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in the  
Rough*

A BLUE AND GOLD CELEBRATION







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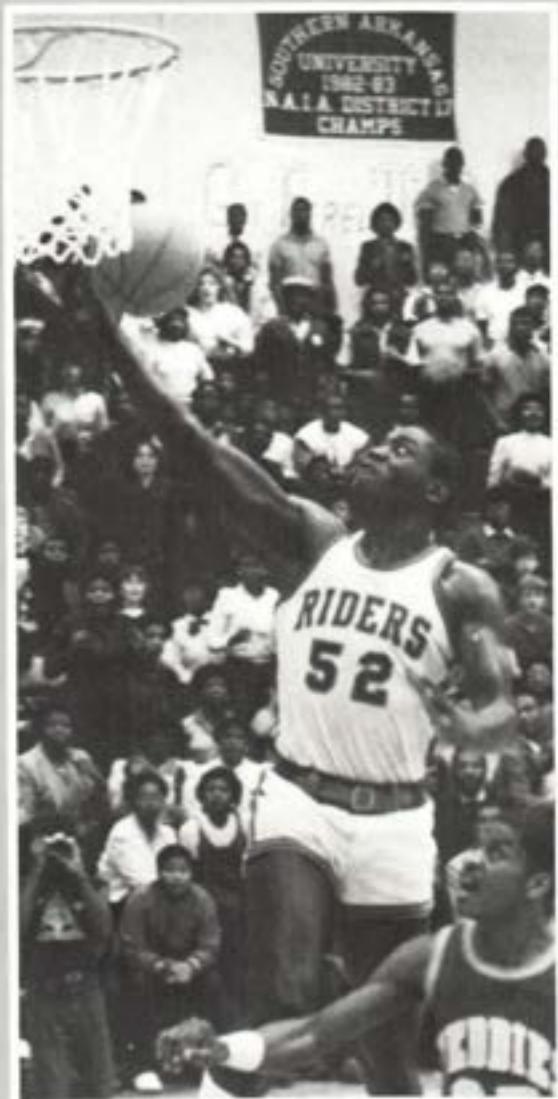
Phi Lambda Chi, Sigma Tau Gamma and Xi Gamma Nu members fill the stands during a sports presentation.

Terrence Turner and Alpha Phi Alpha members Michael Hopson and James Roberts look on as Larry Rhodes, another Alpha Phi Alpha member challenges Mr. Pac-Man.





A contestant struts his stuff during a Phi Lambda Chi Little Sister's sponsored pageant.



Fred Weatherspoon goes for a lay-up during a game with the Henderson State University Reddies.

# *Diamonds in the Rough*

The ingredients for a new year were all present at the start of the 1983-84 school year. The students, faculty, staff, long lines and the same old complaints were all here. The air held a different atmosphere, though. The students were more determined than ever to show their individuality, (even though this caused most of them to look the same). Everyone was more excited than usual and eager to start the year off the "right" way. It was more of a feeling than anything else. It showed on the faces of student leaders and in the enthusiasm of the members of the organizations. The competition was stiff and the tension built between the competing fraternities and sororities.

