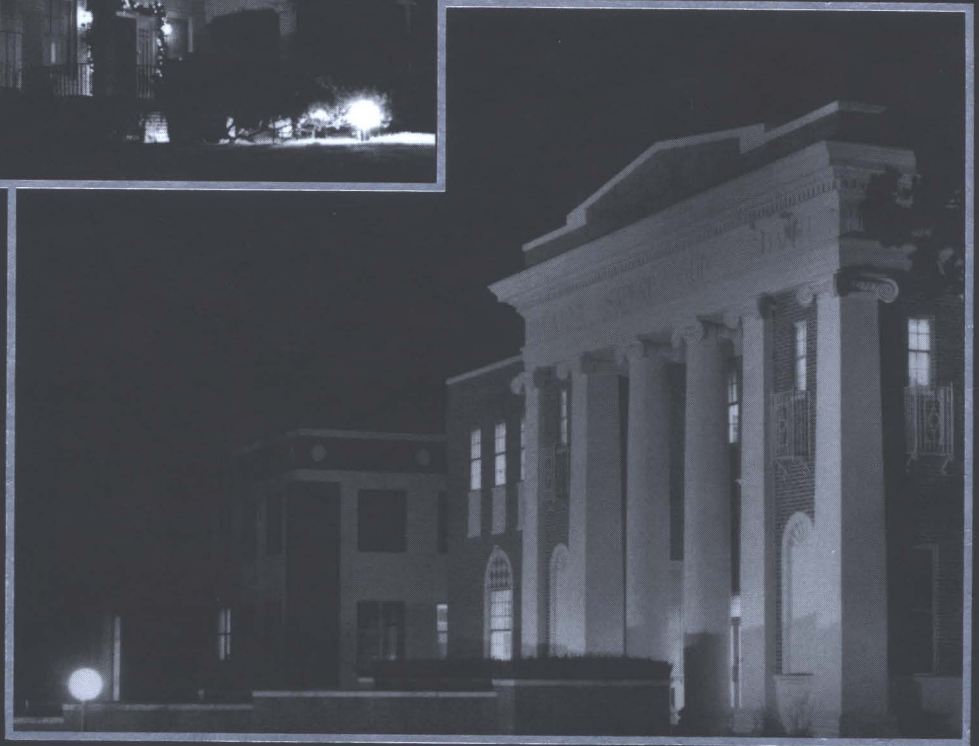




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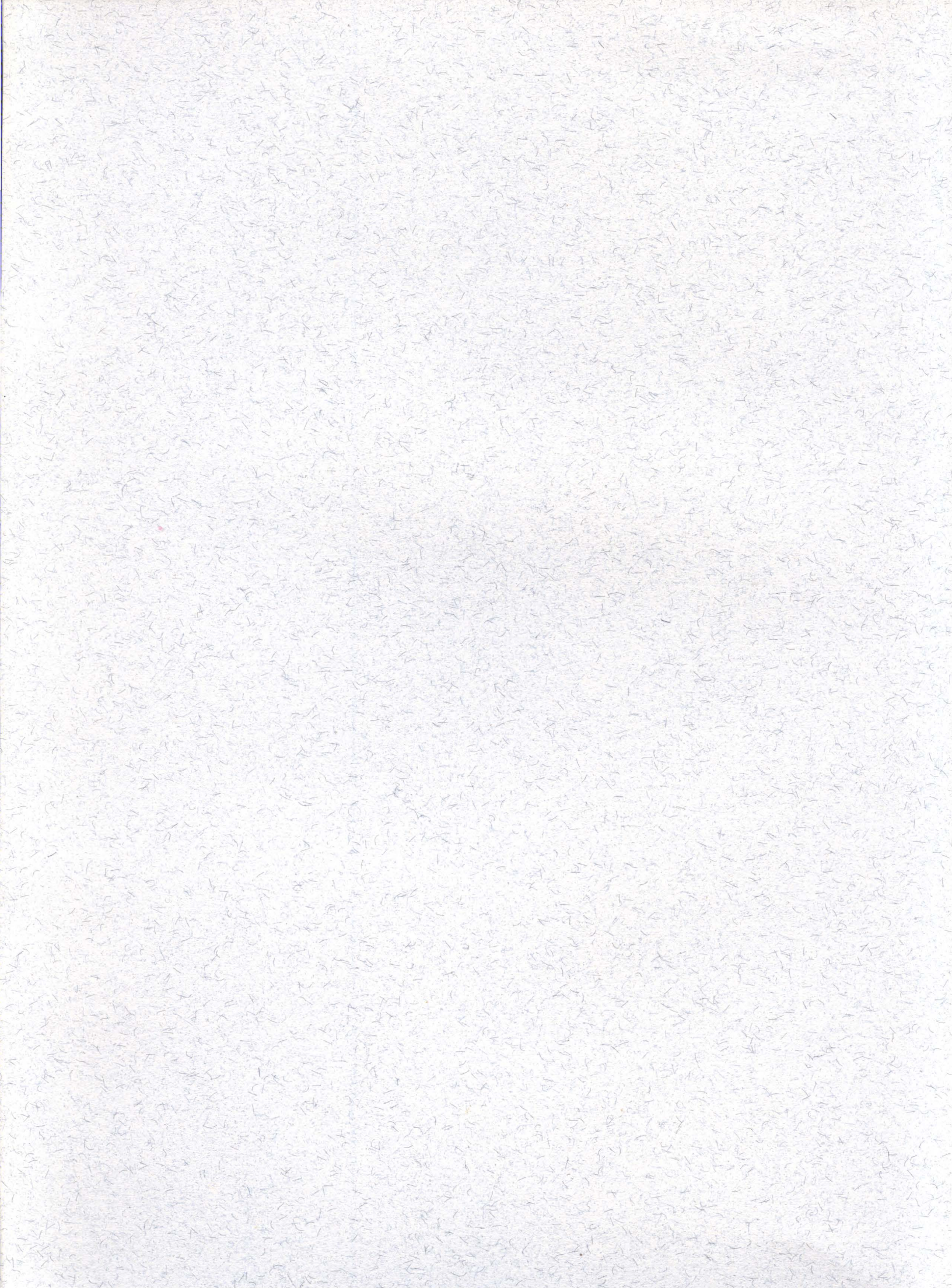
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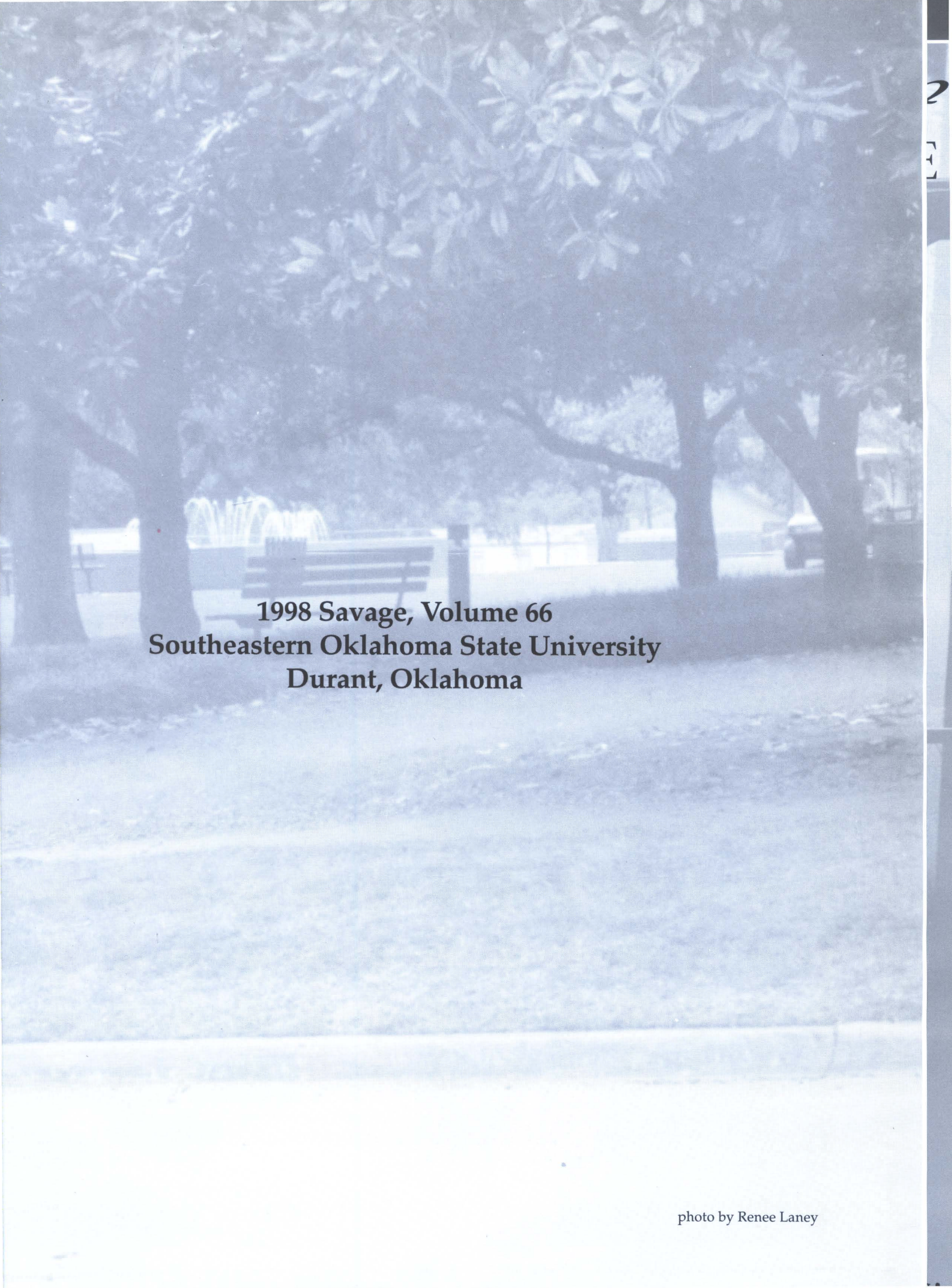
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A blue-tinted photograph of a park-like setting. In the foreground, there is a grassy area. In the middle ground, a wooden bench is visible, and to its left, a fountain with several water jets. The background is filled with large, leafy trees. The overall scene is peaceful and well-maintained.

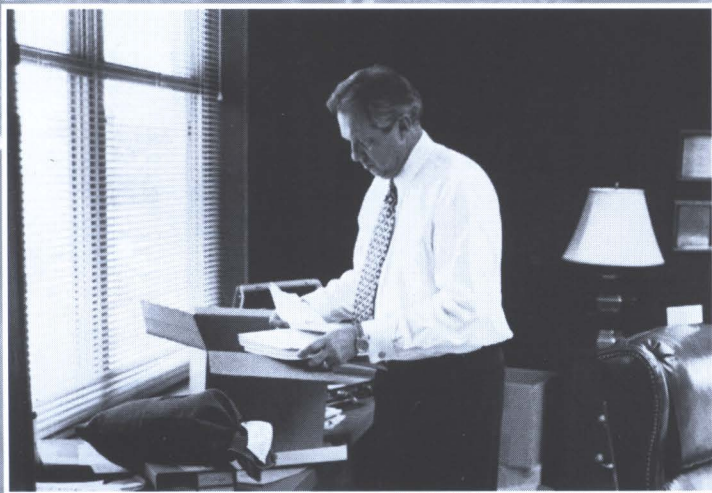
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Left-Southeastern's new President begins his administration. Glen D. Johnson's reputation precedes him. He is most noted for being the youngest Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives. Now, his plans include taking Southeastern to the next level of excellence and into the next century. **Background photo**-President and Mrs. Johnson begin to move into the President's office. As president, he stated that he wants to work with all of Southeastern's family to ensure that everyone reaches his or her maximum potential. He believes that if we continue to work together, there are no limits for our opportunities for success.

Southeastern EXCELLENCE



Left-Former President Larry Williams finishes his packing before his departure from Ten Years of Excellence at Southeastern. Williams accepted the presidency at one of Southeastern's sister schools, Northeastern at Tahlequah. Members of the staff, faculty, and students expressed significance admiration for Dr. Williams. He accomplished a great deal for Southeastern during his administration from 1987-1997. **Background photo-**Dr. Williams takes a last look across campus.

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photos by Kim Bumstead





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Above-Southeastern students cast their votes for homecoming candidates. Students were able to enjoy the fall sunshine this year making their votes count in front of the campus book store.

Bringing out the best of our blue and gold

HOMECOMING

1997

Right-Savage Cheerleader, James Kinney, freshman, and Spirit Pony, Allyson Williams, senior, take time-out during the Homecoming game to smile for the camera.

Below-Patti Pyle, senior, and daughter Andrea, graduate, check out the organization booths during Parent's Day.

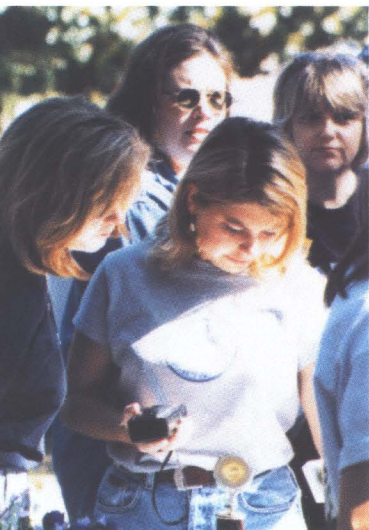


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Above-Derrick Anderson, junior, grabs hold of the ball and refuses to release it during this pile up.

Right-Shawn Hamil, junior, literally gets into his work while he helps build the Kappa Sigma float.



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Left-Jhordan Boyd, younger sister of Danette Norwood, junior, joins in on the Parent's Day activities.

Below-Queen candidate Alfreda White, senior, seen here with escort David Glover, junior, finds a way to shade herself from the scorching sun.



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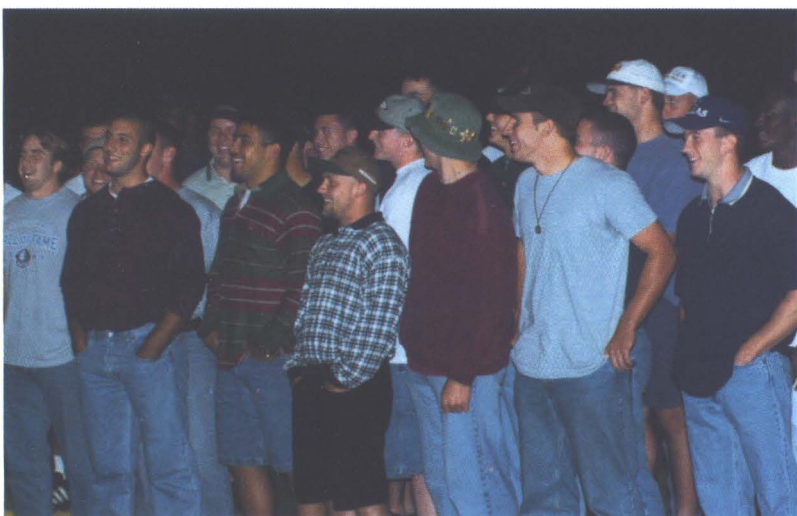


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Above-Freshman football players kept the crowd entertained, while following tradition, by singing the Alma Mater.

Right-Justin Armstrong, freshman, takes time away from the marching band to do a little dance at the bonfire.

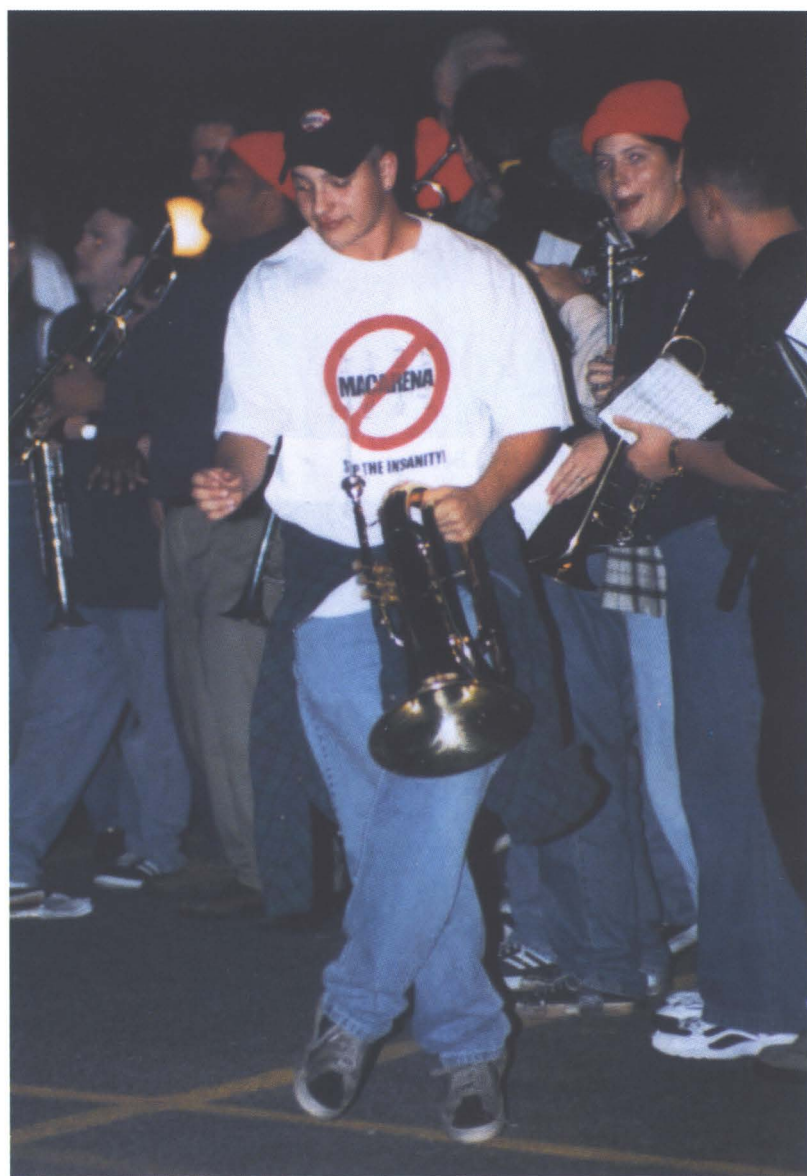


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Mo takes the crown

Right-Southeastern's 1997-98 Homecoming Queen, Mo Deeb, senior, representing Cardinal Key and escort Jerry Dollins, senior, smile big after the announcement.

Below-Surprised is the only word to describe the look on Mo's face as her name was announced.



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Above-Big Man on Campus Frankie Lewis, freshman, representing Sigma Tau Gamma, stands with former Big Man on Campus, President Glen Johnson and the new queen.

Right-Big smiles show the happiness on the faces of both Mo and her proud mother, Diane.



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Left-The new Homecoming Queen shines in the spotlight shortly after the announcement of winners. Here, she pauses to give photographers get a shot of her winning smile.

“

It's an honor to have been chosen to represent the student body as Homecoming Queen, it feels good that they chose me.

Mouziane Deeb

”

Below-Mo stood in disbelief as her name was announced as the 1997 Homecoming Queen. She said she entered because she thought it would be fun, but she never expected to be the next Homecoming Queen.



photo by Dana



photo by Dana Bell

Left-Queen and runners-up stand with President Johnson and student body president, Christy Flowers. Left to right-Second runner-up Kelly McLemore, senior, first runner-up Sabrina Kemp, junior, President Johnson, Deeb, senior and Flowers, junior.

Southeastern's 1997-98 Homecoming/Parent's Day was loaded with many fun-filled events ranging from the pre-game bonfire to the Whang Bang Golf Tournament.

This year's Distinguished Alumni Award went to Otho (Sweetpea) Curtis and Payton L. (Pat) Phelps.

Eight contestants competed for the chance to be named Big Man on Campus. This event was sponsored by Cardinal Key.

Seventeen candidates vied for the honor of becoming Southeastern's 1997-98 Homecoming Queen. The honor went to Mouziane Deeb.

QUEEN CANDIDATES

- Lee Ann Atkins, ALPHA OMEGA
- Deidre Bryant, BAPTIST STUDENT UNION
- Elizabeth Campbell, ALPHA ETA RHO
- Robyne Clure, CEC
- Mouziane Deeb, CARDINAL KEY
- Leanna Funkhouser, SIGMA TAU GAMMA
- Sarah Hocutt, SIFE
- Candace Jones, PHI SIGMA KAPPA
- Sabrina Kemp, SIGMA GAMMA RHO
- Ali McCaughey, SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA
- Kelly McLemore, ALPHA SIGMA TAU
- Elise Moore, CHORVETTES
- Amber Peckio, DELTA TAU DELTA
- Lisa Ptacek, THE NEWMAN SOCIETY
- Delann Pugh, SOEA
- Mindi Smith, KAPPA SIGMA
- Alfreda White, BSA

Right-Southeastern honored its Distinguished Alumni during halftime at the game. This year's honors went to Otho Curtis and Payton Phelps (holding footballs).



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Above-The Chorvettes, Southeastern's Singing Goodwill Ambassadors perform for the crowd during Homecoming/ Parent's Day.



Right-Derrick Anderson, junior, is hurt during the Homecoming game. A dislocated shoulder was the result of the injury, putting Anderson out for the rest of the season.

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Left-Christy Flowers, junior, and Tammie D'Angelo, senior, demonstrate a game of Izzy Dizzy for the participants.

Below-Kevin Lamb, sophomore, shows his disappointment with the officials because of a wrong call he thought they made.



photo by Jeremy Wright

HOMECOMING WINNERS

Homecoming Court

Queen- Mouziane "Mo" Deeb-Cardinal Key-Jerry Dollins, escort
 1st runner-up- Sabrina Kemp-Sigma Gamma Rho-James Kinney, escort
 2nd runner-up- Kelly McLemore-Alpha Sigma Tau-Rick Reding, escort

Parade

Superfloat Category (must have moving parts)

1st place- Phi Sigma Kappa
 2nd place- Cardinal Key
 3rd place- Baptist Student Union

Float Category

1st place- Council for Exceptional Children
 2nd place- Sigma Sigma Sigma
 3rd place- Newman Society / Student Oklahoma Education Association

Walking Entry

Phi Sigma Kappa

Big Man on Campus

Frankie Lewis- Sigma
 Tau Gamma

Sweepstakes

Alpha Sigma Tau



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Above-Southeastern President Glen Johnson and wife, Melinda, wave to the crowd during their first Homecoming Parade.



photo by Dana Bell

Left-The 1997-98 Cheer and Pom Squad perform during the halftime show. They put in many hours of hard work perfecting their routines.



courtesy photo

Universities and colleges are in transition. They are experiencing a group of students who are older, more part-time, more likely to be married, and have jobs.

The traditional college student, 18-22 years old, full-time, and living in residence halls now constitutes under a quarter of all undergraduates.

At Southeastern Oklahoma State University, a tremendous recruitment effort has been launched over the past 10 years to heavily target and recruit the "just out of high school" market. Over 60% of Southeastern's students are 23 or under, with 33% being under 21. This is the age group who is most attracted to the traditional college experience of a value-added community.

The Student Affairs Division continues to bring excellence in programming and services to the University Community, enhancing the college experience for all students.

We believe that woven in the tapestry of a liberal education is the value of associations. We believe that as young people experience new freedoms as college freshmen they will also meet new challenges and new responsibilities. We plan for ways to promote the tremendous potential that student involvement has for enhancing most aspects of the undergraduate student's cognitive and affective development. What results is a college graduate who is

better equipped to deal with the ever changing global society in which we now live.

The Counseling Center offers programming and support in addressing a variety of issues. Therapeutic services provide evaluations, interventions, consultations, and referrals regarding substance abuse, sexual assault, domestic violence, trauma recovery, eating disorders, mood disorders, academic performance, and relationship problems.

The Counseling Center, in conjunction with Health Services and the Office for Student Life, provides training on relevant issues to student leaders, area professionals, and selected graduate programs.

Five dormant organizations were reactivated in the fall of 1997, each receiving the assistance and energy of new faculty advisors. A new national sorority was added to the Greek community in the spring of 1997. Sigma Gamma Rho, a national Panhellenic member, is a traditionally African-American sorority. This is the first time in over 15 years a NPHC group has been on our campus.

The Office of High School and College Relations merged with the Office of Admissions to create the Enrollment Management Center. It is located on the lower level of the Administration Building and is directed by Mr. Rudy Manley. This area now reports to the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Joe Wiley.

Health Services is experiencing some changes for our students. The death of Gerald Buchanan in February, 1997, after 20 years of service to Southeastern's students, created a huge void to be filled. Dr. Rao Surreddi, M.D. provided service to us with the placement of Ralph Falconer, P.A. and Melba Hill, R.N.

The Placement Services at Southeastern have undergone a metamorphosis since bringing in a new director in 1994. Numbers indicate an increase in the use of Placement Services by students and alumni. Spring 1998 will bring the advent of Web Registration. The implementation of more technology to enhance Placement Services is tantamount to its growth and ability to assist in today's job market.

As higher education enters the 21st century, colleges and universities must support campus communities of racial/ethnic, national, and economic diversity so we can reach our institution's own goals for recruitment and retention. Southeastern remains committed to a campus community, who has as one of its strengths, the ability to provide experiences kept through diversity.

*Dean Sharon Berish,
Vice-President of Student Affairs*

THE NEW YEAR...

and it's changes

The 1997-98 school year has brought many changes to Southeastern. We have gained a new President as well as moved up to NCAA II sports division. With the coming of these institutional changes, the Southeastern Oklahoma State University Student Government Association has made several of our own.

The Student Government Association is committed to bringing about a university-wide spirit of friendliness. This year, we have instituted the "Senate Friendly Staff Award." This award is presented to University Staff Members who exhibited an outstanding attitude of friendliness to the students of Southeastern. We hope that this will help the staff to be more friendly in their day-to-day endeavors with students.

We have pledged to make our campus a better place for Southeastern students. This year's activities have created more student interest than I thought possible. The Homecoming/Parents' Day Activities were well attended with everyone supporting their Queen candidates and the Savages. Voting booths were crowded as everyone rushed to vote for their favorite candidates. The Christmas Ball was an enormous success; everyone had a great time!

Internet access on campus was a huge concern this year and a committee was formed to work with the proper people concerning this matter. There were also several concerns regarding student housing that were investigated. Every matter that was brought to us, we looked into.

Like most organizations, we too, like to give a little friendliness back to the Durant community. This year at the annual Presidential Partners Christmas Party, Student Government hosted nine junior high students, presenting them with a bowling partner and a Christmas gift. We continue to engage in a year round buddy program with four of these students.

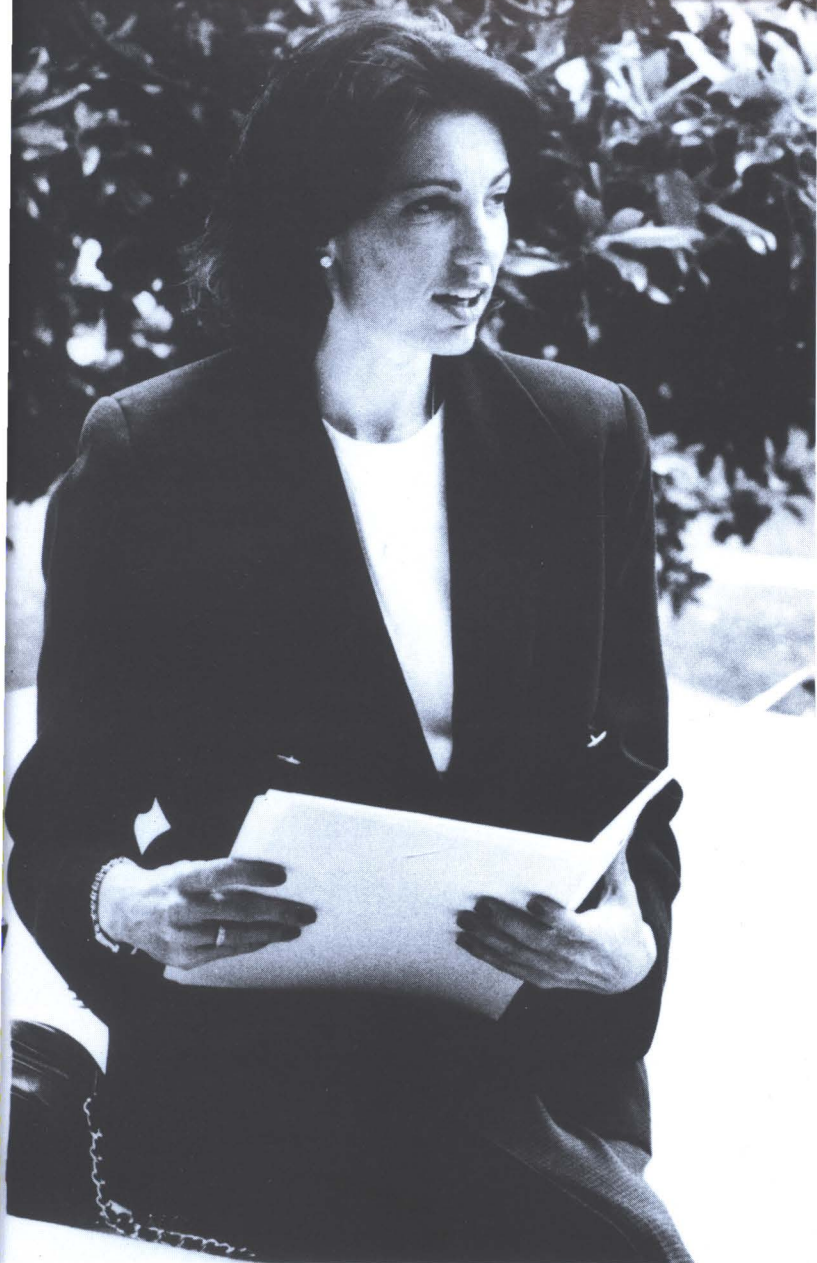
I am appreciative of the opportunity to serve Southeastern as the Student Government Association President. It has been one of the hardest, yet most enjoyable years of my life. I hope to serve the students again in the future.

I believe that we, the Student Government Association of Southeastern Oklahoma State University, have taken the necessary steps to aid in making Southeastern a better place for our students. We have established a greater feeling of community; truly making us the "Southeastern family."

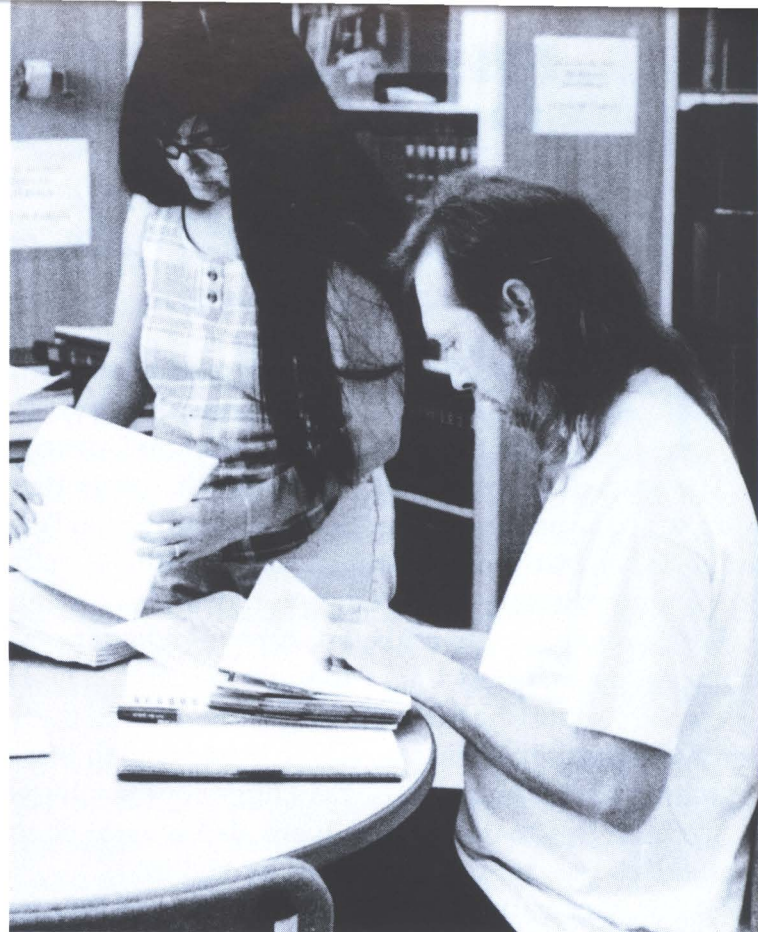
*Christy R. Flowers, President
Student Government Association*



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Above Left-Kathy Carrington, senior, says non-traditional students have a better rapport with instructors and interact more in classroom discussions.



Above Right-Lauraly and Jerry Wyatt, juniors, spend time in the library studying while their children are in school.

Right-Teman and Benny Bowles, freshman, have worked together in their family business for many years. Although they enjoy each other's company, Benny feels like he'd rather teach.



photos and story by Renee Laney

NOT JUST STUDENTS

Non-traditional students

There are many reasons why a person decides to go back to school after being in the work force for a number of years. Non-traditional students make up a large portion of Southeastern's student body. Here are some of the reasons why they decide to further their educations.

Jerry Wyatt, junior in psychology, had to drop out of college his freshman year in '77. After 20 years of employment with Uniroyal, Wyatt took a medical retirement and decided to finish his education.

"I now have the opportunity and plan to attend law school," Wyatt said. "It's nice too, because my wife is also a student so it's really a big part of our lives."

Lauraly Wyatt, junior in psychology, said her husband encouraged her

to go back to school and with the kids in school all day she's seeing it happen.

"Jerry thought it would be great to go back to school together," Mrs. Wyatt said. "The thought scared me at first, but I knew I could do it, I wanted to, so I am."

Benny Bowles, freshman in elementary education, has been a part of his family's business for a great number of years, but feels like he doesn't want to work at the full-service station for the rest of his life.

"I've worked the station with my brother and dad all of my life," Bowles said. "Although I enjoy the work, and hate to leave the family business, I can't see myself changing tires and pumping gas forever. It's just too hard on a person."

Bowles started his academic career in the fall of '97 with one class and says he'll adjust his courses to meet his work responsibilities even if it means attending school for many years.

Kathy Carrington is currently working on a master's of business degree, but has trouble determining the rank of her classification because over the last 20 years she has earned more than 200 credit hours.

Carrington says she has moved around a lot through the years with her former husband and has lost hours in the transfer process. However, she doesn't really feel like it's a loss because she enjoys going to school.

But being a non-traditional student isn't all fun and games. Bowles is sometimes taken aback with subjects he hasn't seen since high school.

"I used to be good at algebra in high school," Bowles said, "Now it's like learning it all over again."

Mrs. Wyatt gets up at 6 a.m. After getting herself and two kids ready for school, she spends five hours on campus, cooks the evening family meal and manages to keep up with the laundry.

Study time is scarce for Mrs. Wyatt but with a little sacrifice she manages to add it to her schedule.

"I usually don't get to bed before midnight which cuts down on my sleeping," Wyatt said, "But I only take classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday right now, and we try to do our homework during the kid's school time."

"My study habits are better than they used to be," said Mr. Wyatt. "But I think I have an advantage. Being in the work force for 20 years, I have a better understanding of the value of a good education."

Wyatt said his work experience motivates him to do the best he can.

"It also gives me an opportunity to set a good example for my children," Wyatt added.

Bowles said he finds traditional students look up to older students for support.

"They distract me just enough that I don't take things too seriously. Sometimes it gets frustrating trying to be open minded to new ideas," added Bowles. "But being around younger minds helps to balance it out."

Mrs. Wyatt feels some of that pressure.

"I feel one advantage for me is that I'm more settled and I have my life prioritized," Wyatt said.

Carrington said non-traditional students are more focused and generally better prepared for school.

Having been both a traditional and non-traditional student, she says the latter has a better rapport with instructors, more confidence and are better at interacting in classroom discussions.

"The advantage of being a non-traditional student, for me, is being more focused on my goals and reasons for being in college," Carrington added. "I have had a chance to evaluate what I want to be when I grow up."



D I N I N G O U T

Lunch on the Lawn



photo by Dana Bell

Above-Southeastern students seem to be having a blast. Could it be the food or the great weather. Whatever the reason is, students were seen resting and relaxing after their meal.



photo by Christi Chapman

Above- Jason House, senior, left, and Gary Lawson, junior, right, look on as Clay Tipton, senior, tries to charm his way out of paying for his lunch. Clay, don't you know that smile only works on your mother?

Below-Family and friends crowd around the serving table set out for the Homecoming Lunch on the Lawn.



photo by Dana Bell

A couple of times a semester, the lawn in front of Morrison Hall gets overrun with hungry students. Tables and chairs are set up and music can be heard from anywhere on the loop. Students can be seen eating anything from ribs to fried chicken, or just sitting back sipping on a Coke between classes.

Others enjoy participating in games such as Izzy Dizzy or dodge ball. Bracelets, stickers and book markers are given as prizes.

Homecoming Lunch on the Lawn is always a pleasing event. Students tend to be less rowdy, but the smiles on the faces of the family and friends who attend the lunch show their enjoyment.

Lunches are provided by Aramark and served by student employees and regular staff.

by Shay Jone

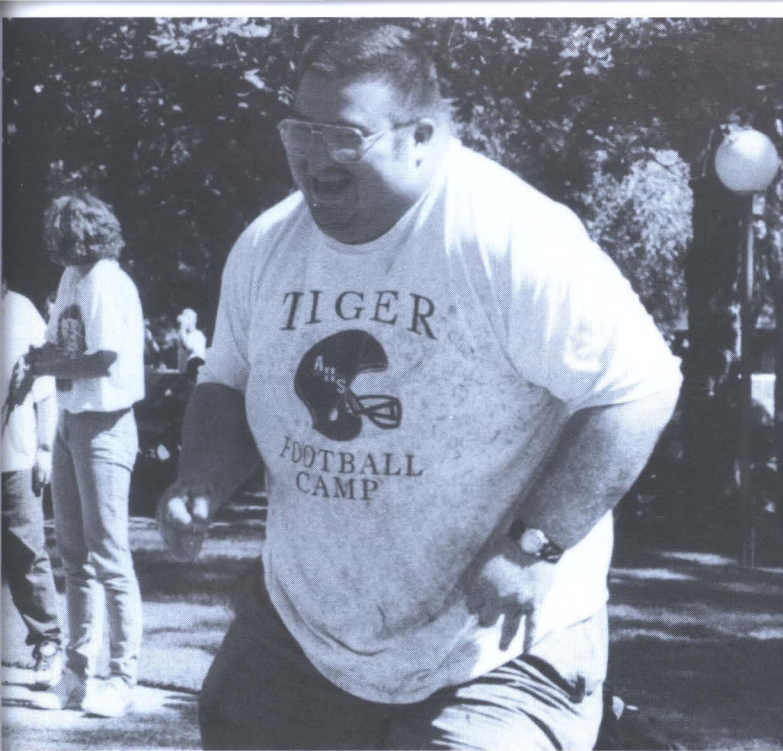


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Above-Tommy Stribling, junior, must be doing his new dance or maybe he is just having a great time.



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Above-Brian Ladd, freshman, must think his lunch is finger licking good. Ladd is one of many who enjoy Lunch on the Lawn.

“
The lunches are set up to get students more involved on campus.
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Christy Flowers,
 Student Body President

Right-Christian Morgan, junior, and Eric Bradley, senior, cutup for the camera during Lunch on the Lawn. These two gentlemen seem way too photogenic. Could it be the weather or the food?



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Above-Christy Flowers, junior, and Tammie D'Angelo, senior, watch as Curtis Coffman, junior, masters the art of Izzy Dizzy. Curtis is this the reason you act like you do?



photo by Dana Bell

President Glen D. Johnson

Southeastern gets its sixteenth president

Dr. Glen D. Johnson started his first day on the job July 1, 1997, as the sixteenth president at Southeastern, with no bells or whistles. It was work as usual for President Johnson. He is a native of Okemah and is known throughout the state of Oklahoma. In 1982, at the age of 28, he was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives. In 1990, he was elected Speaker of the House. At that time he was the youngest person in the United States to hold that office. Johnson has a strong belief in the value of higher education.

"I believe that whatever our state has accomplished or will accomplish in the future is directly tied to the commitment we have to our educational system," affirmed President Johnson.

President Johnson backs up his beliefs with actions. In 1992, he authorized the higher education bond issue, which provided \$350 million for improvements, renovations, and new buildings for higher education facilities statewide. Many of Southeastern's recent building and renovation projects are a result of its \$5.6 million share of this bond issue. Projects include the School of Business Russell Building, the Visual and Performing Arts Center, the Center for Alumni and University Development (The Welcome Center), the Mathematics Building, the Henry G. Bennett Memorial Library, the Bloomer Sullivan Gymnasium, and the Montgomery Auditorium.

When president Johnson was a senior at the University of Oklahoma and during his first two years as a law student he worked for OU's Vice President of University Relations and Development. This allowed him to be involved in legislative relations, student recruitment, and public and private fund-raising.

After graduation, President Johnson started a private law practice in his hometown. He had only been practicing law six



Above-I hope everyone's hungry! President Johnson and his wife, Melinda, cut the huge cake at his inauguration party.



Above-President Johnson tells the audience about the new school emblem after the unveiling.

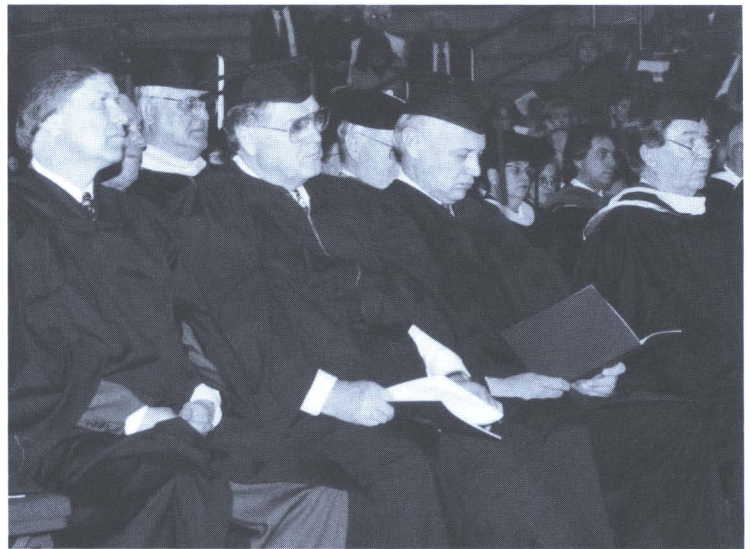
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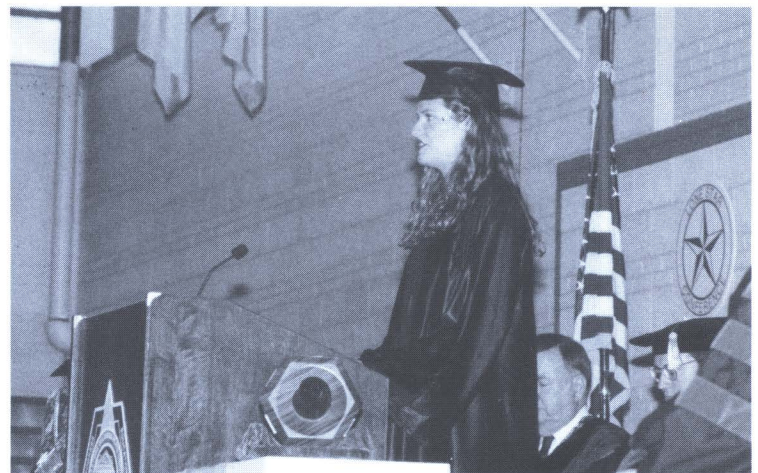
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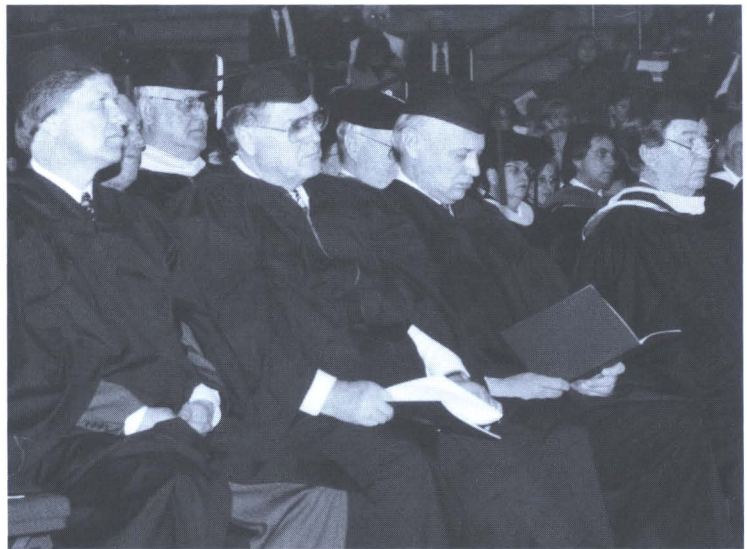
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Above-Dr. Hitchcock, Janie Umstead, Dr. Polson, President Johnson, Vicki Hudson, and Shannon McCraw take a moment out from the inauguration to pose for a picture.



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Above-Is President Johnson joining the band as their lead singer? President Johnson seemed to have a great time during the festivities.



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Above-All smiles! Wes Watkins, John Massey, President Johnson, David Boren, Governor Keating, and Hans Brisch, Chancellor for the Oklahoma Board of Regents, are all smiles for the camera.

“

I believe that I can have a positive impact on higher education by serving as president of Southeastern,” said President Johnson. “We all have defining points in our lives - a chance to be involved, to be a leader,” said Johnson. “I see serving as Southeastern’s president as an opportunity to be involved in a very vital way in public policy while providing our students with quality education.

”

- Glen Johnson



Left-John Massey, Brett Butler, and Wes Watkins seem to be discussing a very funning subject.

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Right-Elizabeth Schulte, senior, Susan Smith, senior, Dennis Blackman and Theresa Bruce, graduate students, often meet in the Coffee Shop while waiting for their classes to start.

Below-Rana Frazier, freshman, and Amanda Elliott, freshman, take time out of their busy schedules to relax. Many friendships are formed at the Coffee Shop.



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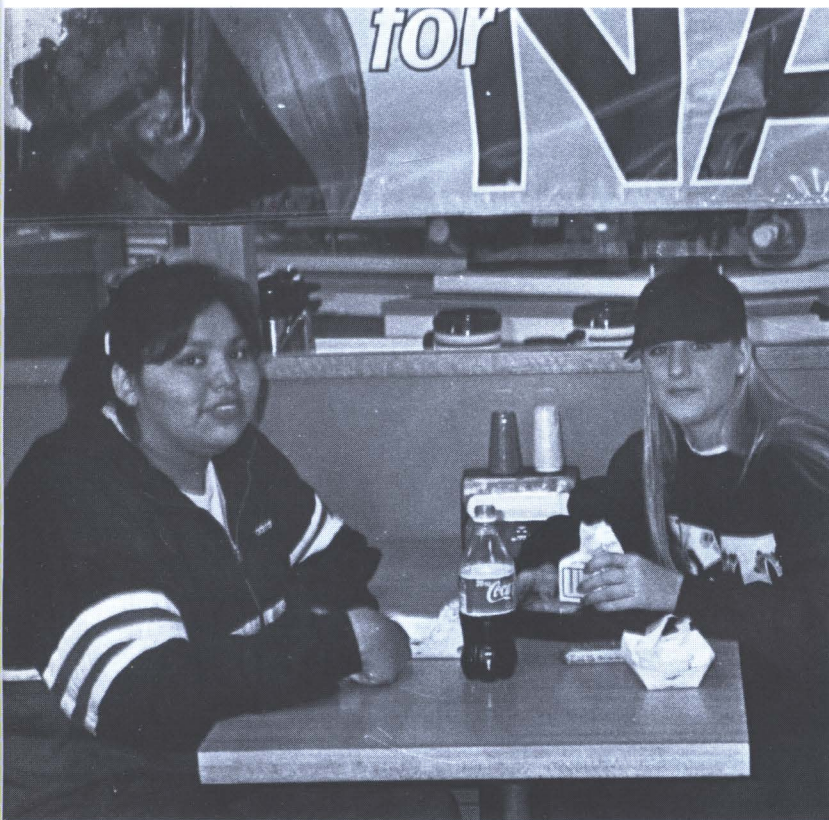


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The Student Union building houses a variety of student utilities including the Coffee Shop. Students and faculty alike find plenty of good food, beverages, and friendly service when they visit the Coffee Shop.

Many students seek refuge at the tiny shop between classes. A large number of commuters find it a convenient resource.

"It's an alternative when you don't want to be surrounded by a lot of books, or cafeteria food," said Tracy Moore, junior in Communication. "And they have a great Cappuccino machine."

It's also been known as a place to meet new friends. And there's nothing like a hot cup of "jo" when the weather turns intolerable, or an ice-cold beverage to cool students from the blazing sun.

Video games, billiards, and jukebox CDs are available for escaping those dreaded exams. A lot of students use it as an open place to study.

Whatever the reason, there is always room for social interaction in the Coffee Shop.

By Renee Laney

Let's Talk At The Coffee Shop



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Above-Vernon "the Great" is a real cut-up. Perhaps he's learned his routine from Wheeler "the Wonderful."



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Above-These students witnessed Troy Aikman of the Dallas Cowboys throw away the last pass during Monday Night Football shown on the big-screen television in the Coffee Shop.

Left-Tyler Reed, junior, pays the Coffee Shop's twelve year employee, Helen Wheeler, for his snacks.

Blood Drive

The Southern Oklahoma Blood Institute, which is a division of the Oklahoma Blood Institute, holds a blood drive each spring and fall semester and every time Southeastern students respond with a great turnout. The blood drive has been held at Southeastern since 1983. In 1997, 340 people participated in the blood drive with 298 transfusable products collected. Vickie Holcum, a blood program consultant of OBI, was very pleased with the results. Each person who donated blood was given a free t-shirt. Some teachers even give credit to students who give blood. During the March 1998 blood drive 121 people participated and there were 100 units of whole blood collected.

The blood collected is tested and sent to be used in over 65 hospitals within Oklahoma. OBI is a regional, not-for-profit blood center that provides blood products and services to patients in 40 counties. It was created in 1977 by the Oklahoma County Medical Society to support medical advancement in Oklahoma. Their mission is to provide the safest and highest quality blood components, services and health programs to the patients and communities they serve. With the support of Oklahoma community members, the blood institute has been fulfilling its mission. Since the blood centers opening they have had four major goals. These goals are: maintain the safety, quality and availability of the blood supply; providing specialized medical services; educating the medical and lay communities; and pioneering the blood-related research.

Before donating blood it is recommended to eat a well balanced meal and increase fluid intake. If possible, avoid aspirin 48 hours prior to donating. Note the name and dosage of any medications being taken. Donating blood is a simple process that takes about 45 minutes. The process starts when the donor completes a donor registration form that includes name, address, phone number, social security number, etc. A few questions will be asked and then the donor will proceed to the area where their arm will be cleaned with an antiseptic. During the donation process a pint of blood will be collected. While the donor gives the gift of blood they also receive a free health check. People can donate whole blood every 56 days. Donors must be 17 years old and weigh at least 105 pounds. Through "component fractionation," a



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Above-This brave Savage student gave his blood in order to help save a life.



photo by Shay Jones

Above-Edith Peratta, a RSVP volunteer, waits to give the blood donors a cookie and pop to perk them up.

elow-Keri Campbell, junior, sits among other students filling out
er blood donor application while waiting for her turn to give blood.

Bottom Right-Ali McCaughey, senior, relaxes and thinks nice
houghts while giving blood.



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method of separating whole blood into its individual
parts, a single one pint donation may be used by as many
as four people. After donating it is encouraged to eat well
for the next 24 hours and increase fluid intake for the next
24-48 hours. Do not smoke or chew tobacco for 30 minutes.
Avoid strenuous physical exertion with the donation arm
for about two hours.

Sharlotta Baker, a regular donor, commented that she
likes to give blood and it makes her feel good. She gives
blood twice a year at school and once a year at church and
recommends to others to donate blood. Ms. Baker takes
part in the blood drive because she has family members
who need regular transfusions and she feels that even
though her blood type doesn't match her family members
she's helping someone out. Melissa Wood donated blood
because her brother has cancer and if he needed a bone
marrow transplant she would hope someone would be
kind enough to help him. She also stated that if she or
anyone else was in an accident and needed blood that
someone would be thoughtful enough to donate.

What does your blood type say about you?

People with **type A** blood crave order and neatness. **Bs** are candid, forthright and nonconformist. **ABs** often have paranormal powers. And **Os** evidently like to hear "Yo!"

More than 90 percent of the fans who like "Rocky" films are **type O**.

Os, which represent 44 percent of the people in the U.S., crave positions of power leadership. They are driven to succeed and act as jealous guardians of hierarchies at work and in the family.

Os make the best presidents, heads of corporations and captains of sports teams. Ronald Regan and Queen Elizabeth II are both **Os**. **Os** also make the best criminals. Al Capone was an **O**.

A is the second most common blood type. Due the **A's** meticulous habits, they are best suited for work in liabraries, police departments and museums. They incredibly self-controlled.

Bs thrive on the unusual. They are poor team players and believe in their own superiority. **Bs** can be absentminded professors.

If the Shroud of Turin was really Jesus' burial shroud then Jesus Christ was an **AB**, one of the rarest types. **ABs** are the most rational, sensible people around. They make excellent first impressions and are perfectly suited to careers in diplomacy.



photo by Dana Bell

Each semester Southeastern and East Central University have a contest on which school can donate the most blood. So far each semester we have won but one year East Central University did get two or three pints away from winning. It's is a great thing that all the students care enough to participate in such a worthy cause.

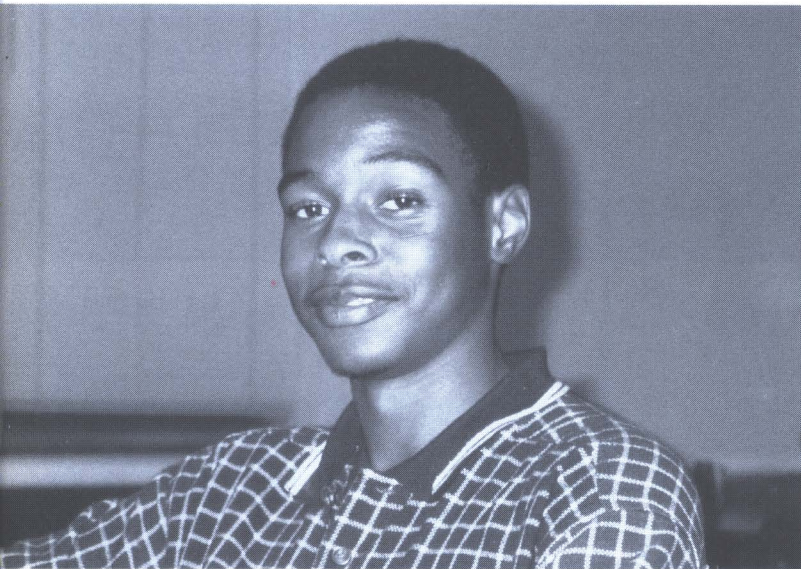
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Helping Others

Below-Courtney Akins grins mischievously at the camera. Don't you just hate when you don't know what someone is thinking? All students in the early stages of the TRIO program have expressed interest in continuing a higher education after high school.



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When it comes to helping students with education, the TRIO program exceeds most boundaries.

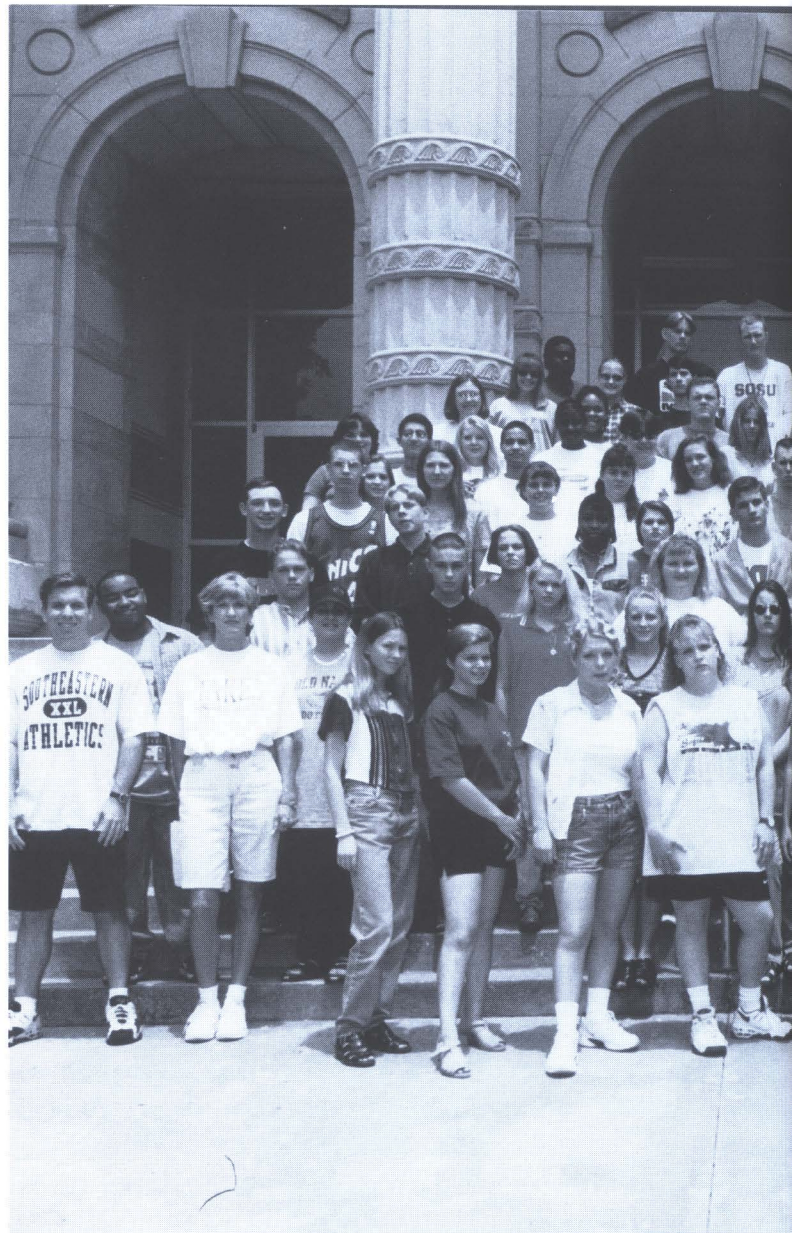
The program began in 1966 with Upward Bound. It became the TRIO program in 1971 as part of the Oklahoma Division of Student Association (ODSA). Upward Bound was joined by Talent Search in 1974, followed by the Student Support Services (SSS) in 1977. Since then it has gained two additional programs, Upward Bound Math/Science and the Educational Opportunity Center (EOC).

"The goals are basically the same, to motivate, to educate, to graduate," said Michelle Claxton, counselor for Student Support Services.

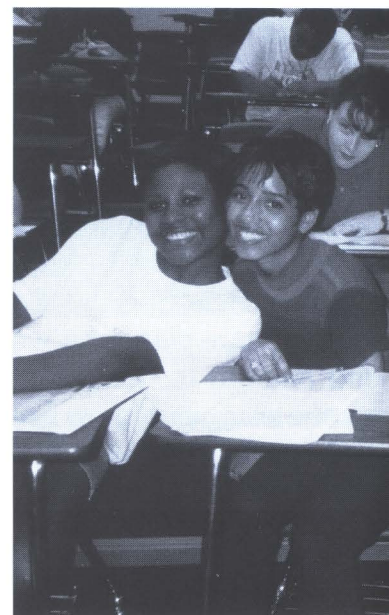
Starting with junior high students, Talent Search helps enhance the abilities of its participants.

Upward Bound takes over as the students enter high school. The majority of Upward Bound students are those who come from low-income families and are the first-generation of their family to consider a higher education following high school.

Math/Science not only encourages students to pursue a post-secondary education but to obtain a degree in the areas



Above-The summer '97 Upward Bound Program drew a large crew of high school students and graduates alike. Here they pose on the steps of the beautiful Morrison Building.



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Help Themselves

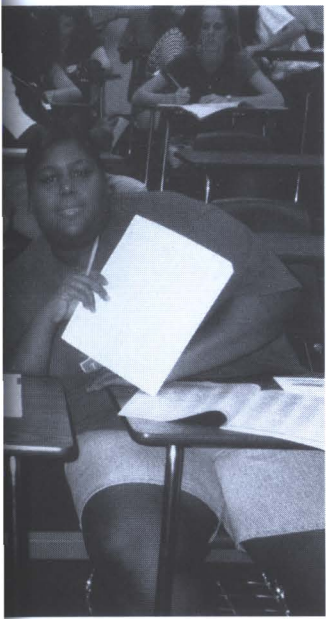


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Below-Audrea Buford, front, Christen Jolly, back left and Raye Williams, back middle, get a group huddle going in the office of Upward Bound Staff Member Kathy Blair, back right. The new friends met and the friendship made through the TRIO program will last these students a life time.



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Left-Iesha Sanders, left, Samritha Thomas, middle, and Audrea Buford, right, take time out from registering for the ACT exam to show how good of friends they are. Hey, Girls! Is your friendship good enough to last you through college?

of math and science.

The Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) helps high school graduates, nontraditional students and those with GED's get into the work force, Vo-Tech or college.

"In the EOC we are aware of the fear an "older" student faces in returning to school and try to reassure them," said Liz Ashton, director of the TRIO program.

Once the students get into college it is up to the Student Support Services (SSS) to keep them there.

"Whether it be through tutoring, counseling, academic or career advisement or assistance with accommodations for students with disabilities, Student Support Services counselors work with Southeastern students to motivate them to stay in college and graduate," said Claxton.

"An important key to college success is knowing where to get help. We really try, in the TRIO programs, to make information and help available when the person needs it," said Ashton, "The vitality and health of a campus is in it's students, the best part of my job is seeing TRIO students (past and present) immersed in the life of the campus."

By Shay Jones

CHILDREN'S THEATRE

The Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival (OSF) started June 26 and continued through July 26. During this festival children, teenagers, and college students were given the opportunity to perform. The children who are enrolled in the theatre program are ages five through twelve. They performed *When the Hippos Crashed the Dance*. Each performance was held in the Fine Arts Little Theatre. Their performances were June 26 at 7 P.M. and June 27 and 28 at 2 P.M. and 7 P.M. Around 93 children participated in the Children's Theatre.

The Young Actors Studio is for people between the ages of 13 to 20. The performance was July 1 - 3 at 7 P.M. in the Fine Arts Little Theatre. There are approximately 23 young actors participating in the Young Actors Studio.

Each person participating in OSF is required to pay an \$85 tuition fee, however, if the child is of Native American descent, their Tribal Council will normally sponsor them. Scholarships are also available.

"We never turn a child away because of money," Director of OSF, Riley H. Risso, said.

OSF was founded in 1979 by Dr. Molly Risso. It has given many children, teenagers, and college students a chance to perform.

by Kara Stevens



photo by Kathy Rowland

"It's fun, we have treat day every Friday.

