, Dr. Michael, *Assoc. Prof.*, Social Sci.
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Downs, Ms. Terri, *Sec., Recept.*, Financial Aid
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Fagan, Mr. Tom, *Director*, Business Affairs

Fiegel, Dr. Mel, *Prof. Emeritus*, Social Sci.
Folks, Dr. John, *Dean/Assoc. Prof.*, Education
Frame, Dr. Harlan, *Prof. Emer./Adjunct*, Chemistry
Gadberry, Dr. Lowell, *Assoc. Prof.*, Education
Gentry, Mr. Jeff, *Instructor*, Language Arts
Gerber, Ms. Midge, *Asst. Prof.*, Business Admin.

World of Fellowship



As the curtains opened, a man stood as a very convincible woman, wobbling back and forth, left and right in a pair of three-inch heels. He wore a mini-skirt that kept riding up and a brown disheveled wig that sat cock-eyed on the top of his head.

Unfortunately, this wasn't a scene from some talk show over "Men who want to look like men who want to be women and the people who love them."

It was the Baptist Student Union's annual Mock Rock. It served as a time for BSUers to show off their lip-syncing talents and simply have fun as Christians.

According to director Jim Morrison, the BSU tried to meet the spiritual and social needs of students. They held weekly activities, such as noondays (daily devotionals services) and BASICS (Brothers and Sisters in Christ) programs each Thursday. They formed freshmen families to help homesick freshmen adjust to college.

But the BSU wasn't the only organization that helped students balance school and a Christian walk.

Wesley Director Lee Webb and Wesley intern Lisa Wood both said the Foundation liked to help people out

in various ways. The Wesley housed the Weatherford Ministerial Alliance Food Pantry, which assisted some 20-30 families per month. The Wesley's weekly meetings included Bible studies, vespers (evening worship), and TRI-PHI (Food, Fun, and Fellowship).

The Church of Christ Student Center members also took a journey. They traveled to Quartz Mountain Christian Camp in Lone Wolf in September for their fall retreat. There they were given an opportunity to grow spiritually as well as have fun. According to Ritchie Hamm, director, spiritual growth and fun stood as their goals in every event they had.

"We try to offer a variety of programs which are designed to strengthen every area of the student's life," he said.

Their weekly activities included singing at Little Bird Nursing Home, Wednesday night devotionals, and game nights.

In October, Chi Alpha, a co-ed Christian organization, went to an annual youth convention in

Oklahoma City. According to Chi Alpha President Gina Garretson, a junior elementary education major, Chi Alpha members state-wide were given the chance to come together "as a unified body to rejoice in what the Lord has done."

"Although we are a small group we have a big vision for the campus of Southwestern," Garretson said.

Another small religious organization shared Chi Alpha's vision. Although Kappa Phi, a women's Christian sorority, didn't pack up their bags to travel, they did stay busy.

In October, their Beta Zeta chapter was installed into the national Kappa Phi organization. Toni Sherrill, pledge coordinator, said that installation required ample time and effort. But members still managed to have a Rose Tea, workshops, bake sales, devotion meetings, and visits to Little Bird Nursing Home.

"To me, Christian fellowship is a basic need and Kappa Phi meets that need," Sherrill said.

All these organizations help students have fun while growing in Christ. Even if it meant cross-dressing for Mock Rock.

Annette L. Russi

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Barry Haynes and Gregg Curington of the Church of Christ Student Center prepare judge Lance Ito for contest. The Center entered the creation in a local scarecrow contest around Halloween, but did not win.

Senior Jared Macumber and freshman Staci Nightingale join together for a moment of prayer during the Wesley Foundation's Spring Focus. The event featured guest speakers and bands.



Students from various religious organizations on campus gather for the annual 'See you at the Pole.' Students met at 7:15 a.m. outside the Administration Building to pray.

