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Classic

Today Christy is the visual focal point of Southwestern, the eye-catcher as soon as you arrive on campus. Originally built in 1908, Richardson Hall burned down in 1950, leaving behind only its walls and pillars. Christy was rebuilt in its place and dedicated in 1956. Seventy-seven steps lead all eyes up to her four pillars standing tall to symbolize everything Southwestern represents: knowledge, hope, courage and freedom. Containing classrooms, offices, the Helen Graham Little Theatre and Richardson Auditorium, Christy is always busy. Best described as the “symbolic heart of Southwestern College,” it links our rich history with today’s faculty and students.

Looking out from Christy, the sun sets over the campus. (Photo by Kaydee Johnson)





Freedom

It is a time to find yourself, to break free from high school cliques and parents' rules. College gives you the chance to meet new people and to learn from each one of them. Life is bursting with opportunities and potential. Push your boundaries and become a person all your own. You have the freedom to study what you chose, to experience life, to learn, to grow and to change, and to love whatever you love. You have the freedom to just be. In college, your life is your own. Your future is your own.

A group of friends get together for a late afternoon basketball game at the College Street basketball courts. (Photo by Kaydee Johnson)

Student Life

Builder Camp

Fierce freshman unite at Rock Springs 4-H Camp



Builder Camp takes freshmen in and spits them out into college life. Builder Camp 2007 was said to be the best one yet.

The freshman class of 2011 took off for a three-day and two-night extravaganza that they had no clue about. Nervous, excited, scared and homesick Builders were sent off to Rock Springs 4-H Ranch near Junction City.

"I got three things from Builder Camp. New friends, I learned more about SC and I got a sense of the school pride," said Chris Bossio, physical education freshman.

Some students felt that meeting new people was the best thing Builder Camp had to offer.

They also felt that it helped them deal with new friendships that will grow for the next three or four years.

Randal Chisamore, business administration freshman, said, "Builder Camp helped me get used to the new people that I am going to be around. Meeting these new people was the best part of Builder Camp."

On the other hand, other students enjoyed the competition and activities Builder Camp had to offer.

Randi Dierksen, nursing freshman, said, "My favorite part about Builder Camp was the Builder Olympics and the skit show on the last day."



Main Photo: Amelia Lutz, marine biology freshman, Amber Nubine, nursing freshman, Cole Hollis, biology freshman, Chase Bell, health freshman, and Tyrone Garrett, sports management freshman fight for a victory during Tug-O-War at Builder Camp. (Photo by Sarah Morton.)

Top: Kimberly Conelly, psychology freshman, gets pumped for another event. (Photo by Sarah Morton.)



Top middle: Kierra Shands, athletic training freshman, spins her way to the victory line. (Photo by Giovanni Garcia.)



Bottom middle: Katie Gomez, communication freshman, Kimberly Rousseau, marine biology freshman, Nicole Wilson, political science freshman, all get prepared to canoe for another competition. (Photo by Sarah Morton.)

Bottom: Nick McBeath, undecided freshman, represents the black squad with the team flag. (Photo by Giovanni Garcia.)



The freshman class of 2011 took Builder Camp to the next level. They left Builder Camp as one strong unit ready to join the SC family.

Brandon Brown, sports management freshman said, "The best part of Builder Camp was the bon fire when we were officially named Moundbuilders."

Jeremiah Roberts, music education freshman said, "Us getting together at Builder Camp was a symbolization of us being together for the years to come."

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Fall Frenzy

Year begins with a rockin' good time



It started with a BBQ for returning students it gave everyone a chance to mingle and see to meet new students and reconnect with old. everybody again."

Monday night was SC After Dark. There was Shawna Deloney, psychology sophomore, said music and entertainment to keep the celebration her favorite part of Fall Frenzy was "SC After going. On Wednesday, groups got together to Dark." She said, "It was a time where everybody paint their rocks. The next night included a could come out and relax, mingle, and listen to ceremony giving each group and individual a great music."

chance to add to the mound. "I enjoyed chillin' with my peers and eating snow cones because I wasn't worried about Rebecca Richmond, nursing junior, was a counselor at Builder Camp. She said, "My favorite class," said Tim Moore, computer science part would have to be Builder Camp for sure. I junior.

got to meet a lot of the incoming freshmen and Ellie Brewer, nursing freshman, said "I liked have a lot of fun being ridiculous. The most the mound ceremony because I think it's beneficial part to students was the BBQ because cool to recognize all of the sports teams and



Main Photo: Anna Macy, biology junior, concentrates on painting the Tri-Beta Rock. Macy is the secretary of the group. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Top: Laura Morgan, education junior, and Julie Wilke, elementary education junior, enjoy each other's company and ice cream at the Sunday Sundaes held in the Jinx. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



Top middle: Drew Logsdon, communication senior, places the men's cross country rock on the mound during the Moundbuilding Ceremony. The team won their 28th consecutive Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference this year. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



Middle bottom: Kate Murphy, business administration sophomore and Brooke Newcomer, computer science sophomore, enjoy last year's yearbook at the yearbook party in Christy Lobby. (Photo by April McCormick)

Bottom: Welcome back worship was held on the first day of class in Messenger. Many enjoyed the service and looked forward to the new year of chapel. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



organizations at the school."

Matt Perkins, business administration sophomore, said, "The BBQ was my favorite part because I love to eat and it was free."

Stacie Hinkel, nursing freshman, said "I liked painting the rocks because it was nice to meet and bond with people I didn't know."

Rachel Muth, history freshman, said, "I really liked SC After Dark because it was fun to see the campus at night and have live music and to see everyone there."

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Homecoming

Events on campus bring students together



Floats, tailgating, parades and bonfires. It was your traditional Homecoming week, and nothing short of ideal.

"I thought that Homecoming week was a lot of fun, and I thought the school did a good job of having activities that everyone could enjoy. It was a great senior Homecoming and something that I will always remember," said Tommy Castor, communication senior.

Monday kicked off Homecoming with the annual dodge ball competition, one of the students' favorites.

"I liked the dodge ball competition because it was entertaining to watch, and because of

everyone's energy level and competitiveness," said Bo Webster, business administration senior.

Tuesday followed with a Purple Storm at the volleyball game, where the Lady Builders took on Ottawa University. No. 5, Bethany Augustine, biochemistry senior, was grateful for the support the team received, despite the loss.

"It was awesome to see everyone out there. The fans were great. They are always so supportive, and it was nice to have everyone get into the game," said Augustine.

Tuesday also brought a new Homecoming



Main Photo: Builder teammates Damon Brown, senior linebacker, and Daniel Hawkins, senior defensive lineman, run through the tunnel of fans before the game against Friends University. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Top: Cheryl Davis, music education junior, enjoys hot cocoa and popcorn at the new event of movie and a blanket sponsored by Student Foundation on Thursday. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Top middle: Cordairo Hansen, business graduate student, swings a banana from his waist trying to move a tennis ball 15 yards to the finish line. Hansen finished strong for the Phi Delts. The fraternity placed second in the Olympics. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Bottom middle: Kaydee Johnson, business administration freshman, and Cassi Reimer, physics sophomore, dress as Alvin the Alligator and the Jinx for the Leadership float. Leadership decorated their float as a giant SC version of the board game, "Guess Who-the mystery face game." (Photo by Julie Wilke)

Bottom: Josh Plummer, business administration freshman, gets ready to hit an opponent during the dodge ball finals Wednesday night. Plummer played on the cheer team which earned second place in the tournament. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

activity, the movie and a blanket. Students bundled up under the stars on the soccer field with hot cocoa and popcorn to watch Hoosiers.

"It was amazing that night lying back and looking at the stars," said Madison Lumm, elementary education junior. "The stars, clouds, and moon all really added to the enjoyment of the film."

By Wednesday, Homecoming was in full swing, with Builder Floats, spirit billboards, the dodge ball finals, and the stomp competition.

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Homecoming

Traditions are classic for alumni and students



"My favorite night of Homecoming was the night of the stomp and dodge ball finals," said Rachael Locke, marketing senior. "It gets pretty competitive out there though. I also like to see all the different routines each team has come up with for the stomp competition."

Thursday brought an intense flag football game, putting the freshmen and juniors up against the sophomores and seniors. Offensive lineman Nate Jones, communication junior, thought the game was fun despite the competitiveness. "Even though my team lost this year, we will be back next year looking for some payback," said Jones.

Friday kept the spirit alive with the time-honored Builder Olympics and bonfire, complete with pizza and the basketball team's Moonlight Madness. "I always enjoy the bonfire because it is a momentous symbol of the Homecoming week. It pulls everyone together for one evening," said Kelli Bryant, chemistry and biology junior.

Finally, on Saturday, Southwestern held its parade in downtown Winfield. Organizations showed off their floats, the Homecoming royalty nominees smiled, and candy flew everywhere.

Builders also tailgated before Purple Storming



Main Photo: Lindsay Morgan, biology senior, stands out in the crowd at the football game. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Top: Polina Dyadyk, nursing freshman, rides a tricycle for Discipleship during the Stomp Dance competition. Discipleship placed third in the contest. (Photo by April McCormick)



Top middle: Christie Boote, elementary education junior, and Roger Klein, biochemistry junior, were crowned king and queen during the halftime ceremony. The attendants were Spencer Stofferna and Jamie McGuire. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Bottom middle: Members of the green team Shawna Deloney, psychology sophomore, and Kommanique Wallace, early childhood education senior, watch from the sidelines as their team competes in the flag football game and succeeds in a victory. (Photo by Kenna Corley)



Bottom: Jake Buskirk, digital arts sophomore, helps to pile pallets for the bonfire on Thursday night. (Photo by Kenna Corley)



both the football and soccer games.

"Homecoming is just good for everyone to hang out, see campus, and find out what's been going on," said Curtis Housholder, chemistry junior. "There's nothing I can say I would change about our Homecoming." And most students seem to agree with Housholder.

Jones said, "This year's Homecoming was really good. I enjoyed the dodgeball tourney and flag football, and I am looking forward to what next year's Homecoming will offer."

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SC Christmas

Builders gather to celebrate holiday season



The week before finals is full of Christmas events. The week began with coffee and karaoke night at College Hill Coffee. Other events included skate night and late night breakfast and bingo. The week ended with a tree lighting ceremony.

For the past three years, students have gathered around King Drive during the last week of classes to celebrate the Christmas season. Sixteen trees were donated for organizations and athletic teams to decorate. Student Foundation and Student Government Association helped fund the materials for the event. Students enjoyed

Christmas music played by the band, sipped hot chocolate, heard the famous, "The Night Before Christmas" story, and sang Christmas carols with the Outreach team by candle light.

Organizations and teams decorated trees. This year's winner was the Athletic Training students. For the second time SCATS won the contest.

"Establish a dynasty in the tree decorating event. My favorite part of SC Christmas was decorating the Christmas tree with my fellow SCATS members. It's an opportunity to bring us closer together as students and athletic



trainers. Keep the Christmas tradition alive in a politically correct world," said Tyler Lampert, athletic training junior.

Amanda Beadle, head athletic trainer, said her favorite part about SC Christmas was getting to sip on hot chocolate, listening to Jeremiah Roberts sing, and getting together with SC family and friends and celebrate Jesus' birth.

Andrew McGee, physical education senior, said, "I enjoy getting to decorate and have fellowship with my fellow classmates."

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Main Photo: Cody Davis, music education sophomore, Albert Ong, biology sophomore, Rebecca Richmond, nursing junior, and Andrea Schneider, physics junior, gather to sing carols for the tree lighting ceremony. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Top: Tanner McNinch, biology sophomore, tests his limbo skills during Skate Night at Interskate 77. (Photo by Darius Hopkins)



Top middle: Caitlynn French, theatre performance freshman, sings one her favorite songs during the College Hill Coffee Mixer and Karaoke Night. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Bottom middle: Blake Carter, broadcasting sophomore, gets excited for the number called during Late Night Breakfast and Bingo. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



Bottom: Phylcia Allen, marine biology junior, helps to decorate the Tri Beta Christmas tree for the tree lighting ceremony. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



On Stage

Around the World - Kansas to Italy



It took six weeks for the actors and actresses to prepare for this massive musical. A total of 24 performers, 43 staff members, 28 orchestra performers, and 65 technical crew members played a role in "Into the Woods."

The play was performed for three nights and was well attended by students and Winfield residents.

Emily Stephens, biology sophomore, said, "It pulled in a nice crowd every night."

There were a total of seven theatre productions last year; "10.10.2: Curing the Symptoms,"

"You Can't Take It with You," "Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By In America," "Eagerheart," "Small Packages," "Into the Woods," "Finnegan's Farewell," and "Other Acts of Consequence."

A group of student musicians took a trip to Italy on March 14 to March 24. The trip ended up costing \$2,750 for each student, the original price was \$2,500.

Sarah Frazier, liberal arts sophomore, said, "The highlight of the trip was singing in St. Mark's Basilica for mass on Easter Sunday."



Kyler Chase, theatre performance junior, said, "The highlight of the year for the music department was the opportunities that we were blessed with."

Cheryl Davis, music junior, said, "The highlight of the Italy trip was singing in the Baptiste in Pisa."

Jamie Garrard, music education junior, said, "The architecture and the music made me want to move to another country. It was just so beautiful."

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Main: Kyler Chase, theatre arts junior, Jamie Garrard, music education junior, Abby Bartel, secondary education and theatre arts sophomore, Cheryl Davis, music junior, and Elizabeth Higbee, theatre performance sophomore, are caught in action during the theatrical performance of "Into the Woods." This musical performance took place during the spring semester. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)



Top Right: Brooke Rowzee, theatre sophomore, played the role of Little Red Riding Hood in the theatrical performance of "Into the Woods." The play was performed in March in Richardson Auditorium. (Photo by Ashley Holloway)



Bottom Middle: Abram Rankin, theatre arts freshman, and Julie Miller, theatre performance freshman, are seen in the play "Nickel and Dime". The Drama by Joan Holden was performed Nov. 15, 16, and 17 in Richardson Auditorium. (Photo by April McCormick)



Bottom: Jeffrey Sadler, music senior, plays the keyboard for the choir performance, which he also sang with. He played the saxophone in the band during the trip to Italy. (Photo by Andrea Schneider)

Stau Bau

Classes battle during spring competition



It is now a tradition. Stau Bau has become one of the biggest events hosted by Student Foundation. It's the time where "Builder Pride" and class pride come to a climax in the school year. Freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors battle it out.

Kara Sparks, music education sophomore, said, "I was surprised because the seniors have won consistently. I'm glad I got to participate in the activities."

Stau Bau included Skate Night, Knowledge Bowl, Swim Challenge, Inflatables, Tug of

War and the Salsa Dance.

The seniors jumped off to an early lead during Stau Bau week with a win at Skate Night in the skate relay. The juniors won the swim relay with a close finish in the final leg. They also won knowledge bowl. The mighty seniors blasted their way through in the Tug of War. Their team included the entire defensive line and some linebackers from the football team.

Eric Parker, computer science junior, said, "As far as playing water polo it was fun, but just a little tiring."



Main photo: Lexy Teeter, biology sophomore, Stacie Hinkel, nursing, freshman dig their faces into a pudding pie filled with gummy worms for a class competition. Each class had to retrieve 15 gummy worms. (Photo by Kenna Corley)



Top: Matt Perkins, business administration sophomore and Kristi Glessner, elementary education sophomore, learned how to Salsa during the last evening of Stau Bau. A dance off competition ended the evening. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Top middle: David Lowell, business administration senior, dressed like a rodeo clown. While trying to stay on the mechanical bull. Four people from each class rode the bull to see who could stay on longer for class points. (Photo by Kenna Corley)



Bottom middle: Ty Hartfield, athletic training and sports management freshman, swims the length of the pool for the freshman class during the swim challenge. Each class had six people in the challenge and each individual had to wear a longed sleeved T-shirt while swimming. (Photo by Sarah Morton)

Bottom: Nicole Shidler, early childhood education senior, shows off her moves as she rounds the corner during skate night. A relay, four corners, and limbo were played during skate night for class points. (Photo by Sarah Morton)

Grant Taylor, business administration/finance senior, said, "Well I felt really good about our victory we were outnumbered by the other classes but we had a lot of strong guys in the senior class so we had to handle it."

For the salsa dance student foundation hired two dance instructors from Wichita to teach students basic steps for fun. The sophomores won the last man standing dance off that night to cap off a win for the entire battle for Stau Bau.



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Intramurals

Three activities offered during spring semester



Intramurals provides the opportunity for students to create their own teams and draft their own players to play sports that they normally don't play during their season. Basketball, volleyball and softball are the three intramural sports played during the spring semester. Because so few students signed up and timing, volleyball was only for one day.

Dan Falk, dean of students, said, "With the finals schedule and my schedule, volleyball only worked for one day. We only had about 25 people sign up and I had a week long signup

in campus life."

Basketball seems to get more teams and more people than any of the other two. Great teams like the "Intense Pink Tacos" and "Dirty Sanchez" have had winning seasons for years. This past year brought new winning teams such as "The Quitters."

Aric Cherry, communication junior, said, "We had a good season. I had a lot of fun. It was a good time for everybody. The Pink Tacos will be back next year in championship form." The Quitters ended up winning the entire tournament.



ment last year. Student Life steps it up every year to help improve basketball intramurals for the students.

Charles Wells, sports management junior, said, "I felt the turn out was better then last year. We really worked on getting the games to be played at better facilities. We really tried to give the intramural program a 'college feel' to it, such as the different types of gyms and the new digital scoreboard."

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Main Photo: Caitlin Goertzen, business freshman, Logan Wyrick, sports management junior, Nick Koch, history freshman, Kaycie Goff, biology sophomore, and Macklin Nusz, sports management sophomore, watch as a teammate takes a turn to the plate. All were members of the team, Red Rockets. (Photo by Sarah Morton)



Top: Drew Logsdon, communication senior, spikes the ball over the net during the one day intramural volleyball tournament in April. Logsdon was on the winning team which consisted of members of the outreach team, Selah. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)



Top middle: Cedric Riley, sports management senior, referees as Laura Fobes, nursing freshman, defends Morgan Stacy, chemistry freshman, in an intramural basketball game in January. (Photo by Kimberly Rousseau)

Bottom middle: Taylor Wolfe, business administration senior, gets a hit during the first intramural softball game of the season in April. (Photo by Sarah Morton)



Bottom: Eric Webb, physics senior, watches as Katie Baltzer, marine biology junior, bumps the ball to another teammate. Webb and Baltzer were both members of the winning Selah team. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)

Graduation

Future beckons as classes end



Not a storm cloud in sight with a cool breeze and the beautiful sun basking over the crowd's heads, the graduating class of 2008 marched onto the field of Sonner Stadium. There were unfamiliar faces walking with the on-campus students. Those were faces of students from the other branches.

The entire stadium was packed, with people sitting all the way out towards the entrance to the field. This could not have been any more perfect for the graduate's final day. As friends and family watched, graduates sat with their classmates thinking about the days ahead of

them and that piece of paper they were about to receive.

These were the last moments on campus for most of the graduating class. Some will return and others will go on to work in their field. Those moving on can only imagine what lies ahead as they remember their moments at Southwestern College and the education they received.

Cedric Riley, sports management senior, said, "I loved the fact that Winfield is diverse because of all the different places that come here: Texas, Oklahoma, Georgia, Mississippi, California, Florida, etc."



Main: Rachel Locke, business administration senior, and Paige Gaskill, business administration senior, hug after receiving their diplomas. The two took many classes together. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Top Right: Levi Moreland, sports management senior, celebrates during the processional. The graduates marched onto the football field for the ceremonies. (Photo by Kenna Corley)



Top Middle: Dr. Phil Schmidt, professor of history, receives the Charles H. and Verda R. Kopke Distinguished Teaching Award. The recipient is chosen by the president and dean of faculty in recognition of faculty for their service to the college (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Bottom Middle: Jennifer Merz, nursing senior, waves to the crowd. The graduates were asked to turn and thank their family and friends after the ceremony. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



Bottom: DH Hawkins, business administration senior, laughs and jokes with a classmate. The graduates enjoyed the afternoon's festivities. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



Grant Taylor, business administration/finance senior said, "What I learned is to stay focused on your goals and take advantage of any opportunities that may come your way."

Tommy Castor, communication senior, said, "I've learned more than anything that it is important to never close a door that may be opened for you. Even if you don't know where that door may take you, the opportunities that come are important enough that you shouldn't discount any of them."

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Residence Life



College campuses are little cities of their own, even small campuses like Southwestern. SC has its own streets, homes, gyms, restaurants and its own security. There is a distinct feel on campus.

Living on campus provides many advantages for students. Students can roll out of bed and get to class in a matter of minutes. Food is a short walk away up to the cafeteria. Friends are around on a regular basis, providing many spontaneous, spur-of-the-moment activities like tag football in the rain, late night talks or sledding on snow days.

Sheleah Taylor, director of student life said, "Seniors talk about why they stayed all four years, and it's because of the community we have in ourselves. They consider Southwestern a community. We build a foundation everyday and continue to build some type of foundation. It's something we are always working on."

Bethany Augustine, biochemistry senior, said, "I enjoy living on campus because I get to see all these people everyday that brighten my face and make me happy. It is a really good way to meet a lot of people and see different people outside of classes

that you wouldn't normally see."

Games and pranks are often a fun past time for students on campus. Tabatha McMullen, early childhood education junior said, "My friends and I play sardines and train wreck people. Being on campus is nice because you are around your closest friends all the time. You're never going to be able to do that the rest of your life. And somebody cooks for you!"

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(1) Rebecca Richmond, nursing junior, and Dallas Leonard, business junior, find a way to enjoy the August heat on the Warren lawn. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

(2) Jordan Jarnigan, nursing sophomore, Kate Murphy, business administration sophomore, and Jessica Warren, psychology sophomore, enjoy pizza and drinks at the welcome party for the new apartment director. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)

(3) Nicole Pierce, elementary education junior, cooks up a meal for her roommates in Warren. (Photo by Katie Johnson)

(4) Dustin Pickett, chemistry freshman, and Lance Williams, business graduate student, enjoy a snow day by playing football in front of Warren Apartments. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

(5) Farai Kwaramba, chemistry junior, gets prepared to tutor the Organic Chemistry II class. Kwaramba tutored every Thursday night for their weekly quiz on Friday. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

(6) Brandon Brown, sports management freshman, and Logan Wyrick, sports management junior, entertain themselves by playing Guitar Hero during an afternoon in Wallingford. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Winfield Hotspots

Home of the Walnut Valley Festival, Island Park, some beautiful scenery, and Rainbow Snow there are many things about Winfield, that students appreciate.

Colonel E.C. Manning purchased part of the Kansas Flint Hills from the Osage Native Americans in 1870 for "its general beauty, pure water, abundant wildlife and fertile river bottom soil".

Today, students are still taking advantage of the town's beauty. More recent establishments like the Winfield Recreation Commission, and events like Art in the Park keep students entertained.

Kelsey Reynolds, communication junior said, "Island Park is pretty neat. You have the playground. It has a little castle, and you can hide in different spots. You have a pond. I took my little sister to Island Park to feed the ducks. It was really fun. You could even have a picnic out there."