Nicolas Bebout is a 10 year old from Durant. This is his second year with OSF.

Left-These two little girls seem to have a great time practicing the hippo dance.

"I like to sing.

Stephanie Miles is a 5 year old from Durant. This is her first year with OSF.



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Above-This group of young actors sit together to study their lines for the upcoming play.

Right-It's very important for the actors to get in plenty of practice for the dance numbers to make sure everything is just right before performance night.

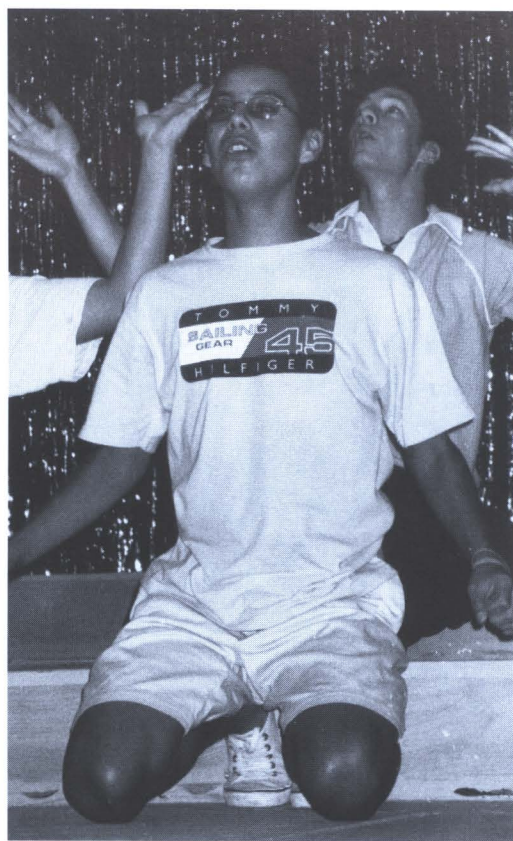


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Left-After an exciting practice its time to take a break and relax.

SENIOR DIRECTS ONE-ACT PLAY

Theatre at Southeastern will present a series of new entertainment Friday, April 25, at 8:30 p.m. in the University Complex room 300, the Black Box Theatre. "Strange Snow" is a play written by Stephen Metcalf and student directed by senior directing major Amber Harrington. The characters are: Martha, a middle-aged school teacher played by Renae Wilborn; David, her borderline alcoholic brother played by Tom Posey; and Megs, his former Vietnam buddy played by Brent Surdukan.

The script gives an honest approach to the feelings and fears of the individuals through both comedic and dramatic moments. The characters are both colorful and realistic with relationships that are bound by feelings of guilt, blame, and loneliness, coupled with a much needed need of hope.

"'Strange Snow' is a well written look at both loneliness and recovery," says Harrington. "I believe it would be an excellent opportunity for both the students of Southeastern and the community members of Durant to view the work of Southeastern theatre students. It's guaranteed to be entertaining and eye opening."

by Carissa Rozzell



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Above-It's opening day! David (Tom Posey), Megs (Brent Surdukan) and Martha (Renae Wilborn) enjoy the first day of trout fishing in Theatre at Southeastern's production of Strange Snow.



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Above-(from top to bottom) Tom Posey, Brent Surdukan, Sherri Quaid and Sam Shelton depict a scene from "Pinocchio Comedia."

ALCOHOL

Awareness Week

SOSU celebrated the annual Alcohol Awareness Week October 13 - 18, 1997. On Monday, October 13, many activities were planned and organizations from around the campus participated.

The Student Oklahoma Education Association gave out "Kisses" in the lobby of the Morrison Building. All that was necessary for receiving kisses was to answer questions correctly about alcohol. Then they received a "kiss". Not real kisses, but chocolate kisses. This was an all-day event.

Super Savage Leaders promoted designated driver commitments and awarded "Key Chain Contracts" in the lobby of Hallie McKinney.

The Baptist Student Union hosted a "Mocktail Bar." This gave students the opportunity to taste non-alcoholic drinks. They were also able to get the recipes. The speaker for the event was Jane Alrujoub,

Right-Delann Pugh, Carla Walker and Virginia Clark sit in the Morrison lobby and pass out kisses to whom ever tells them what they want to hear. What these ladies really want to hear are the correct answers to alcohol awareness questions. Oh, by the way, those are chocolate "kisses" they were giving out.



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Left-Chris Bradley, freshman, criminal justice, "died" as part of the Alcohol Awareness Week's activities. Members of several groups all over campus "died" on Wednesday, otherwise known as Dead Day.

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Left-Students enjoy their non-alcohol drinks at the Baptist Student Union's "Mocktail Bar." Tim Jones, senior, pours another one to toast the evening with Lindsey Hargett, junior, and Veronica Stockton, senior. Students received the recipes for the nonalcoholic drinks. "I'll drink to that," they say finding it easy and safe to drink the night away.



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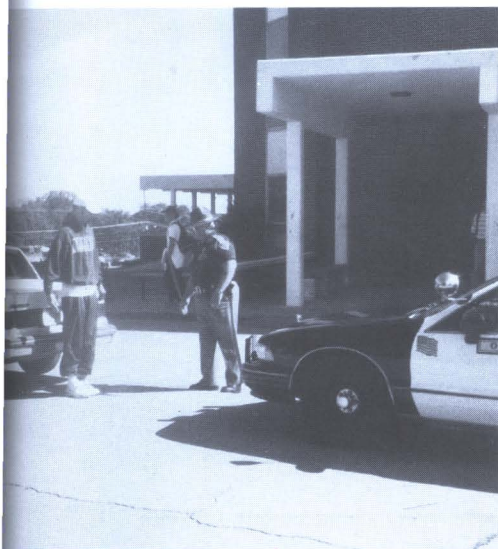
SOSU Counseling Center Director.

Sigma Gamma Rho sponsored a Movie Night. They showed the movie "When A Man Loves A Woman."

Jane Alrujoub, SOSU Counseling Center Director, lead a discussion on "Alcohol and Relationships."

Tuesday, October 14 could have been considered a "dead day." All day long students from The Newman Society, Chorvettes, Wesley Center, Student Government Association, and Black Student Association volunteered to "die" at different times during the day. Did you spot any "dead" students?

As part of the Alcohol Awareness Week events, Trooper Almon pulls over a "drunk" Christian Morgan, junior. The mock arrest and trial was hosted by the PSI CHI Honor Society.



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Jane Alrujoub gave the latest facts on the "Date Rape Drug." Student Support Services offered a workshop on "Alcohol and Drug Abuse." Bill Crowell, Director of Chemical Dependency Programs in the United Methodist Oklahoma Conference, presided in the Wesley Center's "5th Annual Nonalcoholic Drinking Challenge."

On Wednesday, October 15 the Student Government Association gave out all kinds of freebies while letting the word out about alcohol and responsibility. The PSI CHI Honor Society hosted a mock arrest and a mock trial. Attorney Tom Criswell, addressed the legal issues of drinking and driving. This helped the students see first hand the hazards of drinking and driving.

On Saturday, October 18 the Cardinal Key had a pregame party. They had a nonalcoholic tailgate party.

All week promotional statements could be seen on erase boards courtesy of the Chorvettes.

Alcohol Awareness Week was a GREAT success although Derrick

- Have you ever felt you should *Cut* down on your drinking?
- Have people *Annoyed* you by criticizing your drinking?
- Have you ever felt bad or *Guilty* about your drinking?
- Have you ever had a drink first thing in the morning to steady nerves or get rid of a hangover?
- If you answered "yes" to any of these questions you may have a problem with alcohol abuse.

Nunn, junior in music, thought it was a "waste of time." Alrujoub said, "Discouraging is the number of students who express a hopeless feeling that other students are not going to take it seriously and change their drinking habits." If you are afraid you or your friend have an alcohol problem or need some help, the most important questions to ask yourself or your friend are displayed in the box on your left.

If you or your friend answered "yes" to any of these questions, become more aware of alcohol use and abuse.

Michele Claxton, counselor; Student Support Services said, "Alcohol and drug abuse affect all our lives whether we drink or not."

By Jacqueline Baumann



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Left-After being arrested and booked, the "drunk" Morgan is attending his mock trial. Emily Carney, District Attorney and Rocky Powers Judge face the accused to inform students of the legal issues involved with drinking and driving.

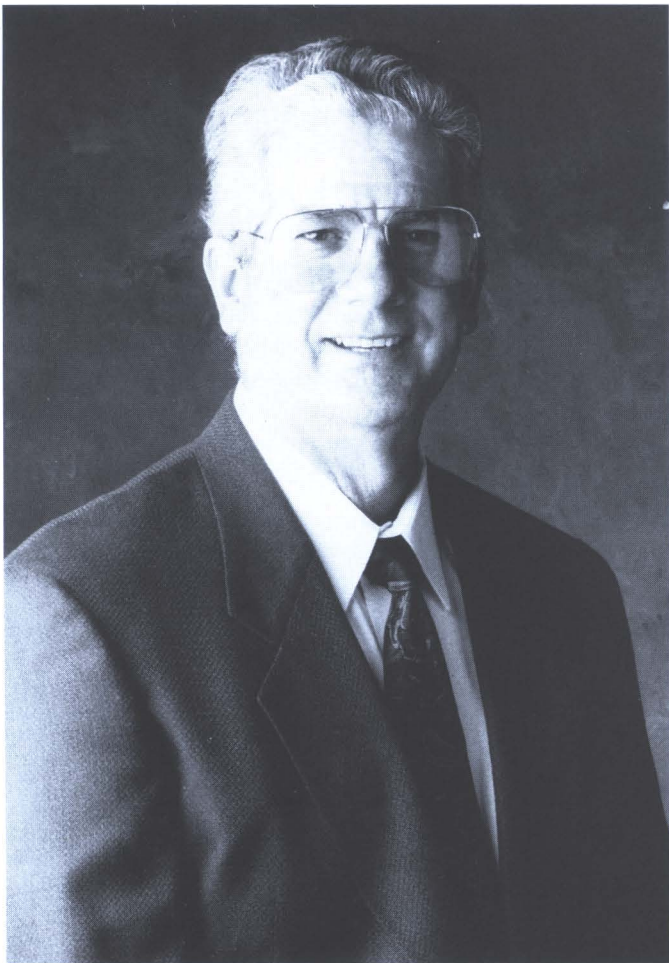
Right-All smiles from the characters in the mock trial. From left to right: Emily Carney, District Attorney; Rocky Powers, District Judge; Christian Morgan, acting "drunk"; Tom Criswell, Moderator; Reba Newman, President of PSI CHI; and Troy Green, jailer.



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Michael Miles

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ENTERTAIN

Kaleidoscope '97

Kaleidoscope is a showcase of Southeastern's many talented students. This year's performance featured students in art, English, theatre, dance, vocal music and band. The performance, held by the School of Arts and Letters, raises money for their scholarship fund.

Kaleidoscope began with a display of art works done by Southeastern students. Almost one-hundred drawing, sculptures, ceramics, 2-D, and 3-D pieces were on display before the performances began. The works were representative of the class they came from. Works done by the fundamental art classes were also on display.

"The art showcase was my favorite part of the show," Heather Marshall, sophomore in education, said. "It gave students the chance to show their interpretation of art. Southeastern has many talented students in all areas of art. This was an excellent chance to see those students perform."

The performance began with Canson Septimi Toni No.2 performed by the brass ensemble. The Chamber Singers then delighted the audience with three songs. After the singers, came the poetry and prose readings. These works were written and performed by students from last Spring's writing classes. One poem, "Retarded", was a favorite with the audience. It told of things that were just "retarded".

The Chorvettes performed two numbers, "Carnival" and "Celebrate", and as always they were a crowd favorite. They were accompanied by the Jazz Ensemble, who played the songs for all the performances. Not to be upstaged, the SOSU Dance Company had an outstanding performance. The "Mambo" and "African Dance", two of the numbers they performed, were intricate and entertaining numbers. The theatre departments "Assorted Nuts" kept the crowd laughing with their zany tactics. They did four skits during the performance and warmed-up the audience before the show began. The most memorable skit was an improvisational skit about the life of a bug. To kill the bug or not, was the question.

The Southeastern Band Department was well represented with the Brass Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble and Percussion Ensemble. Because they played all songs live to enhance the performances, they had to work twice as hard. The evening was a success by any measure. The audience and performers left with a greater appreciation of the arts.

"I was very impressed with all the performances," Seth Watts, sophomore in finance, said. "All the performances were very professional, and very entertaining. The students worked hard on this show you could tell. I had no idea Southeastern had such a talented Arts Department."

by Randi Lyn Nelson



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Above-Freshmen, Sam McNeil, Jeremy Magouirk and Brad Gaddy create beautiful music together during their performance.

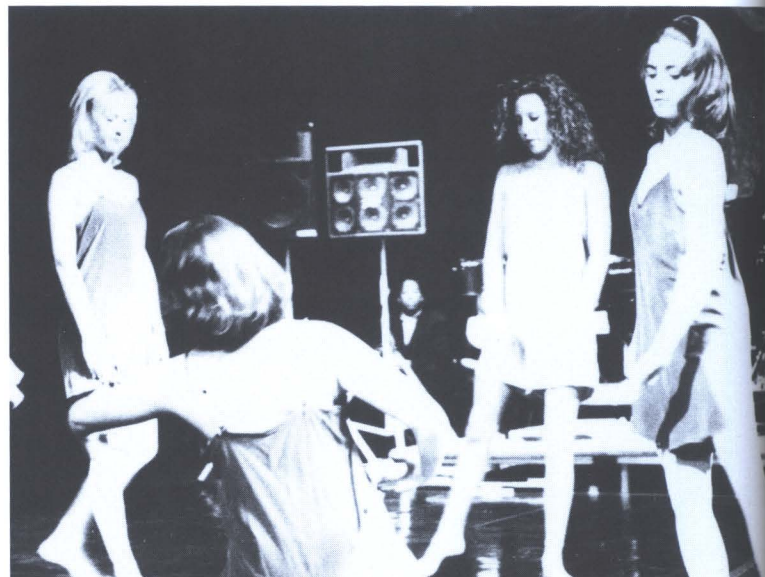


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Above-Julie Dowe, sophomore, Leigh Walton, freshman, Carla Garrett, sophomore and Christina Grider, junior, move gracefully across the stage as they perform to Pachelbel's Canon in D.



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Above-Sophomores, Aaron Ollila, standing, Derrick Nunn, at the top, Chris Smith, middle and Jason Matherley, bottom, perform with the Jazz Band at *Kaleidoscope*.



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Above-Left, Joey Sanchez, sophomore and Brad Gaddy, freshman, look like evil little elves on stage during the *Assorted Nuts* performance.



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Above-Katy Pogue, senior, enthusiastically twirls her baton during a performance while Julie Dowe, sophomore and Leigh Walton, freshman, follow her lead.



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Above-Amber Harrington, senior, explains to the audience what the improvisation *Assorted Nuts* was about.

PLAYING IT LOUD

Instrumental Music

Southeastern's instrumental music department has seen several changes in the last year.

According to David Christy, director of bands, the changes have enabled us to attract the best musicians in the Texoma region.

The most noticeable change, however, is in the size of enrollment in the music department. The marching band alone has gone from 18 members in the fall of 1994 to 105 members three years later.

"Around 50 new freshman made an immediate contribution to the ensemble," Christy said.

Christy is very pleased that the number of instrumental music majors has grown from five to more than 40.

The instrumental music department consists of the Marching Band or the Spirit of the Savages, Pep Band, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Percussion ensemble and various brass and woodwind ensembles.

Christy feels the bands have progressed, overall, quite well.

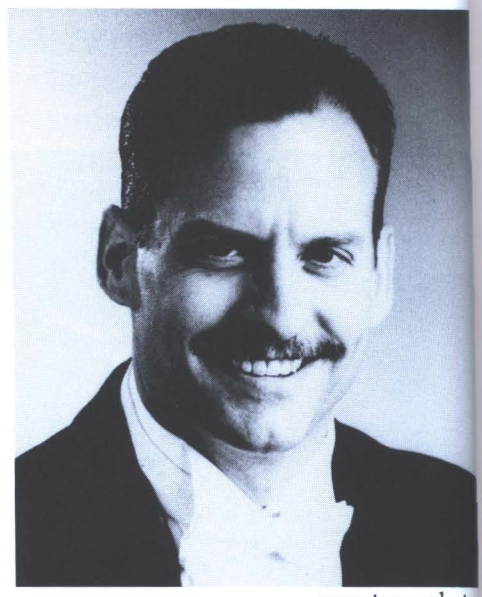
"The increased talent of our recruits coupled with the training of our faculty," said Christy. "Also, with the support of our administration, it has enabled us to become more visible and perform music of increased difficulty at a more professional level."

by Shay Jones



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Above- David Christy, director of bands, looks really happy to be here. Christy played a big part in the changes experienced in the music department.



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Above- Michael Miles, assistant band director, is all dressed up with nowhere to go. Then again maybe he's "Struttin' with Some Barbecue".

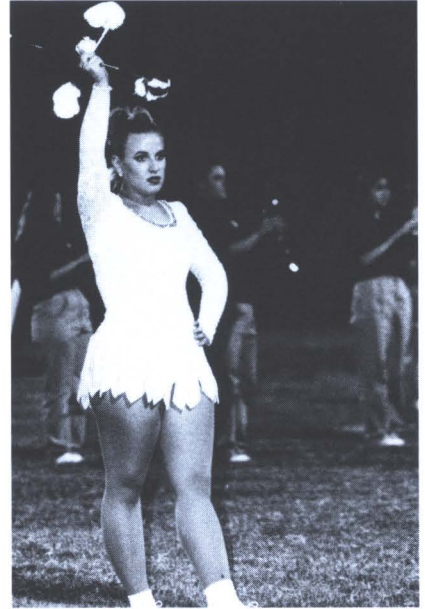


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Left- Feature twirler Katy Pogue, senior, shows the crowd what it's like to play with fire.



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Right- Cornelius "Corndog" Neal, freshman, is living proof that a person can play the cymbals and watch the game at the same time.



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Left- (from left to right) Rob Clift, senior, Jerime Harris, freshman and Scott McKinley, sophomore, perform at a recital. Music majors are required to perform at and attend a certain amount of recitals each semester.

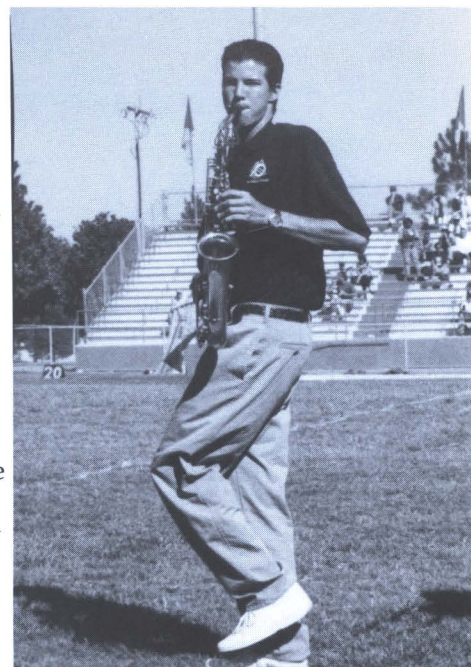


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Right- Andrew Sikes, sophomore, shows the perfect transversing style while marching at a home game. Mr. Christy would be so proud.



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Left - Matt Freeman, sophomore, is either trying to keep cool during the game or is trying to start a new fashion trend.

Right- The marching band transforms itself into a pep band when it's time for a bonfire. After a couple of songs it is easy to see why they are called the Spirit of the Savages.

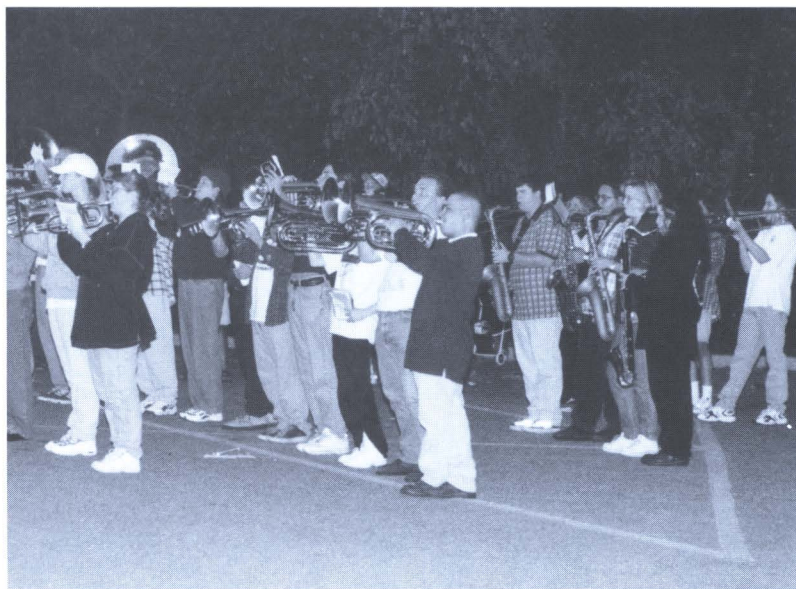


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Right-The Flag Corp added color to the Marching Band. Lisa Riner, junior, stands at attention while the band plays. The Flags had 19 members in the fall of '97.

Left- The SOSU Jazz Band performs at the second annual *Kaleidoscope*. Groups from the theatre, vocal and instrumental music departments performed at the musical art series.

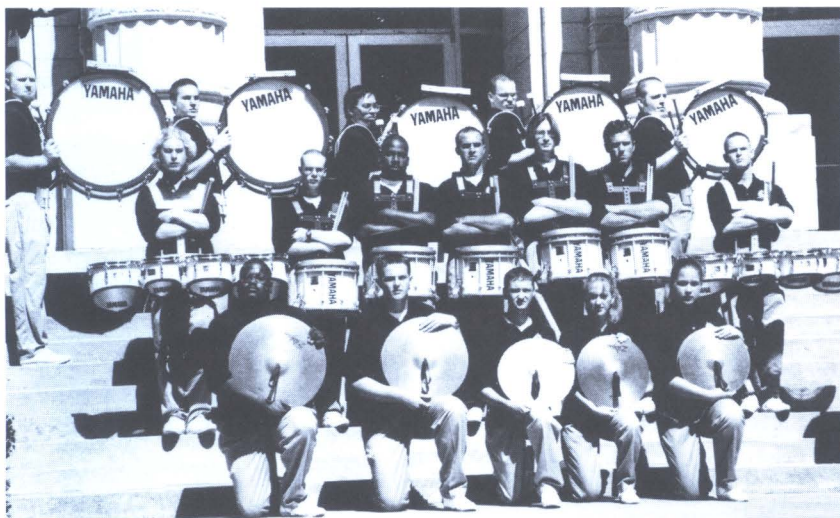


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Above-The Spirit of the Savages Marching Band.

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Above-Percussion line: Back row: (left to right) Kevin Lamb, Shawn Wiebers, George Shires, Jason Evans, Jason Shavoni. Middle row: J. Matt Freeman, Matt R. Freeman, Jack Francis, Harley Thomas, Rob Clift, Sean Welborn, and Scott McKinley. Front row: Cornelius Neal, Dallas Morris, Jerime Harris, Crystal Nikkel, and Amy Garman.



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Above-Flag Corp: Back row: (left to right) Kathy Smith, Mollie Winkler. Fourth row: Mary Jane Snider, Britni Wheatley, Emily Evers, April Tepe. Third row: Misty Sherwood, Wanda Carter, Tammie D'Angelo, Melissa Wisdom, Stacey Martin, Elizabeth Wylie. Second row: Kim Tressler, Denise Olmstead, Ashley Nichols, Tiffany Orr. Front row: Paula Gray, Adrienne Johnson and Lisa Riner.



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Above-Jazz Ensemble. Back row: Aaron Ollila, Rob Clift, Joraud Roberson, Charlie Goodson, Charlie Dale, Jeff Anastasio, Chris Smith, Greg Morgan, Mark Shelton, and Dr. Michael Miles, Director. Second row: Stella Williams, Jana Haggard, Jason Matherly, Bobbi Jo Carter, Elizabeth Wright, Fernando Braxton, and David Sturch. Front row: Eric Wilson, Shawn Wiebers, Billy Raines, Jack Francis, Josh Potts, and Derrick Nunn.



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Above-Symphonic Band. Back row: (left to right), Music Director David Christy, Percussion Director Marc White, Jerime Harris, Dallas Morris, Shawn Weibers, Harley Thomas, Scott McKinley, Jack Alford, Matt Freeman. Fourth row: Aaron Ollila, Jason Matherly, Bobbi Jo Carter, Andrew Sikes, Klo Utley, Eric Wilson, Casey Foster, Brent Reubin, Shane Henry, Charlie Goodson, John Price, Justin Armstrong, John Shilling, Jeff Anastasio, Ben Bond, Aaron Quarles, Ashley Blackham, Christina Smith, Todd Cole, Robert Ridgway, and Myron Dick. Third row: Lisa Riner, Tiffany Hyde, Jared Johnson, April Brannan, Amy McCullough, Katrina Mosshamer, Jay Pitts, Sandra Haragan, Joshua Bell, Chris Palmer, Chris Jackson, Joseph Harwell, Jamie Garner, Chase Oliver, Elizabeth Wright, Billy Raines, Joshua Potts, Fernando Braxton, and Derrick Nunn. Second Row: Carman Lowe, Britni Wheatley, Stacy Mullins, Kimberly Tressler, Susan Bokies, Mary Jane Snider, Alicia Flowers, Justin Johnson, Daryl Deel, Kristi Ferguson, Denise Olmstead, Heidi McIntyre, and JoAnn Conway. Front row: Erica Stevenson, Halee Lackey Angie Kemp, Rebecca Kindred Tiffany Beach, Katy Pogue, and Jana Haggard.



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Above-Flag Corp Co-Captains Kathy Smith (left) and Adrienne (Tootie) Johnson (right). Feature Twirler Katy Pogue (middle).

Right-Brass Ensemble. Back row: Charlie Dale, Charlie Goodson, Jeff Anastasio, Mark Shelton, and Jared Johnson. Front row: Derrick Nunn, Elizabeth Wright, Fernando Braxton, Josh Potts, David Sturch, April Brannan, Amy McCullough, Myron Dick, and Dr. Michael Miles, Director.



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Above-Percussion Ensemble. Back row: Cornelius Neal, Jerime Harris, Kevin Lamb, and Dallas Morris. Third row: Jason Evans, Scott McKinley, Matt Freeman, and Richard Thomas. Second row: Percussion Director; Marc White, Sean Welborn, Shawn Wiebers, Harley Thomas, Rob Clift, and Josh Potts. Front row: Penni Van Zandt and Jack Francis.



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CHINA SOUNDS OF PRAISE

The *China Sounds of Praise* musical troupe and the SOSU Chorale presented their "Best of the East and West", concert of chorale music and traditional Chinese instruments, at the Montgomery Auditorium July 14, 1998. The performers are faculty members of the Nanning Music and Art Institute, Guang Xi, province, People's Republic of China. The group is under the direction of Dr. Yang Shao Yi, and Zhao Ke ("Scott") serves as their interpreter. The concert did not require Scott's services even though it was performed in Chinese. The traditional folk songs transcended the language barrier. The "Wedding Vow" spoke of the courtship of young love. The maiden on stage possessed a hand-crafted ball adorned with tassels. In China, she would toss it to the fellow she liked. Here, in America, she tossed the ball into the audience at the conclusion of the ballad.

Dr. James Wintle, SOSU music director, remarked that some of the Chinese instruments used in the concert are of the same design as they were two thousand years ago. The *Pei-pa*, is a bamboo flute without valves, the *Yang-chiang* looks like an upside down mallet with two strings along the handle, and the *Cu-cheng* is a stringed xylophone-looking instrument of a complicated arrangement. The ancient instruments used by the musicians were played with respect and skill. This combination produced sounds and timbres not known in our country.

For the finale, the SOSU Summer Chorale performed a number of American folk songs with the Chinese visitors under the direction of Dr. Britt, SOSU Summer Chorale conductor.

by Kisha Snider



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NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE CONTINUES TO GROW

Below-Two of the Broken Bow Choctaw Dancers go toe-to-toe as they demonstrate a dance for the crowd.

Southeastern's second annual Native American Symposium, *The Beating/Beading of Many Hearts: Reclaiming Native American Cultures* turned another page in Southeastern history.

The symposium was designed to build a sense of community among the general public, educators and the Indian Nations.

The event offered a variety of experiences to facilitate a better understanding of the culture through music, dance, art, scholarly paper presentations and round-table discussions.

"Native Americans are real people dealing with real issues like reclaiming their land and the bones of their ancestors," Brad Cushman, chair of the art department said. "They're continuing to discover their cultural heritage."

Elbert Hill, professor in English, humanities and languages said, "The Native American culture is so rich you can't help but be influenced by it."

Hill and Cushman both helped organize the symposium.

This year's event was dedicated to the memory of last year's keynote speaker Alfonso Ortiz.

Ortiz, a nationally known Native American activist, scholar, teacher and writer, died shortly after the first symposium.

by Renee Laney



photo by Dana Bell



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Above-Broken Bow Choctaw dancers fill the room full of energy during a performance of the Native American snake dance.

Below-Richard Erdoes, 86 year-old keynote speaker, takes time to autograph one of his books. Erdoes is a noted author, artist and photographer.



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Above-Anthony Mitchell, a full blood Creek/Seminole Native American artist paints a Cardinal on a Christmas ornament.



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Above-After the dancers performed, they gave the audience a demonstration of the Native American stick ball game.

Below-The crowd enjoys Indian tacos while captivated by the symposium's events.



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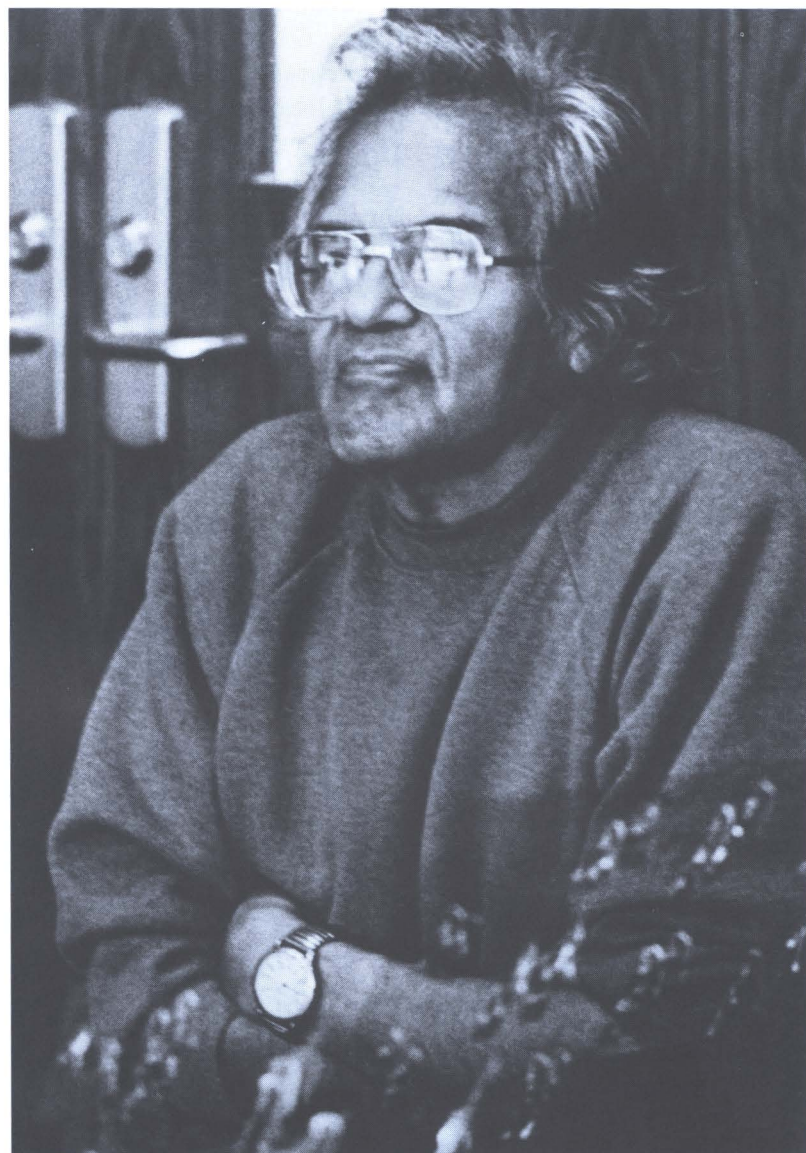


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Above-A Native American artist seems as if he is lost in thought as he takes in the scenery of the symposium.

CHORVETTES

Thirty years of Excellence



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Above- The girls get a lift from their partners while performing on the steps of Morrison, during a performance for the homecoming festivities. Do these ladies look lovely or what?

Below- Dr.'s Mary Ann and Danny Craige take time out from sightseeing in Scotland to pose for the camera. As director of The Chorvettes, Dr. Craige says that these trips are not just vacations, they are once in a lifetime educational opportunities.



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The Southeastern Oklahoma State University Chorvettes, the Official Goodwill Ambassadors of Oklahoma, are celebrating their thirtieth year in existence. Formed in 1968 by Dr. Mary Ann Craige, the elite show/jazz choir continues to give great entertainment with music spanning from pop, rock and jazz to traditional country and patriotic. They have traveled almost the entire globe. The Chorvettes have and continue to take Oklahoma and SOSU's musical message to such countries as New Zealand, Hawaii, Australia, Germany, Austria, Italy, England, Scotland, and Wales.

The group exists to give qualified and talented students practical performance experience and preparation, training, and development in entertainment. Consisting of 20-24 students, the group serves not only as Oklahoma's Goodwill Ambassadors, but also as a recruitment tool for Southeastern. They perform for local high schools, inspiring and encouraging students to continue vocal entertainment while in college. Once again, the Chorvettes will participate

in the Collegiate Showcase. This is an opportunity for The Chorvettes and other show choirs to get together and perform for each other while being watched and critiqued by professionals. This time will also consist of scheduled sessions for the choirs to get a first hand taste of the music business as they talk with studio professionals.

The Collegiate Showcase also features auditioned soloists in what is called The Spotlight Performer Showcase. Approximately 250 singers auditioned for the eight available spots. Of the many that were auditioned, The Chorvettes had two students chosen. Stacey Gibson, senior in English Education, and Derrick King, senior in Music and Arts. With two of the eight spots being held by Chorvettes, Southeastern is very well represented.

As with every year, The Chorvettes take a summer trip.

This year they return to the Caribbean on the Carnival Cruise Line where they will provide entertainment. Hoping to see Kathy Lee, The Chorvettes look forward to seeing the beautiful islands of Cozumel, Montego Bay and the Caymans.

The 1997-1998 Chorvettes are Angela Kemp, Daniel Oyler, Lisa Henderson, Nathan Riley, Laura Martinkus, Jason Stillwell, Jennifer Blaker, Charles Coley, Tiffany Beach, Jeff Allen, Trish Dunegan, Justin Ross, Samantha McCurdy, Chris Temple, Kristen Kelley, Toby Cotton, and the choreography team which includes Aimee Woulfe, Derrick King, Elise Moore, headed by Stacey Gibson.

By: Derrick King

Below- Knock, knock, anybody home? Looks like these girls love beating up on those poor defenseless guys....I bet they didn't even deserve it...Yeah right!



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Right- Like knights in shining armour the Chorvette men swept these ladies off their feet. It looks like they might be caught up in the moment . But, then again, who can resist a man in a black t-shirt and faded blue jeans.



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Barbershop

Included within The Chorvettes is a Barbershop Quartet. The name of this quartet is Sound Express. They are the only competing college quartet. Four parts are auditioned and selected to join and then they learn the songs for contest after that. They perform not only for contest, they also perform at various community and social events, as well as at the various Chorvette shows.

Quartet

This year the quartet is made up of these members in counterclockwise order: Derrick King, senior, singing lead, Chris Temple, freshman, singing bass, Daniel Oyler, junior, singing baritone, and Nathan Riley, freshman, singing tenor. These four men and their director traveled to Houston, Tx. and Atlanta, Ga., to compete against other barbershop quartets at the college level.

Right- The girls jump for joy! Could it be their great poodle skirts or the fact that they are performing with such a talented group of men. The 60's show is just one of a wide variety of performances done by the Chorvettes. Each show is carefully choreographed and rehearsed.



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SAY BOO

Halloween in the Dorms



photo by Heidi McIntyre

Above-Darth Vader, aka Christina Smith, freshman, feels sure the force is with her as she waits on trick-or-treaters.

Right-Teresa Owens, Chickasaw Dorm Manager, Wendy Banks, junior, Sabrina Canada, freshman and Jenny Thomason, sophomore, pose for the camera. These ladies are only a few of the creatures that greeted trick-or-treaters.

Students and area trick-or-treaters in the Chickasaw Dorms are haunted every Halloween. Weird noises and scary spooks can be heard and seen between 6 and 8 p.m. For the past four years Chickasaw dorms and its patrons have participated in what is now becoming a tradition, Halloween in the Dorms.

Each floor is decorated with everything from cobwebs to tombstones to fake dummies.

According to Teresa Owens, Chickasaw dorm manager, "When it's cold outside you can bring the kids to the dorms where it's warm. And because each floor participates they get plenty of candy. Punch and cookies are available to those who don't get the full tour."

Each floor's resident assistant and the desk clerks act as guides, taking the children to the top floor and stopping on every floor on the way down. Rooms that participated had signs posted on the doors. Some patrons got together and gave out candy as a floor instead of by room. This kept the little ones from having to go room-to-room.

Heidi McIntyre, sophomore in elementary education, has participated in the event for three years now, one of them as a guide and all she had to say was that it was a lot of fun.

by Shay Jones



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Above-Cheryl Ann Jeter, senior, front, and Kristi Ferguson, sophomore, manned the front desk on Halloween night. It was up to these lovely ladies to make sure no unnecessary creatures got past the front door.

“
The program started four years ago with the idea, that it would give the kids a safe place to go.”

Teresa Owens,
Chickasaw
Dorm Manager



photo by Dana Bell

“
You don't have to worry about them getting run over.”

Jerry McCraw,
freshman



photo by Dana Bell

Below-What a group! From left to right, Jenny Thomason, sophomore, Kristi Ferguson, sophomore, Heidi McIntyre, sophomore and Wendy Banks, junior, show us what they want to be when they grow



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Above-Shelby Laney, daughter of Renee Laney, junior, was one of the local trick-or-treaters who loaded up on candy.

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SPRINGFEST



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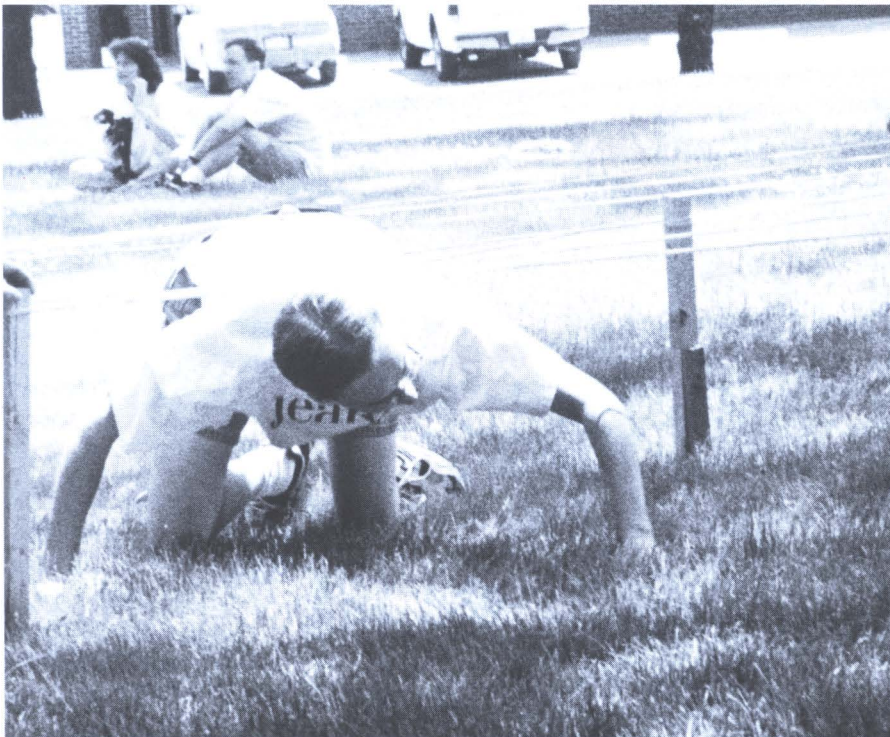


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MISS SOUTHEASTERN

The winner is.....



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Above-Lori Ann Kromer, University of Oklahoma School of Law, was crowned 1998 Miss Southeastern. Her talent presentation was a vocal performance.

Candidates

Daneka Allen- Oklahoma City University
 Ashley Bone- Texas Women's University
 Christina Grider- SE State University
 Erica Hightower- SW State University
 Chrissea Houser- SE State University
 Tricia Ansson- University of Oklahoma
 Amelia Columbus- NE State University
 Amy Hart- OU School of Law
 Heather Hillburn- SE State University
 Jone'-Marie Kimbro- SE State University
 Kerry Young- Oklahoma City University
 Corbi Wells- University of Oklahoma
 Gina Slabaugh- Carl Albert State College
 Cynthia Lewis- Ok. Baptist University
 Chanda Kromer- University of Oklahoma
 Ronica Roberts- Carl Albert State College
 Misty Wade- SE State University

The annual Miss Southeastern Pageant took place on January 25, 1998. Eighteen beautiful women competed for the coveted title.

The ladies had to compete in four categories: swimwear/fitness, talent, interview, and evening wear.

The majority of the points are based on the talent category. It carries 40 percent with the interview carrying 30 percent. Swimwear/fitness and the evening gown categories are 15 percent each.

This year, Southeastern had five of its own students vying for the chance to be crowned Miss Southeastern.

Christina E. Grider, junior, from Durant, performed a modern dance as her talent presentation and spoke on the issue of liberal arts education in public schools.

Grider's career plans are, "To work in the area of public relations, either with a public relations firm or with a professional theatre company."

Chrissea Marie Houser, freshman, from Tishomingo, addressed the issue of breast cancer awareness.

Houser's career goals include, "Becoming a highly respected physical therapist known for my excellent work."

Jone'-Marie Kimbro, sophomore, from Oklahoma City, did a piano and modern dance performance for the talent category.

She spoke on the prevention of child abuse and neglect. Her career wishes are, "To become a successful cardiologist."

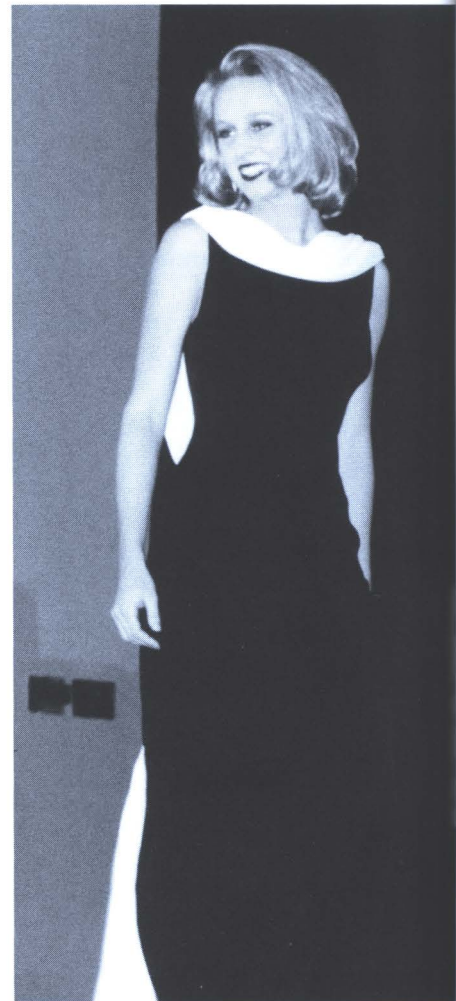
Heather Michele Hillburn, junior, from Colbert, performed a dance/twirl performance. Hillburn addressed the importance of physical education in elementary schools in order to fight obesity among children.

Hillburn received the honor of second runner-up.

Misty Dawn Wade, senior, from Muldrow, was Southeastern's fifth contestant. Wade did a vocal performance and spoke on domestic violence and the abuse of women.

Her careers plans are, "To obtain a Ph.D. in psychology."

Lori Ann Kromer, was crowned Miss Southeastern 1998. Runners-up were Amy Hart of Norman, first, Hillburn, second, Corbi Wells of Owassa, third and Ashley Bone of Broken Bow, fourth.



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Above-Heather Hillburn, junior, was crowned second runner-up, her issue was the importance of physical education in elementary school in order to fight obesity among children.

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Above-Chrissea Houser, freshman, sings it like it is. Houser spoke on the issue of breast cancer awareness.

Below-Christina Grider, junior, shows off the beautiful gown she wore for the evening wear category.



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Above-Jone'-Marie Kimbro, sophomore, gives the audience a delightful rendition of her modern dance.

Below-Misty Wade, senior, sings to the crowd. Wade did a vocal performance as part of her talent presentation



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Below-Eating together keeps the family united. Here the McNeils enjoy a laugh after a family meal.

Right-The family relaxes while they spend quality time together; a rare occasion for them.



photo by Renee Laney

The Southeastern community has often been recognized and talked about as a family campus. This became even more of a reality for two Southeastern students when their oldest son graduated from high school and chose Southeastern for his undergraduate studies.

Sheldon McNeil, senior in social studies education, and his wife Ruby, graduate student seeking a masters in special education, welcomed their son Sam, freshman in theater to the campus this semester, turning a page in their lives. But it doesn't bother Sam, who said he doesn't mind having his parents around.

"I think it's cool. I love my parents," Sam said. "I'm not intimidated by my folks, they encourage me."

Busy schedules and differing majors separate the McNeils when they are on campus and Sam often finds himself looking for his parents between scheduled classes. Even though he is only 20 miles from home his responsibility with the theater department consumes a great deal of his time preventing him from seeing his family as much as he'd like.

"Since I live on campus and they work all the time it gives me a chance to see them when they come to school," Sam added.

Off campus, the McNeils are a united bunch, attending church, spending time at the lake and promoting their Native American culture.

Sheldon is native to the Osage Nation while Ruby is from the Ononhdaga Seneca Indian Tribe of the Iroquois Nation State of New York. The McNeils believe that the right attitude is essential to one's success.

"Almost anything can be accomplished with the right attitude," Sheldon said. "Not everyone knows that."

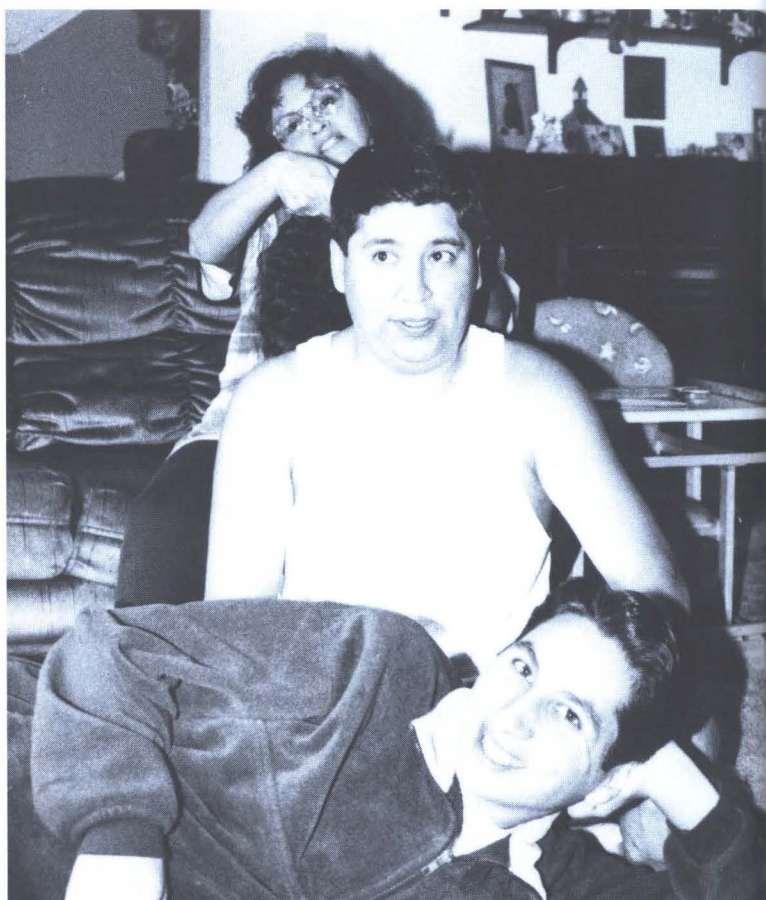


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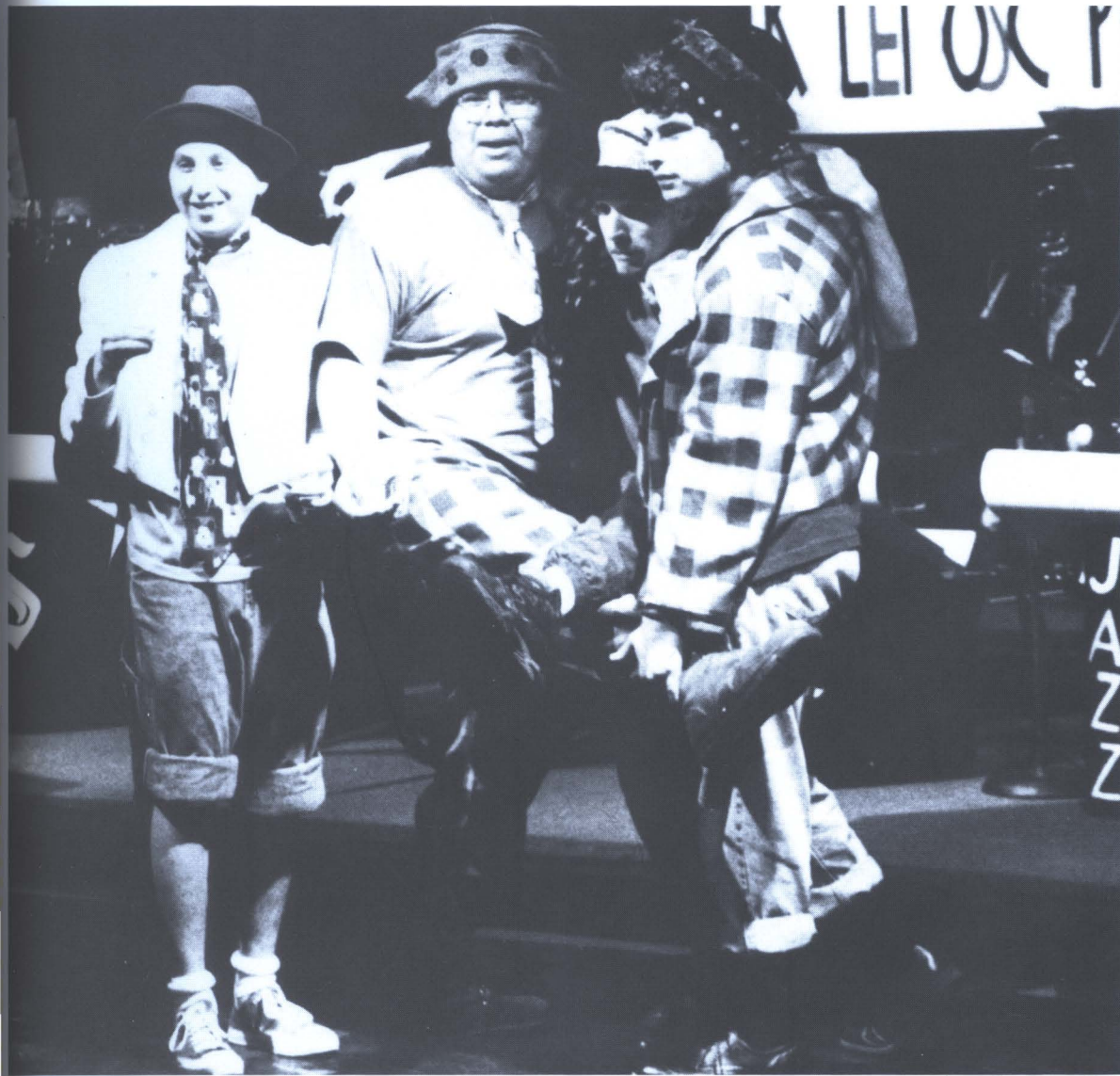
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Above-Sam takes time out of his busy schedule to spend time with his family and friends.

Southeastern's own family affair

How one Native American family finds learning together has its advantages

by Renee Laney



Left-Sam performs with the *Assorted Nuts* improvisation group during *Kaleidoscope*, one of the School of Arts and Letter's special events.

Below-Sam learns from his father how important it is to promote their Native American heritage. Sam enjoys participating in local pow-wows in a full dress costume he put together himself.



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Above-Ruby is serious about educating minorities. Here she sits attentively during a classroom lecture.

Left-Sam takes time to iron a pair of jeans during a visit home.



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TURN THE PAGE

and take a look at

PEOPLE

• **What are your favorite comedies or sitcoms on television?**

- No. 1 Seinfeld
- No. 2 South Park
- No. 3 The Simpsons
- No. 4 Friends
- No. 5 Ally McBeal
- No. 6 Frazier
- No. 7 Home Improvement
- No. 8 Mad About You
- No. 9 Drew Carey
- No. 10 Dharma & Greg

• **Do you feel that the amount of pornography on the Internet is a serious problem?**

- Yes 39%
- No 54%
- Not Sure 7%

• **Do you feel there should be a professional women's hockey league?**

- Yes 74%
- No 25%
- Not Sure 9%

• **Do you approve/disapprove of the way President Clinton is doing his job?**

- Approve 60%
- Disapprove 31%
- Not Sure 10%

• **Should college athletes be tested for drug use?**

- Yes 83%
- No 14%
- Don't Know 3%

• **What are your three favorite dramas or adventures?**

- No. 1 ER
- No. 2 X-Files
- No. 3 Party of Five
- No. 4 Dawson's Creek
- No. 5 Beverly Hills 90210
- No. 6 Law & Order
- No. 7 Buffy the Vampire Slayer
- No. 8 Star Trek: Voyager
- No. 9 The Pretender
- No. 10 The Real World

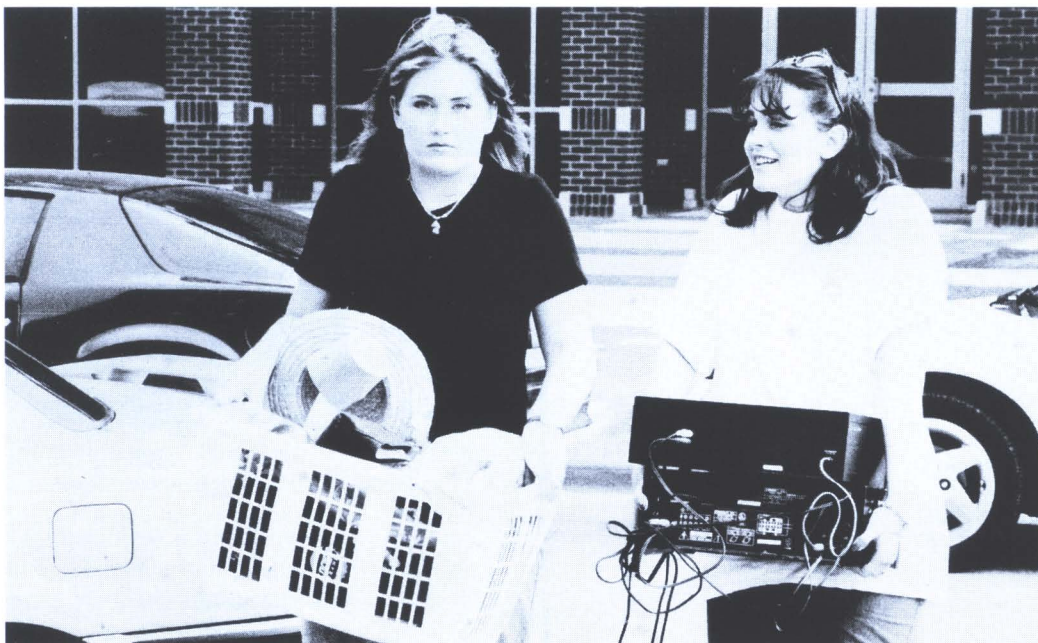


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Above-These two students will make several trips back and forth from their dorm rooms to their waiting automobiles in attempts to move out of the dorm when the semester is over.



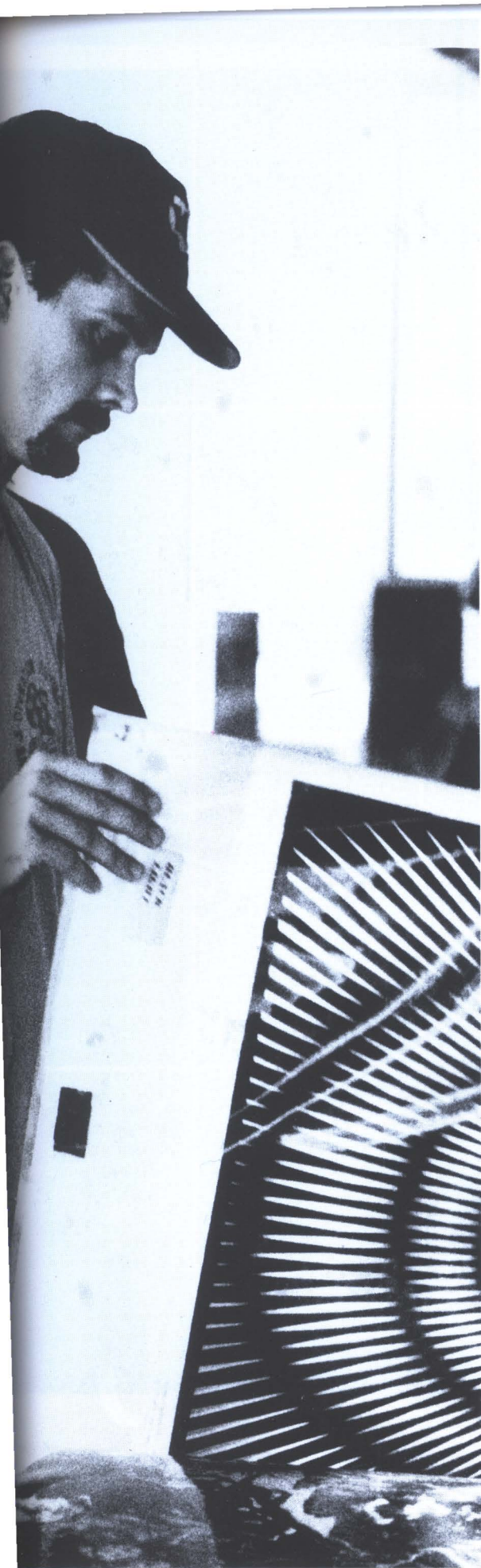


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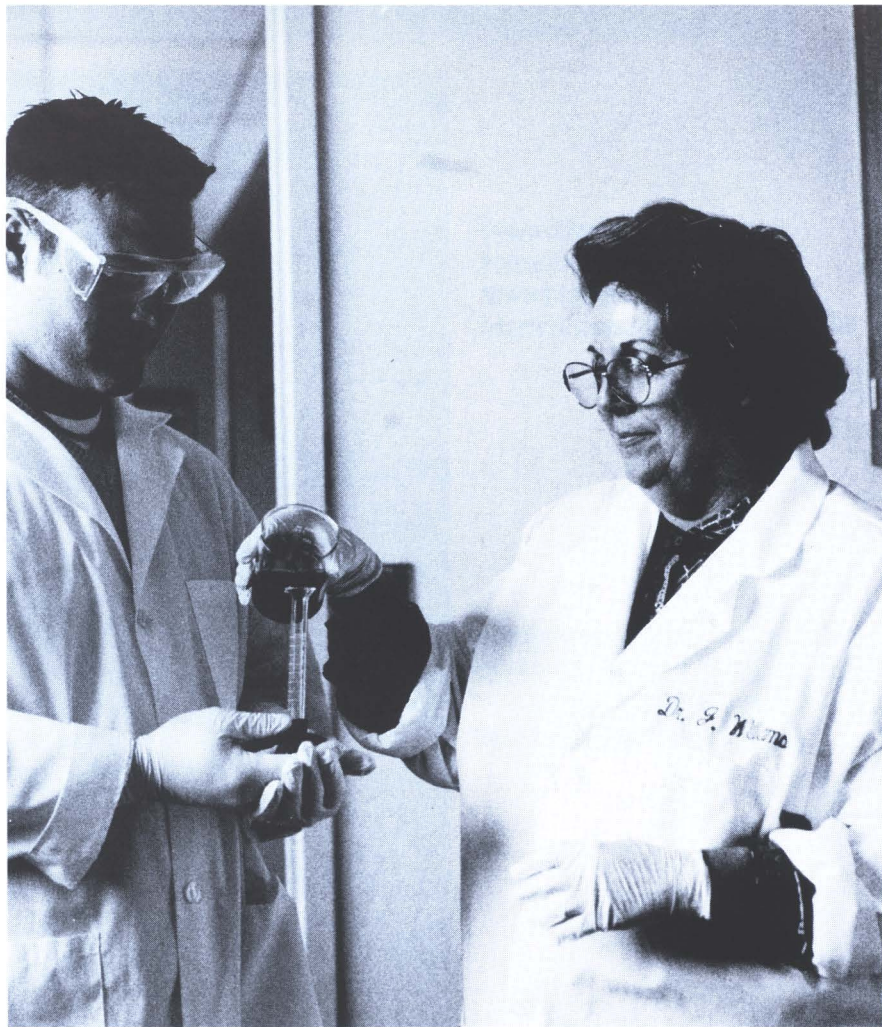


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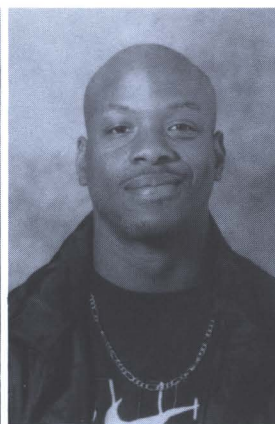
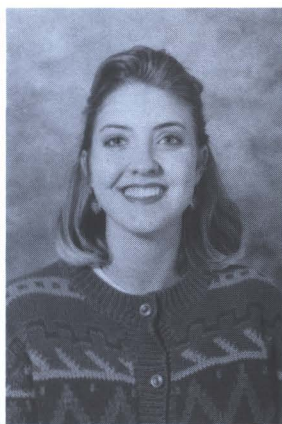
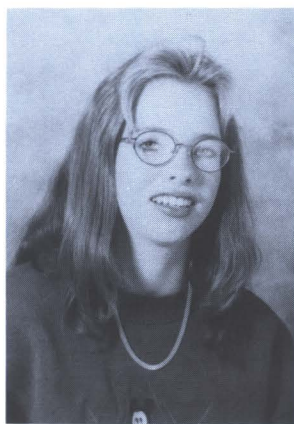
Left-Several students gather around the Student Union at the beginning of each semester for the poster sales. This student seems particularly interested in this group of posters.

