

1920s

Leona Ellen Miller Cranston '27 celebrated her 100th birthday Sept. 13. Leona resides at Winfield's Resthaven Nursing Home.



Muriel (Mosier) Anderson's 100th birthday was a good reason for four SC alumni to celebrate on

July 16, 2005. All live at Good Samaritan Village in Denton, Texas, and three of the four live on the same block on the same side of the street. Muriel attended Southwestern for one semester in 1928 and was on hand (and helped make sandwiches) when Shirley Bruning moved to Denton a few months ago. Shown with Muriel are (l. to r.) **David McGuire '47, Shirley (Kidwell) Bruning '70, and Peggi (Johnson) Bell '59.**

1940s

Mary Jane (Dean) '41 and Angelo Battaglia celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary on June 4. Both Mary Jane and Angelo served in World War II.

Richard and Mary (Williams) Brummett '42 '47 celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 15.

1950s

Don and Miriam (Deskin) Overstake '50 '50 celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 8, 2005.

Bob Sneller '51 will be recognized when the Crowder College gymnasium/field house in Neosho, Mo., is renamed in his honor. Sneller went to Crowder from Independence Community College after winning the national college basketball championship in 1963. He took over as head coach of the Roughriders basketball team, eventually amassing a winning record of 466-216 in 15 years. Bob's personal accolades include coaching several All-American players and induction into the National Junior College Athletics Association Hall of Fame in 2004. He is also a member of the SC Athletic Hall of Fame.

Don '52 and Betsy Drennan celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 25. In a civil ceremony on June 24, 1955, Betsy and Don were married by the Burgermeister (mayor) in the Rathaus (city building), in Ramstein, Germany. The church ceremony was performed on June 25 by the Air Force chaplain at the Ramstein Air Force Base chapel.

Murry Lee and Donna Lou (Cochran) Boyles '56 '59 celebrated their golden wedding anniversary June 5 in Escondido, Calif., near San Diego, at the Lawrence Welk Resort Villas.

Marguerite (Hardesty) '56 and Leander "Lee" Lohrenz have moved to a retirement community in Lawrence. Since retiring in 2000 they have spent several months each year in Yuma, Ariz.

Carol (Elder) Compton '57 celebrated her 90th birthday June 20. Carol was a longtime teacher in the Winfield school district. Her last assignment was at Lowell Elementary School.

Terry (Hodkin) Eaton '58 was the recipient of the Community Cornerstone Award in Winfield on July 20, 2005. This award is given by CornerBank.

1960s

Carl Martin '60 was inducted into the Garden City High School Hall of Fame in May. Martin served as president of SC from 1988-1998. During his tenure, he was instrumental in collaboratively improving the college's academic programs and physical facilities, as well as providing the crucial impetus for starting the professional studies program. Martin also addressed the 2005 Garden City High School graduating class.

Harold Lister '61 has retired from 44 years of music education. He and his wife, Margaret, moved to St. Joseph, Mo., during the summer.

Bruce Birch '62, dean of Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., was the main speaker at the United Methodist Kansas West Annual Conference held May 25-28 in Salina.

Russell O. Vail '63 was recently elected as the Central Regional Director for the American Federal Contract Investigators Association (AFCIA). Russell continues to work for the FBI, Department of Defense, NSA, Customs Border Protection, and other related government agencies. He lives in White Lake, Mich. Russ was Southwestern College's first-ever All-American in track and field (hurdles) in 1962, and became a two-time All-American in 1963. He was inducted into the SC Athletic Hall of Fame in 2000.

Sue (Lewis) Hale '66 was a 2005 inductee into the Oklahoma Journalism Hall of Fame. Each year since 1971, the Hall of Fame, located at the University of Central Oklahoma, has recognized Oklahoma journalists who have made outstanding contributions to Oklahoma journalism for at least 10 years or to natives of the state who have made outstanding contributions to journalism elsewhere for 10 years or more. The executive editor of *The Daily Oklahoman*, Sue was one of 10 inductees.

DeWitt Clinton '68, professor of English at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, is author of a poem, "Reading the Tao at Auschwitz," that was the subject of a multi-media concert at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee exploring genocide, xenophobia, and racism. The poem, an 18-part reflective meditation about the Holocaust, was interpreted and performed at "Summerdances 2005." "Reading the Tao at Auschwitz" is one of Clinton's many historically-based literary pieces. He has been published in books, anthologies, journals, and magazines with history and Jewish subjects among his major interests. His recent courses at UW-Whitewater include The Literature of the Holocaust and World of Ideas.

Phil Dudley '68 recently became the third recipient of the national Ralph S. Brown Award for Shared Governance, given by the American Association of University Professors. Dudley is president of Hastings College, a private central Nebraska school of 1,100 students. Dudley has served as president since 2000.