To help students cool down, warm up, or otherwise stay hydrated and happy, College Hill Coffee House and Rainbow Snow offer a variety of drinks the staff dreams up.

Giovanni Garcia, communications junior said, "Rainbow Snow is the best. It's a great place to go whenever it is hot and muggy and you need something cheap and cold."

Winfield also has many crooks and crannies. Every student has his or her favorites. But one thing they can all agree on is that the best thing about Winfield is the people.

"The people in the town of Winfield seem to be a lot friendlier than people in a lot of other cities. I like the small town feeling," said Reynolds.

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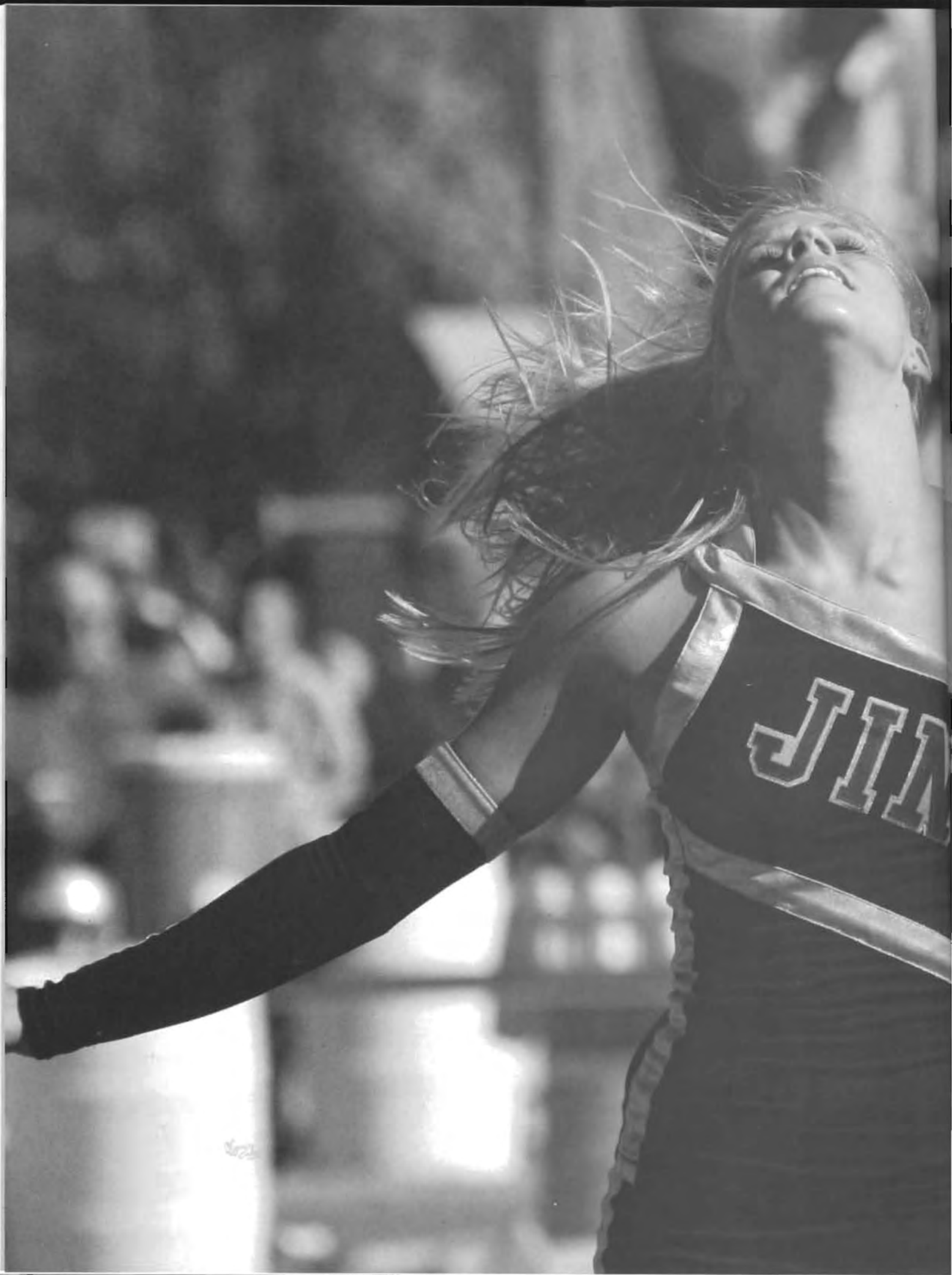


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- (1) Kassie Wendler, accounting senior, and Brae Johnson, specialized ministries graduate, work at College Hill Coffee. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)
- (2) A bluegrass enthusiast plays at the Walnut Valley Festival in September. Bluegrass fans come from miles around to enjoy the music and fanfare held at the Cowley County Fairgrounds. (Photo by Anthony Cook)
- (3) DJ Colvin, physical education freshman, and Chuck Wells, sports management junior, play a game of basketball at the courts on College Street behind the Winfield Recreation Center. (Photo by Kaydee Johnson)
- (4) Neives' Mexican Restaurant is a locally owned business where many students go for a well known chickenancho. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)
- (5) Elizabeth Hill, elementary education freshman, swings at Island Park. Island Park is a great place for students to wind down, to feed the birds, and to participate in local events such as Art in the Park. (Photo by Jessicka Blake)
- (6) Matt Hague, nursing senior, plays a game of shuffleboard at Da Barn. (Photo by Katie Allender)





courage

At Southwestern College we pride ourselves on more than just our strong history of great athletes and programs. We pride ourselves on our character and sportsmanship. Athletics at Southwestern is about more than just winning. It is about the courage it takes to face your opponents, to reach within yourself and find the strength to conquer your own self-doubts, and to come out a stronger person.

Lauren Pettey, business administration senior, dances at the Homecoming football game half-time show. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Athletics

Digging

Team survived season to focus on future

Imagine if you will—Stacie Hinkle, freshman middle hitter, standing anxiously before the volleyball team. In a very cramped and questionable Denver hotel room, the girls watch as she plunges an imaginary knife into her chest, and dramatically falls to the floor.

Team members shout, “murder,” and “death.” She rises quickly and energetically, and the once morbid shouts turn to “living” and “life.”

“No one would have ever guessed that about Stacie,” said Randi Dierksen, freshman middle hitter, as she shakes her head in disapproval.

“Do you get it?” Hinkle asks, “It was a very interesting charade...it was ‘I Will Survive.’”

This is an appropriate song and statement for the team. A simple game of charades was able to capture the essence of the team’s season.

This tournament was also where Caitlin Smith, sophomore setter and outside hitter, suffered a season ending injury.

Left: Bethany Augustine, senior libero, and Katy Rayburn, junior defensive specialist, cover Amanda Shofner, senior outside hitter, as she spikes the ball against Ottawa. The women fell to Ottawa in three games winning one. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Right: Stacie Hinkel, freshman middle hitter, spikes the ball over the net against Saint Mary. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

“Being injured was awful. I felt like I really let the team down for awhile, but I finally realized that it was out of my control,” said Smith.

In a season where the win and loss categories did not quite balance, the team’s outlook is positive. It is one of survival.

Hinkle said, “I think it was hard for coach, you know? It is the second losing season in a row. She is a cancer survivor, an amazing coach and person. She never gives up. She didn’t and she won’t ever lose faith in us.”

They survived the season and have begun to focus on what is to come.

“I love the fact that Coach is very committed and pushes us to get better. She taught Randi and I a lot this season,” said Hinkle.

Dierksen and Hinkle assumed very influential roles on the team.

“I was really scared at first, but we didn’t really have time to be scared. We had to jump right in,” said Dierksen.

Maybe next year as the impromptu

game of charades ensues Hinkle will draw “We are the Champions.” That would be interesting to watch acted out.

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Scoreboard

vs. Stephens College	2-3	L
vs. Avila College	0-3	L
vs. Central Christian	2-3	L
vs. Bacone College	3-0	W
vs. Bethany	0-3	L
@ Johnson & Wales	3-2	W
@ Johnson & Wales	0-3	L
vs. Bethel	0-3	L
vs. Ottawa	0-3	L
@ Central Christian	2-3	L
vs. Saint Mary	0-3	L
@ Sterling	1-3	L
@ Kansas Wesleyan	0-3	L
vs. McPherson	1-3	L
@ Friends	0-3	L
vs. Tabor	0-3	L
@ Bethany	0-3	L
vs. Bethel	0-3	L
vs. Ottawa	1-3	L
vs. Johnson & Wales	1-3	L
@ Saint Mary	1-3	L
vs. Mid America Nazarene	1-3	L
vs. Saint Ambrose	0-3	L
vs. Sterling	0-3	L
vs. Kansas Wesleyan	1-3	L
@ McPherson	0-3	L
vs. Friends	0-3	L
@ Tabor	0-3	L

Record 2-26





Left: Krystal Cole, senior outside hitter, jumps to tip the ball over the net against Tabor College. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Top: Caitlin Smith, sophomore setter, takes her turn serving in the match against Bethany College. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Middle: Krystal Cole, senior outside hitter, goes up for a kill against Friends University. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Bottom: Randi Dierksen, freshman middle hitter, sets up a shot for teammate Caitlin Smith, sophomore setter, during the Bethany game. Also pictured is Krystal Cole, senior outside hitter. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Running

After a winning season, team falls short at nationals

They were hoping to have their best race at the biggest race of the year.

They didn't.

The men's cross country team finished 28th out of 28 teams at the NAIA National Championships.

Jim Helmer, head cross country coach, said he wasn't going to let that damper the team's spirit.

"It's just very difficult to get to nationals. The quality of the field has gotten so much better. We hoped to beat some teams, and that didn't happen. That was disappointing," Helmer said.

"But I'm not going to let that put a shadow over the outstanding season that we had. It was a remarkable season," Helmer said.

The men and women's cross country teams finished first at the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference Championships Oct. 27 at the Marion Reservoir.

It was the third consecutive title for the women and the 28th consecutive title for the men's team.

Nine of the 10 women's runners recorded a personal best time.

From there, the teams competed in the NAIA Region IV Championships Nov. 3 in Omaha, Neb. The men beat rival Park University by 48 points and finished in first place.

"We had a great region meet. That was by far the best race of the season. Things really came together. Park didn't come at us like I expected them too," said Helmer.

Helmer said the men's team dominated the race. "Our guys just took control of the race and won easily."

The women's team finished second at the Region IV Championships, so they did not qualify for nationals. Two runners, Audry Anderson, psychology senior, and Ericka Franklin, biology junior, qualified as individuals to the national meet.

Franklin finished 61st with a time of 18:50.8. Anderson finished 172nd out of 268 runners.

Helmer said the level of competition was simply too much for the men's team to handle at nationals.

"I'm not thrilled because we didn't run like I thought we were ready to run and were capable of running. But

that's going to happen in a national meet," Helmer said.

There were only two seniors on the men's team and one senior on the women's team.

Helmer said he's excited about the youth of the program.

"The foundation is there. We're just going to try to get back to the national championships and beat some teams once we get there," Helmer said.

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Scoreboard

@ Wichita state classic

Men fourth, Women third

@ Friends Invitational

Men second, Women fourth

@ Missouri southern stampede

Men 20th, Women 23rd

@ Oklahoma state cowboy jamboree

Men seventh, Women 11th

@ Mcpherson Invitational

Men first, Women firstst

@ Southwestern NAIA Mid-states Classic

Men eighth, Women 11th

@ KCAC Championships @ Tabor

Men's first, Women first

@ NAIA Region IV @ Omaha Neb.

Men first, Women second

@ NAIA Cross Country Championship

Men 28th place

Left: Taggart Wall, philosophy/religion freshman, ran hard at Missouri Southern Stampede. Wall finished in 29:54.00 for 294th place out of 337 runners. The men's team finished 20th out of 36 teams. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Right: Courtney Ross, psychology junior strides ahead of the competition at the Missouri Southern Stampede. Ross finished 166th out of 302 runners with a time of 20:18.00. The women placed 23rd out of 37 teams. (Photos by Corinna Keeling)





Left: Daniel Joiner business education senior, runs in the NAIA Mid-States Classic. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Top: Kate Topham, biology junior, passed her opponent to move up in the pack to finish with a time of 20:33.00 at Missouri Southern Stampede. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Middle: Aric Cherry, communication junior, and Jess Eberle, biology junior, move ahead of the pack at the NAIA Mid-States Classic. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Bottom: Amy Pierson, nursing freshman, pushed herself to finish with a time of 20:56.00 at Missouri Southern Stampede. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Kicking

Tough conference made for tough season

It was a tough year for the soccer teams, but both teams have strong leadership returning for next year's season.

The men's soccer team finished the season in seventh place in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference with a 2-6-1 conference record and a 5-11-1 overall record.

"We played close in our conference. It's been really strong this year," said Roberto Dos Santos, men's head soccer coach.

The team suffered two losses in the second overtime. Mid-America Christian College beat the Moundbuilders 3-2 Sept. 13. Sterling College beat the Moundbuilders 3-2 Sept. 26.

"Those are losses we certainly shouldn't have had," Dos Santos said.

Despite the conference record, Dos Santos said the team was strong in several areas. They had depth and youth.

"All the newcomers complimented the team. The huge young class that came in helped us right away."

The women's soccer team finished the season in eighth place in the KCAC

with a 2-4-3 conference record and a 6-8-3 overall record.

The team had a non-conference record of 4-4.

"I think we had a rough season. We had our ups and downs," said Kayla Summers, sophomore defender. "We all came together in the end. It just prepared us for next season."

Wood said the Sept. 19 and Sept. 22 games, against Kansas Wesleyan and Rogers State, were key losses.

"They had a big impact on the season. We lost. There weren't any excuses at all for our performance."

The team bounced back to beat Bethany College 7-0 Sept. 29.

"The girls showed their true strength and character to bounce back from those two losses," Wood said.

The team is looking forward to next season. There were no seniors on this year's roster.

"There's nowhere to go but up," Wood said. "I have six seniors next year. They'll play a significant role in how we do."

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Men's Scoreboard

@ Manhattan Christian College	2-0	L
vs. Oklahoma Wesleyan University	4-2	L
vs. Hendrix College	1-0	W
vs. Central Baptist College	2-1	L
@ Bacone	4-1	W
vs. Mid America Christian	3-2 (2OT)	L
@ Central Christian College	1-0	W
@ Kansas Wesleyan	5-0	L
@ Rogers State	4-1	L
vs. Sterling	3-2 (2OT)	L
vs. Bethany	7-0	W
@ Tabor	3-1	L
vs. Saint Mary	1-0	W
vs. McPherson	3-1	L
@ Bethel	4-1	L
@ Ottawa	2-2	Tie
vs. Friends	3-0	L

Record 5-11-1

Women's Scoreboard

@ Manhattan Christian College	2-1	W
vs. Oklahoma Wesleyan University	4-2	L
vs. Hendrix College	4-0	L
vs. Central Baptist College	2-0	W
@ Bacone	2-1 (2OT)	L
vs. Mid America Christian	4-1	L
@ Central Christian College	1-0	W
@ Kansas Wesleyan	5-0	L
@ Rogers State	8-0	L
vs. Sterling	2-1	W
vs. Bethany	2-0	L
@ Tabor	6-1	W
vs. Saint Mary	0-0 (2OT)	Tie
vs. McPherson	3-0	L
@ Bethel	3-1	W
@ Ottawa	1-1	Tie
vs. Friends	0-0 (2OT)	Tie

Record 6-8-3

Left: Blake Morgan, junior midfielder, vies for position against a Central Baptist defender. (Photo by April McCormick)

Right: Kayla Summers, sophomore sweeper, middlefielder/stopper and Shannon Varney, junior sweeper, work to pass the ball up field while playing Friends. "I think this season had a lot of ups and downs, from wins to losses, laughs to tears, and from Gatorade to chocolate cake," said Varney. (Photo by Diane Dixon)





Above: Stacy Harkness, freshman forward, dribbles past Friends defenders up field. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Left: Jamie Harkness, freshman defender, boots the ball down field toward a teammate in scoring position. Harkness and Stacy, her twin sister, have both been playing soccer for 15 years. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Right: Shane Neises, junior striker, dribbles the ball into position to make a pass up field. (Photo by April McCormick)

Spirit

Newcomers to squads have fun facing challenge

Attending dance camp before the school year was both a highlight and a different experience for the dance team. They went to Kansas State University in Manhattan and saw a number of teams perform at camp.

"It was very eye opening. You had teams that had 25 to 40 girls on the team. And they're all incredible," said Susan Camp, dance team instructor. "I think the girls felt intimidated, but I think they saw the bigger picture. It was an incredible bonding experience."

This is Camp's second year as head coach. The team started out with 11 members and ended the year with nine. During performances Camp said they focus mostly on pom-pom style, jazz style and hip-hop style dancing.

"It's not a huge time commitment, but there's a huge dedication that goes along with it," said Camp.

The team usually practiced two or three nights a week.

Taylor Aldridge, early childhood education sophomore, said, "Looking back I will remember all the late nights of practices and all the performances

and my busy, busy schedule. Most of all I'll remember the girls that I came close to. We get along so well and that's what makes it so much fun and enjoyable."

"It lets me just let loose and just have fun. Dance is my love," said Aldridge.

She added that dancing took her mind off of the stresses of everyday life.

"Every time I go to practice, it helps me not think about soccer or school or whatever else is on my mind and just dance. It's like my own therapy agent," Aldridge said.

The cheerleading squad worked with a new head coach, Jimmie Topper, during the 2007-08 season. The team also received new uniforms and a new outlook on the sport.

A more rigorous practice schedule was put in place this year, and the cheerleaders ran a mile before each practice. They also did tumbling stunts, something the cheerleaders say they enjoy at games.

"My favorite part is hearing the crowd's surprised voices and seeing

their faces when we do a hard stunt," said Krystal Cole, communications senior. "Also, starting cheers on the sidelines and getting the crowd involved in supporting our teams."

The cheerleading squad started the year off with 11 cheerleaders, with seven women and one man. They ended the year with five cheerleaders.

"We are still working just as hard as we did at the beginning of the year," said Alissa Sheppard, communications freshman.

The cheerleaders were at all of the home football games and most of the home basketball games. Several cheerleaders said that was their favorite aspect of the year.

"The memories were great," Cole said. "Late night practices and laughing and being able to travel with the squad and cheer at away games were my favorite part."

Sheppard added, "I have always loved to be in front of a big crowd to rally on my school."

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Left: Lauren Pettey, business administration senior, dances at the Homecoming halftime show. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Right: Alissa Sheppard, communication freshman, and Cordairo Hansen, business administration graduate, cheer on the football teams while playing against Friends. (Photo by Diane Dixon)





Above: Cassidy Reimer, math sophomore, and Heather McFall, education sophomore, perform during halftime at the Homecoming game. (Photo by April McCormick)



Left: Leah Rankin, specialized ministry graduate, Bonnie Franz, elementary education freshman, Andrea Ferguson, accounting junior, and Brooke Newcomer, computer science junior, dance at Builderfest. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



Right: Peggy Williams, communication sophomore, cheers on the football team during a football game. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Rebuilding

New coach brought new outlook

It was a season of rebuilding and starting fresh. It was not all that they had hoped it would be, but it was a productive season of learning and foundation building.

"We felt like we continued to get better throughout the season, which one of our major goals. We sure would have liked to win more, but feel we have built a good foundation for the future," said Ken Crandall, head coach.

In Crandall's first season there was a lot of hype surrounding the Builders, with many fresh faces on both the coaching staff as well as recruits.

Big changes were expected for the Builders, and in fact the win-loss categories were more balanced than they have been for years. They finished the year at 4-6.

Jesse Lyons, junior quarterback, said, "Personally Coach has taught me things that I didn't know, things that I really needed to know, especially being a quarterback in college."

Fighting through close losses and injuries, the players spoke of how fun

the season was, and how they became much closer than in years past.

They attributed this to the new coach and fresh start they had been given.

"The teams' biggest strength was that we became a team. In the past we were split and didn't really have the family relationship that we have now. We knew offensively that if we made a mistake and put the defense in a bad situation that they would bail us out," said Lyons.

Underclassmen on the team believe in the future of the program and have a strong appreciation for the senior's guidance through the rebuilding process.

"I will remember the seniors more than anything else. I wish I could just thank them for helping us buy in to changing this program around," said Michael Coppock, sophomore running back.

"I think the most memorable part of this season would have to be the seniors. They really took hold of what we were teaching and did a great job

relaying that to the younger players. It is very hard getting a new coach your senior year, but these young men gave us everything they had week in and week out," said Crandall.

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Scores

@ Saint Mary	12-7	W
vs. Northwestern Okla. State	34-0	L
vs. McPherson	34-21	W
@ Kansas Wesleyan	44-14	L
@ Bethel	41-0	L
vs. Sterling	42-12	L
vs. Friends	17-9	L
@ Tabor	26-20	W
vs. Ottawa	28-14	W
vs. Bethany	36-14	L

Record 4-6

All-KCAC Honors

First Team Defense
Oscar Guerrero (LB)
Second Team Offense
Brandon Jackson (FB)
Second Team Defense
Daniel Hawkins (DL)
Honorable Mentions
Michael Coppock (RB)
Chris Bolander (FB)
Ryan Molz (WR)
Logan Wyrick (TE)
Amos Dailey (OL)
Tony Hanson (LB)
Damon Brown (LB)
Blake Ridgway (DL)
Grant Taylor (DL)
Davion Mitchell (WR)

Left: Jess Maddox, sophomore line-backer, blocks the opponent. (Photo by April McCormick)

Right: Davion Mitchell, senior wide receiver, runs past a Friends' defender. (Photo by Diane Dixon)



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Above: Logan Wyrick, sophomore tight end, runs for a Builder touchdown against Friends during homecoming. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Left: Jesse Lyons, junior quarterback, looks to pass as he scrambles out of the pocket. (Photo by April McCormick)

Right: David Lowell, senior tight end, prepares to block for Brendt Winn, junior running back. (Photo by April McCormick)

Serving

Petty named First Team All-Conference

Post-tournament play started strong for the women's tennis team, as they beat Kansas Wesleyan University 8-1 in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference quarterfinals match April 22.

Southwestern won every match but one. Lauren Petty and Madison Lumm won in No. 1 doubles 8-1. Mehvash Shahzada and Molly Kearns won No. 2 doubles 8-1 and Lindsay Morgan and Lacey Hibbs won No. 3 doubles 8-0.

Kansas Wesleyan beat Southwestern in No. 1 singles, but the Moundbuilders won every other singles match. It was the second win over KW in the spring.

The Moundbuilders advanced to the KCAC semi-finals, where they lost to Bethel 5-2 April 25 in Newton.

Shahzada and Kearns won in No. 2 doubles 8-4. Morgan and Hibbs won in No. 3 doubles 8-5.

The women's tennis team then beat Tabor College 5-0 for third place in the KCAC tournament. The win qualified them for the NAIA Region IV tournament in Wichita May 2.