Above-Dr. Williams proudly helps one of her students during biology lab.

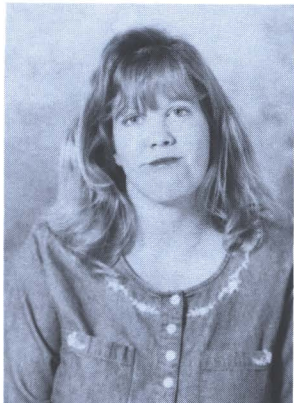
Left-Dr. Randy Prus, points out three of his students clowning around after class.

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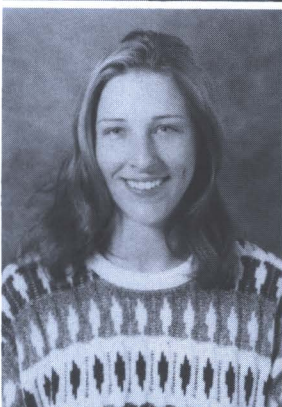
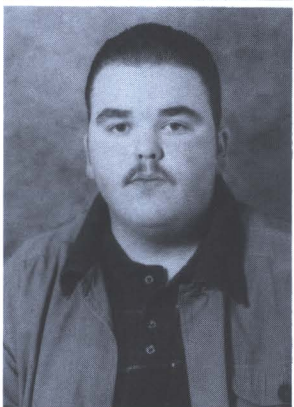
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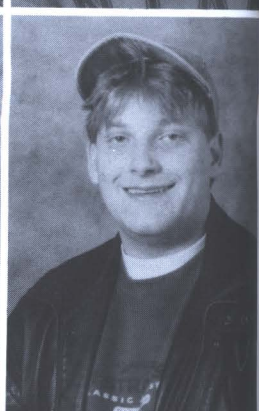
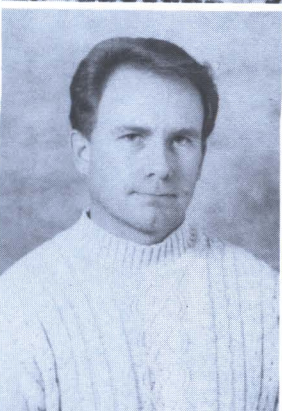
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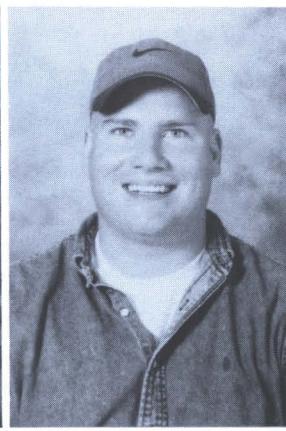
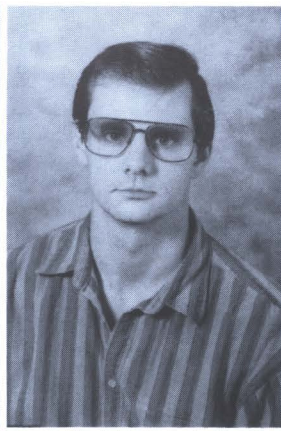
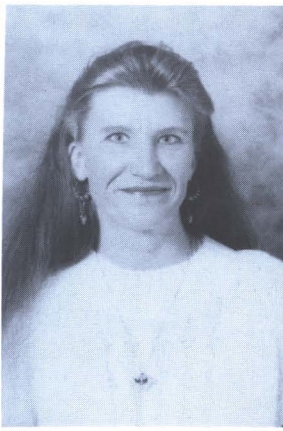
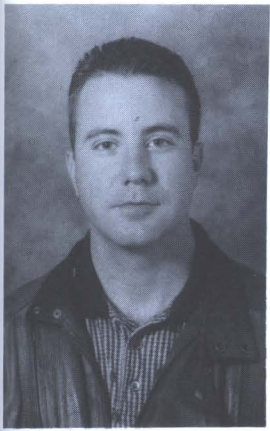


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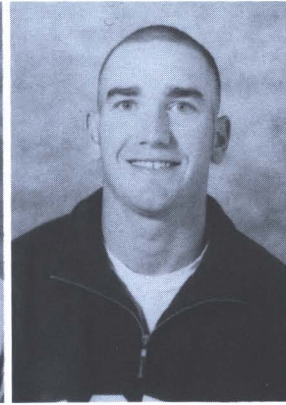
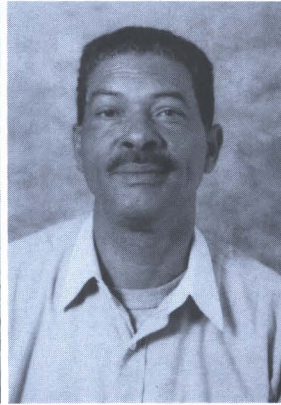
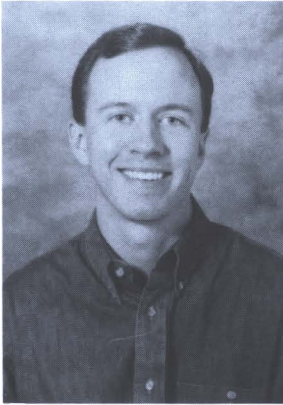


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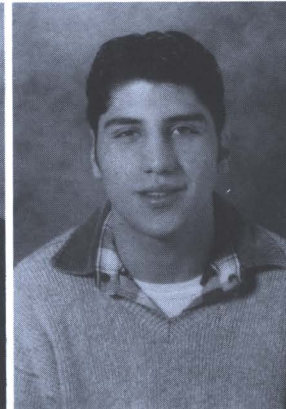
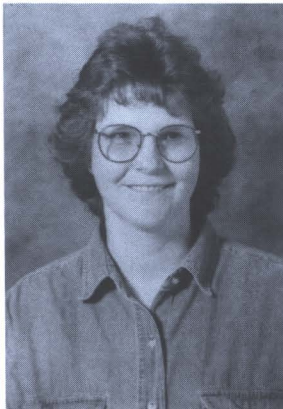




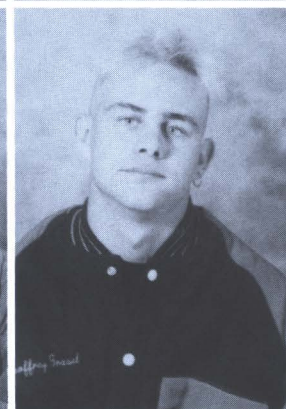
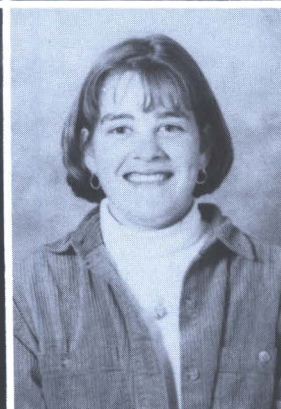
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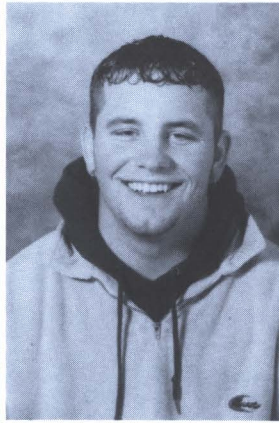
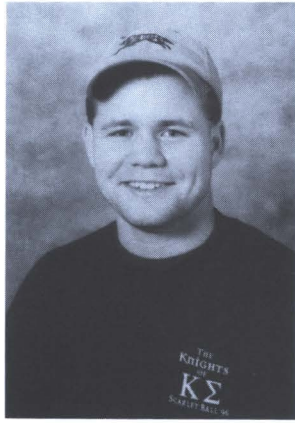
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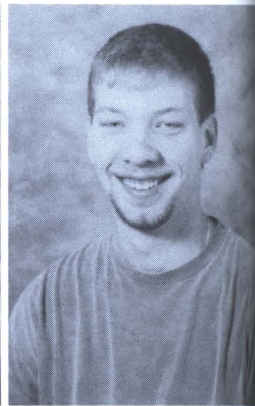
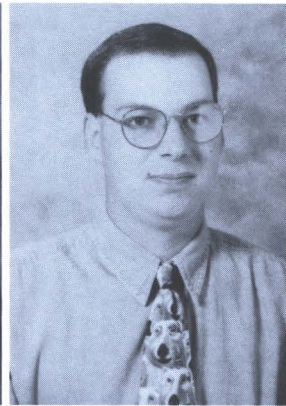
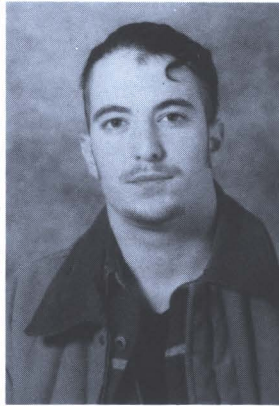
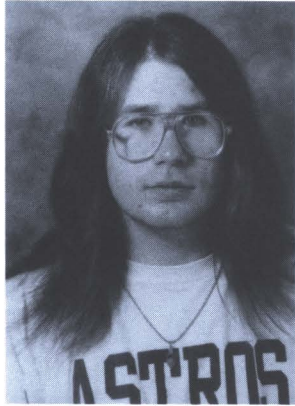
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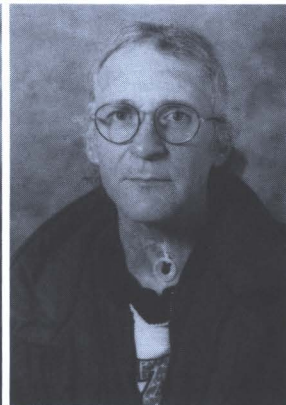
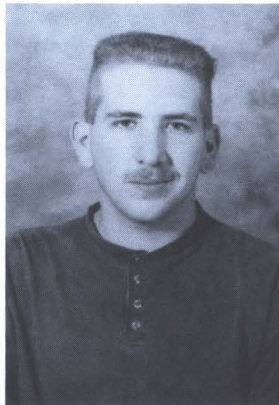
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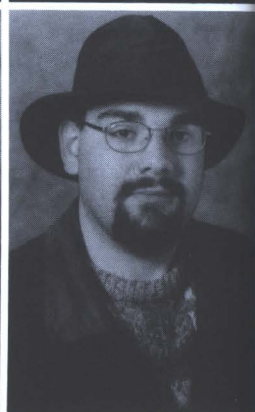
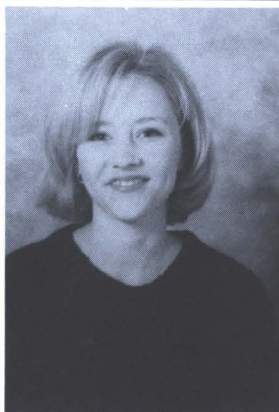
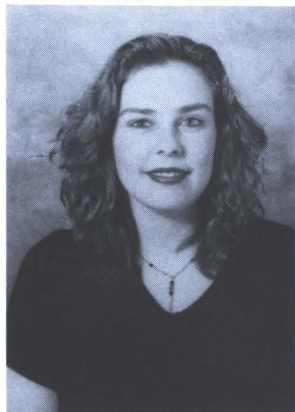
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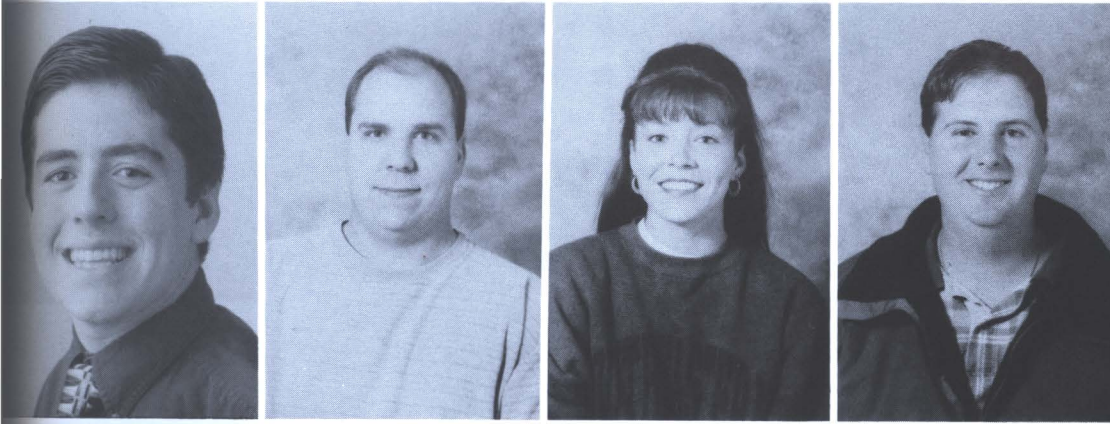
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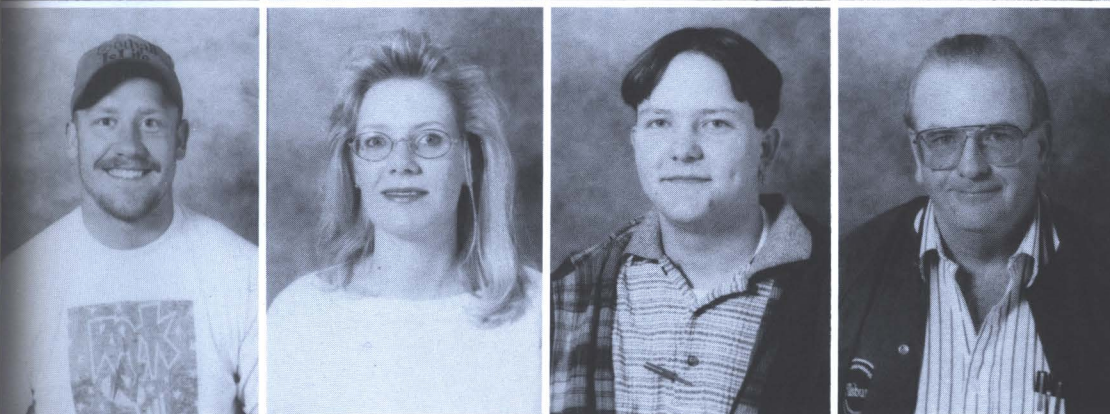
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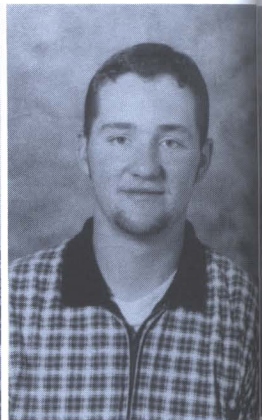
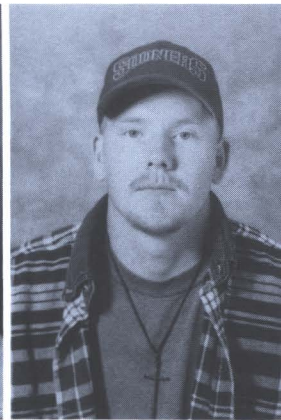
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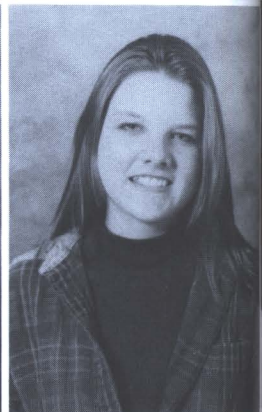
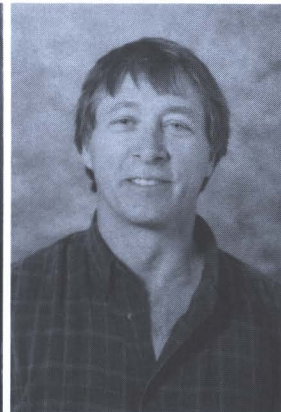
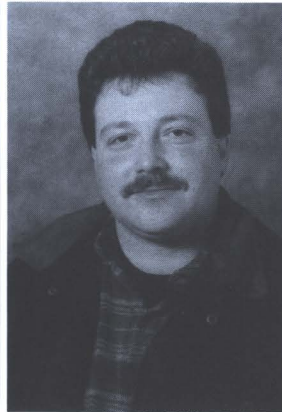
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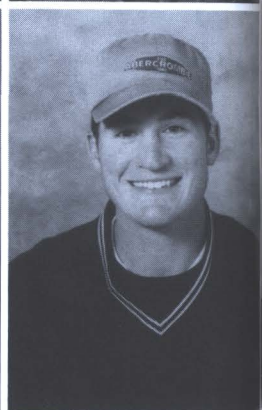
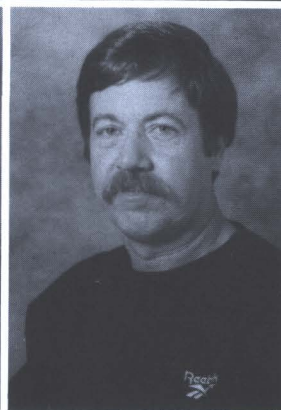
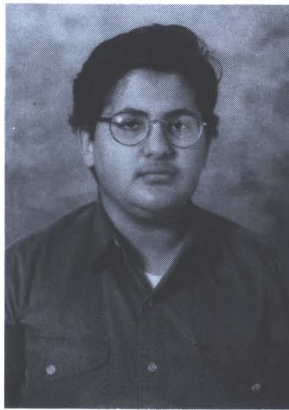
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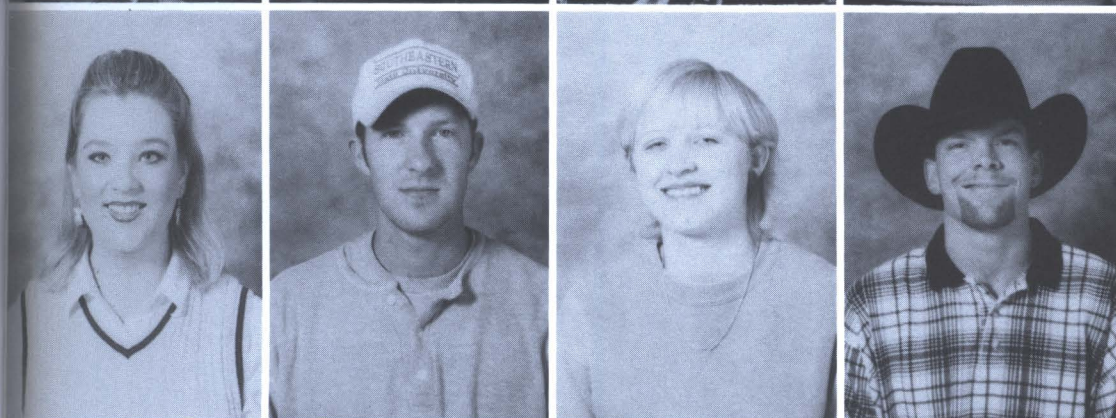
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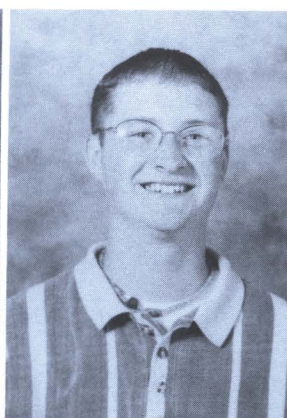
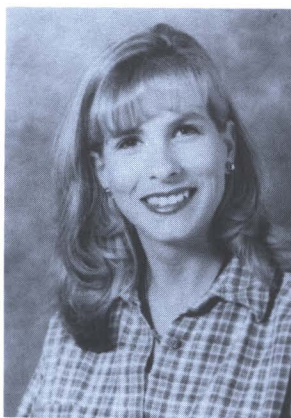
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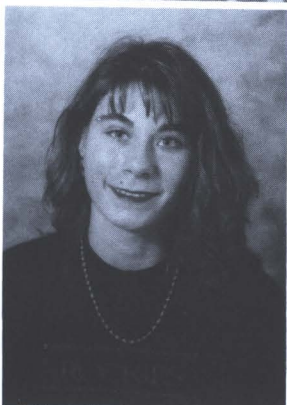
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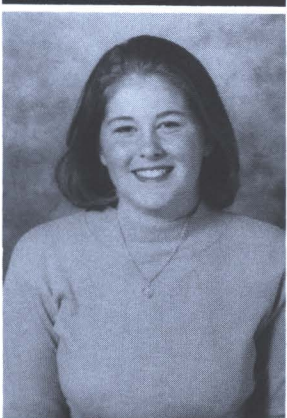
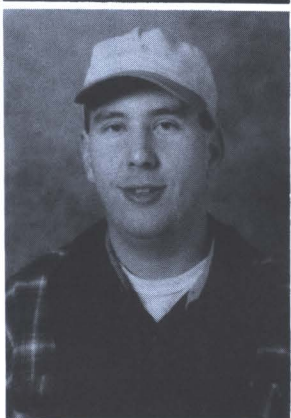
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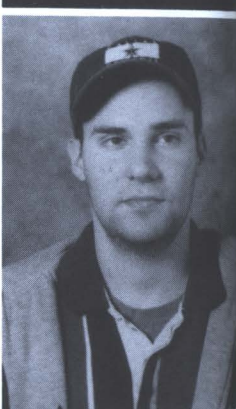
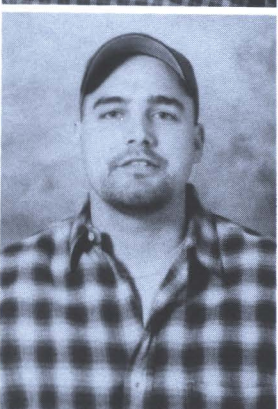
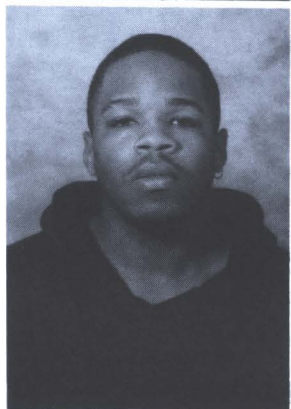
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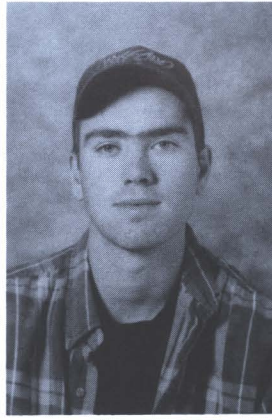
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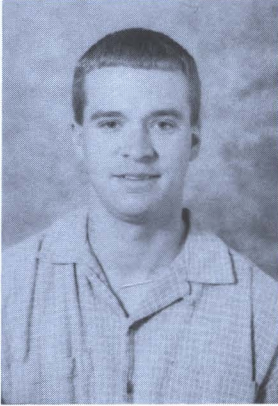
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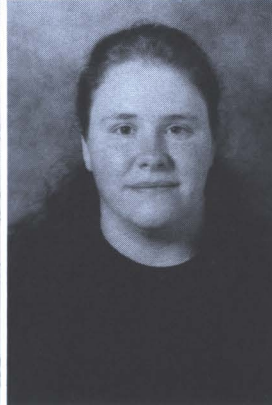
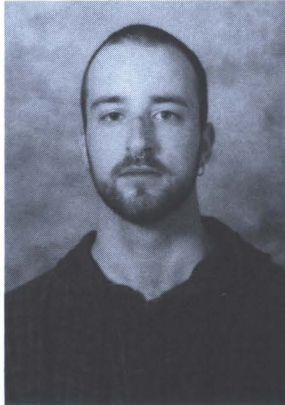
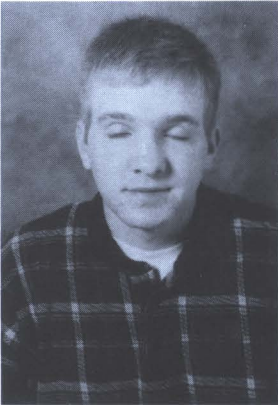
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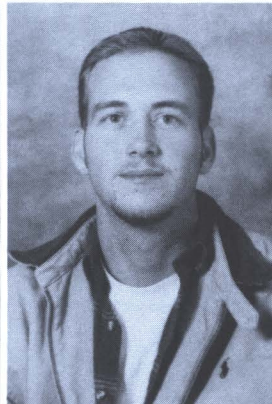
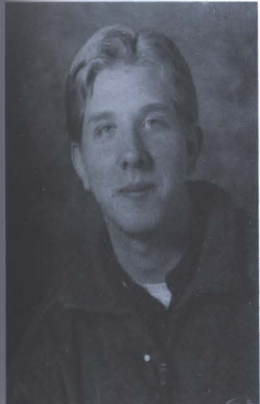
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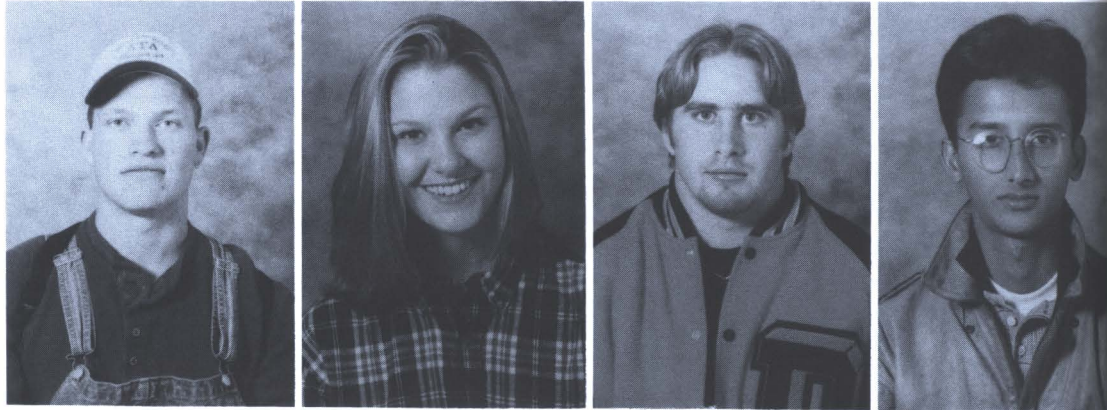
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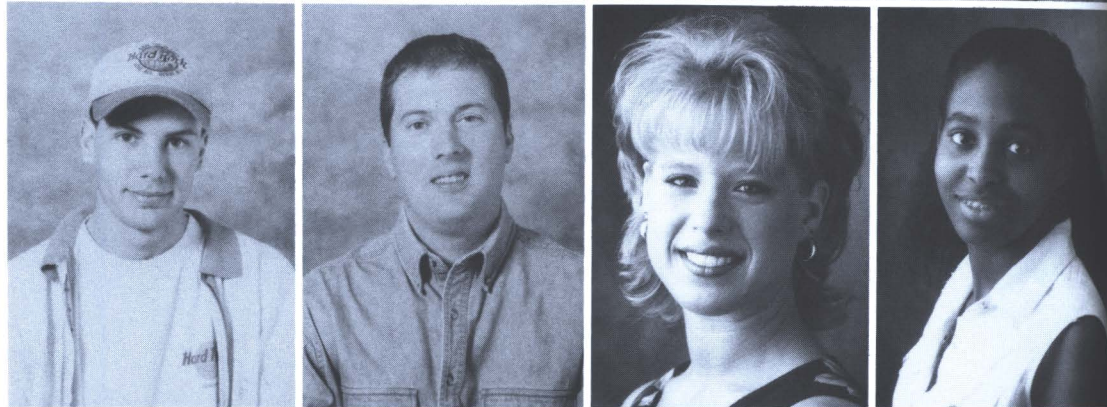
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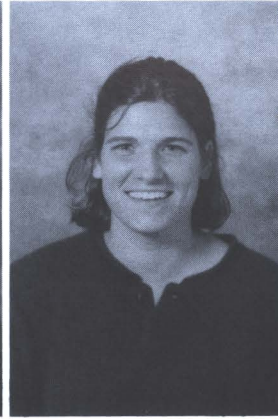
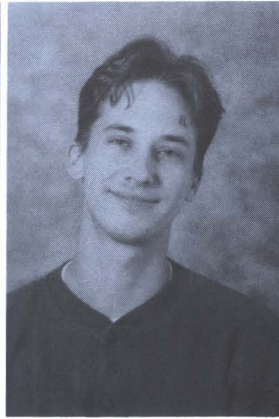
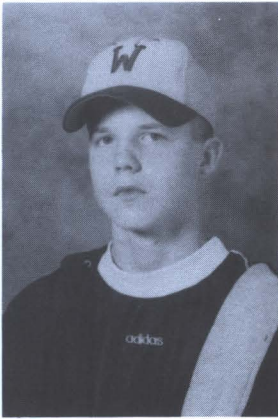
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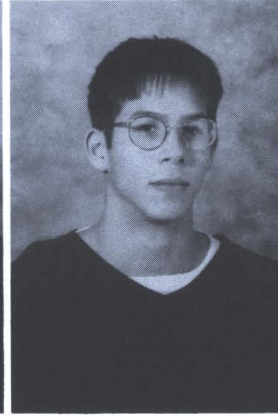
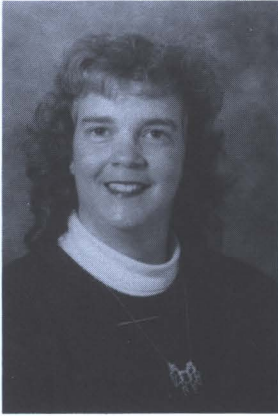
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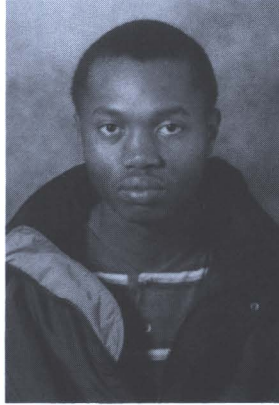
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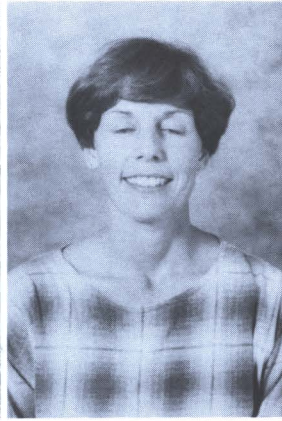
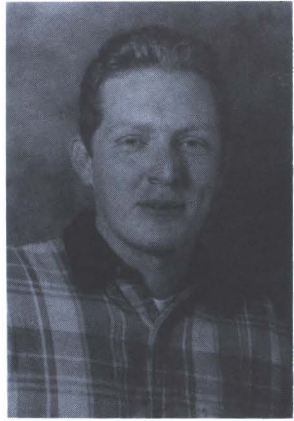
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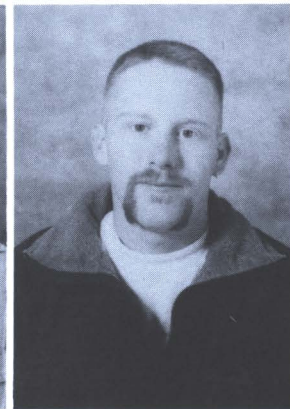
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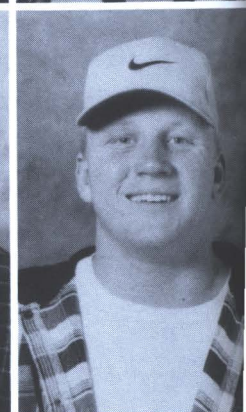
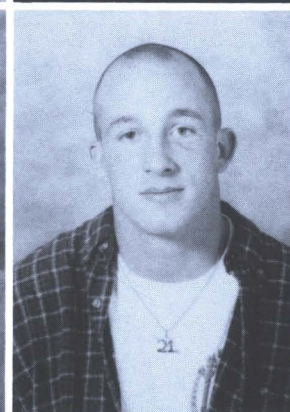
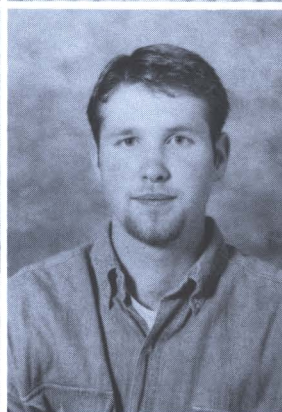
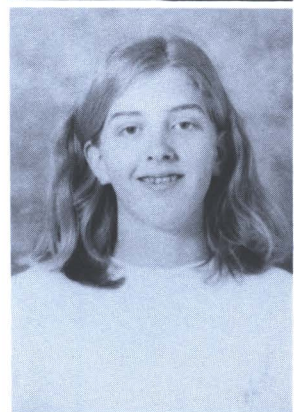
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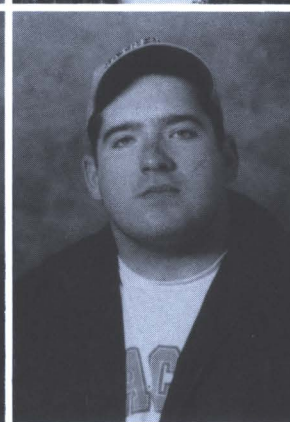
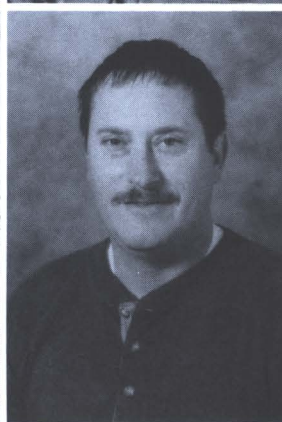
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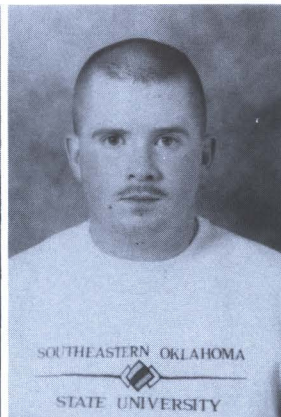
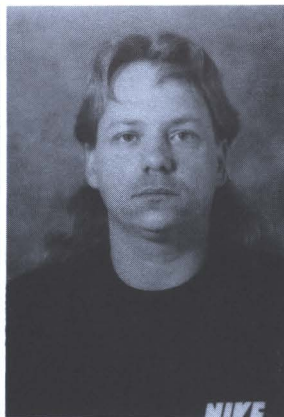
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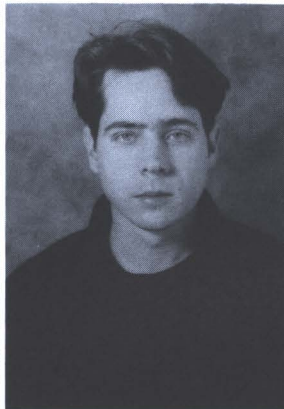
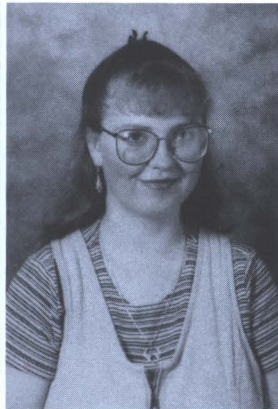
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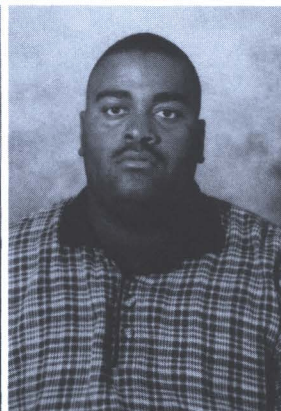
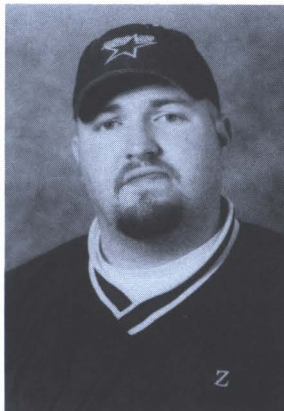
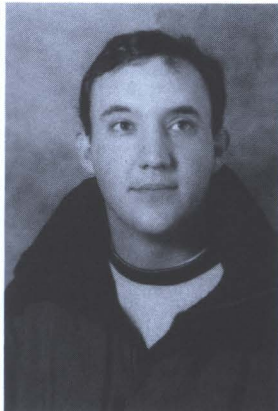
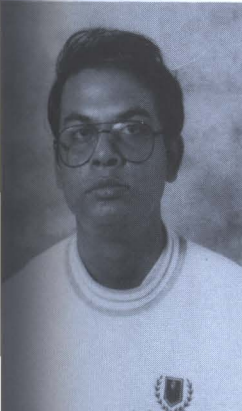
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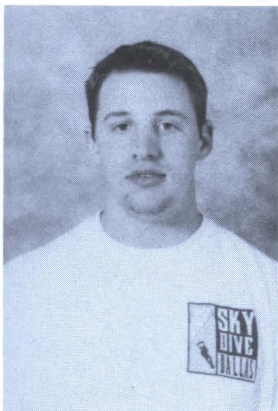
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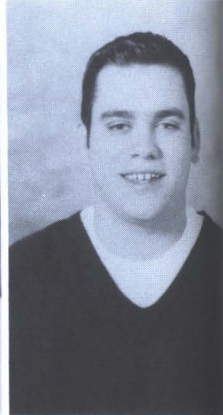
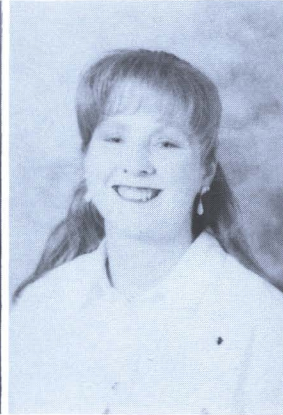
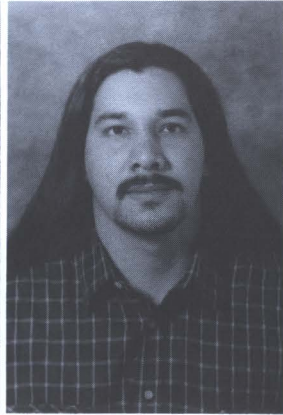
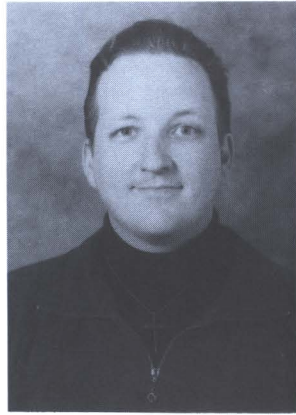


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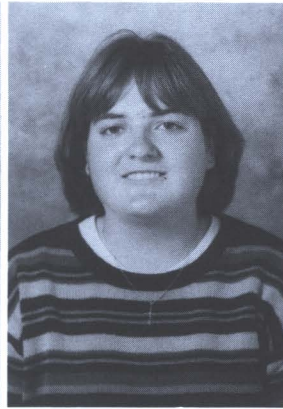
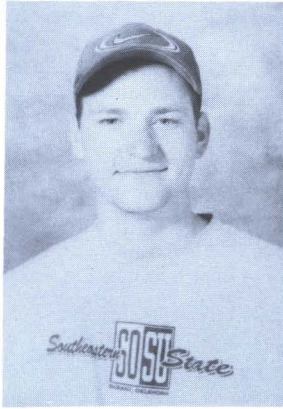


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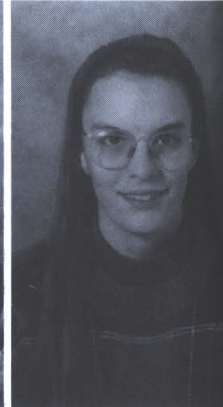
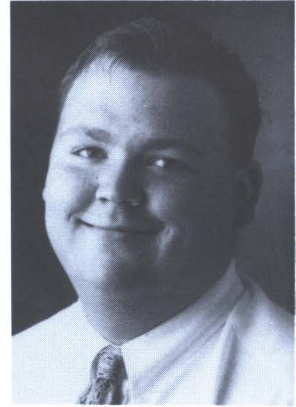
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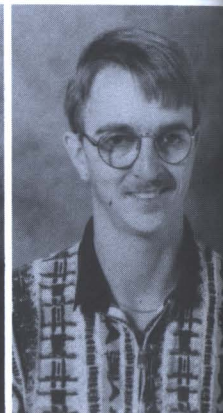
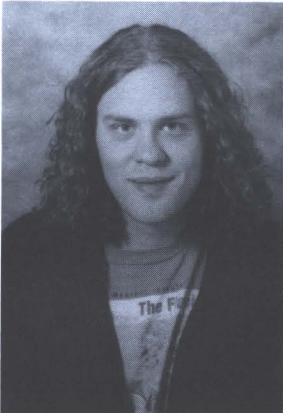
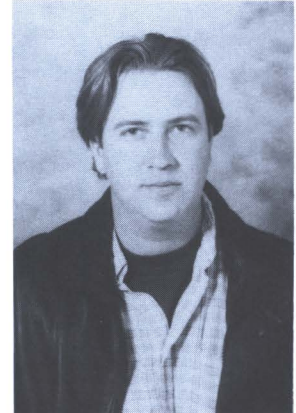
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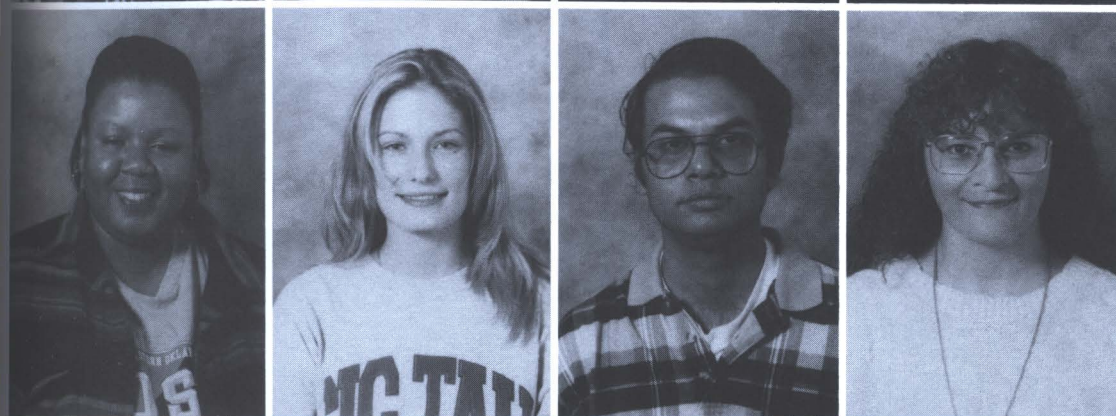
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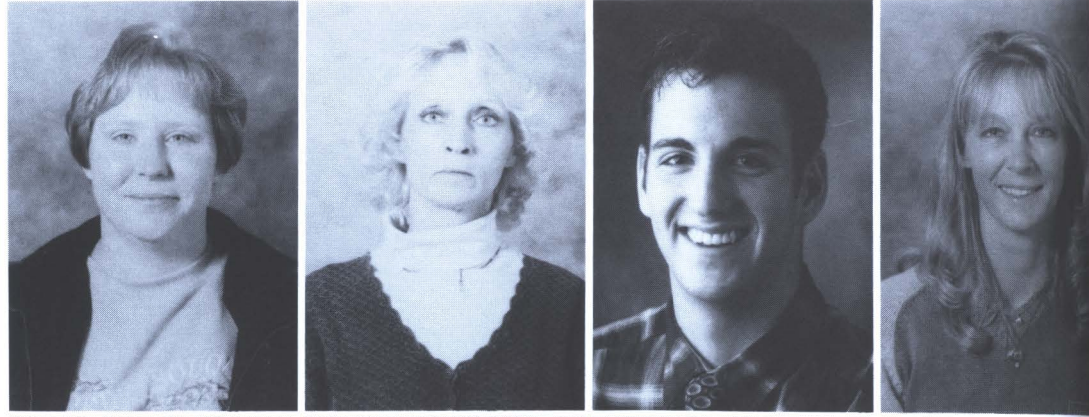


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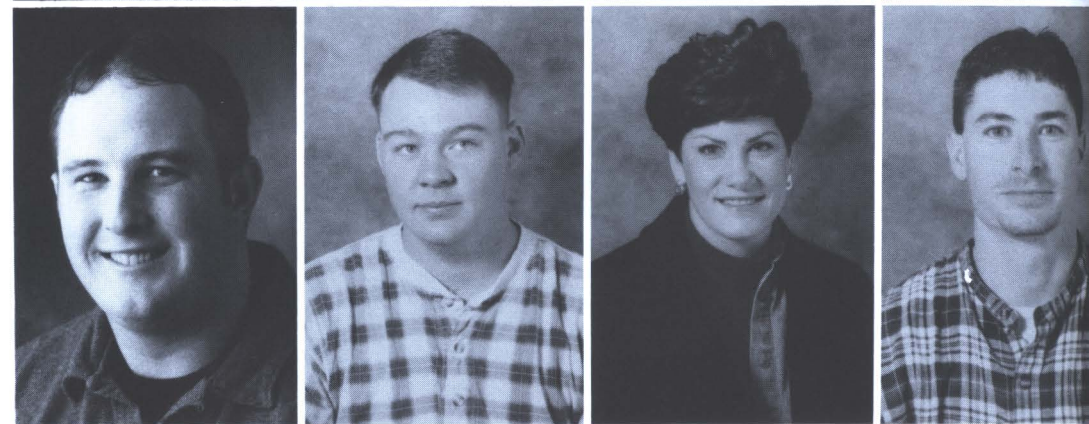
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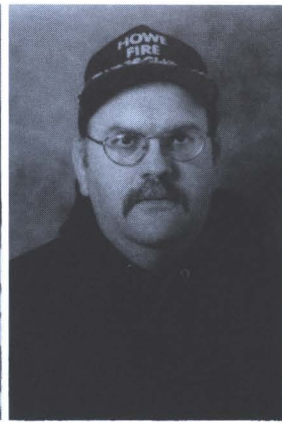
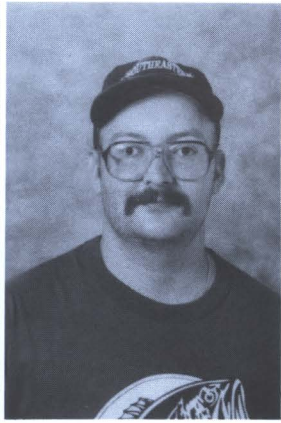
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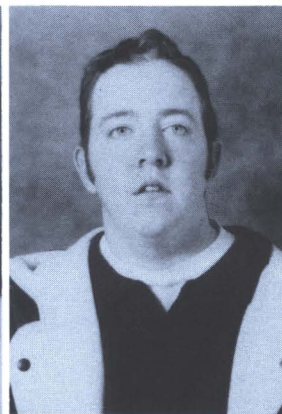
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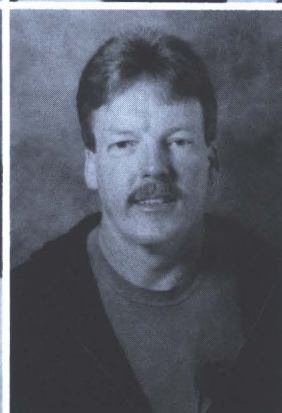
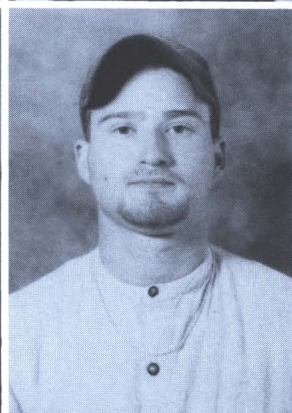
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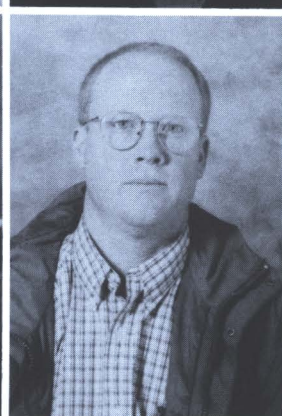
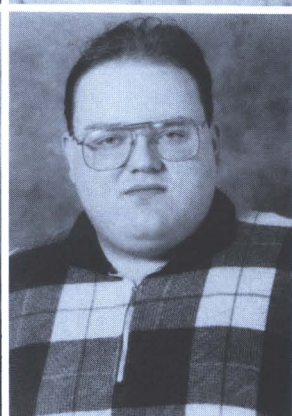
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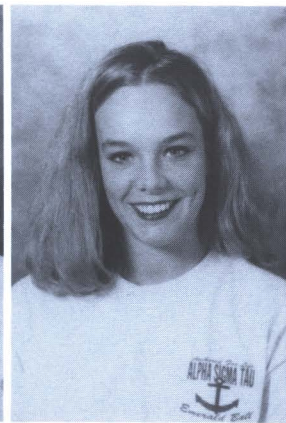
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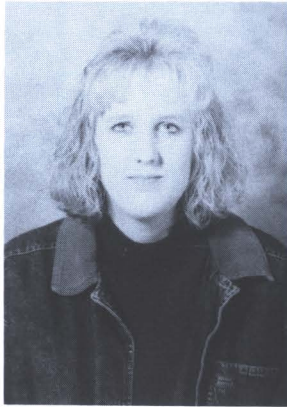
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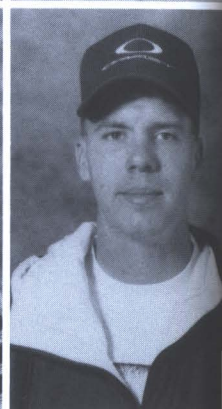
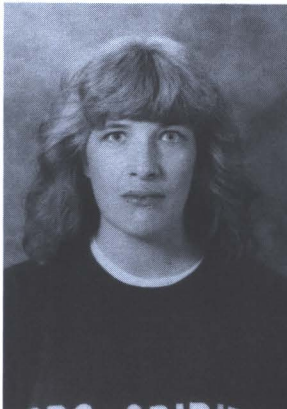
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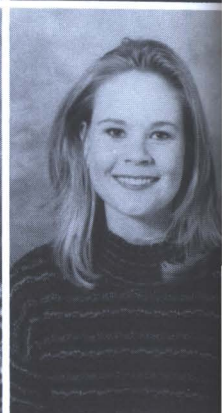
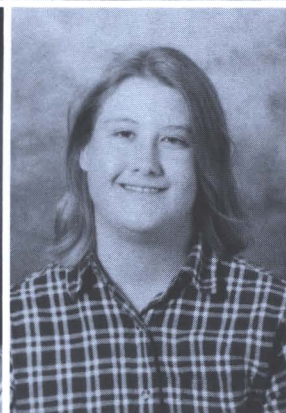
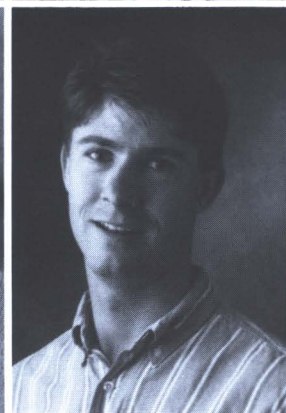
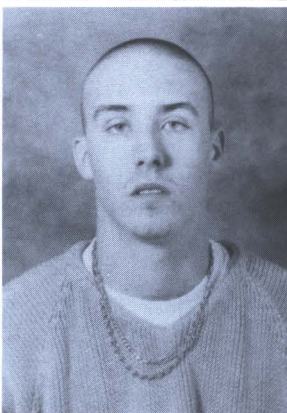
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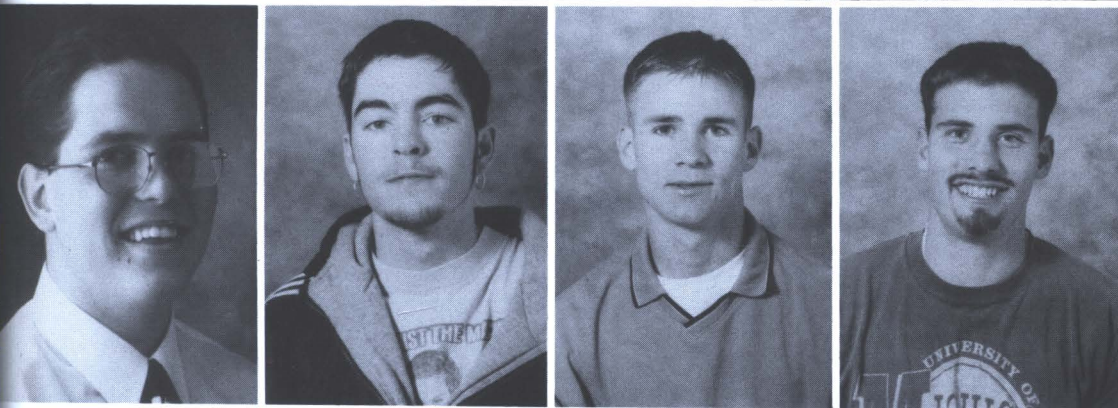
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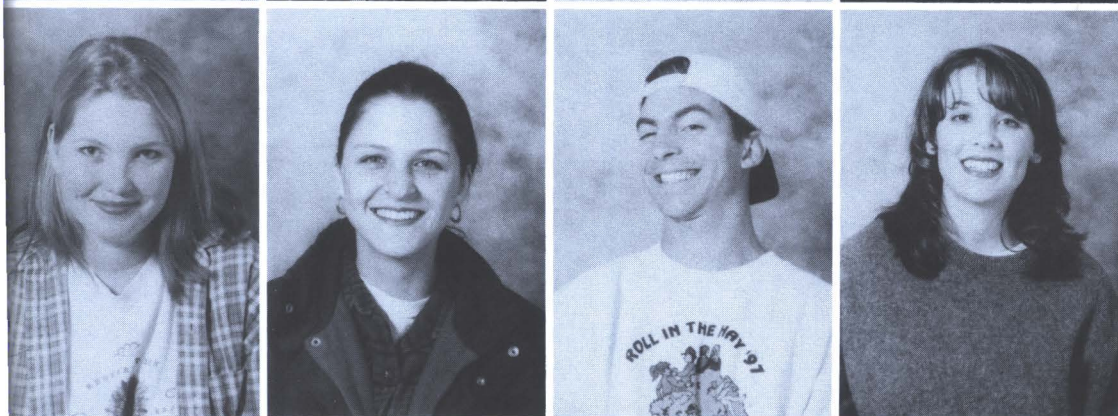
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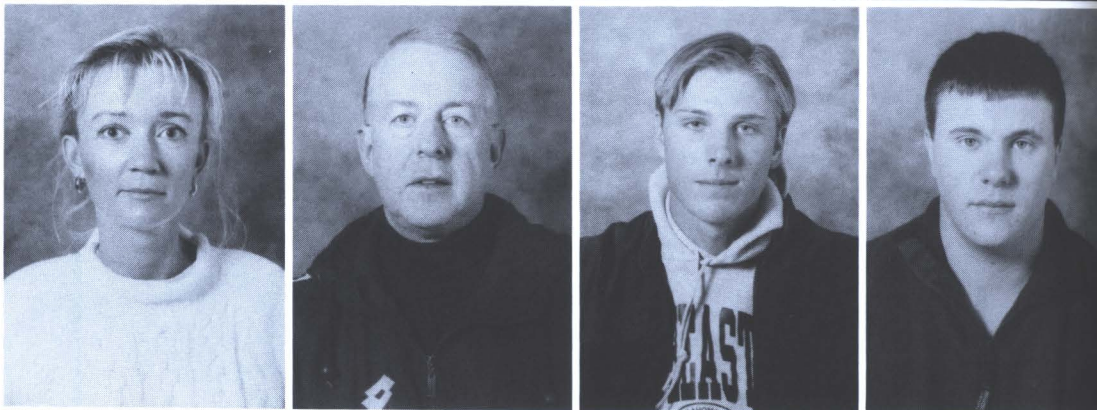
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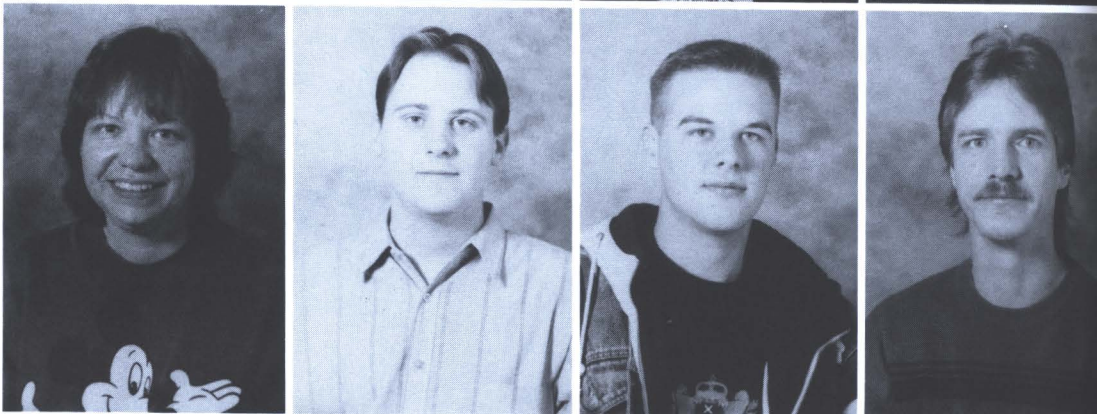
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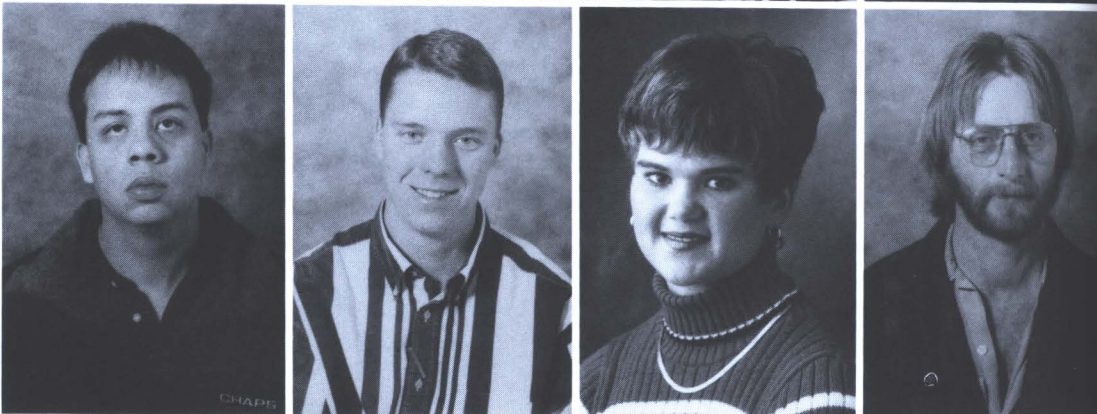
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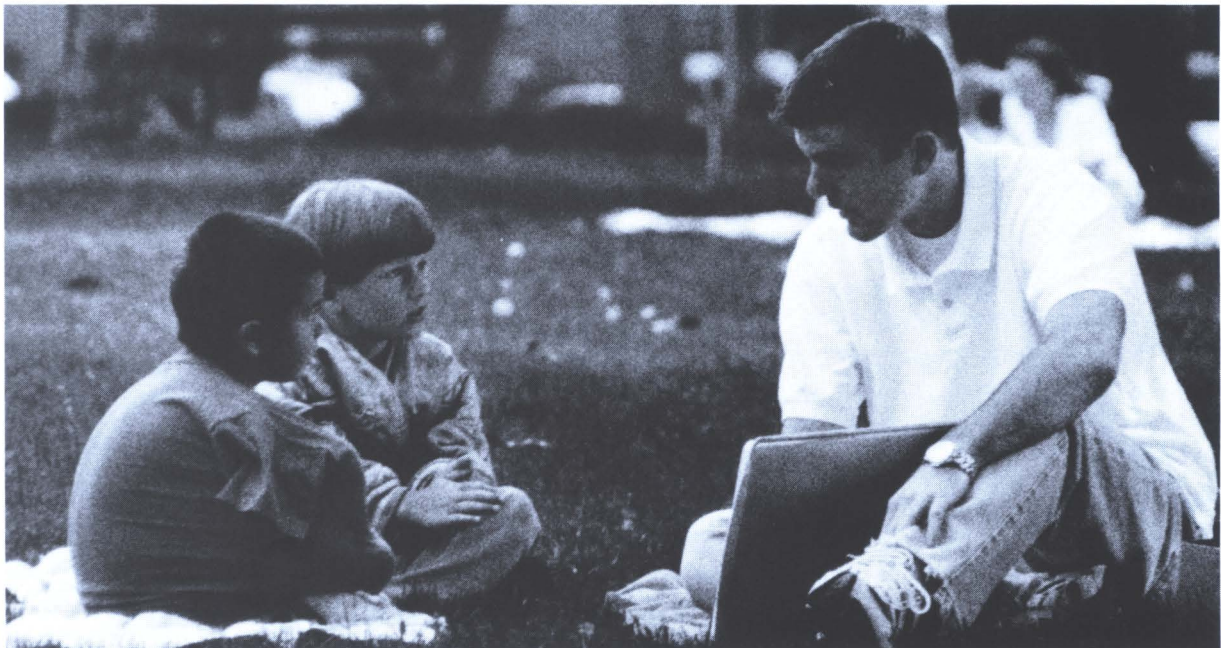
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Left-This gracious education major gives up some of her spare time to read to two excited George Washington Elementary students.



Below-This SOSU student tells a story to two very interested little boys from a local elementary school out on the front lawn.

NEW YORK

The Big Apple

One word can be used to sum up New York City in March. Brrrrrr. This is what *The Southeastern* newspaper staff found out when they braved the streets of the Big Apple, during Spring Break '98.

"Pack light, bring a warmcoat, and do not wear new shoes, wear very comfortable shoes," newspaper advisor, Janet F. Reeder said.

Reeder and five members of the newspaper staff visited New York City for the 20th Annual Collegiate Media Convention held March 18-22, 1998, at the Marriot Marquis on Broadway.

The group attended seminars led by prestigious university professors, veteran journalists and lead-

ers in the field. They heard a lecture by keynote speaker Jane Robolet, co-anchor of "CBS This Morning." Robolet stressed that you could not send out enough resumes.

An average of 118 seminars per day were made available to students and advisors. Seminar topics varied greatly to insure coverage of all aspects of media.

Editorial staff members who attended the convention were Editor-in-chief Aimee Woulfe, junior communication major from Dickson; and Sports Editor Shay Jones, junior communication major from Clayton. Staff writers included Jacqueline Baumann, sophomore, Garland, TX.; Carissa Rozzell, junior, Idabel; and Kara Stevens, freshman, Atoka, all English

majors.

Members of the Collegiate Media Association (CMA) actually encouraged students to take advantage of afternoons and evenings for sight seeing. They also informed students and advisors they could catchup on their sleep at home.

New York has a population three to four times the size of Oklahoma, packed into an area the size of Bryan County.

The streets were filled with people 24 hours-a-day. Everyone of them trying to get from point A to point B. Quickly. If that meant running over anyone in their way, so be it.

The means of transportation and lack of sensible drivers was unlike anything the staff members had ever seen. In NYC, just because

the sign says walk doesn't mean you will be able to cross the street. If you do get to cross, you do not walk, you run.

The group learned what, in a normal time warp, takes 35 minutes is quickly and dangerously reduced to 20 minutes when using the NYC taxi system. The streets are lined bumper to bumper with shuttle buses, double decker buses, bicycles, taxis, limousines and a few domestic vehicles.

The newspaper group managed to ride the subway to the World Trade Center without losing anyone.

"No Standing Here" signs could be seen everywhere. The signs actually refer to vehicles that are not exactly parked but

sitting there running while waiting for someone to jump into them.

