Glenn McFall was the third generation of his family to attend Southwestern College. When he graduated in 1977, McFall followed in the footsteps of his parents (Bill and Ramona) and his grandmother, Mabel Day, one of SC’s earliest graduates. But when it came to his own daughter, Glenn didn’t try to persuade Heather to become a Moundbuilder.

“Honestly I tried to stay completely out of it,” he says. “I knew I liked SC, I knew it had given me a great education, I knew it was where I wanted to be, but I wanted her to be where she wanted to be.”

And where Heather wanted to be, it turned out, was Southwestern College. This fall Heather is one of 19 legacy freshmen with parents who also attended SC. For Heather, the choice was easy.

“I was on Southwestern’s mailing list, and I decided ‘I guess I could go look,’” she recalls her college search. “I went and I looked and I fell in love with Southwestern.”

A teacher and coach at Meade High School for the past 24 years, McFall even tried to steer Heather toward other schools. He found himself talking about cost—“Couldn’t we find someplace a little less expensive?” he told his daughter.

But then, he remembered, that’s exactly what his parents had told him.

“They said, ‘We’ll try it, and if it works out it’s meant to be, and if not, we’ll have to try somewhere else,’” Glenn recalls. So that’s what he told his daughter, and to his surprise, cost has been manageable.

After nearly a semester of classes, Heather is delighted with her choice. The college offers a variety of activities, freshman women’s residence hall Cole Hall has become home, and the food is remarkably good, she says.

“Builder Camp was fun,” she adds. “The first few days I wasn’t quite sure what to make of it, but the last day I had a blast. It’s a good way to meet people so it wouldn’t be awkward on the first day.”

And classes? Heather laughs.

“There’s one class I’d complain about, but the rest I’m doing okay in.”

So now that Heather’s a Moundbuilder, what would Glenn tell other parents of other prospective SC students?

“I’d say don’t decide ahead of time you can’t afford it,” he says firmly. “Go and talk to the financial aid people and see what kind of package they can put together to see if you can afford it.”

Plaques honoring three new members of the Natural Science Hall of Fame were unveiled Nov. 11 in Beech Science Center. Inductees were (in photo from right) James Fishback ’77 and Foye Perry Green ’38. Margaret (Phillips) Randolph ’30 (honored posthumously) was represented by family members (right to left) Pam Yerger, Connie Sorrentino, Karen Bartos, and John Bartos.

Athletic Hall of Fame 2006 inductees were introduced during halftime of the Nov. 11 Moundbuilder football game. Shown from left are Lou Mignonne ’77, Coach John Paulin, Lonnie Howard ’69, Brian Lenz ’86, David Juhlin ’69, and LeRoy Blackwell ’67.

Members of the Class of 1956 were honored during Homecoming 2006. Shown are (FRONT L to R) Lafayette Norwood, Virginia (Wiens) Scott, Shirley (Marsh) Everhart, Jo Ann (Robisson) Coy, Pat (Ridgway) Milburn; (SECOND ROW) Jean Marie (Powell) Grabher, Karin (Larson) Henkle, Mary Lou (Evans) Holcomb; (THIRD ROW) Barbara (Winters) Smith, Tokoro Navazaki, Anne (Campbell) Muse; (FOURTH ROW) Donald Holcomb, Richard Henkle, Robert Allister, Jim Reed, and Eldon “Pod” Milburn. Attending Homecoming but not pictured were Jim Brown, Darol Graham, Art Johnson, Pete Keenan, Doug Lundeen, Jerry Smith, and Norm Simmons.

SAVE THE DATE!

Homecoming 2007 will be Oct. 19-21, 2007. Honor classes will end in ‘27 and ‘77.

Please remember to say thanks to the 54 volunteers who helped make Southwestern’s Homecoming 2006 such a great success this year. For a list of the great people who gave of their time at Homecoming or throughout the year, check the volunteer list on the alumni Web site at www.scuans.edu/alumni/