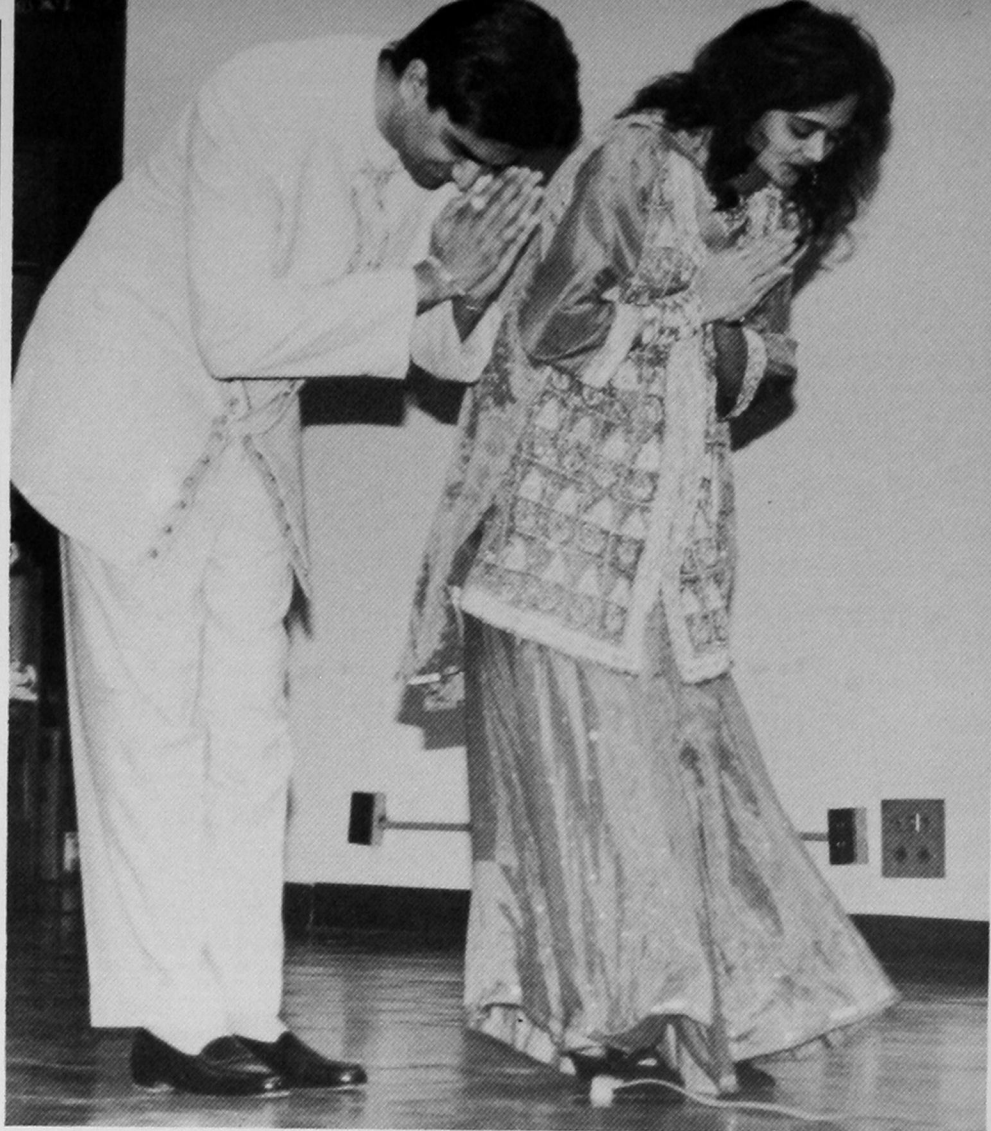
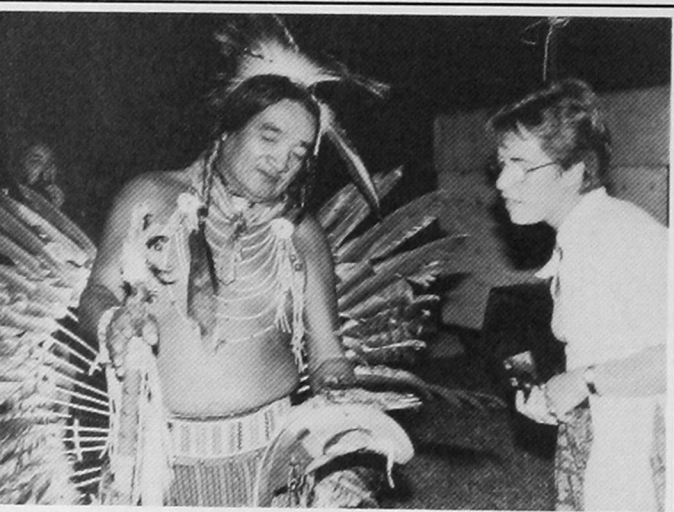