There were also "Honking—\$350 fine and 4 points" signs in parts of the city. In parts of the city, due to the noise, honking

is not allowed. If caught honking, you are fined and points are accumulated. After a certain amount of points, your license is suspended.

The staff was overwhelmed by the amount of

things to do and see. The group ate at Hard Rock Cafe on Broadway, Shanghai Gourmet in Chinatown and Lo Spautino in Little Italy. They visited the World Trade Center, Empire State Building, Planet Hollywood and

the Metropolitan Museum of Art (The Met).

They took the ferry from Battery Park to Ellis Island, Liberty Island and the Statue of Liberty.

They shopped for souvenirs, shopped for more souvenirs, and shopped for even more souvenirs.

Several times the group was surprised by the thoughtfulness of the citizens of this great city. The bellhop at the hotel informed the group it was cheaper to take a taxi to the airport instead of the shuttle bus. One cab driver took the time to point out Central Park, the assassination place of John Lennon, and where Madonna lives.

By Shay Jones



“ I met people from all over the United States, as well as all over the world including Scotland, Germany, Czech Republic, and the Philippines. -Jacqueline Baumann ”



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Above-(left to right) Aimee Woulfe, Kara Stevens and Shay Jones enjoy a quick and quiet ride on the subway. New York City's underground transportation system wasn't as bad as they all thought it would be. Thoughts of being mugged and killed ran through everyone's head. See what happens when you watch too much violence on TV!

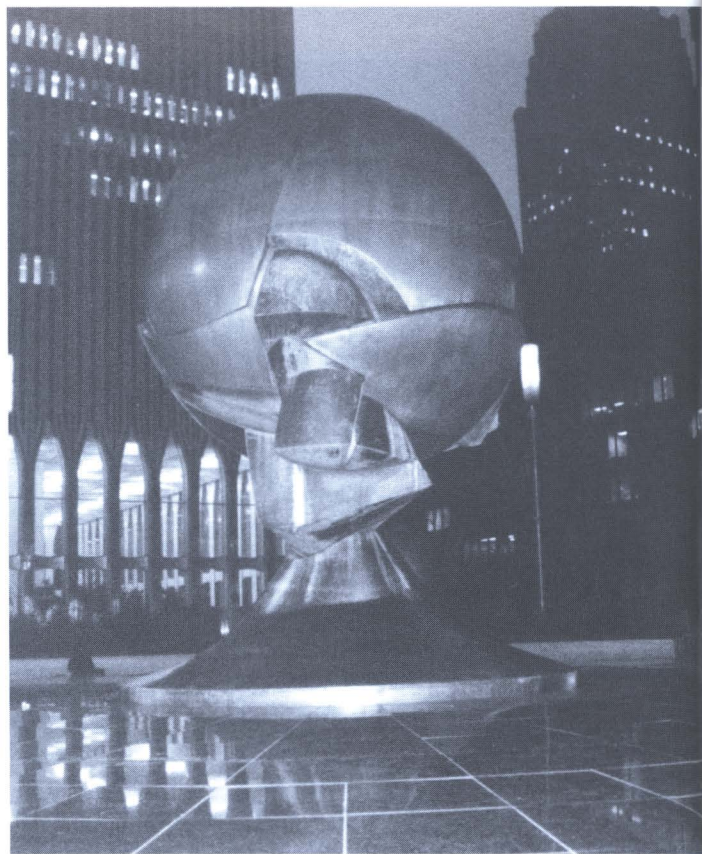


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Above-No aliens haven't landed in New York City. Not that we know of anyway. This form of art work, found at the World Trade Center, was not the only unusual thing seen by the group. Some of the members were in awe at the constant oddities seen in the Big Apple.

Below-Jacqueline Baumann, Kara Stevens, Carissa Rozzell, Shay Jones and Aimee Woulfe pose in front of a piece of rock art work. The art work was one of several found in the courtyard at the World Trade Center. The view from the top of the multiple buildings was zero.



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Below-The group visited The Empire State Building but was unable to climb to the top because of zero visibility. Normally, a person can see New Jersey on the other side of the river.

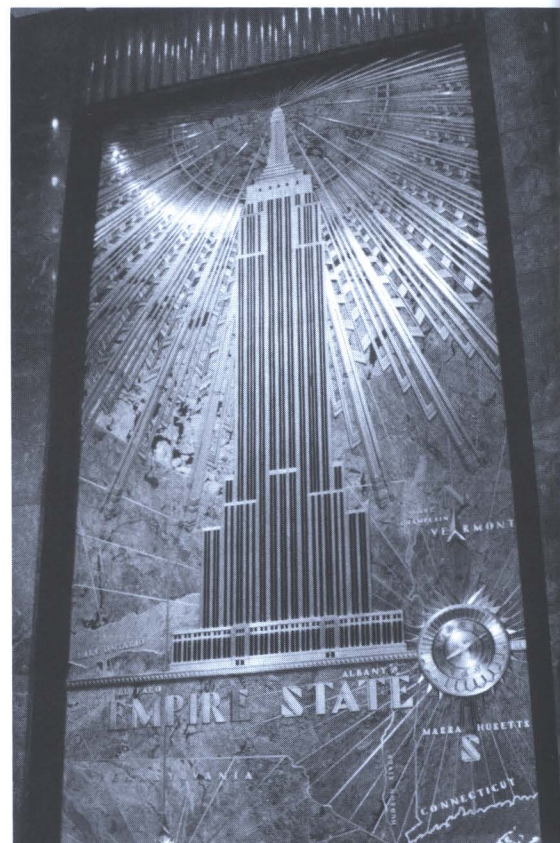


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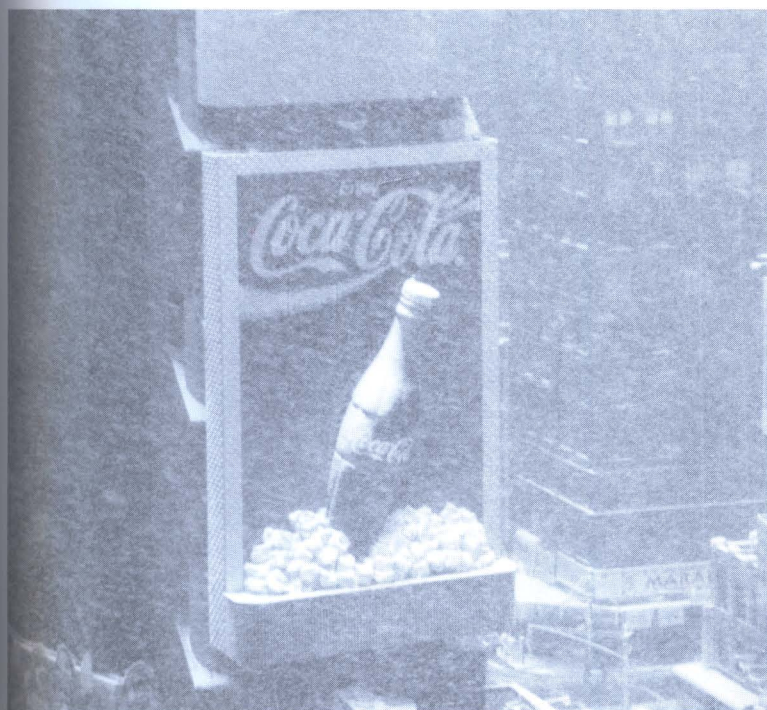


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Above-Do you like your Coke on ice? Temperatures were in the low 30's the whole trip. The last day in New York, the group woke up to fresh fallen snow. The city's first snow all year.



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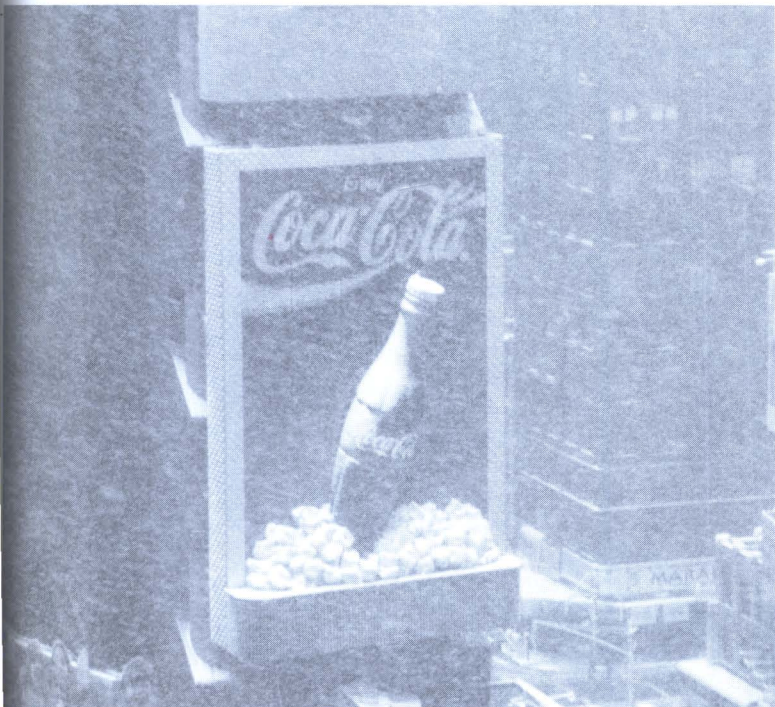


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Circus Chimera

A new circus came to town to amuse the citizens of Durant. *Circus Chimera* had its debut April 29, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. They had another performance on April 30, at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. The Big Top was set up two miles outside Durant on Highway 70, next to Tate Manufacturing.

"It is unlike most that people have ever seen," said Donald Bradburn, artistic director. "It combines traditional circus with the magic of a Disney film."

The theme for the circus is the popular children's story "The Toy Box." The show consists of dozens of family oriented acts, each related to a child's toy.

"Everything is new," said Bradburn.

Durant is the second town the company has performed for since opening night in Paris, Texas, a week before. They have only had the tent for a week.

"We have performers from all over the world," said Bradburn.

The group is very excited about this new venture. This circus should prove to have a fresh look considering the many origins of the performers and the new equipment.

From Durant, the circus will go to El Reno, OK, and perform on May 1.

by Carissa Rozzell

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Below-The Smithson family make their way to the Honor's Reception to which Nancy Smithson was cordially invited.

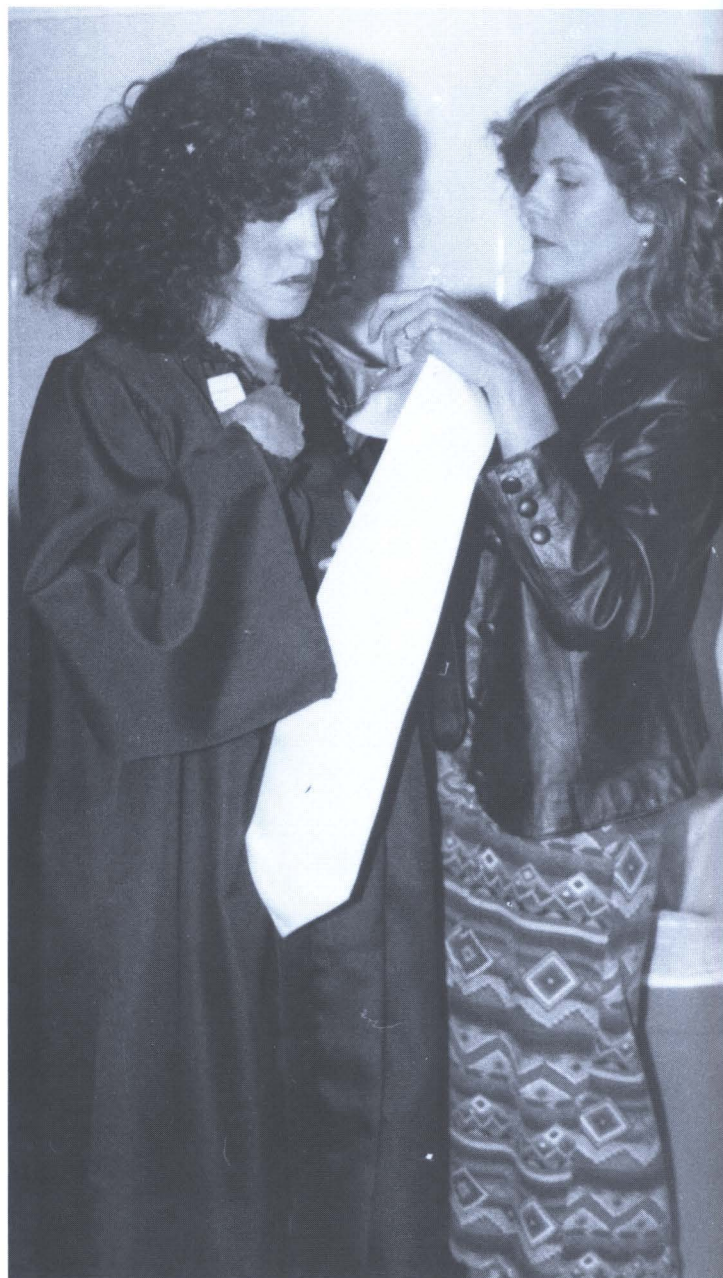


Right-President Glen D. Johnson poses with Smithson for a memory photo and then offered commendable praise for all the honors graduates.



Above-A star student, Smithson can hardly wipe the smile off of her face on the way to the graduate ceremony.

Right-Shelly Ladrozna, Southeastern alumna helps her friend drape the decorations onto her graduate robe.



Senior becomes graduate student

You don't feel like you're alone at Southeastern. The faculty and students form an invaluable extended family full of support.

Nancy Smithson, graduated Summa Cum Laude the highest academic honor recognizing excellence with a bachelor's in psychology minoring in sociology, at Southeastern this year.

Although she said that she finally feels like she has accomplished something sig-

nificant, Smithson has decided to continue her education at Southeastern working towards a Master's in Psychology, one of the few master's programs offered at the university.

"Southeastern has opened a lot of doors for me," Smithson said. "There are professors here that will take you under their wing

and help you succeed."

Smithson went on to state that faculty and other students on the campus act as a support group that can not be replaced.

Her other activities and accomplishments include Alpha Mu Gamma, Alpha Chi, Psi Chi, Cardinal Key, and Who's Who undergraduates for 1997.

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Left-A magnificent spread awaited the honors students. Here Smithson zealously socializes with other members of the group.



Left-Smithson received a graduation party from her family and friends in which she received several gifts.

TEACH

Improv

Alan Lennon, assistant professor of biological sciences, took advantage of a Teaching Initiative Grant written by Barbara Decker, dean of the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences and Doug McMillian, associate professor and chair of psychology and counselling funded by the State Regents for Higher Education.

The grant was set up to give faculty more technology to utilize within the classroom.

The funds were provided for innovative things faculty wanted to do in their teaching methodology, to improve teaching and get the materials faculty might

need, and to encourage collaboration across the disciplines so that people in different areas of education do something collaborative.

Lennon received a mini-grant and used it with a research project for studying the effects of computerization in the anatomy lab.

He purchased software called A.D.A.M. Standard, an anatomy program used as a teaching tool by many medical schools.

"We wanted to see if learning from the software would transfer to learning on an actual cadaver," said Lennon. "A lot of people wanted to know if we really have to use an actual specimen, or if 3-D on a com-

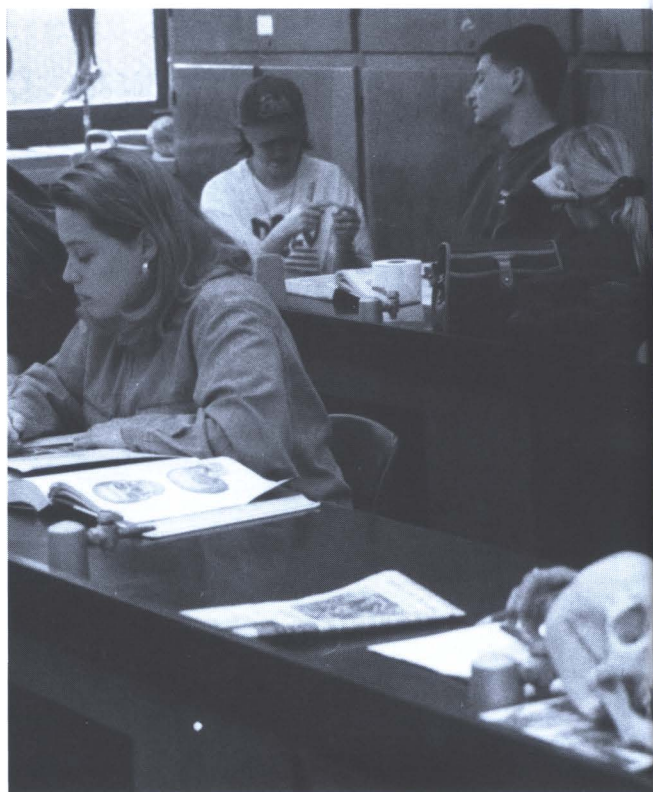
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Above-Professor Alan Lennon talks about the anatomy program.

Right-Before they use the software students enrolled in anatomy study bones the traditional way.

Top right-Keisha Fort, senior in biological sciences, demonstrates how the A.D.A.M. Standard software is used.

Far right-Students in Lennon's anatomy class find themselves in a unique learning experience.



TEACHING METHODS

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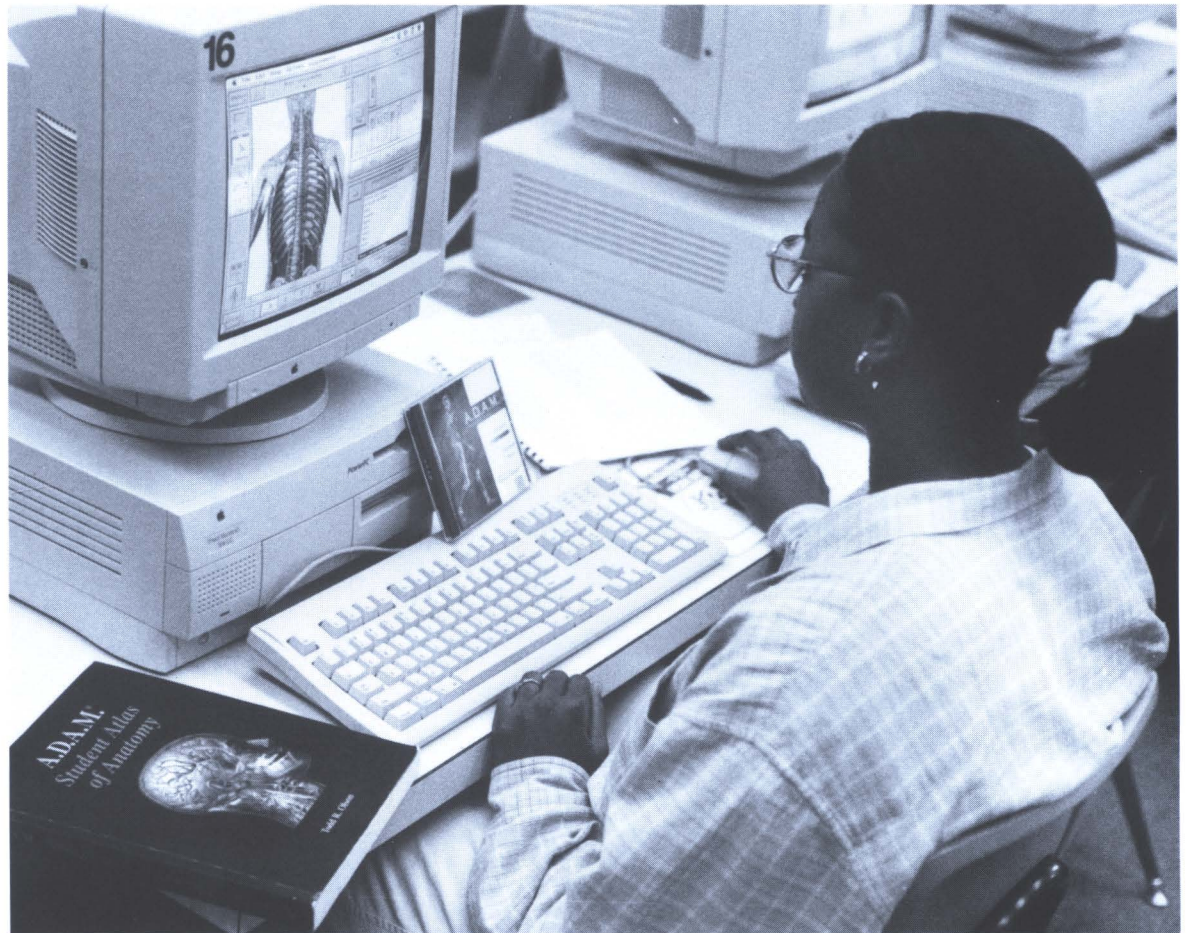
puter is good enough."

Lennon found that learning from the software did transfer to the real life situation, however, it wouldn't completely do away with cadavers used in education.

"A lot of students come to Southeastern for premedical and related fields because we have the cadaver," Lennon said. "But the cadaver lab can't be open all of the time."

Lennon said the A.D.A.M. Standard software has proved to be an effective supplement enhancing the anatomy student's lab time and it will continue to be used as a learning tool in the anatomy program at Southeastern.

By Renee Laney



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FAMILY HAS ITS OWN LIFE WHILE LENDING SUPPORT TO STUDENT

Below-Jerry Laney shows his school spirit and support for his daughter with a bumper sticker on his truck window.



A family who lends total support to a student knows the importance of a quality education. My family is one that issues positive reinforcement in abundance which includes sometimes advising me to take a breather from working and studying to re-acquaint myself with the ones I love the most.

In doing so I've realized that while I've been busy trying to come up with a definite graduation date, they've been just as active

carrying out their own lives. And through it all they manage to remind me of what is really important: family.

Working for *The Southeastern* for more than two years took up a great deal of my family time.

While worth every minute, none of it could have been possible without the help and dedication of my family to see me through.

These two pages are a dedication to them and the simple, but not half-hearted, way they live their lives.

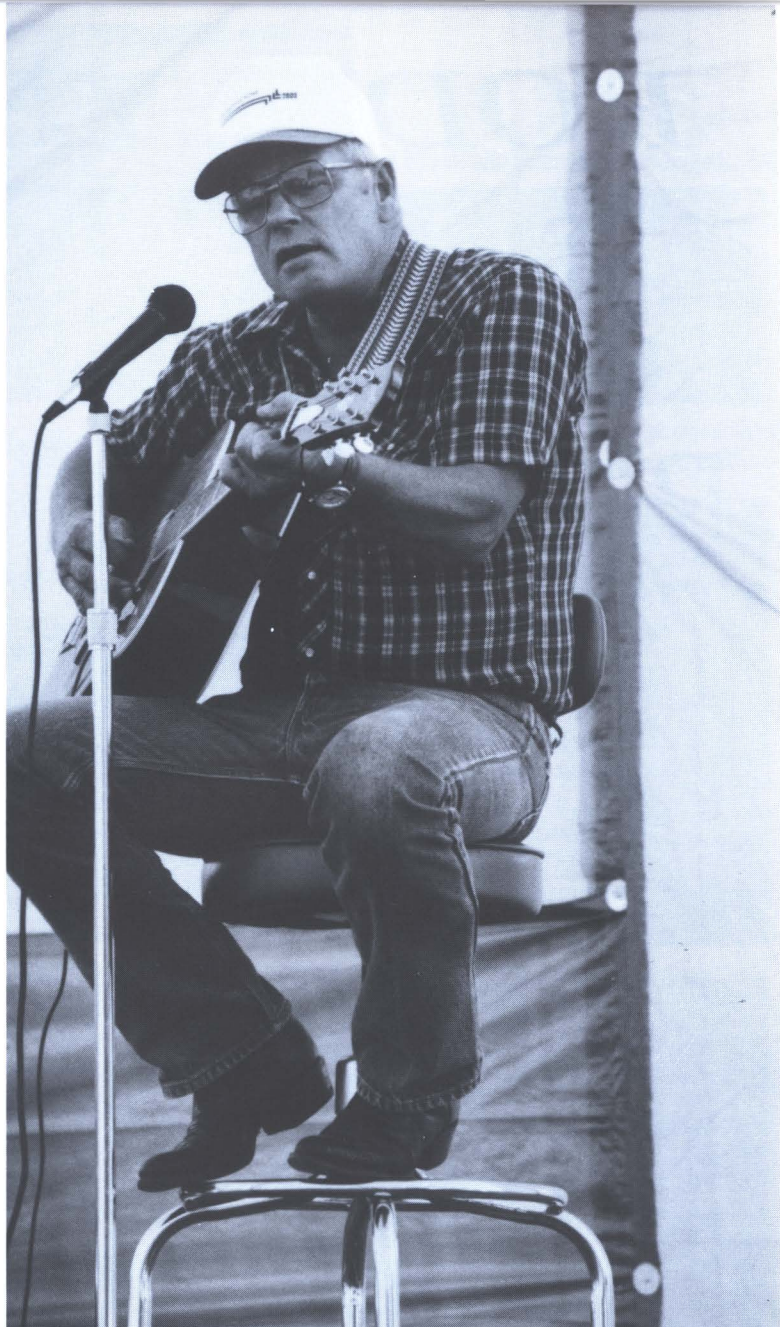
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Above-Kay and Shelby Laney, stepmother and daughter of Renee Laney, junior in communication, try to talk Chris, the family dog, into moving away from the barn door.

Right-Shelby really does do more than watch television while her mom studies. Just look at that big stack of books that has fallen and can't get up. And this is the child that graduated kindergarten with a ninety-eight.





Above-Kay Laney spends a lot of her time taking care of the animals that reside at the Laney residence. A single birth, this little kitty didn't live very long, however, it didn't keep the Laney's from enjoying a few special moments.

Upper left-Jerry Laney sings a song he wrote about his mother for the employee talent show at the Medical Center of Southeastern Oklahoma. This performance won him second place.

Left-Jerry Laney often keeps an eye on his daughter's car and sometimes he just has to ask, "When was the last time you had this oil changed?"

RODNEY BLAKENSHIP

INTERACTIVE SENIOR

Rodney Blakenship, senior in history, graduated cum laude in the spring conferring of degrees. Blakenship became very active on the Southeastern campus during his upperclassman years. During his freshman and sophomore years Blakenship said he spent most of his time studiously in his dorm room through which he was able to build one of the most important foundation elements to any educational success: learning how to interact with information. The isolation allowed him to sharpen the study skills necessary for dealing with the variety of different concepts associated with undergraduate work.

When Blakenship decided to partake into the social aspect of his college experience he claimed he was better able to choose the interactions most relevant to his goals. With scholarly activities, regular work, and recreation Blakenship established a reputation that inspired other students to enhance their own goals.

One of the greatest things about Blakenship according to his friends is his friendly appearance and personable attitude. Blakenship's activities and accomplishments include the Young Democrats, Phi Alpha Theta, Blue Key, Student Government Association and Who's Who for Spring 1998.

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Above-Rodney Blakenship poses for a photo in the *Savage* showing off his friendly appearance.

Right-Blakenship presents a paper at the 49th Annual Convention of the Oklahoma Association of Professional Historians (OAPA) and the Oklahoma chapters of Phi Alpha Theta hosted by the Department of Social Sciences at the Lake Texoma Lodge in Kingston.

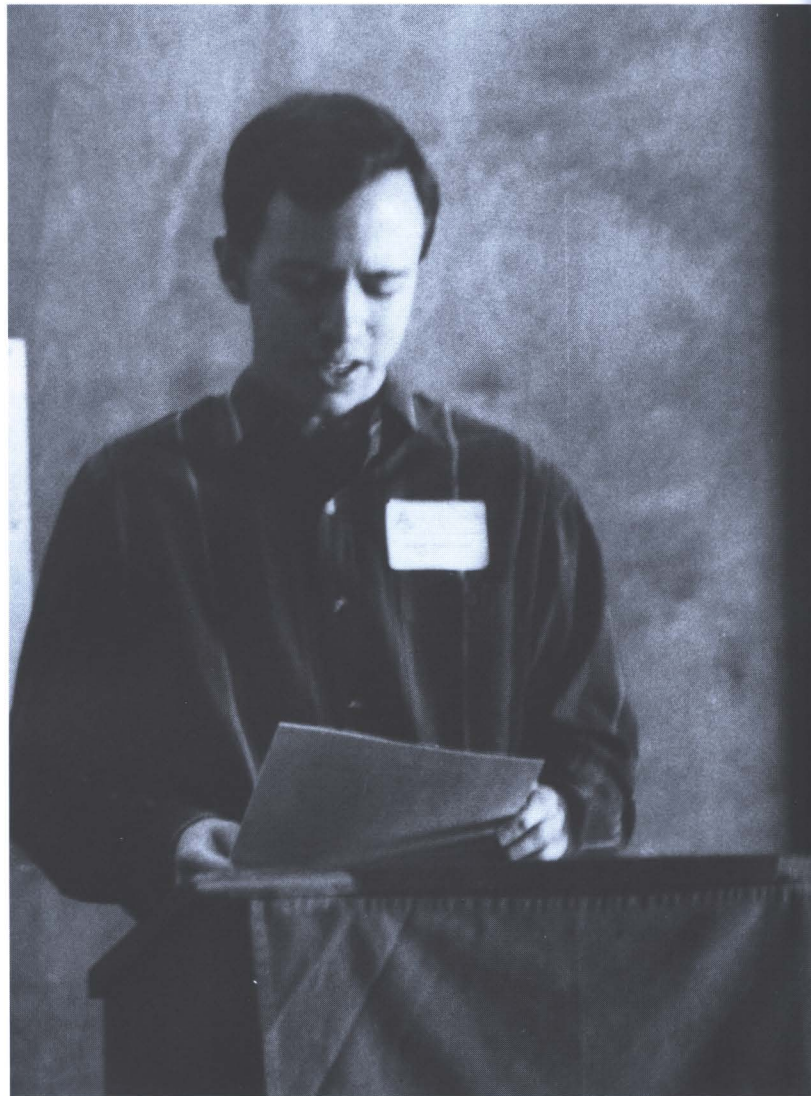


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bottle.



Left-Some refreshing orange juice is just what any student needs to keep them going. Here Blakenship retrieves an Ocean Spray from the Coffee Shop cooler.

Below-Picking out souvenirs at the Campus Book Store can be tricky. Blakenship shows his school spirit by picking a flag.



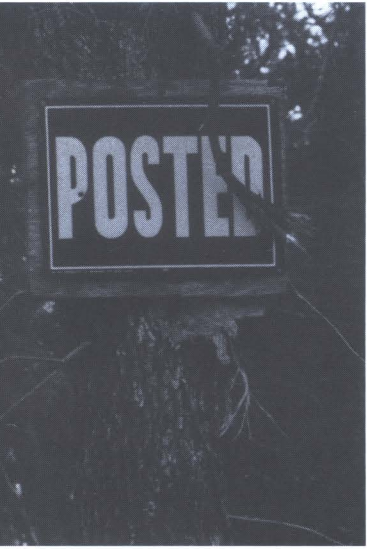
Left-Working in the Social Sciences office can be an adventure especially with co-workers like Justin White, junior in social studies education, and Tommy Gray, junior in political science.

Above-Blakenship takes the wall in the obstacle course during Springfest 98.

Right-Illegal dump site in Bryan County.



Below-Posted signs don't keep dumpers from destroying the environment.

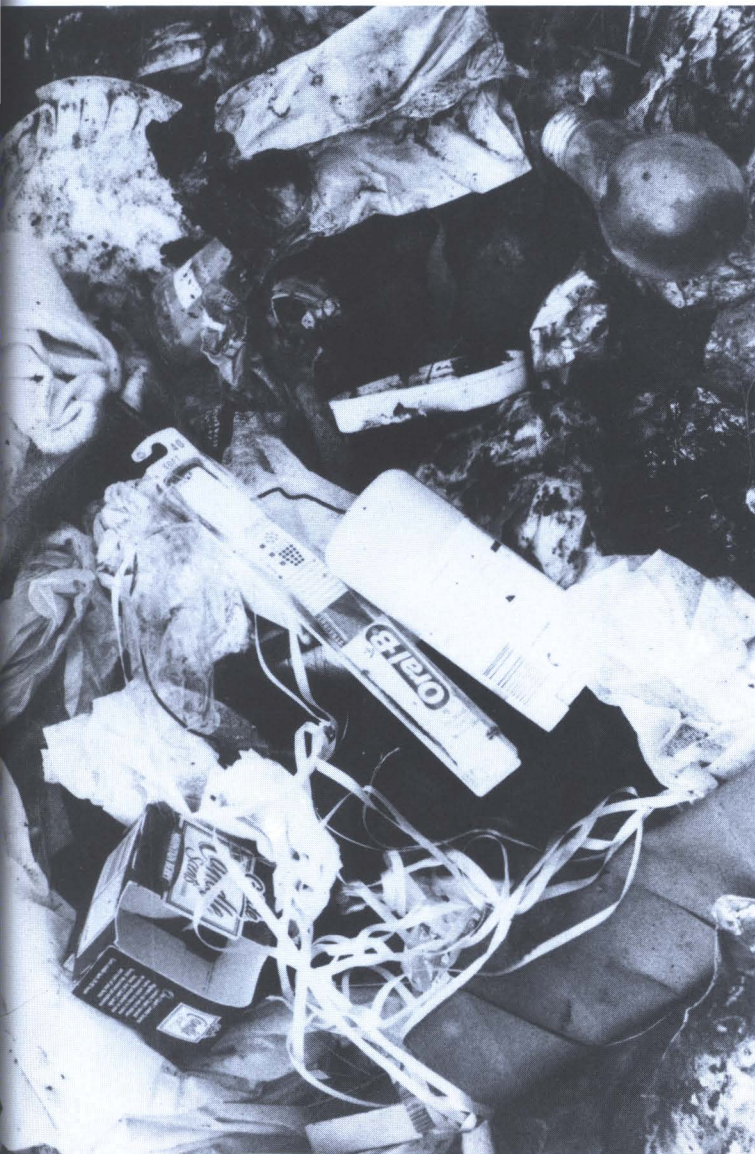


Above-This is one of the largest illegal dump sites in Bryan County.

WHAT A BUNCH OF GARBAGE

Left-A variety of different things that can be recycled can be found at any illegal dump site.

Below-A county road that looks beautiful at first glance. Further along one finds at least three illegal dumping areas.



There are 25 to 30 illegal dump areas in Bryan County, home of Southeastern, according to the Bryan County sheriff's department. The dumping of trash in an area not designated as a dumping area is illegal.

"It's not a tremendous crime," said Bill Sturch Bryan County sheriff. "People who do so can be fined up to \$2000. These are problems that for one reason or other we have."

For those who are dumping it seems to be a convenience. There are not many areas in Bryan County where you can legally dump trash. Those available charge depending on what it is a person wants to dump. People, rather than pay to discard their trash, just go down the road and dump it.

One of the biggest concerns to some Colbert residents is the fact that school children are bused down some county roads decorated with garbage sites. One resident said she was unaware of the fact that folks just dump their trash anywhere they want.

It's a big problem and not something that has recently happened. Sturch said illegal trash dumping has been happening in Bryan county for thirty for forty years now. So many people live out in the country and they don't have a place to put their trash. They're bound to have a service pick up their trash, or haul it to a legal dump.

"In most areas of the county they do have a trash pick up service, some do not," said Sturch. "They may have to carry it a mile or two, but in most instances there are pick ups available to do that. Average cost for rural trash pick up is ten dollars a month."

People who dump trash in a creek or stream in Bryan county are polluting Lake Texoma on a regular basis. The water from those creeks flows right into the lake. Sturch said to solve the problem we've got to have a system where people can economically get rid of their trash.

"It's a 'we' thing," Sturch added. "It's not something law enforcement, environmental people or even commissioners are going to solve. We need more programs designed to educate people of the danger they're doing not only to the environment, but also to the animals who drink from these streams including human beings."

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Left-A close up of someone's personal garbage illegally dumped.

SOUTHEASTERN'S DIVERSE STUDENT BODY



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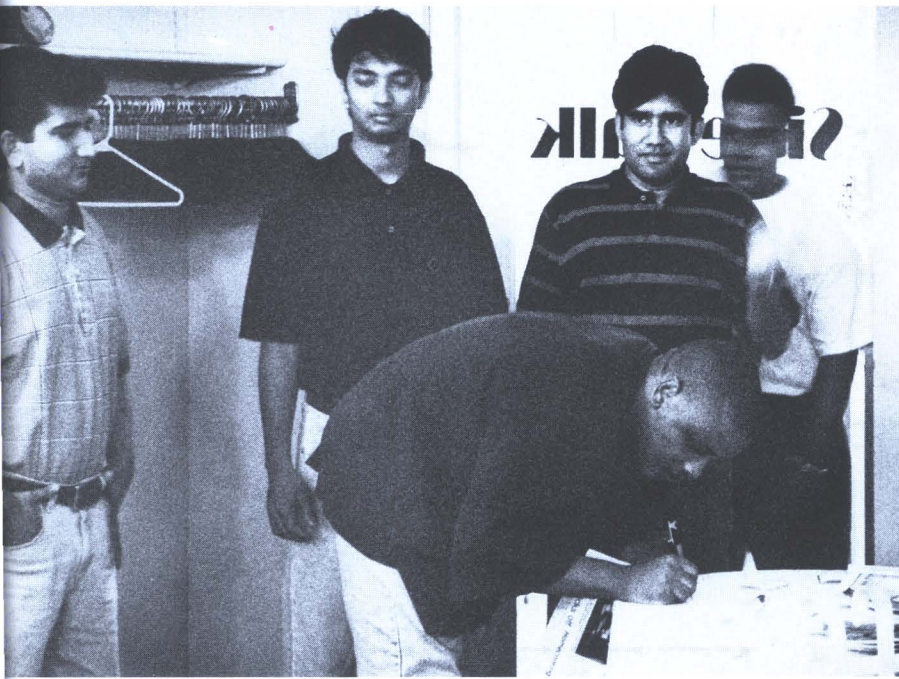
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Fort Washita's Fourth of July Celebration

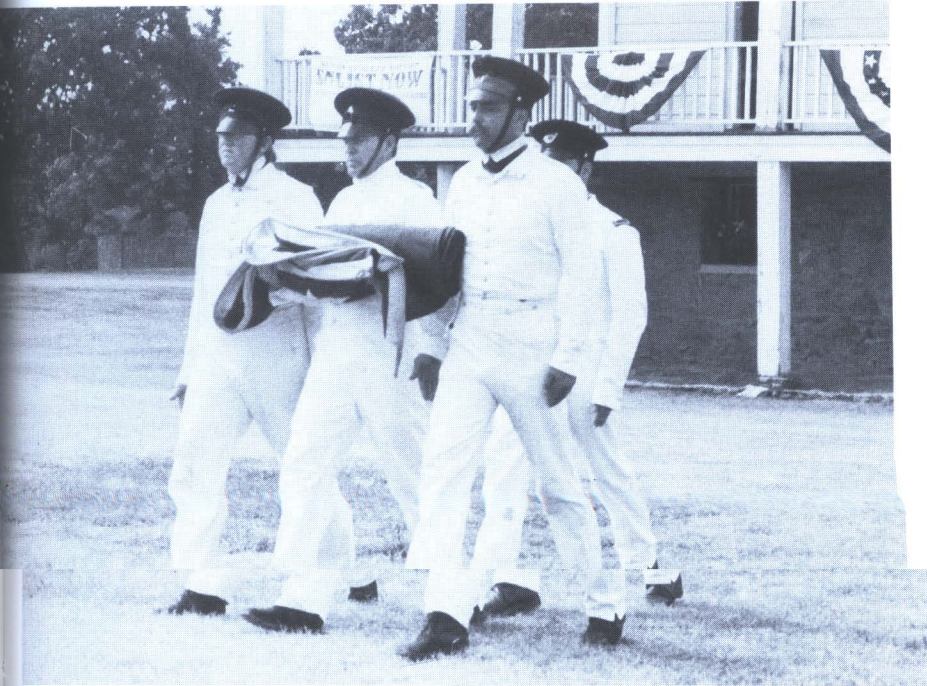


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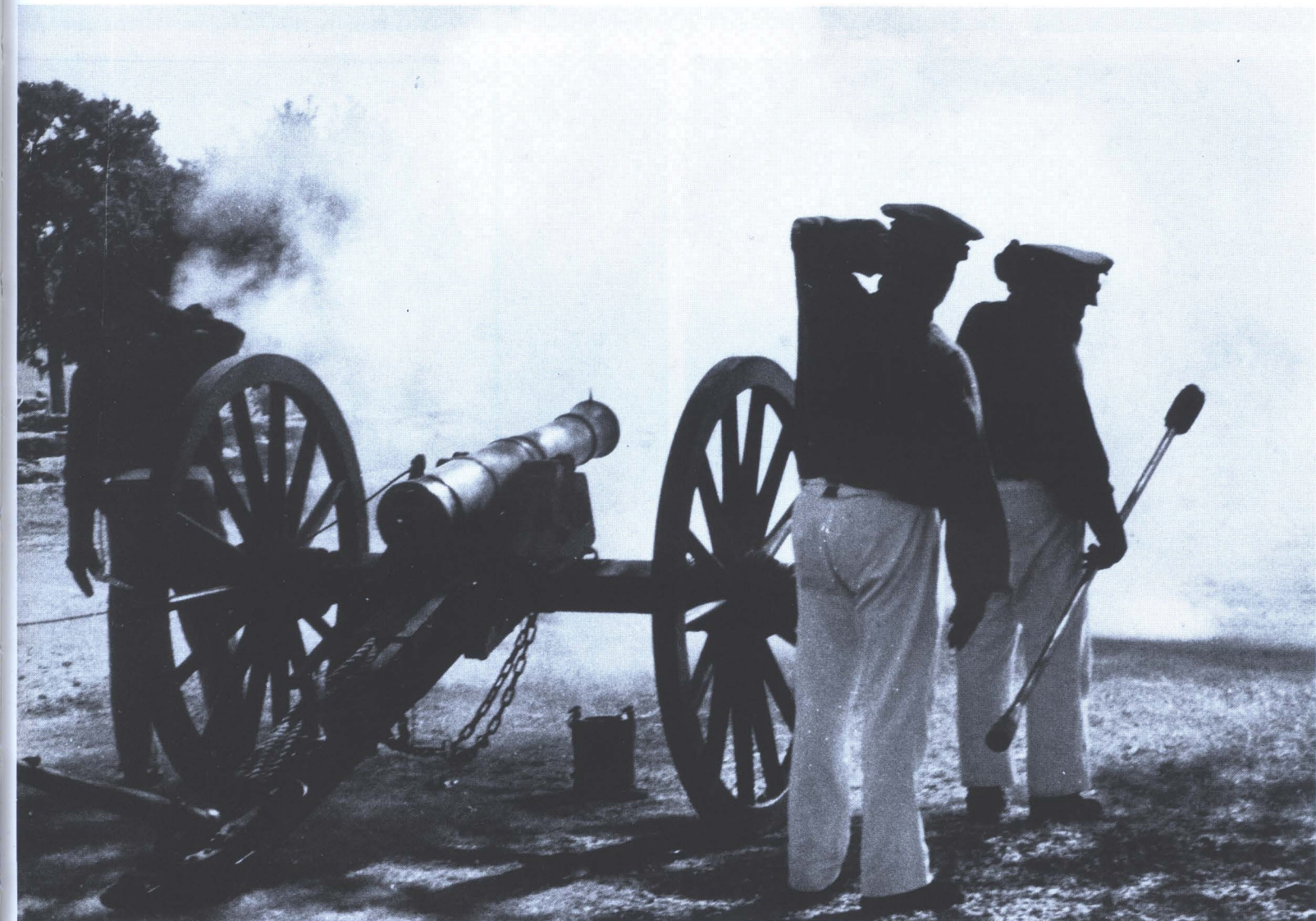
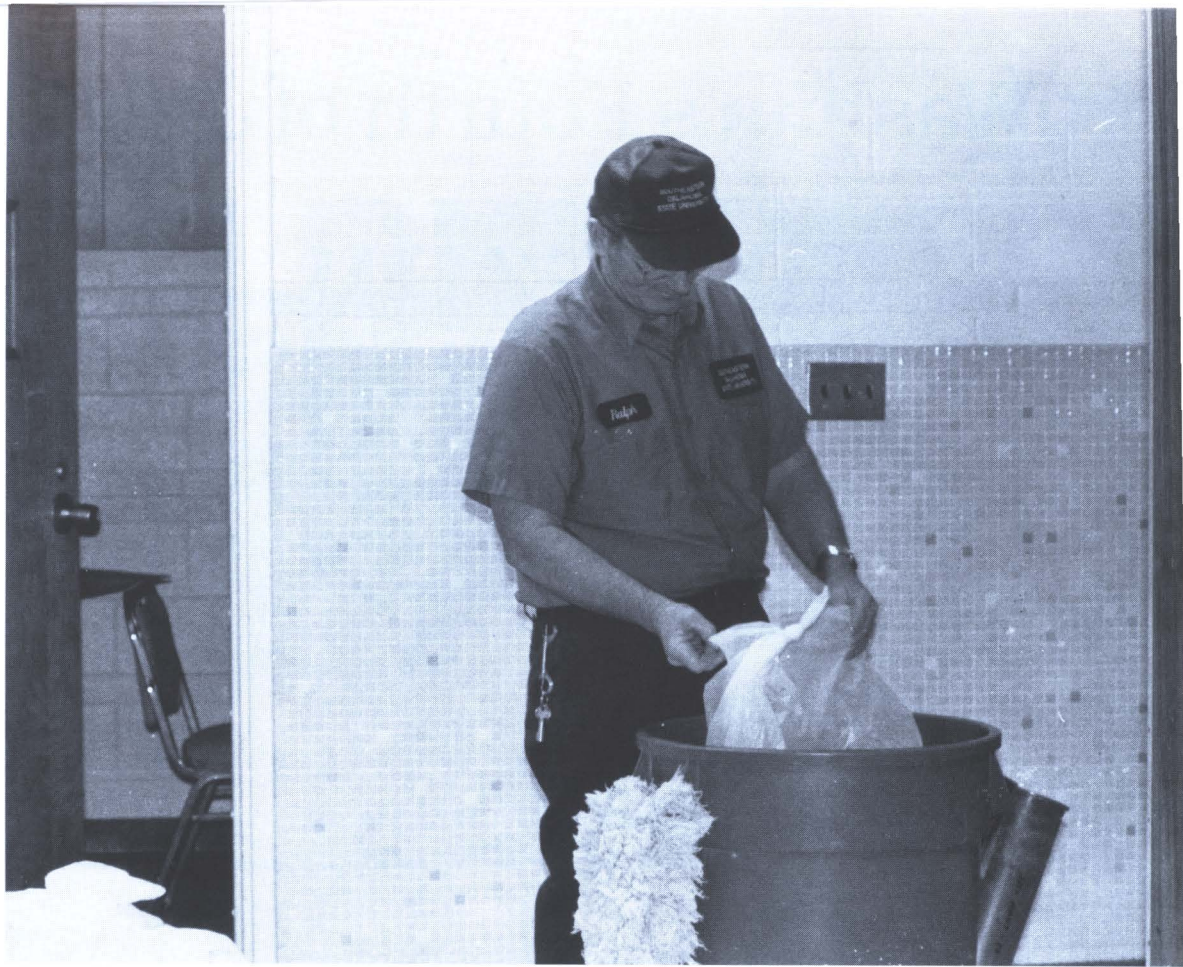


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Right-Ralph Carlock has served the Fine Arts building for eight years. "They're a rowdy bunch, but they're worth the effort," he admits.

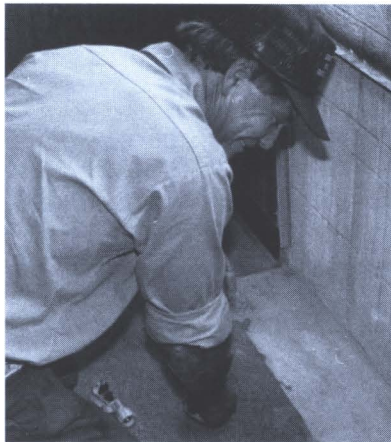
Students don't always clean up after themselves, but fortunately Southeastern has a dedicated staff who go the extra mile.

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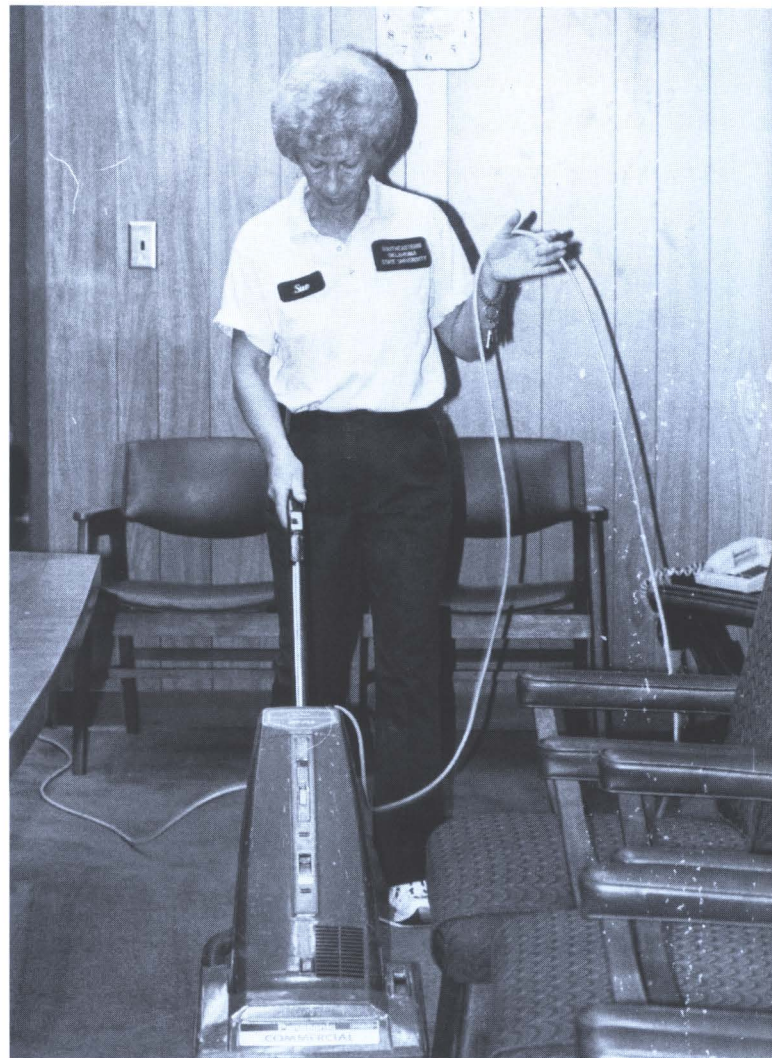


Above-Loretta Davis and Sue Stilwell worked elsewhere together before seeking employment at the university more than eight years ago.

Right-Mike Robinson installs a new air-conditioning unit.



Far right-Stilwell takes her responsibility of cleaning the main conference room seriously.



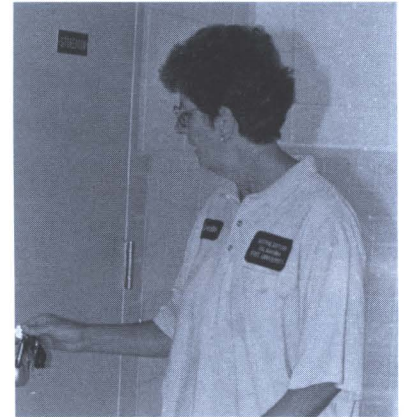


Left-Stilwell washes out the big guy's coffee cup.

Below-"This job requires a lot of keys," says Davis who also works in the Science and Technology building.

Bottom left-Davis picks up the morning paper.

Bottom right-Paula Mathews is just one of the custodian staff who get up before the sun to take advantage of "intensive" cleaning time.



Students need

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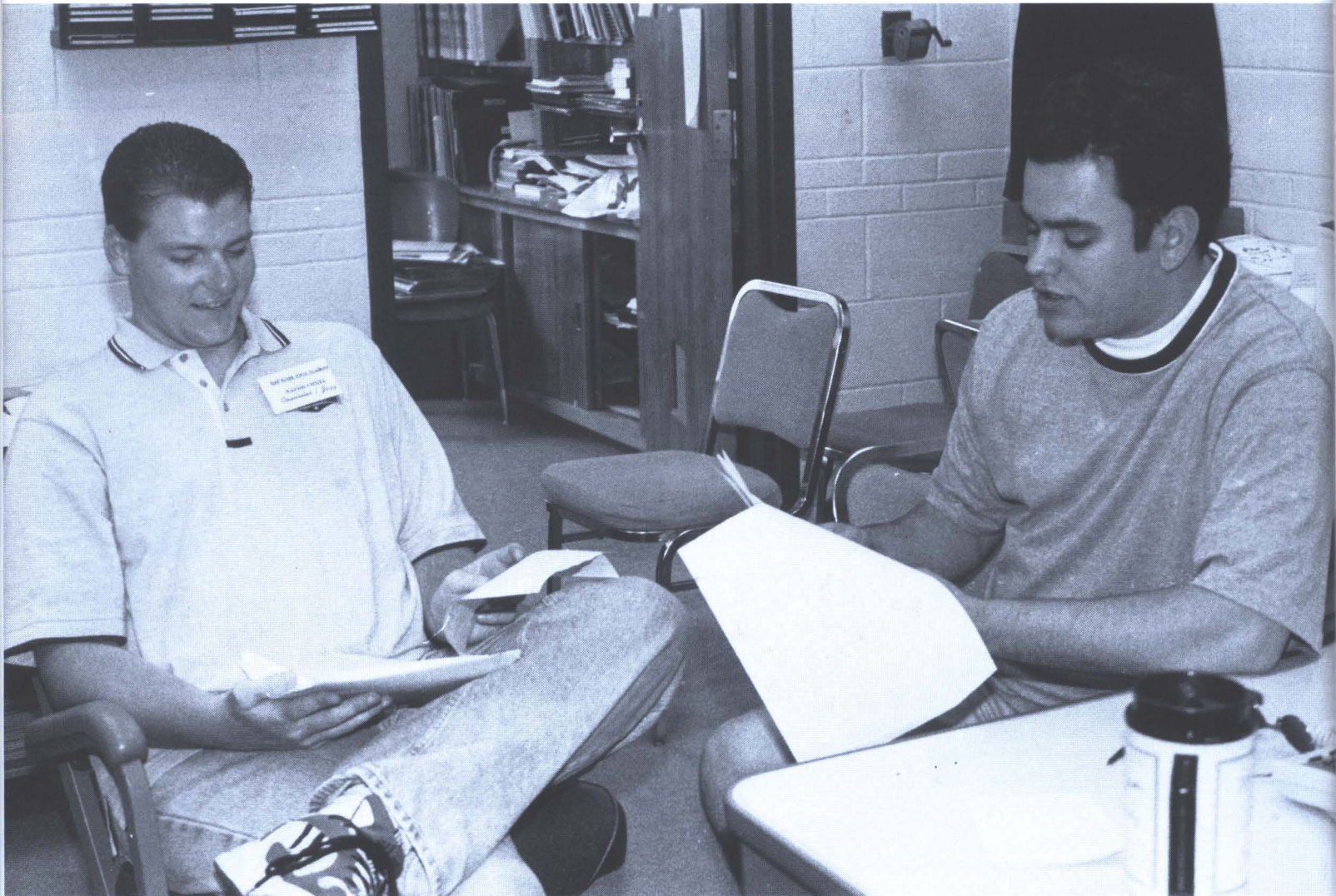
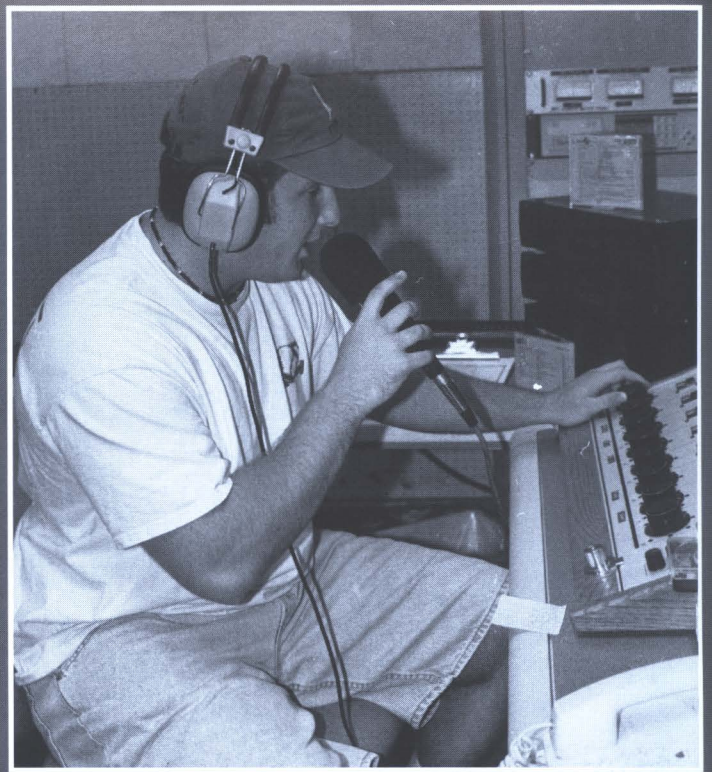
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world experience in the process.



Top-Justin Ross, junior in communication, is on-the-air "live" from Southeastern's KSSU radio broadcasting station. "Hey Justin, how about something off the latest Creed CD."

Above-Aaron Ollila, sophomore in music, and Derrick Nunn, sophomore in music education, review a master plan for lining up participants of the Red River Arts Academy who host programs at the university throughout the year.



Above-Lindsay Dane, sophomore in chemistry, Misty Shoultz, junior in English education, and Kristen Rodgers, freshman in general education, serve the campus from one of the most visited places on campus: the financial aid office.

Below-"Yes, President Johnson, I know funds are tight, but couldn't you do something. I'm on my hands and knees here." Jana Haggard, junior in music, would like to sit down on the job, at least while using the telephone.



Above-Jerry Dollins, senior in biology, stocks the Campus Book Store for the fall semester.

Left-Christian Morgan, junior in elementary education, practices for lunchroom monitoring. Don't worry Christian those youngsters won't be nearly as messy as those Savages.

Photos and text by Renee Laney

CHICAGO

THE WINDY CITY



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Above-The Chicago Tribune Building is located in downtown Chicago. This beautifully built sky scraper is a landmark in the Windy City.

Chicago's colorful past and successful industry makes it a wealth of things to see and do. It's location on major lakes and rivers made it an excellent natural port. The wave of immigrants from all over the world came to Chicago and created a culturally diversified phenomenon.

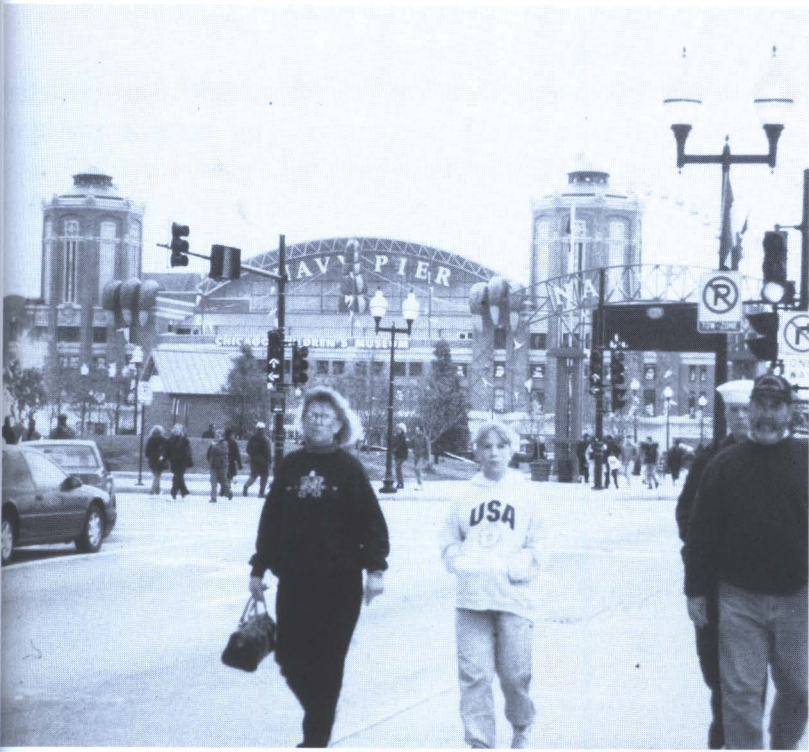
Social reforms that eventually came out of Chicago's bitter and bloody battles with sweatshops, organized labor and gangster mayhem created the civilized standard that is now the norm for America, and the model for the rest of the world.

Chicago is truly an American icon that represents the ingenuity and determination of the New World people.



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Above-The Chicago Transit Authority elevated train station at a stop on Chicago's Southside. Many Chicagians use The El for means of transportation.



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Above-Chicago's Navy Pier is a tourist attraction with a children's museum and a ferris wheel. An IMAX theater is also located at Navy Pier.

Right-This river front walkway is close to downtown Chicago and many sight-seeing locations.



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Below-Known for its fine accommodations, Chicago hosts thousands of convention goers every year.

Bottom right-These nostalgic lamppost line a street near the Chicago River where tourists visit shops and restaurants while in the Windy City.



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“

The New Colossus

...Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand a mighty woman with a torch, whose flame is the imprisoning lightening and her name, Mother of Exiles. From her beacon-hand Glows world-wide. Welcome: her mild eyes command. The air-bridged harbor that twin cities frame. “Keep, ancient lands, your storied pomp!” cries she with silent lips. “Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!”

-----Emma Lazarus

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Given, as a gift, to America from France, the Statue of Liberty, is a gesture of friendship to celebrate the French Alliance with the U.S. during the American Revolution. She was originally named “Liberty Enlightens the World” by the French designer, Frederic Bartholdi. However, she quickly became “Lady Liberty” to the American Public.

Bartholdi’s vision was to honor the idea of liberty by using the image of a mighty woman. He designed her as having long flowing robes and a crown of seven bold spikes upon her head. She held a torch high with her right hand, and a book, that was inscribed “July 4, 1776” in the crook of her left arm. At her feet lay the broken chains of tyranny. Bartholdi’s model of “Liberty” was nine feet tall.

The famous French engineer, Alexandre Gustave Eiffel, designed the massive iron framework that became the 150 ft. Lady’s infrastructure. She was covered with sheets of the finest grade of copper, mined from the small

Norwegian island of Karmoy.

Lady Liberty stands on top of an 150 foot pedestal fashioned into an 11 point star. The base is made of concrete and faced with granite. The stairs have 167 steps to the top of the base and is the only part of the statue equipped with an elevator.

She, herself, rises another 150 ft. in the air to tower over the harbor. There are 168 steps running from her base to her head. To reach the torch at the top of her arm requires the additional climbing of 54 rungs on a ladder.

The Statue of Liberty was the first sight the immigrants saw coming into the new world. She has been a symbol of freedom to the entire world for over 100 years.

Lady Liberty, along with Ellis Island, became a national monument in 1924.



