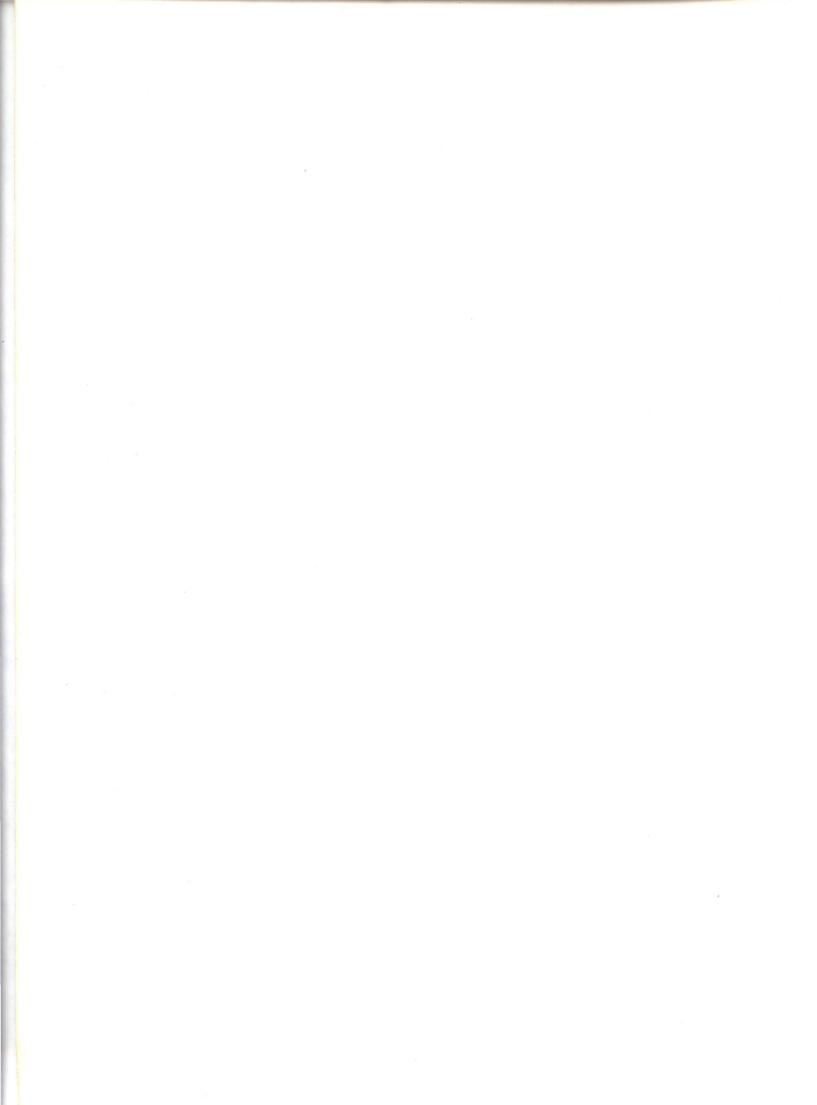
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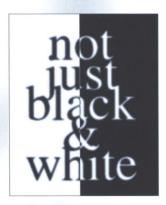
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Southeastern Oklahoma State University is known as the campus of 1,000 Magnolias.



photo: Dan Hoke

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white (whit, wit), adj. 1. the color of pure snow, as the backgound of this box; reflecting nearly all the rays of sunlight or a similar light. 2. pallad or pale, as from fear or other emotions. 3. silvery, as hair. 4. blank, as an unoccupied space in printed matter. 5. lacking color, transparent 6. black or white, completely one way or another. n. the color at the extreme end of grays, opposite to black.

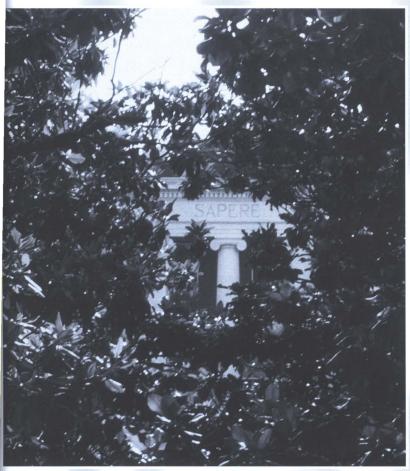


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photo: Km Bumstead

The Southeastern football helmet signifies the university's Native American heritage and nickname, the Savages.

The white columns of the library show through the Magnolia trees from the front lawn of the campus.



Jason Squires senior in biology



Latrita Bradford freshman, undecided



Mike Whittington senior in chemistry

photos: Kim Bumstead



Johnny Tonikah freshman in criminal justice

### Southeastern Oklahoma State University is not just black & white ...

But a unified and diverse campus.

But known for several majors from aviation to zoology.

But known for its 1,000 magnolias which bloom in the late spring.

But with one of the largest Muslim communities in Oklahoma.

But with a diverse population of Native Americans in several different tribes.

But where older students "hang" with younger students.

But with one of the largest non-traditional student populations in Oklahoma.

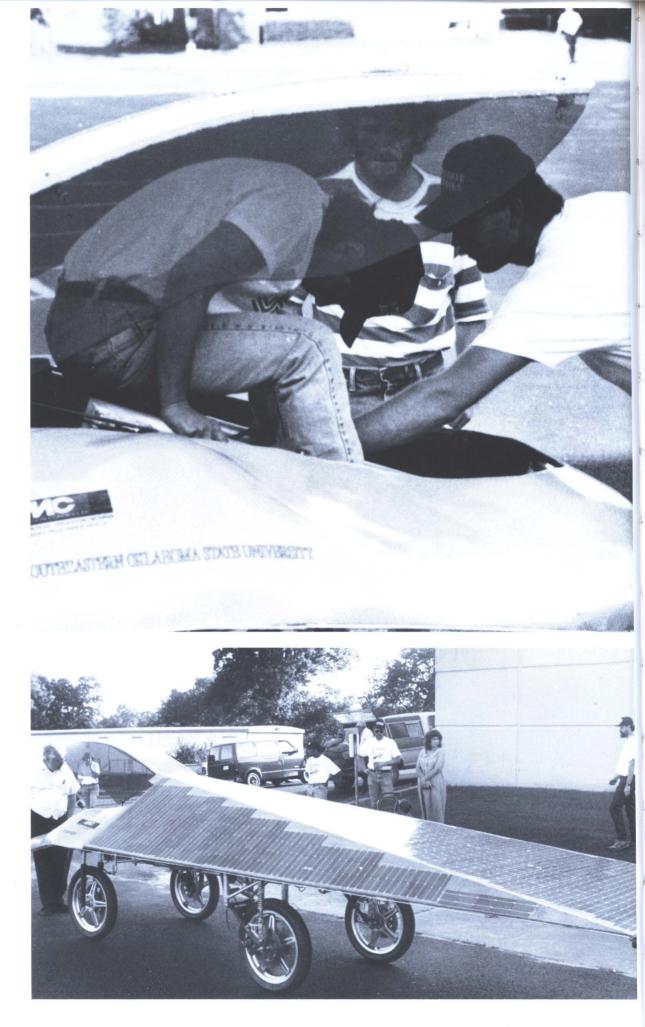
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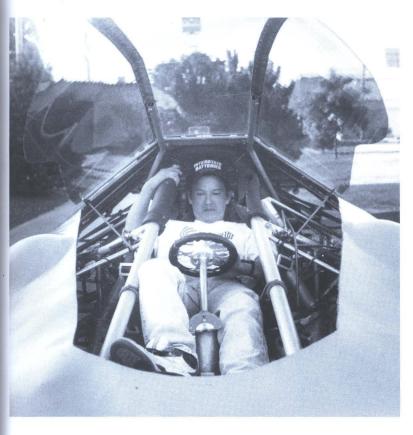
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For Southeastern Technolgy Students

#### The sun is rising

"The Rising Sun,"
Southeastern's own car of the future is a solar car capable of speeds of up to 30 miles an hour.

The car resembles a futuristic bug with motor-cycle tires attatched to skinny metal legs. It was completely designed and engineered by the technology students at Southeastern.

The project was built for competition under guidelines set by Sunrayce and took a year to complete.

The Sunrayce competition

is a worldwide competition held by GM and other sponsors. There have been three races to date; each year the course was different. In '95 the course went from Indianapolis, Ind. to Denver, Colo. covering 1,150 miles. Sunrayce '95 is the biggest, most diverse race in the series according to the NREL Sunrayce '95 calendar.

Southeastern students plan to compete again at the next Sunrayce in 1997. They began repairs and redesign as soon as they returned from Indianapolis.

"I am proud of the job we

did and of how far we made it in the competition," said James Britton, faculty advisor. "Unfortuanately the one thing we didn't build ourselves [the motor controllers] failed us and we had to withdraw. I am looking forward to the next race, in 1997. I think we have a real chance at getting into the actual race."

The project has been partially supported by donations from members of the community.

story: Alyson Farmer



# Betcha never thought getting dirty could be so much fun!

The obstacle course was the nost involved event of Springfest. Students had to scale the wall and land in a bool of water then continue on to the next obstacle.

The perfect shot is set up or a winnign shot in a Mud olleyball game.







rying to get over the pools of water by swinging in a rope is pretty difficult for some students, but ot this guy. He just runs through them!

Springfest 1995 was a hit as always. Events such as Tug-o-war, Mud Volleyball, Kick Ball, Scavenger Hunt, Savage Scandals Game, Mini-Golf, Win, Lose, or Draw, Obstacle Course, Twister, and Earth Ball challenged the thirty teams entered in this year's competition. Over 350 students participated in the week-long party.

And the overall winners were: Kappa Sig (first place), Delt Hotsteppers (second place), and Club Mud (third Place).

There were also competitions for talented individuals, like the Savage Body contest or the Savage Scandal talent competition.

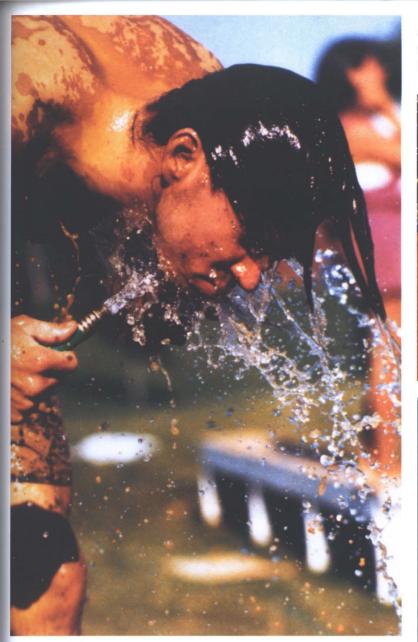
The Savage Body contest winners were Dan Ruggles and Inda Jo Jones. Bart Bowman took first place in the Savage Scandals talent competition, the Southern Gents took second and Matt Woods came in third.

Other activities included a street dance, the velcro Fly Trap, and the Moon Jump.

According to Liz Cobb, the most popular activities were Mud Volleyball and Earth Ball.

"Even though it rained most of the week, everyone had a great time. This is the twelfth year for Springfest at Southeastern. It is a tradition that students look forward to all year long."

story: Alyson Farmer

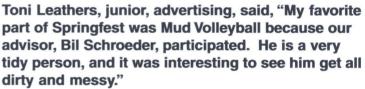


After the mud dries, it starts to itch! J.P. Polson, graduated senior, hoses off after a roll in the mud during the Mud Volleyball event.





What was your favorite event in this year's Springfest competition?



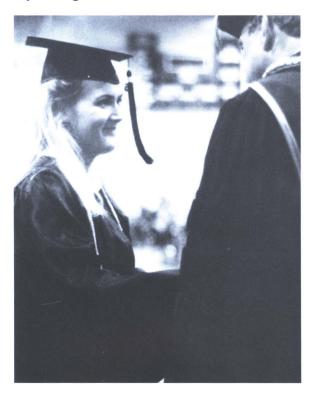
Holly Landtroop, sophomore, accounting, said, "Our team was so small that even the injured had to play. I hurt my foot and the doctor told me not to play, but our team couldn't participate without me because we wouldn't have had enough people. It was still fun going out and playing in the mud (made worse by the rain) even though I was injured."



Ooooooh yeah! Nothing could be better than lounging around in the sun, covered in mud according to John Polson, graduated senior.

A professor congratulates a graduate with a hug.

President Williams delivers a diploma to a proud graduate.







Proud parents pose with their graduate.



Three of Southeastern's scholars gather for a heated debate during the reception.

#### Spring and summer graduation

The graduating class of the 1995 spring semester left behind a legacy.

"In 10 years, I can't remember when all of our summa cum laude graduates have had 4.0 averages,"said Deanna Moody, admissions and registration clerk.

"I think you can safely say it's one of the smartest classes to come through Southeastern."

Out of 402 undergraduate and masters students, 36 received honors.

Magna cum laude grade point averages ranged from 3.97 to 3.89, and cum laude averages ranged from 3.87 to 3.7. All averages are based on a 4.0 point scale.

The seven summa cum laude graduates for the spring semester were Judy Carter Brown, criminal justice major; Kimberly Christine Campbell, elementary education major; Tammy Lynn Davis, communication major; Gayle Jean Draper, elementary education major; Danon Jean Hammond, elementary education major; Yvonne Marie Harmon, economics major; and Joshua Robert James, accounting major.

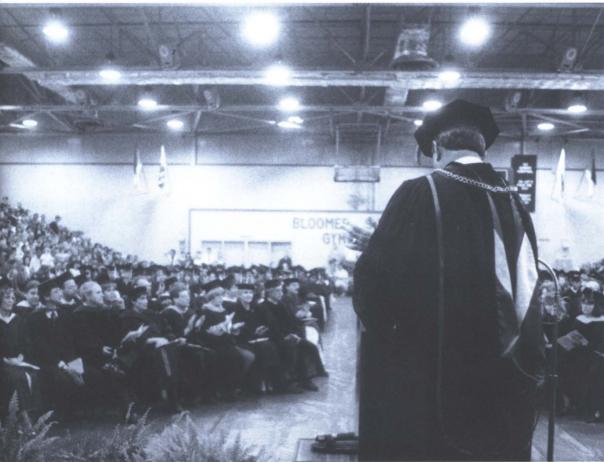
There were also seven honor graduates in the 1995 summer commencement exercises.

Rose Mary Strange, a business administration major, graduated summa cum laude.

Magna cum laude graduates were Sally K. Gafford, psychology major; Janice Eron Schutts, accounting major; and Melanie Jeniece Smith, elementary education major.

And cum laude graduates included Connie L. Greer, accounting major; Eddie Lee Hicks, electronic engineering technology major; and Regin Sheffield, management major.

story: Angela Stuart



addresses the graduates and their families.

**President Williams** 

photos: Dan Hoke

#### Beginning small and growing

The children's play, "Davy Crockett", and the teen play, "Li'l Abner", consist of children ranging from 8 to 17 years of age. The productions were successful in both the amount of cast members their were and the turn outs to see them. The children and teen theatre's are directed by Ruby Quinn and choreographed by Jill Jones Spencer.

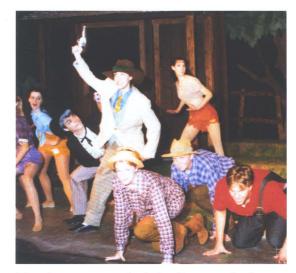
"Davy Crocket" is about a man that is bigger than life. He is a trapper who can kill anything that moves. The play takes play in a small town in the western frontier. The play basically is about the town and it's people dealing with Davy Crockett.

"Li'l Abner" is a play that takes place in a small town in the back woods. The characters are citizens of the town until

the government comes in and discovers a drink that makes men out of boys. The government takes the men and the elixir back to Washington D.C. The wives decide that they want their husbands back. Whent he government finally agrees and returns the husbands the wives ask that the men be returned to the skinny, hairy men that they married. The government can not understand why the women don't want the men as they are. In the end the men are changed back and the hero and heroine are married in front of the entire

Both plays were successful and were casted. The Oklahoma Shaksperean Festival continued the tradition of excellence one more year.

story: Holly Landtroop



The towns people take it easy during the picnic scene in the play "Li'l Abner".



The guys gets ready to run in hopes that their true love will be the one to catch them during the race in "Li'l Abner".



Li'L Abner (Jeremy Magourick) and **Daisy Mae (Charlotte** Downs) after their wedding during the play "Li'l bner".





**Senator Phogbound** (Erin Bumstead) begs General **Bullmoose (Brandi** Walker) to be nice to the women in the production of "Li'l Abner".

**Buddy the Bear** (Buddy Faulkner) stands ready to attack on the sidelines during the play, "Davy Crockett".



The wives try to let the doctors and government men know that they appreciate all the work done on their husbands, but they want them back to the way they were efore.

#### CAST

Steve Rigazzi Durant, Oklahoma SOSU Student **Amy Broome** Lubbock, Texas

SOSU Student (summer)

Joe Lehman

Libertyville, Illinois

Max Baker

Chicago, Illinois SOSU Alumni

Roxanne Wellington

Waterford, Michigan

Ryan Rigazzi Durant, Oklahoma

Michael Christian Huftile

Sunset, Texas

SOSU Student (summer)

Chris Kern

Denison, Texas

**Ruby Quinn** 

Lubbock, Texas

SOSU Student (summer)

**Patrick Benton** 

Indiana

Jason Rowland

Clearwater, Florida **Alexandar Scott Janes** 

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Patrick J. Ruegsegger

Tinton Falls, New Jersey

Jason Kirkpatrick McAlester, Oklahoma

SOSU Student

Riley H. Risso

Fullerton, California

SOSU Alumni

**Adam Beckworth** 

Memphis, Texas SOSU Student (summer)

John Holley

Brandon, Florida

Jason Williams

Columbia, Maryland

SOSU Student (summer)

**Alexis Burns** 

Ruckersville, Virginia

SOSU Student (summer)

**Melodie Henderson** 

McCurtain, Oklahoma

SOSU Student

Steven L. Hudson Wilmore, Kentucky

John Risso

Durant, Oklahoma

SOSU Alumni

Sherri Quaid Durant, Oklahoma

Keith Spoon

Durant, Oklahoma

Jennifer Adams

Durant, Oklahoma

SOSU Student **Amy Kidd** 

Durant, Oklahoma

SOSU Student

**Charlotte Danielle Downs** 

Durant, Oklahoma



Two of the cast members of "Guys and Dolls" get a drink of pinapple fruit drink during act one.







Alexander Scott Janes carries Riley H. Risso off stage at the end of the chase scene in the play "Taming of the Shrew".

Alexis Burns takes a moment to watch the things occuring with Amy Broome during the production of "Richard III".

#### Alumni writes for his dinner

Max Baker, a Southeastern alumni, wrote the play for the dinner theatre during the Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival. "I'll Have the Last Laugh" was a play within a play.

Max Baker, originally from London, interned with the Oklahoma Shakesperean Festival. He came to Southeastern because one of his teachers in London came here to teach during the summer and invited Baker to tag along. After spending the summer working with OSF he decided to stay here and finish his bachelor degree.

After he graduated he went to Wayne State University for a year and worked with the Hillberry Repertory Company, the graduate theatre program. He went on to receive the "Detroit Free Press Best Actor Award" and "Detroit News Best Actor Award For the Year" for his portrayal of "Paraganta" in the play Paraganta. Even though it was a successful year he decided that he wanted to deal more with the modern theatre than the classical theatre. So he went to Washington to college to finish out his masters degree.

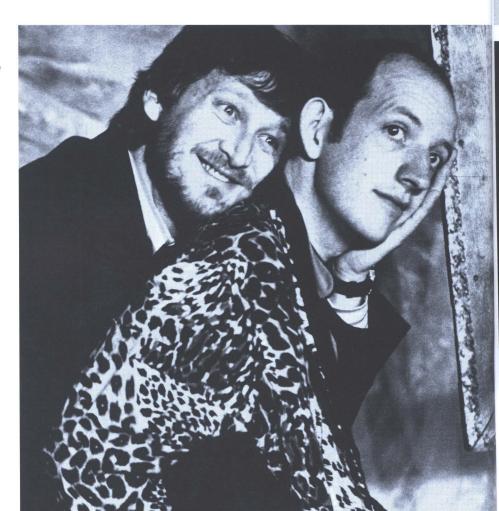
Then he moved to Chicago and did television commercials and some live play acting. He opened his own production company and worked there until coming to OSF. Since OSF he has moved to New York. The Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival's directors approached Baker in January of 1995 and explained what they were looking for. He responded by saying that he would see what he could come up with. A couple days later he called back and proposed the play "I'll Have the Last Laugh", the directors agreed to read a draft. In March they received the first draft of the entire play in outline form. Baker was on tour with the Idaho Theatre for Youth.

He didn't have access to a computer so he sent the play in scene by scene. By mid-May OSF had received all of the scenes except the final scene. The directors went ahead and billed it in the season even though there was a risk. When the group read through it they knew that they had a good play. Baker had written other plays for the Oklahoma Shakesperean Festival, so the OSF directors were confident that the play would be successful.

The play was about a playwright, Gilbert Will (John Risso), who was asked by Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival in Durant, Oklahoma to write a play for its dinner theatre. Gilbert could not think of what to write about. Gilbert was asked to stay at his dead uncle's, Paul C. Wiggletree (Patrick Benton), apartment where the coffin was being kept until the funeral. Gilbert's best friend, Dudley Pute (Max Baker), arrived and blackmailed Gilbert into allowing him to use the apartment to impress Dominique LeFaux (Roxanne Wellington). Dudley had one piece of information on Gilbert that could ruin his career. The playwright took the play from Wiggletree's hands that had caused him to laugh to death. Gilbert consented to allowing Dudley use the apartment for the night. When the lawyer, Claude Perrygold (John Holley), arrived the next morning he found the two young men and one young woman waiting for him. The lawyer informed the young men that they must act out the play that killed the uncle. They could not allow the lawyer to know that they had read the play so they started making things up. When the play ends Gilbert has decided that the events of the day would make the prefect play and he sits down to write it.

story: Holly Landtroop

Max Baker accepts the helpful hand of Patrick Benton, who played Baker's dead uncle in the play "I'll Have the Last Laugh."





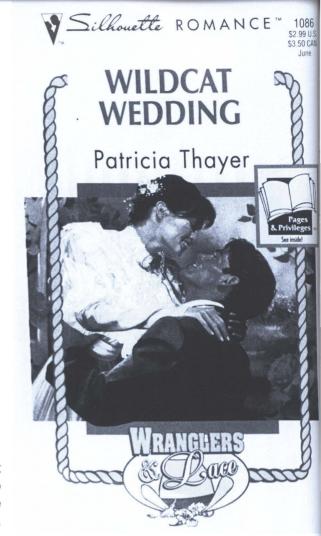


Max Baker, playwright, actor, and Southeastern alumni.

Max Baker, Patrick Benton, and John Risso, the main characters of the play "I'll Have the Last Laugh."







The cover of "Wildcat Wedding" features the two main characters, Jesse Burke and Brett Murdock.

Wright autographs a copy of her latest novel during her booksigning trip to Durant.





"Durant had everything I needed." -Pat Wright

Patricia Wright's warm and caring personality even shines through her photograph.

Durant chosen as setting for "Wildcat Wedding"

#### **Romance in Durant**

When Pat Wright, a romance novelist who works under the name of Patricia Thayer, began her search for the setting of her latest novel, "Wildcat Wedding," she found exactly what she wanted in Durant—a small town in oil country. Plus, she received a little something extra—a university with a campus of "a thousand magnolias" that hosted the Oklahoma Shakespearian Festival.

After speaking with the Durant Chamber of Commerce and looking over the town's layout, Wright knew Durant was the place.

"It just clicked with me," she said: "Durant had everything I needed."

"Wildcat Wedding" tells the story of Brett Murdock, an oil man trying to save the family business. He must persuade Jessie Burke, a stubborn woman who doesn't trust strangers, to let him drill on her land. He not only eventually wins her trust but her love as well.

The novel is a sequel to Wright's first romance book, "Just Maggie", which won second place in the Reader's Choice Awards

Not only did Durant's character fit her romance novel, but Wright discovered on her summer book signing trip to Durant that she herself fit into the town.

"I didn't feel like a stranger," she commented about the overwhelming reception. "I do not believe my home town in Indiana would have received me any better."

Having fallen in love with the people, the local scenery, and the university, Wright hopes to visit Durant again next year during the Oklahoma Shakespearian Festival and to perhaps enroll at least one of her sons in Southeastern.

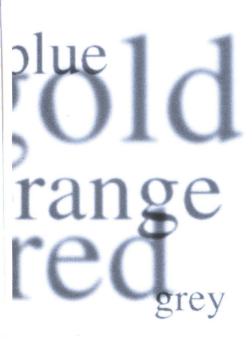
"I may be able to talk him into it yet!"

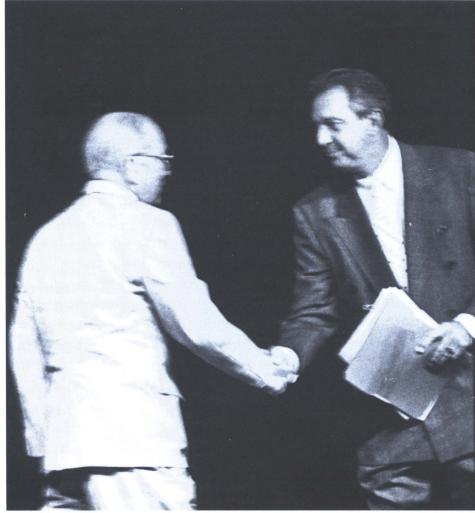
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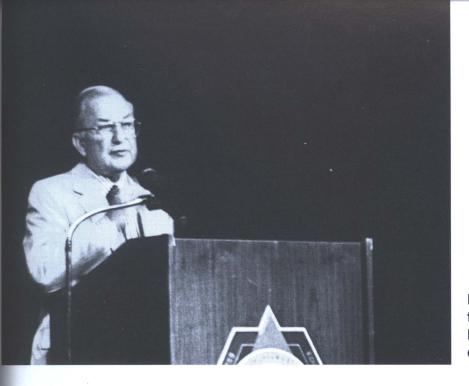
Dr. E.T. Dunlap addresses those gathered at the banquet held in his honor.

**President Williams** welcomes Ford to the podium.





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Ford lectures to the audience on his views of education.

Focus on education

#### E.T. Dunlap award banquet

The 1995 E.T. Dunlap Medal went to former U.S. Congressman William D. Ford. As part of the honor, Ford, who served as Chairman of the House Committee on Education and Labor, also delivered a lecture series on education.

In his series, Ford stressed the need for educating the populace.

"We can only stay competitive with other countries if we push for higher education...We don't have to turn out Einsteins and Salks from our universities, but we must turn out solid people who can think and reason."

Ford is the fourth recipient of the E.T. Dunlap Medal. Among other honorees are former U.S. senator David Boren and Carl Albert, former speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representa-

The purpose of the E.T. Dunlap Medal and Lectureship Program is to "identify the ablest minds in the nation and bring them to Southeastern Oklahoma State University to share their views on higher education and public policy."

The Medal and Lectureship Program, a first of its kind, was established at Southeastern Oklahoma State University by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education in honor of Chancellor Emeritus E.T. Dunlap.

A 1940 graduate of Southeastern, Dunlap has served in many capacities in both state and national education programs.

Among his various roles, Dunlap served as Chancellor of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education from 1961 to 1982. In 1978, President Jimmy Carter appointed Dunlap to the Board of Directors of the National Student Loan Marketing Association.

story: Angela Stuart

"We don't have to turn out Einsteins and Salks from our universities. but we must turn out solid people who can think and reason."

> -William **Ford**

#### Getting a jump on school

Most Upward Bound students are those that come from low-income families and are first generation of their familes to consider attending a postsecondary school. The students attend sessions on mathematics, English, science, reading and writing. Upward Bound lasts approximately four to six weeks during the summer. It is a residential program for the students that are interested. The students are sophomores, juniors, and seniors in high school and can receive the application from their high school counselor or an Upward Bound advisor. "Bridge" students are those with Upward Bound during the summer after their senior year in high school. Seniors and Bridge students can receive college credit hours depending on the time spent on campus. Seniors spend seven weeks on campus and receive six credit hours, while Bridge students spend eight weeks on campus to receive nine credit hours. The students pay

for clothing, personal items, and laundry, while the college picks up the bill for the rest of the expenses.

The students also receive a small stipend payment to offset the personal items. College students help with Upward Bound as counselors, mentors, and in any other way that they are needed. Upward Bound services 23 area high schools in Atoka, Bryan, Marshall, Choctaw, McCurtain, and Pushmataha counties.

Upward Bound is part of the federal program called Trio. The Trio program involves five programs that help prepare and aid students that are in any need of help. The programs include; Educational Opportunity Center, Educational Talent Search, Student Support Services, Upward Bound Math/Science, and Upward Bound. The program was established in 1971 as the Oklahoma Division of Student Assistance Programs (ODSA).

story: Holly Landtroop

Upward **Bound** services 23 area high schools



Region VI Math/Science: Staff and Tutor/Counselors (Back Row: L-R) Nancy Ryan, Susie Klimkowski, Inissha Jones, Josh Craig, and John McDonald. (Front Row: L-R) Janice Burnett, Kristi Stubbs, Jennifer Nolan, and Natalie Aucutt.



Math/Science Academy: Several of the participants are trying to strike the perfect pose for the photographer. It takes a lot of teamwork to create a pyramid of human bodies.

photos: Dan Hoke

Math/Science Academy and Region VI Math/Science

#### Two for the price of one

The Science/Mathematics Academy of Southeastern Oklahoma State University took place June 5-30, 1995. The students who are eligible are students that will be sophomores, juniors, and seniors in the fall. Students are selected on the basis of several things. They include, but are not limited to, a demonstrated interest in science, satisfactory performance in high school science and mathematics courses and/or achievement tests, and teacher recommenda-

The students have "hands-on" experience in eight fields of science and mathematics. The fields include astrology, biological sciences, CAD/graphics, chemistry, lasers and robotics, mathematical logic, physics, and statistics. Twenty-four students are selected to receive a scholarship which covers tuition, room and board, and laboratory fees. The students must provide their own spending money, transportalion, clothing, and linens. This program is under he supervision of Jerry Polson, Physical Science Department Chair.

The Upward Bound Math/Science Center is sponsored by Southeastern Oklahoma State University and is a federally-funded program to encourage high school students from a five-state area to pursue a post-secondary degree in the areas of math and science.

The participants of the 1995 summer program came from all five states, which include Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas. The students gain competency in challenging subject matters, receive instruction from experienced faculty, conduct scientific hands-on lab experiments, participate in field trips and research projects, attend social and cultural events, and explore career opportunities while studying on campus. Examples of the courses taken by participants are environmental chemistry, environmental biology, computer science, physics, statistics, technical writing, English, and study skills. Several members of our staff during the six-week summer program were Southeastern students. They provided supervision and tutoring for the 50 participants of the program.

The

students

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story: Holly Landtroop

#### Something for everyone

This summer there were a variety of camps offered. Some of the camps offered included aviation, horsemanship, camp concentration, Elderhostel, and a financial institute.

The aviation, horsemanship, camp concentration and Elderhostel camps were offered by Kay Hughes and continuing education department. These camps lasted anywhere from a couple of days (horsemanship camp) to one week (aviation, camp concentration, and Elderhostel).

The ages of the participants range from the young to the more mature adults. The aviation camp is offered to teenagers 15 years old and up. The horsemanship camp is offered to students that are 12 to 15. Camp Concentration, gifted and talented, is offered to 12 to 14 years old. The Elderhostel offers theatre classes to adults ages 60 and up.

The financial institution is a one-week experience filled with educational, recreational, teamwork, and cultural activities. All, targeted at high school students entering their senior year, have been structured around three goals: (1) To

promote/improve economic education; (2) To increase awareness of operational aspects and career opportunities in United States financial institutions; (3) To simulate college life to the max.

This is the second consecutive year that the group went out to Texoma Cross Point Camp Challenge Course. The course promotes group teamwork and confidence by involving participants in activities requiring reliance on peers. The camp environment was rugged, chiggerfilled and uncomfortably hot and humid. Not only was this the top-rated recreational activity, but also many suggested a whole day be spent on it.