"The SC-Bethel match was a hard-fought match. I was completely sur-

prised when the No. 2 doubles team of Shahzada and Kearns won 8-4 and the No. 3 doubles team of Morgan and Hibbs won 8-5," John Paulin, head tennis coach, said.

Both doubles teams lost to Bethel the week earlier. "To be leading Bethel 2-1 after doubles was pretty exciting," Paulin said.

Southwestern was 13-7 overall and 6-4 in KCAC competition.

The men's tennis team's season ended with a 9-0 loss to Tabor College in a KCAC quarterfinal match.

The men's team finished fifth place in the KCAC. They had a 4-9 record and 2-4 in the KCAC.

"We were a very young team. We had four freshmen, one sophomore, and one junior on the squad," said Paulin.

He added the team is looking forward to next year. The young team has more experience after this year.

"We should look forward to better things next year," said Paulin.

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KCAC All-Conference Women's Tennis

First team
Lauren Petty

NAIA All-America Scholar-Athlete Intercollegiate Tennis Association Scholar-Athlete

Lindsay Morgan
Lauren Petty
Madison Lumm
Kourtney McLeland
Julie Wilke

KCAC Academic All-Conference

Lindsay Morgan
Lauren Petty
Madison Lumm
Kourtney McLeland
Julie Wilke
Mehvash Shahzada
Molly Kearns

NAIA All-America Academic Team ITA All-Academic Team

Southwestern College
Lauren Petty
Madison Lumm
Mehvash Shahzada
Kelsey Reynolds
Molly Kearns
Kourtney McLeland
Lindsay Morgan
Julie Wilke
Lacey Hibbs

NAIA All-America Scholar-Athlete Intercollegiate Tennis Association Scholar-Athlete

Mathew Hanson
Lancelot Williams

Left: Jason Jeschke, sports management junior, returns the ball during practice. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Right: Kelsey Reynolds, communication junior, gave a great effort in the game against Bethany College. The final score was 7-2 Bethany. (Photo by Andrea Schneider)





Above: Molly Kearns, elementary education sophomore, blocks the ball and sends it to her opponent. (Photo by Andrea Schneider)

Left: Lancelot Williams, business administration graduate, serves the ball to a teammate during practice. The next day they played against Tabor College losing 9-0. (Photo by Darius Hopkins)

Right: Lauren Pettey, business administration senior, returns the ball. The women's team was eliminated during the semi-finals of the KCAC tournament. (Photo by Andrea Schneider)

Driving

Golf competes at national championships

From start to finish, the golf teams continued the tradition of success. The men's team won several tournaments throughout the season. The highlights including winning the conference and NAIA Region IV championships which qualified them for the national championships in Indiana. The Moundbuilders finished eighth in the national tournament.

Not only was the team successful, but individuals stood out as well. Kenneth Wright, business sophomore, shot a 293 to finish in a seven-way tie for 10th. Tyler Lytton, business senior, shot a 298 to finish in a four-way tie for 30th. Andrew Manley, business junior, shot a 300 to finish in a four-way tie for 35th. Jared Paul, business sophomore, shot a 310 and Patrick Fulton, business senior, shot a 311 in the championships.

Four of the six players tied for first at the conference championships. Wright said, "We began to click at the right moment and had a great end to the season."

The women's team also did well throughout the season. Although

the team seemed to start out slow, improvement was seen throughout the season. Kaydee Johnson, business sophomore, said, "We improved a lot over the season but there was a lot of pressure at the end to make it to nationals like we had done before."

Although the women did not qualify for nationals as a team, Blair Koehn, business junior, finished first at regionals which qualified her for the NAIA national golf meet. Koehn finished with a 325 and tied for 27th place at the women's national championships in Lake San Marcos, Calif.

Koehn said, "As a team we would play well one tournament and then struggle the next. One of the tournaments that the team struggled on this year happened to be regionals and that cost the team a berth to nationals. This season was also an up-and-down experience for me. I had a couple of good tournaments, winning two tournaments in the spring and earning an individual spot at nationals."

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Men's Results

Ottawa	2nd
Southwestern	2nd
Berry	12th
Oklahoma Christian	12th
Fort Smith, Arkansas	2nd
Texas Wesleyan	6th
Southwestern	1st
Bethel	1st
Oklahoma Baptist	3rd
KCAC Championship	1st
NAIA Championship	8th

Results at NAIA Championship

Kenneth Wright	T-10th
Tyler Lytton	T-30th
Andrew Manley	T-35th
Jared Paul	T-36th
Patrick Fulton	T-69th

Women's Results

Southern Nazarene	11th
Oklahoma City	7th
Southwestern	1st
Northwood	9th
Oklahoma Baptist	5th
Park University	2nd

Results at NAIA Championship

Blair Koehn	T-27th
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Left: Westin Weeast, business administration junior, practices his swing during practice. The team practiced at Quail Ridge Golf Course. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Right: Rachel Locke, business administration senior, drives the ball down the freeway at Stonebridge Golf Course. (Photo by Kaydee Johnson)





Above: Blair Koehn, business administration junior, practices at Quail Ridge Golf Course. Southwestern also held golf tournaments at the course. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Left: Jared Paul, business administration sophomore, practices putting at Quail Ridge. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Right: Amy Kellner, business administration senior, moves the ball up the fairway during a tournament. The team competed at the Stonebridge Invitational in Berry, Ga. in October. (Photo by Kaydee Johnson)

Slamming

Big wins and key losses make season interesting

There is a score that will always stand out.

"I can't seem to forget about 103-78," said Tim Moore, junior forward.

That was the score in the semi-final loss against Ottawa University March 1 that ended the team's chance of making the national tournament.

The Moundbuilders finished the season 18-12 and 12-6 in the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference.

"The last couple of years there's been two or three teams at the top," said Doug Hall, head men's basketball coach. "This year, there wasn't that much separation in the competitiveness between the team that finished eighth and the team that finished second."

Alwyn Jordan, junior guard, said the competition was tough. "Any given team could beat you any night. Some games we were in control and other games we just let them get out of hand. We lost composure and lost those games."

Southwestern lost three games by one point. They were to Tabor College, Kansas Wesleyan University, and Mid-America Christian University.

"We just came up a little short in the league," said Hall.

Moore said, "In the games we lost, we never felt like the other team was better than us. We just made one too many mistakes during key moments."

But there were good aspects of the season.

Sheldon Brown, sophomore guard, hit two game-winning three-point baskets, including one in the KCAC first-round tournament. The team also beat two NAIA Division I teams in non-conference play.

Southwestern's record put them in a three-way tie for second place at the end of the season with Friends University and Kansas Wesleyan University.

Hall said some teams would be pleased with winning 18 games and finishing second in conference action.

But Southwestern wasn't.

"We were right there but we could not seem to get over the hump and live up to our expectations," said Moore.

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Men's Basketball

vs. Univ. of Science and Arts of Oklahoma	71-47 L
@ Manhattan Christian College	108-58 W
@ Mid America Christian	74-75 L
vs. Southwestern Assem. of God Univ.	83-52 W
vs. Central Christian College	80-60 W
@ Southwestern Christian University	82-88 L
vs. Langston University	84-69 W
vs. Friends	84-59 W
@ Ottawa	83-88 L
vs. Kansas Wesleyan	63-64 L
@ Hastings college	62-82 L
@ Arkansas Tech University	58-93 L
@ Pittsburg State University	93-58 W
vs. Texas Wesleyan University	62-60 W
@ Oklahoma Wesleyan University	66-72 L
vs. Bethel	69-55 W
@ Sterling	70-64 W
vs. Tabor	76-58 W
vs. Bethany	57-51 W
@ McPherson	62-60 W
@ Saint Mary	84-73 W
@ Friends	42-54 L
@ Kansas Wesleyan	55-70 L
vs. Ottawa	63-84 L
@ Bethel	75-68 W
vs. Sterling	48-46 W
@ Tabor	57-58 L
@ Bethany	80-65 W
vs. McPherson	63-54 W
vs. Saint Mary	59-56 W
vs. Sterling (KCAC Quarterfinal)	59-56 W
@ Ottawa (KCAC Semifinal)	103-78 L

Record 18-12

All-KCAC First Team
Alwyn Jordan
All-KCAC Honorable Mention
Justin Diggles

Left: Alwyn Jordan, sports management junior, drives to the basket for a layup against a McPherson defender. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Right: Jarrett Tyler, physical education junior, and Mike Sanchez, business graduate, look on as Justin Diggles, sports management junior, lifts Sheldon Brown, business management sophomore after he made a buzzer beating 3-point basket against Sterling in the KCAC Tournament. (Photo by Kenna Corley)





Above: David King, computer science sophomore, hangs from the rim after dunking the ball in the first half against McPherson. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Left: Trey Merrifield, undeclared junior, attempts to drive to the basket against a Sterling defender in a KCAC quarterfinals game. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Right: Cedrick Riley, sports management senior, releases a reverse layup in the first half against Ottawa. Teamates, Alwyn Jordan, sports management junior, and Trey Merrifield, undeclared junior, prepare to rebound. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

One goal

Team makes appearance in national tournament

Emotion worked as a great motivator this year the team had an outstanding season finishing in KCAC 14-4, and overall 23-9, and they made a trip to the national tournament in Iowa.

Dave Denly, head women's basketball coach, said the team had a unique bond this season. "The closeness of our senior class was a definite difference than other teams I have coached. I will miss their leadership, honesty and their dedication to each other and to this program and the staff. It is hard to get six people to be as dedicated and hard working as this class has been over the course of four years."

The definitive moment of the season was the win over Sterling at Sterling. It was the Lady Moundbuilders' first win over Sterling in 26 years.

"The way the game ended, and being able to finally get the win at Sterling, allowing this senior class the opportunity to end the streak and to be able to say that they have accomplished something that no other class at SC was able to do for a long time," said Denly.

Caylin Larsen, nursing senior, said,

"The win at Sterling was a great experience."

Kinsey Colclasure, business administration senior, said, "We're a family. We fight, we love each other, we're there for each other. We're with each other all the time. It's like having a bunch of sisters. There's a lot of emotion that goes into this team."

Though the season ended with an unfortunate first round loss in the national tournament, the unique bond of this team, their unyielding perseverance and their accomplishments will not be left behind.

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First Team All-KCAC
Kara Beal
Jenna Wilson
Tylar Hartfield

All-Defensive Team
Jenna Wilson

All-Freshman Team
Tylar Hartfield

All-KCAC Honorable Mention
Tylar Hartfield

Women's Basketball

@ Manhattan Christian	65-50	W
vs. SW Assemblies of God Univ.	78-47	W
vs. Univ. of Science and Arts	75-67	L
@ Mid-America Christian Univ.	65-55	W
@ Fort Hays State	61-53	L
@ Washburn	75-44	L
vs. Manhattan Christian	96-41	W
@ Baker	65-59	W
vs. Friends	56-53	L
@ Ottawa	52-44	W
vs. Kansas Wesleyan	72-71 (2OT)	W
@ Savannah College of A&D	67-55	L
@ College of Mt. St. Joseph	69-56	W
@ Hastings College	92-41	L
@ Oklahoma Wesleyan	85-59	W
vs. Bethel	66-58	W
@ Sterling	53-51	W
vs. Tabor	72-66	W
vs. Bethany	55-42	W
@ McPherson	67-65	W
@ Saint Mary	70-57	W
@ Friends	67-53	L
@ Kansas Wesleyan	72-55	W
vs. Ottawa	75-33	W
vs. Bethel	82-76 (2OT)	W
vs. Sterling	68-61	L
@ Tabor	60-58	L
@ Bethany	87-75	W
vs. McPherson	62-56	W
vs. Saint Mary	74-54	W
vs. Bethel (KCAC Quarterfinal)	78-61	W
vs. McPherson (KCAC Semifinal)	81-65	L
@ Sterling (Championship)	64-60	L
NAIA National Tournament		
vs. Davenport, Mich.	76-66	L

Record 23-9, 14-4

Left: Kara Beal, senior guard, plays against Southwest Assemblies of God University Nov. 9. Southwestern won 78-47. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Right: Courtney Gandy, senior forward, plays in the NAIA national tournament in Sioux City, Iowa. Southwestern lost 76-66 to Davenport, Mich. March 12. (Photo by Monica Springer)





Above: Bailey Silvers, freshman forward, plays in the KCAC championship game March 3 in Sterling. Southwestern lost 64-60 to the Warriors. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Left: Hayley Harvey, senior guard, plays against a Southwest Assemblies of God University defender. The Moundbuilders finished the season 23-9 overall. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Right: Jenna Wilson, senior forward, looks for an open shot against Bethel College March 27. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Success

Teams take conference championships again

A group of strong seniors contributed to a strong season for the track teams.

"Those guys have worked hard and have made huge contributions to our team," said Jim Helmer, head men's track coach. "It means we've got to figure out how to replace them when they graduate. But I try not to worry about that too much and just enjoy the moment. It's a really outstanding group."

Audry Anderson, psychology senior, qualified for three different events for national outdoor track meet in the marathon, 5,000 and 10,000 meter races. Anderson finished fifth in the nation in the marathon with a 3:05.14.

Kate Topham, biology junior, finished 17th in the same race.

Ericka Franklin, biology junior, placed sixth in the 3000 meter steeplechase.

Sarah Morton, digital arts senior, qualified for nationals early in the season in the triple jump. Morton finished No. 26 with a 10.77 m. jump.

Eva Sanders, business administration

junior, said, "We have an outstanding senior class. They are inspirational and competitive. They held a high standard for all of us."

Brandon Hessing, sports management senior, jumped 14.82 meters to finish second in the nation in men's triple jump.

Weather affected the team's outdoor season. "It was really good a couple of times and really bad two or three times," said Helmer. "It's been hit and miss."

Mike Kirkland, head women's track coach, said the teams have an ability to adapt to whatever conditions they encounter.

"Weather hasn't necessarily been on our side. They adapt very well, which I think is a great characteristic of our team," said Kirkland.

The men's team won the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference Meet for the 26th year in a row while the women took the conference meet for the 16th year in a row.

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Men's Team

Southwestern Invitational	First
Cowley Tiger Invitational	Second
Friends Invitational	NS
K.T. Woodman Classic	NS
Ku Relays	NS
Southwestern Relays	First
KCAC Championship	First
NAIA Championship	35th

NAIA Championship Results

Brandon Hessing in triple jump	Second
Andrew Topham in 10,000 m run	10th

Women's Team

Southwestern Invitational	Second
Cowley Tiger Invitational	Third
Friends Invitational	NS
K.T. Woodman Classic	NS
KU Relays	NS
Southwestern Relays	NS
KCAC Championship	First
NAIA Championship	34th

NAIA Championship Results

Audry Anderson in marathon	Fifth
Kate Topham in marathon	17th
Ericka Franklin in 3,000 m steeplechase	Sixth

NS = No Overall Team Score

NAIA All-Americans

Brandon Hessing in triple jump
Audry Anderson in marathon
Ericka Franklin in 3,000 m steeplechase

Left: Jimmy Bryant, business administration sophomore, runs his leg in the distance medley relay at the KU Relays. Bryant's team came in sixth over all.

Right: Courtney Ross, psychology junior, hands the baton to teammate Jordan Unruh, biology freshman, to finish third in the 4x400 relay at Southwestern Invitational. (Photos by Sarah Morton)





Left: Charles Wells, sports management junior, runs the 200 meters. Wells finished seventh with a time of 22.8 seconds at the Southwestern Invitational.

Top: Ericka Franklin, biology junior, Audry Anderson, business administration senior, and Brae Johnson, ministries graduate, run the 3000 meter steeplechase at the KCAC championship meet at Friends University. Franklin finished first, Anderson second, and Johnson third.

Middle: Cordairo Hansen, business administration graduate, long jumps at the Southwestern Invitational.

Bottom: Kari Roth, psychology junior, competes in the 100 meter hurdles at the KCAC Championships at Friends University. Roth finished third. (Photos by Sarah Morton)

Catching

Young team will have strong returning members

The season ended in the first round of the Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament with an 8-1 loss to Ottawa University.

The season was more successful than the previous.

"Overall we had a great group of young ladies," said Amber Good, head softball coach. "I'm very proud of the way they came out to compete day in and day out."

Southwestern finished in fifth place in the KCAC with a 10-23 overall record and a 6-10 conference record.

In the loss that ended their season, the Moundbuilders got one run in the first inning, but Ottawa had six runs in the third and two in the sixth to advance in the tournament. Kayla Tibbs, junior pitcher, took the loss for Southwestern.

Ottawa finished ahead of Southwestern in fourth place in the KCAC regular season with an 11-5 record. The Braves were 30-16 overall.

Key wins against McPherson College April 16 allowed the Moundbuilders

to move up to fourth place in conference.

Key losses were against Ottawa University and Friends University. "We needed to win those games so we could get a better seed in the tournament," said Anna Pruitt, freshman pitcher/infielder.

The young team had one senior on the roster, Kristin McCart, infielder.

"She has been a great asset to this program and will be missed," said Good. "We were fortunate to get some great leadership from her."

The lone senior means the team will have a strong returning core back for the 2009 season.

"I'm excited about what they will be able to accomplish," said Good.

Leigha Foley, junior infielder, said in her three years playing softball this year was her best and favorite season. "The team had a lot of talent and team unity. That was a strength," she said.

Four members of the team earned All-KCAC honors. All-KCAC First Team: Kristin McCart, third base and Michelle Dreiling, catcher. Second team: Nicole

Wilson, second base. Honorable mention: Whitney Baker, first base.

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@ McPherson Tourn. vs Avila	3-11	W
@ McPherson Tourn vs. Graceland	3-15	L
@ McPherson Tourn. vs. Avila	2-3	L
@ McPherson Tourn vs. Haskell	0-4	L
@ Mid-American Nazarene	4-1	W
@ Mid-American Nazarene	6-5	W
@ Sterling Tourn. vs. Bethany	0-8	L
@ Sterling Tourn. vs. McPherson	1-15	L
@ Sterling Tourn. vs. Graceland	3-7	W
@ Sterling Tourn. vs. Bethany	0-8	L
@ Sterling Tourn vs. Sterling	9-5	W
vs. KWU	0-9	L
vs. Haskell	3-13	L
vs. Haskell	0-4	L
@ Sterling	5-6	L
@ Sterling	3-2	L
vs. Tabor	Forfeit	
@ Bethany	6-10	L
@ Bethany	8-9	L
vs. Mid-American Christian Univ.	5-2	W
vs. Mid-American Christian Univ.	2-11	L
@ Ottawa University	10-11	L
@ Ottawa University	2-12	L
vs. Friends University	0-3	L
vs. Friends University	1-14	L
@ KCAC Tourn. vs. Ottawa	8-1	L

Left: Kristin McCart, senior third base, prepares to leave first base in the game against McPherson. The team lost 15-1 against the Bulldogs.

Right: Leigha Foley, junior third base, just misses the pitch against the Haskell pitcher. The Builders lost to Haskell in both games, 13-3 and 4-0 (Photos by Kristy Gordon)





Above: Kayla Tibbs, junior pitcher, throws a strike out against a McPherson hitter.

Left: Talia Clark, freshman infielder, prepares to hit the ball against the Kansas Wesleyan defense. The team lost both games 9-0 and 13-3.

Right: Michelle Dreiling, freshman catcher, warms up with the pitcher between innings. (Photos by Kristi Gordon)





hope

Hope gives us the strength to keep going when we feel beaten down, when we've lost, when we want to throw our hands up in defeat. It is hope that promises us a better tomorrow. That is what organizations at Southwestern College strive for, a better tomorrow. They fight ignorance, intolerance, and injustice. They seek to share with others and to teach the world. They are fun, creative, hardworking, and most importantly, they are hopeful. They are able to see a brighter future for us all.

Albert Ong II, biology freshman, entertains during the Beta Beta Beta Home Science Kids Day. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Beta Sigma Phi

Sorority still active despite numbers

It is a way for women to meet new friends on campus. The organization helps the surrounding community and host socials for college students.

This year Beta Sigma Phi hosted a winter formal on Dec. 8 and planned a luau on April 18. "We had somewhat of a good turnout for the winter formal," said Bethany Augustine, biochemistry senior.

Kristi Glessner, elementary education sophomore was elected the president of Beta Sigma Phi during the spring semester. She said, "It seemed like a lot of people were having some fun at the formal."

Ellie Brewer, sports management freshman, said, "I think it was a lot of fun to see everyone dressed up."

Beta Sigma Phi organized the blood drive on Feb. 13 and organized Breast Cancer Awareness Week Oct. 22-26.

Glessner said, "For the Blood Drive we helped set up, helped people after they gave blood by getting them water and food, and we helped take down and load the truck."

Beta has already started planning

events for next year. Ellie Brewer, sports management freshman said, "we have definitely started planning events for next year."

Glessner agrees. She said, "We are planning on making the blood drive bigger next year."

Several members graduate each year. "We lost quite a few seniors last year," said Glessner. Six members of Beta Sigma Phi graduated in May of 2007.

They also added members from the freshman class. "We had rush week in the fall and it went really well," said Glessner. "We had a total of seven girls join from it."

Because of their loss in numbers, the year started off slow. Augustine said, "We really need to get our number of members back up again and get girls more excited about Beta."

Brewer said, "I really like being in Beta. I really don't know if I would have become friends with these girls if it wasn't for Beta because we are all involved in different things."

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Left: Bethany Augustine, biochemistry senior, and Kristin McCart, biology senior, get ready to play games. The game night social took place during Beta Sigma Phi's rush week. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)

Right: Cloe Bengston, athletic training freshman, and Emma Kennedy, biology freshman, listen to someone talk at a meeting. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)





Above: Kristin McCart, biology senior, and Lisa Roth, history freshman, start to dig in. An ice cream social was part of rush week in February. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)

Left: Bethany Augustine, biochemistry senior, Kristin McCart, biology senior, Kristi Glessner, elementary education sophomore, Ashley Nixon, nursing sophomore, Randi Dierksen, nursing freshman, Leigha Foley, business management junior, and Jordan Unruh, biology freshman, march on to the gym floor during the Stomp/Dance show. The Stomp/Dance show is part of the homecoming activities put on this year. (Photo by Diane Dixon)





Main photo: Kristin McCart, biology senior, helps kids make samples of their DNA to take home during Home Science Kids Day. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Right: Anna Macy, biology junior, and Diane Dixon, biology junior, create scrapbooking pages during a Tri Beta meeting. (Photo by Kimberly Rousseau)



Beta Beta Beta

Campus involvement leads to better things

If you're interested in biology, but not a science major, then Tri Beta is the group for you. Tri Beta is a group on campus dedicated to science. They have even become more involved on campus than they have been in previous years.

Maggie Ferguson, biology senior, is the president. "We've been trying to focus on getting Tri Beta more involved in campus wide activities verses just staying in our own little building," Ferguson is the only senior in Tri Beta this year. This was the first year Tri Beta participated in the Christmas tree decorating contest, and tried to be more involved with Homecoming week activities.

Home Science Kids Day was one of the big events held this year. Home schooled students from around the area came to Southwestern to learn about science through hands-on experiments.

"It gives them a chance to do science things they wouldn't normally do," said Rick Cowlshaw, assistant professor of biology.