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Jagruti Patel and Rakesh Patel perform a dance from their native India. The dance and dress of different countries were revealed at the SISA banquet.

France native Catherine Schmutz listens to a Native American powwow participant explain his traditional outfit. Members of the International Student Association traveled to Colony for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Labor Day event.



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 Klaassen, Mr. Bob, *Director*, Admissions



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 Lane, Dr. Allen, *Prof.*, Chemistry
 Lang, Dr. Park, *Int. Chair/Asst. Prof.*, Art
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Ways of the world



For a small college, Southwestern was not short on cultural diversity. The international exchange program, organizations for minorities and language classes assured it.

The exchange program attracted 53 students, while 36 locals took their studies abroad. Senior history major Jason Morgan was one who took advantage of the program and attended college in France for a year.

"It was quite an experience," Morgan said. "The culture, the people...everything is so different from the United States. Everybody should try it at least once."

But students soon would lose that opportunity. Citing a lack of funds, the school did not renew the contract

for the exchange program.

Dr. John Ludrick, exchange program supervisor, called the decision "disappointing but understandable." Under Ludrick's leadership, the exchange students saw much of the local lifestyle, from Native American powwows to Oklahoma tourist attractions.

The Native American Club made its usual homecoming appearance in impressive ceremonial dress, but then became relatively inactive. The Black Student Association, however, operated full speed. It was responsible for hosting the first Miss Black Southwestern pageant on campus. Pageant organizer and club

president Shannon Hayes said that it was a project that took much of his time, but he was glad he would be a part of history.

Hayes was also the driving force behind the BSA name change proposal. Members tried unsuccessfully to change the club's name to the Multicultural Students Association to attract all nationalities and races.

"We are trying to ensure existence by expanding our membership," Hayes said.

Spanish Club and German Club introduced their respective ethnic foods at dinners for members, so they too were among the many programs encouraging a campus rich in the study of other ways of life. *Chris Young*



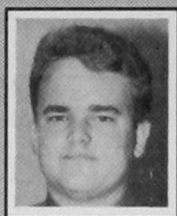
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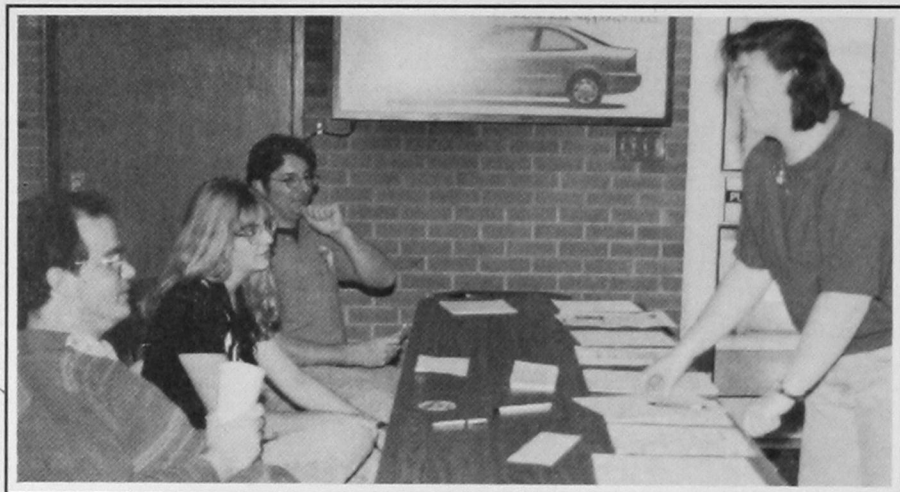
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The most pressing political issue is...