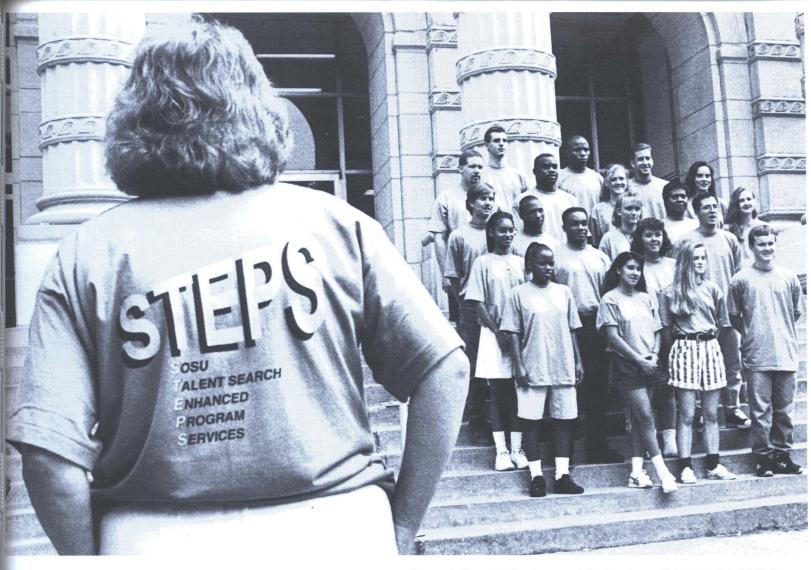
The summer camps were hits with the students and their families. The students got a chance to experience something new and the families got a chance to learn when the students returned to their homes and began passing the knowledge on to others.

story: Holly Landtroop

#### MINI-SUMMER CAMPS

Financial Institute: Dr. Ed Stuart & Dr. George Collier; Horsemanship Camp, Aviation Camp, Camp Concentration, Elderhostil, Junior Camp Concentration: Kay Hughes and the Continuing Education department; ESP Camp: Al White & Taloo Butler: Upward Bound Sports Weekend: Dr. Bob Hamilton



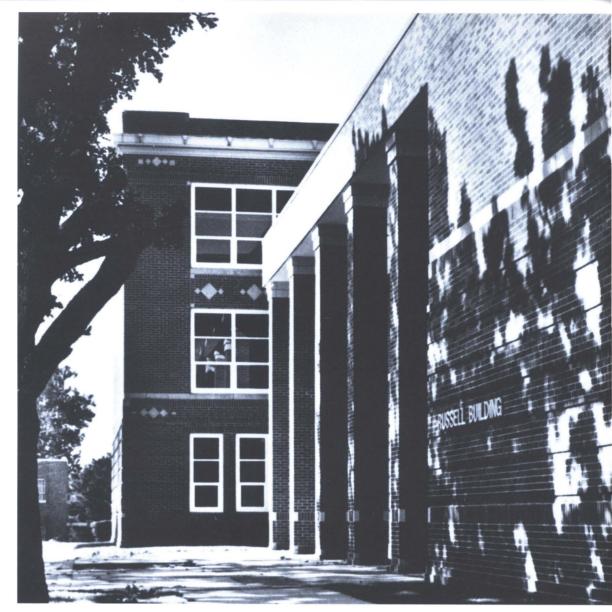




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One of the students models the tee-shirt for S.T.E.P.S. (Southeastern Talent Search Enhanced Program Services)

Brian Jefferson, Battiest, and Jennifer Clark, Achille, work as a team during one of the obstacles out at Cross Point Camp during the Financial Institute.



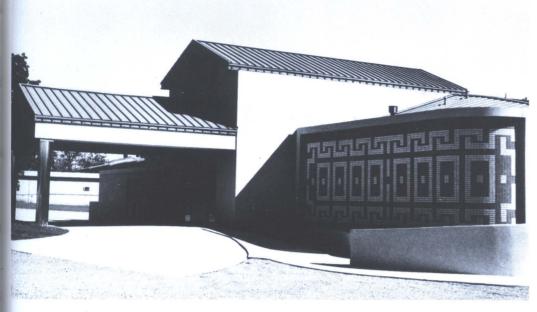
The Russell building houses the business department.

A construction worker puts final touches upon the center.

The Center for Alumni and University Development provides a modern flare to the campus.







The Visual and Performing Arts Center opened with a Gala Benefit in September 1995.

Campus renovations

#### Southeastern receives facelift

The 1995-96 school year witnessed the opening of several newly renovated facili-

A new Visual and Performing Arts Center was created out of an old bowling alley and a Center for Alumni and University Development out of an old laundromat and convenience store.

Funds for these renovations came from bonds allocated to Southeastern and private fund-raising efforts. The university decided to use the money for renovations to existing buildings rather than build one new multi-purpose building.

"For the past year, year and a half, we have had to live with cramped conditions, and a torn up campus," said President Williams, "but now...these new facilities will give the campus not only a new look, but a new feel as well."The university also transformed the old Home Economics building into a new Math building and expanded the Russell building.

Renovation projects on the Bloomer Sullivan Gymnasium, Harry G. Bennett Memorial Library, and the Montgomery Auditorium were also completed.

"...these new facilities will give the campus not only a new look, but a new feel as well."

> - President Williams

story: Angela Stuart

#### Lunch on the Lawn continues the tradition

With the aroma of magnolia blooms and charcoal, the chitter-chatter of friends and Morrison Building as the backdrop, students leave the classroom to the inviting Lunch on Lawn.

The shaping of a picnic has been completed. Students gather on the lawn to feast upon the hambugers, hot dogs and fixings provided by Food Service at Southeastern.

For more than 20 years, Food Service has served Lunch on the Lawn, and it has continued with ARAMARK, the current food service supplier.

Lunch on the Lawn changes the atmosophere for students who normally dine in the campus cafeteria.

"The atomosphere is very enjoyable. I like being outdoors, being around friends and eating. Lunch on the Lawn serves as an avenue for change--getting out of the monotonous cafeteria," said Holly Spencer, junior in communica-

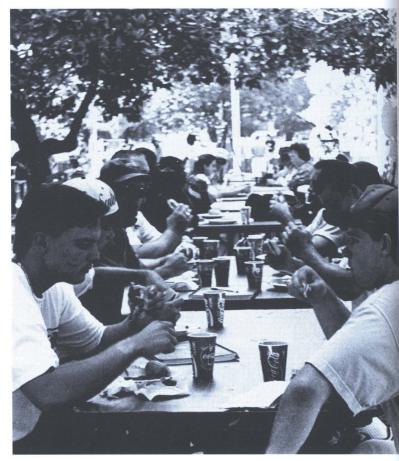
"I think the importance of Lunch on the Lawn is that it gives the students a change in atmosophere and food," said Jerry Finch, food service director at Southeastern. "Students seem to enjoy the outdoors, and the change is good."

Lunch on the Lawn gives students the variety of food and scenery, and it also relieves the cafeteria staff from their everyday duties.

> by: Chris Jackson photos: Melinda Smith

Students enjoying the company of fellow students while having a picnic lunch on the front lawn.

Students relaxing by the water fountain while eating lunch.









One of many lunches served on the lawn for students.

#### 1996 Miss Southeastern Pageant provides fun, Jonikka Dawn Ryburn was selected as the new Miss memories 1996, at 7 p.m. in the Montgomery Auditorium amidst the



Tascha Rhae Lawless, freshman in communication, sang for the talent competition.

Southeastern, at the Miss Southeastern pageant on Feb. 17, Mardi Gras colors of purple, green and gold.

Ryburn, who is 22 and a music education major at the University of Arts and Science in Chickasha, Okla., said she would like to be on Southeastern's campus as much as possible. She believes that it is important for her to get to know the people at Southeastern in order to represent the university properly.

The crowd pleaser and talent awards went to Southeastern's own Kelli Doolen, senior in English education

The Miss Congeniality award was given to Tricia Ansson of Poteau, Okla., a biology education major at Carl Albert State College.

Tascha Rhae Lawless, freshman in communication from Rattan, Okla., and Takisha S. Mathis of Dallas, a marketing major at the University of Oklahoma, tied for the swimsuit/ physical fitness award.

"The talent competition was full of both unique and routine talents. All in all, this year's performances were much better than last year's," said Summer Anderson, sophomore in theatre from Gainsville, Texas. Anderson was the stage manager for last year's competition.

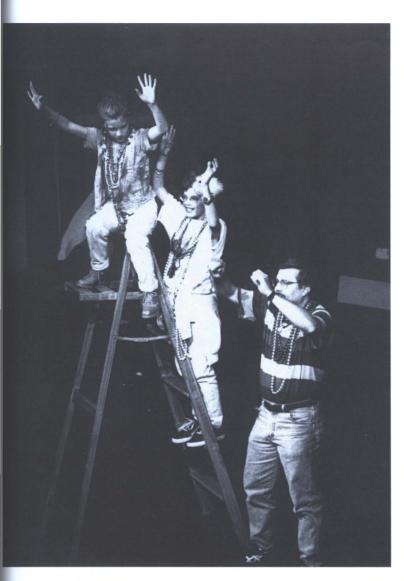
The second runner-up was Janell Clark of Edmond, Okla., a music theater major at Northeastern State University.

The first runner-up was Lesley Ann Pryor of Ardmore, Okla., a speech pathology and psychology major at the University of Tulsa.

Tiffany Craig, Miss Oklahoma 1994, was the emcee for the pageant. The Southeastern jazz ensemble and the Chorvettes provided entertainment throughout the evening.

A tribute to the memory of Alyssa Godbey, Miss Southeastern 1995 was a high point of the pageant. Godbey died in November from injuries sustained in a car accident. Shawntel Smith, Miss America 1996, had filmed comments for the presentation, and the background music was one of Godbey's own performances of "Nobody's Gonna Rain on My Parade."

Video clips of her reign as Miss Southeastern 1995 and her performances were also included in the video. A scholarship fund was set up in memory of Godbey for the contestant whose talent was most representative of the way Godbey performed.



Gary Varner, technical director of theatre, and his daughters have fun with the Mardi Gras theme of the 1996 Miss Southeastern Pageant.

Tiffany Craig, Miss Oklahoma 1994, was the emcee for Miss Southeastern pageant.







Jonikka Ryburn, of Chickasha, Okla., was crowned Miss Southeastern 1996.

Kelli Doolen, senior in English education and music, played the fiddle for talent competition and she had the audience "yee-hawing" and foot stomping.

#### Show combines departments' talents

A tribute to the visual and performing arts brought the jazz band, Chorvettes and theater students together for a night of entertainment when the School of Arts and Letters presented a showcase Nov. 9 in the new Visual and Performing Arts Center.

The evening began with a reception and an exhibit of art by students and faculty with works of art consisting of drawings, paintings, arts and crafts, printmaking sculptures and ceramics.

"The variety show was particularly exciting," said Molly Risso, director of the showcase, ' because it was the first time in many years that the theater, music and art departments collaborated to do a show."

The show started with the Jazz Band's rendition of "Nutville" by Horace Silver, directed by

Michael Miles, instructor in music. They also played "In the Mood" by Joe Garland. It was humorously directed by Gary Varner, technical theater instructor. The Jazz Band also played "You Can Have It" featuring a solo by Amanda Washington, senior in communication. Washington was also featured in "Do Nothin' Till You Hear From Me" along with Steve Rigazzi, junior in music education.

The Chorvettes sang and danced to "Another Op'nin Another Show" by Cole Porter, "It Don't Mean a Thing" by Duke Ellington and "There's No Business Like Show Business." Derrick King, junior in music education, sang a solo, "Free at Last."

Theatre students entertained the audience with several monologues from Broadway plays. Chris Nash, junior, portrayed Charlie Brown in a scene called "Lunchtime" from "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown." Jennifer Adams, junior, portrayed Sunbonnet Sue from a scene in "Quilting. "The emcee's for the evening, Morgan Davis and Jerry Bush, both juniors in theatre, lapsed into a comical rendition of the old favorite radio show "Who's on First."

"We all had a good time working together, and I think everyone did a wonderful job," said Risso about the three groups.

The three departments also did many things together. They all had parts in "Never Grow Old" by Molly Newman and Barbara Damashek and "Pick a Little" and "Trouble" from "The Music Man" by Meredith Wilson. They all joined together for the finale of "Oklahoma!" by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein.

"The theater learned a great deal from the Jazz Band and Chorvettes," said Risso. She said it gave the theater a chance to learn about singing, dancing and handling rhythm changes. Risso added that the music department also had a chance to view and get a better understanding of the production areas of theater as well as acting.

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Amanda Washington sings with the Jazz Band during their portion of the variety show.

Steve Rigazzi and Chris Nash act out the oldtime radio show "Nick Danger."





Gary Varner directs the Jazz Band during its rendition of "In the Mood."

The entire cast performs "Trouble" with Gary Varner during dress rehearsal of the variety show.

# Father-son team marc

Family member playing together in the Southeastern Marching Band isn't that unusual. Various relatives have done it in the past, but a father and son? Never.

Last year, a father and son drum team did just that. Harley Thomas Sr., senior in music education, and Harley Jr., freshman in music education, formed this unusual team and quickly established a name of their own in the marching band.

Harley Sr., 39, has been playing the drums for nearly 28 years. He taught Harley Jr. when he was 10 and both pursued their talents separately. Harley Jr. is 21 and until now the two have never actually performed together.

"It's a lot of fun being able to play with my son," said Harley Sr. "We never actually planned it, it just kind of happened when Harley Jr. decided to go to school here."

A very fortunate happening according to band director David Christy.

"These two guys

The Thomas who started it all. Harley Sr. after his senior recital. as a duo are definitely one of the tightest I've ever worked with," said Christy. "Their talent makes my job all the easier."

Speaking of making his job easier, Christy is in luck. Harley Sr.'s second son, Richard, who also plays the drums, will be taking his place next fall. As if that weren't enough, Harley Sr. also has a third drum-playing son Matt, who at 15, is the first-chair percussionist at his high school.

Four drum-playing Thomases at Southeastern - what more could any band director want?

> by: Chad Pate photos: Kim Bumstead



Son, Harley Jr., and father, Harley Sr., take a moment to cut loose.



# to the same drum



The Thomas' prepare for the big football game against rival East Central University at Paul Laird Field in October.



Harley Sr. performs during his senior recital.

#### Southeastern Chorvettes

## Sing their way around the world

The Chovettes are beginning their second quarter century and their tradition of musical excellence has been demonstrated in the thousands of miles they have traveled each year. The Chorvettes' travels include visiting high schools to going to Europe for the summer.

The Chorvettes is made up of 21 Southeastern students. The group auditions yearly. The student must exhibit talent and experience in various performance forms, singing to dancing. The group presents programs from classical and iazz music to highly choreographed shows. They present these shows locally, statewide,

nationally, and internationally at conventions, schools, on cruises, and other various places.

The Chorvettes went to 11 cities in Germany, Italy, and Austria the summer of 1995. The group traveled from June 13-30. The trip began in Berlin. They sang in and saw Fussen, Germany; Innsbruck, Austria; Venice, Italy; Graz, Austria; Vienna; Melk; Gmunden; Austria and Munich, Germany; Brussels, Belgium for the connecting flight that brought them back to Southeastern. As a whole the Chorvettes truly stand up to the title that they were given as Official Goodwill Ambassadors of Oklahoma.

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(L-R) Derek King, Page Sherrill, Justin Ross, Hollie Spencer, Brian Gardner, Amy Perin, Cerese Wilson, **Brian Nichol, Jason Stuart, Ashley** Chaney, Tracey Gilbert, Care Forest, Ruiel Doonkeen, Amanda Cox, Jeremy Rose, Chasity Bulletin, Jeff Allen, Kim Hajkowski, Brian Gunner, Dana Bagwell, and Jimmy Péna.



(Clockwise) Jeremy Rose, Derek King, Ruiel Doonkeen, Amy Perin, Page Sherrill, and Jody Arnett.







The 1994 Chorvettes group took a break in sightseeing in Europe to get a group photograph.



(Clockwise) Tommy Moore, Amy Perin and Kim Hajkowski.



**Brian Gardner twirls Kelly Fluellen during** the performance in the Ampitheater.



# Students feel right at home in the dorms

There is something to be said about dorm life at Southeastern. Once the sun goes down, new life emerges from within the five dormitories - Chickasaw, Choctaw, North Hall, Hallie McKinney and Shearer Hall.

You can feel the sigh of relief that the day has come to an end. You can feel the dorm come alive with the music, the laughter and the occasional slapping of dominoes. Quiet hours, what is that?

Not only are there activities from within the structures of the dorms, there are several activities going on outside the dorms, such as playing tennis under the lights or playing basketball and beach volleyball.

Although recreation is an integral part in the life of the dorms residents, studying for class plays an important role in a student's college career. For most students, study groups within the residence halls are common, especially during midterms and finals.

Besides the recreation and studying, students find time to relax in their rooms

after a day in class, working or practicing intercollegiate athletics.

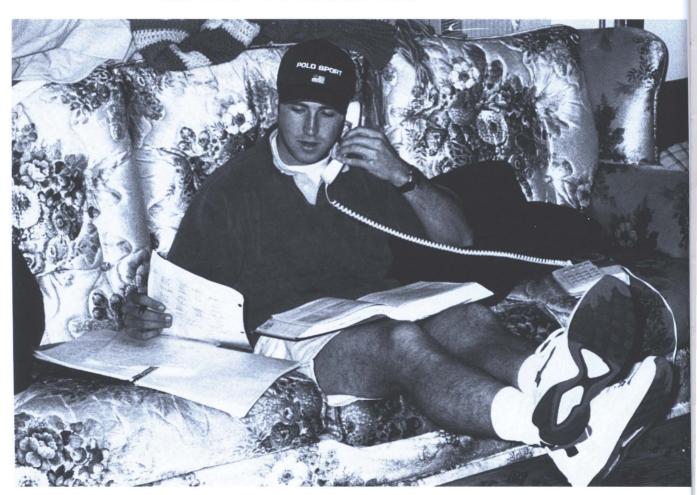
Other extracurricular activities also find a place in the dorms. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets in the dorms, as well as Bible study groups arranged by the residence. During the first week of school of the fall semester, students are treated to such events as "Sundaes on Sunday," an activity sponsored by the Student Life Office and hosted by the Super Savage Leaders.

Residence of the dorms also have easy access to classes and the many campus activities.

The fun and interaction with friends, whether studying or not, eventually ends. Students must clean their rooms and do the dreadful - LAUNDRY.

The dorms provide a sense of security, plus access to campus dining, while the off-campus dweller has to drive or walk to school, cooks his or her meals and misses out on the campus activities.

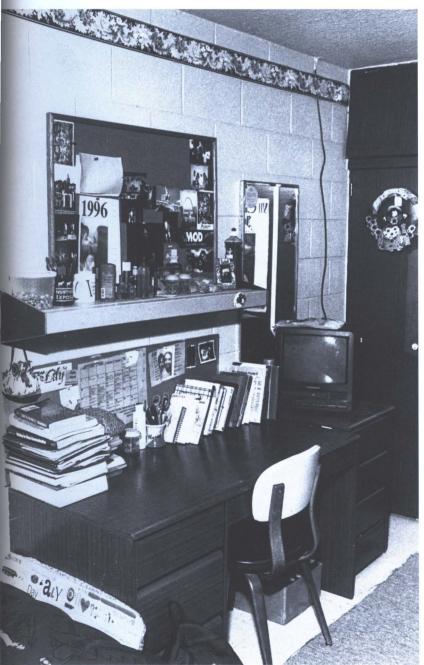
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Bo Atterberry, junior in education, talks, studies and relaxes in his Shearer Hall dormitory room.



**Brock Zimmerman, sophomore** in mathematics education, relaxes after he finishes reading his assignment while Bo Atterberry catches up on his sleep.





Decorating the dorm rooms in Chickasaw Towers is part of feeling at home each semester.

## **Pre-game activities**





The Savage, Mike Whittingham, senior in chemistry does a war stomp at bonfire Thursday night before homecoming game.



The Church of Christ Student Bible Center was first place winner in the university super float category and took home \$200.

Jana Purser, sophomore in management and Shelly Douglas freshman in elementary education, take a break, and share a laugh at the homecoming game against Ouachita.

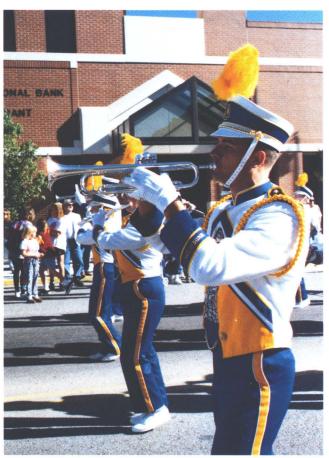






Alpha Sigma Tau was the first place university float winner of \$200 in the Homecoming parade on Saturday.

Nathan Thomas, junior in computer information systems, proudly plays his trumpet as the SOSU band marches downtown Durant for part of the homecoming festivities.



"Gateway to the Stars" was the theme for the 1995 Southeastern homecoming.

October 6, the night before homecoming a bon fire was held across the street from the baseball field. Several students, faculty and alumni showed up for the bonfire. The Southeastern, cheerleading squad, pom squad and the band performed for these festivities. Speakers from the football team spoke a few words of encouragement to the team, the teammates, and crowd.

The homecoming celebration didn't end there. Saturday twenty candidates from various organization's from campus paraded down the downtown streets of Durant along with several floats, bands, and other business.

The lawns of Southeastern became flooded when more than twenty different booths outlined the front lawn displaying on going projects of past achievements and future goals of each organization.

Other activities that were held for the special event was the Whang Bang Golf tournament held at the Durant Country Club, the reunion Bar-B-Que, the alumni continental breakfast, homecoming luncheon and the ribbon cutting for the new alumni center.

> story: Mary Holt photos: Kim Bumstead





Cardinal/Blue Key sponsored a Big Man on Campus fund-raiser. First place was won by Matt Butler, sophomore in general studies, who represented Alpha Sigma Tau (above).

At each game, the Savage does one push-up for every point scored following each Savage touchdown. At the Homecoming game, the Savage did 47 pushups.

**Homecoming Queen** Amanda Cox (middle) and her court (L to R) Natalie **Gray for Delta Tau Delta** (First Place) and Trena Young for the Baptist Student Union (Second Place). Cox represented the Kappa Sigma fraternity.

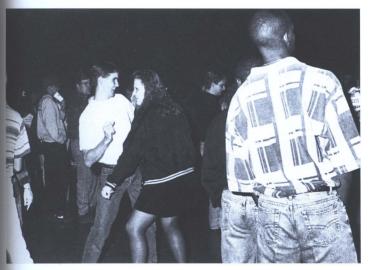




Pete Spratt, senior in occupational safety and health, speaks to the crowd at the bonfire Thursday night before the homecoming game.

The Spirit Pony, Linda Penz, junior in marketing, entertains the crowd at the bonfire and pep rally help to kick off Homecoming.





Following the bonfire and pep rally students danced to tunes and watched videos in the new Visual and Performing Arts Center at the Homecoming dance.



Alumni athletes returned to relive memories at the annual alumni breakfast that is held every homecoming.

#### Homecoming/Parent's Day

### Football/half-time festivities





The Spirit horse gets in on the action at half-time festivities performing with the pom squad.

One women finds relief from the heat of the day by shading her face and head.

The Savage lead the football team to the field to get the homecoming game underway.



Amanda Cox, junior in psychology, is all smiles after being named Southeastern's 1995 Homecoming Queen.



The winners of the float competition were announced at the homecoming game. Winners of the University Super float were, first place Church of Christ Student Bible Center, second place Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity and third place was the Chorvettes Show Choir.

University float winners are first place Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority, second place Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity and third place phi Beta Lambda business fraternity.

Cardinal Key had a Big Man on Campus fund-raiser. There were 13 candidates from different organizations entered in the competition. The votes were \$1 each. The candidate with the most votes was the winner. Matt Butler, sophomore in general studies, was the winner of the Big Man on Campus competition. Butler represented the Alpha Sigma Tau sorority.

A very surprised and honored Amanda Cox, junior in general studies from Haworth was crowned as the 1995 Homecoming Queen, "I was shocked! I am so happy to be representing our school like this. It is an honor that I will proudly hold," said Cox.

First runner up was Trena Young, junior in English education, of Hugo who represented by the BSU. "This is the first time I have ran for Homecoming Queen, and I am so proud to represent the people at the BSU like this. Its nice to know that I have the support of my school," said Young.

Natalie Gray, junior in psychology, was the second runner-up representing Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

And we can't forget about the football game the Southeastern Savages sent Ouachita Baptist back to Arkadelphia, Arkansas Saturday afternoon with a sound defeat.

The Savages who were down by three at the half, but came back to play one of the greatest halves of football that most people have ever seen

The ended with the Savages winning 47-17. Southeastern's record at homecoming was 4-2.

by: Mary Holt



Pete Spratt who was among the top five punt returner's all season, returns a punt against Ouachita Baptist.

# God works with Southeastern students obring smiles to children's faces

Many college students work for minimum wage at regular jobs such as fast food restaurants, clothing departments or grocery stores, but Dan Summers', freshman in general education, job is different from the average college student's.

His job is to make people laugh. Summers is a professional clown.

"Making anyone laugh is my main goal because when they feel good, I feel good," said Summers.

He has been a professional clown for several years. Summers started professional clowning when he lived in Ada. A friend of his financed Christian clown classes.

"A Christian clown is basically the same as a regular clown, but a Christian clown includes a message about God in his routine," said Summers.

Working as a Christian clown, Summers took the clown name of Pockets T. Clown and entertained children.

"I started out working with Special Olympics at first," Summers said.

Summers can do many tricks such as balloon art and origami. Summers said origami is a Japanese paper folding

art. He can make such things with paper as swans, flying dragons, peacocks and boxes.

Summers said he even performs at school when he is not dressed in his outfit. He enjoys doing his tricks for students while waiting for classes to begin.

"When I'm at school I sometimes get nervous so I do my origami- it is very therapeutic- and then I just leave my for other people to see," said Summers.

Summers is now working with a partner by the of name Bangle Boughs and a ferret named Beads. The three of them make a very entertaining team at birthdays, explained Summers.

Making children happy is the main reason Summers said he continues to perform.

"I want something worthwhile to do with my life so the most logical thing to do is to make kids laugh."

Summers said he is never going to quit being a clown, and that he just wants to continue to become better at what he does so he can see the children laugh.

Story: Ginger Cothran

photos: Kim Bumstead



Dan Summers, aka Pockets T. Clown, makes balloon creatures for fellow Southeastern students.

Dan Summers wants all people to "bee" happy.







The badges of the professional clown trade grace the jacket of Pockets T. Clown.

Dan Summers, Christian clown

# **Haunted dorms** provide fun for children, students

Children from the community visited the dorm rooms on Halloween night to trick or treat.

Southeastern students played roles as witches, boys dressed as girls, and other assorted ghosts and goblins. They greeted the children at their dorm room doors giving out more treats than tricks on All Hallow's eve.



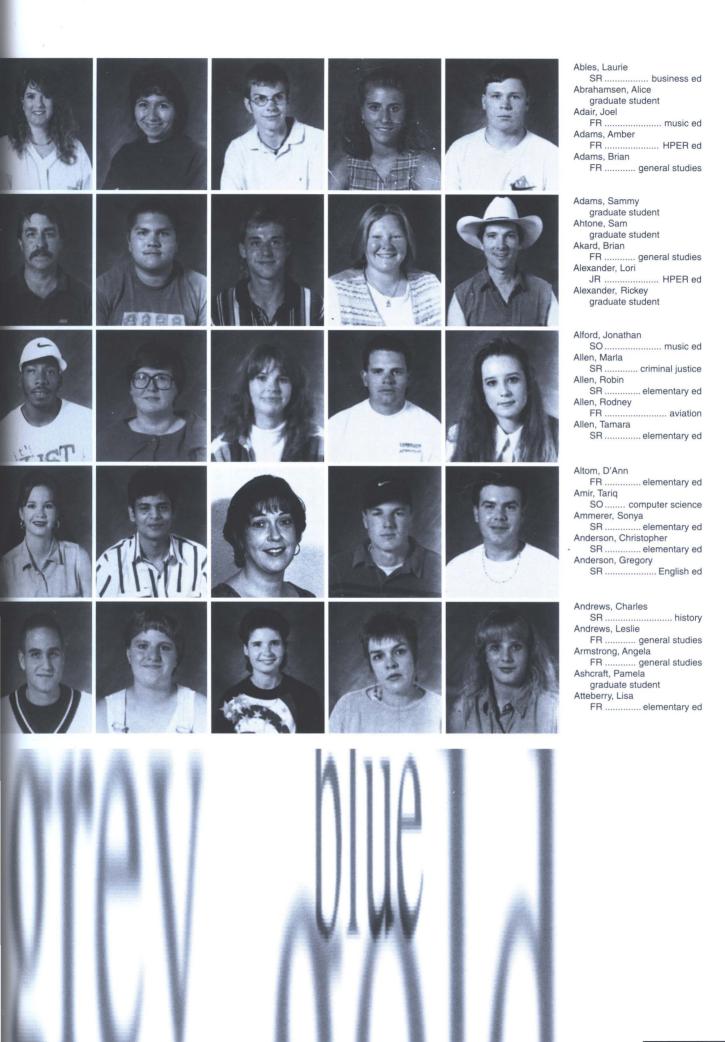
A student dressed as a witch hands out candy to visiting children from the community on Halloween night during trick or treat night in the dorms.



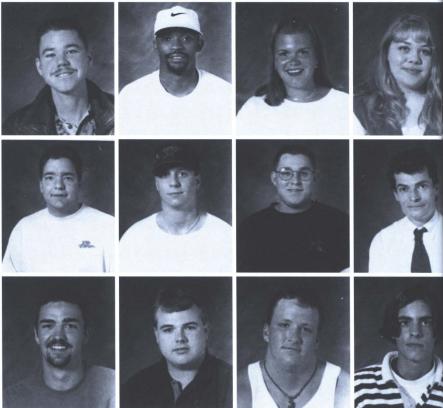


Trick or treaters visited the dorm rooms on Halloween night for the free candy and goodies provided by students.

The face of death haunts visiting trick or treaters a the dorms on Halloween night.

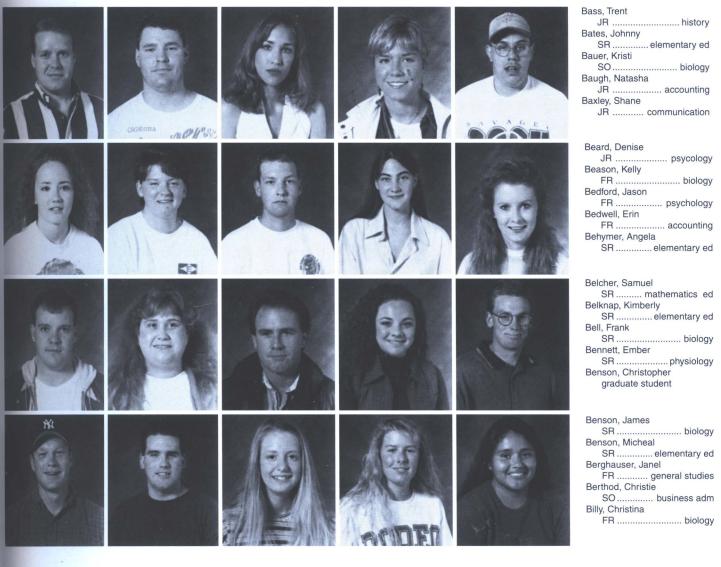


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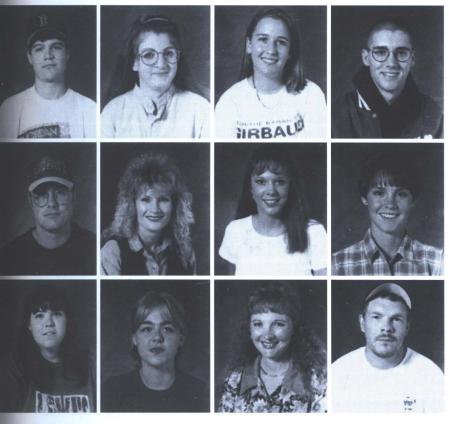
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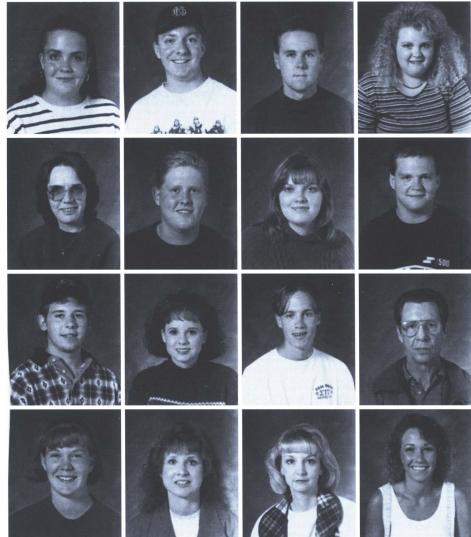
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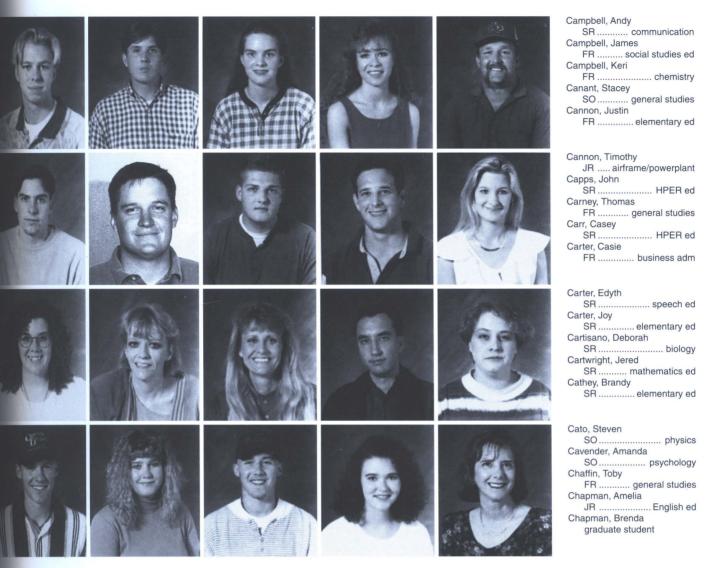
Calvin Tidwell, senior in criminal justice, holds the spirit flag during a home football game.



