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Mike Cervini is originally from the Washington D.C. area. He moved to Oklahoma about three years ago and enrolled at SWOSU about one and a half years ago, majoring in engineering. He hopes to graduate from O.U. by 1996. Though glad he left Washington, he still considers himself an Easterner through heritage. At the time he wrote "To Plow a Field," he had seen the inside of a tractor only once in his life. He hopes he isn't too far out in left field with his story!

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Maggie Aldridge Smith was born in 1913 and grew up in Oklahoma. She has taught elementary school, Sunday school, and has published both prose and poetry for several years. She now lives in Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

Pat Sturm teaches creative language arts at Weatherford High School. She has written and published since the '80s for a lot of praise and a little money. In addition to her several publications and two books-in-search-of-publishers, she takes great pride in the more than 140

student winners of writing contests that she's guided in the past seven years.