"We teach them about this and that, [and] let them look through the microscope," said Ferguson. It was their

second year doing this activity. They are also trying to help the campus to think green. They want to start a recycling competition among students that will be held around Earth Day.

"We will be getting the student body involved and united with these environmental issues," said Cowlshaw.

Ann Weese, biology junior, is the Vice President. "I think that we are doing very good things for the campus. For example, we are currently working with a member of the leadership team to get more recycling bins in areas that make it easier for students to recycle,"

As for accomplishing group goals for the year, members feel they've accomplished more than they set out to do. Weese said, "We finished all of our projects that we had planned at the beginning of the year as well as a few extras that came up during the year."

As for next year, "I would really like to see us get more members from the freshmen and sophomore classes," said Weese.

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Middle Left: Roger Klein, biochemistry senior, Katie Baltzer, biology junior, and Maggie Ferguson, biology senior, work on a sign preparing for their traditional jinxed fundraiser. (Photo by Kimberly Rousseau)

Left: Kelli Bryant, biochemistry junior, Susan Loveall, psychology senior, and Kathleen Raybern, biology junior, relax while in a yoga session. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

9 Lives

Comedy troupe provides laughter

For every minute of performance on stage, the 9 Lives comedy troupe rehearses about an hour off stage.

The sketches may seem like no work, but each one requires meticulous planning and attention to detail.

Allyson Moon, 9 Lives director, said, "It's supposed to look easy." She said practice begins about three weeks before each show. She said the group practices theatrical formatting and developing technique.

Brett Smith, philosophy and religious studies sophomore, has been part of 9 Lives for two years.

"My favorite part of 9 Lives is the sense of community and cooperation that everyone in the troupe shares," said Smith. "We have learned through hundreds of hours in each other's company."

Moon said, "My favorite part about being the director of 9 Lives is getting to work with so many talented individuals."

The time capsule sketch was a favorite of Moon's. Included in the capsule were Dan Daniel's immortal pills, the original baby Jesus used in the first Eagerheart show, and the hair

of Dick Merriman, president.

"The choices that we made were right on. It was rehearsed with the right amount of time," Moon said.

Roger Klein, biochemistry junior, has been a member of 9 Lives for three years. He said, "Acting like an idiot in front of a few hundred people is always a good time. I enjoy the practices a lot because it makes us all laugh, which is healthy."

Members of 9 Lives said that after some shows they are exhausted.

"Every show is different. Sometimes I'm dead afterwards. It depends on how active the games are and how intense we make them through actions," said Klein. "As a general rule, we are full of sweat and ready to sleep 30 minutes after the show."

Aric Cherry, communication junior, participates in cross country during the fall semesters. For some 9 Lives performances a mannequin replaced him.

Smith said, "Even the occasional Aric Cherry mannequin is sweating. Improv is intense."

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Left: Abby Bartel, history sophomore, Brett Smith, philosophy and religion sophomore, and Cody Davis, music sophomore, convey numerous emotions during a skit. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Right: Tommy Castor, communication senior, Brett Smith, philosophy and religion sophomore, Cody Davis, music sophomore, and Aric Cherry, communication junior, play the Excuses game during the October show. A good employee must make excuses to the boss why the bad employees were late to work. (Photo by Monica Springer)





Above: Aric Cherry, communication junior, Abby Bartel, history sophomore, Brett Smith, philosophy and religion sophomore, Tommy Castor, communication senior, Kyler Chase, music theatre junior, Roger Klein, biochemistry junior, and Cody Davis, music sophomore, discover the original baby from Eagerheart in the SC time capsule. (Photo by Monica Springer)



Left: Abby Bartel, history sophomore, Aric Cherry, communication junior, Tommy Castor, communication senior, and Roger Klein, biochemistry junior, are shocked to find Dick Merriman's hair in the SC time capsule. This was 9 Lives' first performance of the year in October. (Photo by Monica Springer)



Above: Kassie Wendler, accounting senior, Cami Bell, accounting senior, Zack Conroy, business administration sophomore, and Hieu Trinh, business economics freshman, ride the SIFE float during the Homecoming day parade. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Left: Zack Conroy, business administration sophomore, and Cami Bell, accounting senior, collect money at the pancake feed. The money raised from the pancake feed was used to fund various SIFE projects. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)



SIFE

Members benefit from alumni contact

Students in Free Enterprise benefits business majors. SIFE is also for anyone who would like to be a part of an organization that will teach you skills you can use in your career.

Zack Conroy, business administration sophomore, is the president. Conroy said, "I joined SIFE because my adviser recommended it." There are many benefits for business majors. Alumni of SIFE are always looking to give SIFE students internships and jobs. "Being a member of SIFE is like already having a foot in the door towards a career." SIFE teaches valuable business experience that can be used throughout a career.

D.J. Wilson, business administration sophomore, said, "I joined because I was involved in Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) in high school and I really enjoyed it. SIFE is similar to FBLA so I thought I would join."

Kody Wendler, business administration sophomore, said, "SIFE not only looks good on an application but helps you get ready for the business world."

Wilson said, "SIFE sponsors dinners, and a pancake feed during Homecoming week. The organization also

broadcasts a business tip of the day with KSOK radio in Ark City."

Bryant Andrews, sports management senior, said, "We do outreach programs for the community, budgeting for local business owners and currently working toward renovating the town of Burden are a few."

Wendler said, "We help Winfield and other small towns to better their community as a whole so it is more attractive to incoming businesses and so people will want to stay around these smaller towns."

Being involved in SIFE can benefit students in majors other than just business. Andrews said, "SIFE benefits me because it helps my marketing and management skills that I will need in the future with my career as I continue to work toward my sports management career."

Wilson said, "SIFE teaches things you will face in the future." This program is great for students who want to learn how to survive in the business world or for students who just want to learn what to expect after college.

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Left: Kate Murphy, business administration sophomore, advertises the pancake feed on Main Street before the Homecoming parade. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Right: Amado Rodriguez, computer science junior, serves pancakes and sausage to local community members the morning of Homecoming. All the food was prepared by members of SIFE. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

SCATS/SCANS

Groups participate on road, at home

Among other things Southwestern College Athletic Training Society are the back-to-back champions of the Christmas tree lighting competition. The theme of their Christmas tree was, "Why I ♥ SC." They used Christmas lights, "I ♥ SC" ornament balls, different quotes from people about why they love SC and the tree was decked out with a skirt with I ♥ SC on it.

Lindsey Knak, athletic training sophomore said, "It was a great bonding experience for us as a group. We really came together to make our Christmas tree look amazing."

SCATS looks forward to winning a third consecutive title in the tree lighting competition. They also raised money to go to the National Athletic Training Association Convention in St. Louis, Mo. They raised the money by sponsoring the Dash for Cash fundraiser during halftime of one of the men's basketball games.

Courtney Putnam athletic training sophomore said, "All the students enjoyed being able to raise money for our trip last summer."

While SCATS was enjoying their victory and traveling the country, Southwestern College Association of

Nursing Students was showing what it means to give during the holiday season. SCANS sponsored a young boy and girl from the Angel of Hope Tree at Wal-Mart this past December. Members of the organization took up a collection and SCANS matched the amount that was collected.

Ali Marie Schmidt, nursing senior said, "This was a very rewarding opportunity for SCANS as we were able to bring some Christmas cheer to children in need."

SCANS members are also busy working towards their nursing degrees. Clinicals, national testing and studying take up much of their time.

Sarah Phelps, nursing senior said, "It is always nice to make a difference on campus. We strive to balance life outside of the nursing department while maintaining relationships and projects on campus."

SCANS supports health promotion. They were involved in the health fair on campus, giving flu shots, glucose checks and mental health screenings.

Phelps said, "This was a huge success."

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Left: Greg Jeffers, athletic training sophomore, wraps ice on Kelli Bunnell, nursing senior, after track practice. (Photo by Darius Hopkins)

Right: Allison Schmidt, nursing senior, and Abby Lowry, nursing senior, add the SCANS rock to the mound during the Moundbuilding ceremony. (Photo by Diane Dixon)





Above: Cecilia Bennett, nursing junior, Janae Mettling, nursing senior, Rebecca Richmond, nursing junior, Christy Glave, nursing junior, and Sarah McGlynn, nursing senior, observe while Kimberly Ferguson, freshman, performs a practicum during class. (Photo by Esmeralda Picon)

Left: Nathan Morrison, athletic training sophomore, tapes the ankle of Jordan Jarnagin, nursing sophomore, before basketball practice. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)





Above: Cordairo Hansen, business administration graduate student, Jordy Train, undecided freshman, Kyle Luttgaharm biology freshmen, Jake Buskirk, business administration sophomore, and Tristan Walters, biochemistry freshmen, hand out candy during the homecoming parade. The theme for homecoming was Builder Nation. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Right: Ryan Hopkins, masters in business administration graduate student, had a chance to have dinner with fellow fraternity brothers during Founder's Day. Members and alumni come from all over the nation to celebrate. (Photo by Monica Springer)



Phi Delta Theta

Fraternity offers a lifelong brotherhood

There is not a student who has not heard of Phi Delta Theta and all the things they do for the community and college. Phi Delta Theta celebrated its 13th year at Southwestern College this year. Its charter was established on April 8, 1995. An International Fraternity that has initiated more than 217,000 men in the U.S., they are also one of the top five fraternities in the U.S.

They sponsored a rock band tournament, a car bashing fundraiser and a poker tournament to benefit Lou Gehrig's disease. Phi Delta Theta also has socials at various places around Winfield and Wichita. Jordy Train, business marketing freshman, said, "My favorite activity was for Christmas. We gave 10 different children presents through Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and spent time with them when they normally wouldn't have a father figure around for the season."

"I love having so many friends who are willing to do anything for me anytime," said Greg Jeffers, athletic training sophomore, "The great brotherhood that is shared with all members is what I enjoy most."

Tanner McNinch, biology sophomore said, "It's hard to pick just one activity that was my favorite, but becoming a member of Phi Delta Theta opened so many doors for me, so the night I was initiated into the fraternity would have to be my favorite."

Jacob Tafoya, computer information systems freshman said, "My favorite activity in the fraternity is being the Phikeia Educator. I have the pleasure of being able to educate our pledges with the fraternity's history and also help them out with their Phikeia fundraiser whenever needed."

"We currently have 10 members," said McNinch. The fraternity does not have an expected amount of men to pledge next year, however, Tafoya said, "We are hoping to get more quality of men than quantity."

Phi Delta Theta was organized with three principle objectives: cultivating friendship among its members, acquiring individually a high degree of mental culture, and the attainment personally of a high standard of morality.

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Left: Greg Jeffers, athletic training sophomore, and Tanner McNinch, biology sophomore, take a round at destroying a car. People only had to pay \$1 for the car smash fundraiser in October.

(Photo by April McCormick)

Right: Jordy Train, undecided freshman, watches while Cordairo Hansen, business administration graduate student, tries to move a ball while only using the banana tied to his waist. This was one of the many events during Builder Olympics. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Campus Ministries

Groups help to grow faith

Campus Ministries provide four areas of ministries. Chapel, The One Thing, Prayer Group and Fellowship of Christian Athletes are offered for students.

"There are many opportunities for students to grow in their faith," said Ashley Alley, Coordinator of Campus Ministry.

Students can get together to pray about things like school work, their lives and loved ones, or anything else for that matter. Prayer group meets Tuesday nights at 9 p.m. in Wroten Hall. Students meet, introduce one another, and then split into prayer groups where they pray anywhere from 10 to 30 minutes.

Albert Ong II, biology sophomore has been involved with prayer group this year. Ong says, "In some ways, it has developed into a Christian support group, where members share their burdens, and pray for one another."

Women have their own group in the ministry as well. The One Thing gathers once a month to bring women together to share their relationship with God.

Erin Gaughan, business administration senior, is in charge of The One Thing. "We held an overnight retreat in February at First Church of the Nazarene for all the girls on campus. We flew in a speaker from Florida to speak about purity," Gaughan said.

Chapel is another event of ministry that happens on campus every Wednesday at 11 in Messenger Auditorium.

"Chapel averages between 100 and 150 people," said Alley. "It is an opportunity for members of the campus, students, faculty and staff, to come together and worship God and grow in faith together."

Fellowship of Christian Athletes is rebuilding they're team this year.

"When a student gets a vision for an idea of a ministry that could benefit someone in the community or on campus, the future is really open to new visions that someone on campus may get, and I would love to see growth through Campus Ministries in the years to come."

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Left: Matt Perkins, business administration sophomore, Jeff Schaefer, sports management sophomore, and Albert Ong, undecided sophomore, participating at prayer group. Each student had a chance to read from their Bibles. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)

Right: The One Thing is a women's ministry group. Kaydee Johnson business administration freshman, and Elizabeth Hill, elementary education freshman, grab some refreshments before a meeting. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)





Above: Joel Alejandro, music senior, Drew Logsdon, communication senior, Martin Rude, director of outreach ministry, Jeff Schaefer, sports management sophomore, and Meg Mojica, religion and philosophy senior, sing for the chapel service. Instead of having chapel in Messenger, this service was outside at the Mound. (Photo by April McCormick)

Right: Joanna Ellsworth, biochemistry sophomore, Lexy Teeter, biology sophomore, Jordan Jarnagin, nursing sophomore, and Mollie Foster, graduate, sing and pray. The group met during Builders in Ministry week. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)





Above: Paulo Borges, biology sophomore, grabs a bite to eat at the international barbecue. The barbecue was in September. (Photo by Paige Carswell)

Right: Michelle Vasquez, nursing freshman, decorates the group's tree. The tree decoration contest was Dec. 7 on Keyhole Drive. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)





International Club

Group finds support far from home

International Club brings together students from different cultures and backgrounds and has been doing so for six years now. This year there was a total of 31 members in the international club coming from all across the globe: Zimbabwe, Singapore, Mexico, Indonesia, Romania, Brazil, Vietnam, Norway, Philippines, Malaysia, Burma, Japan, Ukraine, and China. "I really enjoy getting to experience all of the different countries that Southwestern brings together," said Michelle Vasquez, nursing freshman.

The club met every other Sunday at 7 p.m. in the library. Tony Lara, communication junior is president of International Club. Lara said, "We don't rely a lot on meetings, just for big projects we want to do like Homecoming, International Cuisine, and to help internationals with taxes or jobs/internships, those kinds of things. The rest is just hanging out like having a Chinese New Year Dinner, a movie night, or just go paint balling or something. Mainly it is making that environment of family, because we are not really close to home in anyway,"

Every international student has foster parents. The foster parents help the international students get through the school year. They have holiday dinners, help them file taxes, and give them a sense of family since the international students can not be close to their own families. Most of the foster parents are very encouraging and attend the students' scholastic and athletic events.

"I'm glad they give us host families, because we can sense the family vibe especially since we are far away from ours. We have made a Mexican dinner for them and had so much fun. Even some of the other international student's foster parents helped me out some," said Vasquez.

Area law enforcement officer spoke to international students about traffic laws. They gave some helpful information on how to buy a car and how to keep the car information.

The activities are directed towards international students, but everyone is welcomed to join in and participate in the fun throughout the year.

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Left: Jason Maisog, specialized ministries graduate student, shows his pride during homecoming. Other members walked behind with signs spelling out "GO SC." (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Right: Albert Ong, biology freshman, and Amado Rodriguez, computer science senior, serve food during the International Cuisine. The social was in the Java Jinx March 29. (Photo by Moinca Springer)

Student Foundation Organization brings students together

Student Foundation works all year long thinking of new ways to get people involved on campus. Katy Raybern, biology junior, said, "StuFu's greatest achievement this year was bringing the campus together in fun, competitive, and exciting atmospheres."

D.J. Wilson, business administration sophomore, said, "I joined StuFu because I wanted to be involved here at Southwestern College and because I wanted to meet new people and help people have fun at college."

Some students join to meet new people.

Valarie Hart, athletic training sophomore, said, "My favorite thing about being in StuFu is having fun with all the members and getting to know all of our different personalities."

StuFu planned all of the Homecoming activities, Bingo Night, Movie Night, Jazz Night, Black History Month activities, and Stau Bau.

Stau Bau was one of the most exciting things for the members of StuFu. Stau Bau is a day that students can take a break from classes and have fun. The theme was SCiasta, a salsa theme.

Zack Conroy, business administra-

tion sophomore, said, "I believe that we have provided a lot of fun for the students this entire year, but I think this year our greatest achievement was probably Stau Bau. We had an excellent turnout for all the events."

Ann Weese, biology junior, said, "Stau Bau went really well. The salsa dance was my favorite part. It was a lot of fun to learn some salsa dance moves from the dance instructors."

Eva Sanders, business administration junior, said, "Stau Bau is an event we started three years ago. It is a competition between classes in different events like a swim challenge, water polo, tug-of-war, bull riding, obstacle course, and a pie eating contest. There are different things to compete in and classes receive points for each event."

Conroy said, "I know that school and classes can get overwhelming and sometimes you just need something to take your mind off of school. I am proud to be a part of an organization that helps students have fun and relax."

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Left: Rebecca Richmond, nursing junior, serves ice cream to Amanda Nygren, computer science freshman, on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. StuFu celebrated the day with cake and ice cream in the Java Jinx on Jan. 21. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Right: Giovanni Garcia, communication junior, reads a poem on poetry night. Poetry night gave students a chance to show off their poetry skills. It took place Feb. 6. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)





Above: Krystal Tyree, athletic training freshman, Darius Hopkins, communication junior, Sheleah Taylor, director of campus life, Katy Raybern, pre-med junior, and Ann Weese, biology junior, roll up hot dogs during the tailgating party. StuFu put on the tailgating party for the softball game against McPherson on April 16. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)



Left: D.J. Wilson, business sophomore, hands out bingo cards during Bingo Night on April 21. Bingo Night was held in the cafeteria starting with breakfast at 9 p.m. and then bingo at 10 p.m. (Photo by Drew Logsdon)



Main Photo: Lauren Moser, early childhood education freshman, Mark Budler, business freshman, Beth Bellinger, history freshman, and Amber Nubine, nursing freshman, representing the Freshman Class Council in the Homecoming Parade.

Right: Kody Wendler, biology sophomore, Chaz King, sports management freshman, Chase Bell, physical education freshman, and Mitchell Ridenour, physical education freshman, taking a short break from a long night of skating.



Freshman Class Council Organization shows heart for others

Freshman Class Council helped provide love by raising money to help prevent heart disease. During the month of love FCC sponsored the first ever Val-O-Grams sale. The Val-O-Grams were \$1 for a card and \$2 for a card and candy. FCC raised \$71 for the American Heart Association.

Lauren Moser, early childhood education freshman, said "It was fun putting the bags together full of candy and the cards. I thought we did a good job selling them."

FCC rolled into the Christmas season with their third annual skate night. Winter Wonder Land was the theme of skate night. On Dec. 5 students gathered at Interskate 77 and skated the night away with laughs and prizes.

Beth Bellinger, history/secondary education freshman, said "It was just a fun activity and a break from school."

As students came in, there were door prizes awaiting them. There were also prizes for the many games played that night.

Laura McGowan, undecided freshman, said "It turned out great. We had

a lot of people there and it was fun all night long."

FCC members went Christmas caroling with StuFu members at the Veteran's Home in Winfield.

FCC is composed of freshmen who organize activities and different events. They are the voice of the freshman class. The purpose of FCC is to develop leadership, character, and lasting friendships through service to the freshman class, Southwestern College, and the Winfield Community.

Amber Nubine, freshman nursing, said "I think that FCC was a great way for freshman to get involved at Southwestern and also help support great causes like the American Heart Association and the Veterans' home. It was a great experience and none of it would have been done without the help from STUFU Exec Katy Raybern."

Katy Raybern, junior biology, said "FCC last year put on a couple of big events with really good turnouts and I think this group set a good example for the next Freshmen Class Council.

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Left: Laura McGowan, undeclared freshman, and Lauren Moser, early childhood education freshman, enjoying the third annual skate night. (photo by Corinna Keeling)

Right: Nimsi Zayas, nursing freshman, Amy Pierson, nursing freshman, and Jordan Unruh, biology freshman, taking part in a line dance. (photo by Corinna Keeling)

Student Government

Executive team creates new traditions

On-campus organizations provide the opportunity to participate in activities for fun and relaxation.

Student Government Association sponsored the first ever Coffee Night at College Hill Coffee on Dec. 4. It was just a break for the students to get out of their rooms and enjoy themselves before winter finals.

Carmon Bliss elementary education junior is the president of SGA. She said, "SGA just wanted to do something different for the students last year. Our executive team came up with the idea for Coffee Night and it was a huge success. I hope this can become a tradition for the students and to show them that SGA is all about the students and will be there for them."

Almost 200 students showed up that Tuesday night to enjoy a variety of drinks and some live karaoke.

SGA is the main governing body for the students and concerns itself with all phases of campus life.

Tabatha McMullen, early childhood education junior, is the secretary of SGA. She said SGA had an exciting year and made a lot of changes and will continue to do so because it benefits

the student body.

All campus organizations face challenges during the school year one time or another. The biggest challenge faced by SGA last year was being noticed and getting their name out to the student body.

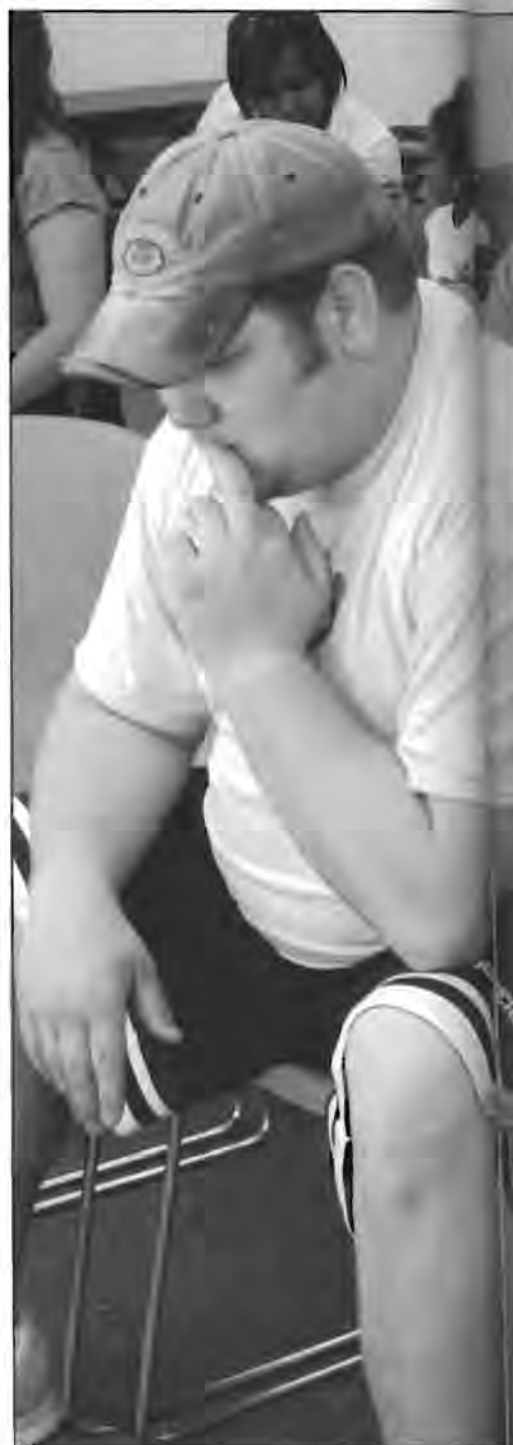
They wanted to communicate to others what SGA was really about, what SGA had done that year and some of the concerns they addressed.