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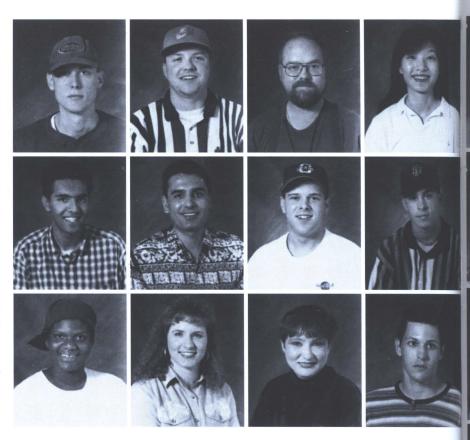




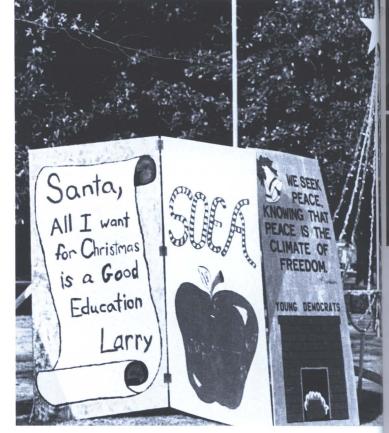
Southeastern flag corps march with the flag during the final halftime show of the football season.

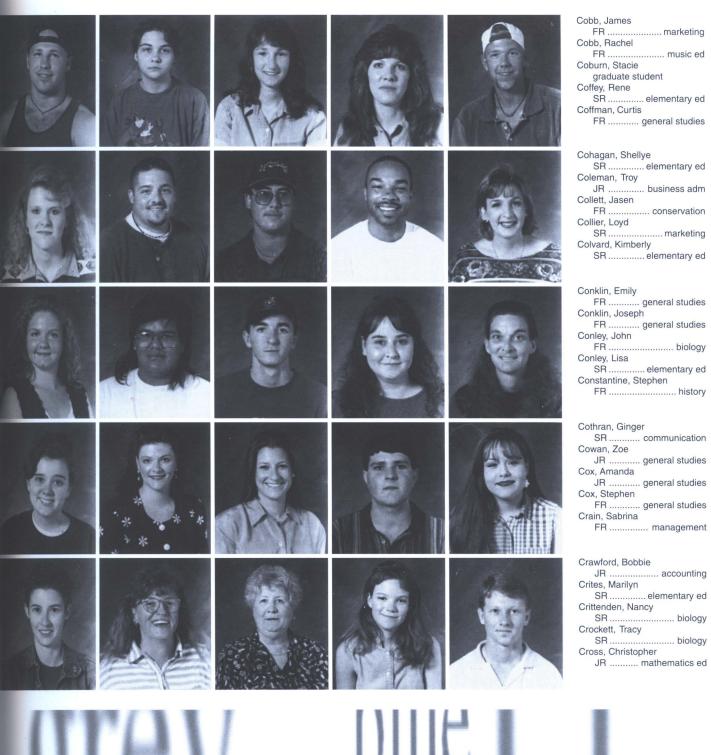
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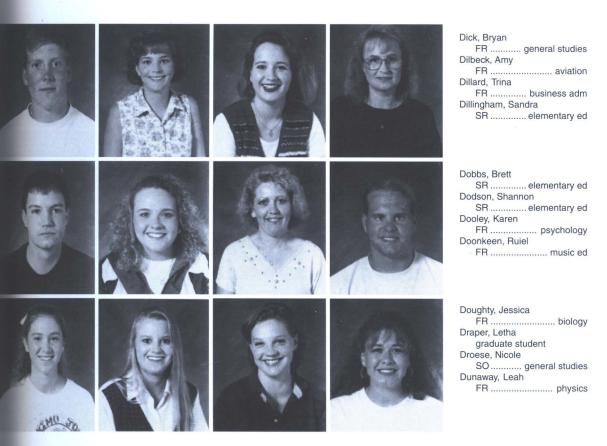
Southeastern Oklahoma **Education** Association's wish list was displayed on the front lawn with Christmas cards from various organizations on campus.





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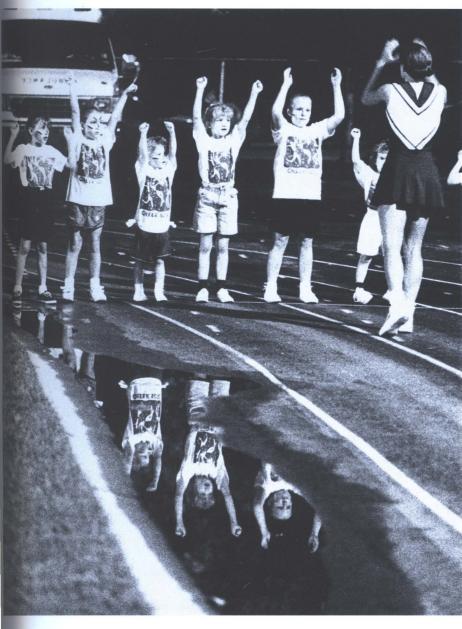
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Students take the opportunity to wave at the camera between classes during the summer semester.

Southeastern cheerleaders direct a group of children from their cheerleading camp in a cheer during a Savage home football game.







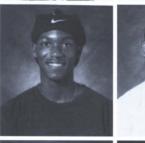
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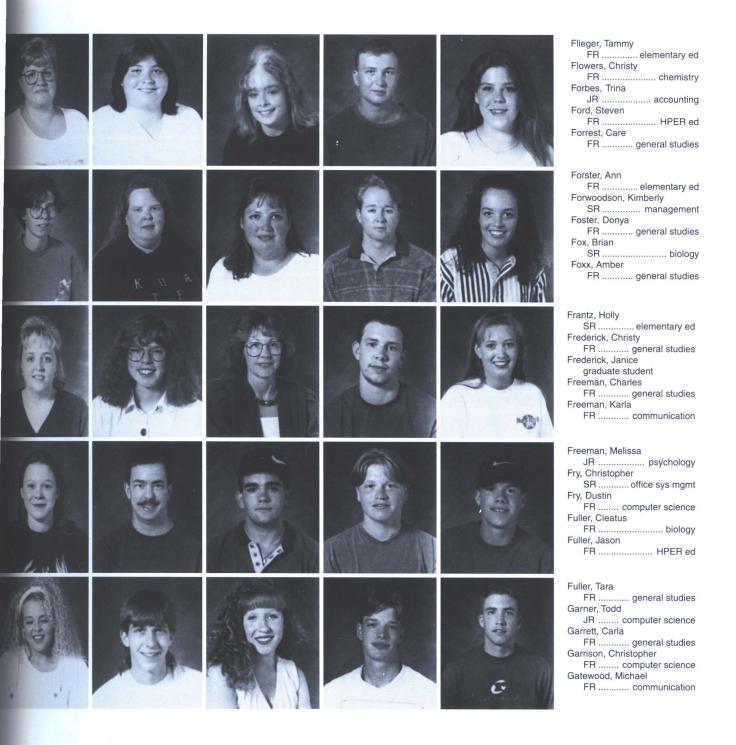




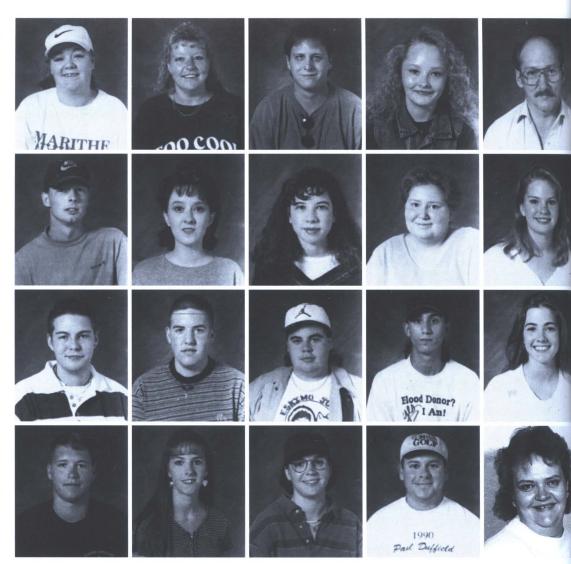




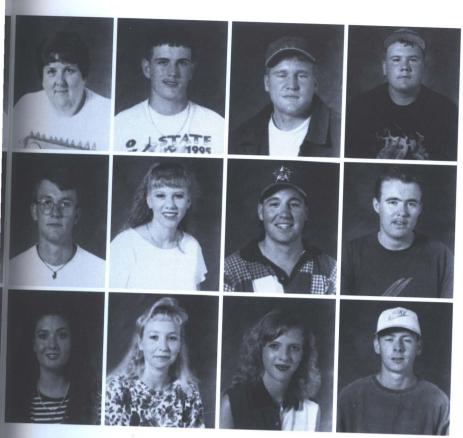


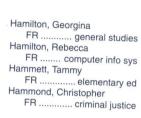


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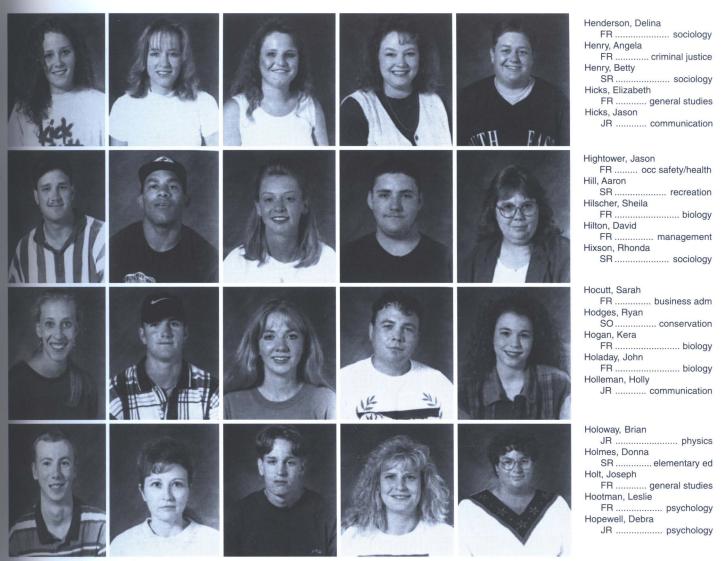
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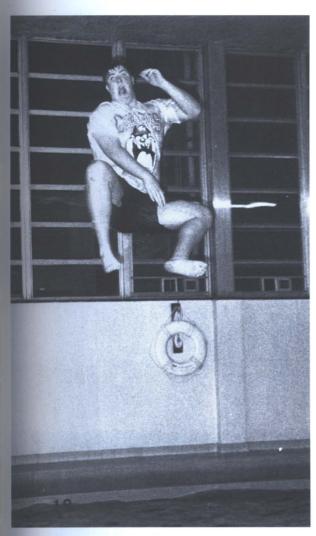
Chorvettes practice lifts and poses for hours before each performance

photo: Melinda Smi





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An unidentified student practices cannonballs at the indoor swimming pool during the summer semester.

photo: Serena Pascual

Heather Thibodeaux, sophomore in communication, talks about coursework with C.W. Mangrum, department chair of communication and theatre.

photo: Melinda Smith





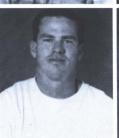
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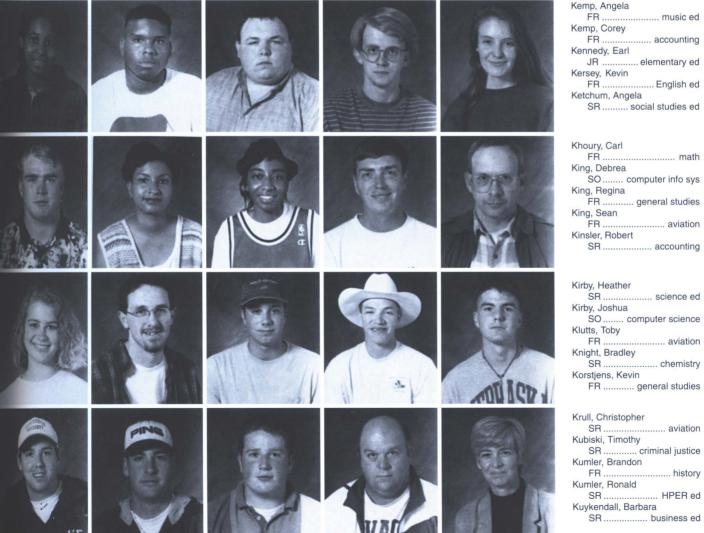












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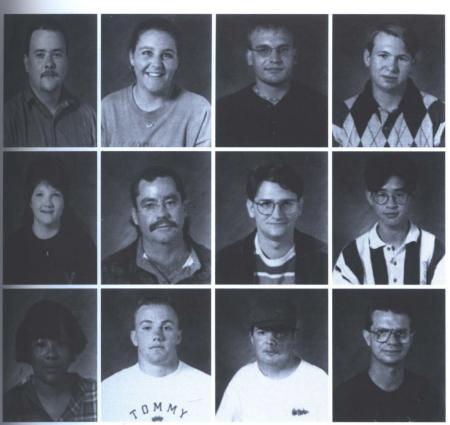
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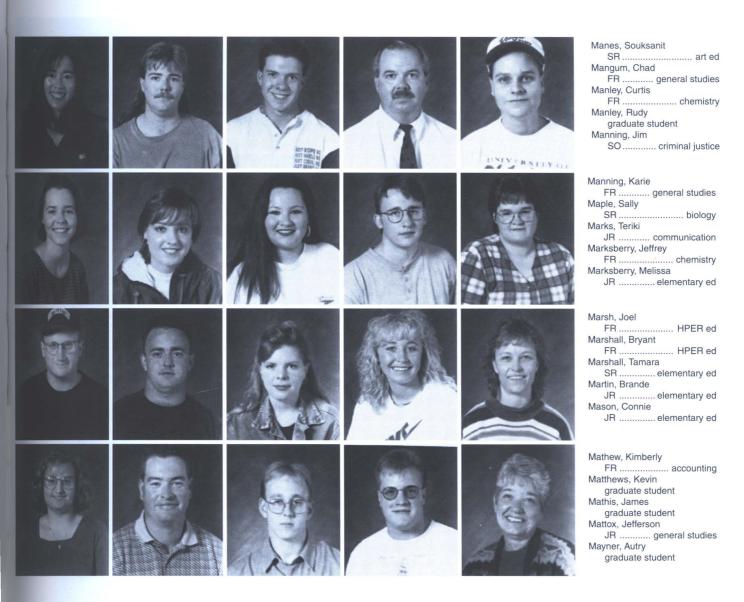
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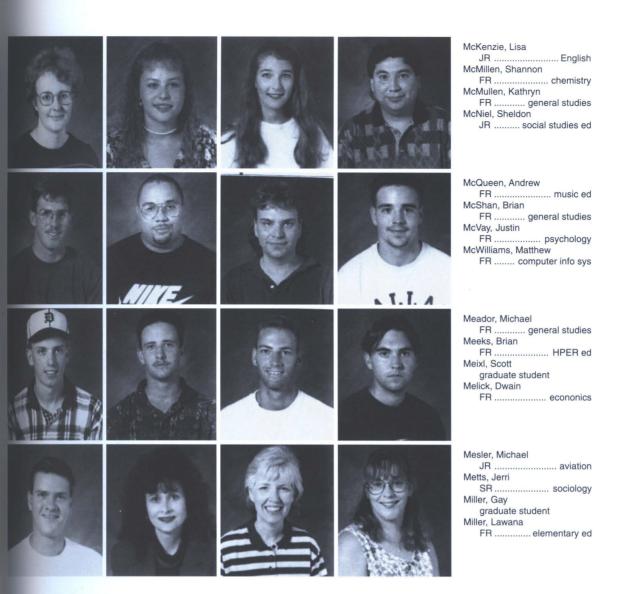


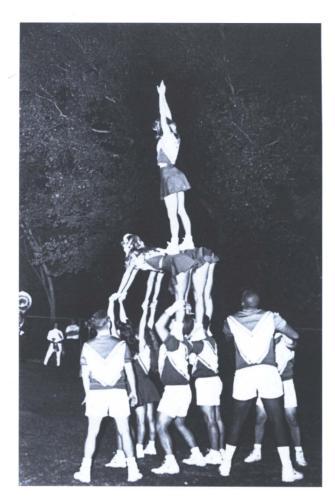




Spencer Davis, freshman in general studies, plays a solo during the third grand opening activity of the Visual and **Performing Arts Center.** Three departments, music, art and theatre, combined their talents for an evening of entertainment.



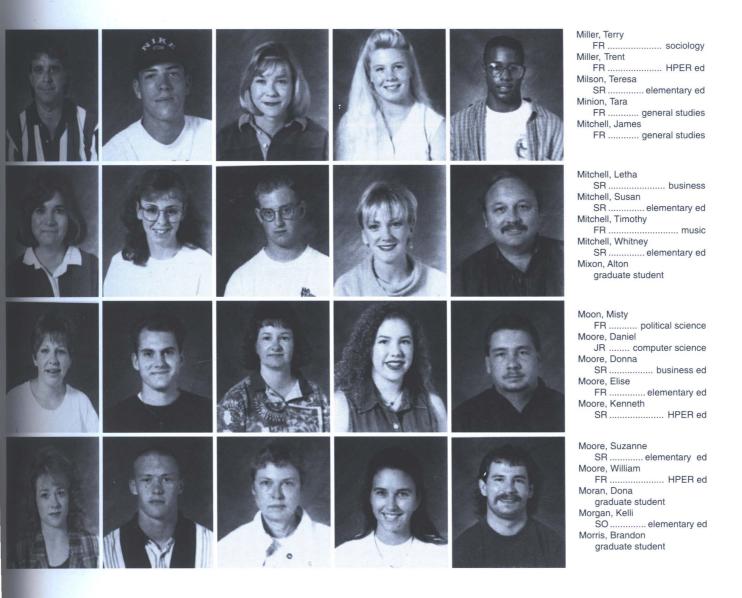




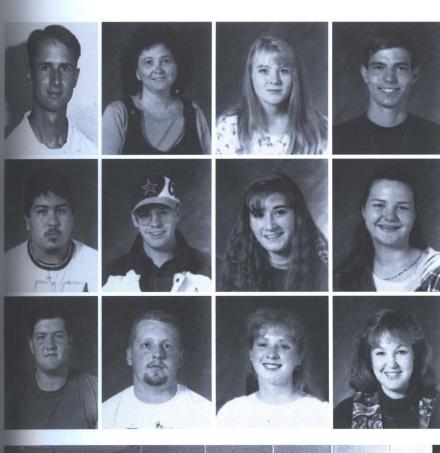
Southeastern cheerleaders build a pyramid at the Homecoming pep rally and bon fire prior to the Ouachita Baptist game in October.

David Sturch, sophomore in music, plays his trumpet during the halftime festivities of the Homecoming game, Oct. 14.





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Sandra Levins, secretary to the dean of Arts and Letters, examines the art at the third grand opening of the Visual and Performaing Arts Center.

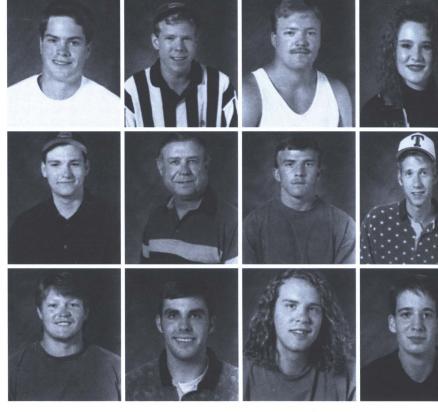


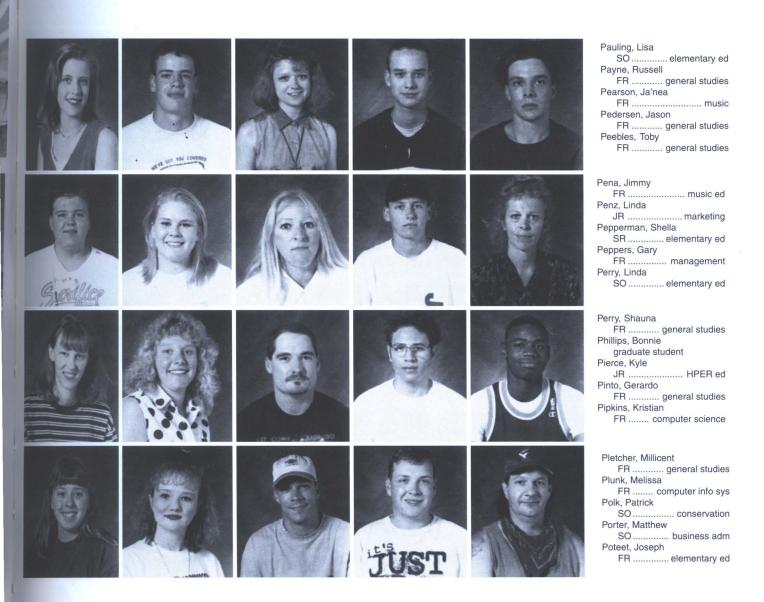
Students in the art department are learning the fine art of screen printing.

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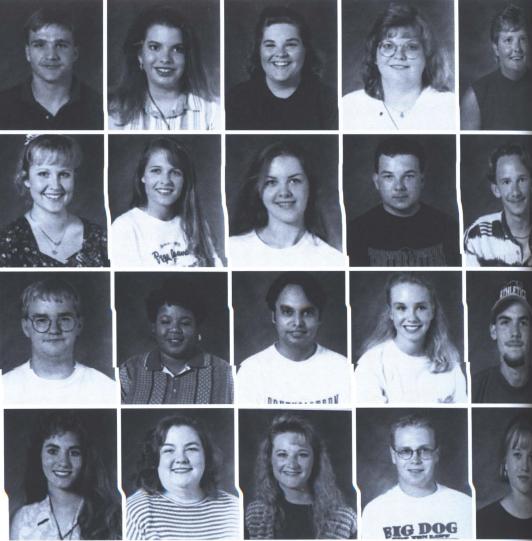
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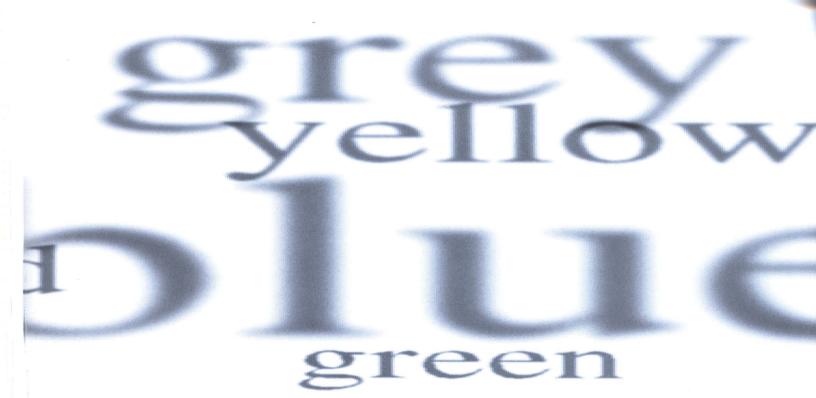
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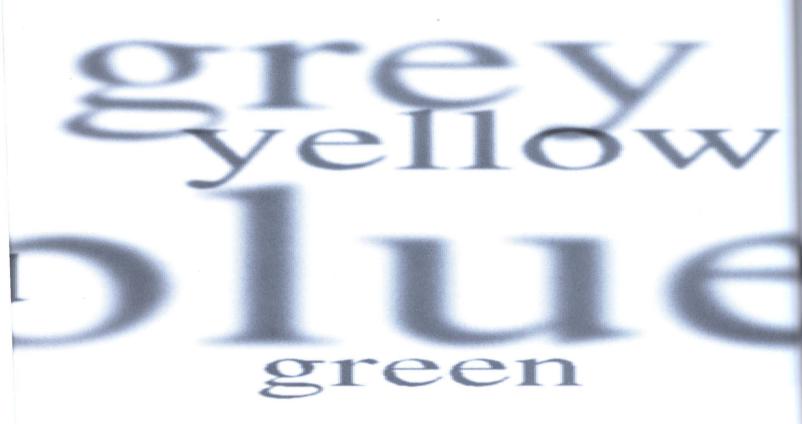


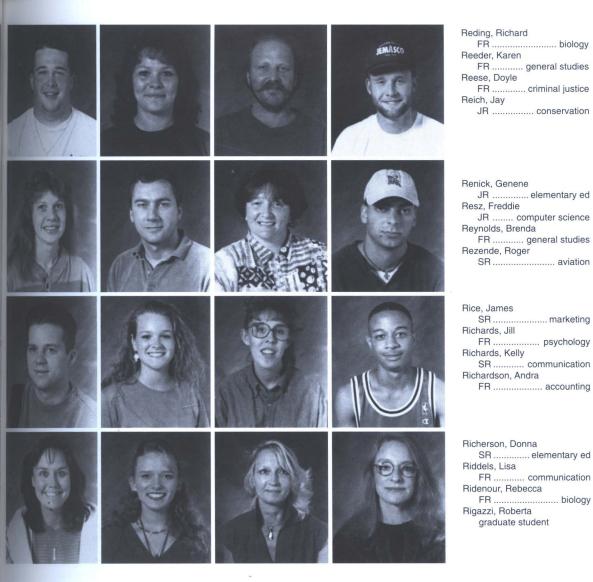
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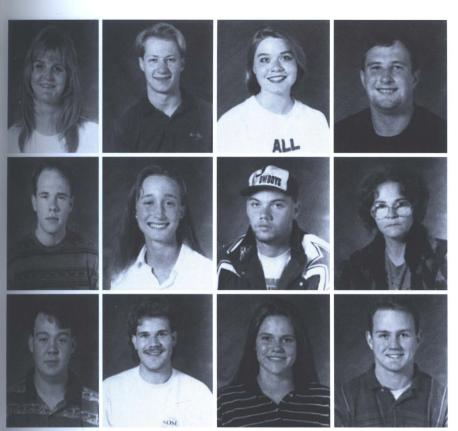
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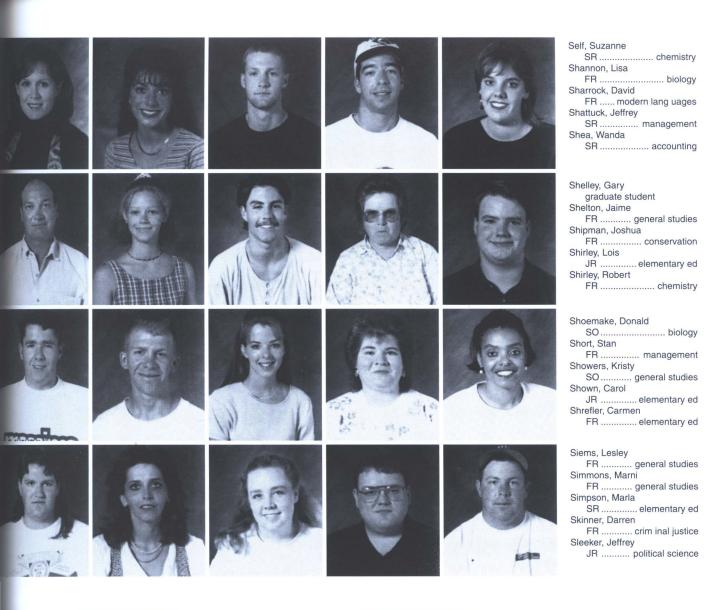
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Willie Knipe and Ronnie Cubley paint the yard lines on the Southeastern football field in preparation of the first home football game.

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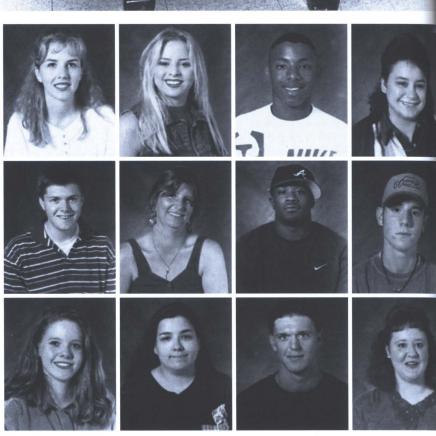


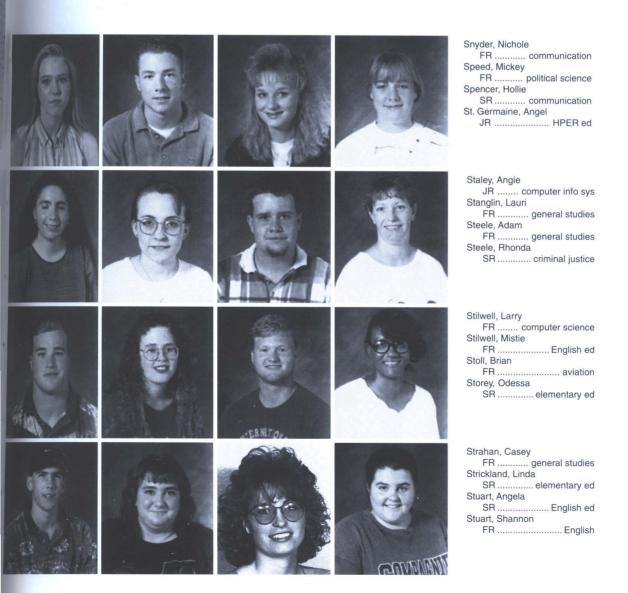
Two students are getting a jump start on studying for finals during the fall semester in the science department.

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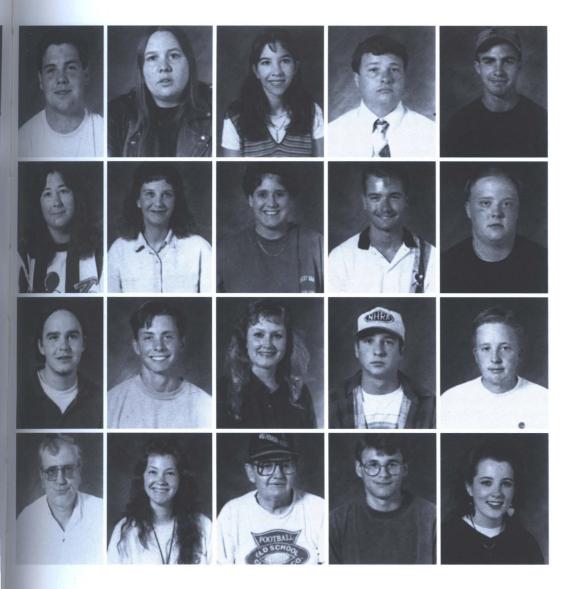
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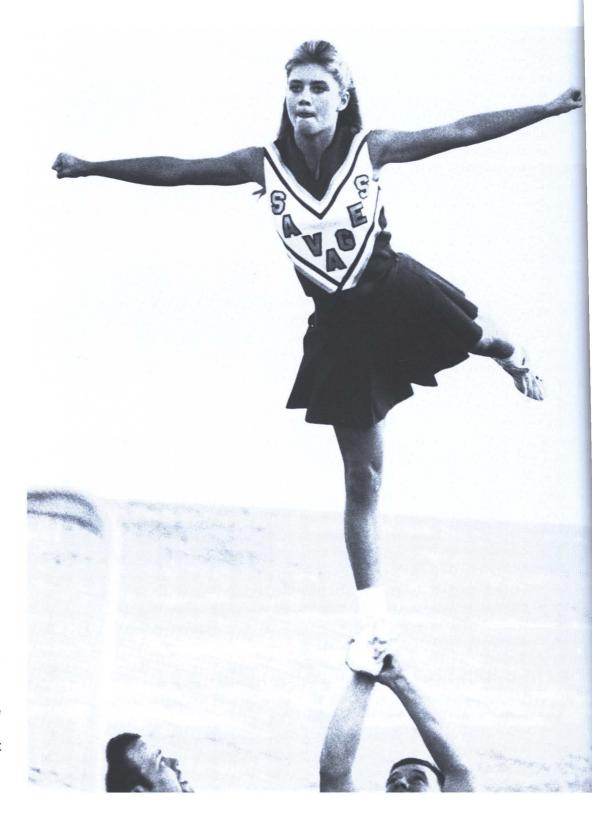


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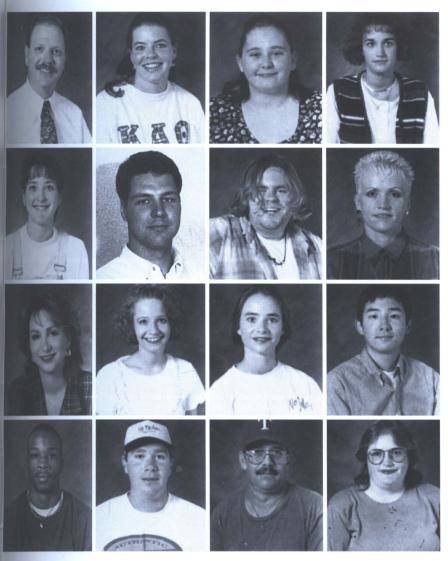




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Heather Lowry, sophomore in math education, is lifted by Mike Mannin, sophomore in safety, while Josh Grider, senior in safety, spots her at the Midwestern State football game.