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Above—A view of the Statue of Liberty from the back. Lady Liberty faces the harbor and for many immigrants, she was the first thing they saw on their trip to America. Lady Liberty and Ellis Island became national monuments in 1924.

Statue of Liberty



Left-Because the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island and Liberty Island are all world-wide tourist attractions, ferries, like these, are constantly jammed full of people going back and forth to view these great sites.

Below-This view of Lady Liberty can be seen from her base. At this point visitors have climbed 167 steps and there is another 168 to the top of her crown.

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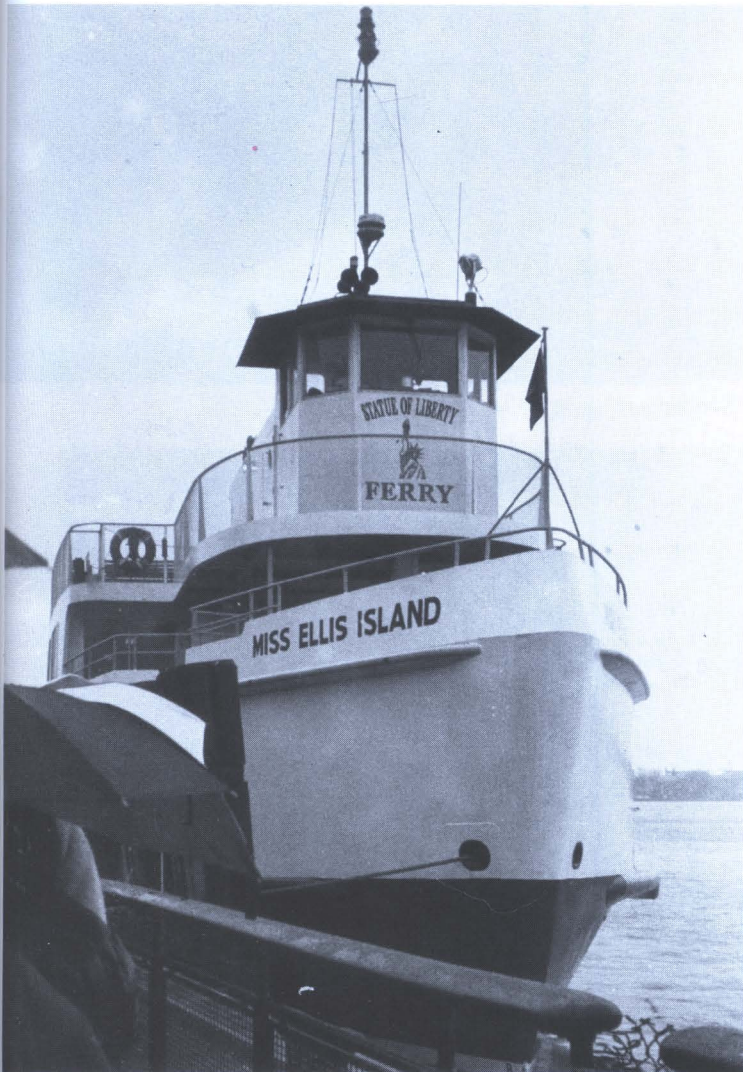


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Above-The ferry, Miss Ellis Island, carries visitors to Ellis Island from Liberty Island. Immigrants were transported to Ellis Island, where they were put through rigorous medical exams before they were allowed to become citizens of the United States.

Right-From the base to Lady Liberty's crown, visitors must climb this spiral staircase. Be advised, it is not for those who are claustrophobic or scared of heights.



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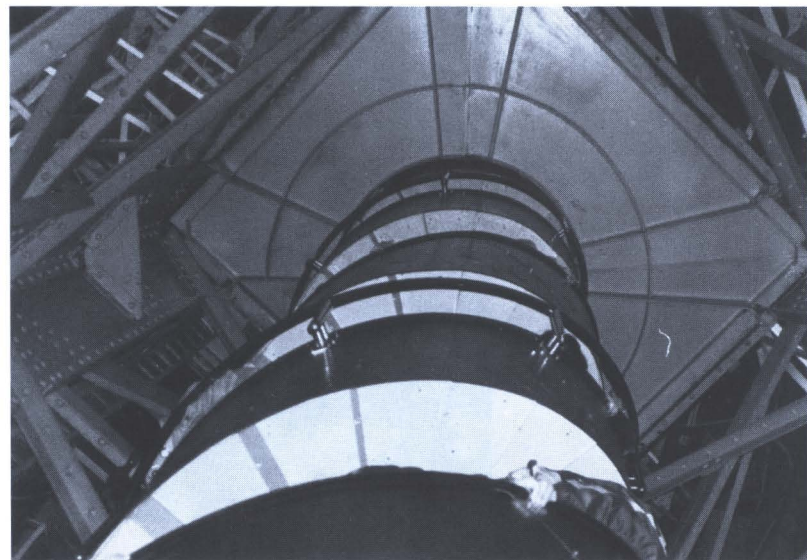


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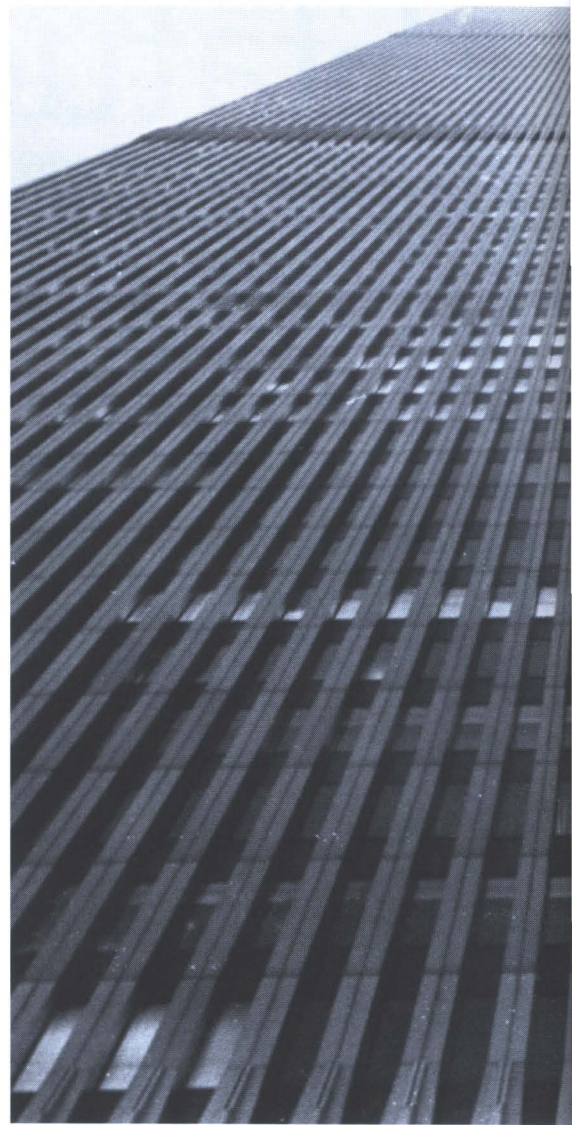


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New York City

Turn the Page

and check out the

Organizations

Right-Seniors, Tamera O'Steen, Mouziane Deeb, and Heather Hohenberger work the Alcohol Awareness Week booth at a football game.



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Below-Five Kappa Sigma members do some community service by keeping the park clean.



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Right-Amber Peckio, sophomore, proudly waves to the crowd during the Homecoming parade.



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Above-This group of students march in support of the fight against Domestic Violence.



Right-These Kappa Sigma members take a very comfortable seat out on the football field during a home game.

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DELTA TAU DELTA



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Left-Jon Schenke, junior, and Jared Carter, freshman, wait for their friends at the Spring Formal.



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Above-Escort Aaron Waters and Homecoming candidate Amber Peckio wait patiently for the announcement of who will be the 1998 Homecoming Queen.

Below-Kevin Johnson, junior, stuffs his face with marshmallows during Savage Scandals.

We consider Delta Tau Delta to be the best organization on campus due to our awards and accomplishments. Colonized in 1992, the brotherhood is devoted to maturing their members' academic and social education and preparing them for their future in the professional world. Delta Tau Delta is proud to be of service to Southeastern and the community of Durant. Last year we received the Highest Fraternity GPA. We have won the All-Greek Athletic Trophy for the past four years now. We have won the All-Campus Award for Superior Community Service two years running now. Delta Tau Delta participates in Adopt-A-School, Adopt-A-Highway, and does a charity run to ECU each year on behalf of Toys-for-Tots.

Although we are the youngest Fraternity on campus, we feel that Delts have made a significant impact on Southeastern and the students. Our mission as an organization is to "learn and live lives of excellence." Delts try to live up to this ideology in our everyday accomplishments. The fundamentals of our Fraternity are: Truth, Courage, Faith and Power.

Joe "Country" Nault said, "I feel very fortunate to be the leader of an organization whose members have yet to disappoint me in living up to these standards."

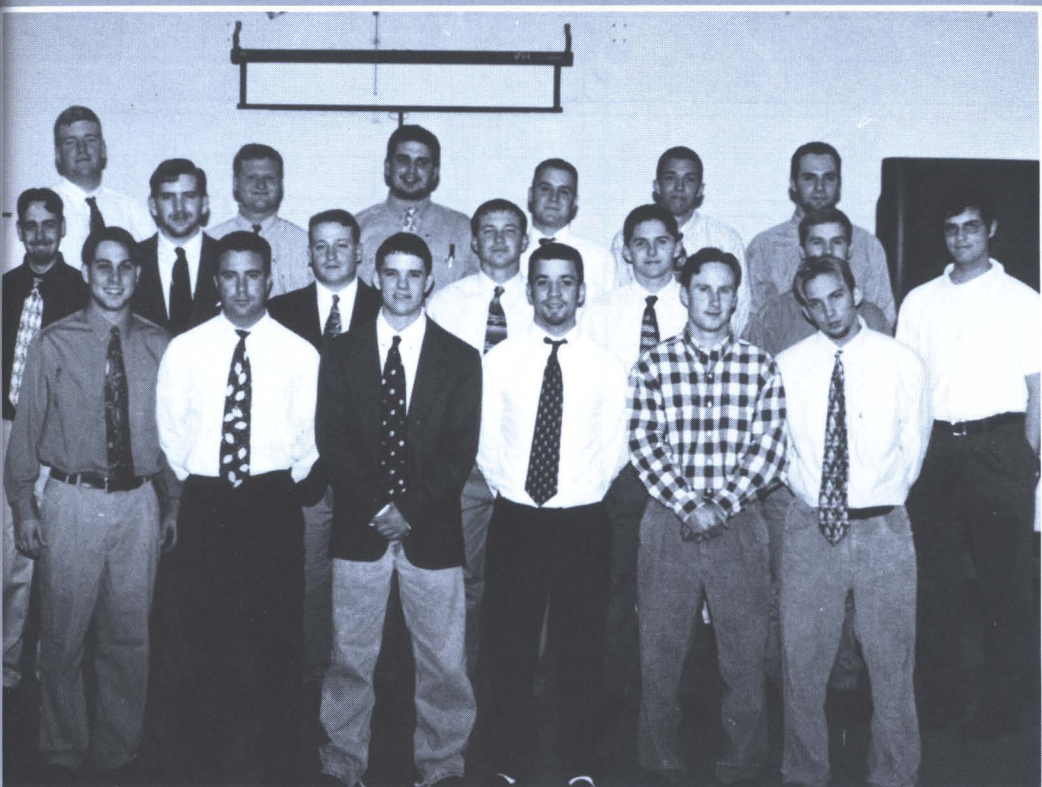


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Left-A few of the Delta Tau Delta members help with a community project.

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Left-The members of Delta Tau Delta pose for their spring 1998 picture.

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ALPHA SIGMA TAU



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Left-Misty Wade, senior, Kelly Ball, junior, Katy Rainbolt, sophomore, Michaela Long, freshman, Karla Freeman, junior, and Kathy Ulrich, freshman, have a great time together at the Durant Bowling Alley.



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Above-Kelly Ball, junior, visits with her mom, Ann Ball, on Parent's Day during Homecoming week.

Alpha Sigma Tau has been a part of South eastern since 1932 and continues to grow in size and strength each year.

Emerald green and gold represent the ladies of Alpha Sigma Tau. Their motto is "Active, Self-Reliant, and Trustworthy" and these women seem to take the motto to heart. The flower is a yellow rose and the jewel is a pearl. The symbol is the anchor which exemplifies strength. The creed of Alpha Sigma Tau is derived from the shield.

Alpha Sigma Tau members are very active on and off campus. Their philanthropies are the Pine Mountain Settlement School in Kentucky for underprivileged children and the Durant Humane Society.

Each semester, as a fund-raiser for the Pine Mountain Settlement, the sorority hosts a potato supper and all the proceeds go to the settlement.

In the 1997 Homecoming Parade Alpha Sigma Tau won the sweepstakes. Kelly McLemore, sorority president, was the 1st runner-up for Homecoming Queen.

Alpha Sigma Tau is proud to be the sorority with the second highest grade point average.

Below-Freshman, Kathy Ulrich and Michaela Long try to keep things in order concerning the Homecoming float. While two of their other sorority sisters dressed as Hilary Clinton and Princess Diana discuss politics.



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Left-Charlotte Downs, freshman, Mary Helen Perrin, freshman, Tonya Matthews, sophomore, and Katy Rainbolt, sophomore, show what great friends they are.

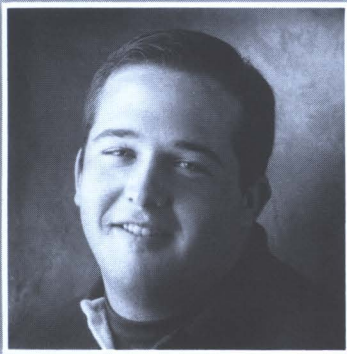
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Left-The members of Alpha Sigma Tau take their annual sorority picture.

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KAPPA SIGMA

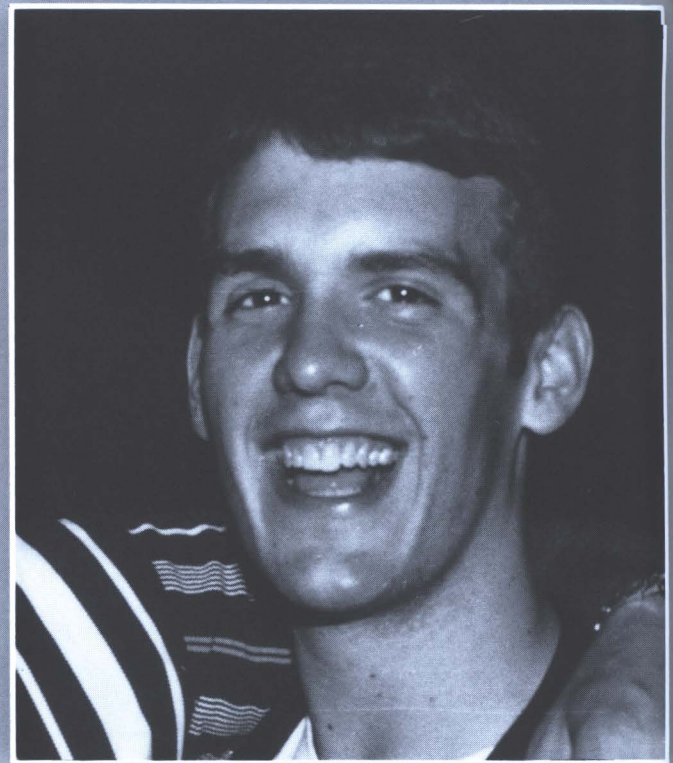


Kappa Simga
President,
Rick Reding

Kappa Sigmas at Southeastern strive to be the best that they can be. They are constantly trying to do everything they can to benefit the local community. They do several Community projects, including campus beautification, Adopt-a-Highway, the Southeastern Oklahoma Medical Center Health Fair, human society volunteering, helping at the Boys and Girls Club, and various other local charities.

Kappa Sigma is an active group with members in several positions in campus organizations. These include: IFC president, IFC secretary, Law Club president, Martial Arts Society president, multiple members of Order of Omega, members of Blue Key, and several members in Student Senate.

In the spring semester, they hold Spring Training as students prepare to get out of school. In November, Kappa Sigma holds its annual Scarlet Ball. Overall, Kappa Sigma seeks to achieve the highest possible outcome in all aspects of college life.



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Above-Jerry Dollins, senior, seem extremely excited to get his picture taken.



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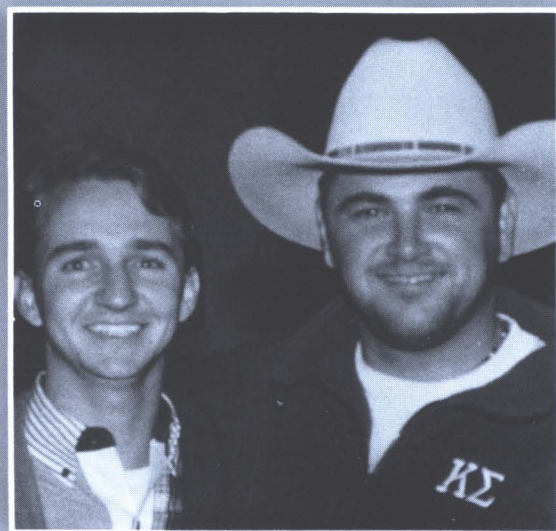
Above-Chance Pugh and queen candidate Mindi Smith, sophomore, represented Kappa Sigma during the Homecoming Ceremonies.

Left-On November 22, 1997 the 5th Annual Scarlet Ball was held for members of the Kappa Sigma fraternity and their guests.



Left-Members of Kappa Sigma stand in the cold October weather to support the Savage football team at the last game at East Central University.

Below-Graduate, Jason Squares, and junior, Greg Guymon, take time out to pose for the camera during a Kappa Sigma party.



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Below-Members of Kappa Sigma walk down the street in a Domestic Violence march during the fall semester. Kappa Sigma was just one of the four fraternities to participate in this annual event.



photo by Dana Bell

STUDENTS FOR FREE ENTERPRISE

Seven SIFE members competed in the SIFE Regional Competition on April 9, 1998. Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) won First Runner Up. The group consisted of Dan Kobiske, Britt Lewis, Levi McDonald, who are enrolled members, and Denise Batchelor, Darren Hayes, Joette Heim, and Wayne Wallace, who are volunteer members. On Wednesday, April 29, SIFE members presented their winning presentation at SOSU in R100 at 2:30 p.m.

Dr. Debbie Barnes, SIFE sponsor, welcomed everyone to the presentation. After the welcome, each student entered and introduced themselves. SIFE members include 21 enrolled members and 14 volunteer members.

Three SIFE members, Dan Kobiske, Sarah McCornack, and Darren Hayes, spoke during the slide presentation. They told of different events SIFE has sponsored and projects they have done during the semester. Then Hayes spoke at the conclusion of the presentation about plans for the future.

Christina Smith and Wayne Wallace gave a tour of the internet. They started at the SOSU home page, continued through parts of the Business Department, and SIFE home page.

"This is a very challenging group of students," Barnes said.

Dr. Barnes presented two Outstanding Awards and \$100 checks to two SIFE members: Lewis, enrolled member, and Hayes, volunteer member. Dr. Barnes then thanked everyone for coming.

SIFE hosts many activities throughout the year including the shoot out for \$1000 at the Valentine's SWOSU halftime game. Sundowner trailers Inc., The Athletic Department, and SIFE sponsored the \$1000 shoot out. However's ticket is drawn gets the chance to shoot a half court shot at the home game on February 14, 1998. If the shot is made the ticket holder will receive \$1000. If not, they will still receive \$100.

"This is a great opportunity for SOSU students to come out and support our basketball teams and have a chance to win \$1000," said Dr. Debbie Barnes.

by Kara Stevens



Left-SOSU SIFE joins with UCO SIFE for a balloon release at kickoff of the SOSU/UCO football game, November 8, 1998. The balloons contains entrepreneurial tips.

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Left-Sophomores, Sara Hocutt, and Renata Queiroz, lending a hand to Durant Main Street Christmas decorations.

Below-Junior, Nito Gemmel renovating Christmas decorations for Durant Main Street.



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Above-Ms. Velma Tucker won the opportunity to kick off 35-yard field goal for \$1,000 at the SOSU/UCO football half-time on November 8, 1998. This event was sponsored by Sundowner Trailers, Inc. She missed the field goal but walked away with the \$100 consolation prize.

NEWSPAPER STAFF

Getting the word out

Southeastern Oklahoma State University has been putting out *The Southeastern* for 79 years. Over the years the newspaper has gone through many changes but through it all Southeastern's pride has shown through.

The Southeastern is used as a teaching tool for Communication students with an emphasis in Journalism.

As a member of the Oklahoma Press Association (OPA), Oklahoma Collegiate Press Association (OCPA), Student Press Law Center and the Associated Collegiate Press, *The Southeastern* and its staff members are entitled to a certain amount of perks.

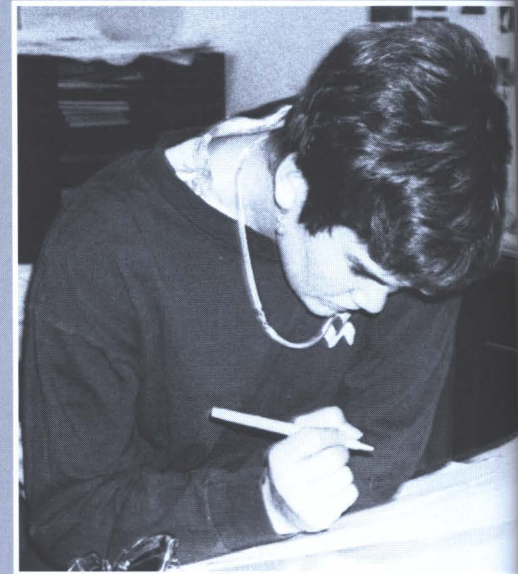
Students are eligible to attend seminars in Tulsa and Oklahoma City and conferences as far away as Chicago and New York City.

During the Fall and Spring semesters, *The Southeastern* is published weekly for a total of 13 issues. Summer semesters are less strenuous with the paper being published bi-weekly.

The Southeastern staff uses the SOSU Curriculum Contest as means of recruiting possible new staff members for both *The Southeastern* and *The Savage* (year-book).

By Shay Jones

Below-Spring '98 Editor-n-Chief Aimee Wou goes over a news story with her "red pen". The newspaper staff has definitely learned one thing. Proofread, Proofread, Proofread!



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Right-The Summer Newspaper staff got together for a cook-out at the beginning of the summer. Members who attended were backrow (l to r) Bandit, Adviser Janet Reeder, and staff writer Kara Stevens. Front row (l to r) Business and Advertising Manager; Jodie Duke, Arts and Entertainment Editor; Carissa Rozzell, Editor-n-Chief; Shay Jones, and Photographer; Jaqueline Baumann. The group discussed the many changes that took place on the newspaper over the course of the summer.

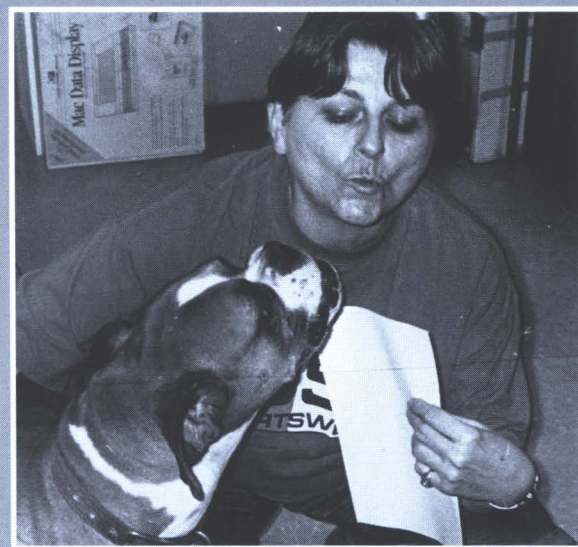


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Left-Summer '98 Arts and Entertainment Editor, Carissa Rozzell, junior, takes time out of your rigorous schedule to smile for the camera. Carissa took an interium class at the beginning of the summer semester in order for her to be on the staff. After the class was over, Carissa drove all the way from Idabel, Oklahoma to Durant and back twice a week.

Below-Student Publications Adviser, Janet F. Reeder puckers up for her dog, Bandit. Poor Bandit had to stay home while Janet was in Chicago and New York City.



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Left-Dana Bell, senior, works hard in the darkroom to get the photos ready for publication. Dana was the photographer for *The Southeastern* in the Fall of '97.

Below-Fall '97 newspaper Editor-n-Chief, Tracey Moore, junior, works hard at the paste-up board putting the news in it's right spot.



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SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA *ladies*



SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA PRESIDENT,
AMBER PECKIO

Sigma Sigma Sigma, known as Tri-Sigma, was founded at Southeastern Oklahoma State University Oct. 13, 1991, and was founded nationally in 1898 in Farmville, VA. Since our beginnings, Sigma's ideals and principles have never changed.

Tri-Sigma is a social sorority for women who strive to be a family away from home and to provide a stable emotional life in uncertain times for our members.

We believe "we who receive much must give much," and we try to incorporate this important principle into our service projects. Some of our local service projects this year were working with Homeward Bound Humane Society, the Crisis Center and Toys for Tots. This past spring we held our Annual Fun Run. Money we raised was donated in part to, The Robbie Page Memorial at the Dallas Children's Medical Center. The memorial was chosen for philanthropy by the chapter.

Tri-Sigma is also active at Southeastern. We participated in the Alcohol Awareness Week, the Domestic Violence March, Springfest, Greek Week and Homecoming/Parent's Day.

Sigma Sigma Sigma's Homecoming float took second place.

Each semester the sorority has several social events with other sororities, fraternities and organizations on campus.

From participating in campus events and volunteering at local organizations, Sigma Sigma Sigma provides young college women with friendship, love, loyalty to opportunities for leadership and service projects. And last, Tri-Sigma gives a lifetime of memories.

Amber Peckio

Sigma Sigma Sigma members are from left to right, first row: Amanda Gray, Ali McCaughey and Amy Crawford, second row: Karen Foster, Laurie Brown and Kristen Stroud, third row, Heather Nabors, Christian Fenner, Cindy Hester and Charity Walkup, fourth row: Adrienne Johnson, Denise Olmstead, Leslie Karn, Davi Cummings and Tracey Cox, fifth row: Amy Whitacker, Jennifer Powers, Angela Tucker, Jill Turpin and Amber Peckio, sixth row: Mandi Ritter, Nichole Synder, Mattie Mackey, Becky White and Shantiel Parker.





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Left-From right to left, Davi Cummings, senior, works with sorority sisters, Amy McCullough, freshman, and DeVynna Smith, sophomore, at the Sigma Sigma Spaghetti Supper.

Below-Back row from left to right - Mattie Mackey, Tina Cantrell, Charity Walkup and Missy O'Kelly and in front Angela Tucker and DeVynna Smith show their friendship at one of their social gatherings. Tri-Sigma is known for its friendship and loyalty to each other.



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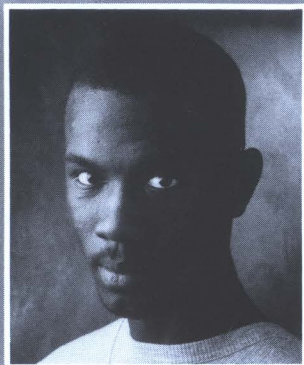


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Above-Amy Crawford, left, and Julie Iniguez, right, work at the Tri-Sigma booth during Homecoming/Parent's Day festivities.

Left-Ali McCaughey, senior, represented Sigma Sigma Sigma as their Homecoming candidate. She was escorted by Tre' Durbin, junior.

SIGMA TAU GAMMA



Sigma Tau Gamma
President,
Frankie Lewis

Sigma Tau Gamma is the oldest fraternity on the Southeastern campus. The Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity has held a rich tradition since its charter on January 12, 1929.

Sigma Tau Gamma is founded on the principles of value, learning, leadership, excellence, benefit, and integrity.

The fraternity stresses academics, service to the community, and encouraging its members to become leaders on campus.

This year we had the opportunity to honor Sigma Tau Gamma alumnus Pat Phelps with our Homecoming Parade float. Mr. Phelps was a recipient of Southeastern's Distinguished Alumni Award. Following the Homecoming game we held an alumni barbecue welcome all the alumni back.

At our White Rose Banquet we named Leanna Funkhouser to represent our chapter as White Rose sweetheart. Also, as our candidate, Frankie Lewis was named Big Man on Campus.

Sig Taus promote brotherhood above all else.

Below-Alumni member of Sigma Tau Gamma Pat Phelps waves to the camera as he and his family make their way around the loop during the Homecoming Parade.



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Below-Representing the Greek letters of Sigma Tau Gamma.



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Left- Members of Sigma Tau enjoy a night out and a game of volleyball during the fall semester.

Below-President Glen Johnson and Frankie Lewis, Big Man on Campus, shake hands as Frankie was presented the honor.

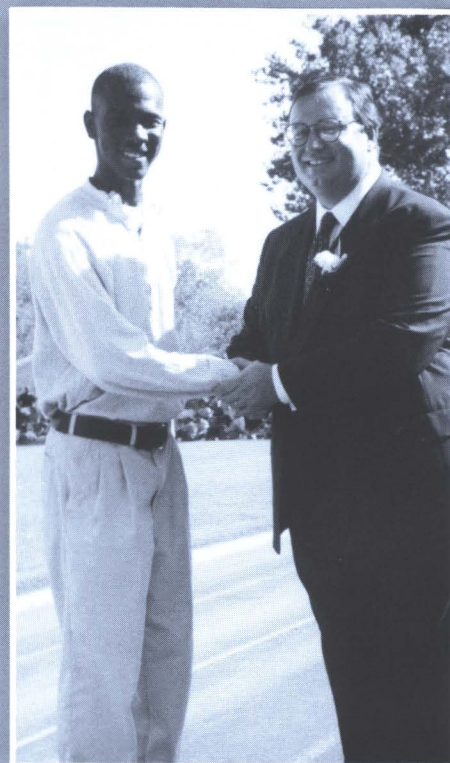


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Left-A group of friends hang around after classes to pose for a photo opportunity.

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Below-James Guthery, junior in biology, Jimmy Pena, junior in music education, and Gobonaone Gabaitse, senior in airframe power plant, think seriously about getting seconds at the buffet.



Right-Mouzianne Deeb, senior, and Ryan Woolley, junior, enjoy the B-B-Q that was catered from Ben's B-B-Q in Durant. But free food isn't the only reason they showed up. Cardinal /Blue Key socials are always entertaining.



Above-Vice-President of Cardinal Key, Mouzianne Deeb presents a sensitive speech congratulating Michelle Claxton, Cardinal Key advisor, for ten years of successful advising.



Right-Heather Hillburn, senior in social studies education, and Daniel Hall, senior in communication, enjoy the B-B-Q while engaging in social conversation.



National Honor

B-B-Q and election go hand -in-

Societies

hand as members elect new officers

Cardinal / Blue Key

for the year to come.

Celebrate Initiation

Photos and text by Renee Laney



Top inset-Cory Hammel, Blue Key advisor, and Mark McPherson, junior in criminal justice, talk about serious Blue Key issues while Brian Clinkenbeard watches the crowd.

Above-Heather Hohenberger, president of Cardinal Key, and Tammy D'Angelo, senior in chemistry, tally the results of the election of officers. while other members look on

SOCIETY OF PHYSICS STUDENTS

The Society of Physics Students is a national organization. Dr. MacArthur and Dr. Polson are the co-advisors. The officers are: President - Lee Alzondo, Vice President - Jake Dozlyll, and Secretary/Treasurer - Katy Hrcir. Memberships consists of physics majors and minors. The members of the group attend the annual curriculum contest for high school students in order to recruit new members who are interested in physics. They also attend regional and national conferences. Other activities for the group include sponsoring guest speakers that speak about physics related careers. The students also have the opportunity to assist faculty members in the field when researching a topic. Research done by the physics community has produced phenomenal results and has aided the advancement of technology. Faculty helps physics students with career placement. Members of the Society of Physics Students also receive a journal of undergraduate research and a newsletter from the national society.

by Jodie Duke



Left-(First Row): Andy Brown, and Lee Elizondo. (Second row): John Ranallo, Waylon Flinn, and Katie Hrcir. (Back row): Dr. Jerry Polson, Todd McGrath, Dr. John McArthur, and Jake Dolezal.

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Above-Meeting and greeting students and guest of the Homecoming festivities in the Physics Club Homecoming booth is Lee Elizondo, senior, and Waylon Flinn, junior.

PRE-LAW CLUB

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Bruce Johnson and Susan Anderson, are the Pre-Law Club advisors and sponsors. Officers for the club are: juniors, Preston Harbuck - president and Tommy Gray - vice president. Stella Williams is the secretary/treasurer. Southeastern does not have a law program but it can help students who want to go to law school. Through this organization students can receive many benefits. The club sponsors speakers like the Assistant Dean for Admissions, Gary Mercer, from Oklahoma City University School of Law, which came to Southeastern and gave a seminar on March 5, 1998. Another speaker that visited campus was Dean Robert E.L. Richardson, Associate Dean for External Affairs, from the University of Oklahoma College of Law in Norman. They also have many other people from law schools come and talk to the club members about law careers. The club also sponsors field trips to law schools like OU and SMU. It serves as a form of meeting people with the same career goals. The club tries to go to three law schools a year but usually only have time to attend one or two. This year they only made it to one law school. The Pre-Law Club is open to any student interested in a career in law. Being a member gives students tips on how to apply to law schools in the future.

by Jodie Duke



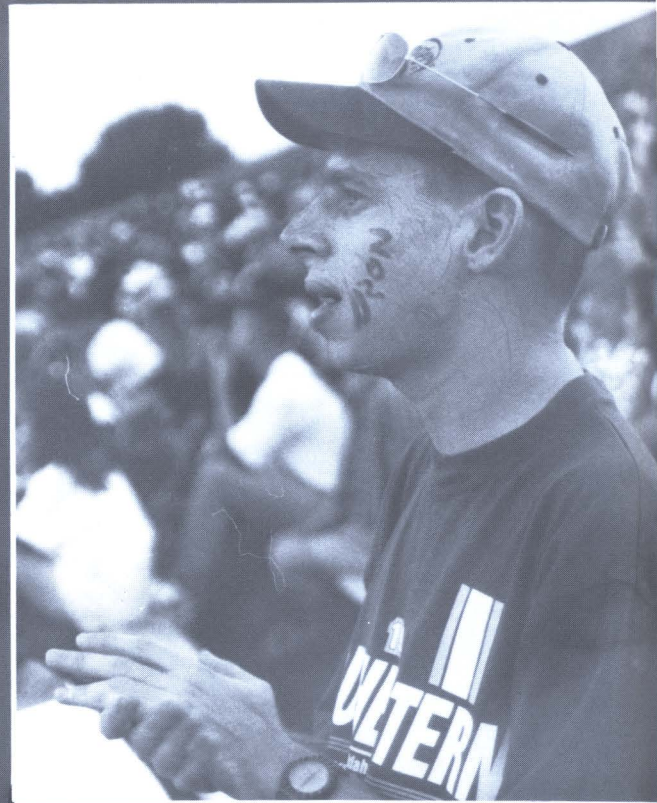
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Above-Sponsor, Bruce Johnson, and the Pre-law club members pose for a picture outside the Science Building.



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Above-BSU Queen candidate Deidre Bryant, senior, waves to the crowd during the Homecoming Parade.



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Above-Kevin Dunklin, sophomore, stands alone at the Southeastern vs. TAMU-Commerce game to cheer on the Savages.

Left-Fun in the sun, Spring Break 1997 at Daytona Beach, Florida. Students from the Baptist Student Union traveled to Florida to help others with struggles in life by sharing their personal testimonies and had fun playing on white sandy beaches.



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Learning

ABOUT FELLOWSHIP AND HAVING FUN
AT THE BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

BSU OFFERS RELIGION TO EVERYONE

Baptist Student Union is a student run organization offering Christian fellowship to students who love to worship the Lord. According to Tim Jones, member of the executive committee for the BSU, opportunities for fellowship with the Southeastern community are plentiful.

Jones said, the BSU is involved in a Spring Break mission trip to teach others about God. They also have a Christmas gift disbursement in which they give toys to local needy children."

Jones said "there are also devotionals and opportunities to praise the Lord in song and testimonies." He said the point to having the BSU is to offer Christians on campus an opportunity to stay faithful to their belief.

"The organization as a whole is Baptist funded but it's for anyone." Jones said. "We have Catholics, Pentecostals, people from Church of Christ and Methodists who come to worship and spend time in fellowship with us."

Jones said the mission of the BSU is to spread the gospel. Sponsored by the Southern Baptist Convention, it provides an outlet for students and opportunities to serve the Lord.

by Vic Clay



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Above-Members from the BSU, took a trip down to Arlington, Texas, to watch the Texas Rangers play in the spring exhibition game.

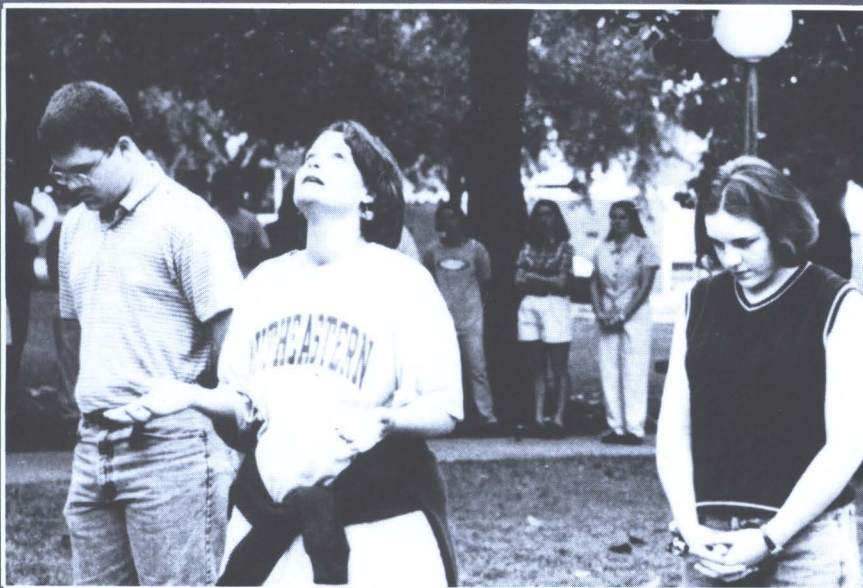


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Above-Klo Utley, freshman, Deidre Bryant, senior and Leigh Walton, freshman, gathered around the flag pole at 7 a.m. with other students at the annual "See You At The Pole" during the fall semester.



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Above-Yum, Yum, Yum, Johnny Tonica, junior, takes a moment away from fellowship to enjoy some down home cooking in the kitchen of the BSU.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Every year at Southeastern Oklahoma State University students take part in many different activities. Student get out in the summer night and shake their rumps at the circle dances. Springfest offers students a chance to get



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down and dirty in mud volleyball. Students vote for their favorite queen candidate during homecoming week.

The activities listed above are the responsibility of the student government. Southeastern Oklahoma State University has a very active student government led by President, Christy Flowers. "We are very active and we have been very successful and this can be attributed to the students of Southeastern," says Flowers.

The function of the student government is to work for the students. The students elect members each semester. An active student government leads to increased activities for the students.

Southeastern's student government is very active in the state affairs with the

Oklahoma Student Government Association. The OSGA writes legislation to the state government to benefit universities in the state of Oklahoma. The Student was a driving force in the substantial increase in OTAG. "We are representatives of the university, and we work for the common good of the student," said Flowers.

The student government is the student's voice in university affairs. The student government is the link between the students and the faculty. The student government makes sure the student's opinion is heard and not dismissed.

The student government is already planning for the future. "We want to encourage school spirit and form an even closer relationship between faculty and students," said Flowers. "We want to have more say on campus."

The student government of Southeastern is working very hard to give the students an environment for both fun and learning. The student government is always working to make Southeastern a better place for the student.

To run for a student senate office the student must be enrolled as a full time student, have a 2.0 cumulative grade point average and submit a petition signed by at least 25 full time students.

"Students should exercise their civic right and become involved in politics at the collegiate level," Flowers said.

by Clay Tipton



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STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Student Support Services offers many academic tools to students. They provide services that include academic advisement for undecided majors, career exploration, personal counseling, cultural awareness activities and experiences, graduate school planning, tutoring, help with enrollment, workshops, assistance with financial aid forms, and assistance for the handicapped.



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valuable information through Student Support Services. They can provide information on entrance qualifications, admissions fees, scholarships, and financial aid.

Student Support Services' workshops are based on student needs. Some examples of workshop topics are study skills, memory techniques, test anxiety, test-taking tips, self-esteem, drugs and alcohol abuse, stress management, self-management techniques, career exploration, and interview techniques.

"Assisting our students with disabilities is a very important focus of our program," Anderson said.

To meet the needs of disabled students, Student Support Services offers many services. Readers may read text for students with learning disabilities and visual problems. They provide assistance with recordings for the blind.

"Teaching a science lab, reading a graph, or taking an art class requires a lot of redesign for students with visual problems," Anderson said. "It's been done several times with great success."

Student Support Services also provides note taking services. Volunteer note takers will take notes for individuals who need assistance. They will also provide assistance with writing assignments.



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by Kara Stevens

MATH CLUB



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A new college algebra class is being taught this semester by the Mathematics Chair, Dr. Karla Oty, and Mathematics Instructor, Brett Elliott. Together they have written their own algebra book. Dr. John McArthur, assistant professor of physical sciences, donated most of the physics and chemistry examples. Dr. Bryon Clark, assistant professor of biological sciences, donated most of the biology examples. "We got the people in the science department and the people in the math department working together to design the course," Elliott said.

Oty, Elliott, McArthur, and Clark applied for a grant from the National Science Foundation. The grant was awarded in the spring of 1996. Starting next fall the course will have a new name and number: Algebra for the Sciences, MATH 1543. Two sections will be taught in the fall by Elliott. Anyone with an interest in conservation or biology, or anyone that is an education major would find this course ideal, according to Oty. This course will satisfy general education and teacher's education requirements, Oty said. Elliott is working on a study to see which college algebra course improves critical thinking skills. His hypothesis is that the new one, college algebra for the sciences will provide these skills.

"I think eventually that it will be a better course than college algebra," Elliott said.

"We had noticed in traditional college algebra classes, the students have a hard time relating what we teach to any type of real world situation they would apply it to," Oty said.

"The science teachers are coming to us and complaining that the students could do the skills abstractly, but they weren't able to apply it to the topics being covered in the science classes," Oty said.

It is apparent that Elliott shares Oty's views. "In the traditional college algebra class we noticed that often students weren't as motivated to learn the algebra as we would like them to be," Elliott said.

"We decided a big part of that was they didn't know a place where they were ever going to use what they were learning in college algebra. Some of them will certainly use it later on, especially in science areas," Elliott said. "We wanted to give them some clue why they were going to use it later."

Most of the students currently taking this class seem to have a positive outlook about it, according to both instructors.

by Kara Stevens

ALPHA MU GAMMA

Alpha Mu Gamma initiated six members Tuesday evening, March 3, 1998. The ceremony was held at the home of Dr. Lisa Hill, advisor. The new members are Gail Goad, Jennifer Parnell, Carrie Vaughn, Tammy Dodd, Erica Bluethman, and Rory Jameson. They joined members Cheryl Clark and Jessica Hardy. Dr. Richard Hartman, Dr. Patrick O'Connell, and Department of English, Humanities, and Languages Chair, Dr. Andrew Robson are also associated with the society. Alpha Mu Gamma is the national honor society for college level foreign language students. There are more than 200 charters in the United States and Puerto Rico in both state and private universities and colleges. The society took two groups to North Garland High School last week to see foreign speaking plays. The actors performed scenes in both English and Spanish or French. Dr. Hill took Cheryl Clark, Jessica Hardy and Rory Jameson to see Cervante's Don Quixote. The group dined at "New Brazil" after the performance.

"We had a lot of fun!" Dr. Hill said.

Dr. Hartman took a group to see Moliere's Tartuffe. Students attending were Jaime Braziel, Jose Cortes, Millie Crews, Kelli Crews, Gary Glover, Jessica Hardy, Jennifer Kruchowski, Peter Moore, Melissa Morrison, Randy Massey, Gena Rodgers, Carissa Rozzell, and Joey Sanchez. They had lunch at "La Madeline."

"We are going to try to send a group every year," Dr. Hartman said.

The purpose of Alpha Mu Gamma is to honor students of foreign language study. Students may join the society at any stage in their college careers. The group is involved in several activities. There is an annual publication, the SCROLL, and a quarterly newsletter. There are also regional and national conferences, chapter meetings, and other special events. National Foreign Language Week is sponsored by Alpha Mu Gamma. This event has been endorsed by every President of the United States since 1957. Three \$500 scholarships are awarded to students each year. If more students enroll in these courses and join the society, the award money and number of awards will increase.

by Carissa Rozzell



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Above-In attendance of the Alpha Mu Gamma meeting were (left - right) Joey Sanchez, Jessica Redding, Gail Goad, Jenny Parnell, Carrie Vaughn, Tammy Dodd, Dr. Richard Hartman, Erica Bluethman, Jessica Hardy, Dr. Lisa Hill, and Rory Jameson.



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PI OMEGA PI

At Southeastern, Pi Omega Pi is the Sigma Chapter. It was founded here in 1931 as the National Teacher Education Honor Society. Pi Omega Pi is a national honorary society for students interested in business education. It is also one of the oldest organizations on campus. Students are elected to membership when they have distinguished themselves in the areas of business studies and campus leadership. Members must be a full time student majoring in business education. They must also express an interest in becoming a teacher of business education. They must also have completed 12 hours of business education with a 3.0 GPA and had 36 hours overall with a 3.0 average.

The purpose of this society is to create a fellowship among business teachers and to foster high ethical standards in business and professional life.

In the 1997-98 school year Shonda Sullivan was president and Amy Hodges was vice president. During the 1998-99 school year Loye Trapp was selected as president. Shonda Sullivan was elected to vice president and Margaret Goddard as secretary/treasurer. Jan Dill serves as the club's sponsor.

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Above-The 1998-99 officers: Loye Trapp president, Shonda Sullivan vice president, and Margaret Goddard secretary/treasurer.



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Above-The 1997-98 officers, Shonda Sullivan and Amy Hodges, pose for a picture at the 1998 induction banquet.



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Left-All of the Pi Omega Pi members, Loye Trapp, Shonda Sullivan, Margaret Goddard, and Amy Hodges, graciously pose for a picture.

KSSU Radio

Power 92 Savage Radio went under a few changes in the 1997 summer. KSSU still runs on 323 watts of effective radio power, but the format in the fall 1997 semester is songs off of the Top 40 Contemporary Hit Rock Lists. Your favorites of yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

John Allen Hendricks, facility advisor for the station, said they have many goals for the station.

"This year we have upgraded our equipment and the quality of the sound. We are going to focus on our format and better training our students in broadcasting so that the overall sound will be more professional. We have increased our presence in and our service to the Southeastern community," said Hendricks.

According to Tre Packard, station manager, to become a disc jockey, a student must take Fundamentals of Radio and/or Advanced Broadcasting, which is given only in the spring. Packard also says people can volunteer to be a DJ, but must have taken either course mentioned to be eligible.

"We appreciate people calling." "It lets us know people are listening," said Jessica Hardy.

by Danette Norwood



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Above-Jesse Hardy, a senior disc jockey for KSSU, finishes her sound check and is on the air.

Left-This KSSU disc jockey takes his job seriously and continues to work even though his picture is being taken.



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Above-These are the call numbers for a nearby radio station that they SOSU radio students have an opportunity to tour.



Left-A summer 1998 upward bound student tries his had at being a DJ. Who knows, he may one day be the next Howard Stern.

Below-It seems like a hard decision for this DJ to pick which CD to play on the air.



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Right-A group of students sit around the control room taking a break while a song is playing on the air.



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WILDLIFE CLUB

Right-These three students examine water specimens.



Below-The club studies many species of wildlife including this Copperhead.



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Above-Students observe something interesting on the ground.

Below-The club came upon this cute lizard during a field trip.



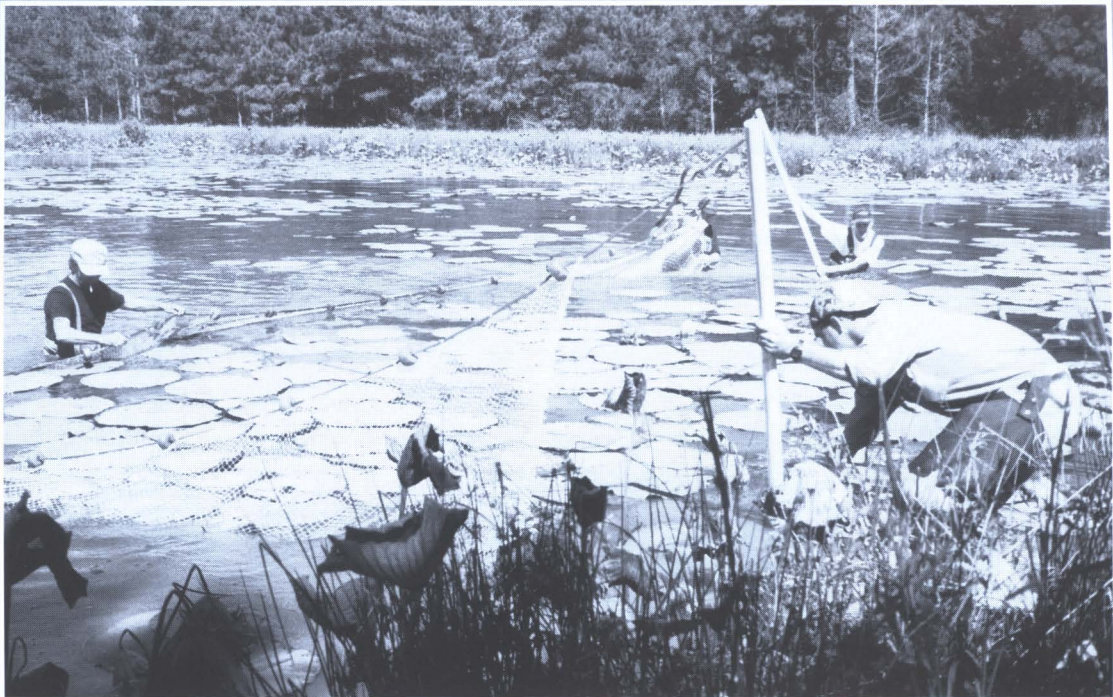
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Above-Part of the Wildlife Club surveys an area to see what kind of animals cover it.



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Right-Four students wade out in the lily covered pond to screen for fish.



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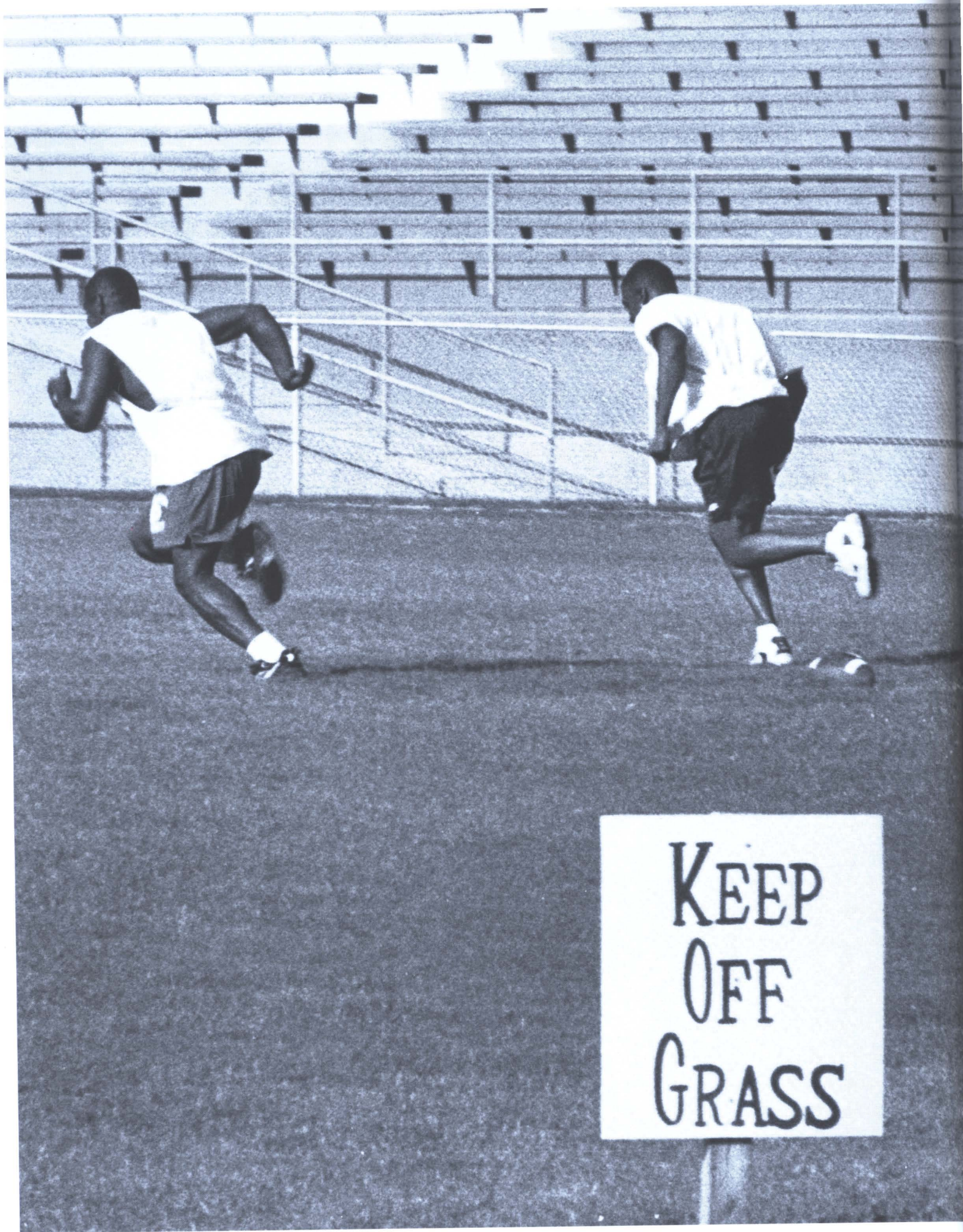
Left-One student holds out this Texas Horn Lizard so the other members of the group can see all the little spikes on its body.

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Right-After a long day of observing and gathering specimens the students and instructors poses for a group picture.



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Sports



Left-Joel Luper, Anthony Terrell and Mike Jones practice for the start of football season.

Below-The girls seem to be hard at work in preparation for softball season.



BREAK ON THROUGH

Savages Struggle Through Up and Down Season

The Southeastern Oklahoma State Savages struggled through an up and down season to go 3-7. The Savages started the season with a pair of losses at the hands of McNeese State and Tarleton State.

Southeastern rebounded to come out victorious in their first two district games and improve their record to 2-2. The Savages defeated Texas A&M Commerce followed by a homecoming victory over Eastern New Mexico State.

Southeastern lost their next two games by a combined score of five points.

The turning point of the season may have been a 17-14 overtime loss to Harding University which started the Savages on a five game losing streak.

However, the Savages ended the season on a positive note by defeating rival East Central, 35-14. Robert Marshall led the Savages with 190 yards on 25 carries against the Tigers. The junior tailback averaged 7.3 yards per carry including a 90-yard run against Central Oklahoma. The run was one yard short of the school record of 91-yards.

Greg Ray, a sophomore, was the workhorse in the

Savage backfield carrying the ball 140 times gaining 646 yards.

Another senior, Anthony Terrell, carried a heavy load of the offense leading Southeastern in all-purpose yards with 634. Terrell had 36 catches for 517 yards.

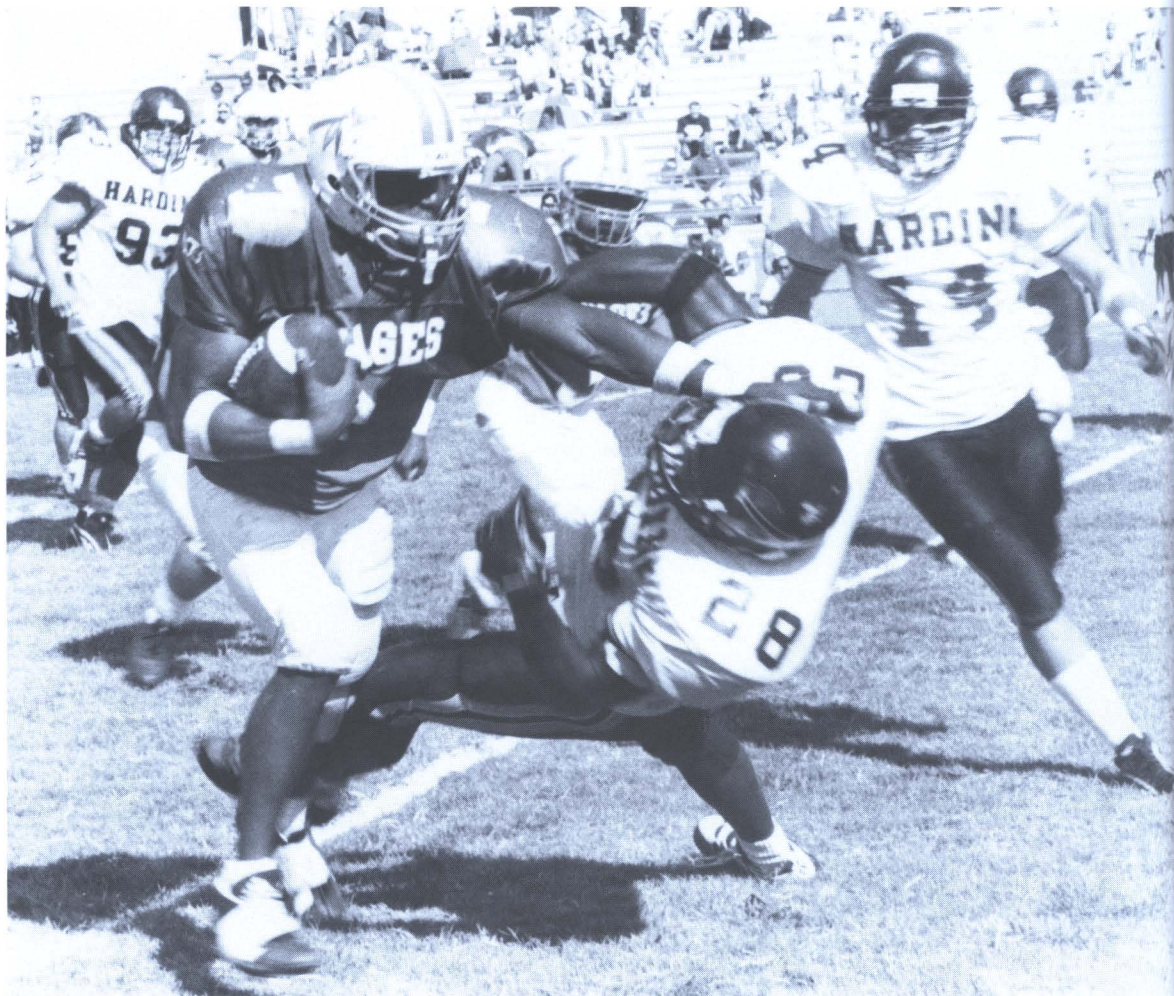
On a positive note, sophomore quarterback Chris Enloe played well this sea-

son. Enloe threw for 1131 yards and seven touchdowns while gaining 393 yards on the ground.

The defense was led by senior Steve Hohenberger who had 94 tackles, 47 of which were unassisted. Jason Pettit, freshman, led the team in sacks and had 19 tackles for a loss finishing the season with the second

most tackles on the team with 66.

Other defensive leaders for the Savages were David Garza, senior, with 54 tackles, sophomore, Sjhonto Fanner with 51 and senior Scott Mercer who had 44 tackles with 17 of those for a loss. Mercer also caused two fumbles while recovering one.



Above—Anthony Terrell, senior, runs over a Bison defender during Southeastern's October 4 game against Harding. Harding led the Savages with 634 all-purpose yards.

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Southeastern takes the field before their Homecoming victory over Eastern New Mexico State.

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1997 FOOTBALL



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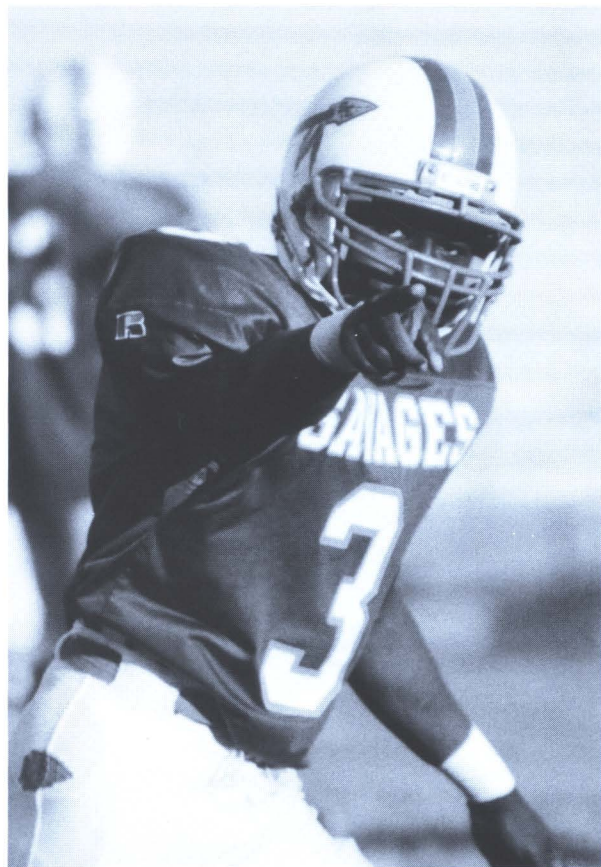


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Left-Sophomore quarterback Chris Enloe releases a swing pass during a game with the University of Central Oklahoma.

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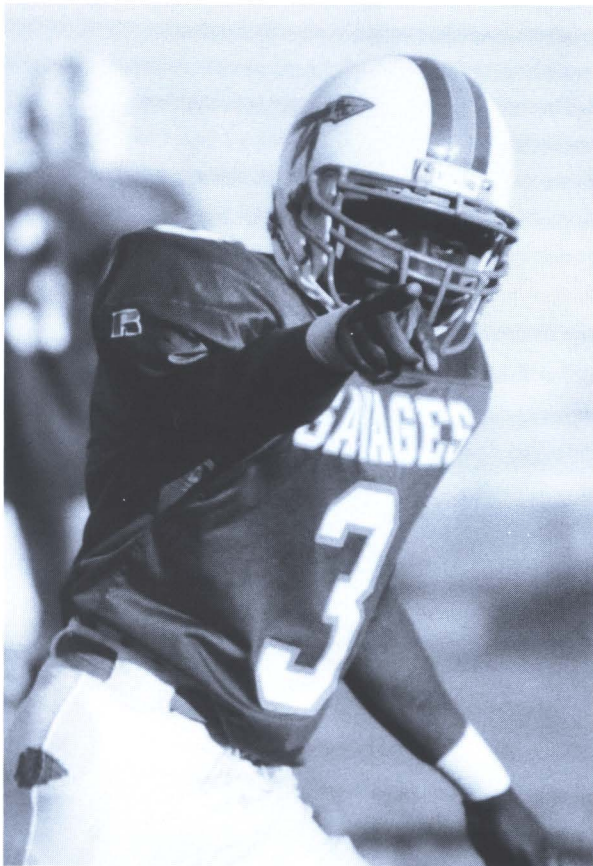


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HIT ME WITH YOUR BEST SHOT

Southeastern Rips Rival East Central in Season Finale

Despite the frigid conditions after a touch of early morning snow, the Southeastern Savages heated up at Norris Field in Ada Saturday afternoon.