Melanie Robins, elementary education junior is the student conduct advisor of SGA. She said, "A lot of the concerns we had weren't necessarily to be fixed but to have an answer for."

The SGA Executive Branch is the core of the Student Government Association. Their goal is to serve the students as best they can through their abilities in SGA.

There are five executives officers in SGA. They are Bliss, vice president Tanner McNinch, pre-med sophomore, Robins, McMullen, and treasurer Kayla Drake, elementary education senior.

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Left: Elizabeth Higbee, theatre performance sophomore, and Blake Carter, communication sophomore, are inducted into SGA. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)

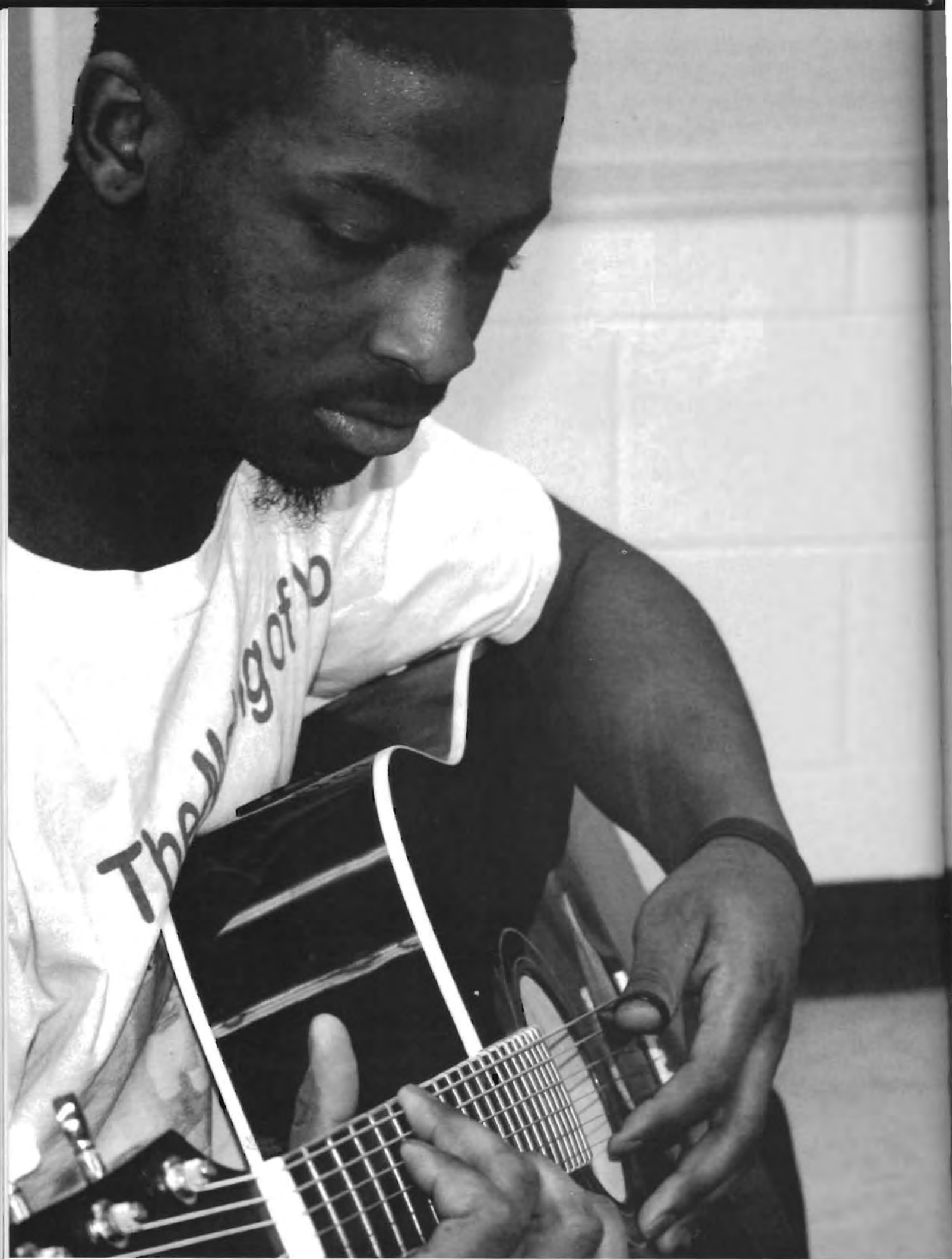
Right: Tanner McNinch, pre-med sophomore, oversees SGA members during a meeting on April 22. SGA meets on Tuesday nights at 5:30 p.m. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)





Above: Members await the beginning of a meeting in Pounds Lounge. SGA meetings are held to discuss student funding for many campus activities. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)

Left: SGA president Carmon Bliss, elementary education junior, inducts the new secretary, Tabatha McMullen, early childhood education junior, into SGA. The induction took place in Pounds Lounge on April 22. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)





knowledge

Knowledge is more than just common sense, and it is better than only intelligence. It is the awareness of the truths of life. Knowledge comes with wisdom and from experience, and it is powerful. Students of Southwestern College leave with a lot of responsibility to take what they have learned here to make this world a better place. They take everything they've learned, from lectures and labs and even from just hanging out with their friends and experiencing both life's lighter and rougher moments, and apply it to life.

Justin Williams, math education junior, plays his guitar in a Darbeth classroom. (Photo by Kadee Johnson)

Academics

Business

Division offers students hands-on experience

Southwestern students are running their own multi-billion dollar businesses. No, they aren't actually real businesses, but their grades sure are real. Using a new computer software program, students in a Business Strategy class work throughout the semester as Chief Executive Officers of various companies.

Taylor Wolfe, business administration senior, said, "We have quizzes as the program goes on, and they throw different decisions at us that a CEO would have to make, and if we choose the wrong one our stock price will suffer and so will our grade."

This is another effort by

the business department to give their students hands-on experiences that will be valuable and relevant once they graduate from Southwestern and are looking for jobs.

Cordairo Hansen, business administration graduate student, said, "I have learned a lot from the courses. The group work is very beneficial since it relates to similar situations and things that we may experience in the working world. I feel as if it is information that will be relevant after I leave SC. A lot of the information I have already begun to use, and have envisioned applying it to many other areas besides

business."

Business administration majors have a wide range of careers they are hoping to pursue once they graduate, so their classes must address several fields, including real estate, sales, management, accounting, and marketing.

Wolfe said, "I've seen a lot of changes since I came in my freshman year, teaching changes, and a lot of classes are getting harder too, which is good. I really think the teachers are trying to get better and improve at what they do, but I don't think it's the best it could be. It would be great if there were more job fairs or more information on them around

this area. Internships and experience would be good too."

Bo Webster, business administration senior, feels like the business department and his teachers did an excellent job preparing him for graduation and finding a job. Webster said, "They really know what they are talking about. They've been there before so they can use their experiences to give us real world examples. It makes it much more interesting to learn, and I feel like they have prepared me to get a good job when I graduate."

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Right: Clint Kissling, computer science junior, and Amado Rodriguez, computer science and business administration senior, go over an assignment in Marketing. (Photo by Monica Springer)





Top Left: Elizabeth Higbee, theatre performance sophomore, Melissa Ellis, business administration freshman, and Amos Daily, computer science senior, listen to a lecture in a marketing class in Mossman Hall. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Middle: Saeed Yasdani, professor of business management, helps Patrick Fulton, business administration senior, during the Business Strategy and Policy class. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Top Right: Brandon Jackson, business administration senior, goes over his notes in class. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Bottom: Leighton Schmidt, accounting senior, Andrea Ferguson, accounting senior, Cami Bell, accounting senior, and Aaron Murrow, business senior, sit in the front row and review a project in Saeed Yasdani's business class. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Communication/Computer Science/English

Departments work toward better learning systems

Changes are happening in every department of the division.

The communication department has been working this year towards convergence among the media. Tom Jacobs, division chair, said, "We are continuing to move to convergence in our news media. That's the largest change really. The whole world is doing it."

Jacobs said increasing recruiting efforts and attending more programming contests have been priorities for the computer science department. Digital arts students have been continuing to provide images and sounds and the gaming

area is getting more sophisticated. Jacobs said the games are now 3D.

Michelle Boucher, associate professor of English, said the English department is working toward a professional writing component. She said, "It would be part of the integration because it will probably incorporate courses from speech communication, communication theory and more traditional literature and writing courses."

This year Larua Welters, English sophomore, is the editor for *Carpe Nocturnem*, the literary journal. Welters said, "It gives me an opportunity to read

what my peers are doing as well as the faculty because obviously they have a lot of experience and we can learn from them."

There have also been changes in personnel. Dan Daniels, professor of English, retired in February after 38 years of teaching. John Scaggs, associate professor of English, is new to the department this year.

Boucher said, "It's been quite an eventful year in the department. John is the new professor. It's been exciting having him here and working with him as a new colleague. And also Dan retired. It's been busy."

Scaggs said, "Coming from

Ireland, I have to adapt to a completely different educational system—the system of 'majors' and 'minors,' for example, simply doesn't exist in Ireland." Scaggs has plans for the future. He said, "We have plans to develop a writing competition and connect it to an expanded literary journal. Both of these things will really involve the students in the whole area of writing and literature beyond the classroom, and for that reason it's an important stepping stone on the path to bigger plans."

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Right: Katie Gomez, radio/tv freshman, works in the radio station in the basement of Christy. Music is played for students to enjoy. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)





Top Left: Audra Mann, English freshman, helps Adam Hoag, marine biology freshman, correct a paper before he types his final draft in the writing lab. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Top Middle: Tony Lara, computer science junior, films Matt Webb, radio/TV junior, for an episode of After 7. (Photo by Katie Allender)

Top Right: Tim Moore, computer science junior, and Brooke Newcomer, communication sophomore, look on as an computer science alum, Brad Denton, speaks. (Photo by Kaydee Johnson)

Bottom: Grant Stackhouse, English senior, helps Corey Lampson, biology senior, correct a paper in the writing lab on campus. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Education

Teachers structure classes for learning process

Not many departments require this much field experience. Education majors spend just as much time in others' classrooms observing and student teaching as they do in their own listening to lectures and learning.

Students learn about making lesson plans, the importance of teaching reading and how it is involved in all contents, and also learning about children with disabilities and the best ways to teach them.

"I like it when the teachers do hands-on activities with us like we are the kids. I like it when they show us how to teach rather than just lecture to us about what we should

do," said Katie Timmer, education junior.

Then the students take what they learned in class and practice applying it to classroom settings. The curriculum is set up to make sure students really do want to be teachers, and then to help prepare them to take on their own classroom once they graduate.

Melanie Robins, education senior, said, "I think that the classes and the curriculum set up have definitely prepared me to be a teacher when I graduate. The classes are set up in a very structured manner that goes slowly deeper and deeper into the education process."

As freshmen education majors start with Introduction to Education which lets them question why they want to become teachers and make sure it is something they really want to do.

The next class, Foundations of Education, builds on the knowledge from Introduction to Education and expands on a lot of the theories in education. Each class after that builds on the previous. Robins said she uses a lot of information from one class in other education classes. "They all relate together," Robins said. "I feel ready to take on my own classroom. Of course I am a bit nervous,

but I think that everyone should be nervous. Having nerves makes you prepare better and try harder. I'm very excited to go into teaching and I think that I am very prepared for the adventure." Other education students seem to second Robin's cautious optimism about teaching.

Roger Pemberton, education senior, said, "I know I will have the tools to take my own classroom, however there is always going to be some questioning of yourself at the beginning. But I feel I will be just fine."

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Right: Daniel Joiner, business education senior, teaches a keyboarding class at Winfield High School. (Photo by Monica Springer)





Top Left: Tiffany Roth, mathematics and secondary education senior, reads a magazine in the education building. (Photo by Inger Marie Furholt)

Middle: Michael Daniels, history senior, and Melissa Greenberg, physical education sophomore, have lunch in Mossman Hall at the Kansas Teacher of the Year event Feb. 28. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Top Right: Daniel Joiner, business education senior, teaches a keyboarding class at Winfield High School. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Bottom: Marci Bartow, early childhood education senior, reads to kindergarteners at Irving Elementary School. Bartow shadowed the kindergarten teacher for two weeks and started student teaching after Spring Break. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Humanities and Social Science

Department reaches a wide range of students

The humanities and social science department helps students prepare for professional careers in the fields of history, philosophy & religion, and psychology. For students looking for hands on experience learning that is relevant to the real world, this is the place to do it.

"Many of my professors really stress the importance of hands-on learning and internships. Dr. Cheryl Rude makes sure that her students interact in the classroom. I honestly cannot remember a class she's taught where we did not have at least one activity to help us understand what she was teaching. They also teach in a way that allows the students to easily connect what

they are learning in the classroom to everyday life, which is really helpful in preparing for what comes after graduation," said Jessica Warren, psychology sophomore.

This year the department took a trip to India. Tina Harkness, psychology and biology senior, said, "The trip to India was a once in a lifetime experience. I learned so much about their culture and way of life. The architecture was absolutely gorgeous. We toured the northern part of India and got to see many forts and palaces, shops, gardens, memorials, incredible artwork and, of course, the Taj Mahal. I definitely recommend for the students of Southwestern to take advantage of opportu-

nities like these because you never know when you will get another chance."

This semester a new class called Environmental Policy was added to the curriculum. Michael Daniels, history senior took advantage of the course. He said, "It was really cool that Environmental Policy was offered this semester because it allowed me to learn about a topic that I care about.

The department also offers courses for students with other majors. Warren said, "When I first came to Southwestern College, I really had no idea what I wanted to do after graduation. Since then, the classes I have taken in the Social Science division have really helped me to focus on

what I want to do with my life, which is some form of counseling. The professors here are great. They make learning enjoyable, and they really make students feel as if they are welcome to come to their offices whenever the students need help.

"The philosophy and religion department challenges its students both inside and outside the classrooms through special programs like the colloquium and lectures, which in turn helps us to better prepare us for the career world," said Taggart Wall, philosophy and religious studies freshman.

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Right: Research assistant Kara Kenyon, psychology freshman, sets up for an experiment in the psychology department's undergraduate research program before participants arrive. (Photo by Kenna Corley)





Top right: Susan-Loveall, psychology senior, looks through participant sign-up sheets for her psychology research project. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Top middle: While the experimenter waits for any questions, Mahrjon Hafez, theatre sophomore, reads through a consent form before participating in a psychology experiment. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Top left: Kara Kenyon, psychology freshman, walks Mahrjon Hafez, theatre sophomore, through a psychology experiment in a small room with a one-way mirror so that other researchers may watch without interrupting. (Photo by Kenna Corley)

Bottom: Güests listen intently at the Beck Lecture Series. Professor Richard Randolph, assistant professor and chair for the Department of Bioethics at Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences, spoke on the implications of extraterrestrial life for the Christian faith and doctrine. (Photo by Monica Springer)

Natural Science

Students stick together during late study hours

"Us nerds stick together," said Kristin McCart, biochemistry and biology senior, referring to the natural science students' tendency to be found many nights of the week studying together, often in the Beech lobby.

"We work together a lot because we have labs that require time outside of class. We teach each other. I will just go up to Beech sometimes to work with other science majors to know that others are studying with me and going through the same demanding tasks as me," said McCart.

Curtis Housholder, chemistry junior, agrees with

McCart.

He said, "We have to partner up. We're a close-knit family. It's much easier in science to work in a group because you learn so much better."

With classes, labs, and homework for both, natural science students argue that their majors are some of the school's toughest.

McCart said, "I would say that the natural science majors are the most demanding because the classes are time consuming. Many of them have labs as well. There is a lot of outside coursework, and the coursework is very difficult."

The professors do their

part to keep the students working hard as well.

Housholder said, "Some of our professors are crazy, but they hold us to high expectations. They are challenging and make us work hard, but at the same time they are fun. Classes are the same way, challenging, but fun."

However, students are grateful for the challenging classes and pushing professors, both of which help to make the natural science department one of the best in the state, if not the country.

McCart said, "The science department here would rival any science depart-

ment in the Midwest. The classes are extremely challenging, and our faculty has high standards for us."

She said, "I picked a science major because that's where my interests are. I always knew I wanted to be in the health care field. But graduating from here helps. It helps everyone. It is advantageous when you are trying to find a job after you graduate or applying to graduate school or professional school. I feel very well prepared for life after college and to go into the health field."

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Right: Sonja Durrin, marine biology freshman, puts distilled water into a graduated cylinder during her General Chemistry II class. Students have lab once a week. (Photo by Esmeralda Picon)





Top Left: Ann Weese, biology junior and Anna Macy, biology junior, test glucose saturation samples of crayfish. The experiment was designed by the group and presented to the Animal Physiology class. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Top Middle: Daniel Haneke, biology senior, Andrew Meyer, biology junior, Dustin Gorden biology sophomore and Nicholas Mondero, biology junior, do an experiment together. (Photo by Esmeralda Picon)

Top Right: Bradley Pilgrim, chemistry freshman, pours chemicals into a graduated cylinder in his General Chemistry II lab. (Photo by Esmeralda Picon)

Bottom: Charles Hunter, professor of biology, Anna Macy, biology junior, Kate Topham, biology junior, Ann Weese, biology junior Lindsay Morgan biology senior, spend an afternoon at the Dutch Creek Field Station sanning for crayfish. The crayfish were kept in plastic tubs in two different temperature regulated rooms for later experiments. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

Nursing

Students earn individual and group recognitions

Just like every other department on campus, the nursing department has seen changes over the year. Melanie Johnson joined the faculty and taught senior level courses.

Sarah Phelps, nursing senior, said, "We have learned together."

Traditions are familiar on campus and the nursing department is no different. Phelps said, "A major tradition we have is our annual shirt design. We like to use our energy to be creative because we typically don't have time to show these skills."

Nursing students attend conventions each year. This year the department won several awards for campus commitment. Southwestern College Association of Nursing Students is part of the nursing department. They attended the annual Kansas Association of Nursing Students this year and received several group and individual recognitions. Erin Messing, freshman, Janae Mettling, senior, and Rebecca Richmond, junior, were elected as state officers. Melinda Current, assistant professor of nursing, received the "Leader

of Leaders" award which honors faculty who support student nurses in their pursuit of professionalism through membership of their student nurses' association. SCANS received an award for being the most active in campus activities.

Most students will start working or take a break after graduation. The nursing students who graduate will turn around the next day and take the state board review. Matt Hague, nursing senior, said the review will run Monday through Thursday. "After that, I'm planning on giving myself two weeks to review

and practice and then I will take my licensing exam."

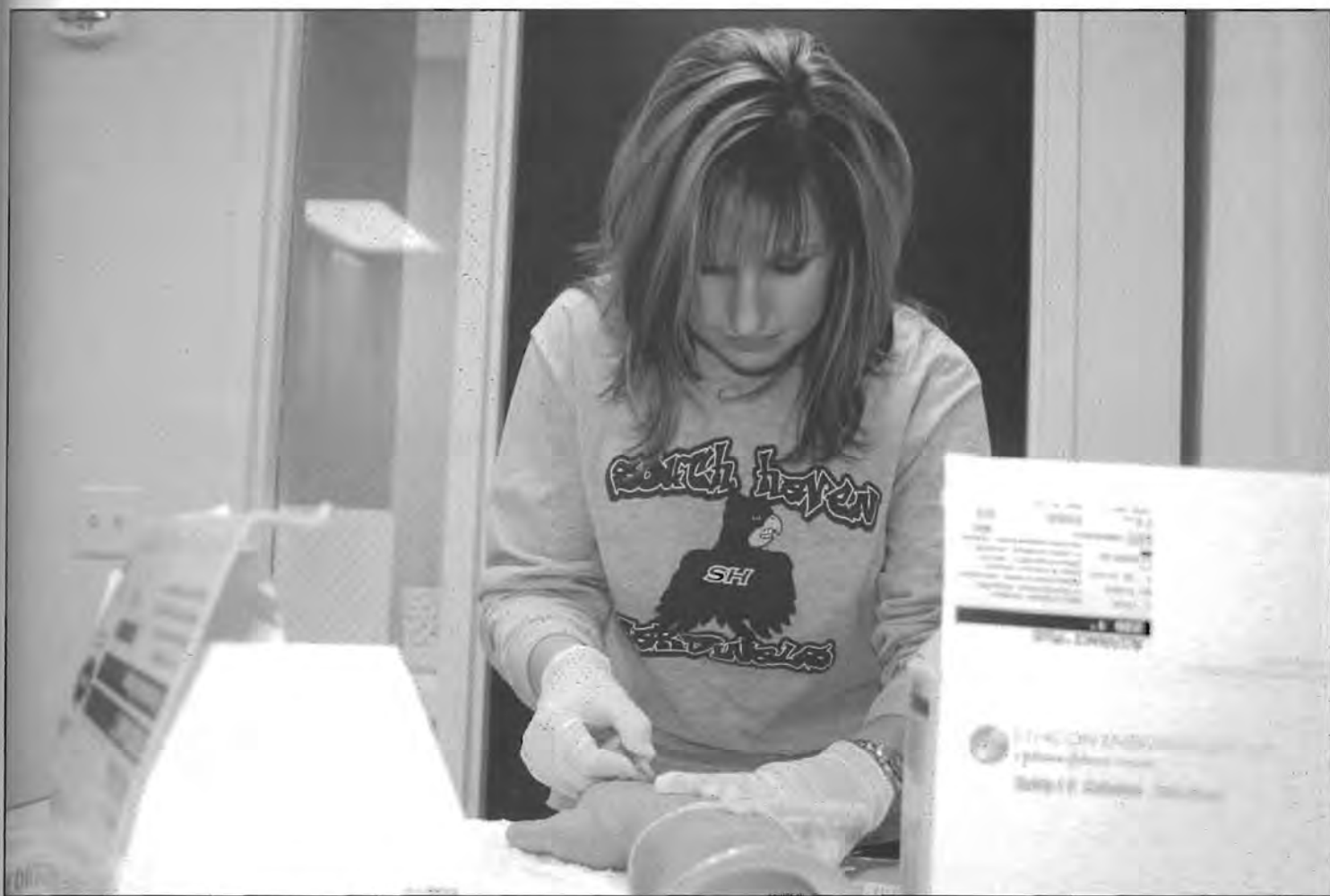
Phelps said, "We all have the opportunity to work anywhere, and I am thinking about staying close for awhile before thinking about a master's program."

This year seven seniors were inducted into the Honor Society of Nursing. They were Kelli Bunnell, Caylin Larsen, Trisha Wiegarnier, Sara Tolle, Melanie Burnett-Wilson, Jennifer Knudsen, and Jennifer Thompson.