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The Spirit Pony entertains a crowd at the Homecoming pep rally and bonfire.

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The Chorvettes are preparing for one of their dynamic shows.

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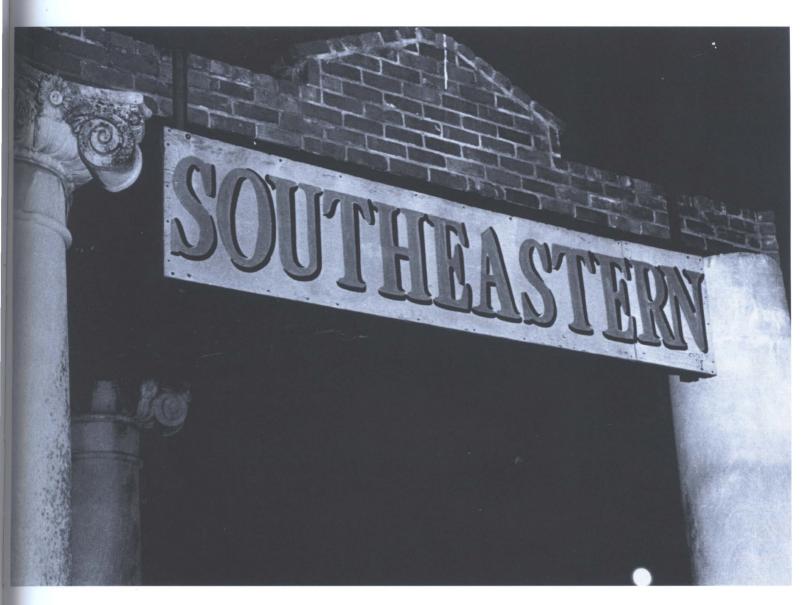


These students are researching their last paper of the fall semester at the library.

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Southeastern pillars, donated from a downtown Durant bank, shine the light of the summer night's full moon.

## Faculty beat students in Hokey Day events

The Southeastern faculty emerged victorious Sept. 26, after beating the students in this year's Hokey Day games.

The festivities brought students and faculty together in friendly competition.

Events were scheduled throughout the evening and included volleyball, softball, mini golf, hoop shoot, horseshoes and tug-of-war.

Other special events included a picnic and an "unplugged" concert which was put on by students at the amphitheater.

One hundred T-shirts were given away, and the overall turnout was good.

"The sudden change of date lost some people who were planning to come," said Liz Cobb-McCraw, student activities director. "A good number did show up though, and it was a lot of fun."

The faculty were the victors of the day, winning every ever except for the tug-of-war and the hoop shoot. Faculty and students integrated their teams for softball.

"Everyone was really laughing and having a good time during Pictionary. I'd say that it was the most popular even of Hokie Day," McCraw said.

Hokey Day is not an annual event, so it won't be scheduled again until 1997. Until then, the victory belongs to the faculty who are the 1995 Hokey Day champs.

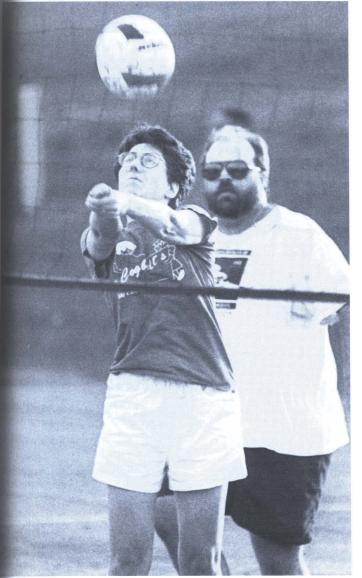
"We'll do anything for a free T-shirt," said Karla Oty, assis tant professor of mathematics.

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Cheryl Jackson, director of teacher education services, and C.J. Larson, senior in chemistry and computer information systems, play horseshoes—one of many Hokey Day activities.









Fay Mangrum, instructor of communications, shows off her artistic talent during a game of Pictionary.

Karla Oty, assistant professor of mathematics, hits a volleyball for a score while Bryon Clark, associate professor of biological sciences, looks on.

Ryan Brown, junior in chemistry, returns a ball for the students during a student vs. faculty game of volleyball on Hokey Day.

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faculty members take campus positions

## New deans take reins

The number of new faculty this year is higher than average, according to Joe Wiley, vice president of academic affairs.

"The principle reasons are because of a large number of retirements," said Wiley.

Because of improved retirement plans, Wiley explained that nearly all of the new faculty are replacing senior faculty.

"We lost a lot of senior experience, dedicated faculty last semester [spring 1995]," said Wiley. "While we can't go out and replace the 357 years of faculty, we'll bring a new level of energy and excitement to the university."

Southeastern hired 28 new faculty members to begin teaching this year.

From the School of Arts and Letters, newest faculty members are Pam Bumstead, communication and theatre; David Christy, music; John B. Flippen, social sciences; Kim McGehee, English, humanities and languages; Shannon McCraw, communication and theatre; Glenn Melancon, social sciences; Robin Murray, English, humanities and languages; Richard M. Pearlstein, social

sciences; Iwao Sato, English, humanities and languages; and Annette Trefzer, English, humanities and languages.

From the School of Business, the newest faculty members are Andrew Parkes, economics and finance; and Paul E. Smith, aerospace.

From the School of Education and Behavior Sciences, newest faculty members are Beverly Abbey, professional education; Lynn M. Barnes, sociology; Kathy Brown, psychology; Jane Elder, sociology; Sandra R. Garrett, elementary education; Susan Girvin, professional education; Michael McDougal, professional education; Doug Moore, development; Clinton E. Morris, health, physical education and recreation; and Tracy Swank, library.

From the School of Science and Technology, newest faculty members are Patrick A. Lennon, biological sciences; David S. McKim, physical sciences; Joel T. Smith, physical sciences; Pamela Smith, mathematics; and William Stark, biological sciences.



James Pate, the new dean of the School of Arts and Letters, came to Southeastern after serving as a consultant and coordinator for the State Postsecondary Review Entity for the Alabama Commission on Higher Education. He began his new position on July 1, 1995.

photo: Dan Hoke



Robert Masters, the new dean of the School of Business, is formerly of Fort Hays State University in Kansas. He began his duties in the summer of 1995.

photo: Dan Hoke

The Blue River Sound performs at the September 1995 Bryan County fair.

Fant and Wilson create beautiful harmony as part of the Blue River Sound.





Southeastern's Hugh Fant & Estelle Wilson play sweet music

#### Blue river sound

It's sort of a "rags to riches" story.

Three years ago, Hugh Fant, assistant professor of professional education, and Estelle Wilson, Southeastern graduate, formed Blue River Sound, a bluegrass duet.

At first, the duet played in local churches, nursing homes—just about any place where they were invited.

Today, in addition to the local concerts, they are signing recording and publishing contracts, playing in the largest national festivals, and hosting their own bluegrass music winter shows.

After releasing two tapes, Blue River Sound signed a three-year recording and publishing contract with API Attieram Records.

Their first compact disc, released nationwide in September 1995, featured six original songs written by Fant and Wilson and a song with Willie Nelson. The duet also won the 1995 International Country Gospel Music Association's talent search and was nominated as Band of the Year

Family has always been a big part of bluegrass music, and there is no exeption with Blue River Sound. It is through their family history that both Fant and Wilson gained their interest in bluegrass music, as their families had entertained themselves with the music.

Wilson and Fant both admit they are overwhelmed with the response they have received from the fans, but even if the attention were to cease, they would not.

"Music will always be a part of my life," said Wilson.

story: Angela Stua





Wilson and Fant pose with a few of the instruments used in bluegrass music and with the guitar Wilson's father played for many years.

# **Professor & author**

ANOVEL



Where the Heart Is

BY BILLIE LETTS

The house on Lett's cover depicts the rustic and heartwarming tone of the



Letts is author of "Where The Heart Is" and many highly acclaimed short stories.

Letts prefers to use the technology of yesteryear to produce some of her masterpieces.



"I was a storyteller as a little bitty kid, said Billy Letts, assistant professor of English. "I started telling stories--maybe they were just lies, but I loved to elaborate and exaggerate and so out of a lie came a full-blown story."

What started out as a childhood hobby has grown into a successful career for Southeastern's Billie Letts.

Letts recently sold her first novel, "Where The Heart Is," to Warner Books on July 5, 1995, just one month after its completion.

When asked how the book sold so fast, Letts replied, "It was a combination of things. One, I had a great agent. She got the book to the right people, and it also sold in part because of the hook of a pregnant girl living secretly at Wal-Mart. The book is also set in Oklahoma, and not

many books are set in this part of the country."

Not only did the book sell so quickly, but Twentieth Century Fox bought the screen rights as well. Clair Davis, "My So Called Life" and "Little Women," has been selected to play the novel's protagonist, Novalee Nation.

"Where The Heart Is" has other awards. It won the Walker Percy Award in 1994 at the New Orleans Writers Conference. Also, the Literary Guild and Double Day has selected the novel as alternate selection for their book of the month club.

Currently, "Where The Heart Is" can be found on audio tape, both abridged and unabridged. It has also been published in eleven different countries, including Israel, Argentina, and Korea.

story: Angela Stuart





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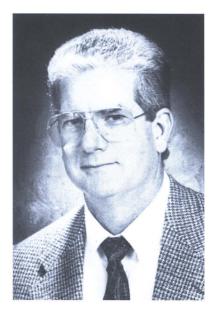




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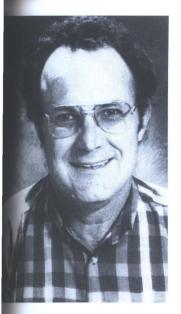




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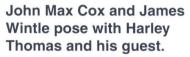




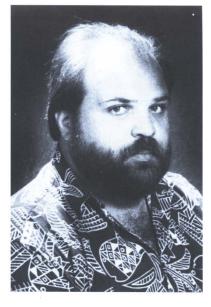
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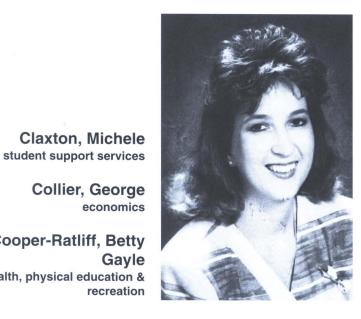
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**Robert Henderson and Doris Andrews witness** Larry Williams, Southeastern president, accepting the Oklahoma Gas and Electric grant from the OG&E representative.

# Mysterious occurances

This hilerious mystery was presented by Funny Business in the ballroom on October 30.

The play consisted of three characters. Dr. Livingston, a psychiatrist, his patient Timmy, and Steve, a drug dealer. Additionally, two students from Southeastern were added to the cast for this show. Jason Hicks, Junior - Public Relations from Davis, and Alyssa Goodbey, Freshman - Theatre from Tulsa.

The mystery was played like a 3-D Clue game, complete with clue cards and questions asked by the audience. Prizes were awarded for the three winners who correctly guessed who the killer was.

The play was acted out in several scenes and started with Steve wanting to surprise Timmy with a party on his 25th birthday. He ask the audience to crouch down behind their chairs and when Timmy, (a scared and timid psychiatric patient) came into the room, everyone would jump-up and scream "Happy Birthday." The audience participated and became entangled with the cast throughout the play.

The highlight of the evening was when Dr. Livingston put Timmy in a hypnotic state, took him back to age 5 at the zoo, age 10 playing baseball, age 15 driving through the Colorado

mountains, and lastly, before birth, in the womb at the wedding of his parents.

The hilariously funny Timmy, played by Kelly \_ show his gifted ability to portray different animals at the zoo This young actor is very animated and has a guick mind. noticed when Dr Livingston tried to guide him on according to script. The ad-lib was "No, wait, I have another joke!" He then flew from back of the room to the front of the stage as an eagle and posed with the US flag, much to the delight of the audience.

As two cast members die after drinking punch, one a female assistant to Dr. Livingston, the other a patient of Dr. Livingston, the questions from the audience start to fly.

Then, it was time to mark your clue card with your guess of the murderer, and cash prizes awarded to the winners. An end to a fun evening presented by the Student Activities Department. Liz Cobb said, "This troupe is based out of Michigan, but play only college campuses across the nation they are booked almost every night."

For any questions or bookings call John Calise-agent at (616)954-1660.

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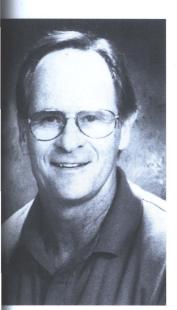
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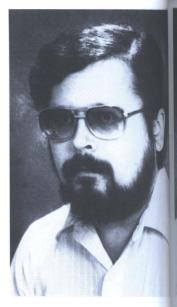
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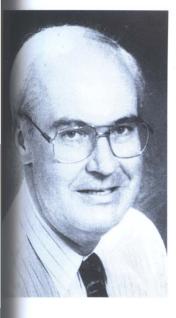


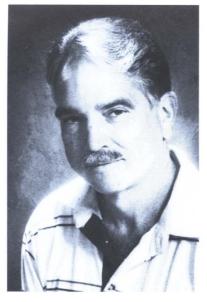




Dr. Robert Blocker, professor of music from Yale University, performs a concert at the grand opening fund-raiser of the **Visual and Performing Arts** Center in September.









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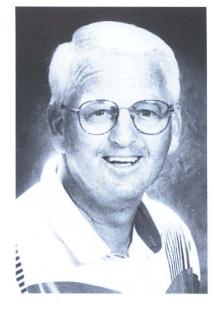


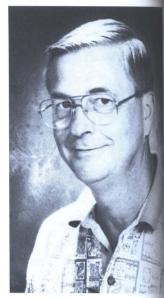
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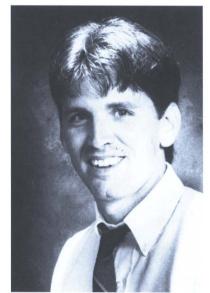
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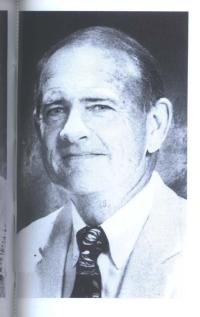




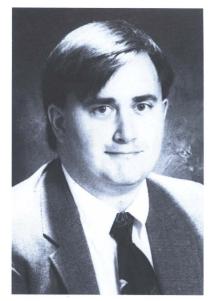


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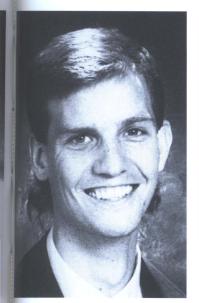






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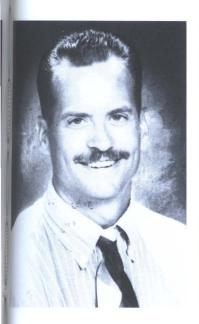


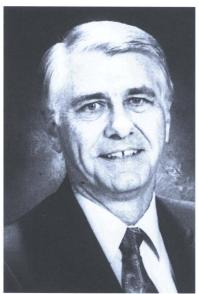


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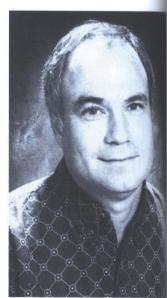
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Poetry Reading

# Poetry reading gaining popularity

"Poets, come out of your closets. Open your windows, open your doors. You have been holed up too long in your closed worlds." -Lawrence Felinghetti

Poetry readings at Southeastern enjoyed an extremely good year. For at least one night a semester, students and faculty came together to enjoy the original poetry and prose of various guest readers along with some of Southeastern's very own creative minds. With the completion of the Visual and Performing Arts center, the setting had never been better and the turnout for the readings was greater then past years. Going into their sixth year on campus, these poetry readings are on the way to becoming an established tradition. Support around campus hasn't been greater, and the university succeeded in bringing some very talented poets to read their works.

"The university has been really supportive of bringing in outside poets," said Randy Prus, assistant professor of English. "Student Affairs has done a tremendous job in sponsoring these events and I would especially like to thank

Liz Cobb and Sharon Berish, vice-president of Student Affairs for all the support and encouragement they have given to these readings"

Poets brought in to read their material included Steve Fratteli, Michael McKinney, Fred Alsberg, and Steve Miles. All of the guest readers were published poets and Oklahoma residents.

Aside from the guest readers, many of Southeastern's own read original material also. Various students and faculty all took turns reading their material and the crowd was always receptive to anyone brave enough to get on stage.

With always at least one reading per semester, anyone interested is urged to attend. One needs not be an aspiring poet to come, just a desire to enjoy an evening of original poetry.

story: Chad Pate







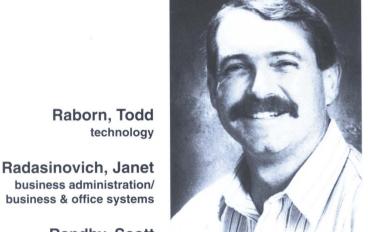
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**Dignitaries from** around the campus cut the ribbon at the grand opening of the new Welcome Center.

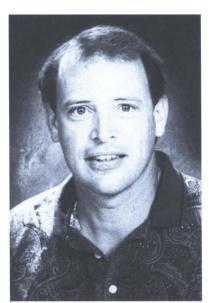






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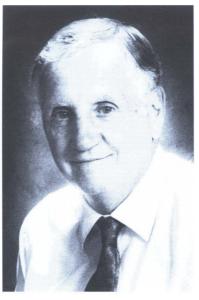


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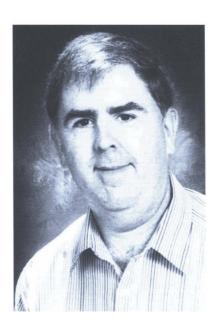




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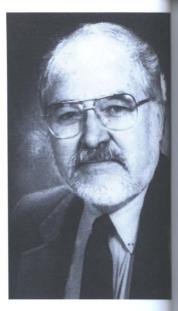
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President Larry Williams, along with Ray James, Flodelle Dyer, and Dr. James Pate, gives his speech during the ribbon cutting ceremonies at the **Visual and Peforming Arts** Center.

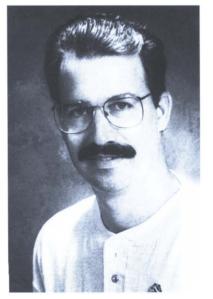


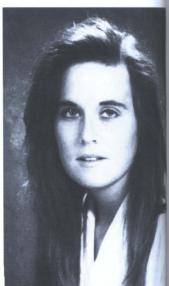


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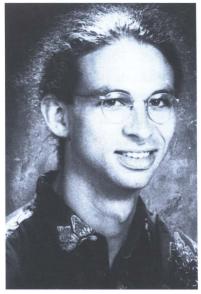
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Susan Sykes displays an apron she uses to stimulate children's interest when they are studyng geography.











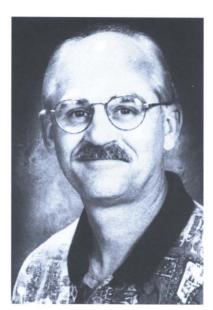
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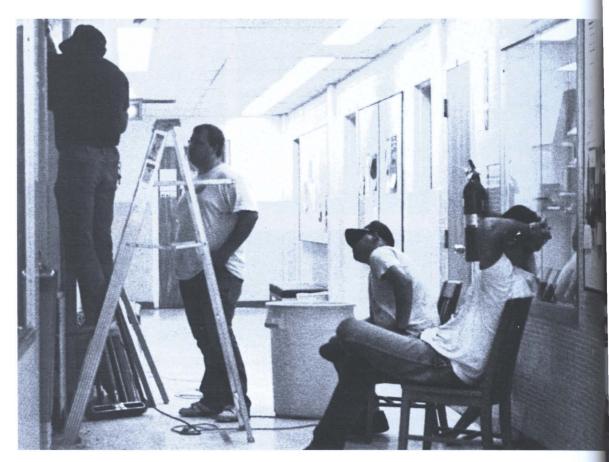
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Maintenance men wired the Fine Arts building during the summer to put Southeastern "on line" with the rest of the world through the Internet.

photo: Bryan Bumstead

#### New curriculum greets incoming freshmen

Students entering Southeastern from the fall semester and beyond will fall under the new general education requirements.

These requirements were put into effect in the fall by the curriculum committee which consisted of students and

faculty.

Students are now required to take three hours of a foreign language and three hours of speech communication. These changes better define general education requirements and put students on a more directed course of study.

All students must be proficient in commonly used computer application packages, data communications, and Internet. This requirement can be satisfied by taking the class "Computers in Society" or by passing a competency test.

Although a more detailed

study is defined, students falling in this category are required to take less liberal arts hours than previous students to obtain their bachelor's degrees.

text:: Michelle McKenzie



The lastest and newest Macintosh computers in the Fine Arts lab, which was relocated to the Russel Building computer lab. The lab is now available to all students at Southeastern.

photo: Kim Bumstead

#### **New computers** update students and university

The 1995-1996 school year introduced a new computer lab located in the newly renovated Russell Building.

The Macintosh computer lab was located in the Fine Arts building during the fall semester; but because of the American Disabilities Act and inaccessibility of the lab on the second floor, it was moved to Russell in the spring.

"Southeastern now has one of the best equipped computer facilities with the latest technological advancements," said Robert

Hayes, professor of public relations and advertising. Hayes teaches in the Macintosh Computer

The expansion of the computer facilities included adding a new IBM computer lab adjoining the Macintosh lab. These labs received the latest computers and newest software.

The rooms in which the computers are located have specialized lighting and climate control to create the best working environment possible.

text: Michelle McKenzie

The shepherds come in and catch a peek of the three kings.

Dakota Hardin takes a break from his royal duties.





**Shannah Arther and Amber** Hammond visit on their time off stage.

**Courtney Mesker looks for** her lost sheep.

by: Angela Stuart photos: Kim Bumstead



**Courtney Mesker asks** Dakota Hardin, "What's in the box?"







Carrie Sanchez is lost in thought.



Cerese Wilson tries to keep Carla Dicketts from escaping with the stolen gold.

"Oh, the bird bit me!" said Dakota Hardin.





Andrew Seigrist, director of the children's opera. introduces the cast to the audience.

### Amahl comes to life in opera

The Children's Opera was phenomenal," according to the director, Andrew Seigrist, instructor in music—a record breaking event.

Attendence increased from past averages of 1,400-1,600 to a stunning 4,500, and the cast's performances brought the house down.

Used as a fundraiser, the Children's Opera is a fall production of Southeastern's Opera Theater program designed to introduce young

students to music with a classical theme.

To accomplish this goal, opera theater students perform fairy tales or stories that contain fairy tale themes to an audience of elementary students.

"The Children's Opera is a great opportunity," said Seigrist, "for young singers to gain valuable and vital performance experience by doing operatic roles on stage for more than simply one

performance."

"We performed this production seven times. In every performance, the cast grew in experience and changed their performance on stage every time—they grew better and better. We were ready to get on the bus and hit the road," said Seigrist.

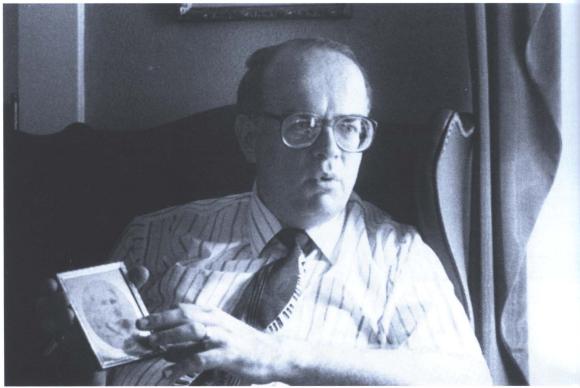
With a great year behind them, the Opera Theater is expecting bigger and better things next year.

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Robert McFadden, assistant professor of music, poses next to a picture of his ancestor.

McFadden doing what he loves best — talking about his heritage.







#### Professor traces genealogy

What would you do if someone gave you a box of pictures of relatives that you do not know?

Robert McFadden, associate professor of music, decided to trace his mother's genealogy and some 30 years later published a book with his box of pictures.

He began at the age of nine by asking questions, and by the time he was 14, he had attempted to contact all of his mother's living cousins. When he was 19, McFadden visited his mother's paternal homeland in Illinois. His greatgreat grandparents, Johnathan and Clarinda Foster had been early day settlers to the area having moved there in 1837 from Licking County, Ohio. Stopping to visit the site of the log cabin home, McFadden brought back some treasured memorabilia, including the

family Bible record and "Granny" Foster's trunk.

After many years of reasearch, McFadden published a book entitled "The Descendants of Johnathan and Clarinda Foster of Clark County, Illinois." Published in 1993, the book contains 280 pages of pictures, history, and anecdotes about his family.

McFadden has decorated his home with old photos and daguerreotypes which fill the walls and mantle in his home. Each picture holds a story, and each person in the picture has a history that he is eager to tell.

The ancestral photo he is most proud of features his great-great-great-great-grandfather, Abijah Heath (1760-1832) who served under General George Washington in the American Revolutionary War.

Robert McFadden displays a few treasured artifacts handed down by his family.

by: Angela Stuart

#### Theatre at Southeastern has busy year

The members of the Theatre department at Southeastern were busy with various performances and competitions this year.

"The Reluctant Dragon Slayer" by Gary Varner, technical theatre director at Southeastern, was performed for the children's show. "The Reluctant Dragon Slayer" was the first play performed in Morrison Auditorium after it was remodeled.

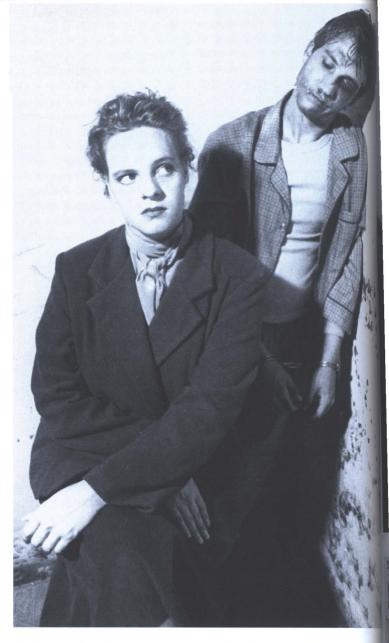
The last play produced in 1995 was "Play it Again Sam" by Woody Allen. "Play it Again Sam" was performed for the Charles Warthen Dinner Theatre and was directed by Barbara Alkofer, who is also the costume designer. This was the second year Alkofer directed the dinner theater.

The fall semester began with "Two Rooms" by Lee Blessing. Two one-acts, "Laundry and Bourbon" and "Lone Star" by James McLure were presented in the new Visual and Performing Arts Center daily Oct. 22-24.

Southeastern's production of "Two Rooms" was chosen as both Director's and Critic's choice, recognized for Best Scenic design by Varner, and received an award for artistic collaboration.

These awards qualified Southeastern for the Regional American College Theatre Festival (ACTF) competition. Southeastern won the state-wide competition.

text: Toni Leathers



Melodie Henderson, senior in theatre, as Ellen von Oss. state department representative, is haunted in her dream by hostage Micheal Wells, played by Jason Kirkpatrick freshman in theatre, in the production of "Two Rooms"







Latha Champion, junior in theatre, and Jason Kirkpatrick, freshman in theatre, played Lainie and Michael in "Two Rooms."

Amber Harrington, junior in theatre, as Amy Lee, visits Latha Champion, junior in theater, as Elizabeth, and Melodie Henderson, senior in theatre, as Hattie, to confirm hot gossip that is traveling through the small town grapevine in "Laundry and Bourbon." "Laundry and Bourbon" and "Lone Star" were this year's annual Oklahoma **Shakespearean Festival Benefit Dinner Theatre productions.** 

# Retired colonel, romance writer shares knowledge with mass media students

Romance author, Merline Lovelace, (yes, that is her real name) was a guest of the communication and theatre department on Feb. 16, 1996. This accomplished author was a featured lecturer in the Survey of Mass Media class taught by Pam Bumstead. Following the mass media class, Lovelace was speaker at a writing workshop which was open to the public.

Lovelace, a retired Air Force colonel, has spent most of her life around military bases. She was base commander of Eglin Air Force base in Florida. Before that she was a military brat traveling the country and living everywhere the military moved her family.

Lovelace, in a bright fuschia, rhine-stone studded jacket does anything but typify military strictness. Lovelace says that strictness is, however, one place her military experience has paid off. She has worked hard on all 19 of her books, sometimes putting in 12 or more hours a day and plans to continue writing with this same dedication.

With so much of her time spent at the keyboard and with pen in hand, Lovelace described writing as a lonely job. To make up for it, she tries to get out a lot. Lectureing, book signings, conventions and research trips are all a part of her job, and she looks forward to each as a research opportunity.

Lovelace explained the ins and outs of the publishing business. She described the "slush" piles of publishing companies, where unsolicited manuscripts start out.

"The companies are looking for reasons to reject you," said Lovelace. "Don't give them that chance. Keep your manuscript professional looking and send it to the appropriate

house[publishing company]."

Following her lecture, she signed several of her books for Southeastern students. The books range from contemporar to historical fiction and are anywhere from 90 to 300 pages.

Lovelace said her next book will be centered around a Russian countess. She researched this novel by visiting a Russian fort in up-state California.

What will she think of next? Whatever it is, romance readers will undoubtedly look forward to it.

text: Lisa McKenz photos: Kim Bumster



Merline Lovelace, author of more than 15 romance novels, talks with Pam Bumstead, instructor in communication and theatre, about plotting chapters in romance novels.

Merline Lovelance discusses the field of publishing with students in the Survey of Mass Media class.





Retired Air Force Colonel Merline Lovelace sits behind several of the romance novels she has written. She was a guest speaker to the Survey of Mass Media class at Southeastern. Lovelace shared her expertise on writing and publishing with students and guests.

Stefanie Springer stands in front of her music class.

Korie Semeski helps a student with his activity sheet.

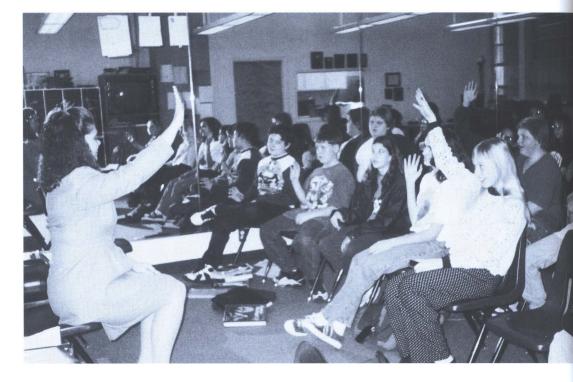


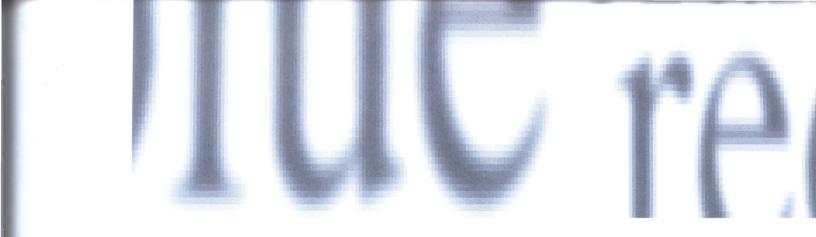




Semeski poses with her class.

Springer's class counts the number of hallelujahs in Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus."





#### Student teachers return to the classroom

Every semester Southeastern sends out student leachers to practice in the public classroom what they have learned from their college lectures. For most, it is a wonderful experience they are now the "teacher" and are able to try out their ideas of education upon real elementary or secondary students.

"I'm having a blast," said Kevin Nichols, English education major.

"It's just wonderful," said Penny Hess, elementary

education major. "My mentor is great."

To aid their student teachers, the teacher education program conducts a student teacher return day each semester. Student teachers report to the ballroom at 8:30 a.m. and attend lectures, workshops, and panel discussions until three in the afternoon.

The panel for the guestions and answers segment is made up of administrators and classroom teachers. One of the highlights for the

day, student teachers listen as those who are professionals in the field answer important questions about interviewing, resumes, job opportunities, and professional conduct. Finally, at the end, students are allowed to ask questions that concern them most.