1970s

Jim Graves '70 has been appointed to College Hill United Methodist Church in Wichita as executive pastor. He will be serving with another alumnus, **John Martin '70. Cherlene (Hodges) Graves '70** is seeking employment as an accompanist.

Linda Watson '71 has recently retired from USD 470 (Arkansas City) after 34 years as an educator and administrator. The last nine years of her tenure were spent as principal of Frances Willard Elementary. The school has been recognized locally, at the state level, and nationally for outstanding student achievement and for "closing the gap." Linda will continue to be involved with education as executive director of elementary curriculum and instruction for Bartlesville, Okla., schools. Watson was a presenter at the 2005 National Association of Elementary School Principals. Upon retiring she had to resign as the president-elect of the Kansas Association of Elementary School Principals. She has also been very active in the community and her church.

Janice (Baughman) Frahm '72 was elected to the USD 315 (Colby) school board during April elections. Janice and her husband, Bruce, are corn and wheat farmers in Colby.

Mike M'Coy '74 is the general manager of the Wichita Aviators, an indoor football franchise of the American Professional Football League. M'Coy is building a new team from the ground up in a limited amount of time. The league announced the creation of the Aviators in March 2005. M'Coy has devoted more than 30 years to football—on the playing field, the sideline, and the front office.

Daniel Jones '75 has produced a CD. If any of his former classmates and friends would like a FREE copy contact him at www.sacredvisionproductions.com

Kris (Grooms) Trimmer '75 was named Winfield's Master Teacher for 2005. Kris teaches Constitution and psychology at Winfield High School.

Connie (Feaster) Wooldridge '79 is a newly-commissioned minister in the United Methodist Church. Wooldridge will continue to serve the Leon United Methodist Church, where she was appointed in 2004.

1980s

Tim Otte '83 is living and creating art in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. His work of celebrity/entertainer "portraits" have sold well. In July an open-ended show of his stylized/tropical-themed work began in New York City, and in August he had a three-week show of his "portraits" in Provincetown, Mass.

Michelle "Micki" M'Corkle '85, clergy member of the Kansas West Conference of the United Methodist Church, was named director of leadership development for adult workers for the General Board of Discipleship on May 2, 2005. M'Corkle previously served as pulpit supply in the Parsons District of the United Methodist Church, Kansas East Conference.

John Nichols '87 competed in the ultimate race—a 100-mile marathon spanning nearly 24 hours in the mountains. The race is known as the ultra marathon. Runners start at Squaw Valley and run 100 miles before ending in Auburn, Calif. The trail ascends from 6,200 to 8,750 feet to reach its summit at Emigrant Pass before descending. John's time for Western States Endurance Run was 22 hours, 41 minutes this year, improving his 2004 time by 70 minutes.

Kim Sawyer '87 reports that books two and three of her historical Mountain Lake series were released in July; book four will come out in December. In April 2006, Barbour Publishing will release *Dear John* and *That Wilder Boy*. Finally, in September 2006 *Summer's Joy* will come out from Bethany House. More information about Kim's writing is available at www.KimVogelSawyer.com. "I would love to hear from staff and students who were in my classes," Kim says.

1990s

Elizabeth (Cleland) Harvey '90 and husband Mike recently moved from Nebraska to Salina to open another Bobcat dealership, Bobcat of Salina, Inc. The Harveys have three children—Ian, 13, Erin, 10, and Addison Kate, 5.

Seth Bate '93 sang "The Star-Spangled Banner" July 13 at Lawrence-Dumont Stadium before the Wichita Wranglers took on the Midland Rockhounds. Bate is president and CEO of the Winfield Area Chamber of Commerce.

Debra (Wright) '94 '03 and Mark Richards were married on May 7, 2005, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Winfield. The Richardses have relocated to Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Debra is employed as a nurse manager of the pulmonary medicine unit at Mercy Medical Center. Mark is employed as a supervisor for Alside Window Systems.

Scott Galliard '96 and David Galliard '69 announce the opening of StoneGate Mortgage at 1013 Main in Winfield. StoneGate Mortgage is owned by Scott and Kari Galliard and this office will be managed by Dave Galliard, a long-time resident of Winfield.

Michael Schaller '96 has recently accepted a job at Home National Bank as a collections specialist.

Jerry Nolte '80 will no longer work just up the street from SC, but he'll remember his alma mater when he checks the time. Nolte, who had been pastor of Grace United Methodist Church for the past nine years, was assigned to Salina's Church of the Cross in June. In recognition of Nolte's exuberant collaboration with the college, President Dick Merriman presented him an SC watch during early summer recognitions.