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Right: Jackie Hammel, nursing senior, gives blood at the blood drive on Feb. 13. The blood drive was ran by Beta Sigma Phi this year. (Photo by Monica Springer)





Top Left: Rebecca Richmond, nursing junior, and Kim Tanner, nursing junior, listen to Jackie Berryman, associate professor of nursing, as she talks to them about working as a nurse during a meeting. The meeting took place in Mossman 202 on April 7. (Photo by Katie Allender)

Top Middle: Tony Hanson, nursing junior, and Erin Messing, nursing junior, look over their notes before class. Many students meet early in Mossman 202 to go over work for their classes. (Photo by Katie Allender)

Top Right: Kishimjan Bektasheva, nursing junior, asks Melinda Current, assistant professor of nursing, for help on some homework during the nursing meeting. During this meeting, nursing professors talked to students about the importance of being a nurse, and how to get through the hard times of becoming a nurse. (Photo by Katie Allender)

Bottom: Ali Schmidt, nursing senior, practices giving an injection on a fake arm. (Photo by Esmeralda Picon)

Performing Arts

Time-management essential for creative success

Besides the plays, musicals, and concerts they put on, one might wonder what the performing arts majors have in common. There is actually quite a bit. Respect for each other, admiration for their professors, and an appreciation for performance and the theatre. They know the value of creativity as well as hardwork and the need to manage their time well.

Cody Davis, music education and theater performance sophomore chose his major because he loves studying the voice, singing and performing.

"I think the department and teachers have prepared me well for life after graduation by helping me be able to take my skills and to both use them to benefit myself in performance as well as pass them on to others," said Davis. "We have two of the best theater educators in the region here on campus and a staff of music educators that, without question know their stuff and how to present it to students."

Performing arts majors put in extra hours in the evenings preparing sets and practicing for performances. Mahrjon Hafez, technical

theatre sophomore, works hard to efficiently and effectively manage her time.

"Well, I have improved since freshman year I think, but it isn't something that comes naturally to me. I am used to the routine of classes during the day and rehearsal late at night, so I just try to squeeze in homework whenever I get a chance. Sometimes I'm successful at this, other times, not so much," said Hafez.

Despite all the time commitments they must make, performing arts students are happy to do it for each other and for their craft.

"The best part about being a performing arts major is spending time with incredibly entertaining people. I love working with the people in the theater department because everyone has amusing quirks. Everyone is working very hard whether it is building sets, sewing costumes together, adjusting lights, finding the right music, memorizing their lines and blocking. It is a huge commitment. Our day doesn't stop when classes are over," said Hafez.

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Right: Hayley Vogt, theatre arts senior, Brooke Rowzee, theatre arts sophomore, and Abram Rankin, theatre sophomore, rehearse a scene from the production of "Nickel and Dime." (Photo by April McCormick)





Top Left: Timothy Miller, music freshman, tunes his violin prior to a concert. (Photo by Brooke Newcomer)

Top Middle: Jamie Garrard, music education junior, and Abby Bartel, secondary education sophomore, listen as Roger Moon, associate professor of theatre and speech, instructs them on their performance. (Photo by Samantha Gillis)

Top Right: Jeff Sadler, music senior, and Anthony Gropper, music freshman, get ready for their next piece during the Big Band Concert Nov. 11. (Photo by Corinna Keeling)

Bottom: Jóanna Woon, music freshman, Kelly Monahan, graduate, Rebecca Richmond, nursing junior, Sarah Boyer, music freshman, Kimberly Lowery, communications senior, Cody Davis, theatre sophomore, Sarah Stevens, adjunct music faculty, Nathan Buchmueller, physics junior, and Daniel Stevens, assistant professor of strings music, sing during the choir performance in Italy. (Photo by Andrea Schneider)





Wilders

Freedom. Courage. Hope. Knowledge. It is the faces of Southwestern College that give meaning to these words. From the new, expectant faces of the freshmen to the promising graduates to the caring faculty and staff full of wisdom to share with students. Without them, without you, Southwestern would be empty, void of fresh ideas and meaningful traditions. There would be no laughter to fill the campus throughout the year, no tears of growth, and no promises for tomorrow. It is the people who bring these words to life. It is the people who make Southwestern so wonderful.

Roger Klein, biochemistry junior, and Brooke Newcomer, communication junior, put the finishing touch on their snowman. (Photo by Katie Allender)

Freshmen

Elyse Achenbach, Conway Springs,
digital arts
Jeff Adams, Arkansas City,
music ed.
Robert Aguilar, Wichita, psychology
Rodney Alexander, Cedar Hill,
Texas,

undeclared
Andrew Ambs, Rickland, Ind., biology
Leslie Ash, Douglass, communication

John Badley, Ponca City, Okla.,
philosophy & religious studies
Stuart Ballard, Tulsa Okla.,
business admin.
Chase Bell, Sayre, Okla., phys. ed.
Beth Bellinger, Oskaloosa, education
Brittane Berry, Wichita, chemistry
Brittany Black, Wichita, psychology

Tabbatha Black, Holdenville, Okla.,
accounting
Trent Blackwill, Quinter, Okla., undeclared
Jessica Blake, Milan, elementary ed.
Jason Bond, Denton, Texas, history
Chris Bossio, Spring Hill, Fla., phys. ed.
Blaine Bowers, Denton, Texas,
athletic training

Sarah Boyer, Longford, music
Ellie Brewer, Gladstone, Mo., nursing
Brandon Brown, Sayre, Okla.,
sports mngt.
Mark Budler, Fordland, Mo.,
business admin.
Kerry Hurt, Abilene,
philosophy & religious studies
Nicole Bustraan, Leavenworth,
elementary ed.

Danielle Carr, Shawnee, biochemistry
Paige Carswell, Pratt, communication
Randal Chisamore, Corpus Christi, Texas,
undeclared
Talia Clark, Newton, education
Darius Colvin, Richardson, Texas,
phys. ed.
Michael Combrink, Flagstaff, Ariz., history

Kimberly Connely, Derby, psychology
Brittany Cook, Carson City, Nev.,
theatre arts
Michael Coppock, Oklahoma City, biology
Marilyn Craft, Augusta, education
Gage Cranmer, Fredonia, psychology
Cory Crawford, Peoria, Ariz.,
athletic training

Randi Dierksen, Sterling, nursing
Genaye Domenico, Lyons, marine bio.
Aaron Duell, Salina, undeclared
Sonja Durrin, Topeka, marine bio.
Polina Dyadyk, Ukraine, nursing
Caitlin Dyck, Andover, biochemistry





Freshmen

Ashlie Edwards, Park City, nursing
Melissa Ellis, Topeka, business admin.
Elynne Fell, Winfield, biology
Wesley Ford, Sachse, Texas,
business admin.
Alicia Franck, Wichita, marine bio.
Bonnie Franz, Denton, Texas, music ed.

Sarah Frazier, Derby, music
Caitlynn French, Derby, theatre arts
Justin Fruck, Derby, undeclared
Inger Furholt, Grimstad, Norway,
communication
Tyrone Garrett, Spencer, Okla.,
sports mngt.
Samantha Gillis, Fort Collins, Colo.,
communication

Daniela Guigea, Silsbee, Texas,
business admin.
Kate Givan, Hutchinson, psychology
Caitlin Goertzen, Goessel,
business admin.
Kayla Gollhofer, Ulysses, elementary ed.
Katie Gomez, Winfield, communication
Anthony Gropper, Winfield, undeclared

Andrew Topham

quietly going the distance

Story by Darius Hopkins

Photo by Sarah Morton

Just like any other kid, he had dreams of being something great. As a kid, Andrew Topham, chemistry freshman, wanted to be a pilot.

He is a man of few words. He is quiet but that doesn't stop him from living life. Like every other student there was something that brought Topham to Southwestern College. That was the science department and the cross country and track teams. Topham wanted to be far enough from home yet closer than a Texan.

"It's far enough from home but not too far," said Topham.

Topham makes his way around campus and Winfield in his 1999 Toyota 4 Runner. In 10 years he sees himself working for a research company based on chemistry. When he tries to get peace and quiet so he can get some studying done, he heads

to his favorite place on campus, the library. Country roads back home are his favorite places in the world. "They are the best places to run," said Andrew.

His favorite movie is the Lord of the Rings trilogy. His favorite food is turkey tetrazzini and his favorite drink is milk. Topham may not always be serious, but that is not the coolest thing about him. Not too many people can lick their elbow but he can. That is just one of his talents. His talents also lead to computers. He is very good with computers and that is why his favorite game is a computer game called Rise of Nations, a strategy game. The first thing that comes to his head when he wakes up in the morning is, "Can I sleep a little bit longer?" The last thing Andrew thinks about before he lays down at night is, "Do I have everything ready for the morning?"

Topham is a family guy. The

most important thing to him in the world is his family. If his house was on fire and he could only grab one thing, it would be photos of his family.

His sister Kate Topham, biology junior, also attends Southwestern and run track and cross country. Running is what brought Topham to Southwestern along with academics. His father got him interested in running when he was younger and he has enjoyed it since then.

"I run because I'm good at it and I enjoy it," said Topham.

His inspiration for running is also his father. His father ran at Emporia State.

When he runs, what goes through Andrew's mind is, "What's for dinner? What do I have to do after I run?" He also admires the scenery when running outdoors.



Freshmen

Nathan Haefele, Paola, physics
 Jamie Harkness, Wichita, biology
 Stacy Harkness, Wichita, early child. ed.
 Tylar Hartfield, Cleveland, athletic training
 Korie Hawkins, Tulsa, Okla.,
 communication
 Lacey Hibbs, Wellington, elementary ed.

Elizabeth Hill, Wichita, elementary ed.
 Stacie Hinkel, Wichita, nursing
 Adam Hoag, Winfield, marine bio.
 Corey Holbert, Alvarado, Texas,
 digital arts
 Cole Hollis, Conway Springs, biology
 Valerie Hopper, Oxford, accounting

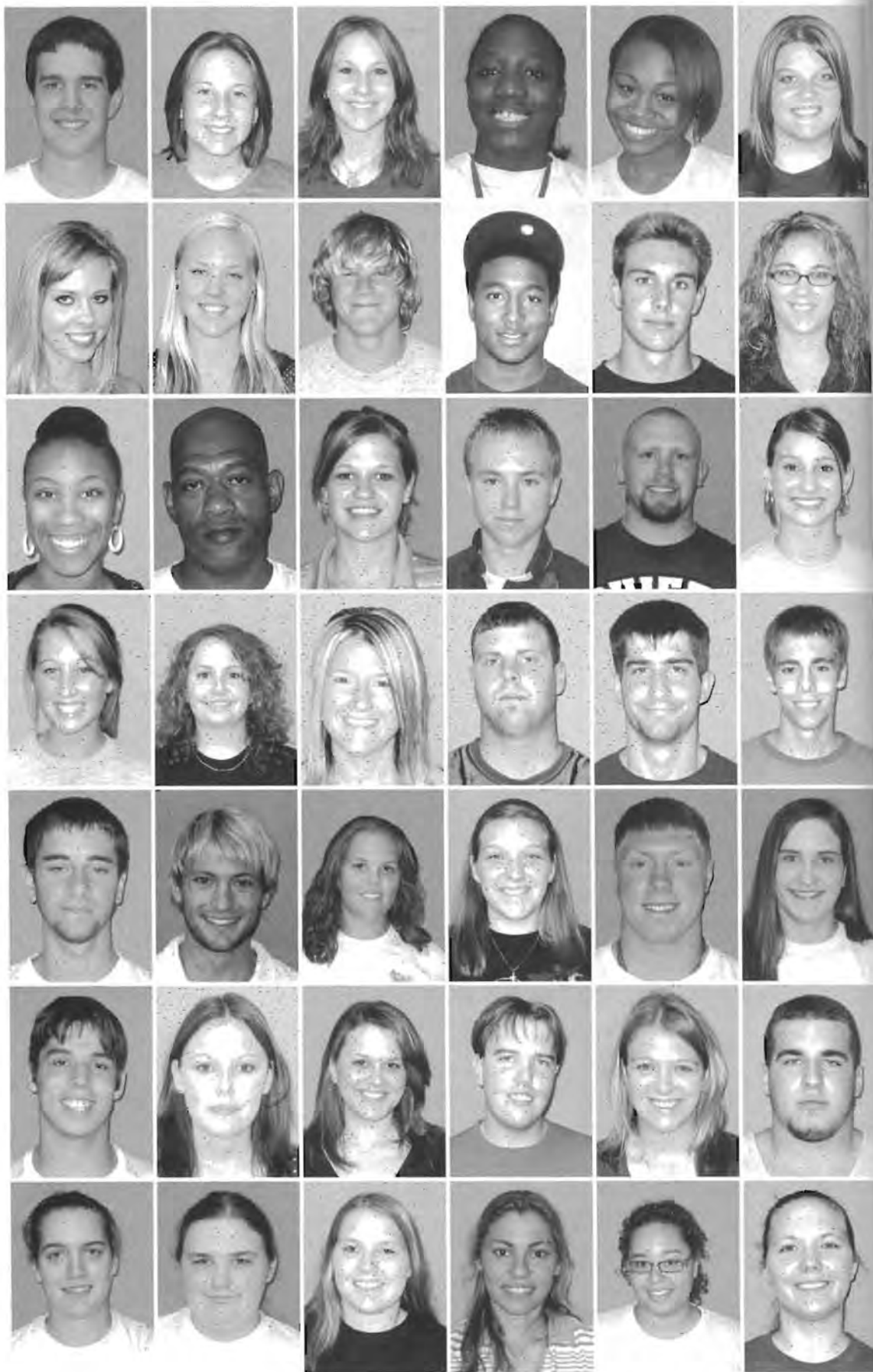
Bianca Irvin, Tulsa, Okla., athletic training
 Delvan Johnson, Winfield,
 business admin.
 Kaydee Johnson, Winfield,
 business admin.
 Justin Joslyn, Hoxie, business admin.
 Kasey Kaiser, Tulsa, Okla.,
 athletic training
 Corinna Keeling, Jennings, Okla.,
 undeclared

Emma Kennedy, Garden City, biology
 Kara Kenyon, Otis, psychology
 Shasta Kimbel, Wellington, elementary ed.
 Chaz King, Gladewater, Texas,
 sports mgmt.
 Nicholas Koch, Mesa, Ariz., undeclared
 Chase Kuchera, Quinter,
 communication

Kyle Larsen, Winfield, phys. ed.
 Kyle Luttegharm, Wichita, biology
 Amelia Lutz, Mannford, Okla., marine bio.
 Audra Mann, Big Lake, Ark.,
 philosophy & religious studies
 Landon Marshall, Tishomingo, Okla.,
 nursing
 Sara Maxwell, Keota, undeclared

Nick McBeath, Alvarado, Texas,
 undeclared
 Laura McGowan, Haysville, biology
 Julie Miller, Hutchinson, theatre arts
 Tim Miller, Arkansas City, music
 Lauren Moser, Tribune, early child. ed.
 Nick Moss, Tulsa, Okla., business admin.

Rachel Muth, Lake Charles, La., history
 Melissa Nichols, Winfield, biology
 Nicki-Kay Nichols, Stafford,
 athletic training
 Patricia Nogueira, Brazil, undeclared
 Amber Nubine, Blue Springs, Mo., nursing
 Amanda Nygren, Broken Arrow, Okla.,
 comp. science





Freshmen

Dustin Pickett, Topeka, chemistry
 Amy Pierson, Clay Center, nursing
 Bradley Pilgrim, Sapulpa, Okla., chemistry
 Josh Plummer, Lake Havasu City, Ariz., business admin.
 Ashley Poynter, Owasso, Okla., phys. ed.
 Nickole Presley, Lebo, accounting

Anna Pruitt, Thomas, Okla., early child. ed.
 Mitchell Ridenour, Cimarron, phys. ed.
 Sheldon Rivers, Delaware, Okla., history
 Jeremiah Roberts, Wichita, music ed.
 Lisa Roth, Paxico, history
 Courtney Roulston, Oklahoma City, biochemistry

Kierra Shands, Broken Arrow, Okla., athletic training
 Matthew Shefferd, Sayre, Okla., biology
 Alissa Sheppard, Wichita, communication
 Lea Shores, Goodland, chemistry
 Bailey Silvers, Ripley, Okla., nursing
 Kyle Smith, Santa Clarita, Calif., business admin.

Ben Sorrell, Lee's Summit, Mo., education
 Morgan Stacy, Levelland, Texas, chemistry
 Ben Stanfield, Wellington, comp. science
 Jayson Steele, Park Hill, Okla., elementary ed.
 Zach Stewart, Midlothian, Texas, history
 Jacob Tafoya, Albuquerque, N.M., business admin.

The Harkness Sisters

making SC soccer a family tradition

Story by Jessica Blake
 Photo by Katie Allender

You see them around campus. Most of the time they are doing their own thing but there are times when you will see them together. The three sisters from Wichita all play soccer. They are the Harkness sisters.

Jamie is majoring in biology and Stacy in early childhood education. The twins are freshmen. Older sister Tina is majoring in biology and psychology as a senior. Stacy is a forward, Jamie is a left back on defense, and Tina is a right defender.

Before college they had never all three played on the same soccer team. "You have to know when to be sisterly and when not to be," said Jamie.

Stacy said, "The best thing about being on the same team as my sisters is we can be mean to each other and know that we're just trying to better each other."

The sisters chose Southwestern for different reasons. Tina said, "I wanted to play soccer but not stay in Wichita. At the time I was just a biology major and I heard they had a good program."

Why did Stacy and Jamie choose to come to Southwestern? "We didn't. Our parents did," Jamie said.

Jamie and Stacy share a dorm room and once in a while they have game night together. Tina said, "I let them do their own thing. They have to learn on their own."

Jamie said, "Next season is going

to be a good one I think, because as a team we now know how each other plays. As far as playing with my sisters,

it's always a great time, win or lose. The best part is that all of us get to play together for one more season."



Paulo Borges

he's a keeper

Story and photo
by Jessica Blake

You may see him in Wallingford doing his Tuesday night routine as a resident assistant or on the soccer field blocking shots as one of the goal keepers. Last year you may have even seen him on the basketball court. "I always enjoyed soccer and basketball and wanted to try something new this year." He is Paulo Borges, a biology major, a sophomore, a resident assistant, and a soccer player, who also speaks two languages, Portuguese and English. "And I have plans to continue my study and earn a graduate degree. I am planning to

attend medical school," he said.

Borges is from Brazil. "I miss my family, my friends, and the food." Back home Borges has two siblings and his parents.

When not doing his duty as a resident assistant, studying, or playing on the soccer field Borges said, "I listen to music, watch television, and hang out with my friends." How does he balance his time with his busy schedule? "By staying up late studying and doing my homework," Borges said.

Borges said, "I have always been involved in sports. I started to play soccer when I was four years old like all kids from my country. I believe what drives me to play

is the same reason why people are involved in athletics. For the challenge, competition, and love for the game," Borges said.

What would it be like to be the goal keeper? "Very painful, challenging, and fun" Borges replied.

"I found out about Southwestern from the kindergarten teacher at my old school. She is the soccer coaches' sister and my coach told me," said Borges.

"My favorite things about Southwestern College are the campus activities. The people are

friendly, and the small classes."

"I think this applies to all sports, but I'll adapt to soccer. You live more in 90 minutes during a game, than many years that some people live in a lifetime."



Johnathan Tingley, Arkansas City, psychology
Andrew Topham, Peabody, chemistry
Jordy Train, Lindsborg, education
Teaira Turner, Lincolnville, athletic training
Jordan Unruh, Clay Center, biology
Rosalina Valdovinos, Wichita, nursing

Lyle Valentine, Derby, theatre arts
Michelle Vasquez, El Paso, Texas, nursing
Kelsey Verhaeghe, Baldwin City, elementary ed.
Nick Wagner, Wailuku, Hawaii, undeclared
Taggart Wall, Winfield, philosophy & religious studies
Tristan Walters, Russell, biochemistry

Tanner Weeast, Liberal, business admin.
Nicole Wilson, Edmond, Okla., undeclared
Anna Windsor, Kilgore, Texas, elementary ed.
Courtney Wood, Wichita, psychology
Joanna Woon, Telukintan, Malaysia, music
Nimsi Zayas, El Paso, Texas, nursing

Tian Zeng, China, business admin.



Sophomores

Taylor Aldrich, Salina, early child. ed.
Whitney Baker, Grain Valley, Mo., athletic training
Abby Bartel, Augusta, secondary ed.
Sierra Bergstrom, Clay Center, biology
Jessica Bernhardt, Marion, communication
Mandi Bever, Flint, Texas, biology

Andrew Bonvehi, Van Nuys, Calif., sports mngr.
Paulo Borges, Brazil, biology
Melissa Borthwick, Ulysses, biology
Sheldon Brown, Lewisville, Texas, business admin.
Jimmy Bryant, Cleveland, Okla., business admin.
Josh Burch, Callahan, Fla., phys. ed.

Jake Buskirk, Augusta, digital arts
Elyse Byram, Leawood, philosophy & religious studies
Thaddeus Carrena, Flower Mound, Texas, accounting
Alyssa Carter, Peabody, psychology
Blake Carter, Protection, philosophy & religious studies
Zack Conroy, Wichita, business admin.

Nick Crawley, Chapman, comp. science
Cody Davis, Montrose, Colo., music ed.
Shawna Deloney, Tulsa, Okla., psychology
Yvonne Elizardo, Carrollton, Texas, nursing
JoAnna Ellsworth, Baxter Springs, biochemistry
Laura Fobes, Pratt, nursing

Deleon Freeman, Mesquite, Texas, communication
Kristi Glessner, Salina, elementary ed.
Kaycie Goff, Winfield, biology
Dustin Gorden, Hardtner, chemistry
Melissa Greenberg, Independence, Mo., phys. ed.
Gloria Griffin, The Colony, Texas, psychology

Mahrjon Hafez, Arkansas City, theatre arts
Valarie Hart, Wewoka, Okla., athletic training
Elizabeth Higbee, Tonganoxie, theatre arts
Courtney Howard, Derby, undeclared
Janell Howard, Derby, nursing
Alex Hutchins, Winfield, business admin.

Jordan Jarnagin, Protection, nursing
Greg Jeffers, Tulsa, Okla., athletic training
Molly Kearns, Parsons, elementary ed.
David King, Wichita, comp. science
Lindsey Knak, Fairview, Okla., athletic training
Daniel Kuhn, Winfield, sports mngr.

Cassi Reimer

not your everyday beauty queen

Story by Kaydee Johnson
Submitted photo

She started competing in pageants during her senior year of high school after a good family friend encouraged her to look into the program. Cassi Reimer, mathematics sophomore, also participates on the Jinx Dance team and Leadership team.

Reimer confessed that if it weren't for the scholarship money, she probably would not participate in nerve-racking and time consuming pageants. Since tuition is costly, she chooses to participate.

The Miss America program is one of the most recognized scholarship programs and awards approximately \$50 million in scholarship money annually. Money is not just given to the contestant with the biggest smile. There are requirements for community service hours, and each

participant must choose a platform to focus their volunteer time and efforts. Reimer's platform is "positive mentoring through youth involvement." Her efforts have allowed her to benefit from the scholarship money made available.