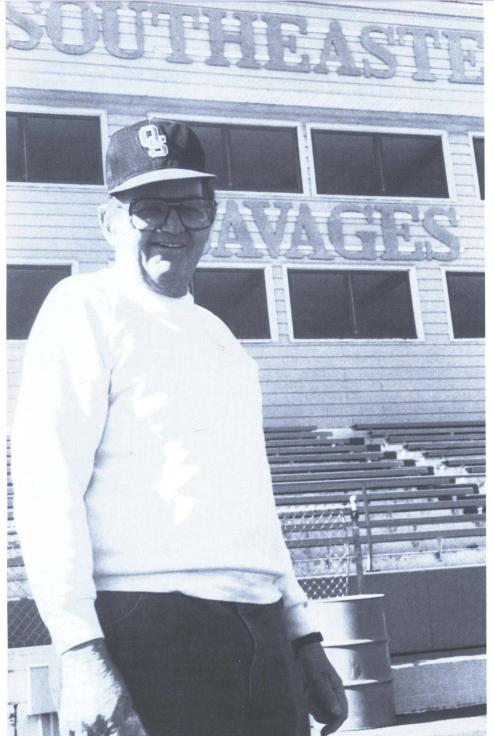
Southeastern has a remarkable reputation for its teacher education program— "I had people calling me for job interviews simply because I was a Southeastern graduate," said Clarice

Jackson, a classroom teacher from Boswell. And reports such as Jackson's should continue to occur long into the future due to the hard work and pride of Southeastern's students and faculty.

text and photos by: Angela Stuart

Student teachers listen to the advice given by the panel on student teacher return day.





Haskell Townsend can be seen at all the Southeastern home games, because he is an avid sport's fan.

Townsend takes time out of his busy day to relax and study before his next class.

#### Student 'masters being oldest on campus

Haskell Townsend has the honor of being the oldest student that lives on campus. He is a full time graduate student working on his Masters in psychology/counseling.

Townsend resides in the Magnolia apartments, for older or married students, and enjow walking to his classes, the library, cafeteria, and campus bookstore.

Townsend works out daily in Southeastern's weight room and walks a mile on the track. He's an avid sport's fan, and has attended all the home games of the Southeastern Savage teams.

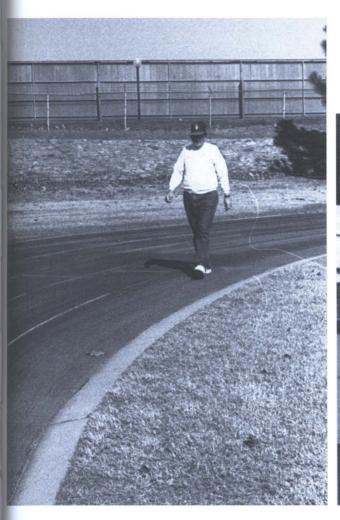
He started college at the age of 60 and earned his bachelors of Arts at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, and at the age of 68 is accomplishing a goal he has had all of his life.

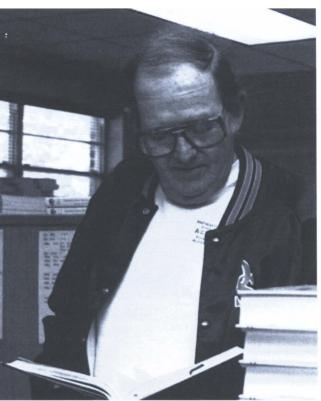
"The opportunity presented itself, and I took it," said Townsend on why he started at the age of 60.

While many students look at his age and wonder why he is here, he is a good role model for many nontraditional students and for other who are apprehensive about college.

He has taken the opportunity to achieve a goal that many people feel they can't do, simply because they are nontraditional.



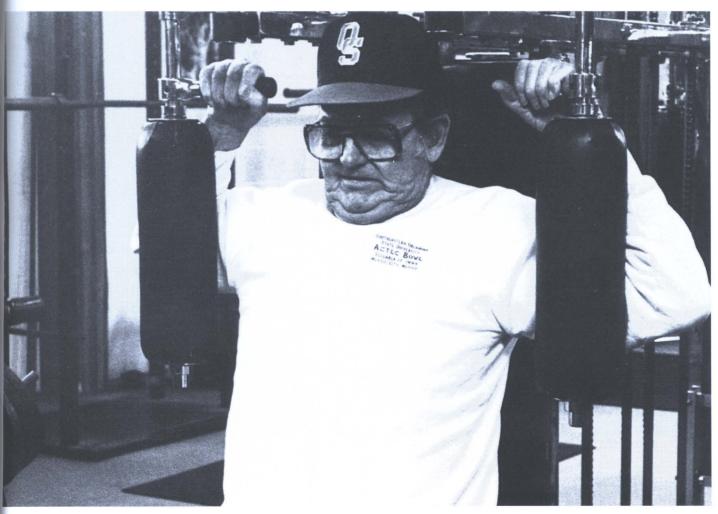




Townsend tries to stay fit by exercising. He walks one mile everyday.

Townsend makes sure he has the right books by looking over them before purchasing them.

Haskell spends time in the weight room every day to keep fit.



### Students experience geography first-hand

The Alamo is one of the many places visited by students on a geography trip to San Antonio, Texas.

Thirty-six persons traveled by bus to San Antonio for the fall geography tour. The four-day trip was sponsored by Southeastern's Continuing Education and Social Science departments.

The tour offered a three-hour credit option or just an opportunity to experience the history of San Antonio. Thirtytwo students enrolled for credit, while four chose the non-credit option.

Regardless of whether students took the trip for credit or not, they learned about the history of the area.

"I think students became more educated on the historical aspects of San Antonio which students didn't know were there," said Rade Radosinovich, former assistant professor of social sciences at Southeastern and adviser

Places of interest that students visited were the Alamo, the Institute of Texan Culture, the Lone Star Brewery King William historical homes, Mission San Jose, Natural Bridge Caverns and the Lyndon Baines Johnson National Historical Park, just to name a few.

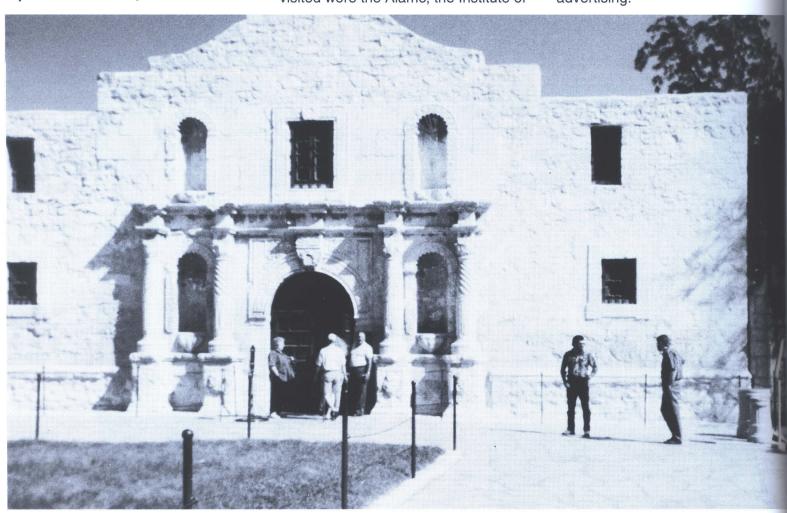
Most students had their favorite places to see or, in some cases, return

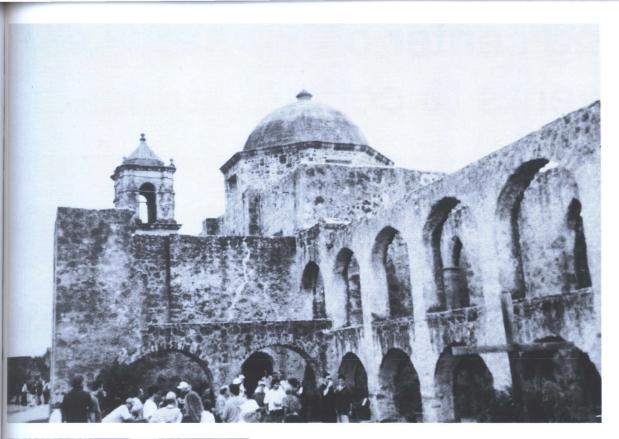
"It was the second time I had visited San Antonio, and I still think the Riverwalk is one of the most romantic places I have ever been," said Alyson Farmer, freshman in communication.

The geography tour has traveled to various places in Oklahoma and Arkansas in the past 10 years.

Students seem to enjoy the experience of seeing new places and meeting new people.

"I enjoyed the trip, not only for the historical aspect, but for the friends that I made," said Laura Ferguson, senior in advertising.







Students on a geography trip to San Antonio, Texas, visit the Mission San Jose as part of their trip.

A shovel marks the entrance to the Lone Star Buckhorn Museums, one of the many sites visited on a geography trip to San Antonio, Texas.

photos and text by: Hollie Spencer



# Counseling center offers services, special events to college students

The counseling center at Southeastern does not receive enough recognition for the help it provides.

The counseling center offers various counseling services such as substance abuse, personal issues, academic performance, career counseling, relationship issues and trauma recovery.

Any kind of traumatic event in a person's life like child abuse, rape, or physical assault can be addressed, as well as eating disorders, mood problems, depression and anxiety.

"The counseling center is also a training sight for students in the Masters of Counseling and Psychology programs," said Jane Gainey, director of the Counseling Center. "The interns see students for counseling and are directly supervised by me."

"We do two internships of 250 hours per semester. Sometimes we may see just one student per semester and at others we may have as many as nine," said Kevin Hamil, masters in counseling and psychology.

"I am very strict about the criteria a candidate has to meet in order to work

in the counseling center. Because of my strictness, we get a higher caliber of interns to help with the awareness programs," said Gainey.

"The practice we get by interning at the counseling center gives us valuable experience. Getting to work with people face, to face, is more valuable than listening to an instructor describe a theoretical situation," Mellanie Risenhoover masters in counseling and psycology.

"Each couseling session lasts for about 50 minutes, most sessions are individual sessions. If several people have similar problems, they can form groups, but we have no groups at this time," said Gainey.

According to Gainey, each semester, evaluation sheets are sent to students who have participated in workshops, attended counseling sessions, or received enrollment service from the counseling center.

"We have had overwhelming feedback stating that the services received were helpful," said Gainey.

The counseling center is also in-

volved in the enrollment process. "Many haven't enrolled before and don't even know what a semester hour is, so we use a discover program to help students identify what their strengths and weaknesses are. The program also notes a student's interests to help them narrow down choices of majors," said Gainey.

The counseling center sponsors annual events such as National Mental Illness Awareness Week, National Depression Screening Day, Parents' Day, National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, National Eating Disorders Week, Safer Sex Programming, National Collegiate Health & Wellness Week, National Sexual Assault Awareness Month, National Child Abuse Prevention Month and National Anxiety Disorders Screening Day.

text: Mary Ho

Sharon Berish, vice president of student affairs, Barbra Rackley, director of placement, Liz Cobb-McCraw director of student life, and Jane Gainey, director of the counseling center fixed drinks at the International Student Association meeting.







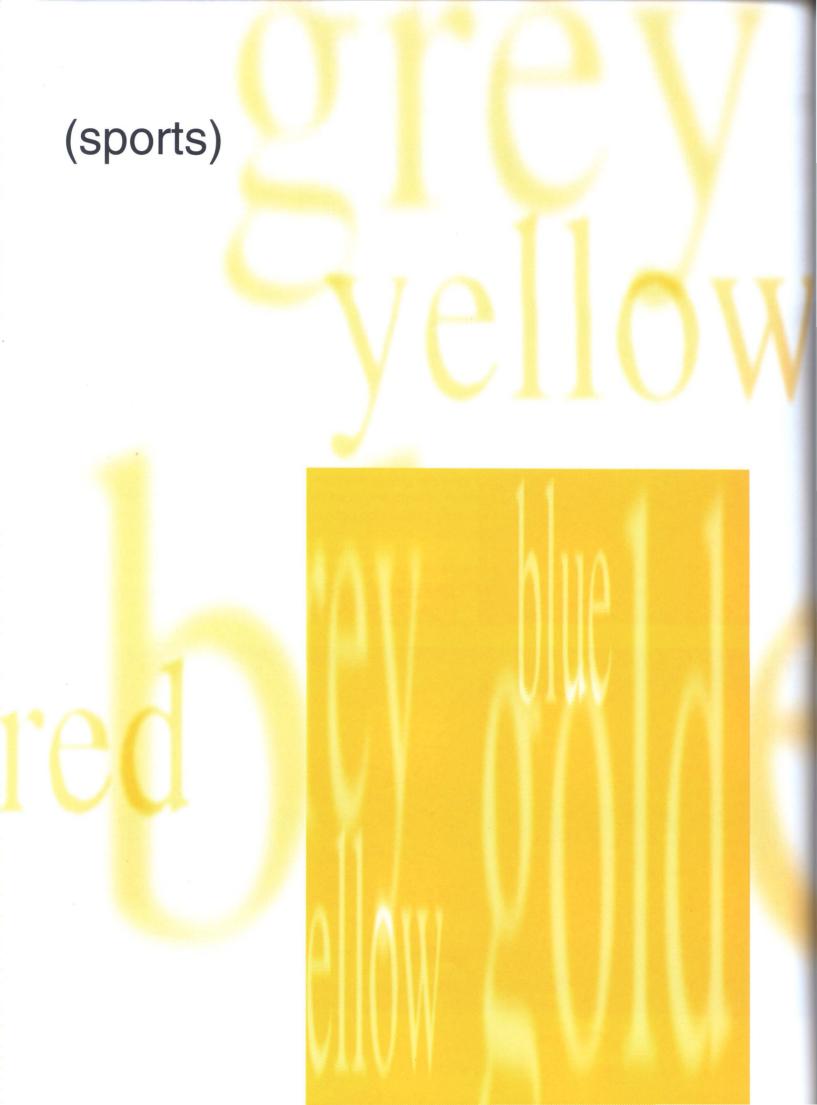
Jane Gainey, director of the counseling center, stops to take a breather during her busy day.





Carmen Shrefler from the Dominican Republic and Nongnuch "May" Thongkhrua from Thailand enjoy the conversation.

Michele Claxton, counselor of student support services, is always busy helping students with career planning.



goin's forthe gold

# Savages show their true colors to all

The Savages returned to the World Series for the third consecutive year in 1995. They were once again led by Coach Mike Metheny who led the team to a 47-14 record, with only four of the losses coming in conference play. The Savages had been National Runners-up the past two years, but were beat out in three games at this years World Series.

The Savages won their third consecutive Great Plains Region Championship by defeating Southwestern Oklahoma State University in the finals. Along the way, the boys from Southeastern looked good at the plate and the field, where they broke the national record for fielding percentage.

Also along the way, Southeastern pitcher Joel Bradberry was named an Honorable Mention All-American with a nine and two (9-2) record and a 4.12 earned run average. Corey Claborn led the team with a .375 batting average, Mark Hargrove led with 10 homeruns, and Punky Clay led with 58 runs batted in.

Joel Bradberry and Clint Gilchrist each had nine wins and Jeff Steelman led the relievers with 10 saves.

Southeastern had a team batting average of .316, while holding their opponents to a .258 batting average. The Savages also turned 60 double plays.

story: Steve Anderson



photos: Neal W

The 1995 Baseball Team: Corey Claborn, Rusty Zumwalt, Mark Hargrove, Punky Clay, Jeff Dominic, Brandon Evans, Jeremy Hall, Kevin Rodden, Darin Young, Todd Renfroe, Chris Anderson, Jarod Bible, Jason Bloodwort Joel Bradberry, Joe Clark, Clint Gilchrist, R.J. Howerton, Wesley Kirby, Robbie St. Julien, Kyle Stafford, Jeff Steelman, Kyle Whitley.

## Low Down

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St. Francis	8	9	Dallas Baptist	6	3
S. Arkansas	5	6	Dallas Baptist	4	6
S. Arkansas	4	3	Southwestern	6	4
Henderson St.	5	3	Southwestern	5	9
Henderson St.	8	4	USAO	11	0
UALR	6	7	USAO	8	3
Arkansas Tech	11	6	Oklahoma Baptist	7	0
Arkansas Tech	10	6	Oklahoma Baptist	6	2
E. TX Baptist	6	5	Northwestern	11	12
OK City University	8	6	Northwestern	11	8
OK City University	9	2	Northwestern	13	7
Hastings	13	4	Southwestern	5	3
Hastings	10	0	Southwestern	2	3
Northwestern	10	0	Jamestown	8	4
Northwestern	10	1	Southwestern	6	2
East Central	5	2	Southwestern	7	8
East Central	6	1	Hastings	7	3
Ouachita	11	1	Southwestern	6	3
Ouachita	11	1	Cumberland	0	3
Southwestern	3	0	St. Mary's	5	4
Southwestern	6	0	Birmingham-So.	3	10
USAO	7	0			



Kevin Rodden, second baseman, turns a double play for Southeastern during one of the games in the World Series.

#### Women win big at College National Rode

"Statistics speak for themselves." That's what Betty Gayle Cooper-Ratliff will say when you ask about Southeastern's rodeo teams.

The main statistic from last year would be the number 1, as in number 1 in the nation. The Southeastern women's team is the defending National Champion, and have a real strong chance to repeat.

Returning from last year's team are Caryn Standifer and Tachana McCurly.
Standifer was first in goat tying, third in breakaway roping, and first in goat tying,

third in breakaway roping, and first in the all-around national standings last year. She also fininshed second in goat tying, second in breakaway roping, ninth in barrel racing, and second in the all-around in the Central Plains Region last year. McCurley came in third in breakaway roping, first in goat tying, and third in the all-around.

The women's team was National Runner-up in '94 and along with McCurley and Standifer have Brenna Winship returning from last year's team. Coach Cooper-Ratliff said that this year instead of taking three girls to the National Finals, she will be able to take four.

"That's really an added edge," says Cooper-Ratliff. "We are very fortunate to have an entire team of such talented contenders. We definitely have the ability to repeat this year, but in rodeo anything can happen, so it would be foolish to assume that things will turn out the way in which they have been predicted."

On the men's team, returners are Kyle Carlson,

Billy Hamilton, and Matt Rampey. The men finished fourth in Team Roping. Hamilton came in ninth in a roping. In the same event, Rampey ended up 13th.

"The men's team has a number of talented individuals," Cooper-Ratliff said. "They are all very good in their respective events, and should be strong contenders."

Last year's team brough in \$13,500 in scholarships from the Copenhagen-Skoal program, bringing Southeast ern rodeo team's total to \$140,000 since 1976.

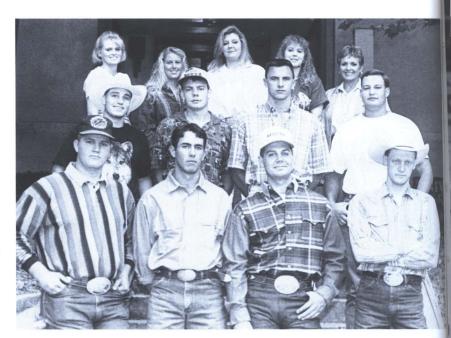
#### 1995-1996 Rodeo Team

Top Row (left to right)
Tachana McCurley, Christie
Berthold, Tracy Keller, Lynetta
Patton, Coach Betty Gayle
Cooper-Ratliff

Middle Row (left to right) Michael Smith, Billy Hamilton, Spud Duvall, Kyle Carlson

Bottom Row (left to right) Shawn Johnson, Jud McLeod, Jarrett Kelton, Steve Anderson

Not Pictured Stacy Story, Brenna Winship, Caryn Standifer, Matt Rampy



#### 1995-96 Rodeo Schedule

Competition
Pratt Community College
Northwestern Oklahoma State University
Kansas State University
Fort Scott Community College
Western Oklahoma State College
Southwestern Oklahoma State University
Panhandle State University
Garden City Community College
Fort Hays State University

Date
Oct. 13-15
Nov. 2-4
Feb. 23-25
March 8-10
March 28-30
April 4-6
April 12-14
April 19-21

April 28-30

#### 1995-1996 Rodeo Team

Women's Team

Tachana McCurley-goat tying, breakaway roping, barrell racing

Christie Berthold-team roping

Tracy Keller-goat tying, breakaway roping, barrell racing Lynetta Patton-goat tying, breakaway roping, barrell racing Stacy Story-barrell racing

Brenna Winship-goat tying, barrell racing, breakaway roping Caryn Standifer-team and breakaway roping, barrel racing, goat tying

Men's Team

Matt Rampy-calf roping, team roping

Michael Smith-team roping

Billy Hamilton-calf roping

Spud Duvall-team roping, calf roping, steer wrestling

Kyle Carson-calf roping, team roping, steer wrestling

Shawn Johnson-steer wrestling, team roping Jud McLeod-calf roping, team roping

Jarrett Kelton-bull riding

Steve Anderson-bull riding, bareback riding





Brenna Winship, of Southeastern's Womens Rodeo Team, turns the third barrel at the Kansas State University **Central Plains Regional Rodeo last** spring.

#### Rebuilding the Savages football program

1995 was to be a rebuilding year for the Savage football team. The Savages went from a rebuilding team to a contender for the national title.

The Savages stayed in the top five of the NAIA national rankings for most of the year, and had players at, or near, the top of individual catagories the entire season.

In each game of the season, the Savages provided their fans with some great action and some great memories. Coach Morris Sloan and the Savages ended the season with a mark of 7-4, and 3-2 in the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Con-

Quarterback Jeff Moser became the all-time passing leader in Savage history in just his junior year with 5,937 yards. He is just 1,094 yards short of being first on the OIC's all-time passing list.

Pete Spratt was named the OIC's offensive player of the year. Spratt ended the season with 1,009 yards receiving and six touchdowns.

Lamar Lowe also made waves in 1995 by becoming the

best kick returner in the nation. He set a school record with 97-yard return. It was one of three kickoffs he returned for touchdowns on the year, setting a school record and tying a NAIA record.

Morris Sloan became the second-winningest coach in school history with 43 wins. He is 20 wins behind Dave Stevens who is first on the SOSU win list with 63.

The Savages extended their home winning streak to 13 games before losing to East Central in the final home game of the season.

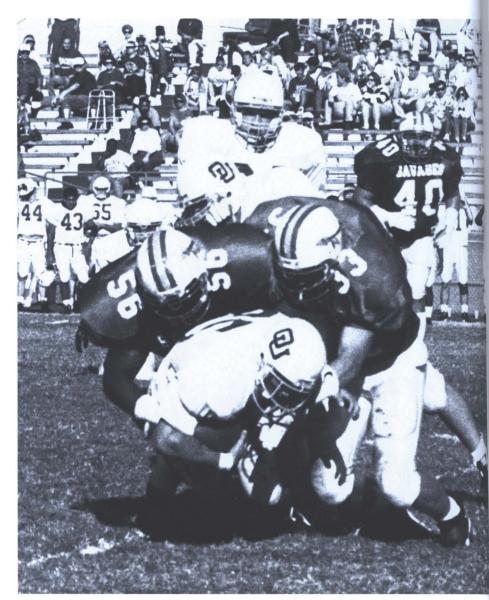
They had some impressive victories on the season.

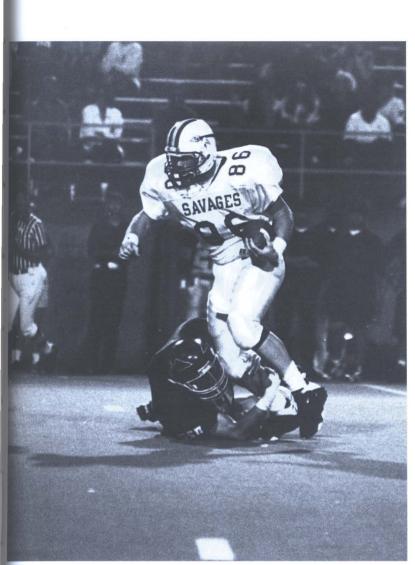
The Savages soundly defeated the defending national champions, the Northeastern Redmen, 44-21. They also won one of the most exciting games in school history against Langston, with a 30-yard blast from Ondre Hall who scored with just 15 seconds left, making the final score 46-42.

Another bright spot for the Savages was Eric Nuber. Nuber, a true freshman, set a new OIC record with 14 field goals in a season.

story: Steve Anderson

Barry Samuels (56) and Jason Heath (33) bury a **Ouchita Baptista** University player during the 1995 Homecoming game.

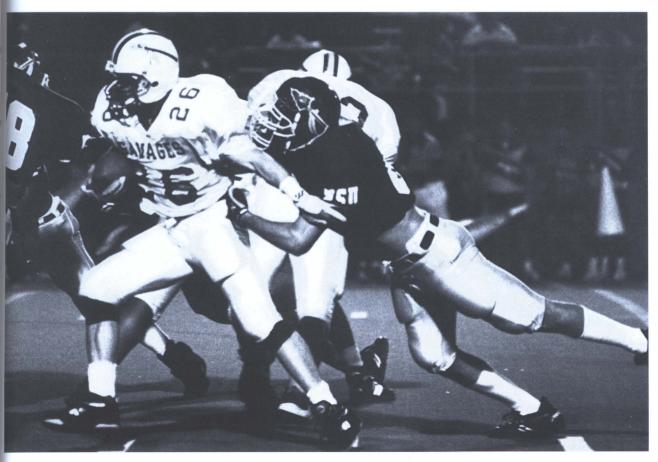






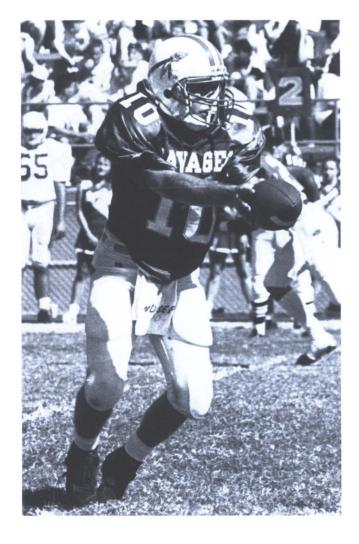
Shannon Rowell (86) kicks away a defender during the game at Midwestern State in Wichita Falls, Texas.

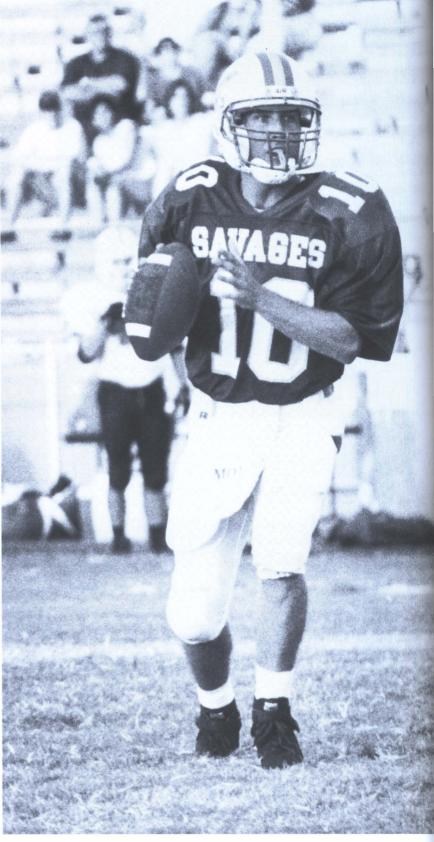
Bobby Vaughn (26) bursts through the Midwestern State, Texas, defense.



**Quarterback Jeff Moser** (10) became the all-time passing leader in Southeastern's athletic history in 1995.

photos: Kim Bumstead









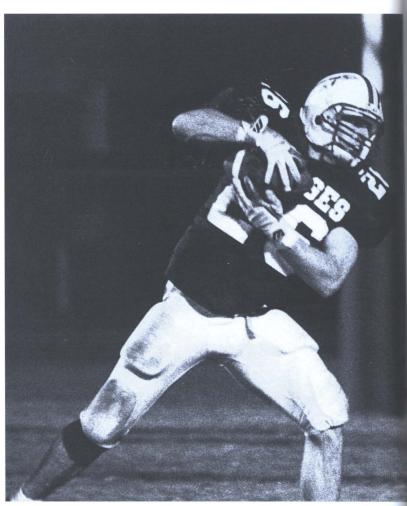
The referee indicates the football belongs to the Savages after Frank Jackson (31) recovers a Midwestern State fumble in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Ondre Hall (24) picks up a block from Bobby Vaughn (26) and races downfield in a big win against Tarleton State.



Bobby Vaughn catches a bullet pass and carries it on into the end-zone for six points.

photos: Kim Bumstead

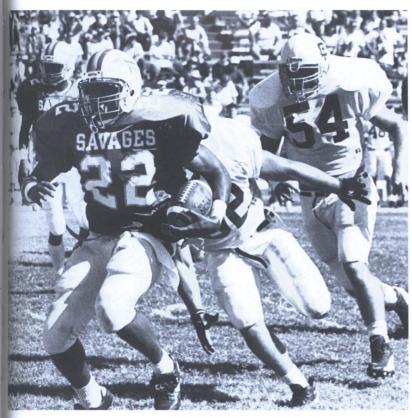


#### 1995 Southeastern **Football Season**

	Southeastern	Opponent
PANHANDLE ST.	47	21
at McNeese St	10	45
TARLETON ST.	0	47
at Harding	25	26
OUACHITA BAPT.	47	17
*at Southwestern	36	20
*NORTHEASTERN	44	21
*at Northwestern	9	24
*at Langston	46	42
*EAST CENTRAL	6	27

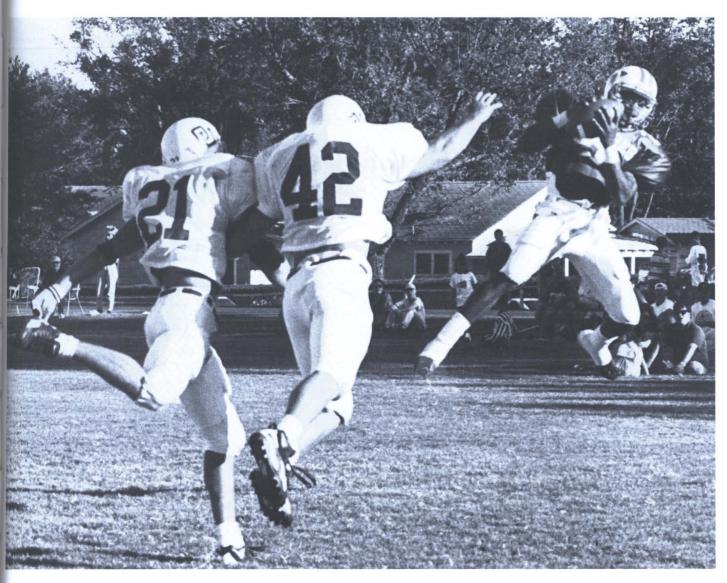
\* denotes conference game

Overall Record (7-4) **Conference Record (3-2)** 



Deon Green (22) outruns the Ouachita Baptist University defense during the homecoming game in October.

Pete Spratt (2) makes an acrobatic catch during the homecoming game against Ouachita Baptist University.



#### Five legends inducted into Hall of Fame

Five legendary Savage athletes were granted the highest honor in Southeastern athletics by being inducted into the Southeastern Oklahoma State University Athletic Hall of Fame this spring.

A reception was well attended by past hall of famers including Don Parham, athletic director at Southeastern; L.T. "Cotton" Patton, Austin Earnest, Arthur "Skinny" Stewert, Troy "Curly" Webb, Jerry Hall, and Alan Cartwright.

At the formal induction ceremony in the student union ballroom on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 27, Parham introduced the first new inductee, Marvin Adams, twice an All-Conference point guard and a member of Bloomer Sullivan's 1962 third place basketball team.

Tears filled Adams' eves as he remember his former coach and mentor.

"He made me more of a man than I though I could ever be," said Adams.

Donnie Keck introduced Jim Christanelli, a 1969 All-American center. When Christanelli accepted his induction, he shared the honor with those who he said helped him.

"I not only accept this for myself," Christanelli said, "but I also accept this for Coach Sullivan and my old team members."

Savage baseball coach Mike Metheny introduced Greg Legg. Legg, the finest shortstop in Savage history. is the only Savage to play in four NAIA World Series.

"This is one of the biggest honors of my life," Legg said.

Boyd Converse, introduced by Buddy Spencer, earned an amazing 11 letters in three varsity sports. Converse explained how he managed the feat.

"I was the kind of guy who was into everything," said Converse.

Bill Seeds introduced the final inductee, Tom McVav.

McVay, like Adams, had tears in his eyes when he spoke of Coach Sullivan.

McVay who became a legendary high school football coach, credited Sullivan with much of his success.

"When you were on Coach's team, you knew where you stood," McVay said. "He was very honest."

Following the reception, the inductees, past Hall of Famers, and their families went to Bloomer Sullivan

Gymnasium to watch the basketball games against Southwestern.

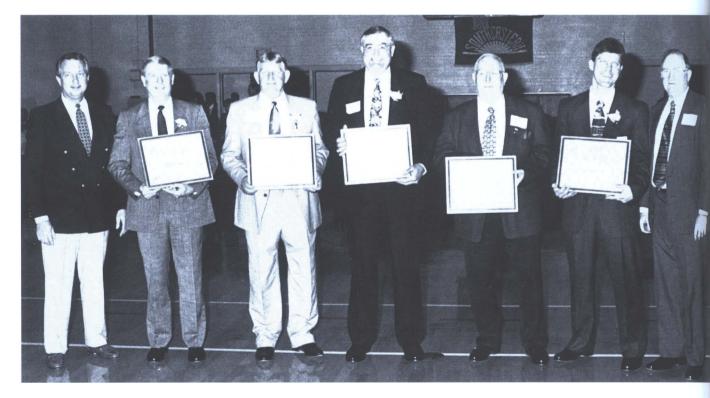
At half-time of the girls game, the new inductees were introduced to the capacity crowd.