The Savages ended the season with a 35-14 victory over archrival East Central.

The Savages struck early marching 87 yards in five plays on their first possession of the game. Senior

Robert Marshall finished off the opening drive scoring on a 14-yard burst.

"I was really proud of the way our kids played," said Morris Sloan, head coach of the Savages.

Freshman quarterback Chris Enloe increased the Savage lead scoring on a 14-yard jaunt to cap off a 73 yard Southeastern drive. Josh Trent's PAT put the Savages ahead 14-0.

After a scoreless second quarter, Southeastern struck again in the third. An East Central

punt was blocked by Chad Meiler. Sophomore Chad Ashby swept up the bouncing ball and raced in for the touchdown.

Robert Marshall finished the scoring for the Savages with his second touchdown of the game on a 60-yard run to increase Southeastern's lead to 35-7. Marshall led the Savages' offensive attack carrying the ball 25 times for 190 yards.

The Savage defense was led by Jason Pettit, Steve Hohenberger and David Garza who had 10, 9 and 8 tackles respectively.



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Above-Freshman quarterback Chris Enloe rolls around the right side in Southeastern's 35-14 defeat of the East Central Tigers in the Savages' final game of the season. Enloe threw for 1131 yards and seven touchdowns this season. Also pictured #66 Joe Richard, sophomore.

Right-Landon Johnson, sophomore, celebrates after downing an East Central runner for a loss in the Savages season ending 35-14 victory over the Tigers.



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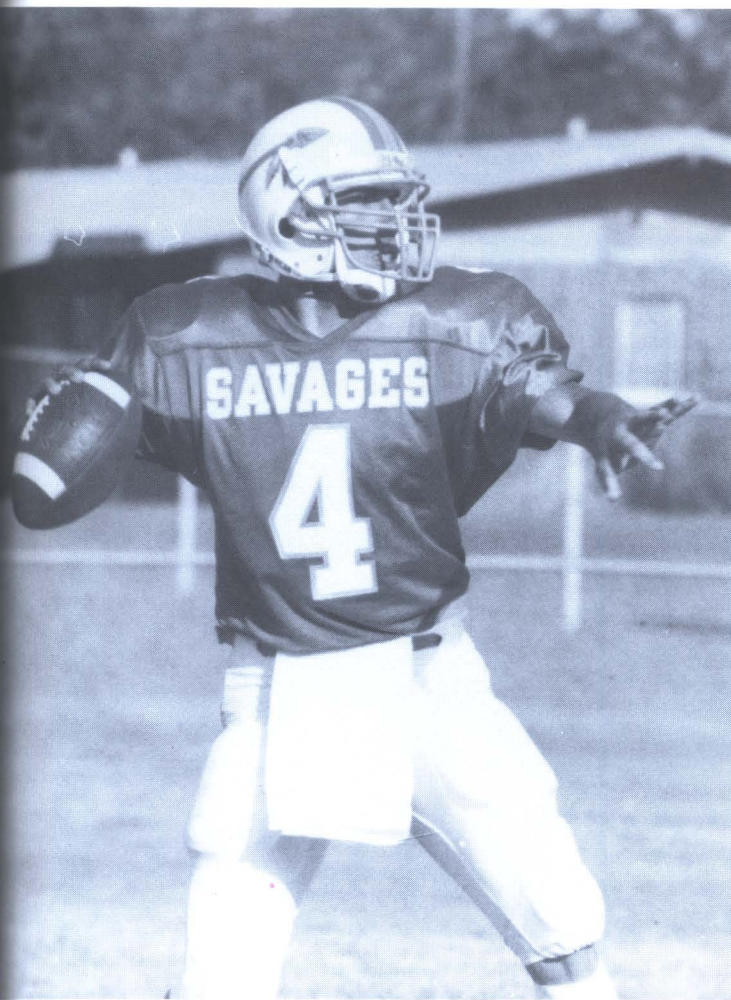


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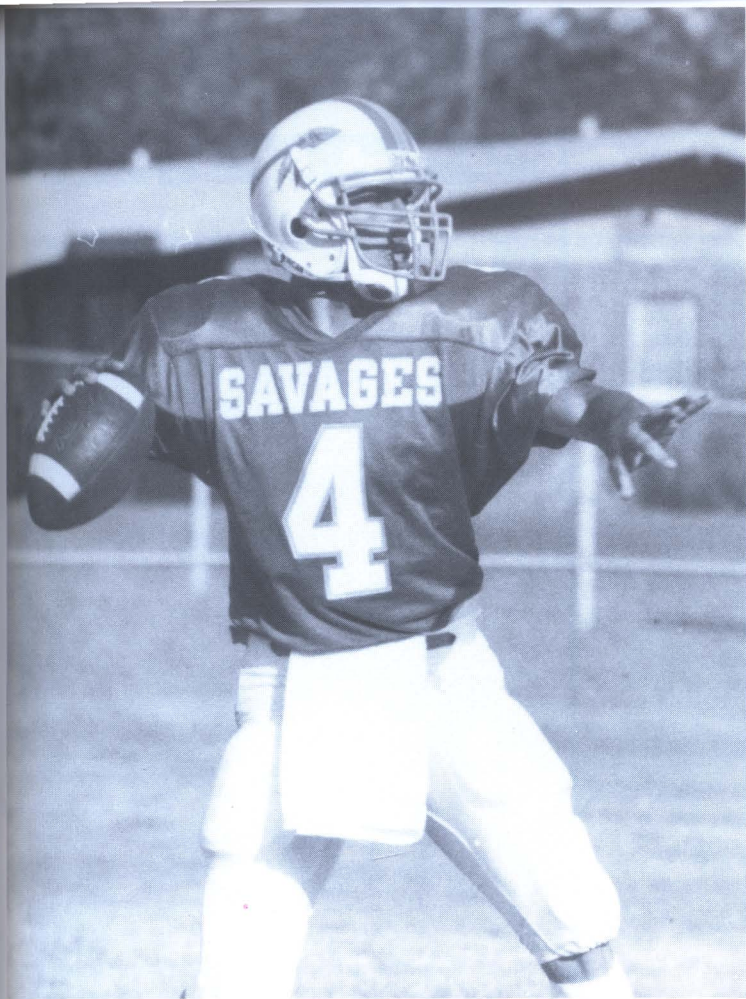


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Do A Little Dance



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Above-Christina Grider, junior, Ashley Rutherford, junior, and Kate Thomas, sophomore, show their spirit for the Savages.



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Above-Junior, Christina Grider performed at the 1997 Magnolia Festival. **Left**-Carrie Vaughn, sophomore, dances with the Spirit Pony, Allyson Williams, senior, during the Homecoming festivities.



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Above-The Southeastern Oklahoma State Pom Squad for 1997-98 standing from left to right, Mindi Smith, Kate Thomas, Christina Grider, Chrisea Houser, and Tammy Sandlin; kneeling, Ashley Rutherford, Carrie Vaughn; center, Juli Dowe.

MAKE A LITTLE NOISE

C H E E R & P O M S Q U A D S



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Above-1997-98 cheerleaders for Southeastern were standing; Allyson Williams (the Spirit Pony), Jolette Heim, Heather Hillburn, Jana Purser, James Kinney; kneeling, Traci Herzer, Kasey Kelso, Krystal Jackson, Shannon Baker and Jone' Marie Kimbro.

Right-Junior, Heather Hillburn, is lifted by James Kinney during halftime at a home game.



photo by Jeremy Wright



photo by Dana Bell

Above-James Kinney, freshman, shows his ability by doing the splits during a Savage football game.

GOING THE DISTANCE

Turning To Nationals

A cross country race may be the toughest race you've ever seen. Coach Lanny Pettit, the 1997 Southwest Regional Coach of the Year, has put together one of the finest groups of runners anyone could ever want to meet.

These young ladies, long johns and all, headed to the National Cross Country Championship race in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Southeastern's Super Six are: junior Angie Landre, sophomores Natalie Krieger, Shanna Lott and Melissa Morrison, freshman Beth Harwood and Halee Lackey.

The veteran of the group is Landre. She won the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference championship as a sophomore and the Southwest Regional crown this year.

"I'm really proud of all the ladies on the team," Landre said. "Each one of them has worked extremely hard. It feels great to actually be a part of a team because I ran solo through high school."

Krieger and Lott ran for Southeastern last year. Morrison, Harwood and Lackey are newcomers. The entire group meshes together so smoothly one would think they had been together for a number of seasons.

The Lady Savages run at 7 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and at 7:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. With afternoon sessions, runners log 30-40 miles per week.

"They started this season with a purpose and that was to get to the National Meet," Pettit said. "They simply refused to let any outside distraction interfere."

by Lori Alexander



photo by Lori Alexander

Above-Team Members are from left to right in the front row: Beth Harwood, Halee Lackey, Shanna Lott, back row-Natalie Krieger, Angie Landre and Melissa Morrison.



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Above -Graduate Assistant, Pete Spratt watches as team members cross the finish line.

Below-Angie Landre, senior, finishes first place at Regionals held at Oklahoma Baptist University.



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Left-Natalie Krieger, junior, competed in the cross country meet at Oklahoma Baptist University with the time of 20:04.

Below-Halee Lackey, freshman, sprints to the finish line while a runner from East Central University is only a few steps behind.



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Above-Melissa Morrison, sophomore, rounds the corner to finish with a time of 22:31 during Regional's at Oklahoma Baptist University.

Left-Beth Harwood, freshman, and Shannon Lott, freshman, team-up to finish eighth and ninth place at the Regional cross country meet.

CROSS COUNTRY

A TRIBUTE TO *eddie powell*

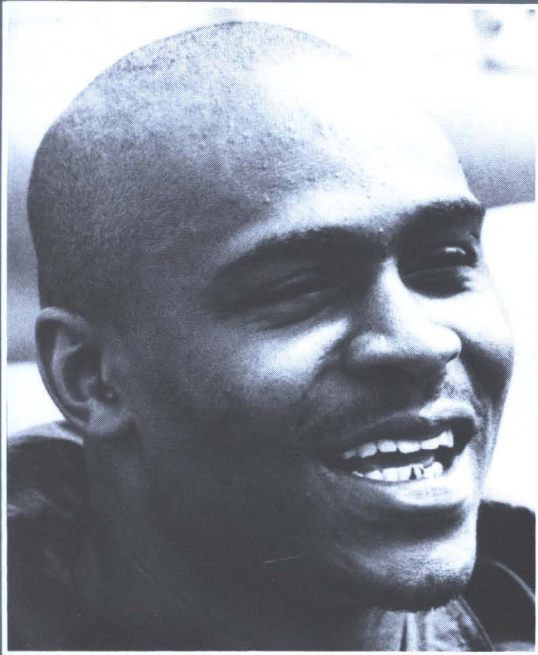


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*I*f there is only one word to describe Eddie Powell, it would be caring. Eddie had an interest and concern for everyone he met. Some people saw him as a basketball player, and many others saw that he was a very outgoing individual. Eddie always had a kind word to say and he would speak regardless if he knew you or not. Eddie was a stranger to no one. He didn't think he was any better than anyone else, he treated everyone equal. Eddie has left this earth, but he will remain in everyone's heart. He has found a place of comfort—a place of perfect rest.

*Your Friend,
Java Brown*

Left—Cheering with friends at the TAMU-Commerce vs. Savage football game, David Glover, junior, Jason Smith, sophomore and Kristian Pipkins, sophomore, enjoy being at the game with their friend Eddie Powell. Eddie will be remembered by his classmates not only as a friend or a basketball player, but by the smile he always had.



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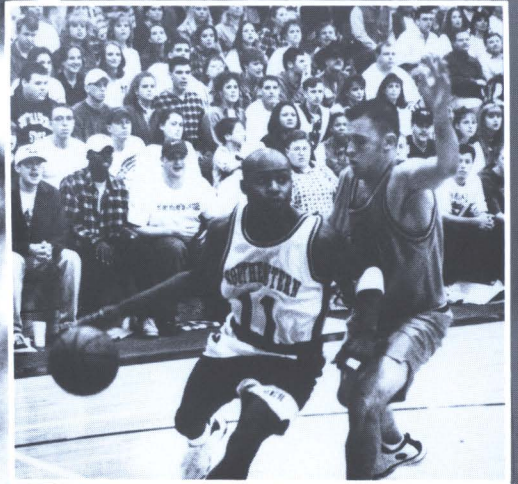
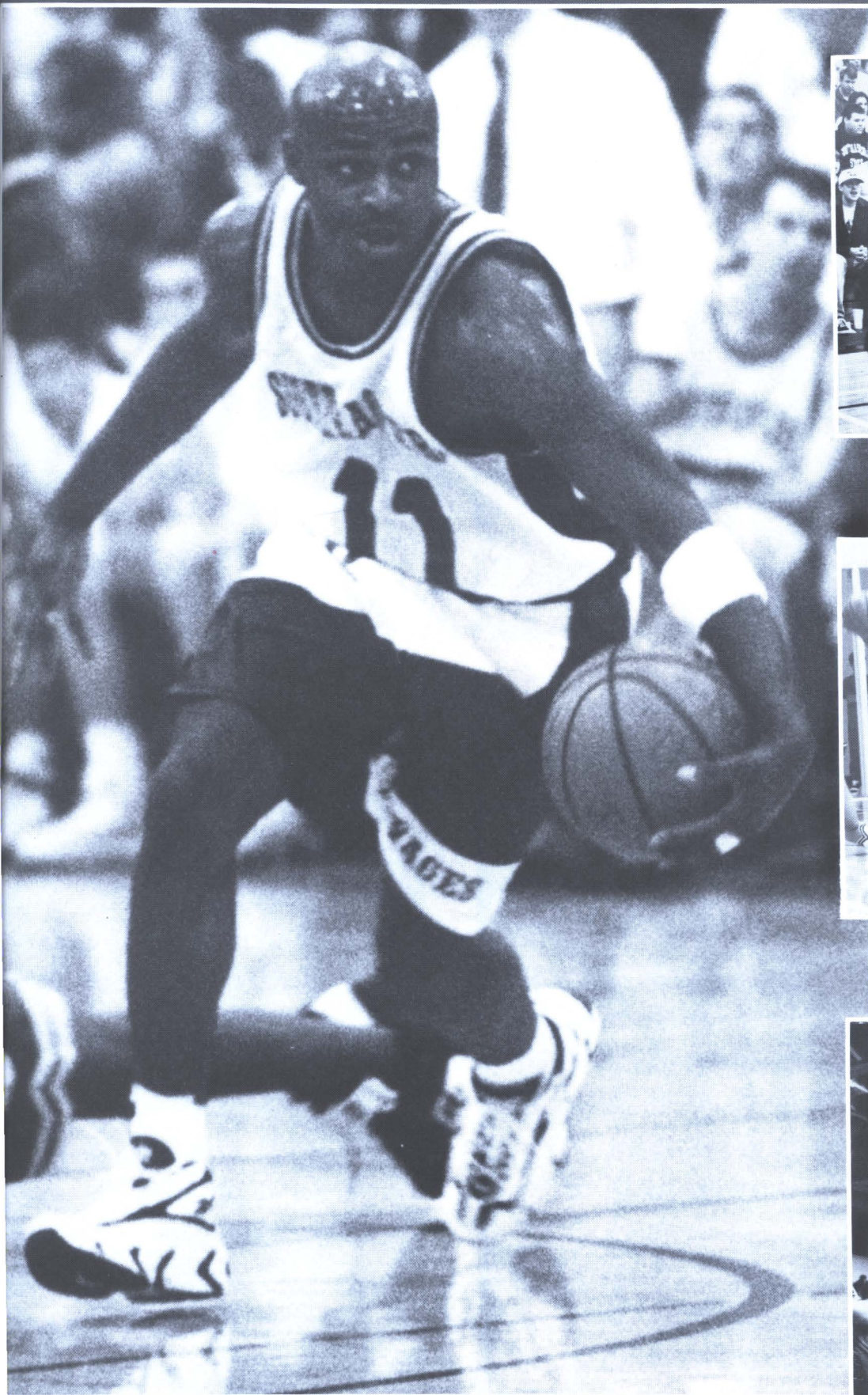


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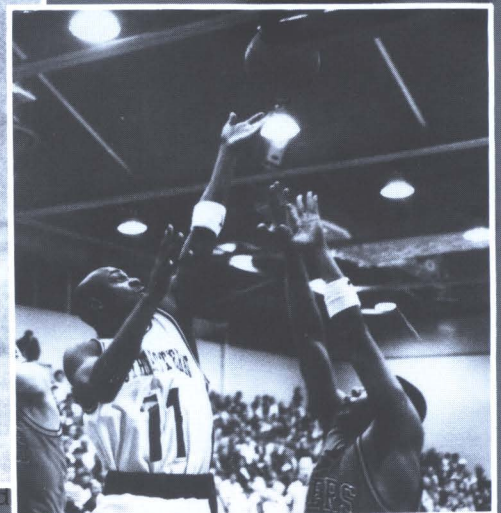
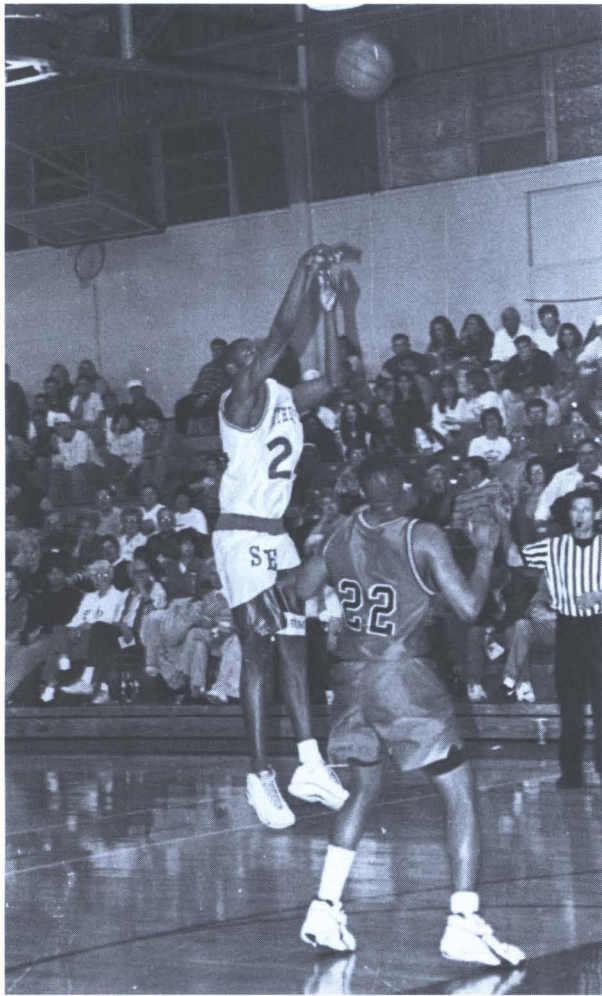


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Eddie at his best

SAVAGES WIN IN OT

Below-This Savage ball player shoots the ball in hopes of scoring the three points that the team needs.



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Coach Tony Robinson and the Savages shocked more than one fan when they won 102-96 in overtime January 31. The Savages traveled to play the Tigers, who are 12-4 overall and 5-1 in the Lone Star Conference North Division.

"This is the first game this season where we were determined to win," Coach Tony Robinson said.

Dan Kobiske's 28 points led the Savages. Kobiske hit 11 of 13 from the field and six of seven at the line. He also picked up five boards, one blocked shot and one steal.

David Glover followed Kobiske with 22 points, scoring on nine of 16 and four of nine from the line. Glover pulled six boards to help the Savages with 38 rebounds overall.

Kristian Pipkins scored 19 points, with six boards, three assists, one block and three steals.

Kevin Korstjens (Kaptain Klutch) added 16 points and hit 100 percent with four of four treys. Korstjens hit two big pressure free throws with just three seconds left.

Adam Taylor had six points, Justin Pierce five, Mike Gatewood four, and Derionn Harris two.

The Savages hit 70 percent from the field and 85.7 percent on treys in the second half and overtime.

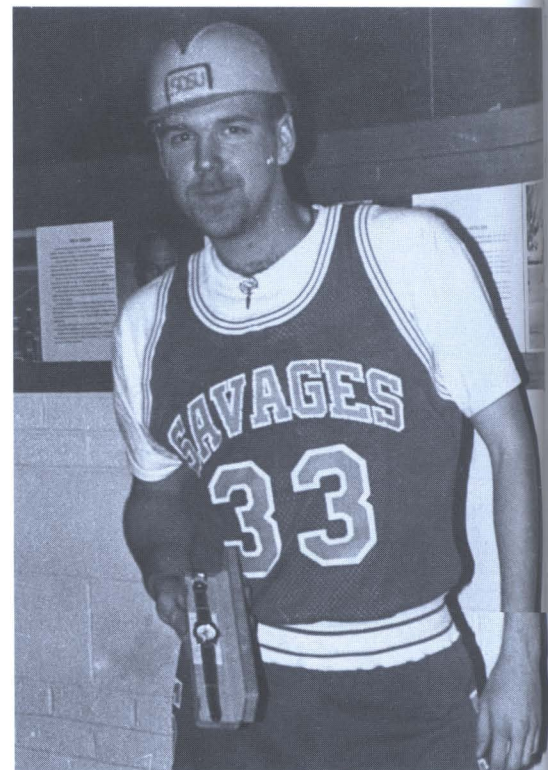
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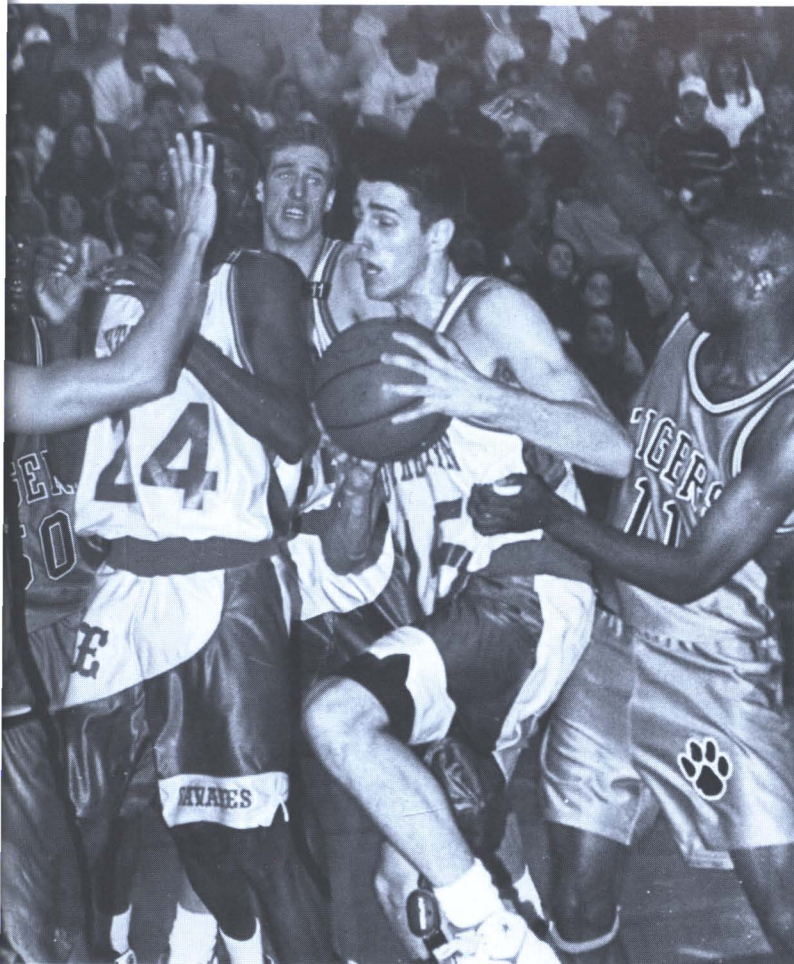
Above-These little Savage cheerleaders show their support for the team.

Right-Cliff Looney, freshman, shows off the watch that he just received.



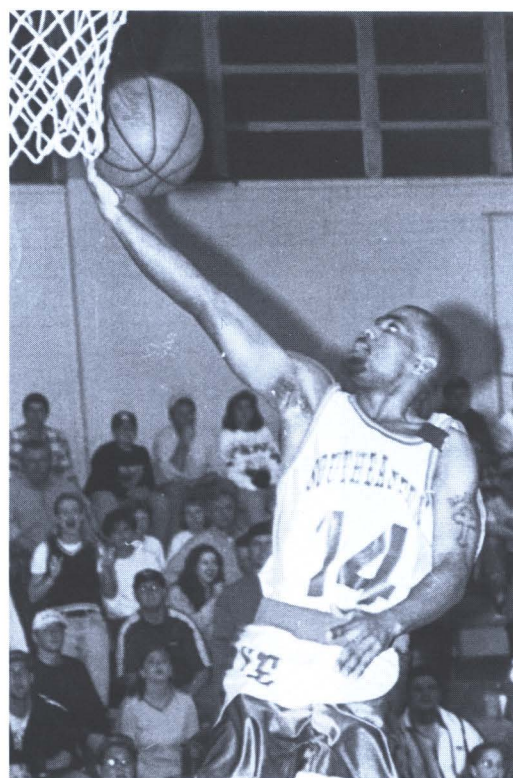
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BASKETBALL



Left-This Savage player can't seem to get around the ECU Tigers to get a open shot.

Below-Derionn Harris, freshman, sees the shot and takes it.

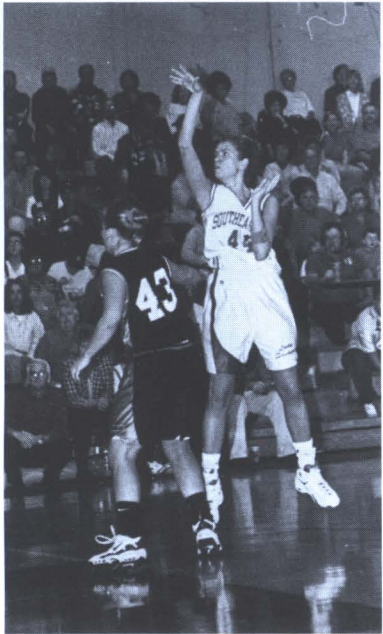
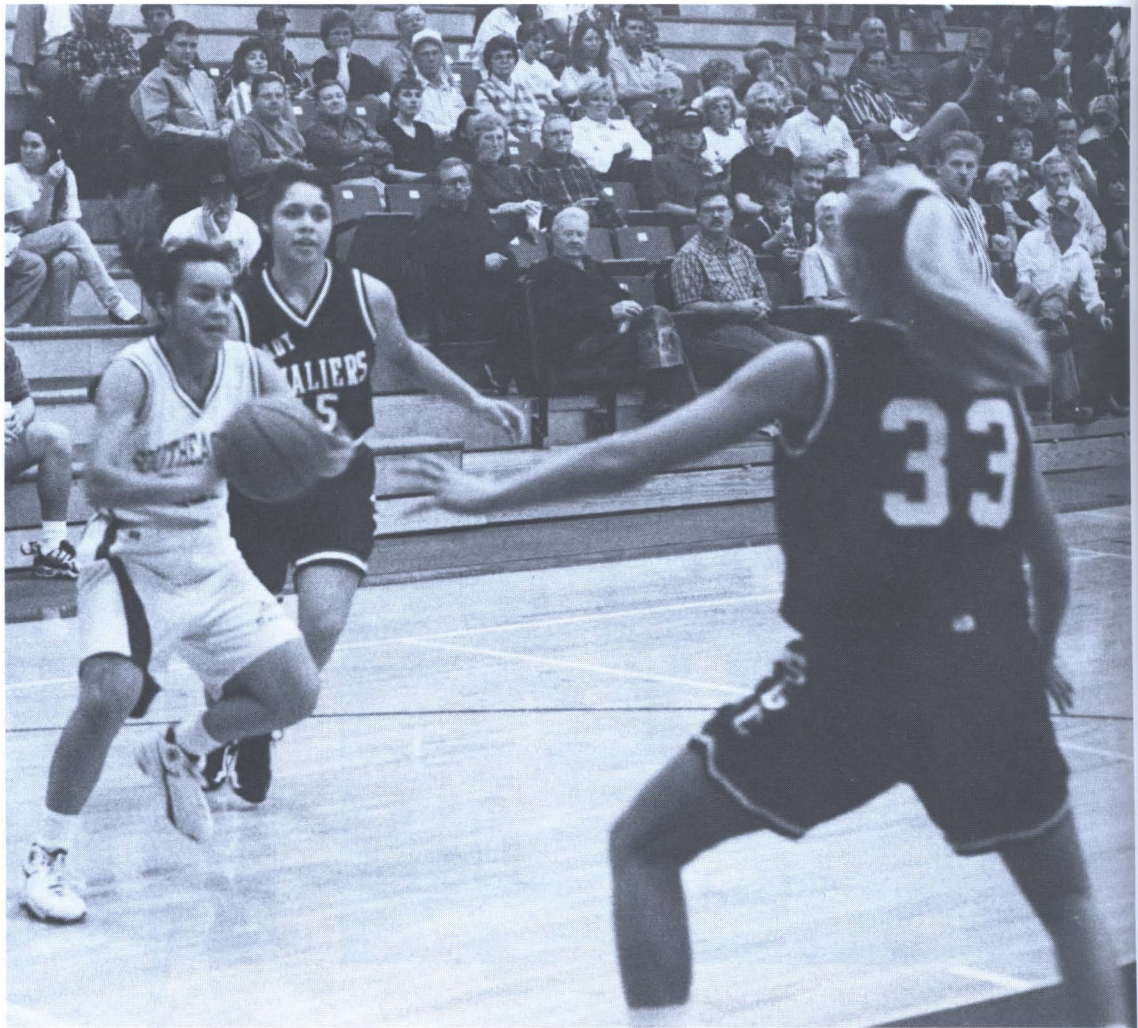


Above-Tony Walker defies gravity as he flies through the air.

Left-Dan Kobiske, senior, shoots one of the shots that helped to win the overtime game against the ECU Tigers.

Right-Lari Ann Watson, junior, weaves around members from the other team.

Below-Senior, Mo Deeb, takes the shot.



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Left-Tracy Bougere, junior, attempts to shot the ball while the other players wait to see what happens.



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SOUTHEASTERN SEES ACTION SOUTH OF THE BORDER

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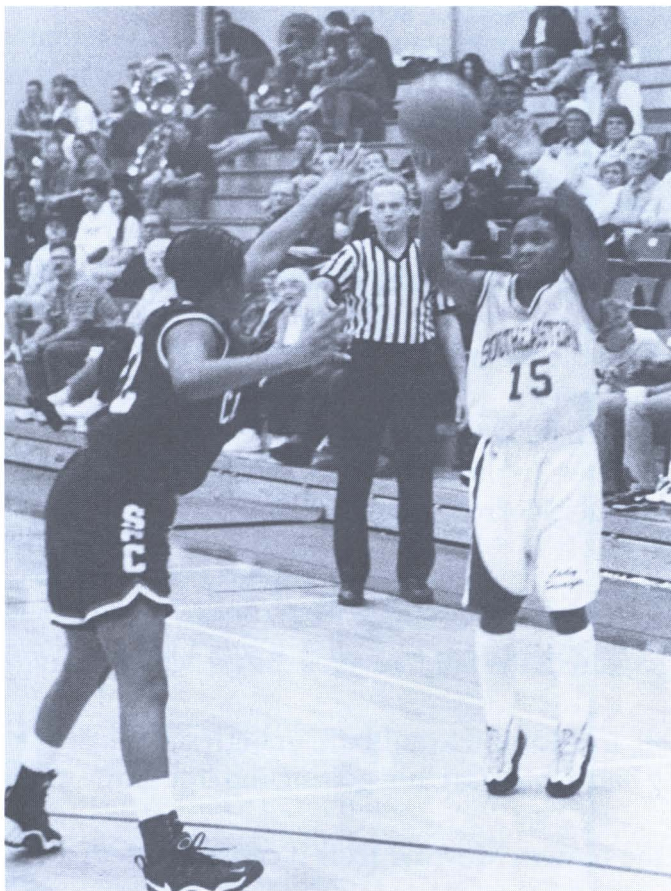
The Southeastern basketball teams traveled to Texas to play the Texas A&M University-Kingsville Javelinas in a Lone Star Conference crossover game December 4, 1997. Both teams however fall short in the twinbill. However last Saturday, the Savages and the Lady Savages had a chance to redeem themselves. But, only the Lady Savages (5-1) picked up the win, while the Savages fell to 3-5, their worst first semester start in two years.

"This was a pretty good bounce game for us after the loss at Kingsville," said Nick Keith, Lady Savage head coach.

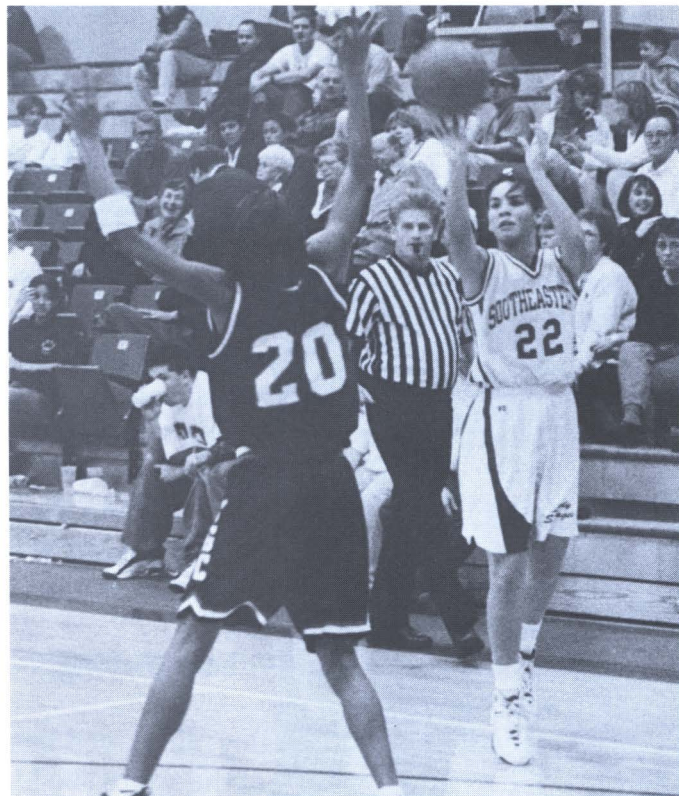
The Lady Savages picked up a 65-51 victory over the Texas A&M University-Commerce Lady Lions. In the game the ladies were ahead 37-29 at the half with significant help from Lari Ann Watson, who nailed four treys. The second half, the Lady Savages only allowed 13 points in 17 minutes of action. With 10:01 remaining, Southeastern was up 55-33.

Watson led all scoring with 17. She hit five of 11 from beyond the arc and six of 12 overall. Watson had four rebounds and on assist. Mo Deeb tallied 14 points and pulled down six boards. Carmen McGrif added nine points, followed by Tifney Kelly with eight assists. Shasti Pendley and Sadiia Jones chipped in three, and Darcy Miller finished with two points. Sussanne Walsh topped the Lady Lions with 13 points and eight rebounds.

Clay Tipton



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Above-Lari Ann Watson, junior, tries to shoot around number 20.

Left-Tracy Bougere, junior, attempts the shot with the ref watching closely.

BRAINS AND BRAWN

Brains and Brawn, the phrase that many people would consider an oxy moron. There are those who strictly believe if you can dribble a basketball, hit a baseball, or throw a football, you are obviously on the same intellectual level as the Cro-Magnon man. But believe it or not, there are people, men and women alike, who excel in athletics and academics. Those who make an impact on the court and in the classroom

Darcy Miller is a freshman HPER major from Pawnee, Oklahoma. Katy Morrow is a freshman, with an undecided major, from Mustang, Oklahoma. Shasti Pendley is a junior transfer from Seminole Junior College with an Elementary Education Major. Her hometown is Eufaula, Oklahoma.

All three young ladies are outstanding members of the '97-'98 Lady Savage Basketball team and all carried perfect 4.0 GPA's in the '97 Fall semester. What makes them so special is the fact that they are all down-to-earth normal people. All three ladies have social lives, which include boyfriends, and all three are members of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). Miller is also a member of the Newman Club and Pendley is in the Cardinal Key Society and participates in activities at the Baptist Student Union. Excelling in the classroom is nothing new for these ladies, all three were honor students in high school. Pendley also had the honor of being an Academic All-American in junior college.

Morrow and Pendley are on athletic scholarship, so if the time were to arise when they couldn't keep up the stressful regimen of being an athlete and an academic, these two agree they would let the grades slip a bit.

"If it was just a homework grade. I would let it slide and chose basketball," Pendley said.

But because Miller is at Southeastern on an academic scholarship, she feels if the time came to chose she would go with academics.

Miller, Morrow and Pendley all carry more than the regular credit hour load. And even though they don't have jobs or participate in any other sports on the collegiate level, Miller and Pendley agree that they feel the stress of being both an athlete and academic scholar.

"It pushes you to work harder and have more motivation," Miller said.

Pendley thinks, "it's definitely frustrating."

Morrow studies at her boyfriends. Pendley has been in the situation where she had her book open right up until Coach Keith started practice.

According to Miller and Pendley, they have been on away trips when, "we sat outside in the sun, in our uniforms, and did homework."

When it comes to free time and worrying about whether they should be studying or practicing, the ladies all have their own opinions.

"It's constantly on your mind," Pendley said, "I hate the feeling."

Miller thinks that, "sometimes you have to take the time."

And Morrow admits to being a procrastinator, "I work better under pressure."

Basketball is a year round thing for these young athletes. In the off-season, staying conditions is important, but when it comes to playing the actual game, Morrow plays for fun.

"There is not so much pressure," Morrow said.

Miller and Pendley choose to relax in the off-season.

"No shooting," Pendley said.

After going all summer without playing, starting again in the fall," revives the passion to play," Miller said.

Miller, Morrow and Pendley, all played basketball, in addition to softball, in high school. Miller and Pendley began playing at the age of six. Morrow had a late start, not getting into the game until she was 12.

When asked which gift came first, the brains or the brawn, Morrow feels it came together,

"I've always done both."

Miller agrees that her special abilities came at the same time, but she remembers, "Being a very good finger-painter."

People in the same situation as Miller, Morrow and Pendley sometimes run into others who can be resentful or, the opposite, place them on a pedestal.

According to Pendley, she has felt the tension and the mixed feelings and heard the raw comments.

But Miller and Morrow, "haven't really noticed."

Pendley and Miller, "Don't put themselves above other people."

If given the opportunity of being recruited into the women's league or having the jobs of their dreams, these young ladies are split on their decisions of what comes after college.

Morrow would choose the women's league. "I could always come back."

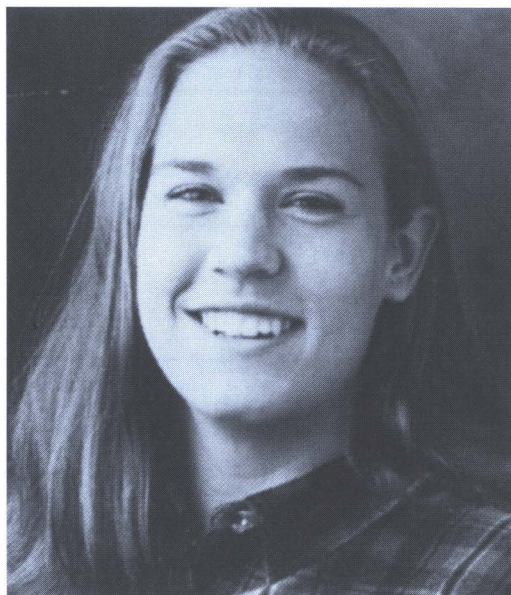
Pendley also chose the women's league, "It's a once in a lifetime thing. I can say I've done it. I've achieved it."

Miller chose the job of her dreams, "A job coaching basketball and teaching math."

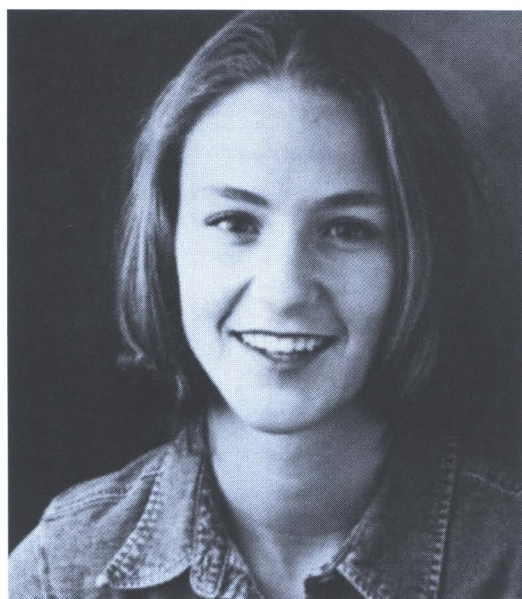
These three very intelligent, very talented young ladies prove that a person is do and achieve what ever they pursue in life.

Even if that means erasing the line between stereotype "jock" and "brain".

by Shay Jones



Darcy Miller



Katy Morrow



Shasti Pendley

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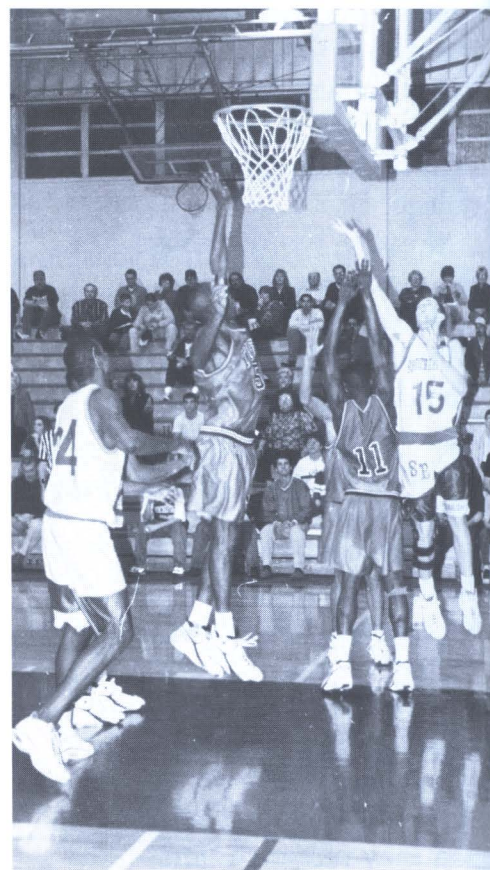
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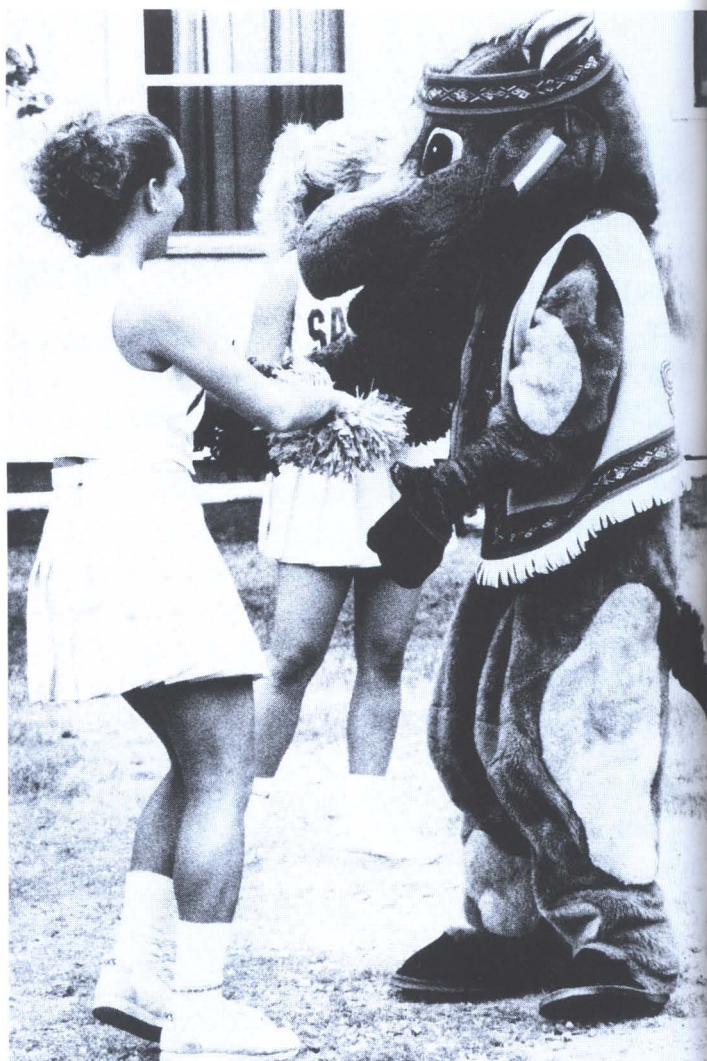
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Below-The Savage cheerleaders do a great job to cheer up the crowd.

Right-The spirit pony cheers on the cheerleaders and crowd as well as the athletes.



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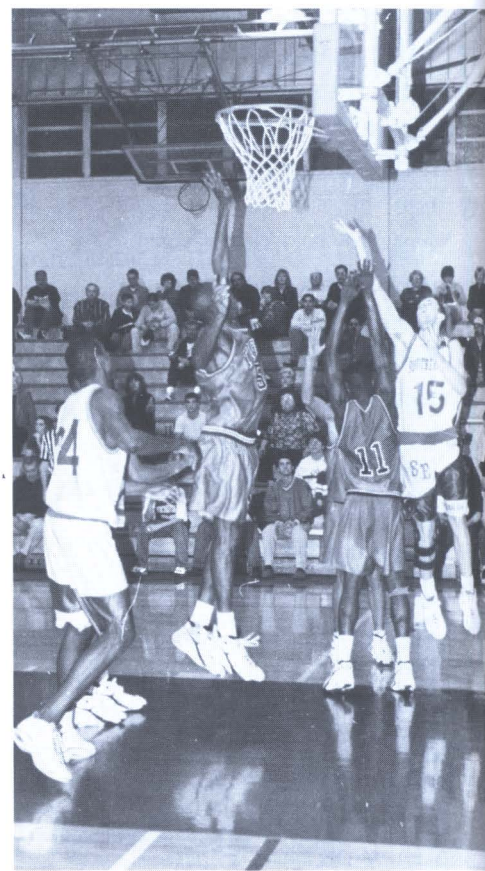
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Above-This photo was taken when Southeastern hosted the NAIA tournament.

Right-This Southeastern player tries to make the shot while surrounded by the ECU Tigers.



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Left-Number 22 tries to avoid being tackled by No. 14 from the other team.

Below-The softball players put in many hours practicing to perfect their game.



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Above-What is this Savage student doing? Tim Birdsong, sophomore, stopped a moment from watering the baseball infield to give Casey Clayborn, sophomore, a drink and some relief from the scorching temperatures.

TOTAL SPORTS

Lady Savage Tennis Performs at Collin Tournament

The Lady Savage Tennis team started off their season with a performance at the Collin Tournament, February 13-14. Jessica Doughty, after recovering from a knee problem, fell in the first round 4-2 to Maggie Hoagland of Temple and then lost to Elisha Stanton of Texas Wesleyan 2-2.

Emy Williams performed strongly, winning the consolation. Williams lost to Rachel Morales of North Central Texas, 0-0 and then battled back to defeat Isabel Martinez of Dallas Baptist University, 0-0.

During Saturday's match, Williams beat Timaree Chastain of Temple College 4-4. In finals Williams faced off against Suzy Tolliver of Lee College, winning 8-4.

Freshman Jennifer Beasley, Hugo, was defeated in the first round 0-4, by Christina Justice of Weatherford College. Beasley also fell, 3-2, to Suzy Tolliver of Lee College.

Danielle Mitchell, freshman from Durant, lost her first round 5-2 to Jill Woodard of North Central Texas. Mitchell then bounced back, beating Audea Vann of Dallas Baptist, 0-1, and Roseanne White of Prairie View, 0-0.

Mitchell lost to Britney Young of North Texas Central in the third set of finals. Mitchell had two match points, 6-0, 4-6, 7-5.

"Jennifer Johnson had her overall, best tournament ever," Coach Pat Mauldin said.

Johnson won her first round match 2-3 over Courtney Hoover of Weatherford College. Johnson then knocked over Amy Mills of Texas Wesleyan 6-2, 6-4.

Johnson was defeated in the third round by Vicky Huie, #2 seed from Midwestern State.

Jessica Taylor drew a default for her first round and was defeated, in the second round, 1-0, by Joanie Schlunt of Oklahoma City University.

In doubles play, Southeastern's Beasley and Doughty were defeated by Weatherford's Guidry and Paguyo, 8-4.

Double Williams and Mitchell defeated Pallett and Yarbrough of Kilgore College, 8-4, and then lost, 8-4, to Platteck and Teakell of Midwestern State.

Johnson and Taylor went against Collier and Beck of Kilgore College to win 8-3. They went on to defeat Baker and Riggs of Weatherford, 8-5, before falling, 8-4, to Guerro and Younts of Collin County.

by Shay Jones



Left-The Lady Savages proved that hard work and lots of practice gives them the tools needed to win the game. They endured the heat on their home court and finished 5-2 over Austin College Thursday, Oct 2.



Jennifer Johnson

Lady Savage Tennis Score on OBU

Coach Mauldin and her Lady Savage tennis team went face to face with Coach Brad Oller and his team from Oklahmoa Baptist University. Jessica Doughty fell to Emily McMains with a 6-2, 6-2 score. #2 Emy Williams brought down OBU's Ashley Douglas, 6-1, 6-2. The next three Lady Savages to play were Danielle Mitchell, Jennifer Beasley, and Jennifer Johnson. Mitchell played well in her second and third sets against Traci Lyons, winning 5-7, 6-3, 6-1. Beasley also won, 6-4, 6-4, against Kate Whitaker.

"Beasley just played steady tennis and stayed focused," Coach Mauldin said.

Johnson played well the first and third sets to close out Julie Nigh, 6-2, 0-6, 6-0. Lindsay Bloodworth played a practice pro set with ellie McMindes, winning 8-6. Jessica Taylor fell to Darcia Jernigan, 6-1, 2-6, 7-5. Doubles Doughty and Beasley lost to McMains and Douglas 8-2. Williams and Johnson lost to Lyons and Whitaker 8-8.

"We are having trouble finding the right combination for our doubles teams," Coach Mauldin said.

Mitchell and Bloodworth won 8-5 over McMindes and Nigh.

The final score for the day was Southeastern 5 and OBU 4.

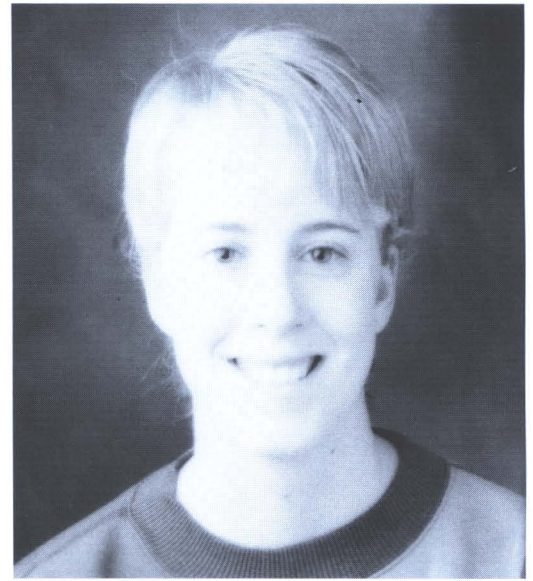
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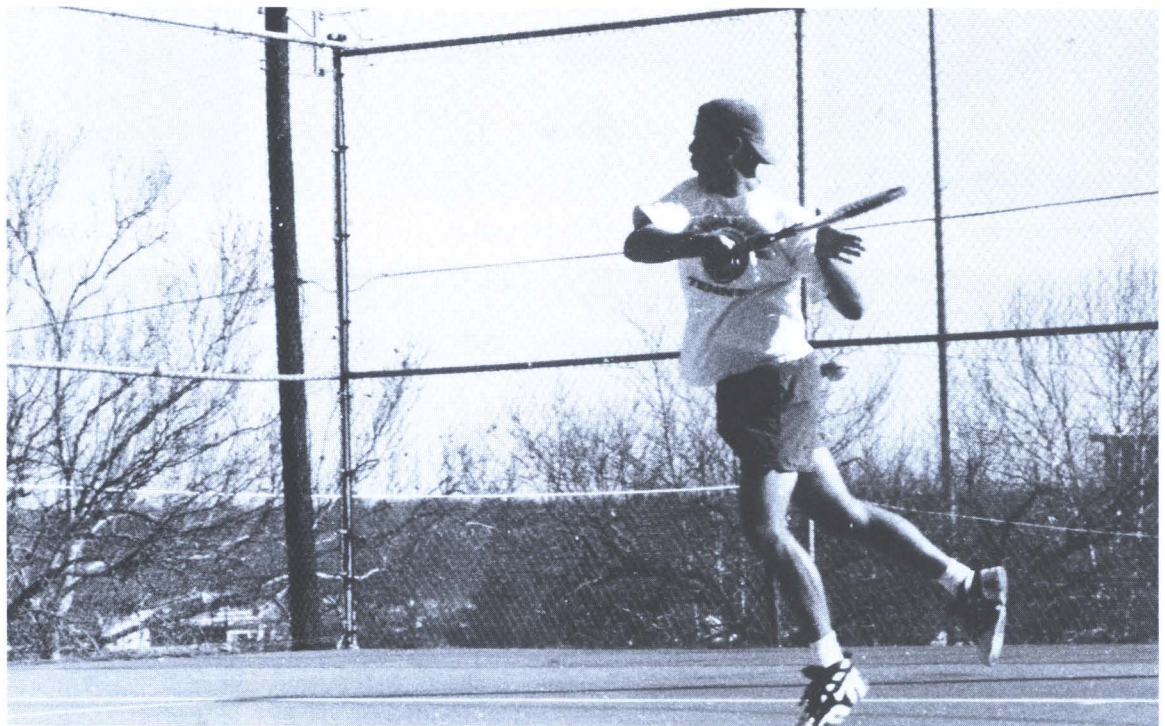


Emy Williams

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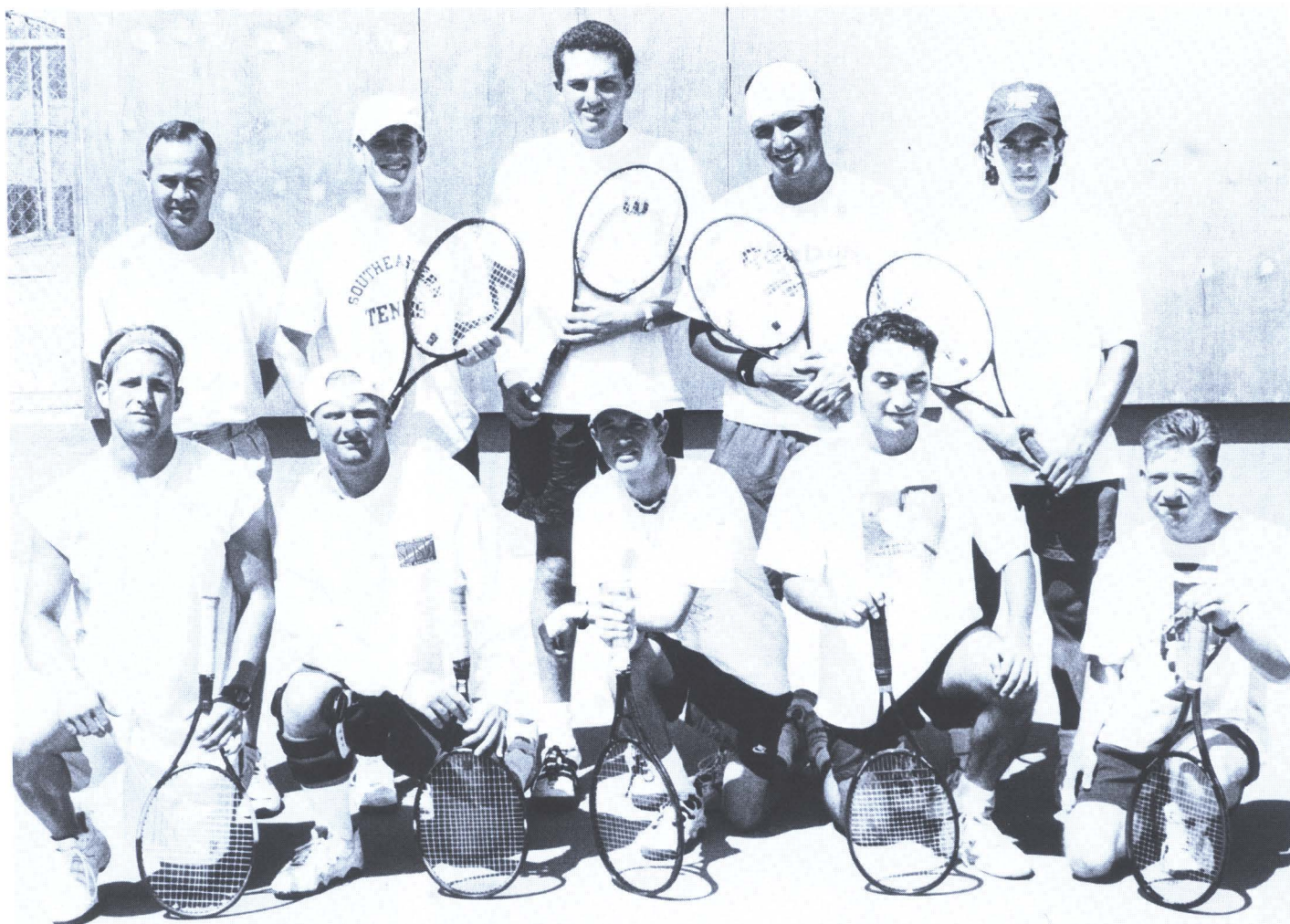
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S O F T B A L L



Susan Bilderback



Tracy Bougere



Julie Bunch

<u>Game Date</u>	<u>Opposing Team</u>	<u>Score</u>
Feb. 18, 1998	Cameron University	W 1-0
Feb. 18, 1998	Cameron University	W 6-5
Feb. 20, 1998	St. Gregory's Univ.	W 4-1
Feb. 20, 1998	St. Gregory's Univ.	W 8-1
Feb. 24, 1998	Univ. Central OK	0-6 L
Feb. 24, 1998	Univ. Central OK	W 5-3
Feb. 27, 1998	Northwood Institute	W 2-1
Feb. 27, 1998	St. Gregory's Univ.	W 6-4
Feb. 27, 1998	St. Gregory's Univ.	W 11-2
Feb. 27, 1998	Oklahoma Christian	7-8 L
Feb. 27, 1998	Phillips University	0-6 L
Feb. 28, 1998	Northwood Institute	5-6 L
Mar. 03, 1998	Texas Wesleyan	2-5 L
Mar. 03, 1998	Texas Wesleyan	9-10 L
Mar. 06, 1998	Southwestern OK	W 13-2
Mar. 13, 1998	Oklahoma Baptist	0-2 L
Mar. 12, 1998	Oklahoma Baptist	5-6 L
Mar. 13, 1998	Univ. Science Arts	W 3-2
Mar. 13, 1998	Univ. Science Arts	2-5 L
Mar. 20, 1998	Cedarville College	W 5-1
Mar. 21, 1998	Faulkner University	W 2-1
Mar. 21, 1998	Houston Baptist	1-4 L
Mar. 19, 1998	Springhill College	0-8 L
Mar. 19, 1998	Springhill College	3-4 L
Mar. 20, 1998	Southern Wesleyan	W 3-2
Mar. 21, 1998	University of Mobile	1-9 L
Mar. 24, 1998	Univ. of Central OK	2-6 L
Mar. 24, 1998	Univ. of Central OK	4-6 L
Mar. 26, 1998	Southwestern OK	W 7-4
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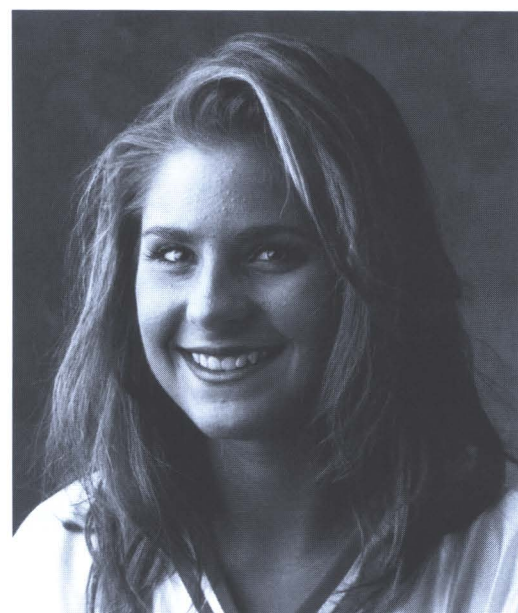
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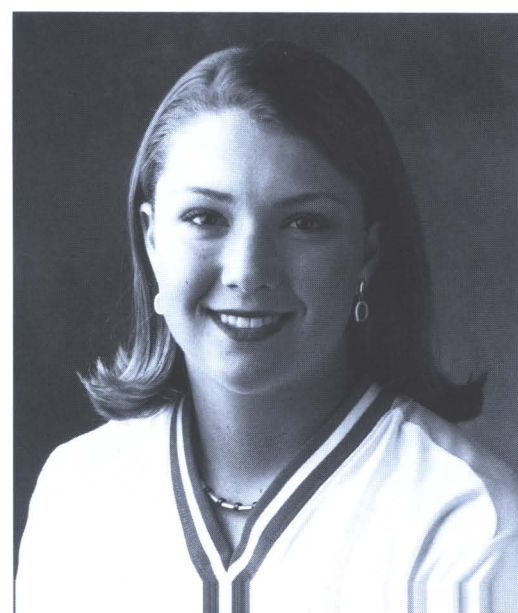
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Adrienne Stoops



Tori Wade

Below-Hurrying down the field, this baseball player tries to make a home run.



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Right-Leaping in the air, this Savage player is ready to get someone out.