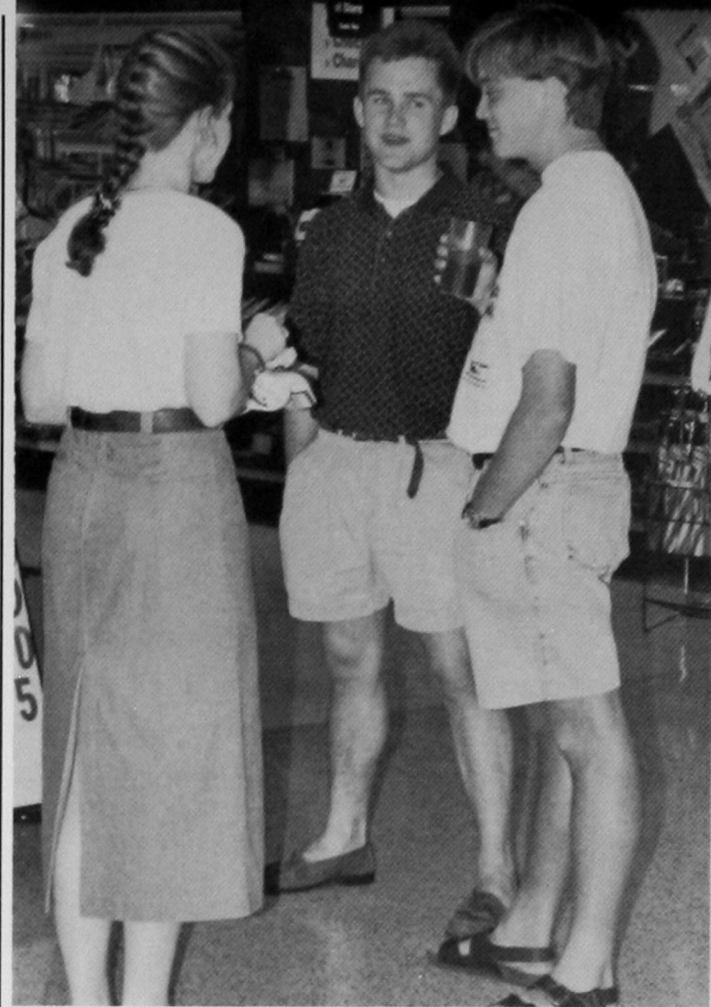


...lack of integrity among politicians from local to the national level. It's something College Republicans would like changed.

—James Brnum,
CR president



Young Democrats Ken DeFrank, Meggan Morgan and Heath McAdams gear up for the '96 elections by registering freshman Chastity Tollerson. The YDs registered 31 new voters on campus.



Chair Bryan Evans and President Aaron Roark discuss upcoming events with senator Farrah Humphrey. Senate caused a stir with its hotly-debated condom issue.

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Politically Speaking

With the revival of political organizations on campus, students began voicing their viewpoints to peers and faculty. In a few instances, these groups were able to impact more than campus by taking part in political campaigns and invoking the interest of local and state media groups.

The big story came from the Student Government Association—the resolution to install condom machines on campus. The issue became so big that it provoked even state reporters to gather and broadcast the outcome. The resolution passed through the senate, but after weeks of heated debates and a few revisions, Student Government President Aaron Roark

vetoed the bill. Even though it failed, students began taking a role in decision making on campus.