"There were some legends in that crowd," said ladies coach Nick Keith. was a great opportunity to exhibit what we have to some important people."

"I looked into that crow and saw some heroes." said Tony Robinson, men's coad "I was glad both of our team put smiles on their faces."

In the first game of the evening, the Lady Savages beat the Lady Bulldogs of Southwestern, 86-60. The men's team won 72-59.

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Southeastern President Larry Williams stands with the five latest inductees into Southeastern's Athle Hall of Fame during half-time festivities of the Lady Savages game against Southwestern, Jan. 27. Fr left: Williams, Fall of Fame inductees Marvin Adams, Boyd "Cotton" Converse, Jim Christanelli, I McVay, Greg Legg and Director of Athletics Dan Parham.



James Dunham points out Tom McVay to his son, Jim Dunham, and Reece Campton.
McVay, who is Dunham's father-inlaw, was inducted into Southeastern's Athletic Hall of Fame on January 27, 1996.

#### Six named to NAIA All-American teams

The Southeastern Savage football was honored this spring by having six players named to the National Association (NAIA) of Intercollegiate Athletics All-American teams.

On offense, three players – Pete Spratt, Lamar Lowe and Eric Nuber – were named to the first team. Jeff Moser and Tim Vittito were named to the second team. Defensively, Steven Hohenberger was chosen for the honorable mention team.

"These players were very deserving of the All-American honor, and I am very excited for them," said head coach Morris Sloan.

"It is quite an honor and it's good for our program," added Sloan.

For the 1995 season, the Savages, ranked No. 4 in the final NAIA rankings, finished 7-4 overall and posted a 3-2 Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference (OIC) mark.

Spratt, who scored 38 points, finished his senior season with 65 receptions for 1,008 yards, ranking him fourth overall in the OIC. He had 17 punt returns for 206 yards and 16 kickoff returns for 251 yards.

Spratt was also named Most Valuable Offensive Player in the OIC. Nationally, he ranked first in receptions and third in punt returns.

Three kickoff returns for touchdowns

– one for 97 yards – tied Lowe for most
touchdowns scored on kickoff returns in
the NAIA and earning him All-American

honors. He had 20 kickoff returns for 611 yards, ranking him first in the OIC. Lowe also caught 49 passes for 647 yards and scored 60 points.

Moser, who was chosen first team OIC, passed for 2,814 yards on 190 completions. He threw for 20 touchdowns and ran one.

Tim Vittito, offensive lineman, each week was graded highly for his offensive efforts.

On the defensive effort, Hohenberger led the Savage defense with 39 unassisted tackles and 60 assisted tackles. He made 11 tackles for a loss (-43) yards, had three interceptions – one for a touchdown – and seven broken passes.

story: M. Shane Baxley

#### Savages try to beat the odds

When Southeastern fans watched the Savage basketball team warm up prior to games this season, they probably noticed the phrase "Tulsa Bound" on the back of their warm up shirts.

Tulsa, in this case, meant the NAIA National Tournament, a goal that some thought the Savages couldn't reach since they were playing in the tough Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference. The Savages overcame some tough adversities throughout the season and made it to the "Big Dance" in Tulsa, where they took a two-point loss in overtime to seventh-ranked Hawaii Pacific to end Southeastern's season.

The Savages surged at the end of the regular season to move up in the OIC standings. In the OIC tournament, they defeated USAO in the opening round, and defeated the talented Southwestern Bulldogs (for the third time in the season) to advance to the finals.

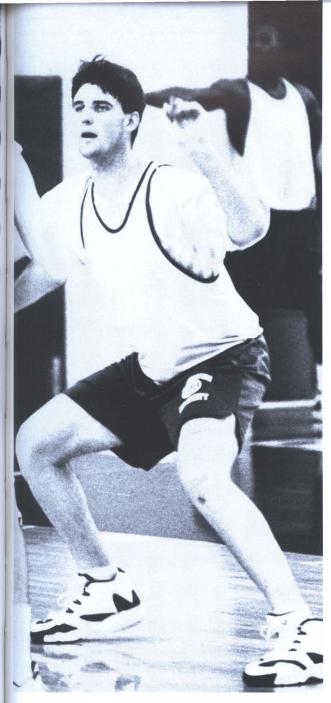
In the finals of the OIC tournament they defeated the Redmen of Northeastern to advance to the national tournament.



Tyrone Stafford, senior in communications, helped lead the Savages on a late season surge that carried them to the national tournament.

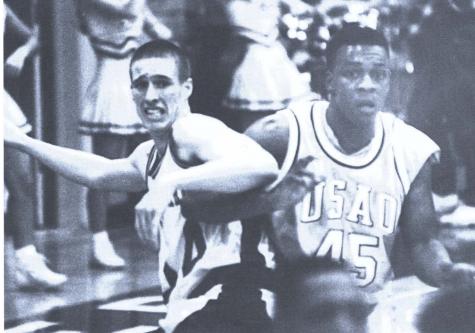


Eric Wooley, junior in biology, progressed over the season into one of the fiercest competitors in the league.



Jason Byrd, junior in recreation, works on his "D" during practice.



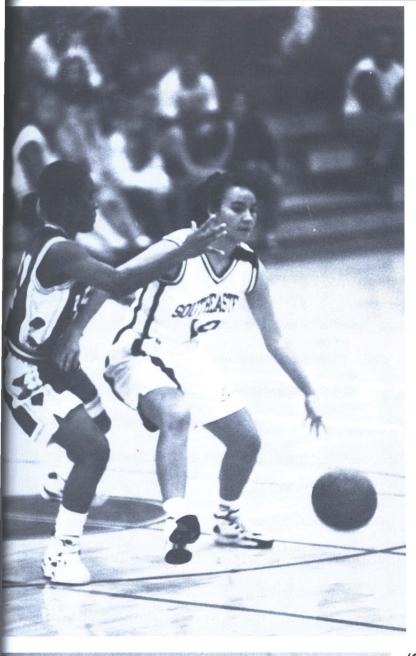


Dan Kobiske, sophomore in business administration, battles for position inside the paint.

Anthony Bruner, senior in recreation, was at the top of the national scoring list all season.







# Lady Savages number one falls short of victory

The 1995-96 Lady Savages stayed number one in the NAIA all season, until the last game of the year.

In their last game of the year, the national championship game, they were defeated in the final minute, again, by the Lady Redskins of Southern Nazarene.

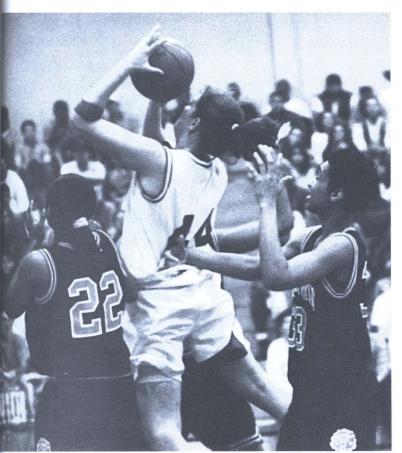
The Lady Savages had the greatest year in the programs history with a record of 34-2. They went undefeated in the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference and Lady Savage's filled up half of the all-conference team.

Crystal Robinson established herself as the greatest female basketball player in collegiate history. She was named an All-American for the third time, the national tournament MVP for the second consecutive time, and the national player of the year.



Lari Ann Watson, freshman in general studies, provided some excellent talent from the bench this season.

Mo Deeb, sophomore in health and physical education, drives to the hoop for the Lady Savages.



#### Crystal Robinson in line with many firsts

In almost 90 years of athletic competition at Southeastern, there have only been five athletic jerseys to be retired in school history. There have been no female athletes to have a jersey retired. There have been no athletes, male or female, to have their number retired while still playing.

That is, until this year.

Crystal Robinson's number 40 was retired immediately following the women's game against Langston in March.

"She's a great, great selection," said Don Parham, director of athletics. "She's a national figure in women's basketball, and I'm excited to be able to place that number up with all of the other great numbers."

The decision to retire the number 40 of Robinson's was a late decision.

Parham explained that it has been on the minds of the Southeastern athletic department for quite awhile.

"We thought about doing it next year, but we were afraid that it would lose some enthusiasm," said Parham.

Robinson, like many other basketball superstars, is known for her scoring. She averaged over 30 points in the 1994-95 season and averaged over 20 points this season.

Robinson graduated from Atoka High School and has received about as many honors as can be received in college women's basketball. This year alone she has been named as the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference's player of the week twice. She is a three-time All-American selection.

"The standards that she is setting are so high that I don't know if they'll ever be reached," said Parham.

But the most admirable part of Robinson's game is that she is a 'team' player. Coach Nick Keith said he felt blessed to have been able to have Robinson on one of his teams.

Robinson's number 40 was placed in a case at the end of the 1995-96 basketball season and is displayed in the lobby of Bloomer Sullivan Gymnasium alongside the jerseys of Don Parham, Brett Butler, Jim Spivey, Dennis Rodman, and Jerry Shipp.

Crystal Robinson, numbe 40, receives the ball to pu

into the basket for two points.

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**Coach Nick Keith presents** Crystal Robinson a hug and kiss as President Larry Williams hands her a jersey that was retired at the end of the 1995-96 basketball season. Athletic director Don Parham and Student Senate president Deanne Trotter wait to congratuate her following the presentation.



#### Mo Deeb hopes for a better year next year

November 14 was opening night for the 1995-96 Lady Savages. The first game of this new season was a much anticipated one, but when the starting line-ups were introduced, the absence of sophomore forward Mo Deeb was an insettling occurrence for the highly charged crowd.

For the first time in her career, Mo was absent from the Lady Savages' line-up.

As a freshman, Mo had endeared herself to the home rowd with hard-nosed defense, tenacious rebounding and never ending hustle.

She finished the season as the Lady Savages' second leading rebounder and shot blocker and the team's third eading scorer while starting all 34 games, but the most

interesting details of Mo Deeb's ife took place during those 237 days of the year that were not part of the basketball season.

From the age of 12, Mo Deeb grew up in Sand Springs, the product of a 90s prototype family.

From that time on, my grandfather was my dad," recalls Deeb. "My grandparents are responsible for making me the person lam today. They went beyond their call of duty as grandparents. They were my friends. They were constantly there, sharing all my joys and trials, never leaving my side."

One hundred and eight days after playing for the NAIA national championship, Mo Deeb learned that her grandparents, B.J. and Eileen Williams, had been killed when their car was struck by a

"That was the worst day of my life. Mimma and Papa were everything to us," she says. When they died, it was very difficult on everyone."

Mo was then unsure of wanting to return to Southeastern.

liust didn't know if I wanted to leave my family," she remembers, "but knowing that my grandparents really liked Coach Keith, Doc (Southeastern Athletic Director Don Parham) and Southeastern, is what helped me realize that they would have wanted me to come back here and finish my basketball and my education."

Before coming to Southeastern, B.J. and Eileen had driven their granddaughter from Sand Springs to Durant for her visit to the campus.

"They loved the beauty of the campus and the fact that it was close enough for them to come to a lot of the home games," said Parham. "Nick and I really worked on them because we could see the influence they had on Mo and how much she respected their opinion. We figured if we could make them see the benefits of Southeastern the wouldn't let Mo overlook US.

Mo's mother was the next to visit.



"Mom loved it right away. She said it reminded her of the college she had gone to in California," laughs Mo. "With all three of them in favor of Southeastern, I really didn't have a chance.

"Mo is just a terrific kid," says Keith about his sophomore forward.

Over her first three semesters at Southeastern, Mo has compiled a 3.5 GPA, while earning the respect and admiration of her classmates as well as her instructors.

"Mo has an assertive personality, and is not satisfied with easy answers," recalls Virginia Davis, and instructor in the Psychology and Counseling Department. "She always wants to know more.

Besides working hard in the classroom and on the court, Mo also has time to work hard as a volunteer at the Bryan County Humane Society, where she serves as vice-president.

On November 14, 129 days after her grandparents were killed. Mo was in the locker room dressed to start the '95-'96 season when she was called to Coach Keith's office.

"When I went into the office, Tony (her boyfriend) and coach were crying. so I knew something was really wrong, but I had no idea what was happen-

> On the phone, Mo's mother informed her that her sister, Yasmine, had committed suicide

Mo feels certain that her sister's death was a result of her grandparent's deaths.

"(Yasmine) really kept things inside her and never wanted to talk about her feelings. Whenever my grandparents would come up in conversation, she would leave the room. Looking back, I guess there were signs that this was coming, but none of us saw them. The weekend before her death she had come down here. We hung out and went to the Humane Society, everything seemed fine."

Mo returned to the team in time to start against Oklahoma Christian on November 21. "I was a little nervous about coming back because I didn't know how everyone was going to treat me. I didn't want them to feel funny or avoid me because they didn't know what to say, but they came to me and asked if they could wear black armbands in Yasmine's honor and I just started crying. They told me that whatever happens to me, happens to them. Just knowing

how much they care is a great feeling."

Coach Keith wasn't as nervous about getting Mo back on the team. "She is such an open person and this team is full of great kids, so I really wasn't all that concerned about it," he says. "I had counselors call and offer to help us deal with the situation, but I never felt that we needed that kind of assistance. These girls really care for one another and they weren't going to let this come between them."

"I always thought basketball was everything, but the things that happened last year helped me see that that is not the case. Prior to the season, Mo dedicated her play to her grandparents and after her sister's death she included Yasmine in her thoughts.

"I was really ready for 1995 to be over," she says with a smile on her face. "Surely 1996 will be a better year."

#### 1995 Lady Savages Basketball

#### One point stops champs

The Lady Savages, led by coach Nick Keith, came one point short of being the best team in the nation in 1995.

Southern Nazarene could only stop the Lady Savages last year by one point, but it was enough to cost the Lady Savages the national title.

"It was a kind of dream," said Keith, "because we weren't even expected to go that far."

Crystal Robinson was named to the All-American team for the second time, averaging 30.4 points, 5.6 assists, and 10.2 rebounds per game. She was named the Most Valuable Player of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference, and also MVP of the national tournament.

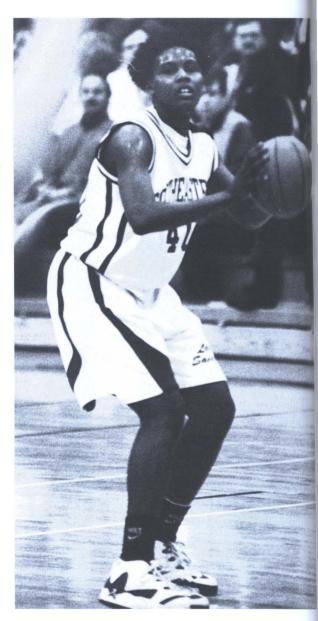
"The general consensus," said Keith, "is that Crystal Robinson is the greatest player in NAIA women's basketball."

Robinson broke single-game records for points (58) and field goals (22) as well as broke single-season records for points (1,032), rebounds (346), field goals (377), free throws (162), and assists (191).

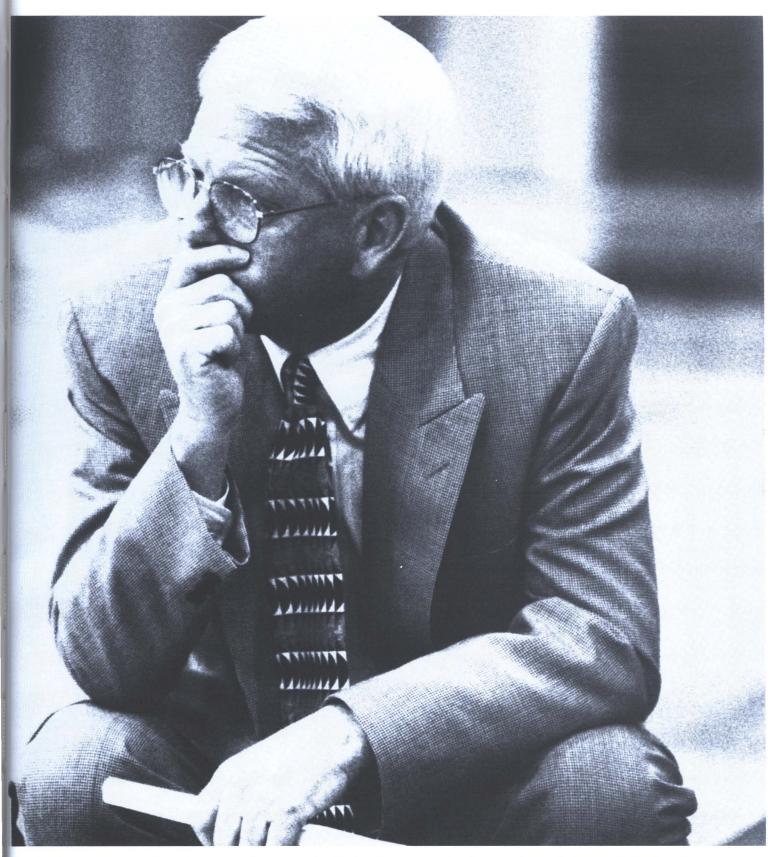
Robinson also broke career records for points (2,126) and free throws (347).

The Lady Savages broke team records for points (2,815), rebounds (1,335), assists (608), field goals (1,014), three-pointers (222), free throws (565), field goal percentage (47.5), and free throw percentage (76.1) as well as single-game records for assists (29) and free throws (30).

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Crystal Robinson was named an NAIA All-American for the third time in 1995. She averaged 30.4 points, 10.2 rebounds, and 5.6 assists per game.



Coach Nick Keith watched his Lady Savages battle their way to the finals of the 1995 NAIA National Tournament. Keith's 1995 team went 29 and five during the 1995 season. He now has a career record of 210 and 160.

## Softballers hope for a good season

Jennifer Broadrick takes a rip in action this spring.

Lori Alexander, the Lady Savages third basemen, added major power to the line-up this season.



The Lady Savages head coach Wesley Smithart believes that with good depth and the team's strong work ethic, they should be competitive this season.

"They have a real strong work ethic," Smithart said. "They lifted and ran on their own after last fall."

One concern this season could be pitching.

The Lady Savages have only two pitchers, but Smithart believes they're capable of performing the task that is in front of them.

The two pitchers are Amanda Payne and Sunni Johnston. Both are proven pitchers and have the experience it will probably take this season.

Defense looks fairly solid for the Lady Savages this season. There are a number of players who can fill in the middle of the infield.



The outfield also looks solid according to Coach Smithart. "We have four solid outfielders who will really add to our defense," said Smithart.

The catching duties will be shared by Joni Bingham and Jennifer Broadrick this season.

Smithart says hitting will be pretty good for the Lady Savages. He says that he has seen a lot of improvement from last fall.

"They've been working out on the weights in the off-season," said Smithart. "I have really noticed the bat speed come around and they've been making solid contact."

According to Smithart, the key this season for the Lady Savages will be to play solid defense.

With only two pitchers, they need to cut down on errors and make the innings as short as possible.

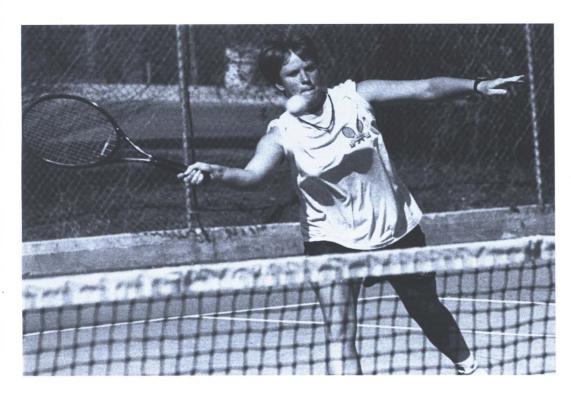


This season, seniors Melissa Brown, Dawn Sanderson, **Bridgett** Woods and Jennifer Broadrick, gave athletic director Don Parham the team's first ever plaque.



#### 1996 Lady Savage Softball

Front row (L to R): Carrie Cottrell, Mikaela Thomas, Jennifer Broadrick, Cynthia Ellis, Susan Bilderback, Vanessa Harjo, Julie Williams, Melissa Brown; back row: Stephanie Rounds, Bridgett Woods, Amy Brown, Lori Alexander, Joni Brigham, Peggy Rowland, Erica Young, Stephanie Denton, Dawn Sanderson, Sunni Johnston; not pictured-Amanda Payne.



#### Lady Savages tennis team makes a lot of "Racquet"

Southeastern's women's tennis team began its season on Feb. 16 with a tough test.

On that day they competed in the Collin County Tournament at Plano, Texas, which has always proven to be very competitive.

"The Collin County Tournament is a very tough tournament," said coach Pat Mauldin." They (Collin County Community College) are a two year school, but they've won nationals. We always get matched against them in the early rounds."

Members of this year's team are Christi Donaldson, Paula Gander, Michelle Kiehn, Emy Williams, Jessica Doughty, Amanda King, and Elaine Robinson.

To add to the team's already outstanding talent, Lady Savages basketball star Crystal Robinson, joined the team at the end of basketball season.

"She loves to play and she's pretty good at it," says Mauldin.

Mauldin also said that this year's team has a great chemistry. Due to that chemistry, she says that any doubles team she has will be very good.

With only four women's teams in the conference, fans get a chance to see outstanding competition from south of the Red River, in Texas Wesleyan, Austin College, and Tarleton State.



Michelle Kiehn, senior in health and physical education, concentrates on hitting the ball.

Christy Donaldson, senior in psychology, gets ready to hit the ball



1996 Ladies tennis team members: (L to R) Christi Donaldson, Paula Gander, Michelle Kiehn, Emy Williames, Jessica Doughty, Amanda King and Elaine Robinson, (not pictured Crystal Robinson).





Paula Gander, senior in psychology, gets ready to swing and send the ball across the net.

Jessica Doughty, freshman in biology, looks to see where she should hit the ball.



## Men's tennis team works hard to get things done

The men's tennis team started the season Feb. 17, 1996, at the extremely competitive Collin County Tournament in Plano, Texas.

Men's tennis coach, Keith Baxter, expected the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference to be very competitive.

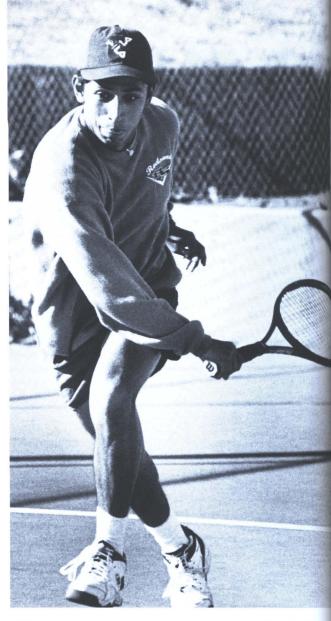
"The guys jumped right in the middle of some tough competition at the Collin County Tournament and saw what they had to face for the rest of the season," said coach Keith Baxter.

"These guys worked hard. They were there every day. They were able to do what it took to get it done," said Baxter.

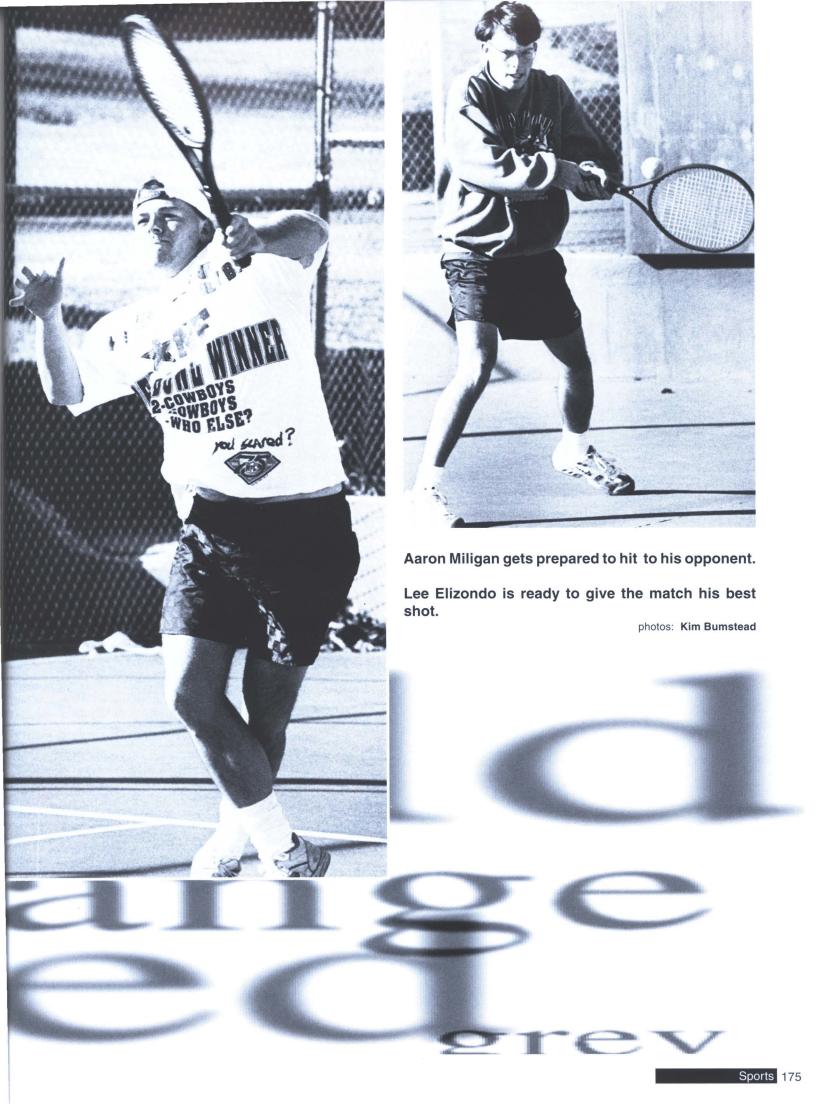
The Savages were matched against Austin College, Southern Nazarene, Tarleton State, Texas Wesleyan, East Central, Northeastern, Johnson College, Cameron, Central Oklahoma, University of Science & Arts of Oklahoma, and Southwestern.

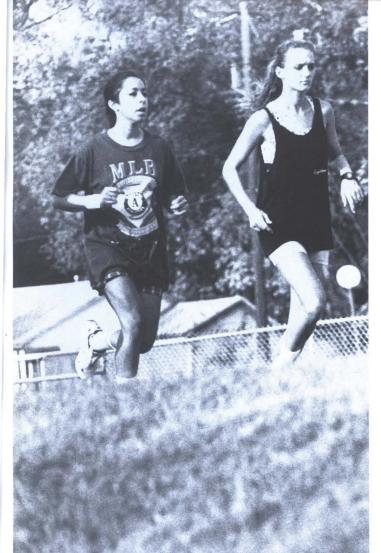
Jamie Donjuan tries some fancy footwork while making the ball zing across the court.

Men's tennis team members are: L to R: (front) Josh Michael, Jamie Donjuan, Preston Harbuck, Lee Elizondo, Song Won Shin, (back) Aaron Milligan, Aaron Waters, Ryan Eidsness, Chris Gander, Curtis Reese, Matt Dunn and not pictured, Shawn Hamil.









Naomi Ramos and Lacey Sanford running cross country in preparation of the Savage's first meet of the season.

**Cross Country Team** 1995-96

From left: Crystal Klimek, Naomi Ramos, Angela Landre, Sabrina Kemp and Lacey Sanford.

**Cross Country** 

#### **Team faces set backs** at conference title meet

This year in cross country has been a good one for Southeastern, according to the coach and team, but someone once said "all things must come to an end."

The conference meet was something that the Savage cross country team looked forward to and dreamed about all season.

Saturday, Nov. 4, the Oklahoma Intercollegiate cross country meet took place at the East Central University golf course in Ada. Southeastern put forth a great effort toward winning the conference title.

"Unfortunately," said coach Lenny Pettit, "we lost one of our runners (Naomi Ramos) to the armed services. Also, Lacy Sanford who was looking forward to having a good conference meet, was injured earlier this year and wasn't 100 percent."

"As a whole, our kids did quite well considering the circumstances," said Pettit. "We had some new faces on the team and also had a few setbacks that just caught us at the wrong time of the season."

Southeastern finished a very respectable fourth place in the conference meet with a total of 90 points. Michelle Goode placed 10th, Angela Landre came in 11th, Lacy Sanford ended up in 15th, Sabrina Kemp was 28th and Krystal Klimek finished in 31st place.

"I feel we did well this year," said Pettit. "We have something to build on for next year. All of our runners improved on their times and will go into the track season with confidence in their skills."

story: Thomas Ruck





Lacey Sanford placed 15th in the conference meet for the Oklahoma Intercollegiate conference at Ada.



Angela Landre came in 11th at the conference meet in Ada in November.

photos: Kim Bumstead

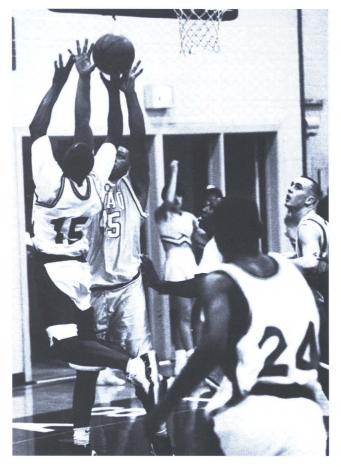


#### Southeastern's sports: a year in review



Brandon Evans, junior in hyper education, lays down a bunt in baseball action last fall.

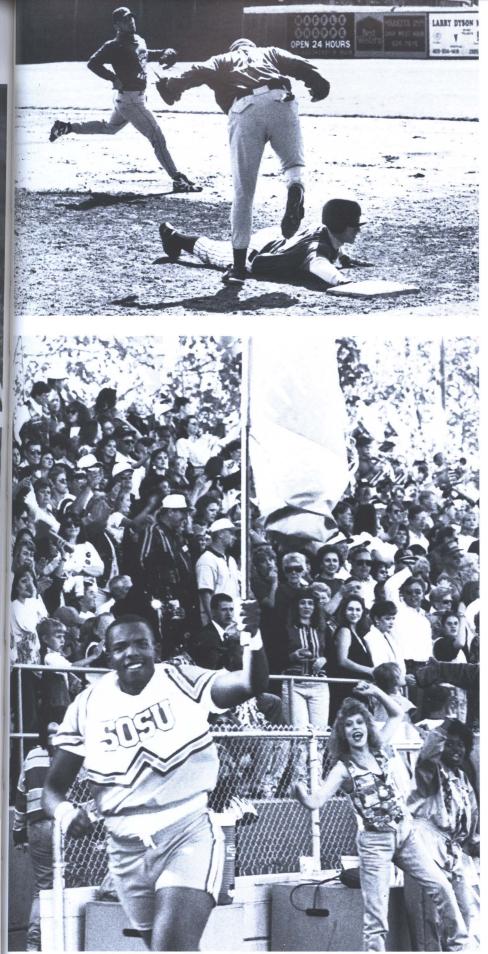
Deon Green, freshman in recreation, brought down after a long gain during the homecoming game.



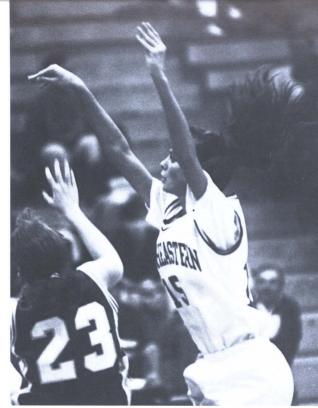
Anthony Bruner, senior in recreation, powers up a shot for the Savages this year.



Dan Kobiske, sophomore in business administration, looks for a pass inside the paint.



Calvin Tidwell, senior in criminal justice, raised the Savage spirit during the football season.