"Last year, when my bill from the school arrived, all of my outstanding balance was covered by my pageant winnings," Reimer said.

Reimer appreciates the opportunity to meet people through the pageant system. "You make a lot of friends from all over the state. They are genuinely nice - not snobby 'pageanty girls' like people think," said Reimer.

Reimer said that she probably is not someone who you would expect to see in the pageant system. During the Miss Leavenworth County 2008 pageant on Dec. 8, 2007, Reimer decided to cover a tattoo she had recently

gotten on her foot, a symbol of Christ, with a large band-aid. The judges noticed the band-aid and asked her what had happened to her foot.

"Well I wasn't going to lie about it. I'm not ashamed of it, so I told them the truth. They then asked me why I felt compelled to cover it." Her interview was consumed with a question about outward appearance. "Eventually I made the point that, I have a tattoo and a nose piercing, and once I had purple hair...but that doesn't make me a bad person," said Reimer.

Though her interview session turned into a deep debate, the judges must have appreciated her willingness to share her beliefs and convictions. Reimer won the pageant

and is the residing Miss Leavenworth County. She will compete in the Miss Kansas pageant for the second consecutive year in the summer of 2008.



Russ Lester, Kilgore, Texas, philosophy & religious studies
Jess Maddox, Blue Rapids, business admin.
Stuart Mann, Deerfield, comp. science/digital arts
Tony Marolf, Broken Arrow, Okla., comp. science/digital arts
Megan Martin, Augusta, biology
Chrissy Mauzey, Arkansas City, biology

Heather McFall, Meade, elementary ed.
Tanner McNinch, Utica, biology
Lisa Megonigle, Mulvane, athletic training
Nathan Morrison, Osborne, athletic training
Kate Murphy, Atchison, business admin.
Jordan Neal, Cheney, philosophy & religious studies

Will Neely, Fairport, N.Y., physics
Ashley Nixon, Collinsville, Okla., nursing
Macklin Nusz, Haviland, undeclared
Lyndsie Oathout, Wellington, biology
Lorie O'Quinn, Wichita, nursing
Jared Paul, Mulvane, business admin.



Sophomores

Matt Perkins, Katy, Texas, business admin.
Ben Prowse, Arkansas City, biology
Courtney Putnam, Stillwater, Okla., athletic training
Abram Rankin, Winfield, undeclared
Cassi Reimer, Ulysses, mathematics
Mary Requena, Lenexa, elementary ed.

Ashli Reynolds, Agra, philosophy & religious studies
Hermann Ribeiro, Octagonal, Brazil, business admin.
Kari Roth, Winfield, psychology
Brooke Rowzee, Covington, La., theatre arts
Amanda Salzman, Winfield, undeclared
Monica Sauber, Great Bend, nursing

Jeff Schaefer, Winfield, sports mgmt.
Clint Schneider, Hillsboro, comp. science/digital arts
Rene Schwan, Salina, athletic training
Ted Shinneman, Kearney, Mo., phys. ed.
Cameron Siefkes, Hutchinson, undeclared
Brianna Simon, Leon, theatre arts

Alex Sims, Wichita, business admin.
Brett Smith, Derby, philosophy & religious studies
Caitlin Smith, Ellsworth, undeclared
Jeff Smith, Wellington, phys. ed.
Kara Sparks, Dodge City, music ed.
Kaeli Sullivan, Arkansas City, music ed.

Kayla Summers, Lancaster, Calif., elementary ed.
Cory Talbott, Wichita, comp. science
Budi Taniwan, Jelambar, Indonesia, undeclared
Lexy Teeter, Ulysses, biology
Larissa Vasquez, Wichita, biology
Ame Walter, Lincoln, Neb., phys. ed.

Jessica Warren, Lamont, Okla., psychology
Matt Webb, Maysville, Okla., communication
Laura Welter, Lincoln, Neb., secondary ed.
Kody Wendler, Wichita, biology
Amber Williams, Aline, Okla., phys. ed.
Peggy Williams, Burlingame, communication

Darrell Wilson, Meriden, undeclared
Kenneth Wright, Oklahoma City, business admin.

Tim Moore

faith, family, and freethrows

Story by Jessica Bernhardt
Photo by April McCormick

He grew up a three-sport athlete but narrowed it down to one when coming to college. Basketball happened to be that one. Tim Moore, computer science junior, started playing basketball in the sixth grade. "My parents played and I wanted to follow in their footsteps," he said.

The basketball program is what drew Moore to Southwestern. "Plus, I heard they had a good computer science program," he said.

Moore's hometown is Dallas. His inspiration

while growing up was his grandfather. "It seems like ever since I was little and up until now, he has been working really hard for everything. He instilled in me that if I want anything in life, I have to work for it. That simple lesson will stick with me for the rest of my life."

A favorite family tradition of Moore's happens once a year in November. "Usually on Thanksgiving after we eat and we're full, everyone sits around and going from oldest to youngest everyone says what they're thankful for."

The future is uncertain. Moore wants to be a computer analyst after graduation. As for Moore's goals, "I just want to make my family happy. If I am doing well enough to make them smile, as long as everyone is smiling, I'm fine."

Something you might not know about Moore is, "I can wash the heck out of a car." As for his talents? Moore said "I can't think of any of my talents other than playin' ball." Something no one knows about him is that "I read the Bible every morning."

Intersanctum happens to be Moore's favorite school tradition. "I like Madness, but they've only had it twice since I've been here."

Moore's favorite staff member at Southwestern is Steve Rankin, professor of religious studies. "He sets the standards for the men of SC."

With another year before graduation, Moore is focusing on academics. "My ultimate goal right now is to get a degree before anything. Conference championships, that's good...but just to get a degree."

Phylicia Allen, San Antonio, biology and marine bio.

Katie Allender, Argonia, communication

Mattie Allison, North Newton, psychology

Chance Alquest, Winfield, music

Katie Baltzer, Lehigh, marine biology

Amanda Baughman, Douglass, business admin.

Tony Beach, Arkansas City, nursing

Cami Bell, Lufkin, Texas, accounting

Cecilia Bennett, Winfield, nursing

Stephen Bilyeu, Arkansas City, philosophy & religious studies

Carmon Bliss, Jetmore, elementary ed.

Christie Boote, Derby, elementary ed.

Kelli Bryant, Hays, biology and chemistry

Nathan Buchmueller, Pratt, physics

William Calhoun, Mexia, Texas, phys. ed.

Eddie Carmichael, Meade, communication

Amber Carmickle, Lubbock, Texas, business admin.

Kyler Chase, Derby, theatre arts

Aric Cherry, Ozawie, communication

Veronica Childs, Arkansas City, nursing

Preston Claytor, Chandler, Ariz., sports mgmt.

Anthony Cook, Oswego, communication

Amos Dailey, Hominy, Okla., comp. science

Cheryl Davis, Estes Park, Colo., music ed.



Juniors

Jessica Dibble, Winfield, business admin.
Justin Diggles, Dallas, sports mgmt.
Timothy Dillon, Derby, nursing
Diane Dixon, Moline, biology
Michelle Dreiling, Oxford, comp. science and comm.
David Duncan, Sante Fe, N.M., business admin.

Jess Eberle, Elder, athletic training
Courtney Eck, Pratt, mathematics
Jennifer Edwards, Moundridge, business admin.
Andrea Ferguson, Winfield, accounting
Kim Ferguson, South Haven, nursing
Ashley Findley-Robinson, Winfield, nursing

Leigha Foley, San Angelo, Texas, business admin.
Erica Franklin, Loveland, Colo., biology
Giovanni Garcia, Dallas, communication
Jamie Garrard, Belton, Mo., music ed.
Christy Glave, Rolla, nursing
Kristy Gordon, Winfield, comp. science

Alex Gottlob, Winfield, business admin.
John Grauerholz, Kensington, business admin.
Tee Gray, Clinton, Md., comp. science
Molly Hamlett, Derby, mathematics
Moses Harper, McComb, Miss., sports mgmt.
Linda Hawk, Winfield, psychology

Beth Hoang, Winfield, nursing
Ashley Holloway, Wichita, communication
Scott Holman, Winfield, undeclared
Darius Hopkins, Dallas, communication
Curtis Housholder, Scandia, chemistry
Kyle Hubele, Lindsborg, phys. ed.

Miwa Ishii, Tulsa, psychology
Robert Jackson, St. Louis, marine biology
Rodney Jackson, Desoto, Texas, sports mgmt.
Jason Jeschke, McKinney, Texas, sports mgmt.
Nate Jones, Belle Plaine, communication
Alwyn Jordan, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., sports mgmt.

Carissa Kelley, Winfield, communication
Clint Kissling, Wichita, comp. science
Blair Koehn, Newton, business admin.
Joey Kreft, Derby, comp. science
Sharon Krusemark, Winfield, comp. science
Farai Kwaramba, Harare, Zimbabwe, chemistry

Juniors

Addie Lambing, Augusta,
psychology
Tyler Lampert, Niceville, Fla.,
athletic training
Tony Lara, Juarez, Mexico, comp. science
Dallas Leonard, Marysville,
business admin.
Guilherme Lins, Brazil, business admin.
Krysti Mackey, Fayette, Mo., music ed.

Anna Macy, Ellinwood, biology
Andrew Manley, Salina, accounting
Sydney Manyiri, Wichita, nursing
Darla McKay, Cedar Vale, elementary ed.
Kourtney McLeland, Belle Plaine,
biochemistry
Tabatha McMullen, Topeka,
early child. ed.

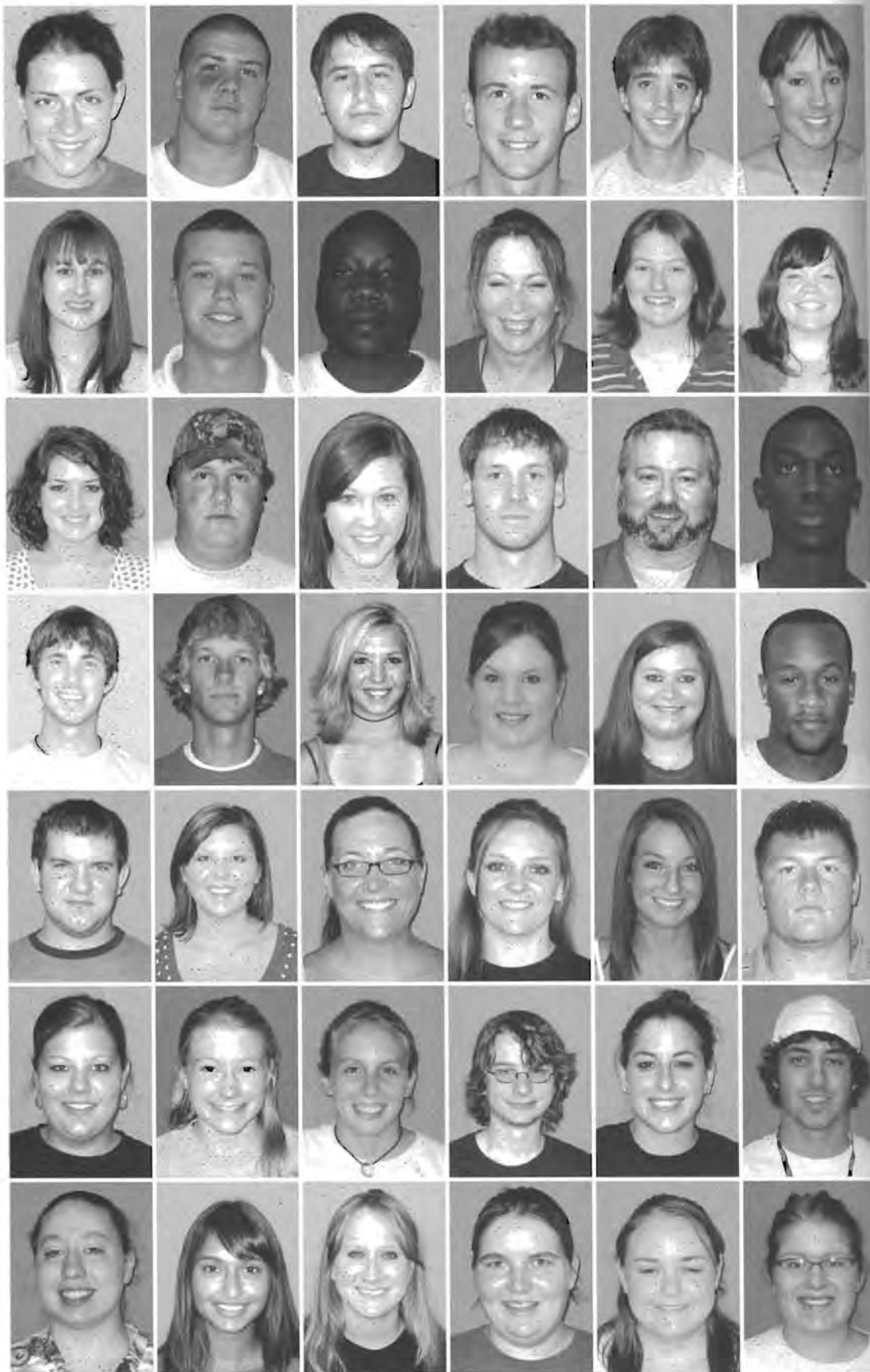
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Nick Mondero, Dallas, biology
Frank Moore, Coffeyville, history
Tim Moore, Dallas, comp. science

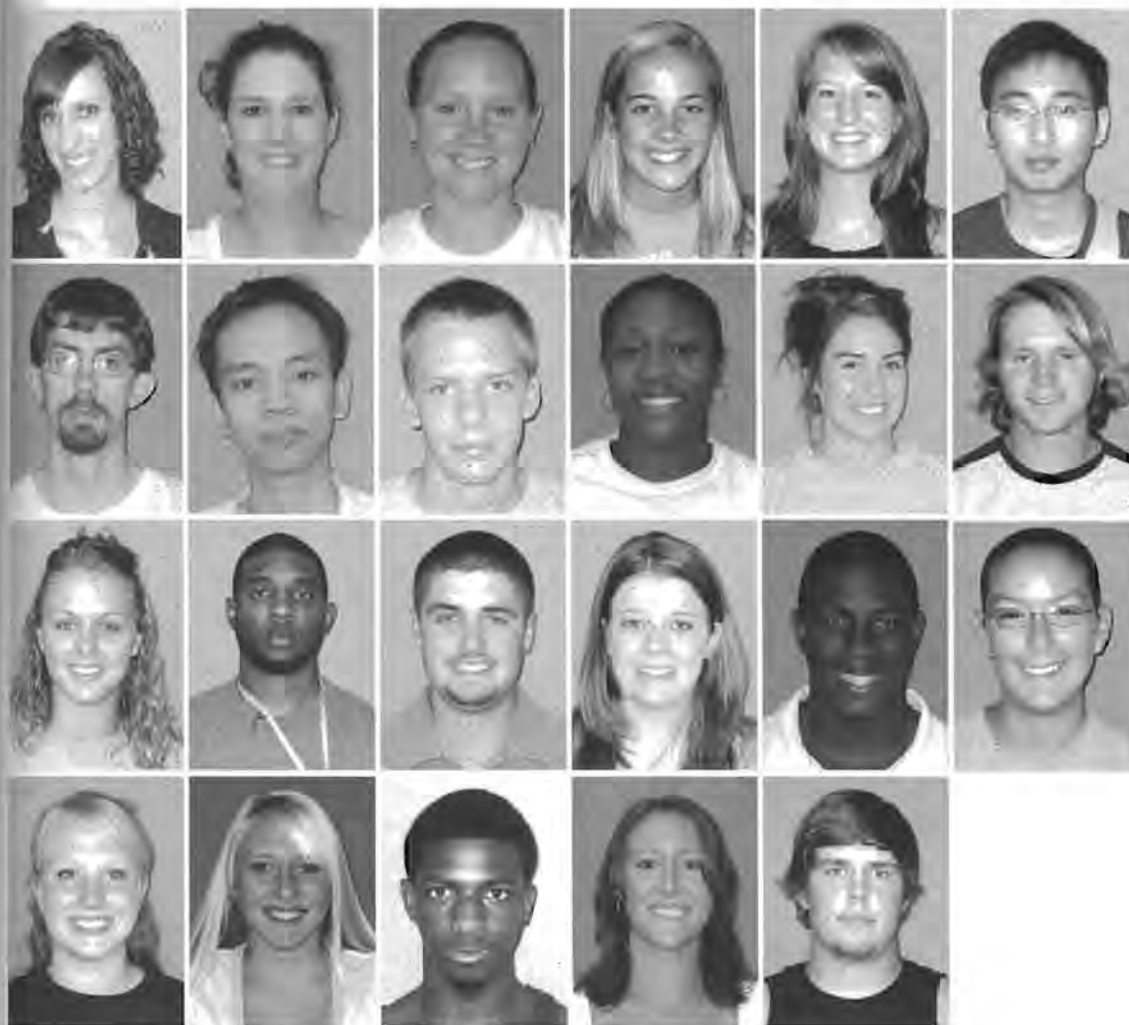
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Shane Neises, Oxford, business admin.
Brooke Newcomer, Belleville,
comp. science
Jacqueline Nutsch, Arkansas City,
elementary ed.
Natasha Osteen, Mulvane, accounting
Eric Parker, Sanchse, Texas,
comp. science

Keith Peck, College Station, Texas,
physics
Nicole Pierce, Saint John, elementary ed.
Brooke Pray, Sedan, biology
Katy Raybern, Saint John, biology
Kelsey Reynolds, Norman, Okla.,
communication
John Richmond, Cleveland, Okla.,
phys. ed.

Rebecca Richmond, Herington, nursing
Melanie Robins, Pratt, elementary ed.
Courtney Ross, Meriden, psychology
Peter Ruggles, Winfield, biochemistry
Eva Sanders, Keller, Texas,
business admin.
James Sanders, Keller, Texas,
business admin.

Kim Sanders, Arkansas City, nursing
Mehvash Shahzada, Richardson, Texas,
biochemistry
Lindsey Smith, Medicine Lodge,
business admin.
Tabitha Smith, Rock, early child. ed.
Natalie Snow, Dodge City, elementary ed.
Emily Stephens, Dodge City, biology





Juniors

Brylee Sturd, McCloud, Okla., elementary ed.
Kimberly Tanner, Derby, nursing
Kayla Tibbs, Garland, Texas, accounting
Katie Timmer, Garland, Texas, elementary ed.
Kate Topham, Peabody, biology
Anh Tran, Viet Nam, comp. science

Wayne Trimmell, Wichita, phys. ed.
Hieu Trinh, Viet Nam, business admin.
Jarrett Tyler, Andover, phys. ed.
Krystal Tyree, North Little Rock, Ark., athletic training
Shannon Varney, Rocky Ford, Colo., nursing
Kyger Veatch, Liberal, marine biology

Stephanie Walcher, Mesquite, Texas, nursing
Ken Walters, Tucson, Ariz., phys. ed
Westin Weeast, Saint John, business admin.
Ann Weese, Saint John, biology
Charles Wells, Roanoke, Texas, sports mngr.
LeeAnne Whiteman, Howard, business admin.

Julie Wilke, Winfield, elementary ed.
Susannah Willhite, Burden, biology
Justin Williams, Mexia, Texas, mathematics
Kelsey Woods, Derby, elementary ed.
Logan Wyrick, Haviland, education

Erika Franklin all because of coach

Story and photo by Kenna Corley

Students come to Southwestern for many different reasons, athletics, academics, religion, or even family. Ericka Franklin, biology junior, is one of the many outstanding student-athletes at Southwestern College who said that the reason she chose this school was mostly because of a great coach.

"When I came to visit, I really liked Coach Helmer and he made it seem like the greatest place ever and it was. I just liked it here and I thought I could live here for four years."

Franklin participates in track and cross country and runs several different events such as the indoor mile and 3K but also the outdoor 1500 meter and the 3000 meter Steeple chase.

Franklin ran in high school but said she played other sports more than she

ran. She thought her chances for running in college were more promising than anything else. But she continued to emphasize that her visit to Southwestern made all the difference in her decision.

"When I came here to visit, I met Coach Helmer and really liked him and the team was really great. I did it my first year not really knowing much about it but I enjoyed it a lot and that's why I keep going back to it."

For not knowing very much about the sport, Franklin was very successful her freshman year as a member of the track team. In the three years that she's been attending SC, her proudest accomplishment came in her first year.

"I got third place in the national meet so I got All-American."

For those of you who don't know much about cross country, the events can take several minutes to complete.

When running such a long distance, there has to be something that Franklin thinks about to get her to the finish line.

"Usually when I run good I don't think about much at all."

But when it comes to getting ready and fueled for a race, Franklin says she drinks a lot of water the day before and stays away from sugar. Pasta is one of her favorite meals to eat the night before to help give her energy for the races.

As a biology major, Franklin has a heavy class load and long practice schedule. She has learned to manage her time well so it doesn't affect her academic or personal life much.

Franklin isn't sure where she wants her next step to be after graduation. She may return to her hometown of Loveland, Colo., to work with her dad at his business.



Ali Schmidt

grounded in faith

Story and photo
by Monica Springer

There is a quote that she lives by. She doesn't know where or when she heard it, but she'll always remember it.

"Faith does not get us around things. It gets us through things."

Ali Schmidt, nursing senior, said faith has gotten her through rough times in her life. That faith, along with family and friends, keeps her going.

Both sets of her grandparents lived in Greensburg, along with her mom, brother and stepsister, and an aunt and uncle.

Her birthday, May 4, also marked the day her hometown was almost destroyed by an EF-5 tornado.

"It's hard to live in a town your whole life and then not recognize it after one night," Schmidt said. "There wasn't very much to save."

Schmidt graduated in May with a nursing degree. After graduation, she wants to become a traveling nurse for a couple of years. She worked at the hospital in Wellington while she was in college.

Holidays are more centered around faith and religion now

than ever.

While there was food on the table and presents under the tree, Schmidt realizes that family is the most important thing in her life.

Schmidt was in Winfield celebrating her birthday with her family that Friday night. She planned to stay and work in Wellington in during the summer.

"I've never been a home-body. When I left for college I was fine. I didn't need to go home," Schmidt said. "But I was working in Wellington and I wasn't helping Greensburg. I just felt like I had to do something."

In June of 2007 Schmidt moved in with her mom in a rented house in Hutchinson and commuted to her hometown to volunteer. She worked at a tornado relief shelter in Haviland. There, she put Greensburg residents in touch with local churches to receive

food, water, and money.

Much like her hometown, Schmidt is rebuilding.

Her brother's house has been repaired from the tornado. The restaurant where she worked for years, The Kansan, has four walls up.

White Schmidt and her family are slowly replacing things they lost, some can't be replaced.

Schmidt's grandfather, Harold Schmidt, died of his injuries due to the tornado.

He lived for 10 days in the Pratt hospital after the tornado. Schmidt said her family's faith got them through the loss.

"We all had our turn to say goodbye. I think God was telling me it was my turn. I just happened to ask one of the nurses if I could stay and help clean him up," Schmidt said. "She was a neat nurse, kind of who I want to follow after. That was my way of saying goodbye."