With campaigns for primary elections getting heated in the spring, the Young Democrats and College Republicans found themselves in the middle of it all. CR president James Branum led the headquarters to run former student and club secretary Joshua Williams for the District 57 House of Representatives.

While the CRs occupied their time helping Williams in his campaign, the YDs tried to garner student

involvement in the year's elections. The club registered 31 new voters for the election year. They also hosted a debate on State Question 669, which advocating rolling property taxes back to 1993 levels.

Model United Nations kept up with each campaign, but their concern came from abroad as they represented Mexico in the Model UN competition in St. Louis. The 16 member delegation dealt with issues as they thought Mexico would in a real life situation.

Their own real life situation at Southwestern translated into more student involvement in politics.

Chris Young



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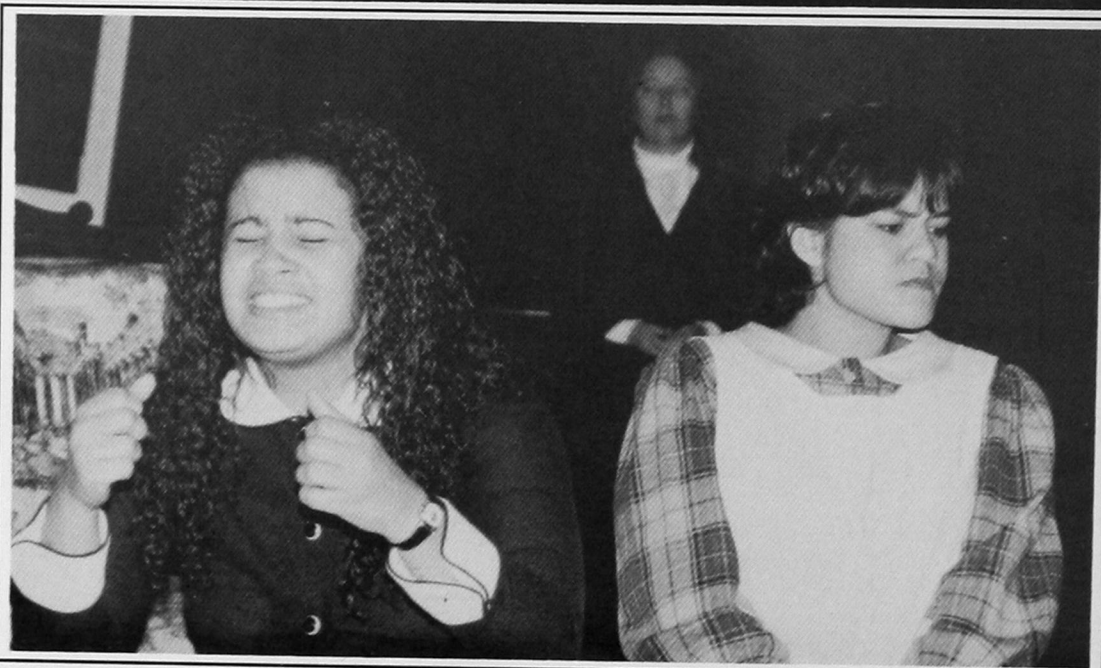
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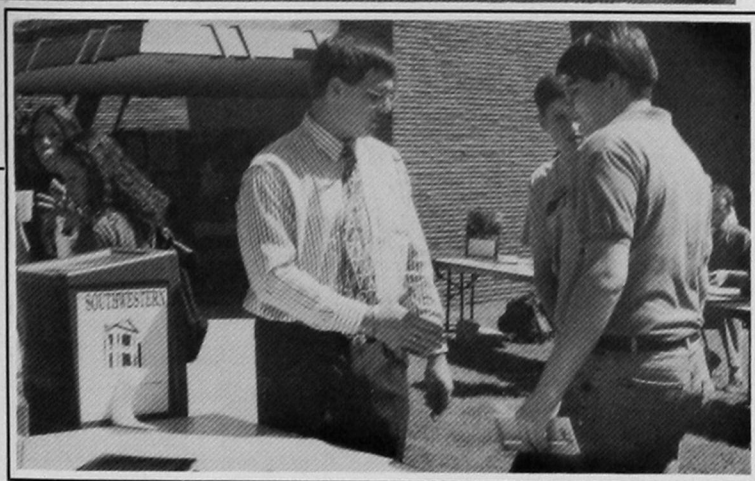
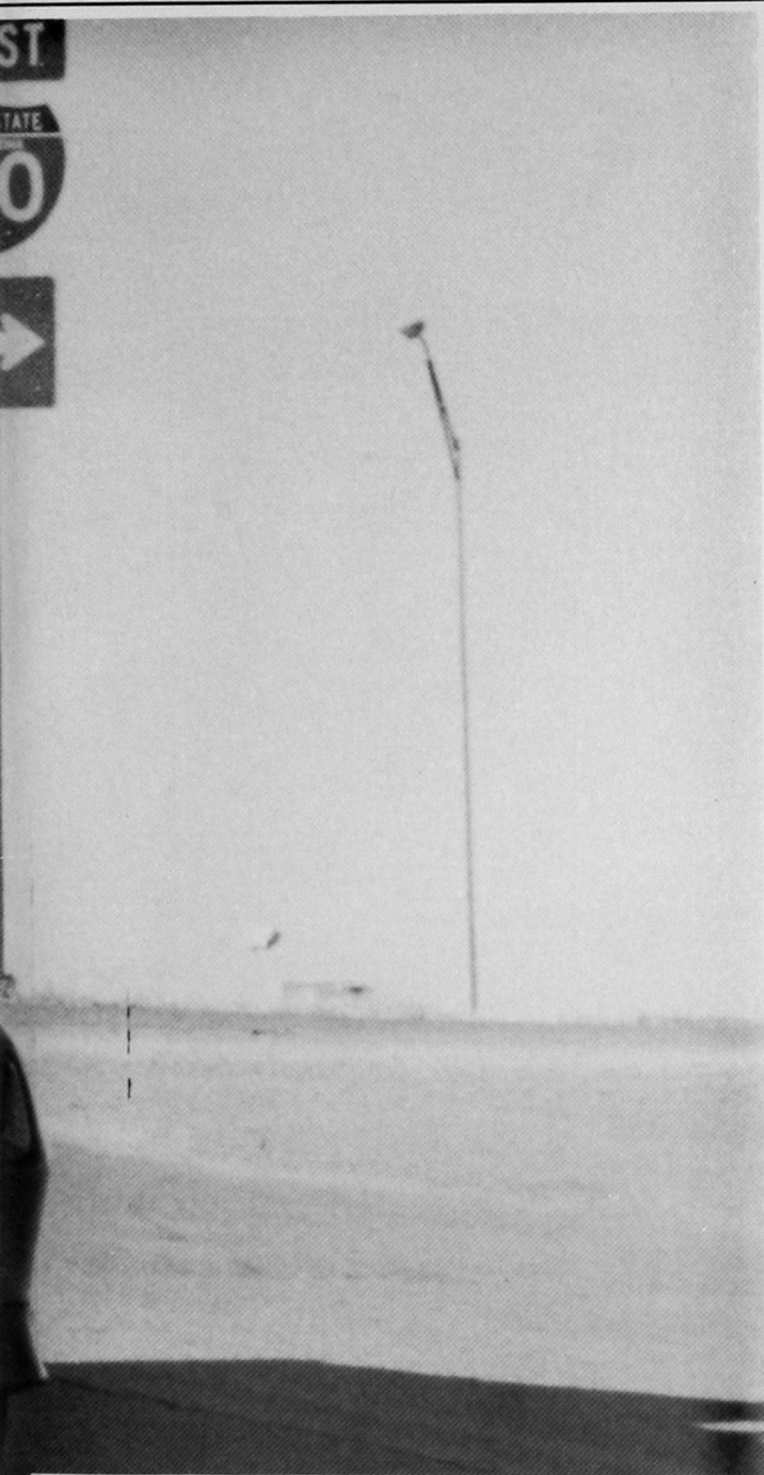
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Woods, Dr. John, Professor, Mathematics