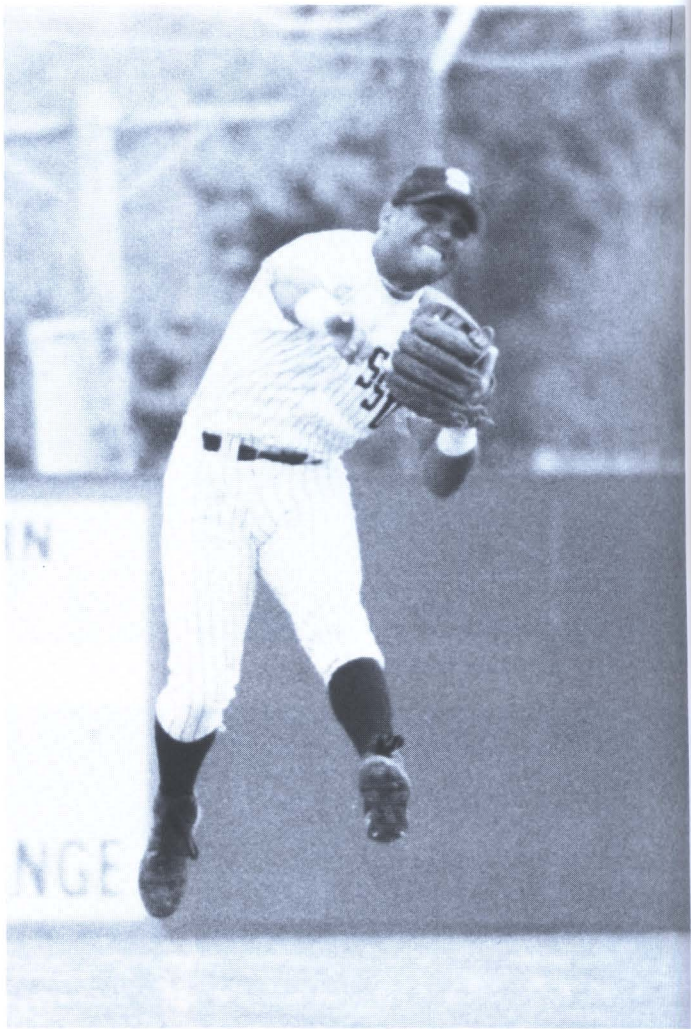


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Above-Watch Out! Number 27 is plowed over at the plate.

Right-Get ready for the pitch. He pitches the ball during a warm up.



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SAVAGE PLAYERS DRAFTED

Southeastern continues to add names to its roster of outstanding athletes in the field of baseball. In the past Southeastern has been recognized as the alma mater of such baseball greats as Brett Butler, Jeff Frye and Rusty Zumwalt. As another spring season ends, three more names have been added.

Carey Ammons, Tim Birdsong and Drue James, all members of the 1998 Savage Baseball Team, have been drafted and signed to play in the rookie baseball league. Their signatures bring the number of professional signees to 50. So far, five have gone on to play in the major leagues.

Carey Ammons, junior from Durant, was selected 11th round to pitch for the Kansas City Royals. Ammons has pitched to the Savage Baseball team for three years and has been given 1997 and 1998 NAIA honors. While at Southeastern, Ammons has broken several records, including innings pitched, strikeouts and wins. He will leave on Thursday June 11 for Spokane, Washington. Ammons will play in a short season.

Tim Birdsong, junior from Bokchito, was drafted 30th round to pitch for the Cincinnati Reds. He left on Tuesday June 9 for Billings, Montana.

Drue James, senior from Newcastle, will leave June 10 for Danville, Virginia. James has received honors such as Honorable Mention NAIA All America, 1st Team All-OIC and Junior College All American. He was recruited for the Atlanta Braves. James will compete in a 68 game schedule.

After the rookie league season is over, the former Savage players will have the chance to be drafted once again, this time to the majors. If the players are passed over, they will play another season for their respective rookie teams. Players who are passed over several times will be let go from the team.

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Above-This player takes a dive to catch the ball.



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Above-Ready for the catch. This Savage Baseball players sits fast.

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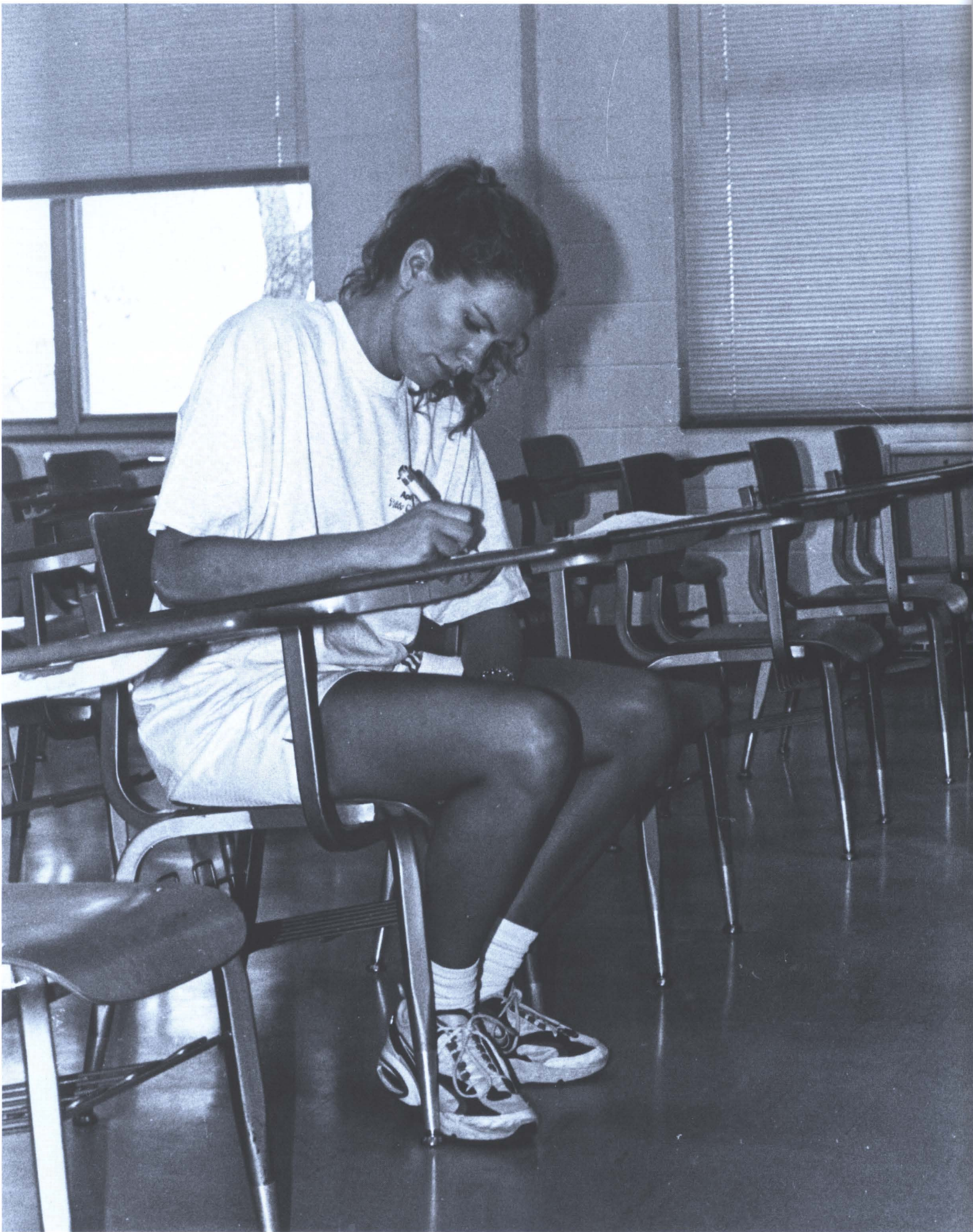
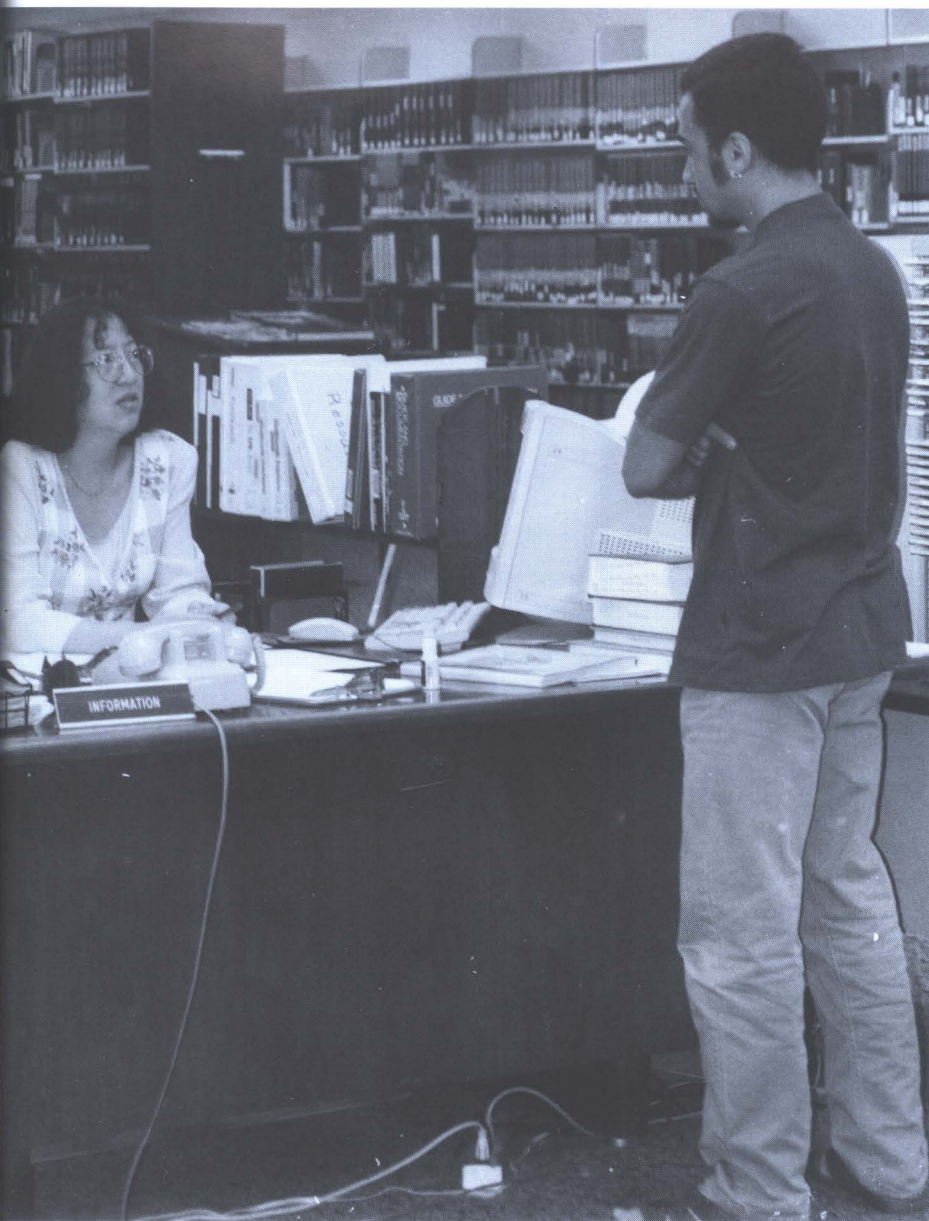


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Turn the Page

*and find out what's
happening in*

Academics



Left-Assistant librarian, Janeen Zhu, answers all of the questions this student has about the library and the many books and magazines it houses.

Below-This anatomy student studies several plastic models to better understand the human body and all of its functional capacity.

photo by Jennifer Scott

Left-Solitary confinement? Mouziane Deeb, senior, sits in a lonely room finishing a make-up test.



photo by Rebecca Ridenour

THE PATHWAY TO SUCCESS

Studying Skills

Students traded in summer fun and sun on August 21, for books and lectures; it was time to get back to the grind of schoolwork. Tests, clubs, and everyday activities pushed students into a frenzy of daily routines where they became frustrated, bored, and basically burned out with their schedules. With the start of school there were no more late nights spent watching television or running around town. Instead it was time to get out the old brain and put it to good use. Students dislike the aspect of studying however, it's an essential part of college life, if passing those hard classes is a personal goal.

Since good study skills are important there are two services offered. The first is a course called College Success that helps develop study skills in time management, taking notes and writing papers to name just a few. Secondly, Student Support Services Information offers several workshops throughout the year that have information on study skills, test anxiety, self esteem, test taking tips, drug and alcohol abuse, stress management, self-management techniques, interview techniques, and career exploration.

Students may need some extra help even after attending the informative workshops. Therefore tutors are available in many places on campus. Tutoring notices can be found either on bulletin boards or at the Student Tutoring Office. The tutoring office offers their services at no cost. Qualified students who want to become tutors and assist with the program can contact the Tutoring Program Coordinator.

People find various ways to help them study. They may watch television, listen to the radio, sit on the steps of the library, or stay in a room with total quiet. It doesn't matter what method the student uses, the payoff is the final grade received after all of the studying.

by Jodie Duke



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Above-Michelle Morgan, senior communications major, seems in amazement by the book of persuasion she has to read for class.



Right-Jeremy Stone, freshman, looks over material for an important test during a break between classes.

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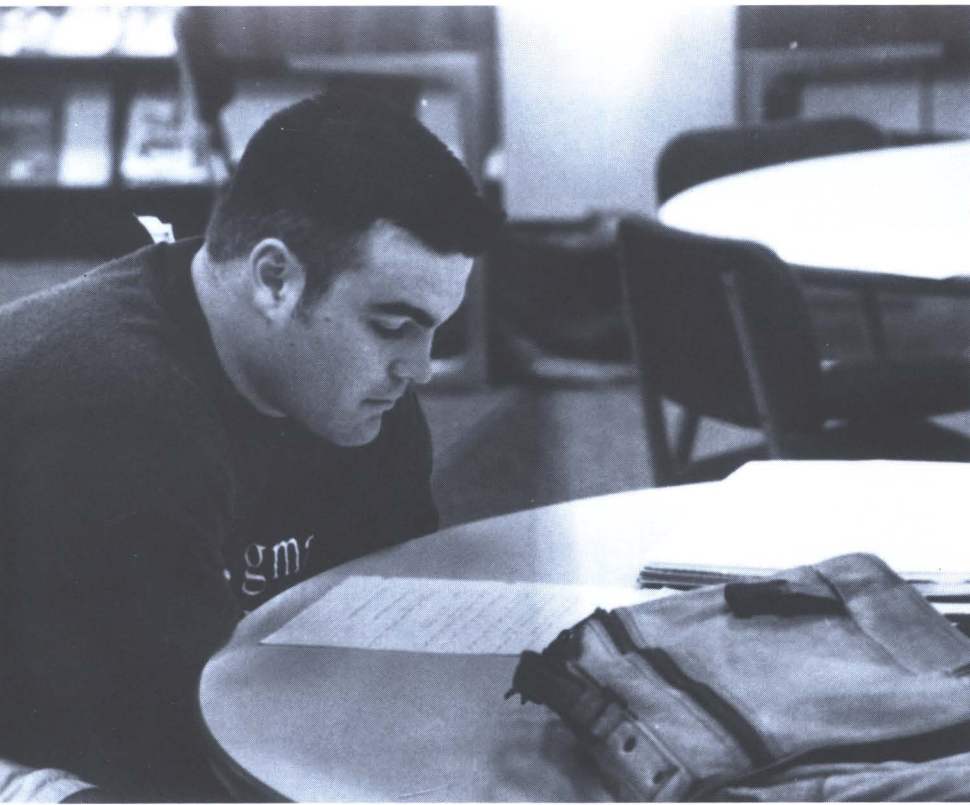


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Left-This busy Southeastern student is carefully studying each and every line of his notes in an attempt to set the curve in one of his classes.

Below-Joraud Roberson, freshman, intensely practices his music for the Jazz Band while Doug Lewis, senior, observes and helps critique the piece.



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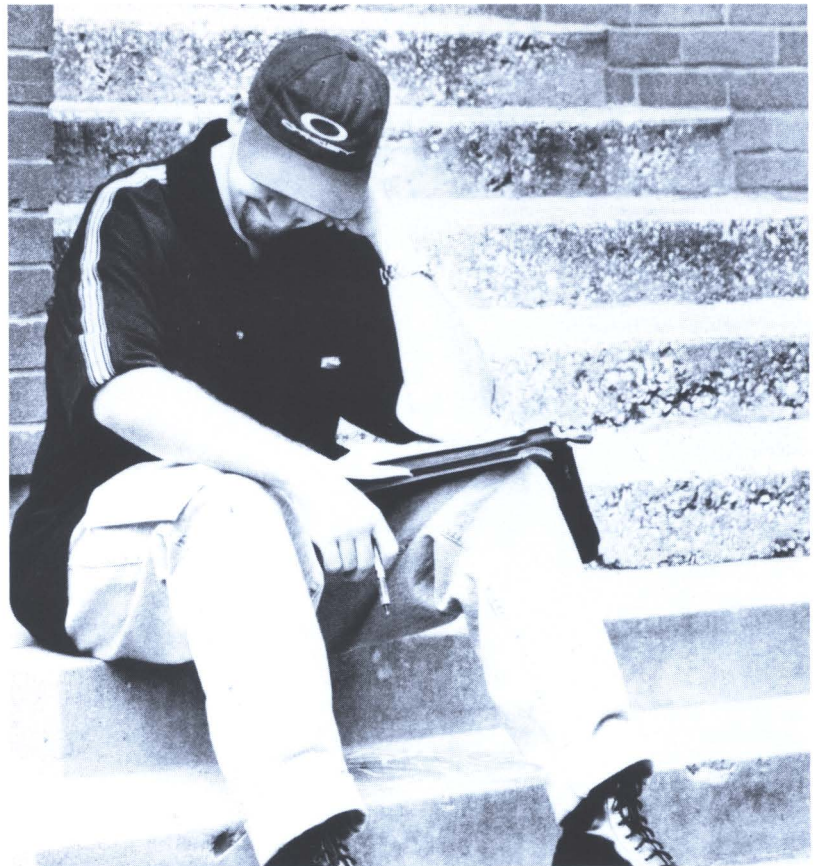


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Left-Brian Mooreland, junior, has found a relaxing and unique way to look through his text books.

Above-Alan McColl sits on the steps of the library trying to complete his homework before class starts.

FLYING HIGH

Aviation

Southeastern Oklahoma State University is one of the few schools that offer a bachelors of science degree in Aviation. The academic curriculum of the aviation program is approved by the Federal Aviation Administration, and still meets the needs of different segments in the aviation industry. The aviation department offers three major/minor options, two major options and one minor option. before a student can be admitted to the program they must obtain a first-class medical certificate issued by a physician designated by the Federal Aviation Administration.

The aviation program has a very active flying team called the Southeastern Flying Savages. They participate in the National Intercollegiate Flying Associations Regional and National meets. The purpose of this team is to provide practical experiences in the training of future pilots, to give participants the opportunity to develop leadership and societal skills as well as the development of safety awareness. Alpha Eta Rho, the international aviation fraternity, provides opportunities for members to attend field trips, seminars, lectures and social activities.

by Jodie Duke



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The Aerospace department has 15 planes available for students in the aviation classes.



photo by Rob Young

A member of the Southeastern Flying Savages takes off from the airstrip to practice basic flying maneuvers.

THE FUTURE EINSTEIN'S

SOSU Honors Program

Students who have succeeded in obtaining high grades and maintained character, leadership and service are eligible to join the prestigious SOSU Honors Program. The program is designed to provide enriching experiences and challenge students to reach their academic potential.

Students involved in the program will receive one of five scholarships. The criteria for the Academic Scholars and Regional University Scholars scholarships are set by the Oklahoma Board of Regents. The minimum requirements for the two are an ACT composite of 30 or higher. The scholarships are renewable for 4 years with a total value ranging from \$18,000 to \$20,000 and students must maintain a GPA of 3.25. The minimum criteria of the Parsons Scholars, University Honors Scholars and Presidential Scholars scholarships is an ACT composite of 25 or higher. The three scholarship values range from \$4,000 to \$18,000 over a four year period. Students must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher and be a full-time student enrolled in at least 24 hours per year.

The students are enrolled in honors courses designed to provide an opportunity for students to take a deeper look into the subject they are studying. Enrollment in these courses is limited to 25 or fewer students. Occasionally courses require honor students to attend campus cultural events for courses.

The Honors Program is built on the foundation created by the Parsons Scholars Program which has a long tradition at SOSU. The Parsons Scholars Program was founded in 1978 by Dr. David L. Parsons. He believed students should have scholarly experiences which challenge them to become leaders in society.

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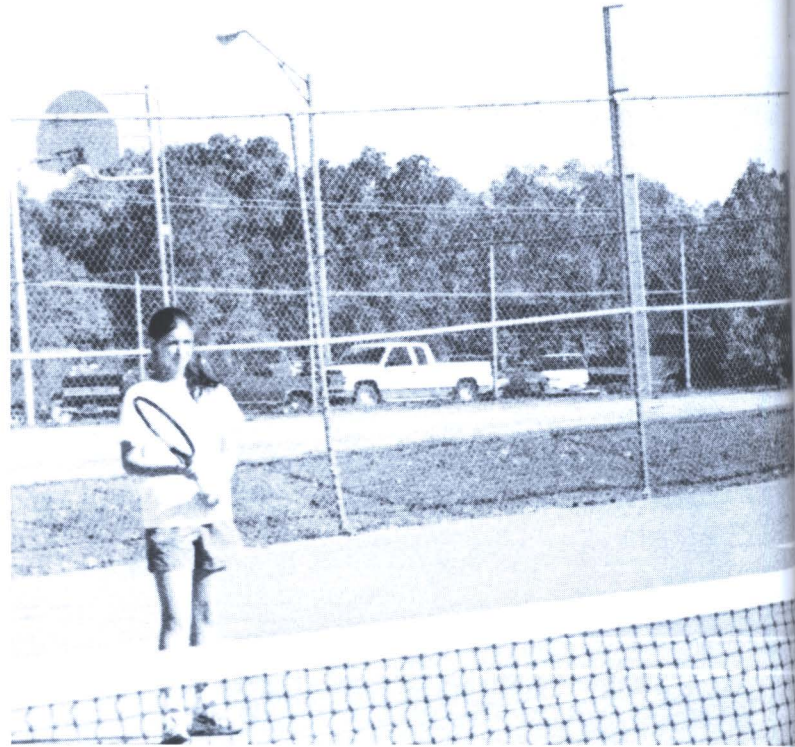
Taking a break from the pressures of classes, these honor students cherish the opportunity to take a picture with their instructor instead of taking that big pop quiz she had scheduled.

Below-Pat Weger, senior, seems to enjoy concentrating on painting her abstract picture in art class.

Left-Alicia Weatherly, sophomore, and her cool counterpart wait for the serve during their elementary tennis class.



photo by Dana Bell



WINDS OF CHANGE

Different Classes

Students need a change of pace from the long drawn out lectures therefore many choose a more upbeat class to go along with their schedules. Southeastern offers many of these different classes, such as: golf, elementary tennis, bowling, dance, aerobics, or western equitation.

These classes allow students to take a break from lectures, get some exercise and fresh air. Many students take these classes because it pushes them to do a little extra and helps get rid of a lot of unneeded stress. Students learn many lessons in these extra-curricular classes including teamwork. Several of the instructors feel these classes are a way for students to relax, create and express their talents. This category of classes is offered during the day as well as in the evening to allow every student the opportunity to take at least one of these classes.

The different classes take place at various places around campus. Some days the golf class for example, will practice on the baseball field and other days they will go out to the driving range in Calera.

Western riding, English riding and basic horsemanship are offered in the equestrian program. These classes teach students about the horse industry and how to become better riders.

The weight training class offers students the opportunity to get their bodies in shape. There is no lecture or class work, but the object of this class is to learn the proper way to do stretches and exercise before lifting weights and the proper form in lifting weights

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Below-Kathryn McMullen, sophomore, is amazed by the way her piece of clay has the ability to become a work of art.



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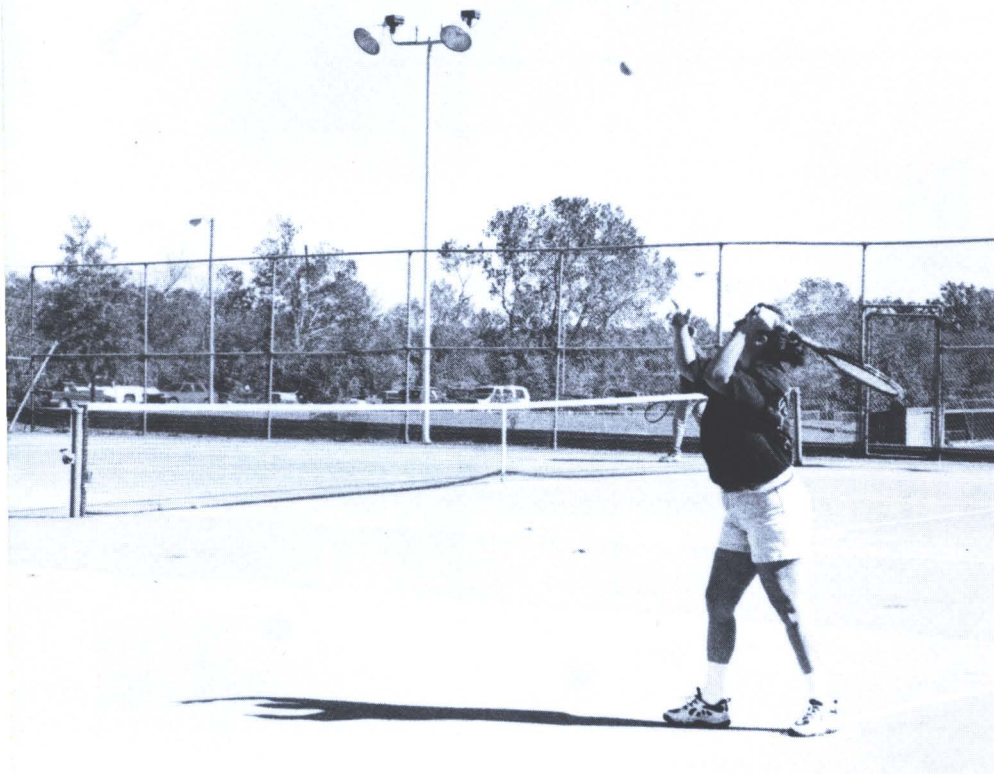


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Above-Kevin Dunklin, sophomore, takes a break from bowling class to get his picture taken.

Left-Lea Dunaway waits for the ball to reach her racket before bringing a powerful serve to her opponents.

Going Batty

Professor Researches Big-Eared Flying Mammal

How do you feel about bats? Most people either respond with terror or indifference to this question. Dr. Brenda Clark, professor of biological sciences, will tell you not to worry. "We don't have any vampires around here," Clark laughed. "Typically, bats are scared of people."

Sound boring? Clark recalls, "Once in Iowa, we had people shooting at us."

A bat project led a group of unsuspecting into a state forest that was heavily guarded. Clark has devoted much of her career to these feared and often misunderstood mammals. Her research began during the early years of her college career. During her freshman year at Central college in Pella, Iowa, Clark first became acquainted with the endangered species the Indiana bat through the encouragement of Dr. Bowles, a biology professor. Bowles had completed much research in the field and turned this knowledge over to Clark. Clark is now giving back to her students. One in particular, Mike Hanie M.S., is continuing the project at Fort Hayes State University in Hayes, Kansas.

"This makes me feel good," Clark said. She loves the fact that she can help a former student with postgraduate studies.

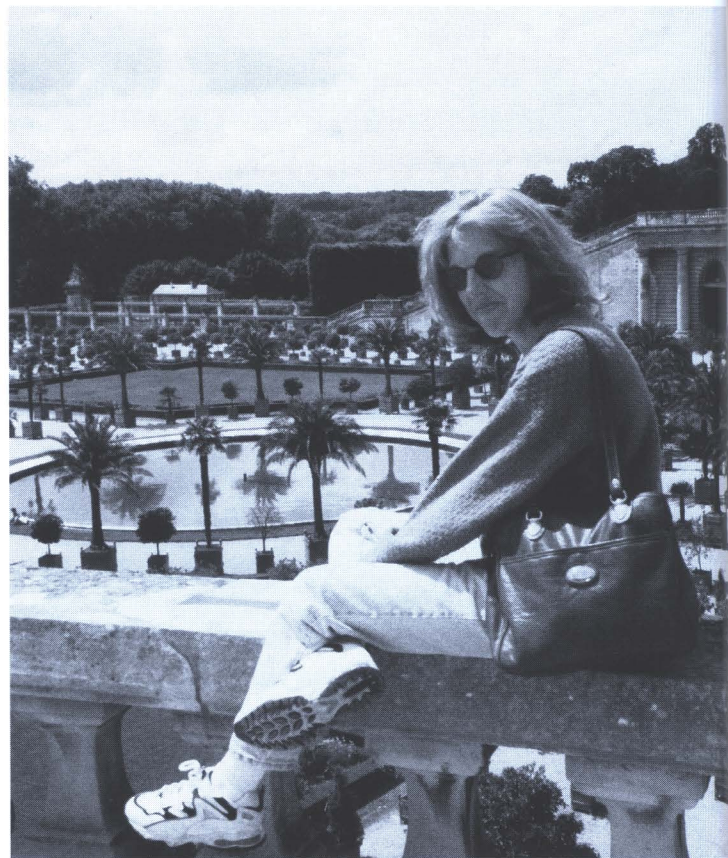
Clark completed a masters degree at Western Illinois University in Macomb, Ill. She began her doctoral research at Kansas State. While at KU she received a flyer from Oklahoma State University advertising postgraduate work for bat researchers.

"They hired me right away," exclaims Clark.

By this time her interest had shifted to the Ozark Big Eared Bat, found mostly in the Ozark mountains of eastern Oklahoma. Clark is well-known in the scientific community for being the first person in North America to track bats using small radio transmitter. This had been done in Africa in the past, but with larger eared bats. Larger transmitters were also used in the African studies. Clark's work has established the use of the smaller transmitter.

Clark completed her Ph.D., and then she and her husband, Dr. Bryon Clark, also a professor of biological sciences at SOSU, moved to Durant in 1990. Bats brought the two together. They both worked on the same bat project during postgraduate work, and began dating.

The couple has no children, but are busy enough with their careers, two cats, Nero and Kublah, and a dog, Cody. When asked what kept her motivated during years of undergraduate research, Clark said, "The upperclassmen always included us."



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Above-Dr. Brenda Clark, at the Palace of Versailles. She and husband, Dr. Bryon Clark, just returned from a vacation in Paris and Saphoga, Egypt.

The Clarks got back from vacation around July 22, 1998. They spent five days in Paris and then went to Saphoga, Egypt, to deep sea dive in the Red Sea. Dr. Clark is a favorite among students on campus. She is on of the many Southeastern professors that do interesting and worthwhile research. So when you're at th elake this summer and you see something that resembles a bat in the evening sky, don't worry. It's probably just a Red Bat that's gathering insects for its babies.

by Carissa Rozzell



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Below-Dr. Glenda Zumwalt and Dr. Annette Trefzer, both professors in English, humanities and language listen carefully to Johanna Schmertz's presentation on *My Fair Lady*.

Right-Johanna Schmertz related how a freshman writing class focused on the topic of "education," students used *My Fair Lady* as a point of departure for discussing the acquisition of "literacy" within academic disciplines.



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ARTS AND LETTERS

Lecture Series

The Arts and Letters Lecture Series was started in 1992, to see if there was an interest by the faculty and there were only four presentations given. It was shortly canceled, but when Jim Pate became Dean of the School of Arts and Letters in 1995, he reinstated it. The lecture series is designed to promote original research and the exchange of ideas, the series features faculty members from each of the schools at Southeastern. Dean Pate also extended the series to cover nine or ten presentations. The lectures last 20 minutes and are followed by questions fielded from the audience.

The lecture series encourages research activities by faculty, enables them to present their research in a creative way and try out new ideas before presenting them at a conference. Dean Pate hopes the lectures provide faculty with meaningful suggestions on refining their techniques and encourages others to participate.

Students majoring in the areas covered by the series are encouraged to attend because they get to hear research presented in a professional setting. Student attendance can range from six to fifty depending on the topic and the weather.

Some of the presentations are refined or broadened and presented at regional or national level. According to Dean Pate the lecture series is a good opportunity for feedback about new ideas.



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Above-Dr. Lisa Hill, instructor of English, humanities and languages, observes and agrees with Johanna Schmertz, instructor of English, on the discussion of *My Fair Lady*.

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Right-Dr. Glenn Melancon, assistant professor of history, gave a presentation on *Rudolph the Rednosed Reindeer* to show its relationship to the American Civil Rights movement.



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Left-Cory Walos, freshman, listens to Dr. Melancon explain that Rudolph teaches children to look beyond physical appearances and to love each individual's unique gift to society.

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Presidents Club

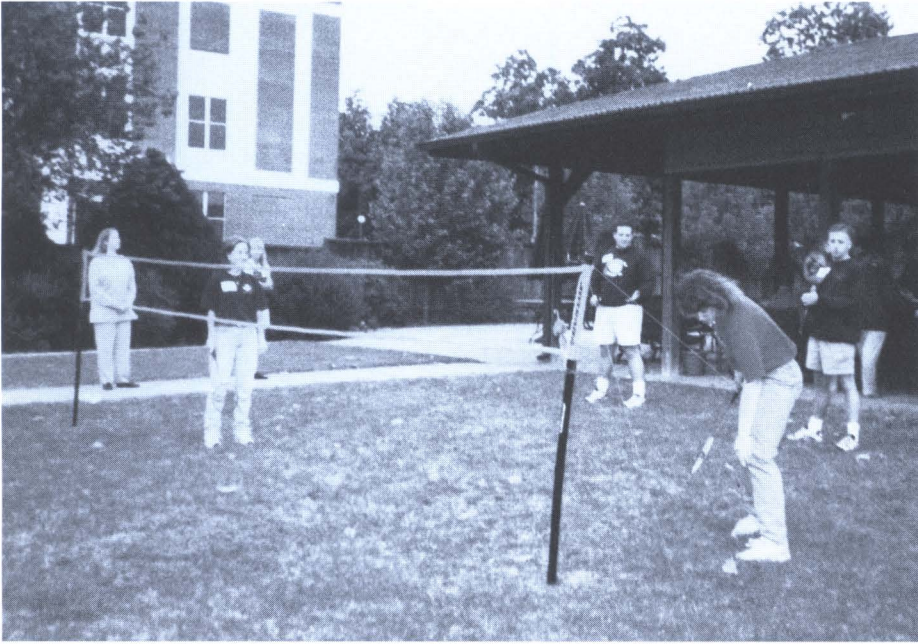


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Above-Let the games begin! Everyone seemed to have a great time at the presidents club picnic.



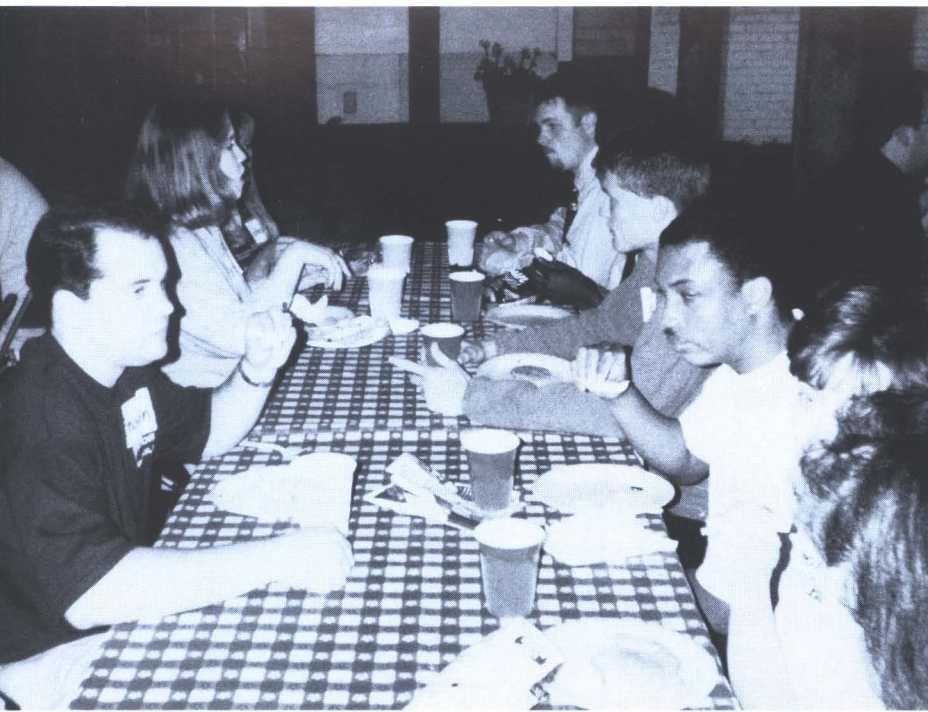
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Above-She seems enthralled in conversation.



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Above-They're all smiles. The presidents club members seem to be enjoying lunch even though it was a misty overcast day when the picnic was held.



Left-I hope everyone brought their appetite.

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Left-Get ready here it comes! Not only did the club members have a great lunch they also played games to work off all the food they ate.

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Right-All of the presidents club members at this table are having a good discussion except for Frankie Lewis. What's he doing?



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CAPTURING THE MOMENT

Photography

There was a big change this year concerning the photography course offered at Southeastern. This year instead of only one photography instructor there are two, Dr. Jim Harmon and Ms. Janet Reeder.

Dr. Harmon teaches basic photography. His course teaches the technical end of photography and composition. The technical end covers topics such as which cameras are the best to use, film, lenses, exposure, depth of field and many other technical terms. The composition end is about the emotion of the photograph and what the picture conveys to the audience. During the class Dr. Harmon usually lectures thirty minutes with about four hours spent in the lab developing pictures. Then he spends about 15 minutes critiquing photos. The students get their pictures back and then submit the ones they think are the best for a grade on their assignments.

Janet Reeder teaches a class in photojournalism. In her class the students learn all the aspects of photojournalism. Ms. Reeder also became a new addition to our campus in the fall of 1997. In photojournalism the object is to get a picture that tells its own story. Some of the students in her class are on the newspaper or yearbook staff. This allows them to learn how to take better pictures and also gives them a place to publish their work.

Editor's Note: Pictures submitted for this page were taken by students of Dr. Jim Harmon, photography professor.



photo by Billy Lee

by Jodie Duke

Above-Jacob Keyes, freshman, flew through the air to slam dunk the basketball.



photo by Courtney Bauman

Above-During another Fall Break road trip Justin Thompson, freshman, gets lost and has to use a map to find his way home.



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Above-Diane Busby, freshman, asking what she's supposed to do with the lump of clay.

CREATORS

Art



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Above-Nita Williams, senior, carefully examines her pottery before making a crucial cut.

Below-Janine Kinney, junior, attempts to create a masterpiece in her drawing class.



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The Art Department had a busy year. The department recently invested the \$5,000 Merrick grant money from the Merrick Foundation in Ardmore to purchase a new computerized kiln, rebuild the gas kiln and build a new metal foundry. The equipment will allow 3-D Design and Sculpture classes to investigate the metal casting process.

Art students participate in campus and community activities offering their talents in visual communication to design announcements, logos, program brochures, posters and signs for upcoming events. *Green Eggs and Hamlet* is the University literary magazine co-published by the English and Art departments.

Art work created by Southeastern students is included in the journal. Students also participate in Kaleidoscope where their work is presented in a gallery setting and allows the students to receive recognition.

Art students are encouraged to participate in appropriate juried and group exhibitions. Over the past five years students have received both monetary and honorable mention awards in exhibitions such as: Open Show, 500Z Gallery, Dallas, Texas; the Annual Ardmore Art Guild Exhibit and the Annual Art Exhibition of the Goddard Center, Ardmore, Oklahoma.

The Art Department hosts the Art Education and Studio Seminar. The three-week intensive course is constructed around workshops in curriculum development, studio art and field trips to museums and galleries in Oklahoma and Texas.

by Jodie Duke

Below-Weston Belcher, intern for Pillsbury, finishes up details from an accident investigation. This is just one of the many jobs he has while doing his internship.

Right-Weston Belcher gears up in his safety suit before entering the plant.

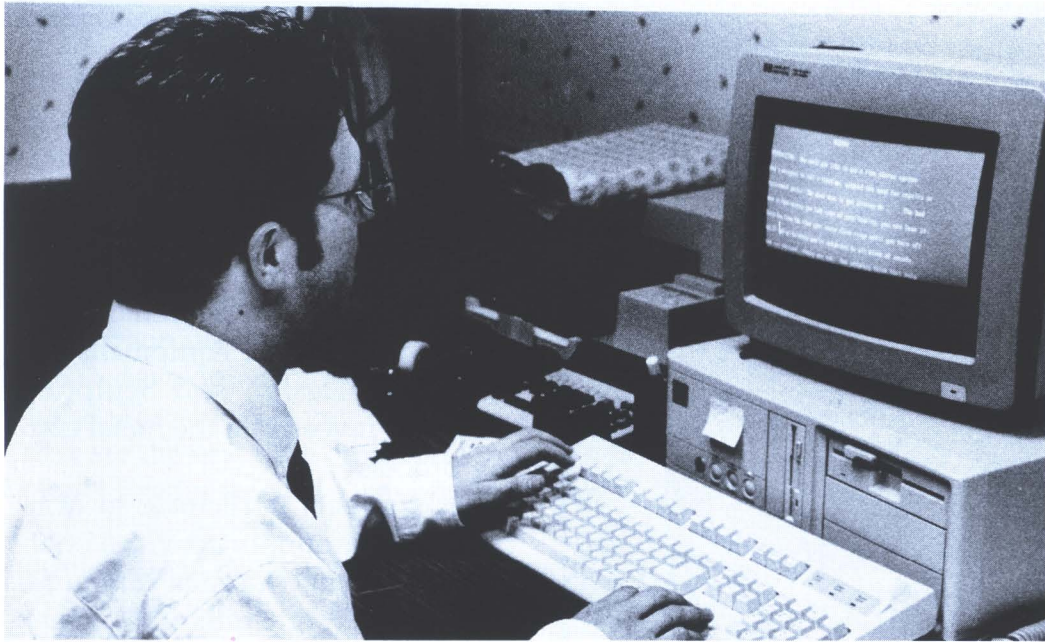


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THE REAL WORLD

Internships

When students qualify for an internship they finally are given a chance to get out in the real world and test all their school born knowledge. Most students can't wait for the day to get a real job but for some they find the job was not what they thought it would be.

Justin Green, senior in aviation, knows exactly what it's like to spend a summer in an internship flying almost anywhere in the United States for free.

From May 19 to August 8, Green worked for the American Eagle Flight Operations division of American Airlines. Green said his major project was to rewrite a training manual consisting of rules and regulations.

Green was selected first by a committee at Southeastern. Then his application was sent to American Airlines. After his application was accepted, he was invited for an interview with American Airlines. He was one of 20 interns chosen from over eighteen schools.

"We toured the maintenance facilities of Boeing in Seattle, and we had many opportunities to ride in the cockpit and observe the pilots as we flew to places such as Miami, New York, Chicago, Atlanta, Seattle and San Francisco," Green said.

Green said through the internship, he received three credit hours, plus job contacts and valuable experience.

"I think it's pretty awesome because there are opportunities like this for pilots at Southeastern to gain experience and determine if this is what they really want to do," said Isaac Slape, freshman in aviation.

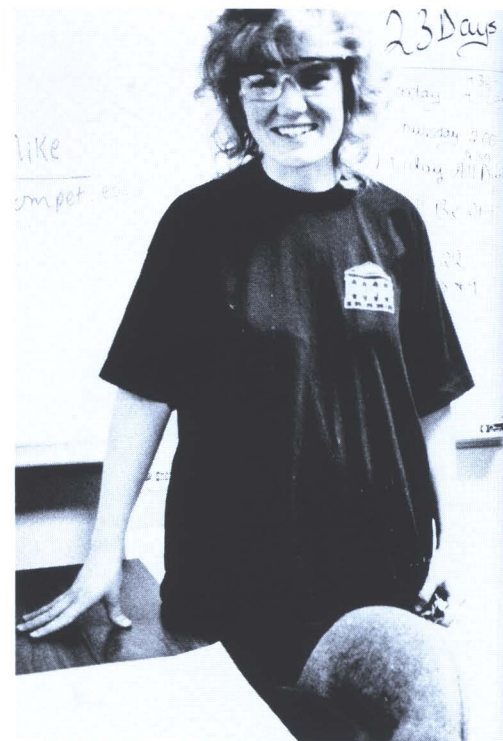


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Above-Sandra Powell, intern at Kaiser Aluminum, and Ben Smith, safety / training director, work together developing a training class for safety at the plant.

by Katie Hrcir

THE NATIONS BEST

Who's Who

Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities was first published in 1934. Who's Who picks the all around best students each college and university has to offer. Sixty undergraduates and twenty-four graduate students are nominated each fall for *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*. The number of nominations from each college is determined by how many students attend that certain college. Each department nominates four or five students and this list is then sent to Who's Who. After being nominated these exceptional students receive information sheets to fill out which confirms that they have been selected to be in the Who's Who Among American College Students book.

This group of talented students are from more than 1,400 colleges in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and many other nations. The students are selected based on a 3.0 GPA or higher, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential continued success.

The students selected for the 1998 Who's Who are: Lori Allen, Sharon Amos, Buffy Bing, Dennis Ray Blackman, Rodney Wayne Blankenship, Noel Burkett, Deborah Anne Conley, Mouziane Deeb, Jake Adam Dolezal, Stephanie DeAnn Dolzel, Kelli D'Ann Dollar, Jerry Dupree, Keith Elliott, Glenda Mathews Ellis, Keisha DeAnne Fort, Kay Harraman, Diana Harrison, Traci Herzer, Thurman Lee Hicks, Michael Brian Hogan, Sherry Lynn Howard, Joseph Jackson, Terry Lynn Jones, Tim Jones, Sumedh Kapoor, Joshua David Kirby, Cherie Kobiske, Daniel Kobiske, Jennifer Beth Laird, Christopher James Lesch, Karla Luginbill, Sylvia Miller, Randi Lyn Nelson, Gregory Matthew Newell, Brad O'Steen, Tammi O'Steen, Chad Pate, Becky Pierce, Benjamin Polson, Patti Pyle, Starla Ward Rector, Linda Taylor Robertson, Kelli Robinson, Mary Beth Rodgers, Brain Roney, Jonathan Scott, Crystal Smith, Nancy Lee Smithson, Todd Southard, Jeffrey Stanley, Clayton Shane Tipton, Jimmy Dale Walker, Charity Walkup, Stella Williams, Jim Willingham, Julie Kay Wilmoth, Marie Melissa Wood, Jeremy Young.

David Wolff,



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Above-These students are in one of Lisa Hill's honor classes if they are not already in Who's Who then one day in the future they might get to participate in the honor.

Willingham, Julie Kay Wilmoth, Marie Melissa Wood, Jeremy Young.

by Jodie Duke



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Left-These students posing proudly are also from one of the honor classes.

Right-Joe Wiley, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, and Vicki Hudson dressed in their best, decide to pose for a graduation photo.

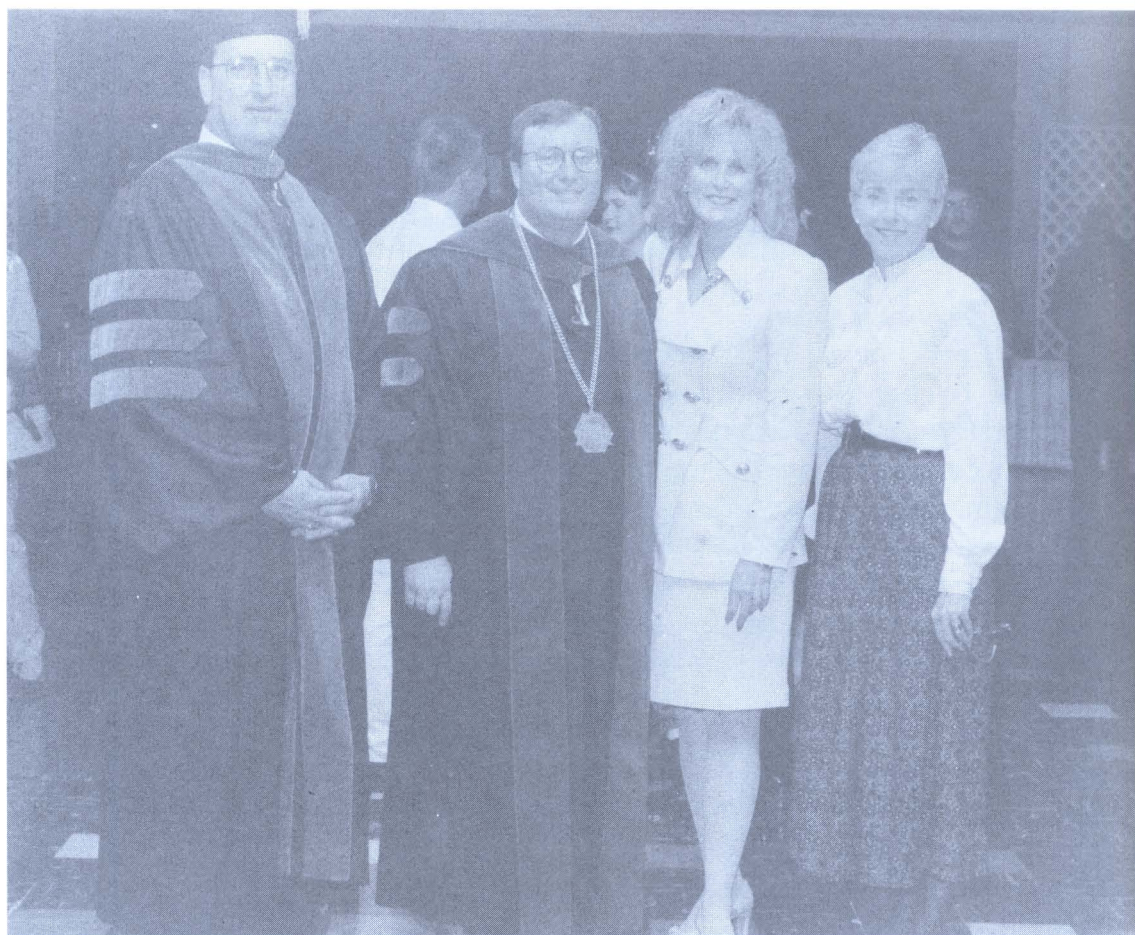


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Below-Carolyn Russell and Denise Stewart line up before the graduation ceremonies start.



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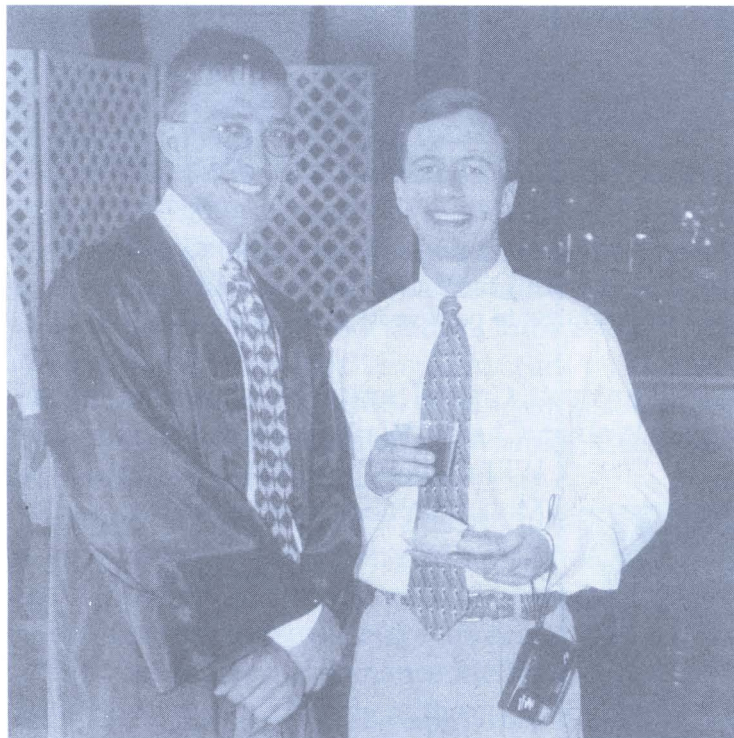


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Above-Daniel Hall and Rodney Blankenship get a snack after the long ceremonies.

Right-Dr. Pat Dunham sits with the staff of knowledge before the start of graduation.



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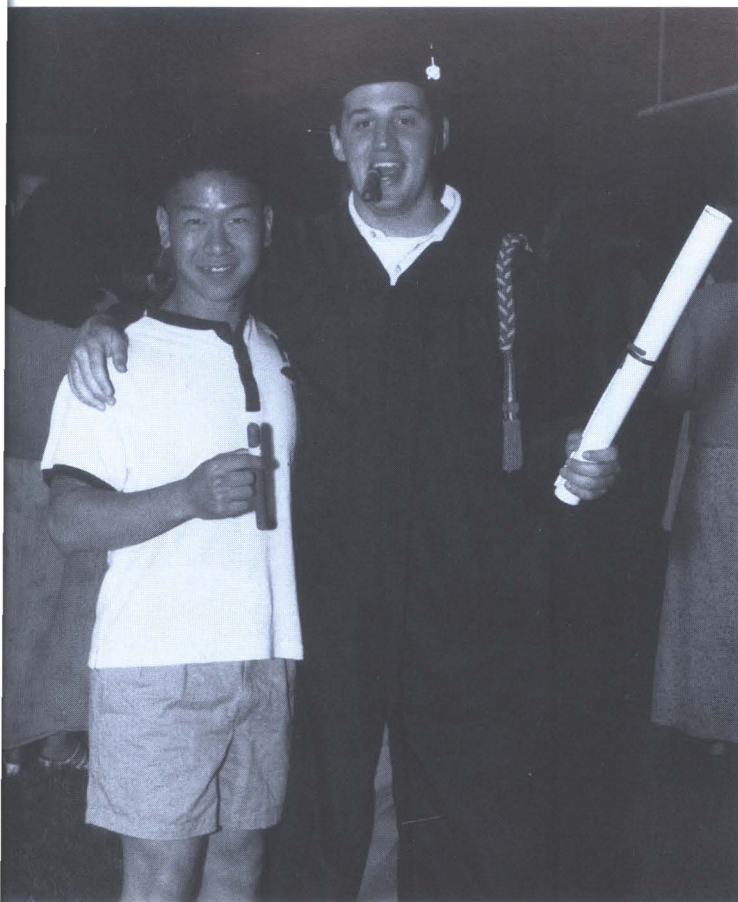


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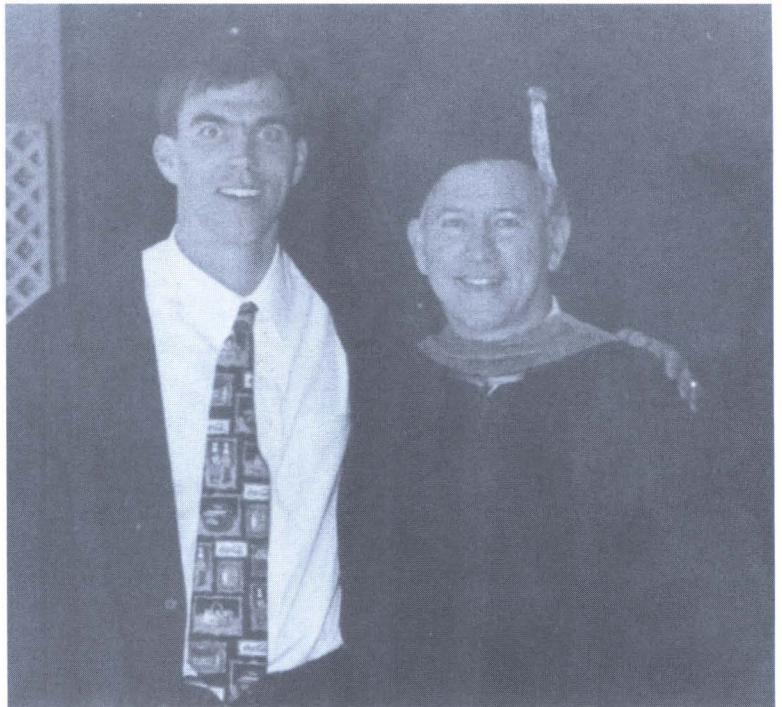


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Left-Carl Leung passes out a cigar to his good friend Matt as a graduation present.

Below-Dr. Jerry Polson seems to be very proud of his son Jeremy Polson.

A LONG JOURNEY COMPLETED

Graduation

It seemed that four years, or more in some cases, and lots of hard work payed off when graduation day arrived. To many students all the struggles and sacrifices seemed worth it when they finally had their diploma in hand. This was also the first year that Pi Alpha Theta got to wear their honor tassels.

Students and parents alike cheered when the class was announced graduating class of 1998. The students cheered because it meant that they could now get a real job and make some real money. The parents cheered because they no longer had to send their hard earned money off along with their kids to college.

The long journey was completed with graduation night. With their degrees in hand the seniors would only roam the halls again as Southeastern alumni. The final year was complete and it is time to travel separate trails but everyone will still have memories of Southeastern that will always be held dear to their hearts. This was the last year in their college career and one they would never forget.

by Jodie Duke



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Above-Kara Dunn tries to calm her nerves before the graduation festivities begin.

Right-Jennifer Kruchowski, sophomore, and two friends cheer on the Savages at a football game.

Below-Jerry Love, freshman, finishes up his chemistry lab experiment during the 1998 summer session.

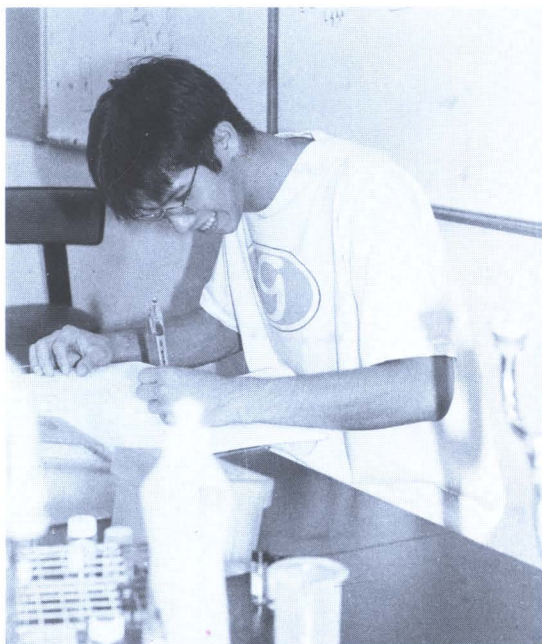


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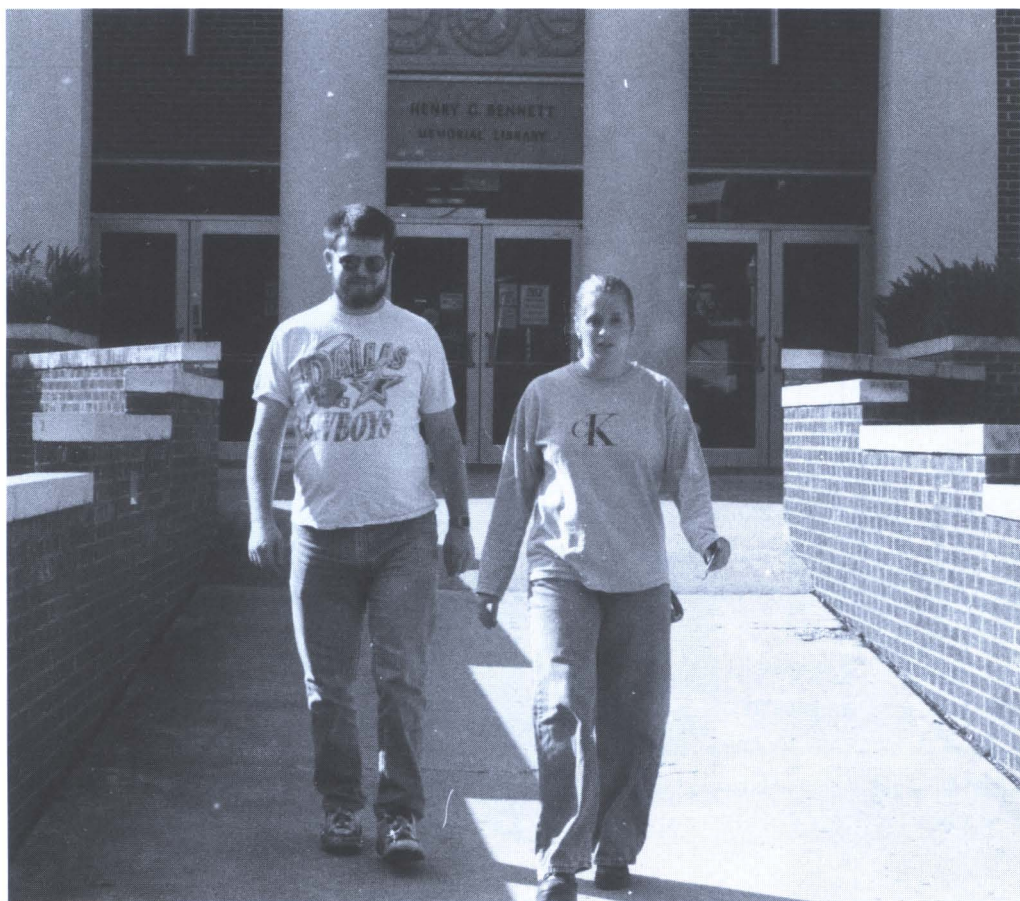
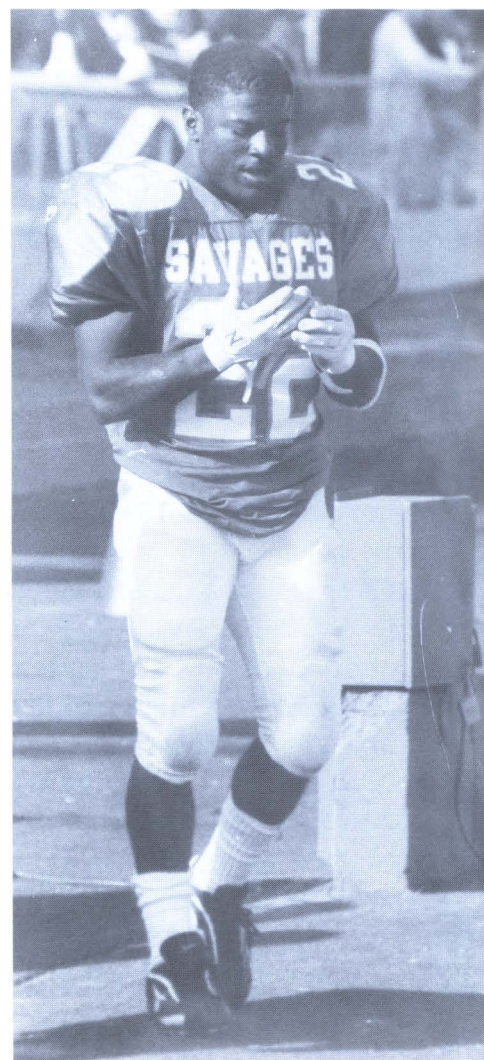


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Above-Brother and sister, David Berghauer and Janel Berghauer, stroll away after spending the day at the library.

Right-This Savage football player takes a much needed time out during the game.