Sarah Abu-Hasira, Anderson, Mo.,
sports mgmt. and early child. ed.
Joel Alejandro, Dodge City,
philosophy & religious studies
Lesia Alford, Geuda Springs, biology
Austin Almeida, Waco, Texas, phys. ed.
Ryan Amberg, Wellington,
business admin.
Audry Anderson, Ulysses, psychology

Bryant Andrews Jr., Oklahoma City,
sports mgmt.
Cody Annis, Ulysses, business admin.
Lauren Apking, Winslow, Neb.,
psychology
Martha Arbuckle, Grenola,
elementary ed. and athletic training
Avery Archambo, Phoenix, history
Bethany Augustine, Hays,
biochemistry and psychology

Marci Bartow, McPherson, early child. ed.
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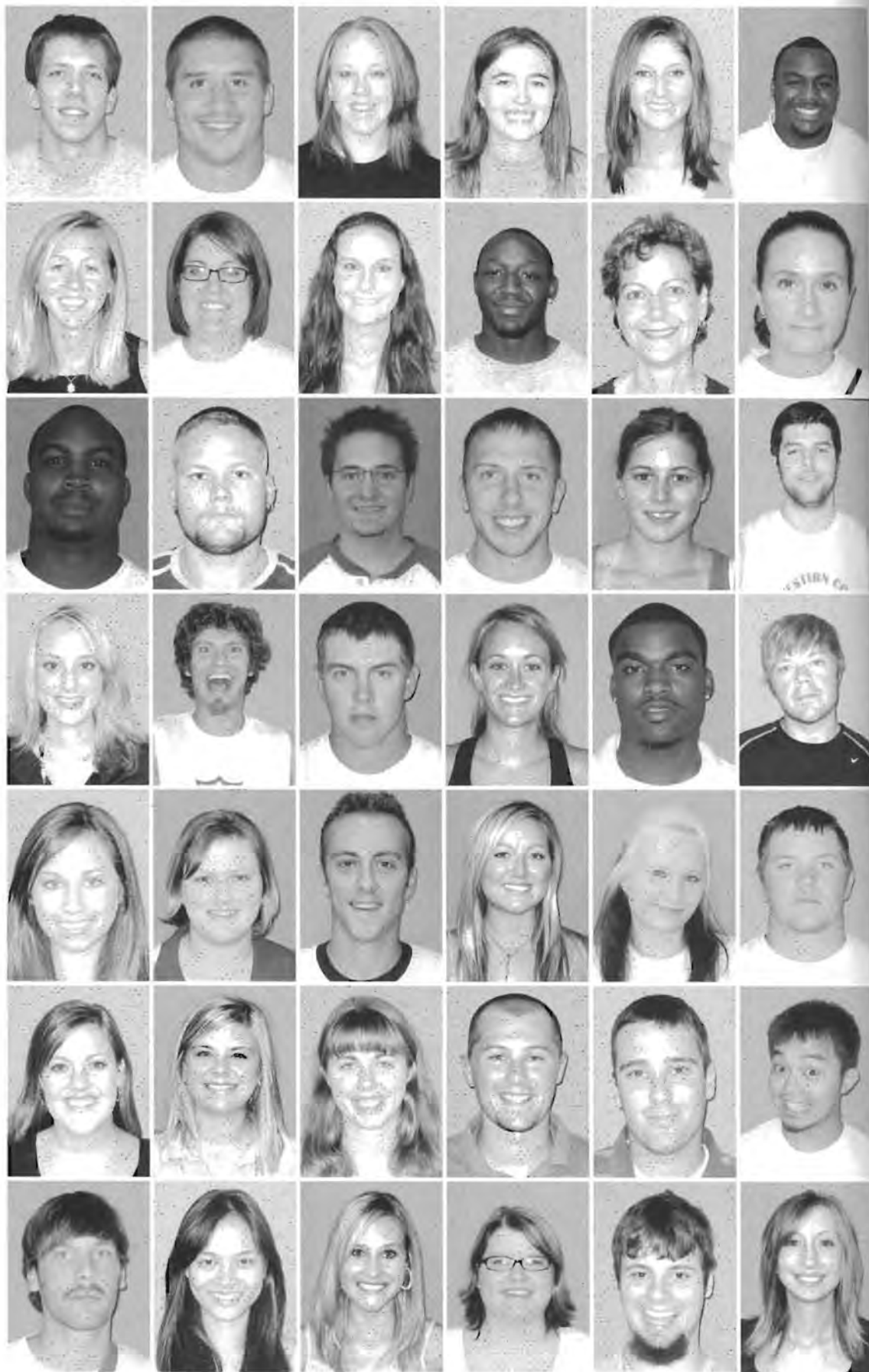
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Tallon Mitchell

combat creates a new outlook on peace

Story by Susan Loveall
Photo by Diane Dixon



"My priorities have changed. People think a test here is the end of the world if they fail it, and it's not even close. Having somebody shoot at you is a lot different than failing a test."

Tallon Mitchell, biology senior, isn't your typical student. For starters, he has earned the Purple Heart.

Mitchell started classes in the fall of 2002 before leaving for the war in Iraq. He joined the army in high school as a way to help pay his tuition.

"I had enough time to get out of school here, pack my bags, be home and get on the bus. We did six months training in Mississippi and then went straight overseas for 15 more for a total 21-month deployment."

When he found out he'd be going to Iraq, Mitchell describes his reaction as a mixture of fear, anger, disbelief, and a chance to serve his country.

"Once you leave the states, it's a whole different culture. You meet different people and see their lives and think, 'Man I have it good.' You have food everyday, house with air conditioning and internet. There you are lucky to have air conditioning or a roof. A lot of kids run around without shoes on pavement. Wearing boots we couldn't even stand on the pavement very long, but those little kids run around barefoot all day long."

An Improvised Explosive Device went off while Mitchell was driving. It knocked him out for a second and

blew out his ear drum. He will cope with a punctured right ear drum for the rest of his life.

"You want to know what combat is like? You'll never know unless you have guys shooting at you and bullets whizzing by your head, and you know that their intent is to kill you."

That's not to say everything there was awful. For fun the soldiers would go to a theatre to watch movies, play football and volleyball, work out in the gym, and they even had the opportunity to swim in Saddam Hussein's pool.

Mitchell always felt supported and believes in the work they were doing there.

"There was a tremendous amount of support. The news is what gets people over there down. You have to listen to people on the news saying how bad it is over there, how it's never going to end. You don't want to hear that. You got a job to do and you have to do your job no matter what."

When asked if there was one thing he could let the world know about the war, he said, "We're not wasting our time. We are doing good over there, whether we know it or not. The people appreciate us."

He's back from Iraq. He married Jenny Crank in October 2007. He finished his degree in May.

Mitchell says serving in the Army has given him a new outlook on life. He appreciates what he has in the United States.

"It's peaceful. There's really no conflict here. None. Nobody is shooting at anybody. You can drive around in regular vehicles without worrying about anything. There you have to have body armor on you all the time and worry about bombs on the sides of the road."

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digital arts

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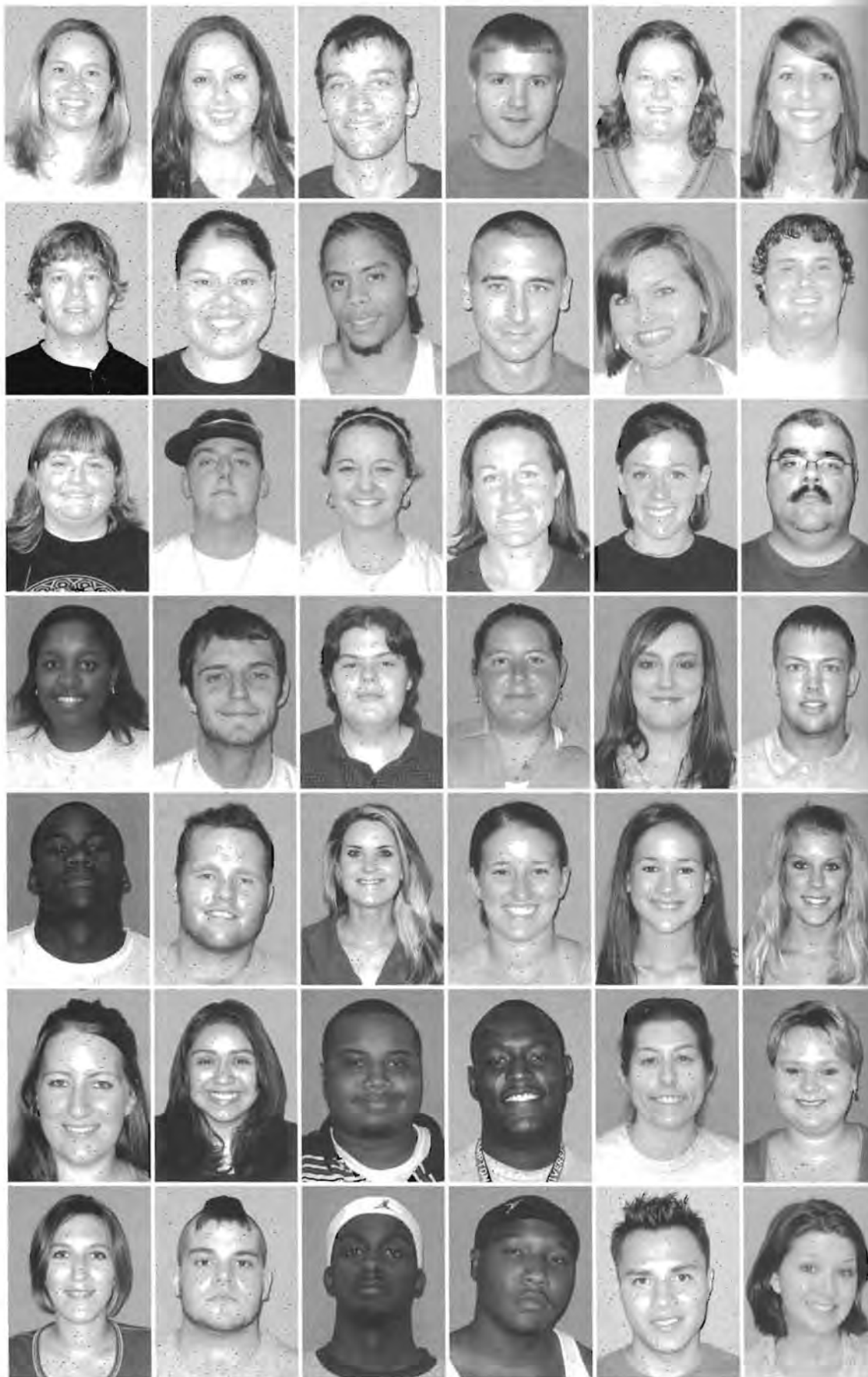
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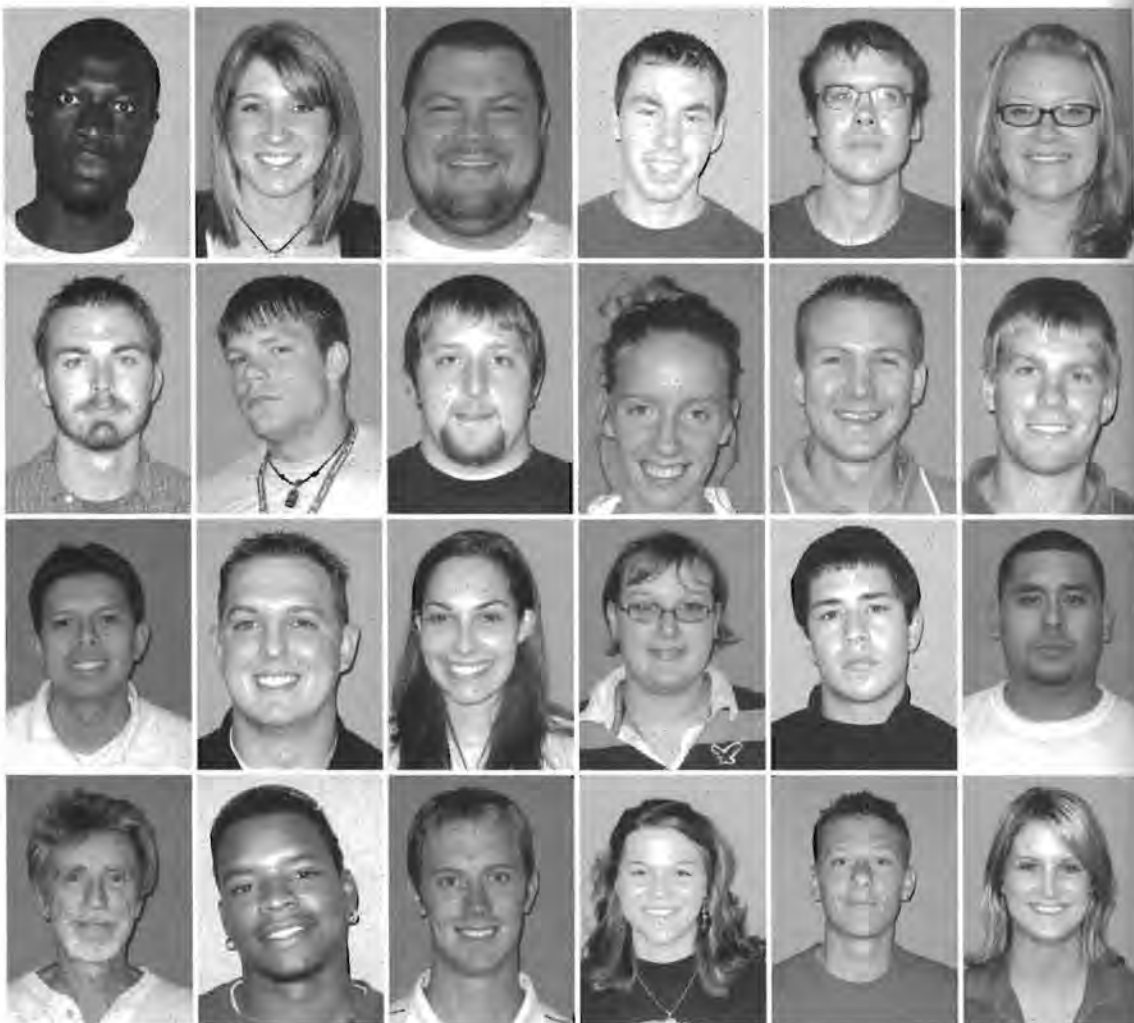
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Evans Amaoko

dedicated to the game

Story by Jessica Blake

and Melissa Ellis

Photo by Kaydee Johnson

When you bring up his name to anyone on campus the first thing that comes to mind is soccer, and for a good reason. Evans Amaoko, business graduate, is a star player for the soccer team. He loves to play and he loves the team. Even in his spare time he practices the sport. His favorite part of playing soccer is getting to show his talent and to constantly improve.

Amaoko was born in Ghana, West Africa. He has two sisters who now live in Denver and

Rhode Island. His parents now live in Houston. He goes to Texas as often as he can, which is practically all of the school breaks.

He tried out for the semi-pros, but unfortunately didn't make it. He plans to try out again if possible. "It's something I'm really looking forward to," said Amaoko. He plans to keep playing, even if it is just as a hobby.

Also in his future plans he would like working for himself. He wants to own his own taxi company like his uncle in Houston. "It's the best place. I just love Houston."



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Coach Jim Helmer

30+ years at SC & loving every second

Story by Darius Hopkins

Photo by Ashley Holloway

Jim Helmer, "The Real Campus Legend," was like the majority of the student body. He was looking for a small college with that small-town atmosphere. Helmer graduated from Southwestern College in 1971.

"I was looking for a small college where I could have success and participate in cross country and track," said Helmer.

Helmer's older brother attended Southwestern and ran track and cross country. Helmer said Southwestern College had the quality education he was looking for as well as the high quality cross country and track team.

"I had no idea what I wanted to major in when I first came. Yet, I did have a great experience as a biology major and education," said Helmer.

Helmer said his running experience was the highlight of his life. In his college career he won two cross country Kansas Collegiate Athletic Conference titles, one track KCAC title, and three team runner up in cross country and track. He was All Conference several times in cross country and track and competed in seven national championships. He was part of relay teams that broke school records. He

was on the mile relay at nationals his junior year and placed sixth overall.

This would have a major effect on his coaching. During his 30 years, Helmer's title belt consists of 28 conference championship titles for men's cross country, 17 conference championship titles for women's cross country, 25 conference championship's for men's track, and 15 conference championship titles for women's track.

Helmer has three children, Cory, Cassie and Ashley. Cory and Cassie graduated from SC in 2003 and 1999 and Ashley graduated from SC in May.

"Cory and Cassie appreciated the education they got here. They also felt really comfortable with the education that was given. It prepared them for the real world," said Helmer. Cory is a loan officer and Cassie is an elementary school teacher.

Retirement has not crossed Helmer's mind. He has no set target for when he would like to retire.

Helmer said, "I still love what I do, I feel healthy I have energy. I can't see myself doing anything else at this point. I'm not ready to retire. I can't afford to."



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Claudia Geer

right where she belongs

Story by Susan Loveall
Photo by Diane Dixon

Kansas was a change of pace, and a completely different lifestyle. Claudia Geer, associate professor of psychology, was looking for a small college where she could really get to know her students. That's when she found Southwestern College, or as she tells it, they found each other.

"We chose each other. I was very much drawn to the beauty of the campus, the opportunity to live someplace I had never lived before. I had no clue what it was going to be like here, but I was attracted to a different experience in my life. I was attracted to a small developing department. I liked Winfield. I thought it was just charming, delightful. Mostly it was the people. The people were just wonderful and welcoming and friendly and 'What can we do for you?' I hope that warmth, that genuine, authentic warmth is still here and is being offered to new faculty and new staff. I fell in love with Southwestern."

Geer has taught psychology for 13 years. "I kind of fell into teaching. It was an accident, serendipitous."

While in graduate school, she had to teach an introductory general psychology course. "Talk about horrifying. Three hundred students, big lecture hall and I remember it was kind of like an out of body experience. I was so nervous, and I got up there and I started hearing things come out of my mouth that made sense. And pretty soon I got into the material so much and it was just so seductive I fell in love with teaching."

After she graduated, Geer began looking for teaching opportunities. "I started targeting smaller schools with the intention to teach and continue my research projects. And that's how I got here. I missed California dreadfully. I wanted to be in a larger area, I missed the metropolitan kind of living, access to good restaurants. At that time you couldn't even buy a bottle of wine here. I missed cultural diversity. There I had a great mix of individuals from all over the place and that adds so much. People's cultural experiences add so much to the dynamic and to the learning of other students and to my learning."

When you ask her a question she takes the time to stop and think before she answers. Then, before she answers, she smiles. It starts in her eyes and spreads until it takes over her whole face. Her students especially bring a smile to her face.

"My students are my biggest inspiration as far as my work is concerned. I am inspired everyday by students' struggle and willingness to put themselves out there and make mistakes and their creativity and their fresh outlook on life. I always think I learn much more from my

students than they learn from me."

"It's just sometimes electrifying in the classroom when students start to speak and they are taking a concept and expanding on it and taking it in different directions, when there's a lot of thinking and expressing going on and people going down different paths. I don't know, that's learning, that's experiencing real education. My excitement comes from the classroom."

Outside the classroom, Geer challenges herself. "I like to try to do something I've never done before as often as I can, but at least once a semester. In the past I've challenged my students to do the same thing. It doesn't have to be anything monumental. My goal is to get through each day and feel happy and at peace and feel good about the day and be able to appreciate what happened to me that day and to be able to live another day. I don't have major goals. That means to me that there are things in my life that leave me unfulfilled. And I am fulfilled."

"I hope that students learn that the struggle, that courage to do things and seeing something through is worth it. Because it is in that struggle that we learn about ourselves and we grow. I do what I do most of the time just for the sheer joy of it. The paycheck helps too, but nobody is in this business for the money."







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Another year was filled with activities, games, lots of learning and laughter. The historic buildings on campus set the background for all the memories, but it was the people who brought those memories to life. Every year it is the people who give meaning to the ideas Christy's pillars symbolize. From the dorms and classrooms to people's favorite hangouts, it is the people of Southwestern who bring knowledge, hope, courage and freedom. They are the ones who make Southwestern timeless, unforgettable and classic.

Andrea Schneider, physics senior, and Hayley Vogt, psychology senior, star-gaze from the football stadium. (Photo by Diane Dixon)

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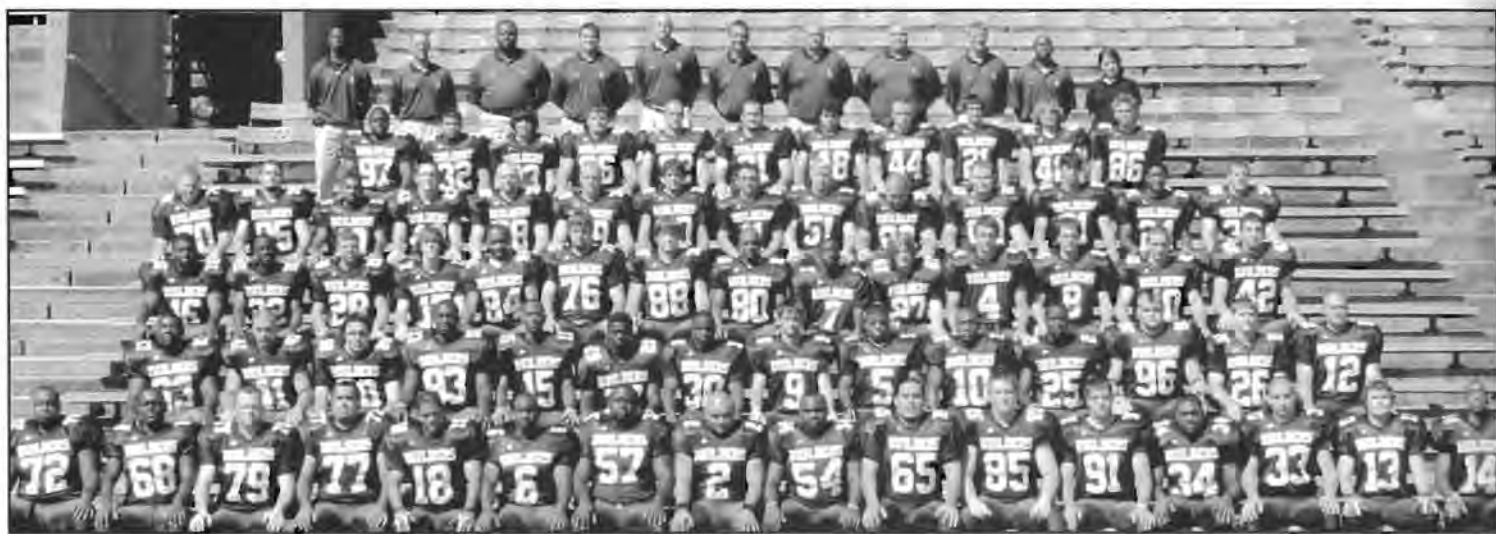
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