Ready to tackle the real world, grads Andrea Hoffman and Misty Cloud and friend Todd Swink head out of town toward new horizons. In May some 4,000 other students made similar journeys, leaving behind a city and a campus that had become known as "home."

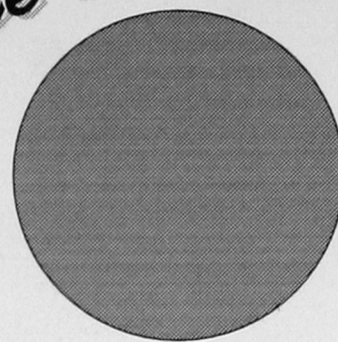
Blue Plains actors Nanisa Pereles, Diana Heddleston and Heather Sprague bring the life of artist Georgia O'Keeffe to the western Oklahoma stage. Attendance at all school performances was up this year, reminding residents that the campus was a center of cultural activity for surrounding communities.





Republican Joshua Williams encourages visitors to join the College Republicans during the first-ever Organizational Fair, sponsored by the Student Senate in early fall. The College Republicans eventually supported Williams in his race for the House of Representatives District 57.

Where In The World?



In Milam Stadium May 11 where hundreds of graduates, family and friends watched as the class of 1996 became Southwestern alumni.

As the audience watched from hard bleachers, graduates speckled the field with black robes and tasseled mortarboards. They had conquered hours of lectures, mountains of paper work and years of late night cramming.

They listened to author/attorney William Bernhardt talk of their new place in the world, names were called to signify that each had been important to Southwestern, and they filed out of Milam, one pressing question common:

Where in the world, now?

Right now I'm planning to move to Kansas City, Mo., to teach special ed.

—Michelle Law, *Moore*, Education

I'm going to stay here and work on my master's, then apply for dental school at OU.

—Shawn McDaniel, *Texhoma*, Biological Science

We'll still be here for a year so (my wife) Jewell can finish up with her other degree. Then we will move to Norman.

—Marshall Oliver, *Tecumseh*, Marketing

I'm going somewhere to try to be a youth minister. Looking back..Southwestern has prepared me for that through just ordinary life experiences, through meeting people and trying to understand where they are coming from.

—Phillip Wilson, *Isabella*, Business Admin.