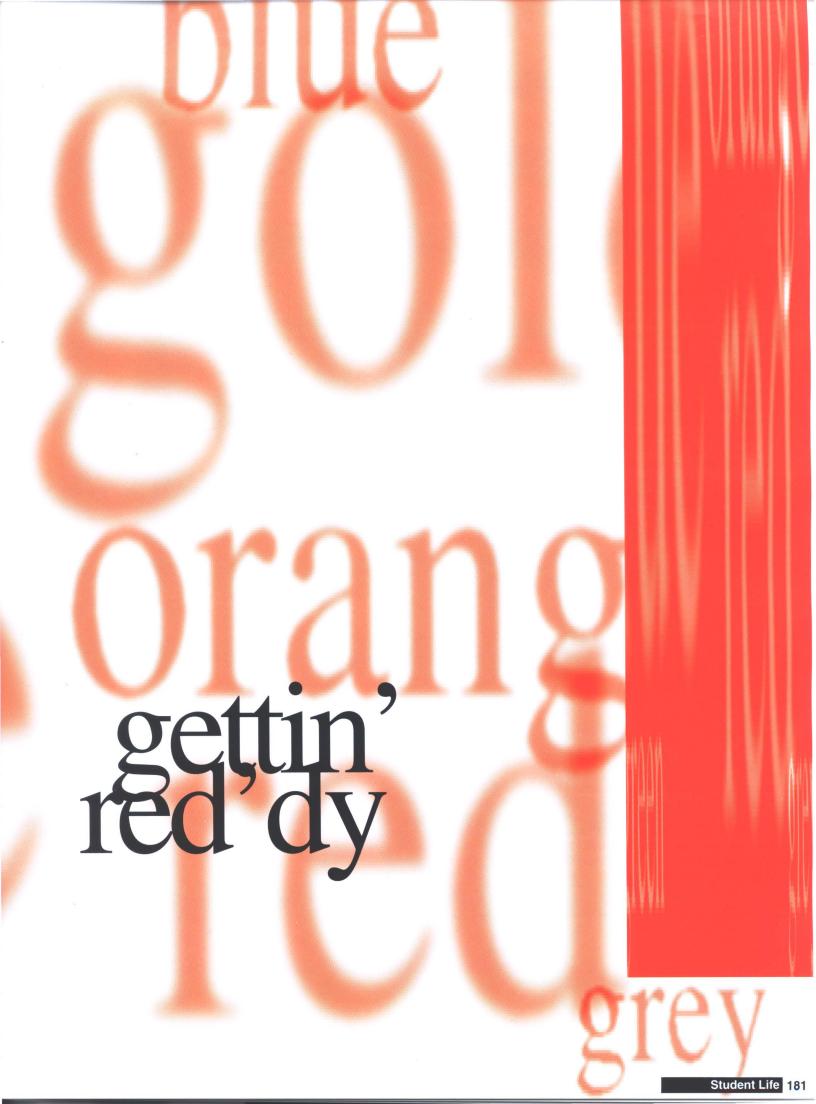
Jarod Bible, senior in math, dives back into the bag during the Savages fall season.

Vicky Shved, junior in economics, nails a bucket during the Lady Savages' outstanding year.

photos: Kim Bumstead







#### Helping out



Blue Key: First Row (L-R): Ryan Brown, Chris Krull, Kent Denson, Shannon McCraw, Brad Knight (President), Scott Lowance, Thomas Marcum (Historian), Song Won Shin (Vice President), Mark Brown, and David Hardy. Second Row (L-R): Marc Patrick, Jeremy Young, J. Mike Colclasure, Tareq Hasan, Edward Gomes, Dietra Spencer, JB Lilley, Jason McHenry, Jake Bell, and Jerrod Lingle. Third Row (L-R): Gaines Duvall, Daniel Moore, Matt Gerber, Kevin Gordon, Joe Studer, Eric Wall, Brian Langdon, Scott Grigory, Tim Cannon, Aaron Milligan, Clint Nelson, Jason DaVault, and Nick Mackey. Not Pictured: Joshua Craig, Steve Hardy, Griffith Servanti, Larry Hurst, Jeremy Parham, Jason Squires, Dax West, Jeremy Rose, Richie Bowling, Thomas Hermdon, and John Rich.



Cardinal Key: Front Row (L-R): Amy Chapman, Lori Crawford, Angela Duncan, Kelly Fluellen, Erin Goggans, Paula Gander, Michelle Lowrie, Mary Wade, Kelly Walla and Trena Young. Back Row (L-R): Crystal Russell (President), Renee Brown (Vice President), Jennifer Jones, Connie Friend, Amy Williams, Deanna Duncan, Tina Madsen, C.J. Larson, Melodie Henderson, Amanda Stoker, Melissa Ebert, Cynthia Wingfield, Melissa Brown, Krista Priddy, Deana Luna, Jennifer Riggs (Historian), Tammy Tabor and Kelly Richards. Not Pictured: Jodie arnett, Vickie Arnett, Kelly Doolen, Casey Graham (Secretary/ Treasurer), Michelle Kiehn, Shelly Henry, Kim Krehbiel, Cindy Proctor and LeaAnn Wilhoit.

Southeastern gives to win

#### **Blood, Sweat, Tears**

Every year, Southeastern and East Central compete for the South Oklahoma Blood Institute (SOBI) plague which is awarded to the school that donates the most blood.

Southeastern has won almost every year but fell behind after the first drive this year, even though the expected number of 125 donors attended.

The competition ends in February when the SOBI presents the plaque to the winning school. There are blood drives throughout the year at each school, giving everyone a chance to donate.

Some fifth and sixth-time donors were glad to help out and were even happier to get free pop and cookies following their donations.

"The worst part for me is getting my finger pricked, but after that it's no problem," said Christopher Babbitt, sophmore, general studies. "I like getting the free food, however, and there's really no pain involved."

Others were first time donors like Heidi McIntyre, freshman,

elementary education, but even she admits that it's not so bad.

"I'll probably do it again next time. I really liked getting the free pop," said McIntyre.

Senior Lori Roan, art education, believes this is a wothwhile cause even though it's painful.

"This is my fifth time to give, and I'll keep coming back just as long as I can," said Roan.

C.W. Mangrum, department chair for communication and theatre is a four-gallon donor who simply enjoys helping others. Mangrum is a member of the Kiwanis International, the parent organization to Circle K International. He said he thinks blood donating is virtually painless and anyone who can comfortably give should.

"The best part of giving is knowing that someday this donation will save someone's life," said Mangrum.

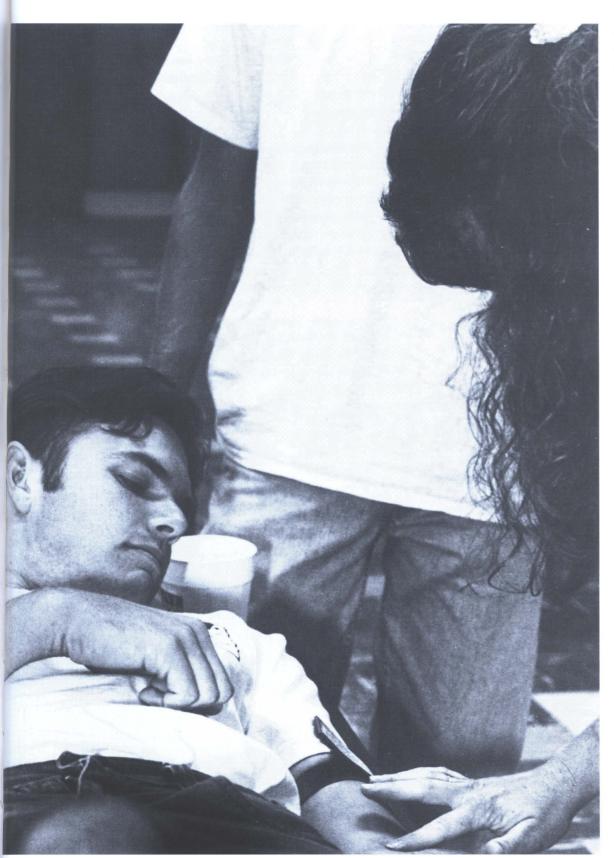
Circle K and the President's Club encourage students, friends, and faculty to donate at every opportunity.

story: Alyson Farmer



Adam Steele, freshman, general studies, donates his time and blood at the annual blood drive contest kick-off in September. etween Circle K International and the President's club, every organization on Southeastern's campus is repreented and relationships are being maintained throughout the world, opening the doors for the future.

## **Open Doors**



Aaron Green, sophomore, chemistry, is so comfortable with giving blood that he helps a nurse place a needle in his arm.

Rob Bagby, freshman, conservation, gives "emotional support" to Aaron Green, sophomore, chemistry, at the September blood drive.



#### **BSU** provides "home away from home" for students

The Baptist Student Union (BSU) is one of the largest student organizations on campus and is sponsored by the Southern Baptist Convention.

The center is host to such activities as Vespers (weekly worship service), Noonday Lunch on Wednesdays, Freshman Fanatics, Paul Timothy (a small group for future ministers), and the occasional Friday Night Fellowship.

The BSU also feeds each sports team once during their regular season and holds a Valentine's Day and Thanksgiving Day banquet for international students on campus.

The BSU took a mission trip to

Daytona Beach, Fla. during Spring Break '96 called Beach Reach, 20 students were selected to go spread the Word to Daytona Beach tourists and residents alike.

The BSU secretary, Barbara Riggs, Grad., Technology, says that she "got involved with the BSU as a freshman and, as a result [has] decided to go into the ministry."

Riggs believes that the people at the BSU share the same interests as she and their basic beliefs are concurrent with those of her home church, which is also Baptist.

text: Alyson Farmer



Students who were part of the Baptist Student Union at Southeastern included: (L-R) Bottom Row: Richie Warren, Mike Galsthorpe, Benjamin Polson, Justin Green, Josh Craig; Top Row: Elise Moore, Stacy Robinson, Trena Young, Veronica Stockton, Misty Wade, and Kendra Broome.



Benjamin Polson gets caught holding Mike Gelsthorpe.





Trena Young thinks the Baptist Student Union is "OK!"

Justin Greene enjoys studying the Bible at the Baptist Student Union.

Alpha Eta Rho, Omicron Chapter International Aviation Fraternity: front Row (L to R): Jason Turnbull; Kim Ballard; Shelly Henry, secretary; Tina Madsen, treasurer; Jay Bell, social chairman; Amy Dilbeck; back row: Amy Leigh Williams, president; Michelle Lowrie, vice president; Joe Carter; Philip Carter.



Alpha Eta Rho Homecoming Queen candidate Amy Williams and escort Jay Bell have a blast making the Loop during the parade.



Jay Bell rinses a wing during one of Alpha Eta Rho's plane washes.

#### Aviation fraternity understands brotherhood

Brotherhood is a concept many people strive to understand. The members of Alpha Eta Rho Southeastern's aviation fraternity, not only believe in brotherhood, but have truly taken the concept to heart.

"Alpha Eta Rho is a professional fraternity which brings aviation students together for a common purpose," said Amy Leigh Williams, Omicron Chapter

Alpha Eta Rho (AHP), whose Greek letters stand for "air," is an international collegiate fraternity which was established on the campus of the University of Southern California in 1929. The Omicron Chapter was founded at Southeastern in 1966.

AHP bands together outstanding students, interested faculty, and industrial leaders into one organization to promote interest in aviation, and establish professional opportunities and vision of its C founder, Professor Earl W. Hill.

The Omicron Chapter is presently one of the most active chapters in the nation, and during the fall of 1995 with Williams receiving a national scholarship.



Scrub, Philip, scrub! Philip Roberts works hard at cleaning off the grime during a plane wash, while Jason Turnbull stands on a ladder to get to those tough spots.

#### College Republicans paves the way



bllege Republicans: (L to R) front Row: Debra Barnes, Wendy Foster, Edwin Stuart, Tim edrick; back Row: Trey Bryant, Brian Holloway and Randy Massey.

#### Computer Club ahead of the rest



Computer Club members stand around in the computer lab. (L to R) Joshua Kirby, vice president; Chris Kaminski; Sean Gilliam; Peter Machpherson, advisor; Edward Gomes; Scott Satterfield; Tim Smolen, president; Daniel Moore; and Roger Behymer.

#### Wesley and Newman reach out

The Wesley Center of Southeastern sponsored many activities during the 1995-96 school year. The students traveled to Mexico on a mission trip in May to build a house for a family and stay on the beach. The center was also host to weekly events such as worship service and small groups.

One small group was particularly successful, the Dead Theologians Society. The group gave students a chance to gather and talk about theologians such as Martin Luther, John

Calvin and John Wesley and how their ideas compare to those of today.

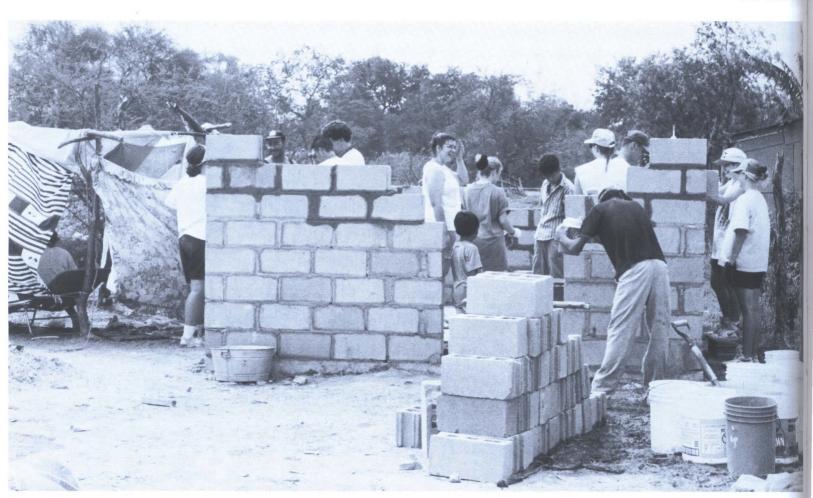
During Alcohol Awareness Week, a non-alcoholic drinking binge was hosted for all Southeastern students. The event was very successful and had an even larger turnout than the previous year.

Other events included the Sleep-over at Wesley, Sneak Leadership Retreat, Ropes Course Retreat, and the annual Christmas party. The retreats were aimed at promoting leadership qualities and instilling confidence in those who attended. The spring semester was filled with events such as a pancake breakfast, Sunrise Service on Easter, and Spring Student Gathering at Canyon Camp in Hinton, Okla.

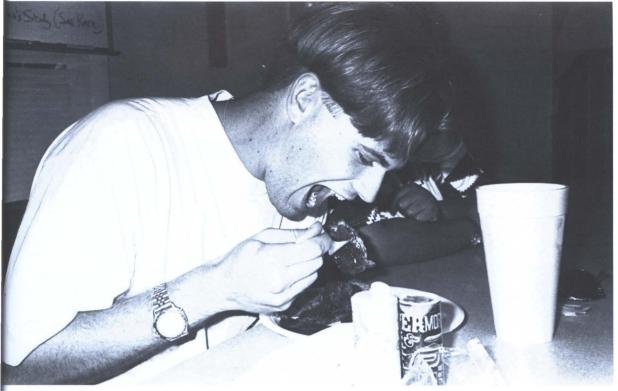
The Wesley Center is currently involved in a team fund-raising effort with the South Central Methodist student center in Ada, Okla. to raise \$350,000 to build a new Wesley Center on both campuses. Both campuses hope to raise the money by the end of 1996 so that construction can begin without concern with debt.

The United Methodist Church has given great support to the project and each campus is able to apply for grants on the state/conference level. The chances of getting such grants are good because they usually match whatever the organization raises. Volunteers and mission groups of the United Methodist Church will provide much of the labor for the project. The \$350,000 would allow each campus ministry to build and secure each plan they envision without debt.

text: Callie Cole



Wesley Center students went to Mexico on a mission trip in May 1995. Among other things, the group built a home for a poverty-stricken family.



**Patrick Nobles eats** lunch at Wesley. Each Friday, free lunch and a short devotional message are offered by area churches and the Wesley Center.



The Newman Club is a Catholic student organization made up of: (L-R) Front Row: Lisa Ptacek, Tammy DiAngelo (secretary/treasurer); middle row: Mark Brown, Ryan Downs (president), Tam Nguyen, Ryan Brown; top row: Ed Purtel, Rev. Father Jake Males, Cathy Moore (youth activities coordinator of St. Williams Catholic Church, Durant); and Bil Schroeder (faculty sponsor).



Tommy Moore peeks around the corner of the house he helped build on the mission trip in May 1995.

### **Spirit and** Pom **Squads** lead crowds

The Spirit Pony (Linda "Lou" Penz) and the Savage (Mike Whittington) pose for a photo during a home football game.

(L to R) Kendra Hall, Christina Grider, Lisa Shannon, Ashley Rutherford, Renee Brown, Jeani Dandridge and LeaAnn Wilhoit lead some of their cheerleading campers during halftime at a football game.

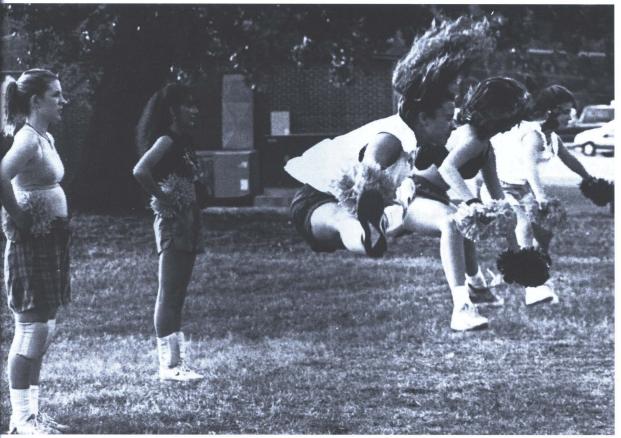
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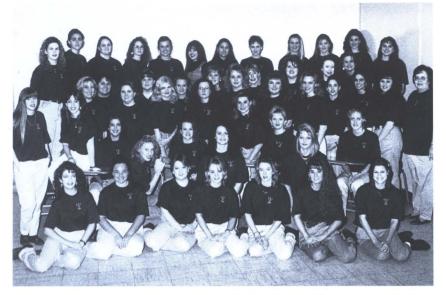
1995-96 Spirit Squad - (L to R): Mike Whittington as the Savage, Mike Manning, Jana Purser, Ron Campbell, Shelly Douglas, Calvin Tidwell, Lea Ann Wilhoit, Josh Grider, Heather Lowry, Jason Nittler, Heather Hillburn, Linda "Lou" Penz as the Spirit Pony.

1995-96 Pom Squad -(Clockwise starting on L): Jeani Dandridge, Lisa Shannon, Ashley Rutherford, Kendra Hall, Sarah Hocutt, Christina Grider, Renee Brown.

photos: Dan Hoke

The Pom Squad members spend hours in practice preparing for each game.

photo: Kim Bumstead



Alpha Sigma Tau: Bottom Row (L to R): Kelli Doolen, Ember Bennett, Shauna Hall, Angie Henry, Kelly McLemore, Terina Noel, Amanda Cox; 2nd Row: Cheryl Moore, Allyson Walis, Debbie Burke, Sara Hocut, Jill Rogers, Rhonda McCall, Melissa Currie, Melanie Short, Kelly Templin, Missy Mattingly; 3rd Row: Sara McCornack, Alicia Flowers, Tara Peebles, Cari Davis, Stephanie Stephens, Tammy Seabrock, Toni Leathers, Danette Norwood, Casey Graham, Lori Crawford, Amy Williams, Melissa Ebert, Katy Rainbolt, Gail Delashaw, Amy Wilson, Laura Mink, Heather Smith, Stephanie Clark, TeLoa Butler (advisor); 4th Row: Jeanie Dandridge, Zoe Buchanan, Jennifer Clinton, Alyson Roberts, Karla Kuykendall, Ashley Chaney, Yzonne Ruiz, Heidi Butler, Natalie Parish, Krystall Bass, Marcia Brunson, Kelly Robinson photo by: Kim Bumstead



Sigma Sigma Sigma: Bottom Row (L to R): Paula Prock, Alicia Haddock, Natalie Brigman, Andrea Pyle, Jamie Ford, Crystall NcNeil, Kandi Bray, Heather Paul, Vicki Arnett; 2nd Row: Valli Price, Jennifer Powers, Cathy Depew, Ita Eades, Jamie Cook, Charity Walkup, Kaylene Conditt, Monica Riner; 3rd Row: Amy Whitaker, Pamela Worden, Linda Penz, Tootie Johnson, April McCurry, Amy Chapman, Amy Jane Clampet, Amber Peckio; 4th Row: Shelly Key, Tammy Lindley, Karen Foster, Tracey Rodgers, Cindy Hester, Tammi Hammet, Jill Turpin.

#### Alpha Sigma Tau sorority grows

Alpha Sigma Tau has been a part of Southeastern since 1932 and continues to grow in size and strength each year. Emerald green and gold represent the ladies of Alpha Sigma Tau.

Alpha Sigma Tau members are very active on campus and off. During the past year they have adopted the Bryan County Animal Shelter and the Women's Crisis Center for local philanthropies and have a national philanthropy, the Pine Mountain Settlement in Kentucky for underpriviledged children.

Each semester, as a fundraiser for the Pine Mountain Settlement, the sorority hosts a potato supper and all the proceeds go to the settlement. This year the sorority hosted its 3rd annual potato supper at the Baptist Student

The sorority fed about 150 people and raised approximately \$200 that they will be sending to the Pine Mountain Settlement and \$150 to nationals for the scholarship fund.

#### Tri-Sig sorority sails forward

The Zeta Gamma Chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma was founded in 1991 at Southeastern. Sigma Sigma (Tri-Sigma) is a soical sorority that emphasizes academic, pubic service, and involvement in campus activities.

Tri Sigma offers the opportunity to experience a lifetime through sorority sisterhood.

Royal purple and white represent Sigma Sigma Sigma. The sailboat which symbolizes continual forward motion is always progressing toward its destination is the symbol of Tri Sigma. Tri-Sigma's philanthropy is the Roby Page memorial.

During the fall '95 semester Tri-Sigma hosted its 4th annual spaghetti supper.

"The spaghetti supper is always a lot of hard work, but we always have a great time," said Amy Chapman, former president of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

According to Chapman, the spaghetti supper brought in 170 people raising an approximated \$600.

"We are very appreciative for all the help," said Chapman.

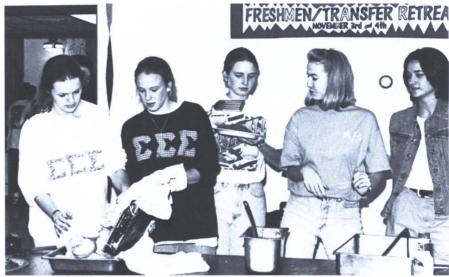


Rhonda McCall, Alyson Roberts and Amy Williams of Alpha Sigma Tau sorority get things ready for the potato supper. Benefits went toward their philanthropy, the Pine Mountain Settlement.

Members of Sigma Sigma Sorority served spaghetti to an estimated 170 people. The organization raised about \$700 in its efforts.

Greg Guymon, sophomore in communication, is joined with Alpha Sigma Tau members Rhonda McCall, senior in biology/ chemistry, and Amy Williams, senior in communication, while they take a break during the potato supper.

photos: Toni Leathers







Mathematics Club - front row (L to R): Stephanie Haley, Dr. Karla Oty, Renee Brown, Sylvia Miller and Tracy Keller. Back row: Angela Duncan, Tareq Hasan, Mr. Brett Elliott, John Wall and Edward Gomes.



Alchemist Club: Front Row (L to R): Eric Woolley, Kevin Gordon, Teresa Owens, Eric Wall, Jeanie Kilian, Connie Friend; Second Row: Valerie Smither, Julie Bennett, Matt Simpson, Brad Knight, Erin Kngiht; Back Row: Kent Denson, Mid Reeves, Kris Wood.

#### **Debate team hopes** to duplicate 50th anniversary win

This years debate topic is Resolved: The United States should increase security assistance to the Middle East; Syria, Jordan, Egypt, Isreal and the Palestine National Authority.

Southeastern's Debate Team consists of two members, Matt Gerber and Heather Thibodeaux. Gerber is a senior communication major from Broken Arrow and Thibodeaux is a senior public relations major also from Broken Arrow.

These debaters have been very busy this year.

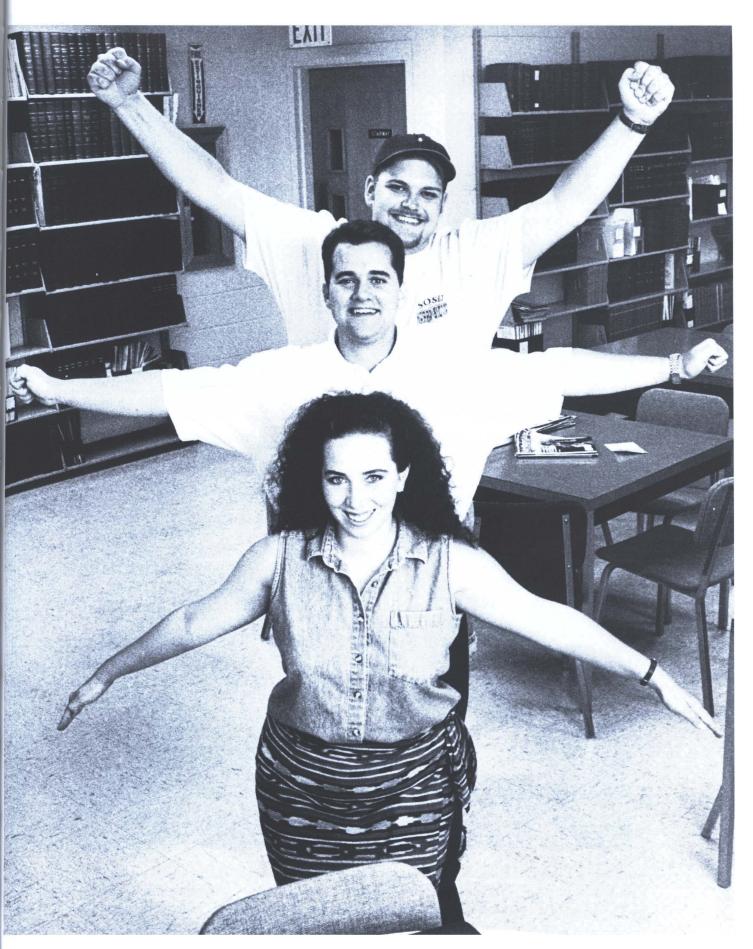
They have attended numerous tournaments at universities around the United States and have won many prestigious awards. The debaters have been to the University of Northern Iowa, Washburn University, Wayne State University, University of Kansas, Northwestern University, University of Texas, University of Utah and Baylor University.

Gerber was named Debater of the Year, an award chosen by the Baylor University debate team and awarded to a district or national debater based on their contribution to the debate community.

Gerber was named first of 28 speakers at Washburn University, seventh of 43 speakers at the University of Utah. fourth of 44 speakers at the University of North Texas, 14 of 76 speakers at the University of Kansas, and tenth of 36 at Wayne State University.

No more than five points ever separate Gerber's and Thibodeaux's speaker points.

1996 marks the 50th anniversary of the National Debate Tournament win against the University of Southern California at the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York.



Matt Gerber, Shannon McCraw, debate team sponsor; and Heather Thibodeaux show their strength during a time out from researching their 1995-96 debate topic at the library.

#### Alpha Mu Gamma: Learning new languages



(L to R): Page Sherrill, Angela Ketchum, Tonya Young, Michael Hogan, Nancy Smithson, Debbie Blackwell



Faculty advisers (L to R): Kim McGehee, Lisa Hill, Jorge Morales

# green

#### Student Education Association profits by selling books to community, educators

Southeastern's Student Education Association (SEA) is very active on campus as well as contributing to the local community. SEA presents a book fair located on campus each semester. The spring semester book fair brought in almost \$3,000 in profits which will be used as a donation to area elementary schools. This book sale was the sixth

fair in recent years. The books sold were primarily children's literature.

"We always have a surprisingly good turn out especially when considering the weather," said SEA co-president Elizabeth Jackson.

The sale was mainly geared toward elementary education majors, but many people with children purchased books

also. The fall semester book sale was equally successful and the proceeds go toward hosting a teacher's banquet for teachers in the educational field at Southeastern.

The money from both book sales is used to send students in the education department to fall and spring conferences.



Alpha Upsilon Alpha: Front Row (L to R): Danna Laginess, Kim Colvard, Pam Dellinger, Elizabeth Jackson- Vice President, Rhonda Alexander, Gail Pigg, Carol Shown; Back Row: Barbara Bell, Elixzabeth Means, Jyi Griffin, Gill Flynn, Brandy Dickson, Jackie Haberman, Krista Alshawish, Mary Wade, Terri Broome, Casey Graham-President, Craig Edmondson

#### Publications staffs get 'real world' experience



Southeastern newspaper staff: Back row - Christian Byrd, Pam Bumstead (adviser), Mary Holt, Toni Leathers, Steve Anderson; front row - Chad Pate, Ginger Cothran, Lisa McKenzie, Tracy Moore.



Savage yearbook staff: Clockwise - Steve Anderson, Lisa McKenzie, Toni Leathers, Christian Byrd, Alyson Farmer, Mary Holt and Pam Bumstead (adviser). Not pictured: Tracy Moore, Michelle McKenzie and Holly Landtroop.

The Southeastern and the Savage opens doors for students interested inlearning experiences in publishing.

The Southeastern newspaper is published weekly by students. They report news of what is happening on campus, in the community and on a national level, what will be taking place and other interesting aspects of college life.

The Savage yearbook is published annually and delivered each spring. It has the sole purpose of capturing and preserving memories through photographs from organizations, activities, and achievements of the university and the students, faculty and staff of Southeastern.

Both publications give students an idea of what goes into putting a newspaper and yearbook together. The students are solely responsible for desiging and proofing pages which are printed for the newspaper and published for the yearbook.

Every fall semester staff members from the newspaper and the yearbook are given the opportunity to attend conventions. In the Fall 1995 staff members attended the 71st National College Media Convention in Washingotn, D.C. from Nov. 2-5, 1995.

The conventions help journalists and yearbook students learn more about their field of work and help increase their knowledge on other skills. Through keynote addresses, break-outs, discussion groups, demonstrations and informal networking, students get an inside look at hot issues in media and the government.

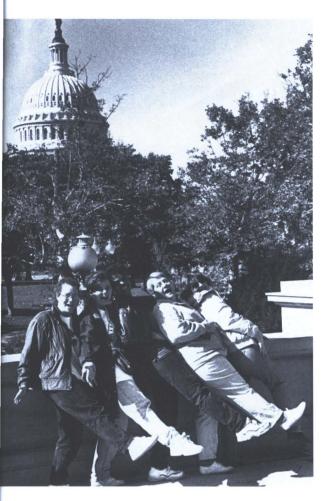
"I learned so much in the seminars. I came back to Southeastern very eager to use all new tactics on the newspaper and yearbook," said Lisa McKenzie, junior in English.

Also a significant component of the convention program was the practical skills sessions which covered all aspects of student media. Convention highlights were: nearly 300 skill and issue sessions; best of show and on-site competitions for newspapers and yearbooks; minority journalist roundtables; trade show and book exhibit; on-site critiques; and job search sessions.

The convention was open to all two-year, fouryear colleges and professional schools, public and private, in the United States, Canada and other countries.

Staff members who attended were: Steve Anderson, Christian Byrd, Ginger Cothran, Alyson Farmer, Mary Holt, Holly Landtroop, Toni Leathers, Lisa McKenzie, Chad Pate and adviser Pam Bumstead.

text: Toni Leathers



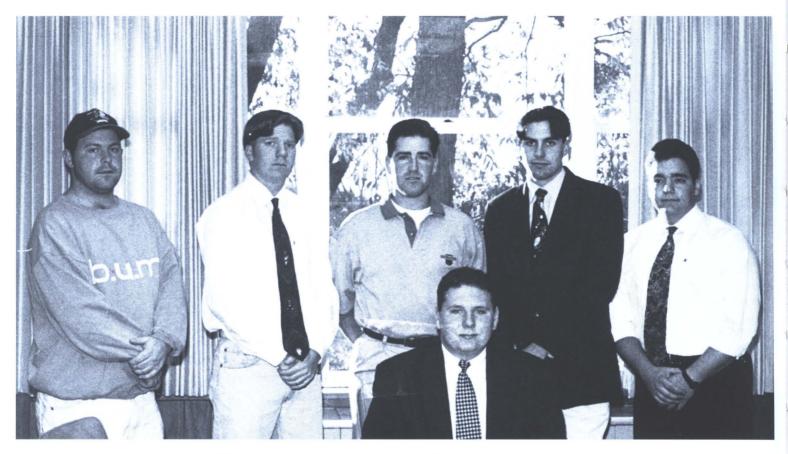
Toni Leathers, Ginger Cothran, Mary Holt, Pam Bumstead and Holly Landtroop kick back on the steps of the Library of Congress in Washington D.C.

photo: Kim Bumstead

The Southeastern staff had the opportunity to have several of their papers critiqued by Kent Best, adviser from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. (L to R) Steve Anderson, Ginger Cothran, Chad Pate, Kent Best and Holly Landtroop.



## Organizations provide service to others within the community



Interfraternity Council - (L to R): Jeff Sleeker, Todd Mansfield, Chad Mansfield, Tim Cannon, Robert Balser; seated, J. Mike Colclasure

#### **Interfraternity Council**

The Interfraternity Council (I.F.C) consists of representatives from each Greek fraternity on campus and acts as a link between the fraternities.

Each fraternity has a vote on any decision made by the I.F.C. The I.F.C. works with the Panhellinic Council to plan campus-wide activities such as Springfest, Hokie Day, and Greek Week. The I.F.C. also works with the

counseling center to put on special programs such as Health Awareness Week, Alcohol Awareness Week, and screening for Eating Disorders.

Chad Mansfield, I.F.C. member, said, "The I.F.C. keeps the fraternities informed and united. It also allows them to work with other campus organizations more effectively and efficiently."



#### Circle K

Circle K - front row (L to R): Tamla Hill, Kendall Weger, Lori Wood, Jeremy Bell; back row: Bob Hamilton, Casey Graham, Mickey Speed, Gail Delashaw, Brian Brown

Circle K is an international organization which exists in countries around the world. It offers service to communities in need. Part of a larger network of organizations and parented by Kiwanis International, the Circle K is reaching out to help in every corner of the world.