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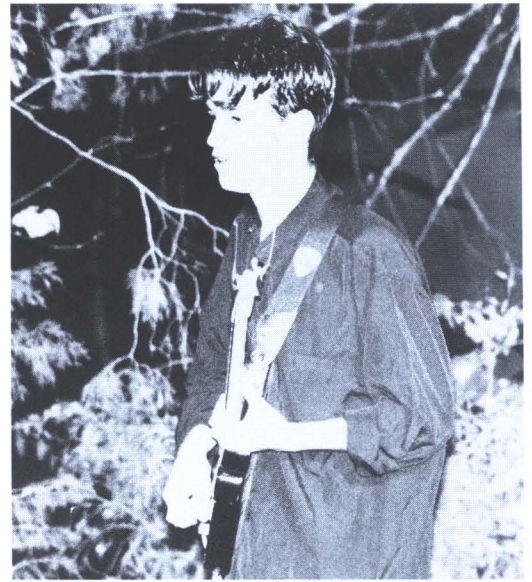
Taking a look back at 1998



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Left-These sorority girls seem to be having a good time playing twister.

Below-This savage student sings his heart out on the lawn behind the Student Union.



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Left-Brian Stoll, junior, took this photo during the semester that he was in Dr. Harmon's photography class.

Above-Dr. Theresa Hrnecir, accounting professor, passes out homework in the accounting class she taught during summer session

Right-Janeen Zhu, assistant librarian, poses out in front of the library for one of Janet Reeder's photography students.

Below-Hands up! Just kidding. Dr. Jim Harmon poses for his photography class.

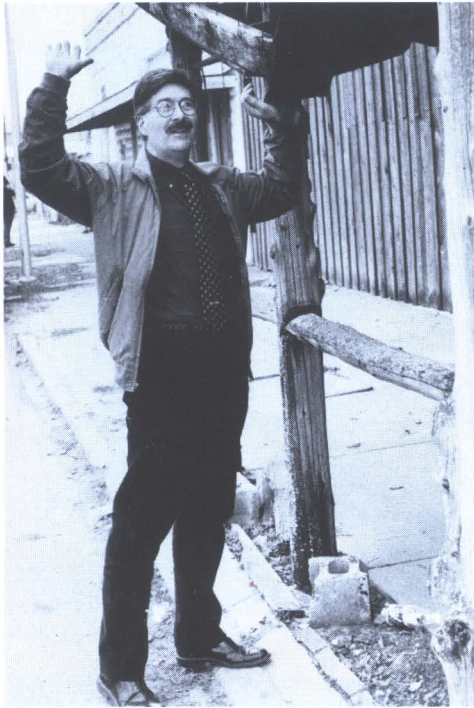


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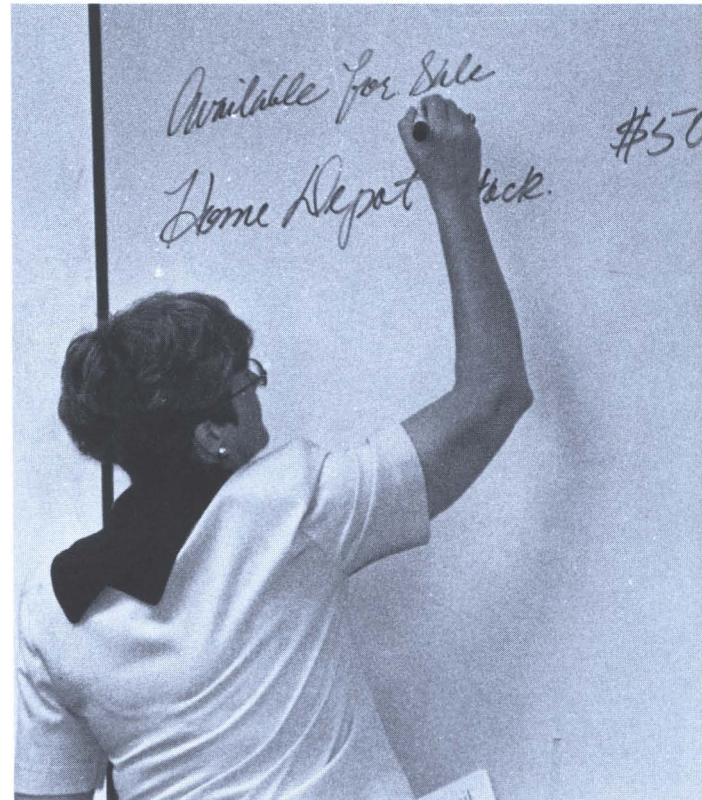


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Left-Biology secretary, Mary Pickens, seems to be having a very good day.

Above-Dr. Theresa Hrcir, accounting professor, shows students how to do a balance sheet on the board.

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and take a look at

FACULTY



Left-Dr. Pat Dunham carries the staff of knowledge while all the other faculty members follow her down the football field during graduation.

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Above-Education Instruction and Leadership.

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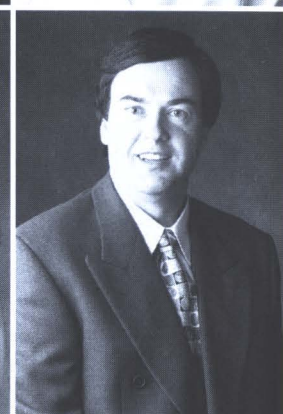
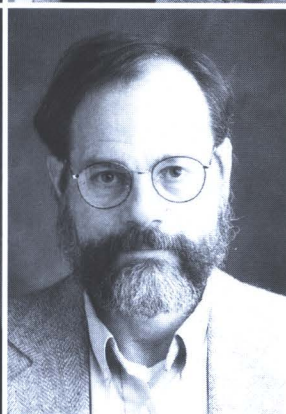
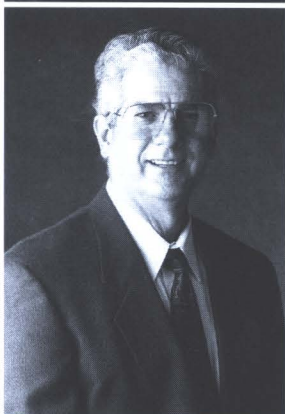
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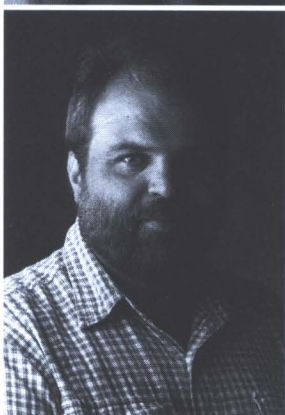
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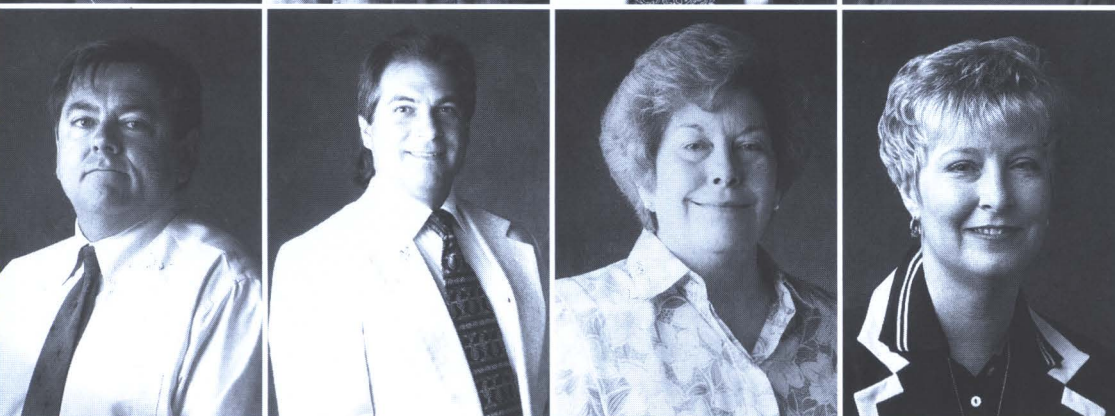
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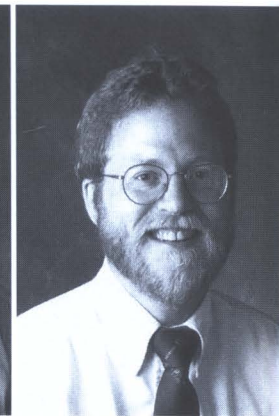
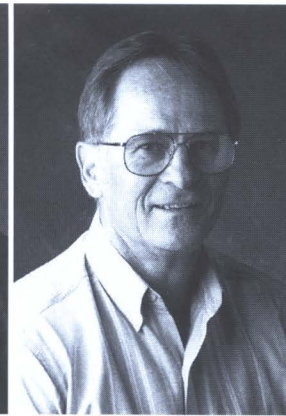
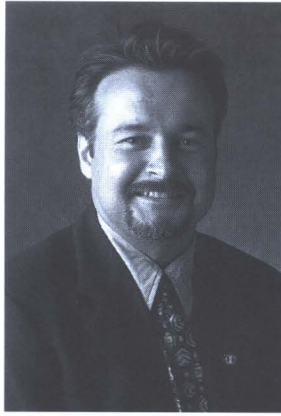
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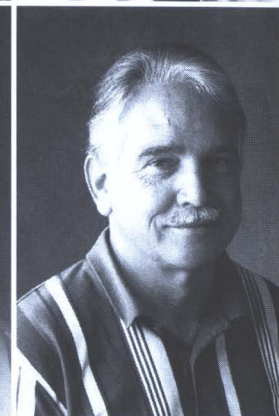
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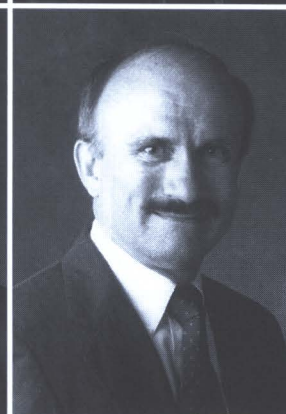
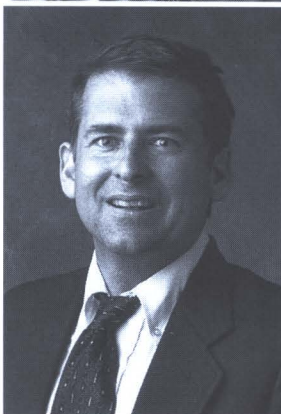
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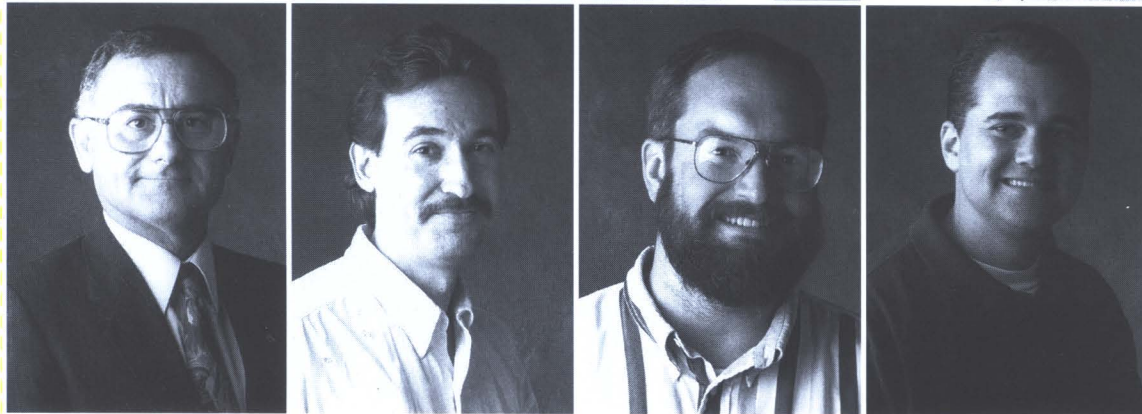
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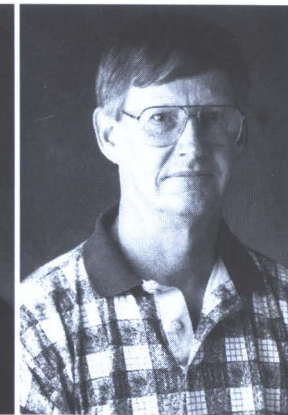
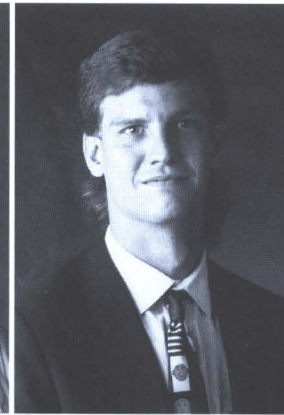
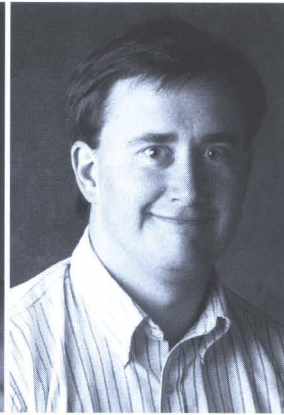
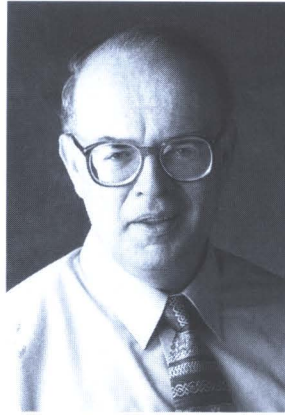
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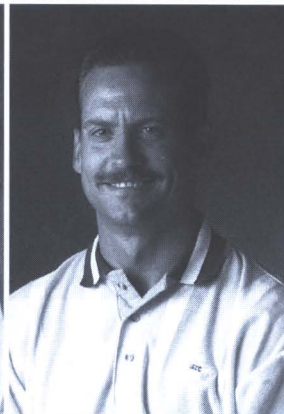
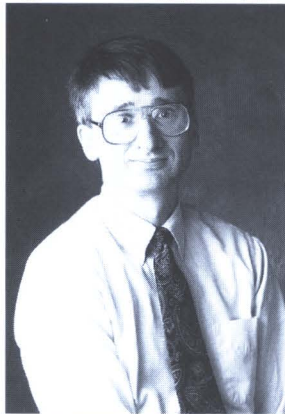
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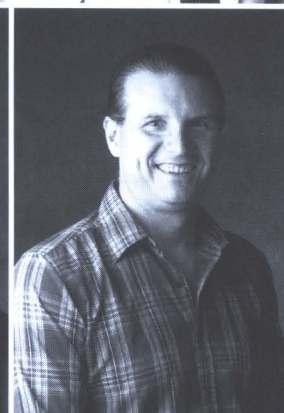
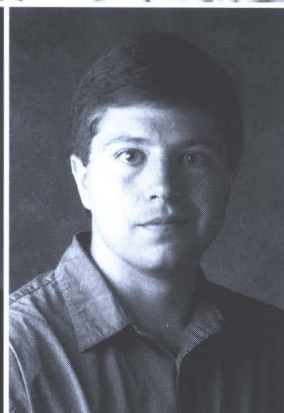
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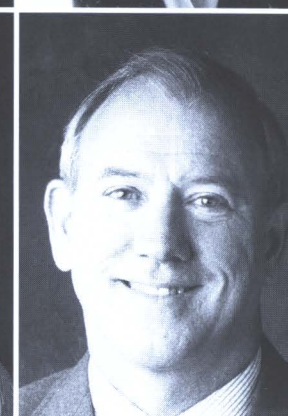
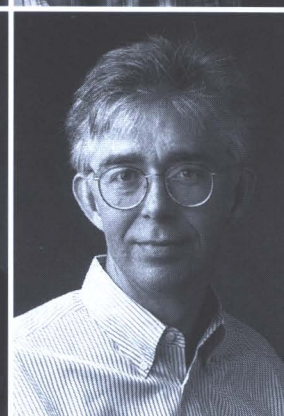
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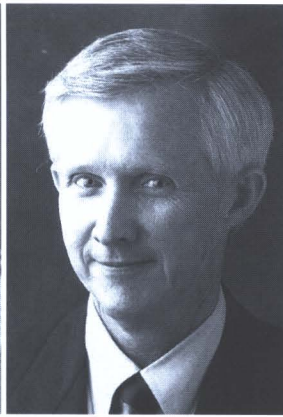
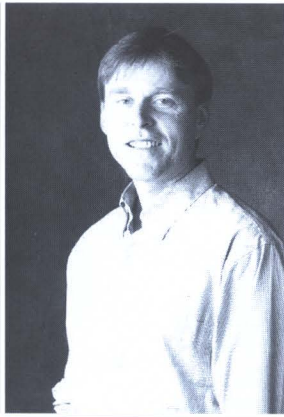
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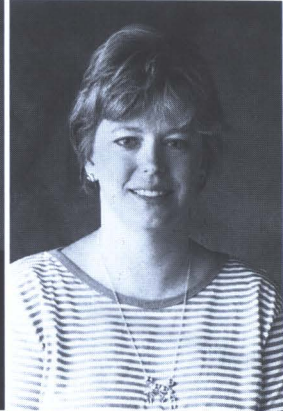
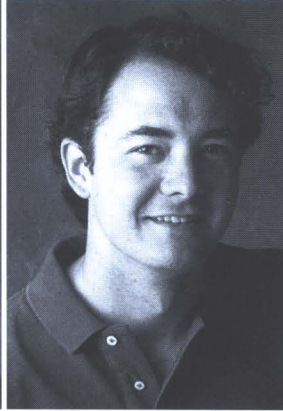
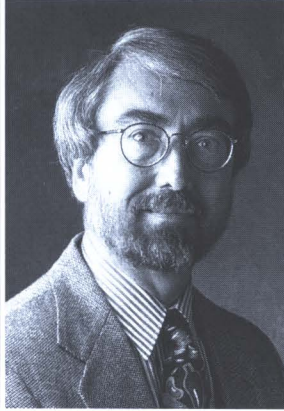
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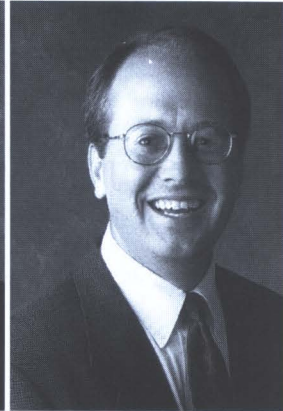
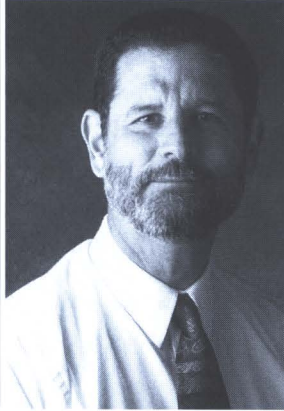
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Honk and Holler

Former Professor Publishes Second Book



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Above-Mrs. Bellie Letts, author of the "Honk an Holler Opening Soon," taking a break during her recent Signing Party at the SOSU campus bookstore. She is seen here chatting with fellow Red River Writers Mrs. Roberta Cazelle (seated) and Mrs. June Proctor.

This is Mrs. Letts second book to be published. She has successfully sold the movie rights to both books. "Honk and Holler Opening Soon" was accepted after only five chapters had been completed. Mrs. Letts was an English teacher here at Southeastern before her retirement to pursue her writing career. Her relationship with the Durant community was very apparent by her warm and friendly banter with those who waited in line. She seemed to remember something about everyone and graciously inquired into the well-being of each. All of her fans left her table smiling, with their personalized autographed copy in hand.

by Kisha Snider

Professor CELEBRATES THIRTY YEARS OF TEACHING

Elbert Hill, professor of English, Humanities and languages, will celebrate educating three generations of Southeastern students this fall.

Hill started teaching English at the university in 1968 and has taught everything from Children's Literature to Existential philosophy. Except for his departure between 1969 thru 1972 when he instructed at the University of Nebraska, Hill has been part of the plaster that faithfully holds steady the walls of the Morrison building.

Hill manages every se-

mester to gain the respect of many students who place him high on their lists of mentors.

Always living up to the degree of philosopher, Hill challenges students to look within themselves for true understanding.

A very personable human being, Hill worries little about the outcome of life living his in the present, rather than in the past or the future.

Claiming to be a hillbilly from Tennessee, Hill was born in Rockwood on March 22, 1939. He has a multitude of expertise but his true love is children's literature for

which he claims a special fondness.

"I'll never grow up," Hill said. "Being a grown-up isn't any fun."

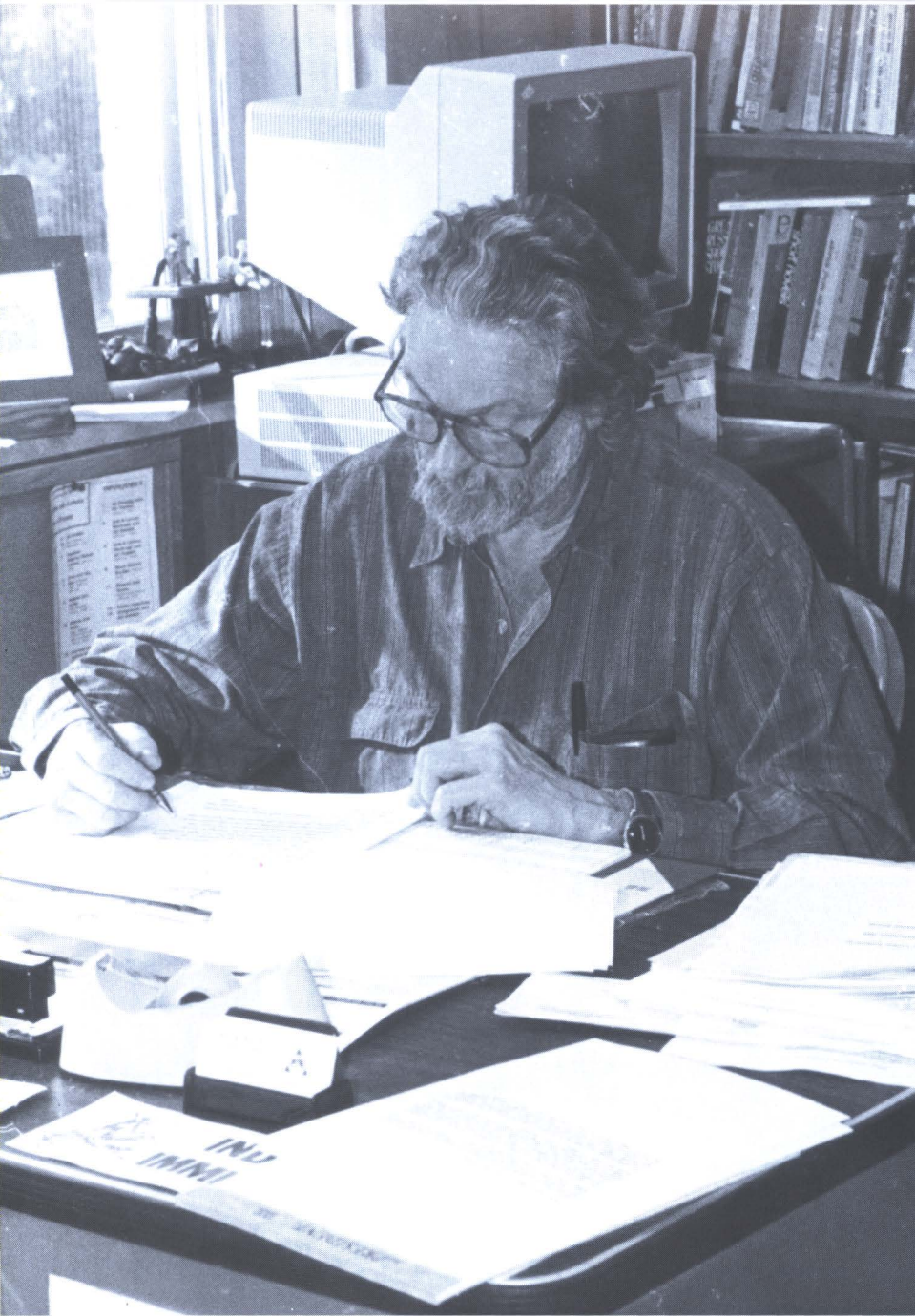
Some of Hill's accomplishments include chairing many sections of the South Central Modern Language Association's activities, Coordinating the Oklahoma Scholar-Leadership Enrichment Program since 1976, serving on the Native American Symposium Planning Committee since 1996, and the Faculty Senate, and Curriculum Committee. He has also served as the chairman of the Library Committee from 1984 thru 1987,

and the Graduate Faculty Colloquium in 1992 and 1994. Hill is a member of the National Council of Teachers of English, the Children's Literature Association, the Assembly on Literature for Adolescents, and the College English Association. He has also presented many workshops for primary and secondary educators.

Hill has published a plethora of chapters in a variety of journals concerning children's literature, and presented volumes of papers over the years. He has also studied Native American thought extensively.

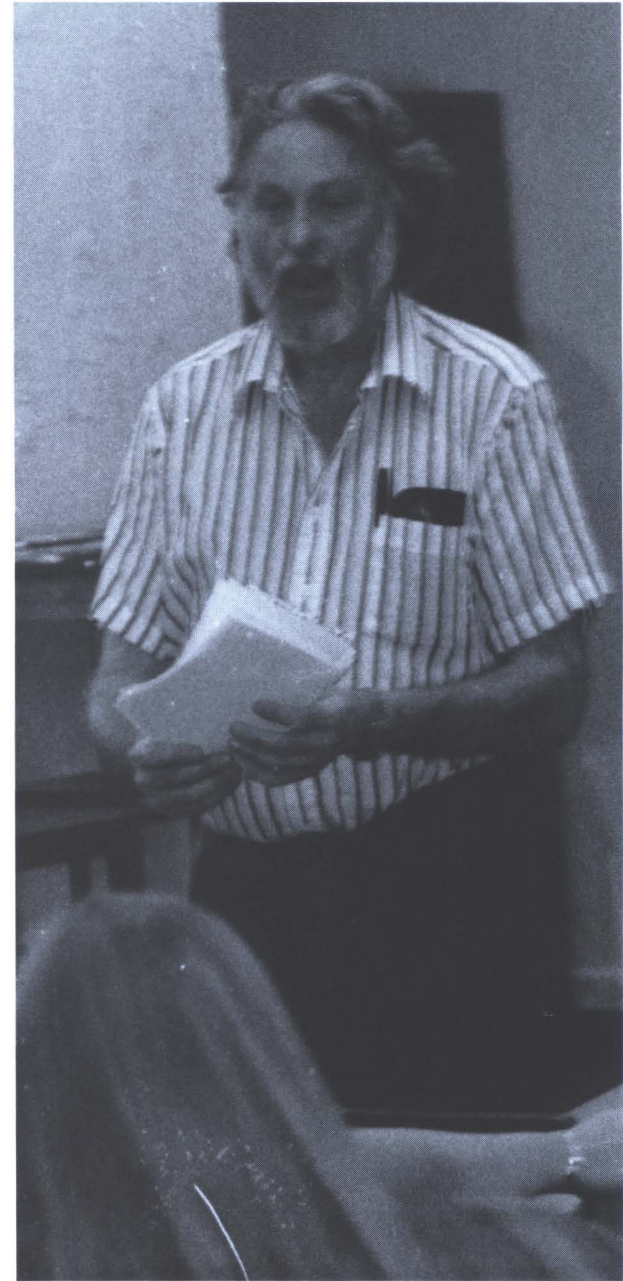
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Opposite page-Four generations of Hill's students are writers and attended the Oklahoma Writer's Association conference in May 1998. Renee Laney, junior in communication, is the most recent of Hill's students while Marion Sader, represents the 80's decade, Roberta Cazzelle studied under Hill in the 1960's, and JoAnn Ridings benefited from Hill's teaching in the 1970's.

Left-Hill carefully considers his student's papers. Grading is an endless effort for any teacher.



Above-Hill is an expert at giving quizzes. Here he anxiously waits for students to turn in their answers.

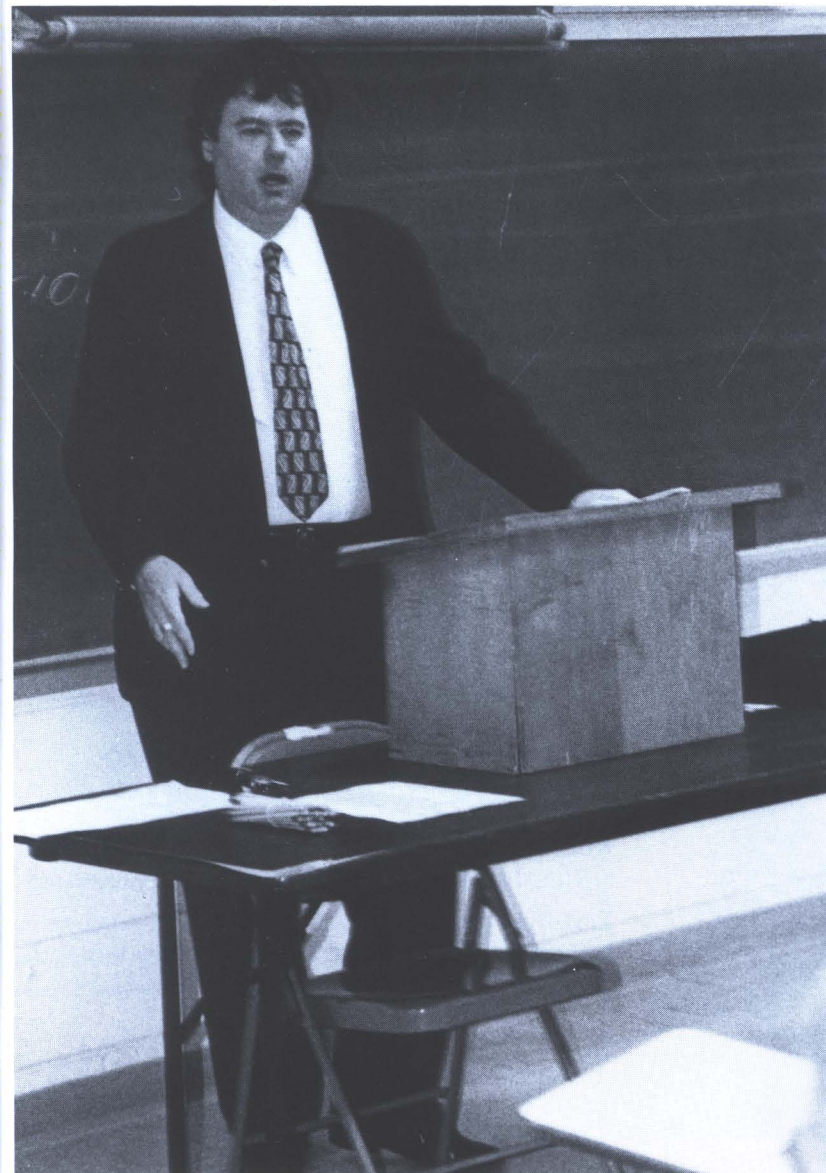
Left-Every significant person deserves an even more significant other and Marion Hill is certainly the perfect complement to the esteemed professor.





Right-Dr. Pearlstein smiles as he poses in his office chair for the 1998 *Savage*. It could be said that Pearlstein has the most organized office of any professor on campus.

Below-Pearlstein lectures to students in his American Federal Government class.



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PROFESSOR TAKES OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE RESEARCH WITH HOSTAGE NEGOTIATION TEAM

Richard Pearlstein, assistant professor in social sciences, addressed the Oklahoma Department of Corrections Hostage Negotiation team of the Southeastern Region at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary in McAlester this year.

Pearlstein said he was invited by a student who is part of the team to share some of his research concerning domestic terrorism.

"I talked off the cuff about what I know about hostage negotiations and what I've learned about the psychological profile of a terrorist, and how we can use that to help determine the kind of person that we're negotiating with," Pearlstein said.

After addressing the group Pearlstein said he had the opportunity to observe one of the group's simulations in which they practice an actual hostage taking situation.

"Of course, when it really happens it's not a game," Pearlstein said. "There's incredible stress, frustration and often boredom involved in negotiations. The group has a very difficult job. It takes dedicated people and they have to be totally focused on the goal: freeing the hostages."

Pearlstein said one thing he tried to impress upon them was that he realizes they have one of the most important jobs in the world.

Pearlstein also received a two hour tour of the prison facilities during his trip.

"I've never been inside a prison and I was curious as to what it would be like," Pearlstein said. "I've got a much better appreciation of what prison life is like."

Pearlstein toured various units of the prison, talked with prisoners and prison personnel, took a stroll down death row, and viewed the death chamber.

Terrorism has been Pearlstein's number one research interest for more than 20 years. Strictly speaking, domestic terrorism is defined by terrorism conducted by Americans, against Americans, on American soil.

"I've never lost my interest in this field," Pearlstein said. "It continues to dominate the news and has for the last 25 years. I'm not surprised, but it's always striking that it never leads the headlines in the newspapers."

Pearlstein said in this country there's a myth that claims there hasn't been domestic terrorism until recently. But

according to Pearlstein terrorism has always been around and the nature of it is changing.

"I think we're seeing more terrorism because it has sprung up along social issues and less separatists movements," Pearlstein said.

"What's interesting is the fact that the number of incidents is down, but the number of deaths is up. This indicates that terrorists are using weapons of mass destruction, rather than taking hostages. It's really clear."

Pearlstein said terrorism can be lucrative for some but it's very hard to generalize. There are many terrorism categories including political, (antigovernmental acts), transnational, (crossing borders to commit the crimes), and now even cyber terrorism in which computers or the internet are used to crash systems.

"I think our society is becoming less civil in general," Pearlstein added. "Just look at road rage, drive by shootings and that sort of thing."

According to Pearlstein, there's a pretty complex equation of factors that motivate someone to become a terrorist, and no two terrorist become so for the same reasons.

"It's a very difficult problem," Pearlstein said. "It's very interesting and it's something that makes me feel like maybe I can make a contribution. We can all make a contribution to something. I want to do something positive to help understand this problem area."

Pearlstein has published several articles about terrorism including one book in 1991 entitled *The Mind of the Political Terrorist* (available in the Henry G. Bennett Library.)

The articles include *Tuned In Narcissus: The Gleam in the Camera's Eye*, in a collection of essays entitled, *In the Camera's Eye: News Coverage of Terrorist Events and Political Terrorism in Global Business: The Next Millennium* in the *Association for Global Business Proceedings of the 1996 Conference*.

Pearlstein has also worked with various groups involved with researching terrorism at the Institute of Social and Behavioral Pathology in Boston.

His forthcoming book entitled *Fatal Future: Transnational Terrorism and the New Global Disorder* he expects to complete in 1999.

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LIBRARY EXPANDS DATABASE

Southeastern's Henry G. Bennett Memorial Library is arguably the most beautiful building on campus and has more than 178,000 volumes, 398,000 microforms, 1,241 current periodical titles, newspapers, audio and videos, software, and this year the Internet.

This year the library gained access to 612 more, academic journals and millions of book records through a limited version of the on-line database service FirstSearch.

This was made possible by funds from a federal and state grant provided through the Oklahoma Department of Libraries.

"The advantage with a service like FirstSearch is that we can not afford to subscribe to a lot of databases on an individual basis," said Dottie Davis, director of the library.

"The FirstSearch database offers more than all the databases such as Eric and Infotrac already located in the library," Davis added.

The limited version con-

tains 13 databases, 32 million book records searchable by subject, title, or author and provides citations and a location of where the book may be found according to Davis.

One of the databases provided by FirstSearch is the Periodical Abstracts database which contains 100 periodical titles and 612 full-text journals opening up a much broader access to information for the Southeastern campus.

"We want to be right on top of technology," Davis

said. It's much more convenient than the other sources we have, and it's so similar to the databases student's are used to using they won't even know it's changed."

Davis said some people think the Internet is the greatest, but a person really has to know what they are looking for and be skilled at finding it when using the Internet at the library and it costs.

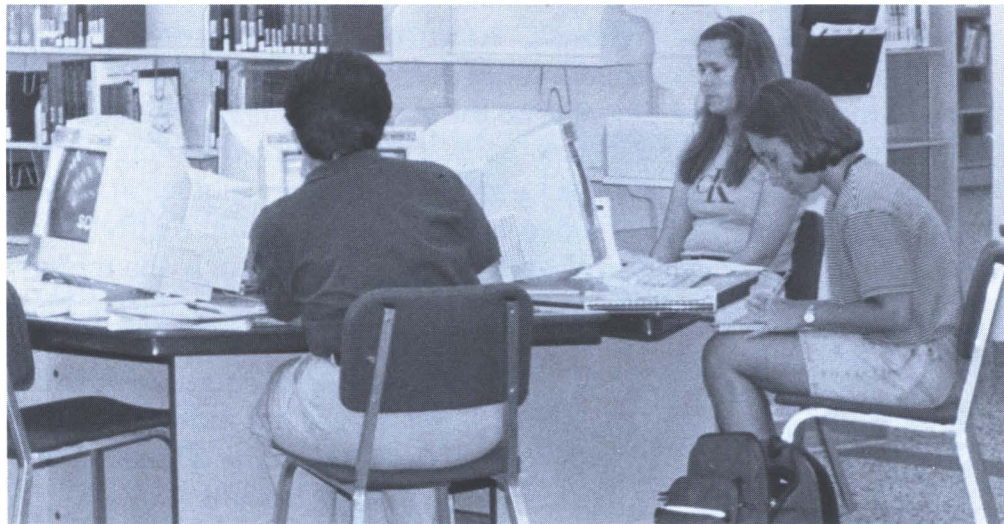
"It's proven to be a popular service," Davis added. "We hope we can keep it. It's temporarily funded."

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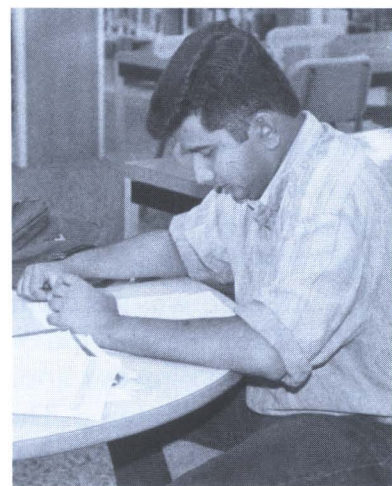
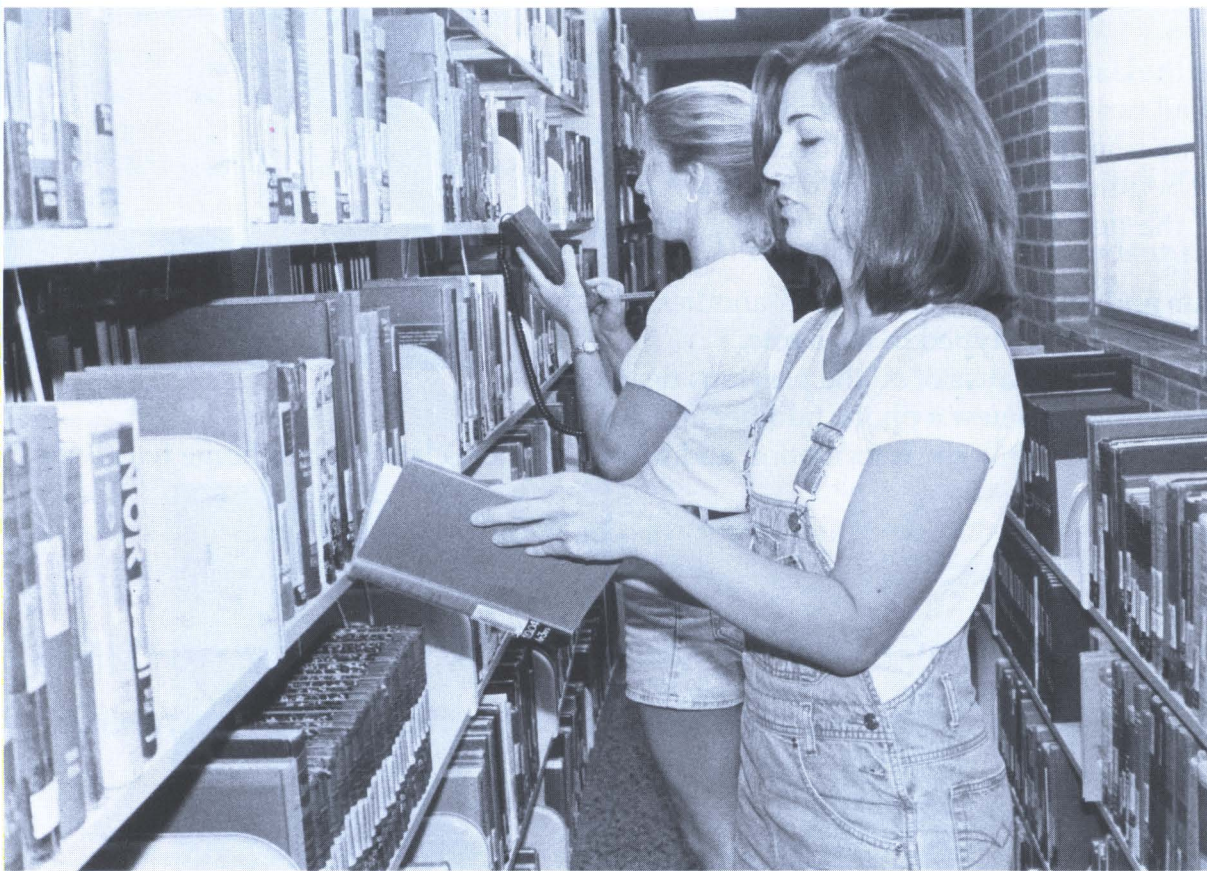




Left-Jason House, senior in aviation, looks for resources on the library data base that this year became available to faculty from their offices.



Below-These students are searching either the Internet or the periodicals holdings. This year the library advanced its holdings through First Search a national database service.



Above-Shahed Kamal, sophomore in computer science, takes advantage of the quiet environment of the library to focus on his studies.

Left-While taking inventory Renee Ranger, sophomore in general education, talks to her friend, Terri Simpson, about enrolling at Southeastern for classes.

The campus library is a unique place where students can see everyone, learn anything, and go anywhere they have a mind to go.

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Attorney General Relates Changes

On Wednesday, February 18, Attorney General of Oklahoma, W.A. Drew Edmondson, and Chief Deputy Attorney General, Victor N. Bird, spoke at the seminar in the Russell Auditorium. Their presentation was one of 15 being held across the state. Their goal is to explain two new laws: the Open Records Act and the Open Meetings Act. These seminars are open to county officials, board agencies, public bodies, media, and the general public.

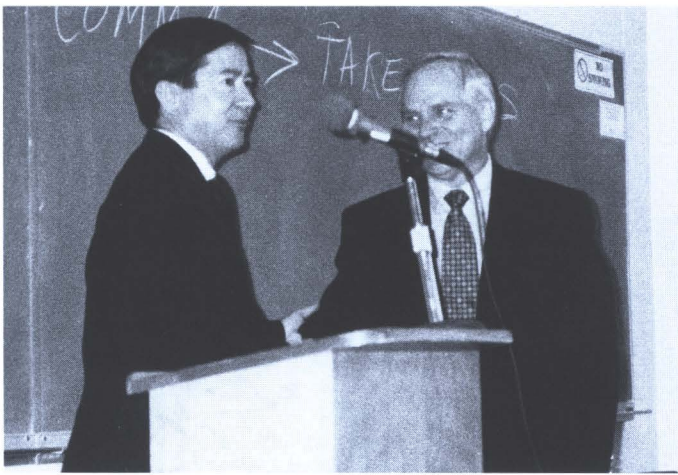
During the seminar each law is explained. Members of the audience took turns asking questions. Edmondson and Bird attempted to answer each question.

"It allows for some understanding between citizens, public bodies, and the media," Bird said, concerning the seminars.

"I think there was a good crowd that had a lot of interesting, somewhat difficult questions about what the Open Meetings and Open Records Act require," Bird said.

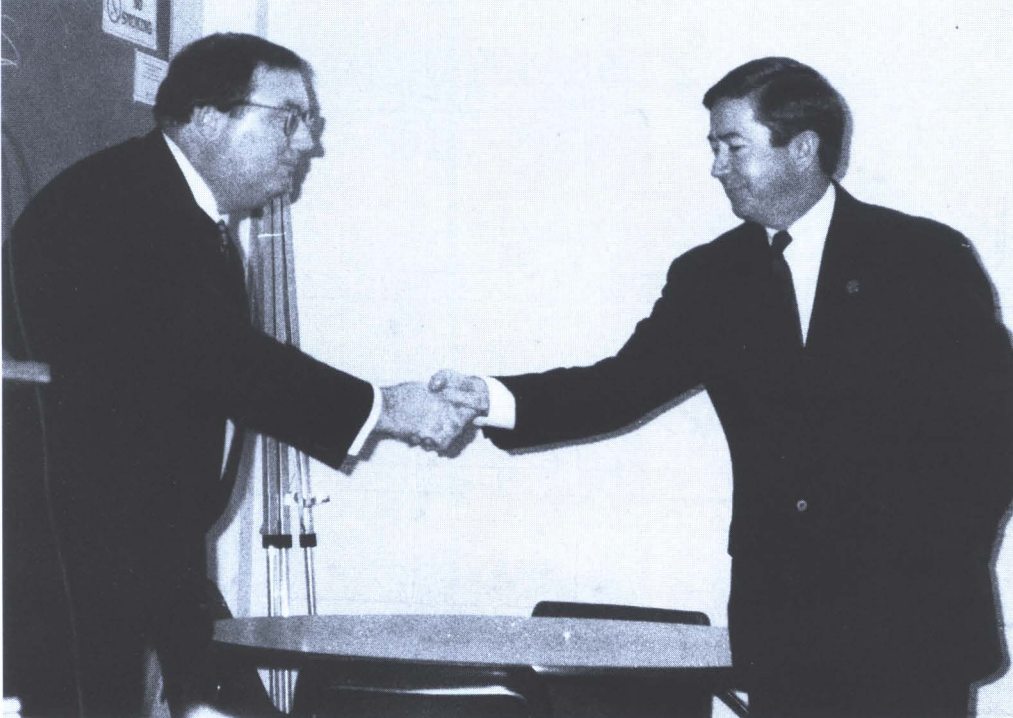
"They're (the seminars) free of charge, open to the public, and we encourage people from the public to attend," Spokesman for the Attorney Generals Office, Gerald Adams, said. "It's good for citizens to know how the Open Records and Open Meetings laws work."

"I love the facility," Edmondson said, of Southeastern. "I've been on campus before and it's always a pleasure to come back. It was good to see my good friend, President Johnson," Edmondson said. "I think he's doing well. I look forward to good things from Southeastern."



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Above-The Attorney General shakes hands with C.W. Mangrum

Left-President Johnson thanks the Attorney General for attending.





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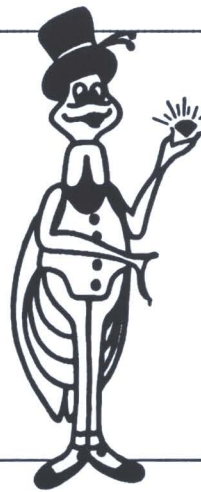
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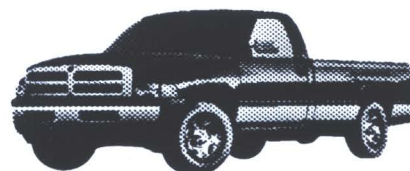


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Gerald Dwight Buchanan served the SOSU campus as the head of Student Health Services for 20 years. He started in 1976 and retired in 1996. He was a dedicated professional serving the University's health care needs. Many people respected Gerald's opinions and followed his medical advice for their treatments. He always gave the students the most economical remedy he could, realizing students never have money for antibiotics.

He was born on January 26, 1924 in Calera. He married Gwendolyn Earlin Sharp in Tulsa on September 15, 1945. He was educated at Southeastern Oklahoma State University. He was licensed by the American Academy of Physicians Assistants and by the National Commission of Physicians Assistants. He specialized and was licensed in syphilis serology by the Oklahoma State Department of Health, licensed by the American Registry of X-ray Technicians. He was certified by the University of Oklahoma Nursing Home Administration School and the Board of Examiners for the Nursing Home Administrators.

Buchanan was awarded the appreciation to Practical Nurse Training scholarship and recognized by the College of American Pathologists and the American Society of Internal Medicine. He was one of the first licensed physicians in Durant. Buchanan was a member of the Durant Masonic Lodge #45 Consistory of McAlester Temple, Legion of Honor, recipient of the Bedouin Shrine Temple of North America and the Little Dixie Shrine Club. He was recognized for his volunteer work by the Bryan County Council of Camp Fire Girls, The Boy Scouts of America, and the Cub Scouts of America. Buchanan was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Durant, Sunday School teacher, president of the First Methodist Men, member of the VFW, the American Legion, a member of the Dixie Squares Dance Club and of the Durant Kiwanis Club.

His medical career first began as a combat medic in World War II in the United States Army. He was stationed in North Africa and southern Italy after receiving his formal education at Southeastern Oklahoma State University. After finishing his tour of duty in the United States Army First Division, he finished his education and then went to work in a laboratory. During the next 17 years he probably gave more marital blood tests to aspiring young couples than any laboratory technician in the United States.

In 1963, he moved into the Durant Clinic as a laboratory and X-ray technician and doubled as administrator of the Durant Hospital. He served as a Vo-tech teacher at Southeastern in the laboratory and nursing home care programs. He also taught at Grayson College in Denison in their Nursing Home Program. He operated Southeastern's only Health-Education-Welfare approved independent laboratory. He also served as a nursing home administrator at Calera Manor Nursing Home, later serving as advisor.

Mr. Buchanan passed away February 23, 1997 at the Medical Center of Southeastern Oklahoma after a brief illness. We will all miss his kindness and dedication.

JERRY D. BUCHANAN

SOSU Alumni President

I graduated from Durant High School in 1969 and attended SOSU immediately following. I did a tour of duty with the army and returned to SOSU to continue my education. While at SOSU I was a member of the Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity and later became president. I served on the Presidents Council, was president of the Fraternal Council and mediated fraternal affairs. My studies were concentrated around the business and science department. I met the fraternity sweetheart, Valda Merrick of Ardmore, fell in love and married in July of 1976.

I received a Bachelor's Degree in Business and a Master's Degree in Business Administration. Later I was transferred to Joplin MO., with the company I was working with.

Valda and I were blessed with three wonderful children. The oldest will be attending college this fall. The middle the next fall, the third will be in college in a few years to come. In 1981, I acquired the company I worked for and formed J.C. and Company, Inc., a menswear retail operation with three locations in Tulsa. I served on the Small Business Council of Retailers, Association of Retailers of America, Southwest Merchants Association at the Dallas Apparel Mart, represented the Southwestern United States District of Retailers at the World Trade Show in New York and Canada. In 1995, he started Buchanan Properties and EMS Inc., which deals with real estate investments.

I realize how much the education I received from SOSU through instructors like Dr. Jack Dye, Austin Hamilton, Dr. Crockett and many others in the business. Also, the practical education from those like Dr. Kilpatrick, Ed Byrd, Dr. Medows, Dr. Eagleton, Dr. Collier and others in the science department have had their lasting effects. on his life.

A few years ago I was asked to serve on the Alumni Association and last year I was honored to serve as president. I will also serve next year on the association as president and look forward to it. This year I was asked to serve on the SOSU Foundation of which I look forward to getting involved, especially as I have seen the caliber of board members that are not only community leaders of Durant, but, leaders throughout the state that also love Southeastern and appreciate how much it has touched their lives.

The more I'm involved with foundations the more I appreciate the positive influence and effects they have. Information that I have learned in association with the Southwest Conference of Foundations have taught me the importance of foundations and their long lasting effects on our society as a whole.

I enjoy serving on the Union Schools Educational Foundation in Tulsa. I am learning more and more about our educational system and it's effects of our society in Oklahoma. I have somewhat concentrated on boards and organizations that involve education as of late.

I have served on the Oklahoma council of missions for the Episcopal Church and as senior warden of my church.

My hobbies of course include flying and anything to do with aviation, some golf, traveling and spending time with my wife and children. Valda and I have made it a goal to visit as many olympics as possible of which we have made three. My favorite place to visit is Durant and Destin, Florida.

my most favorite people I have met oral Roberts, Kenneth Hagin, George Bush and Jimmy Carter. The most positive influence on my life have been my family of course, trust in god and the gift of learning to listen. My favorite actor is Jimmy Stewart. I now reside in Tulsa, Oklahoma and love it!



Jerry D. Buchanan

Around and About Campus



Left-Time to relax. Two friends take a break to study and possibly get a tan out on the front lawn.

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Right-Wonder if they found any gold? One of the science classes went to a local creek to find samples to take back to the lab and study.



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Left-Acting crazy, Lee Elizondo, lays on the table full of watermelons using one for a pillow.

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A Letter from the Editor

Renee Laney and I wrote a formal closing for the final page, but I thought it would be nice to reveal a more personal approach to the book and myself. When I became editor I had less than two months to finish about 193 pages. I knew I had a demanding job and a hard road ahead of myself. But at least I had a few good friends who pitched in to help. Some things didn't get covered as well as we wanted them to be, but there's always next year for improvements. I had been a staff member from the beginning so I knew the plans for the book from the start. I was the third editor for this year's book. To encourage myself I kept telling myself that the third times a charm. Or the one that I thought was funny; we had two male editors before me. So, I thought about it taking a woman to finish what two men started, but some of my friends said that sounded chauvinistic, but it always made me laugh. Sometimes it was hard to keep myself going but I knew the book had to be done and I tried my best to give the school a good book. Consistency was hard to keep among the pages because of all the staff and page number changes but we tried our best. I would like to thank Leslie Pickle our yearbook representative from Jostens Publishing Company. We had several late in the evening phone calls discussing the progress and problems we encountering with the book, but she always told me don't worry it will be okay and we'll get the book done. I hope you enjoy all the effort and long hours we have put into this book.

Sincerely,
Jodie Duke



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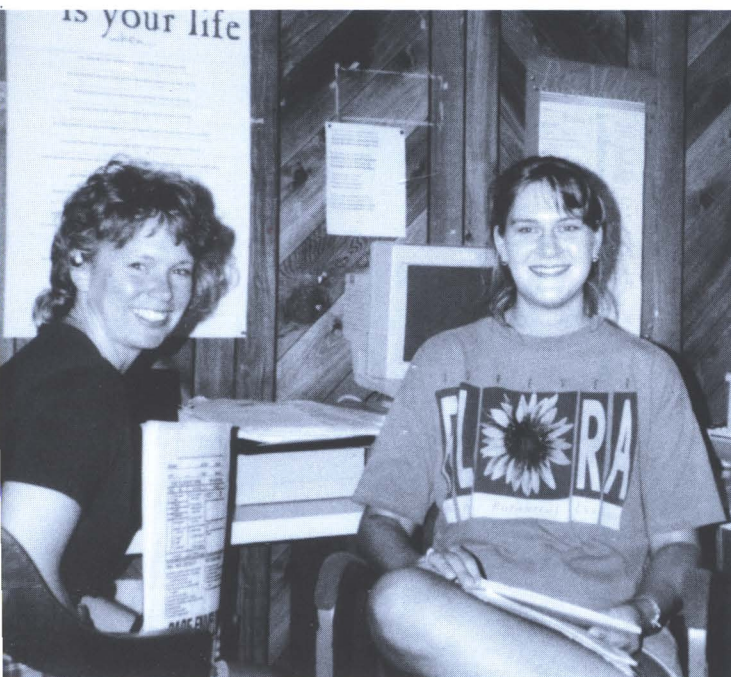


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The 66th volume of the Savage was published by Jostens Publishing Company of Topeka, Kansas 66601. The book size is 9 inches by 12 inches. The cover is matte litho laminated. The dominant type style is Palatino with 10 point copy. The book has 240 pages that were designed on Power Macintosh 7200/75 computers. The cost of a book is \$25. Faculty portraits were donated by the public relations office. Student portraits were taken by Hennington School Services of Wolfe City, Texas. Advertising was handled by Scholastic Advertising of Carson City, NV.

The 1998 *Savage* is proudly dedicated to Molly Risso



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Dr. Molly Risso, Director of Theatre, professor of communication, and artistic director of the Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival at Southeastern, received the first - ever Lifetime Achievement in the Arts award from the Red River Arts Council March 31, 1998. The presentation was given as the Red River Arts Council hosted the second "Celebration of the Arts" in the Visual Performing Arts Center in Durant.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Austin College, Master of Arts degree from the University of Colorado at Boulder and a Ph.D. from Texas Tech University. Risso has been awarded the Governor's Arts Award in 1997, the John F. Kennedy Performing Arts Award and the ACTF Region VI Directing Award, among numerous other achievements. Risso began the Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival in 1979. Since then the program has grown tremendously and has been the highlight of visual performances during the summer in southeastern Oklahoma.

"The Red River Arts Council is pleased to honor Dr. Molly Risso with this lifetime achievement award," said Arts Council President, Michael Miles. "Her contributions to the arts in this area cannot be overstated."

Sadly, Dr. Molly Risso passed away only weeks before the Festival's 19th season was scheduled to get underway. Though family members had hoped she would be well enough to attend this year's plays, her long battle with cancer took its toll on her strength.

"But she was miraculously able to pull it all together before she became so ill," said daughter Riley Risso, general manager of the 1998 Festival. "Mother selected the shows, the cast, most of the staff members and dealt with thousands of details from her home."

"She was important to this year's OSF as to any other year's festival when she would be in the Theatre Department day and night, working all hours and driving everyone to give their best efforts because Molly expected nothing less than one's best," said Riley.

When the Festival began in the '70s, it consisted of one musical, a children's play and a Shakespearean play. Only five or six professionals were employed and audiences numbered less than 100 for each performance. Today, OSF produces a Shakespearean play, a musical, a comedy and a dinner - theatre production, plus the Children's Theatre Workshop and Young Actor's Studio, bringing in scores of children and teenagers as performers. Close to 100 professional actors and actresses come to OSF every summer from across the United States and foreign countries to be part of the Festival's cast and crew.

"There are professional theatre people around the world working as actors, designers or technicians who are growing in their careers because of what they learned at the Oklahoma Shakespearean Festival," said Katy Morris, charter member of the OSF board and now an administrative board consultant for the Festival.

A long time friend of Molly's, Mrs. Morris believes "the cultural worth of Durant has been enriched immeasurably for two decades by the very presence of Molly Risso. Her dignity and charm were as public as her forcefulness and determination. She may have pushed and shoved, but she respected everyone."

Mrs. Morris estimates theatre literally thousands of people working in theatre today who will "carry on the cultural legacy of Molly Risso."

Dr. C.W. Mangrum, chairman of the Department of Communications and Theatre at SOSU, said the university is establishing a memorial scholarship in Molly Risso's name.

Dr. Mangrum said among Dr. Risso's numerous contributions to the community was the establishment of a Bachelor of Arts in Theatre degree at SOSU. Before her arrival on campus in 1979, that degree did not exist here. Now student can come from across the country to pursue a BA in Theatre.



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Above-The Arts and Letters Advisory Council.

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Left-Molly poses with some of her students.

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Above-Some current and past students of Molly's gathered to take a group photo.

THE FINAL PAGE

Putting a yearbook together is a challenge. As staff members come and go the concern for consistency rises. The many changes in the yearbook staff are representative of the ongoing changes on campus. The focus of the book has changed several times but it still represents a part of Southeastern history and the events that have made it memorable. We have tried to put together a historically correct book for the students, faculty and administration, to share for many years to come. In trying to include every event and moment the people at Southeastern experience, we surely missed a few. We hope the memories contained in this yearbook will lead to fond recollections for everyone.

by Renee Laney and Jodie Duke

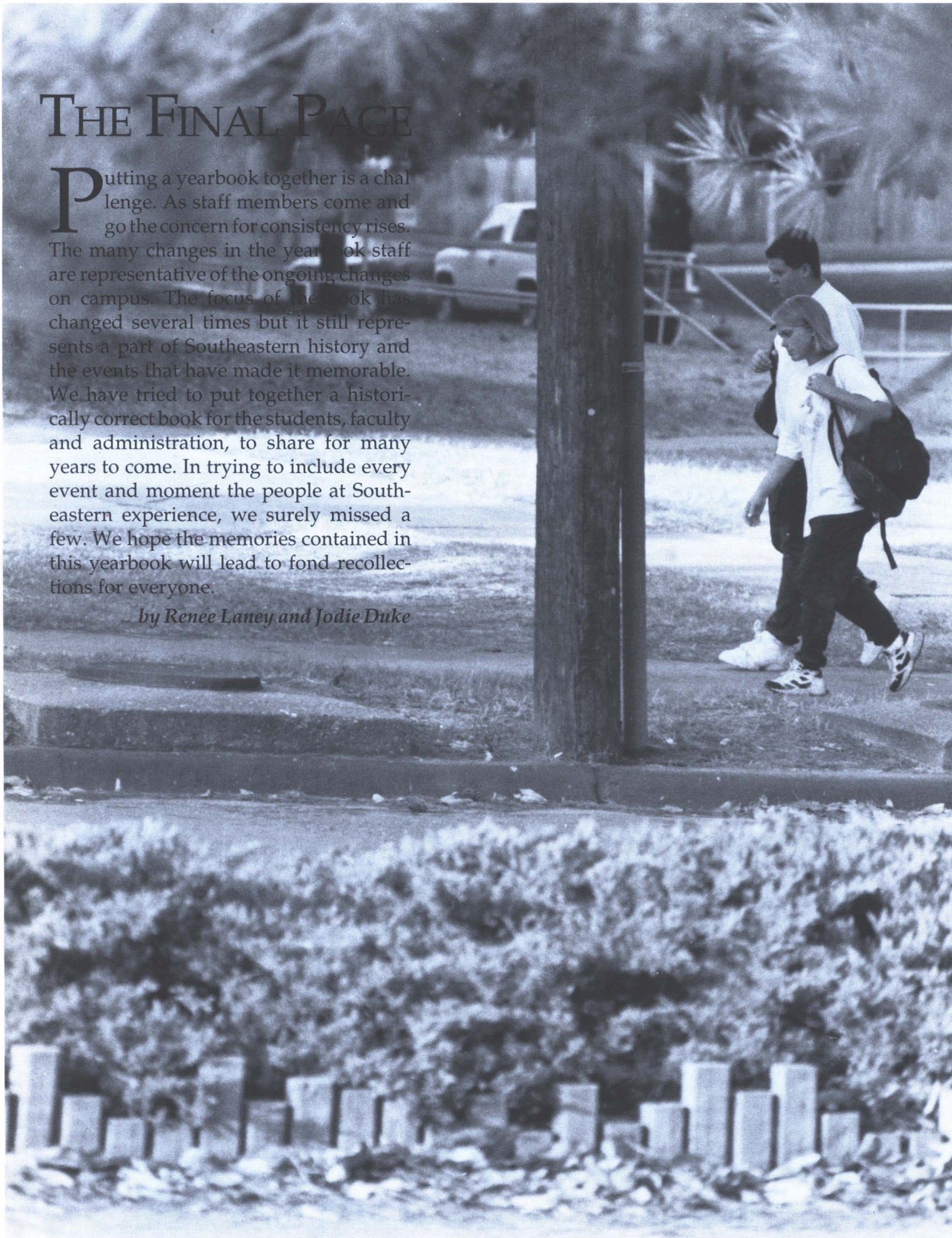


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