No Place Like Home

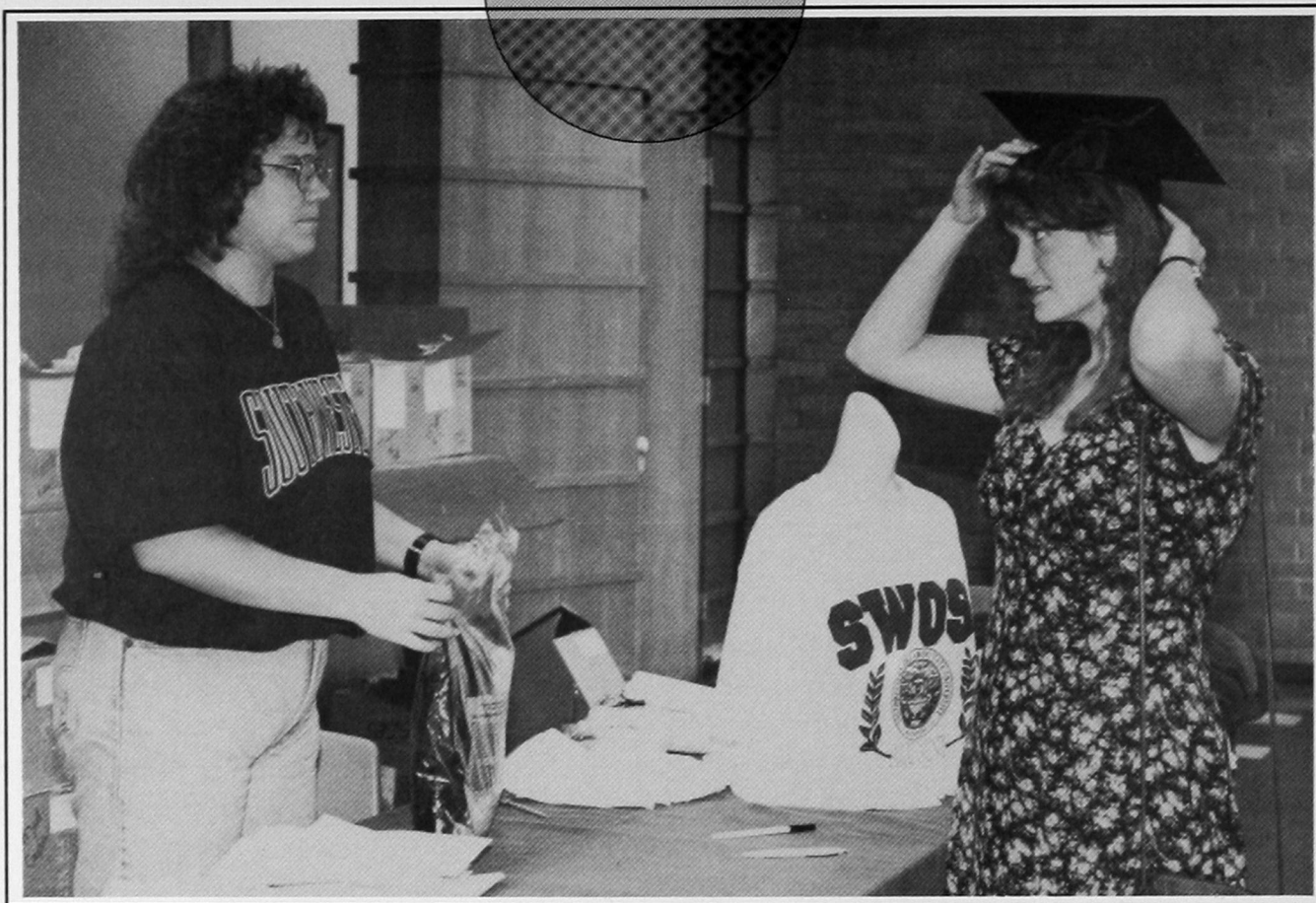


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Grad student Tricia Waxdahl, with the help of bookstore employee Ashley Hancock, finalizes graduation plans during the Senior Salute held in the Union ballroom. The Salute allowed students to square things away by ordering graduation announcements, paying fees and getting their caps and gowns all at once.

Colophon

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Southwestern Oklahoma State University has long been recognized as the small university nestled among the fertile farmlands of western Oklahoma, just 70 miles west of the capital city on Interstate 40. The city boasts 10,000 people, the university approximately 5,000.

It is best known for YOU, the students who become the proud alumni of the five schools within the university and who for a time were citizens and patrons of Weatherford.

You are the 75th graduating class since Southwestern was born.

The university sits atop a 73 acre crest overlooking the town. It was first established in 1901 by an act of the Oklahoma Territorial Legislature. By 1903, Southwestern Normal School offered two years of training for public school teachers and four years of preparatory training for students not yet qualified to enter college.

The first baccalaureate degrees were conferred in May 1921. Twenty-two years ago Southwestern State College became Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

In 1996, your scholastic world was accredited and authorized curricula in teacher education, pharmacy, nursing, business and the arts and sciences. It offered masters degrees in 18 fields of education, applied psychology, business administration, and music.

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