Circle K is the college branch of the Kiwanis International organization. There are also high school clubs, Key Club; elementary school clubs, Builder's Club; and adult clubs, Kiwanis Club.

All of these clubs are internationally recognized organizations which offer

members unique service opportunities and the chance to see different parts of the world.

From picking up trash to helping fund the building of salt factories in third world countries (to battle disease), the Circle K is helping people everywhere.



Psi Chi is the National Honor Society in Psychology, founded in 1929 for the purpose of encouraging, stimulating, and maintaining excellence in scholarship, and advancing the science of

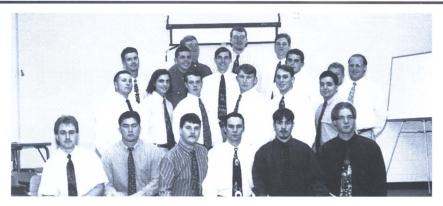
psychology and its discipline.

Psi Chi serves two major goals—one is the Society's obligation to provide academic recognition to its inductees by the mere fact of membership.

#### Psi Chi

Psi Chi - front row (L to R): Dr. Wayne Dixon, Tammy Broughton, Reba Newman, Melissa Ebert, Karen Powell, Lea Ann Wilhoit, and Dr. Jon Reid; second row: Melissa Wood, Cheryl Moore, Rebecca Forester, Cheryl Carter, J. Darlene Bullard, Pam Ashcraft, Janelle Russell, and Krista Priddy; back row: Connie Gray, Judy Brown, Tracy Gilbert, Kevin Hamill, and LeaDora Briley.

The second is the obligation of each of the Society's local chapters to nurture the spark of that accomplishment by offering a climate congenial to its creative development.



Delta Tau Delta - Front Row: Randy Bush, Bryson Williamson, Larry Allison, John Hitchcock, Chad Frazier, Jamie Shirley; 2nd Row: Billy Selah, Ryan Bass, Chris Lesch, Todd McGrath, John Schenke, Robert Balser; 3rd Row: Alan Vetal, Steve Espolt, Kevin Niles, Felton Hall, J.R. Evans, Jim Cobb; Back Row: Joe "Country" Nault, Mike LeMasters, Scott McGee



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Sigma Tau Gamma - Front row: Jeremy Rezner, Nick Mackey, Matt Butler, Kendra Wolfe (White Rose), Pat Parr, Shane Aaron, Larry Hurst; Second Row: J.D. Rich, Jerome Alford, Andy Brown, Tim Cammon, Eric Wilson, Will Griggs; 3rd Row: Jay Thomas, Josh Crelia, Brian Hellfington, Chris Nash, Jake Bell, Clint Nelson; 4th Row: Craig Simmons Nate DeNault, Ramiro Pusina, Scott Grigory, Sam Boudreau, Kevin Claxton; Back Row: Chris Parson, Clay Cayle, Brian Adams, Greg Worn, Jeremy Mom, Dave Hilton, Jon Dearman.

## Fraternity gives time to children

The Delta Tau Delta social fraternity is doing their best to see that the children in the community are being educated.

This is the reason why they became involved with a reading program for children as one of their philanthropy projects.

A philanthropy is a service that an organization provides to the community or a special group their support through services or financial support.

The Delt's have started participating in the reading program to help children become better readers. The fraternity began their involvement with the reading program last year.

According to Kay Simpson, organizer of the program they got the idea from a Methodist church in Frederick, Oklahoma.

"We would like to get the other churches involved also," said Simpson.

The average age of the children who attend the reading program vary from four to eight years old. Every Thursday from 3 to 4 p.m. volunteers, like the Delt's, take their opportunity to help the students read.

"It's a lot of fun," said Chad Peck, member, "the kids pick out a book and I'll read to them and then they'll read to me."

The Delts are the only fraternity on campus who assist the Methodist church. The Wesley Center members and members of the community are only several of the others who help.

"It gives you a confidence booster knowing you can teach someone that young to read, and when they can comprehend a page it's great," said Robert Balser, Delt member.

Usually if one of the children have a hard time with a sentence or a particular word it's not unusual for the volunteers to help them.

"The kids I've had have always been pretty descent readers to begin with," said Chad Peck, member of the fraternity, "but I'll have to help them with some of the larger words."

On occasion, Aaron Waters, member of the fraternity, has made such an impact on one of his readers that he has been visited by him.

"I have one kid, named Michael, that comes and sees me at work every now and then," said Waters.

The reading program is only one of their many philanthropy projects and the Delts are very dedicated to their community and will strive to help it mature and grow.

text: Toni Leathers





Chad Peck, Delt member, helps a young boy read during one of his visits to the reading program.

Reading can be fun when there's someone to read with. Here Delta Tau Delta member Jim Cobb, a freshman majoring in marketing, reads with Corey Hendricks.

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#### Over the fence: Opera combat a piercing class

Fencing was offered as a fine arts class during the fall. The class description stated simply, "singing voice not required."

Andrew Siegrist, music instructor, was the instructor of the class, named opera combat. He and Dan Coffey, assistant coach, took on the task of teaching beginner foil to new students.

A few of the students competed in area events, even though they were not backed by the college. Sean King, freshman in aviation, competed in the Sooner Games, which are the Oklahoma version of amateur Olympics, which took place Feb. 4 in Oklahoma City. King garnered a prized second place in novice foil.

Coffey, senior in history, competed in the Oklahoma State Championships in Oklahoma City during the fall. He placed sixth in open foil. He was asked to compete with a composit team that was short a member. The composite team placed first.

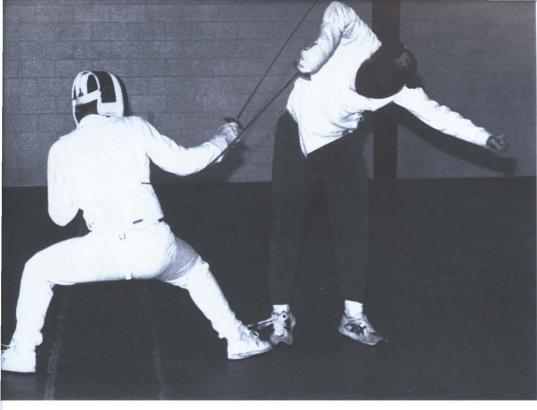
"It would be great to get collegiate support so we could compete as a Southeastern sports team," said Coffey. "Man other colleges compete in fencing on the NCAA circuit." "Students should be able to take the class under the guidance of health and physical education as well as fine arts. The class appealed to students in every major, not just music."

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Andrew Seigrist, fencing coach; Dan Summers, Travis Ward, Paula Lewis, C.J. Larson, Stephanie Rice, Sean King, Shawn Romines, Dan Coffey, assistant coach; and Coy Williams.

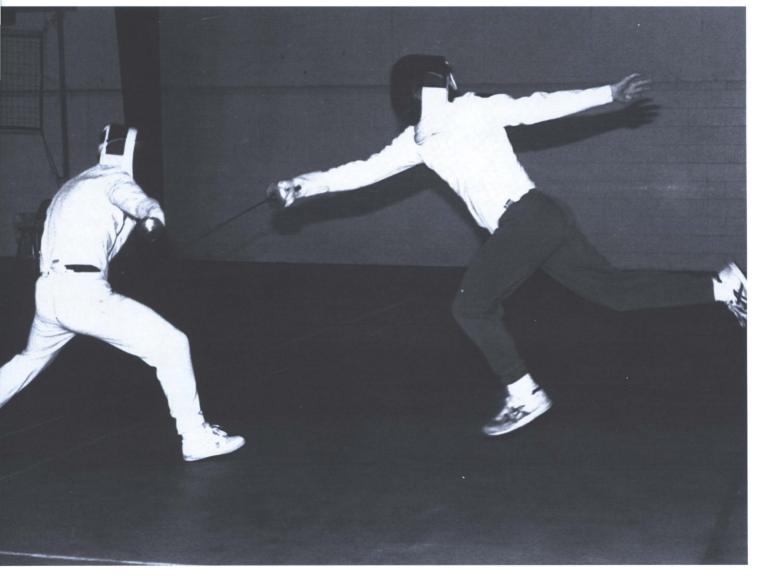




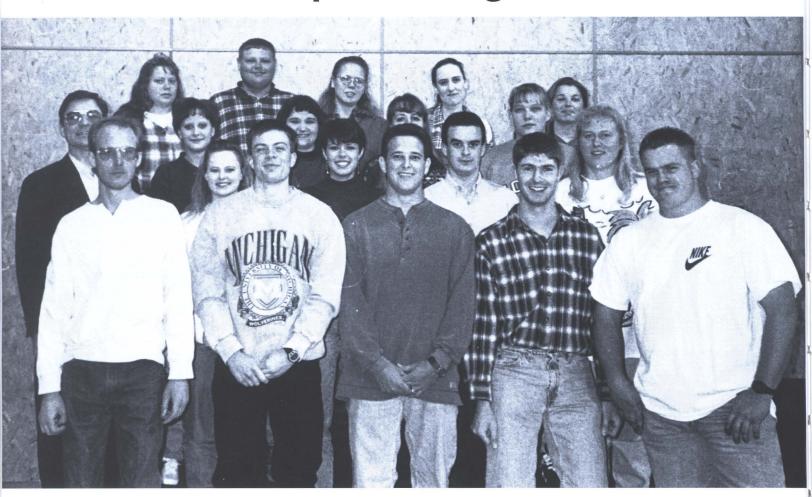


**Shawn Romines attacks** while Dan Coffey parries in reposté.

Dan Coffey executes a running attack, called a flesche, against Shawn Romines.



#### Alpha Omega



Alpha Omega is a Christian fellowship organization that is sponsored by the Student Bible Center and the Church of Christ. Meetings are held each week and include a worship service, bible study, and social fellowship.



#### Alpha Chi



Front Row (L-R): Southeastern President, Dr. Larry Williams, Rev. Joey McWilliams, Dr. Kenneth Chinn, Brad Knight, Lea Ann Wilhoit, Melissa Ebert, Ryan Brown, Dr. Scott Ranby, Dr. Dianne Dixon, Dr. Ingrid Westmoreland; Second Row (R -L): Becky Zukosky, Eric Woolley, Kristopher Lee Wood, Cynthia Wingfield, James Brian Williams, Janette Wheeler, Kelley Walla, Marilyn Standridge, Candace Smith, Christy Dawn Shores, Robert John Schneider Jr., Brandy Michele Runyan, Robbin Rodgers; Third Row (R-L): J.D. Rich, Freddie Rogers, Krista Priddy, Marc Patrick, Susan Pankey, Gainia Nelson, Patricia Needham, Daniel Moore, Sylvia Miller Tachana McCulrey, Jeffrey McCullough, Jeanine Marlar; Fourth Row (R-L): David Mabry Jr., Donna Laginess, Darren Hayes, Jason Hatch, Tareq Hasan, Brad Hamilton, Russell Gray, Casey Graham, Erin Goggans, Effie Gibbs, Aggalee Forgy, Billy Flynn, Krista Feuerborn, Debra Dunman, Lisa Docker, Kent Denson, Randall DeVault; Fifth Row (R-L): Ivajean Clark, Daryl Charlton, Shirley Cartwright, Thomas Carter, Misty Burkham, Mark Brown, Terri Broome, Gayla Arnold.



Alpha Chi, a national college scholarship honor society, was founded in 1922 to promote high standards of scholarship and character. Students are elected to membership by the faculty from among the top ten percent of the junior and senior classes. The fall 1995 induction of members was on



Student Senate - seated (L to R): Casey Graham, DeAnn Trotter and Scott Lowrance; first row: Rhonda McCall, Brian Hill, Amy Chapman, Song Won Shin, Jennifer Paxton, Jennifer Clinton, Yvonne Ruiz, Shane Aaron, Jason Parker and Marc Patrick; second row: Jeff Skaggs, David Hardy, Amanda McDonald, Gail Delashaw, Jeremy Parham, A.O. Campbell, Tim Cannon and Jim Cobb. Not pictured: advisers -Sharon Berish and Liz McCraw.



Sigma Tau Delta - first row (L to R): Amy Rowlins, Amanda McDonald and Marti Rhodes; back row, Carol Taylor, Amy Chapman, Randy Prus (adviser) and Scott McCorstin.

#### Student Government **Association**

The Student Government deals with a variety of topics throughout the year, the following are just a few of the topics that were discussed resulting in action and/or legislation: Finals schedule and graduation, library hours and fines, lighting on campus, condoms on campus, ice machines for dorms, Safe Sex Week, National Eating Disorders Awareness Week, guns on campus, State Question #669, and rollerblading on campus.

Along with topics resulting in action or legislation the Student Senate is also involved in hosting several events on campus, including the fall back to school dance, Homecoming events including front lawn organizations, parade, queen candidates, and the dance, Christmas Ball and Springfest.

Student Senate is also involved in the Oklahoma Student Government Association (OSGA), and attended the state conference at Cameron University.

The Student Government meetings are every Thursday at 6:30 pm in the President's Conference Room in the Administration Building, all meetings fall under the Open Meetings Act, and the public is invited to attend.

The agenda is posted each Wednesday evening in the Student Government office window (located in the University Center).



Brad Night gives video game pointers to one of the Durant Middle School students.



Jason Squires, Tre' Durbin, Brian Burkhart, Jay Cuesta and their Durant Middle School partners take a break from shooting pool at the annual Presidents' Club party.



The Presidents' Club is composed of the presidents from the various campus organizations.

The Presidents club meets once a month and discusses various issue on campus.

The president partners also hosted 35 Durant middle school students for bowling and dinner. Each president is matched with a middle school student. They also provide a \$25 gift certificate from Wal-Mart to each student for Christmas. This has been an on-going project for the Presidents' Club for the past seven years.

The Presidents' Club is also a participant along with the counseling center for the eating disorder and safer sex week.

The Presidents' Club was part of a bi-annual retreat which was held in Visual and Performing Arts Center.

The purposes of the club are to promote a better under standing between the administration and the student body and to assist the Student Senate in carrying out the program.

The Presidents' Club also has an awards luncheon each April. This luncheon is to recognize outstanding service for member for fundraising. They also recognize campus advisers for years of service.

text: Mary Ho



Chris Lesch, Yvonne Ruric, Jennifer Paxton tak a break from all the fun to enjoy refreshment with the Durant Middle school students for th Presidental Partners at the Durant Bowling Alley

#### Black Student **Association** organizes

The new Black Student Association (BSA) conducted their first organizational meeting on Feb. 21.

The BSA hopes to renew the organizations commitment to Southeastern students. In the past, the organization was strong and had a lot of support from African-American students on campus.

The goal of the BSA is to have a "coming together," in which the black students of Southeastern would get know and support each other.

The BSA hopes to bring African sororities back to the Southeastern campus.

The BSA plans to get black students more involved with each other. In the spring of 1996 there were 146 black students enrolled at Southeastern and there were approximately 40 who attended the first meeting.

They started to make plans to get study groups started, have mentors, black worship, social activities, cultural events, placement and networking.

Bob Hamilton, director of upward bound, spoke to the group about being tutor counselors for the summer program. He said that it is important to pass the message of how important a college education can be to younger students.

Al White, director of talent search, talked about the previous BSA organizations. He has sponsored the BSA in the past and said it needed leadership. White said leadership is important in keeping an organization together.





Barry Samuels, senior in recreation; Lesa Rayford, junior in technology; and Alfreda White, junior in elementary education, gather for the coming together of the Black Student Association.

Natasha Green, senior in criminal justice, brought her son to the first meeting of the BSA.

#### International Student Association parties



Samir Ali, freshman in computer information systems and Maria Nevarez, graduate, attended the Valentine bash to meet the other students in ISA.



The international students and other participants gather around at the Valentine Bash party. (L-R): Front Row (floor): Liz McCraw, advisor, Jane Gainey, advisor; Second Row (couch): Jodi Tisdale, Fan Li, Maria Nevarez, Carmen Shrefier; Third Row Syed Ahmed, Samir Ali, Golam Hyder, Shannon McCraw, Rezaur Rahman; Back Row: Ed Johnson, Rakib Khandaker, Edward Gomes, Moniruzzaman Choudhury.

A Valentine's party was the first big event of the semester for the International Student Association (ISA). There were approximately 25 people who attended.

"I helps introduce them to each other and pull together and offer support, "said Jane Gainey, director of counseling center and advisor for the

Gainey also said for most of the students it is their first time to be in the United States.

The Valentine bash was Feb. 14 at the Baptist Student Union basement. Each meeting was held at a different location on campus. It helped the students get better aquatinted with Southeastern.

Most of the members of ISA practice the Muslim religion. They have been celebrate the Ramadon, a religious holiday. They fast for 30 days. They do not eat or drink from sun up until sun down. In the evening they have a meal. At the end of the fast they have a big celebration, that is a lot like Christmas.

The ISA also had meetings at the coffee shop. They would sign up for a certain day and a few of them would meet. It gave them a chance to get to know one another better.

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Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken Jr. marched into the record books when he broke Lou Gehrig's record and played 2,131 consecutive baseball games. Gehrig held the record since 1939. Ripken broke the record on September 6 and went on to finish the season having played in 2,153 consecutive games -- the last 70 of them without an error.

The murder trial of O.J. Simpson ended. Not guilty. It took the jury less than four hours to reach a verdict in the sensational trial that lasted eight months. The jury of 10 women and two men found that Simpson did not kill his former wife, Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend, Ronald Goldman in June 1994. The trial twisted and turned through a maze of scientific evidence and dozens of expert witnesses. Judge Lance Ito presided over the trial in which Los Angeles police Detective Mark Fuhrman's racial slurs and attitudes became one of the focal points of Simpson's defense.



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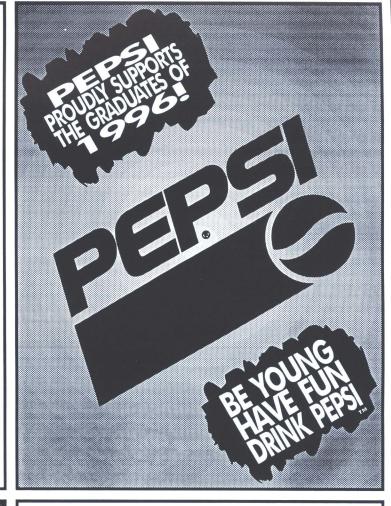


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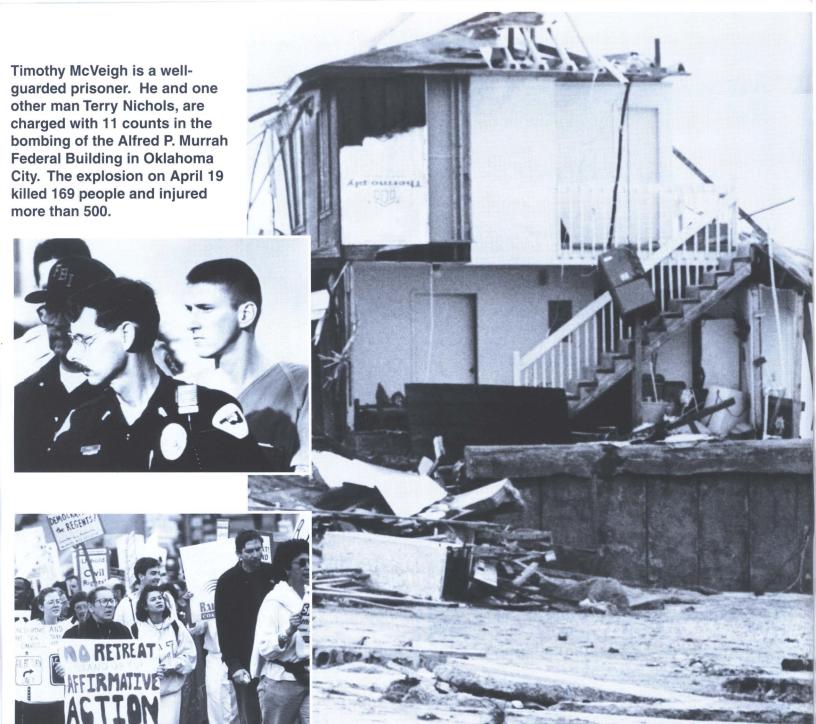
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It was nearly three decades ago, after a series of race riots in Los Angeles, Newark and Detroit, that a commitment began to use race-based programs to improve the lives of blacks. It was called affirmative action. But in 1995-96 affirmative action plans began to get weaker. The Supreme Court issued decisions making it harder to justify giving minorities and women preferences in the awarding of federal contracts; and the Clinton Administration was reevaluating federal affirmative action programs.

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en. Colin Powell, 58-year-old career Army officer was national security officer under President Reagan and was opointed chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff by President Bush. He came to national attention during the Persian ulf War against Iraq and never left the public eye. Although he ruled out running for the president as a Democrat, as said he was always attracted to politics and early in the presidential campaign he looked very much like a andidate.

resident Bill Clinton prepared for a new political battle: the 1996 presidential election. Early in the election process, le 49-year-old Democratic president faced nearly a dozen Republicans looking to be the nominee to run against the resident. Clinton had other concerns -- taxes and Medicare reform needed attention and, for the first time in many ears, the Republican-ruled Congress. This lead to government shutdowns affecting thousands of employees.



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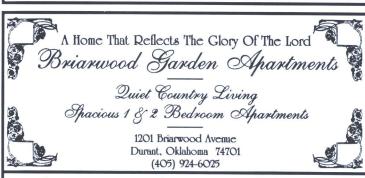
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After months of arduous negotiations and a tense last-minute flurry of crises and walkouts, srael and the Palestinians concluded a major agreement. It transferred control much of the occupied West Bank to its Arab residents. Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yaser Arafat said the 400-page document spells out in detail, step by step and town by town the wirthdrawal of Israeli forces from much of the territory Israel has occupied since the 1967 war.

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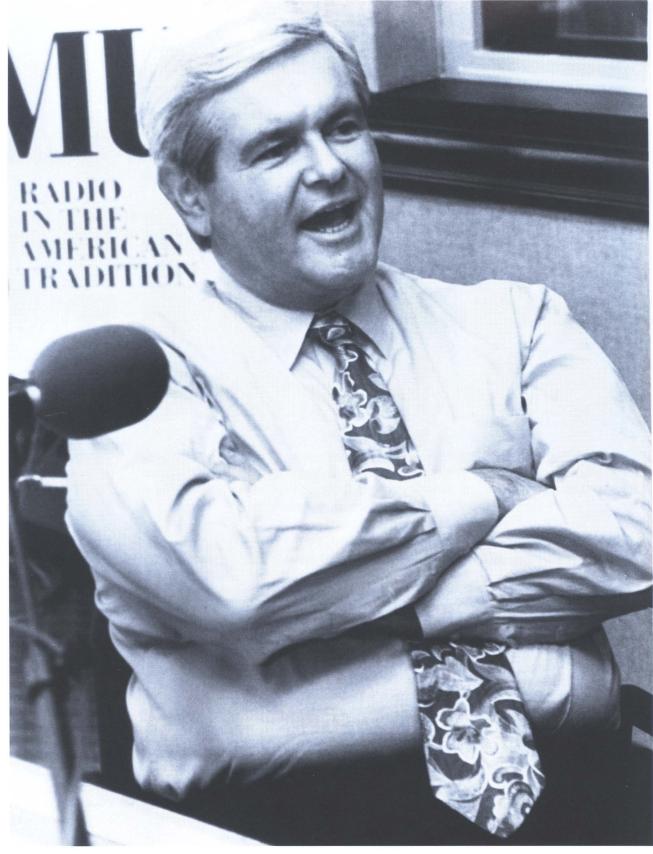
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House Speaker Newt Gingrich, a Republican congressman from Georgia, rose to the heights of Speaker of the House of Representatives. Gingrich was always considered a 1996 presidential candidate. He promised tooverhaul more than a generation of social programs that began in the eras of the New Deal and the Great Society.

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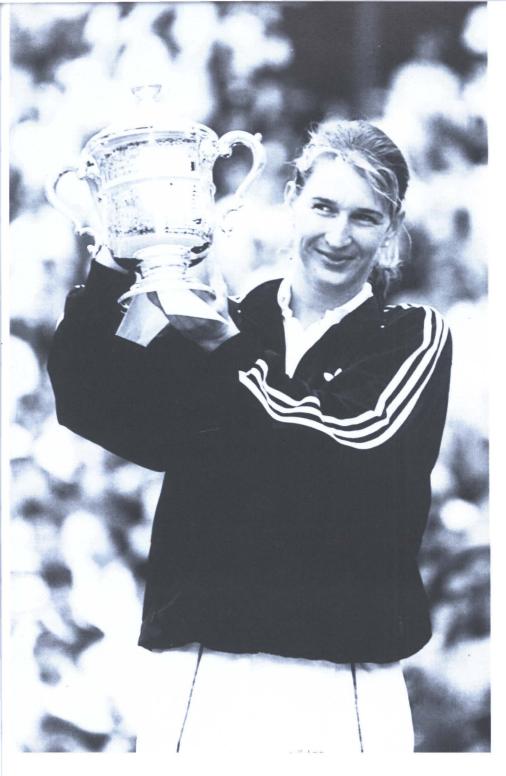
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There have been so many titles, so many magic moments in the marvelous tennis career of Steffi Graf. There was the Grand Slam sweep in 1988, when she stamped herself as one of the best players in the world. But none of triumphs matched the emotional victory over Monica Seles in the U.S. Open finals. "This was the biggest win that I have ever achieved," said Graf, who owns 18 Grand Slam titles.

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Bill Gates made computer headlines when he introduced Windows 95, the long-awaited upgrade to the Windows computer software program. It was billed as revolutionary and innovative, and the musical group the Rolling Stones were turned into software pitchmen. Gates, the 39-year-old chairman of Microsoft Corp., was also crowned the richest man in the United States, with a net worth of about \$14.8 billion.



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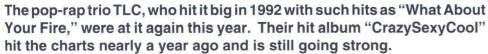
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Boyz II Men, the Philadelphia-based quartet which is made up of tenors **Wanya Morris and** Shawn Stockman, baritone Nathan Morris and bass Michael McCary has had a presence on the top-selling charts for several years. They are more pop than either soul or rhythm and blues, but whatever their style, they are a massive success.

One critic described
Hootie and the Blowfish as a pleasant
band with a mellow
sound, a winning and
unpretentious attitude, a goofy name
and a lot more. The
South Carolina band
includes Darius
Rucker, vocals and
guitar, Mark Bryan,
guitars, Dean Felber,
bass and Jim
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# In memory of ... Alyssa Godbey

Tragedy struck Southeastern in the fall when freshman Alyssa Godbey, 1995 Miss Southeastern, died from injuries sustained in a car accident.

"It is tragic to lose such a brilliant and outstanding young lady. Her talent, intelligence and perseverance promised her a bright future," said Larry Williams, president of Southeastern. "She will sincerely be missed and remembered.

The accident occurred on Nov. 13, 1995. Coming back to Durant, she lost control of her vehicle and collided with the median causing her car to turn over two complete times. She was rushed to St. Francis Hospital in Tulsa where she never regained consciousness and died on Nov. 26, 1995.

According to the Oklahoma Highway Patrol, the accident

occurred about 14 miles north of McAlester on the Indian Nation Turnpike.

Godbey was not wearing a seatbelt and was ejected from the vehicle as it rolled.

Godbey, 18, of Broken Arrow, sustained a fractured skull and extensive head injuries.

Godbey was a freshman majoring in theatre at Southeastern.

She was crowned Miss Southeastern on Feb. 21, 1995. She also garnered the Talent Award for her performance of "Don't Rain on my Parade" and was chosen as the Crowd Pleaser at the pageant.

> text: Lisa McKenzie photos: Dan Hoke





Alyssa Godbey

1995 Miss Southeastern Alyssa Godbey and 1994 Miss Southeastern Heather Rae Geery at the Miss Southeastern Pageant, Feb. 21, 1995



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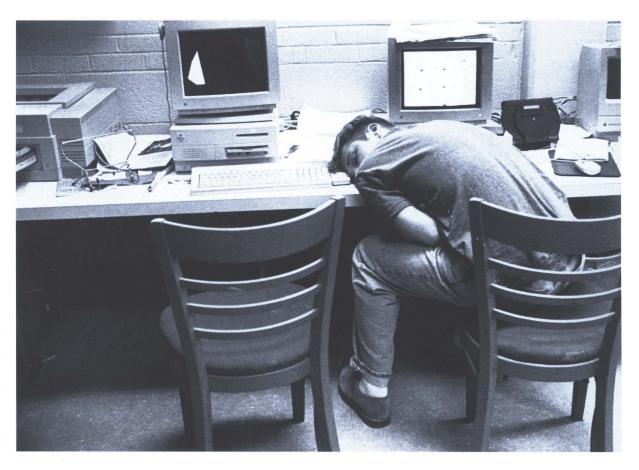


Savage football player Barry Meyer (56) breaks through the paper barrier before a football game.

Southeastern students show their spirit during a basketball game.

photos: Kim Bumstead





Christian Byrd, a senior in art, finally finishes the pages he was working on for the 1996 Savage yearbook.

photo: Kim Bumstead

# Colophon

The 64th volume of the Southeastern Oklahoma state University Savage is a 240-page book. It was printed by Jostens of Toepka, Kansas.

The press run was 500 and was submitted camera-ready on disk.

Pagination was done on Macintosh computers using Aldus Pagemaker 5.0 and Yeartech supplied by Jostens.

Candid photography was done by the student publications staff.

Copy was written and edited by the Savage staff, Southeastern newspaper staff and contributing writers from the Writing for Mass Media class in the fall semester.

The cover is white glosslaminated with black ink and was designed by Christian Byrd. Matching division pages were designed as well as endsheets.

The endsheets are snow white with black ink.

The cover, division pages and endsheets were done using Adobe Photoshop.

Student portraits were taken by Henington School Services of Wolfe City, Texas.

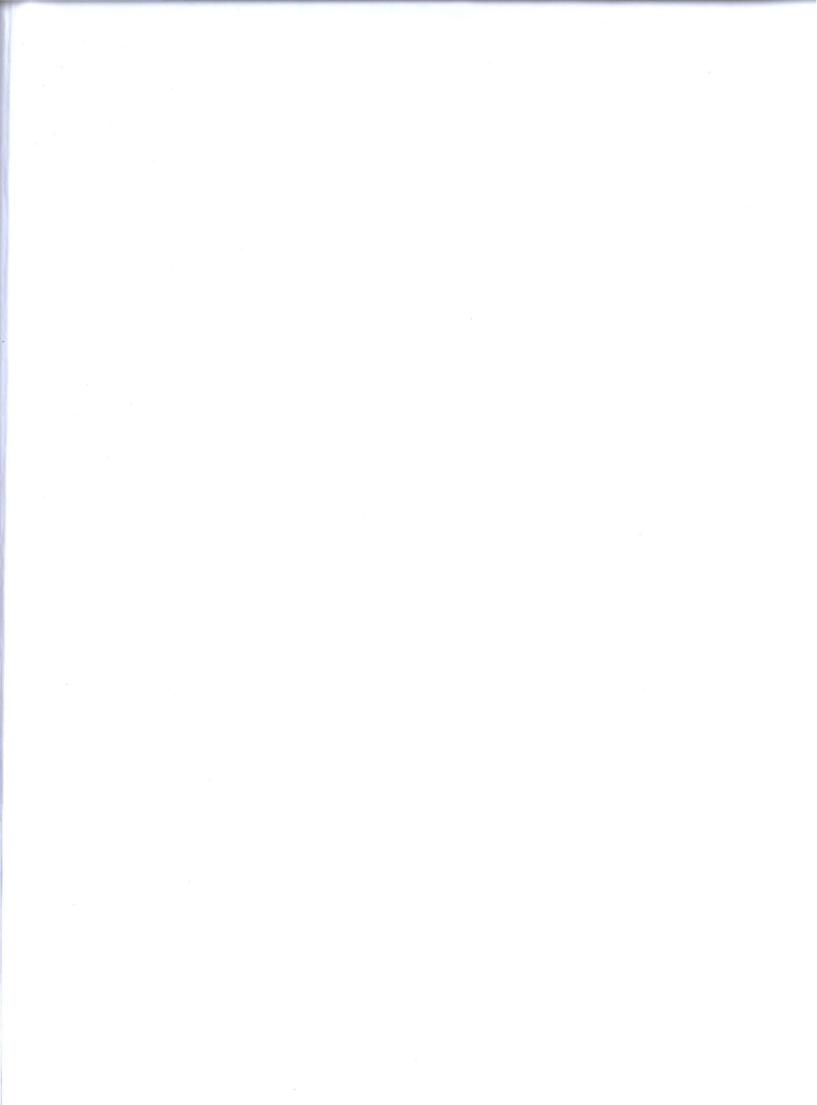
Faculty portraits were taken by Dan Hoke, university photographer. There was no charge to students or faculty for portraits.

Advertising was handled by Scholastic Advertising, 5801 S. Carson St., Carson City, Nev.

All text copy is in Helvetica typeface in 11 point. Headlines and captions are Helvetica bold ranging fom 11 to 60

The Savage yearbook was distributed the first week in May at a cost of \$25 for both students and non-students.

The Savage business office is located in Fine Arts 203, P. O. Box 4237, Durant, Okla. 74701; (405-924-0121, ext. 2587.



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