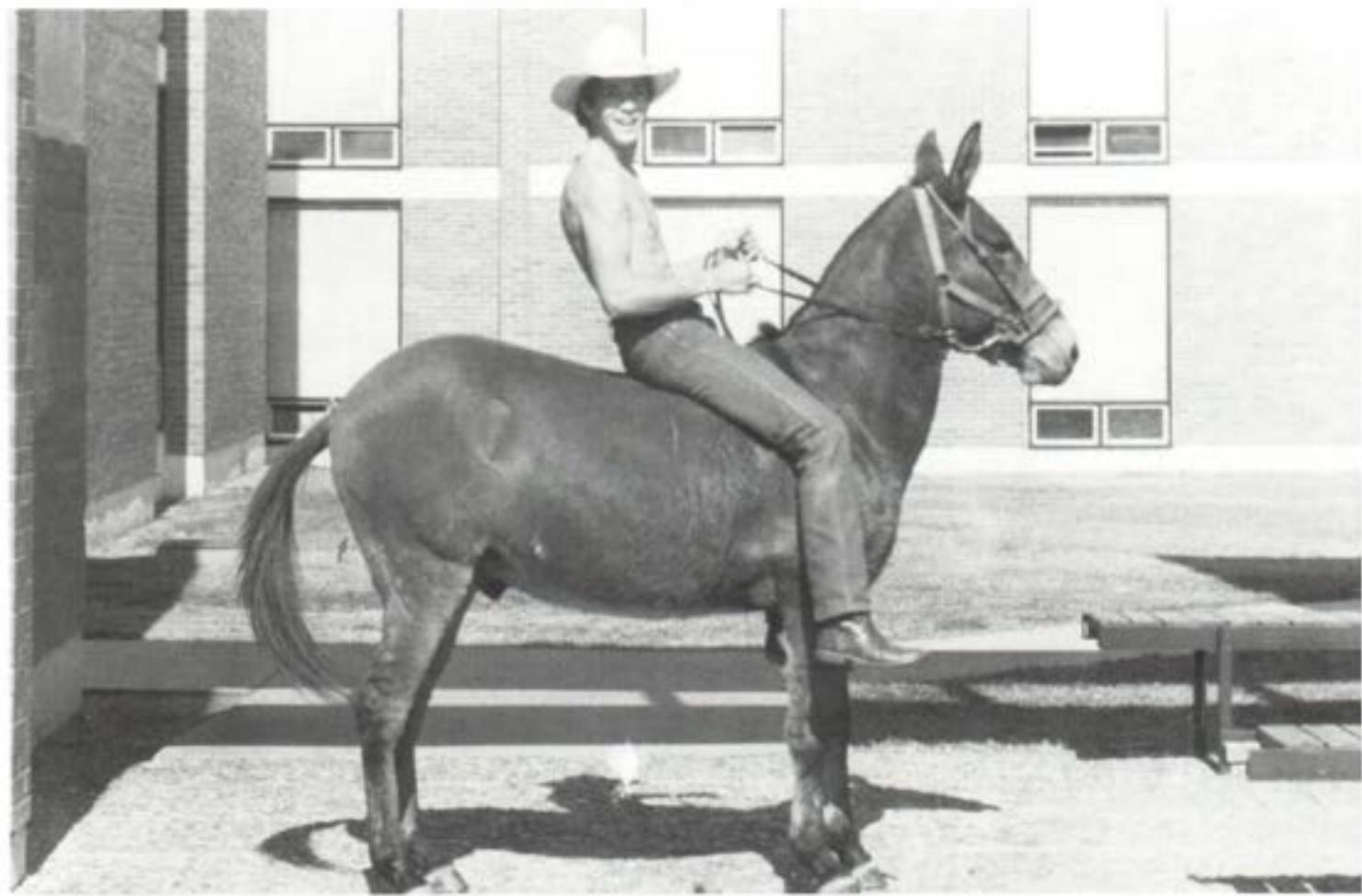
This mounting tension also brought people together — in the long-run. The problems that rose out of the differences of some of the organizations were brutal and threatening, (not to the extreme, although sometimes close.) There was talk of unfavorable actions to take place, but these actions were never to see the birth they were intended to see. They were aborted and replaced with the seed of a new attitude, which is more of a feeling than anything else.

The new ingredients have realized that we're all here for the same reasons. We're all DIAMONDS in the ROUGH trying to celebrate the blue and gold for a victory that will last a lifetime.





A Mule rider



Willie B. Williams, drummer, participated in the Society for Collegiate Journalist 'Battle of the Bands.'

Some students work out in an aerobics class.

We are jest a swangin'



Kappa Kappa Psi band fraternity members perform at the Society for Collegiate Journalists 'Battle of the Bands.'



Women's Tennis player, Terri Toland, prepares to return the ball during practice.



Many young men had to "cool down" with an ice-cream sundae after watching Sandi Powell rock, roll, bounce and sing in a TNT performance.



Security officer, Charlie Polk, takes time out to read a newspaper — *The Bray*, of course.





# *Student Life*

The Student Affairs Division is designed to provide experiences, activities, and services to assist the Southern Arkansas University students in performing at a maximum level. Included in this division are the services of orientation, admissions and records, housing, counseling, health services, placement, career planning, learning center, student activities, and campus security. These services are under the direction of the vice president for Student Affairs.

The Student Affairs Committee, composed of both students and faculty, is considered the major governing body in making, advising, and recommending of major policies, non-academic in nature, pertaining to student life at Southern Arkansas University.





# Talbot Hall

*Residents stand behind the name.*

M\*A\*S\*H stands for Men's Alltime Superior Hall to the residents of Talbot Hall. This was their "Welcome" theme at Homecoming for all newcomers to the Hall. These guys are more than mere residents; they have spread the word about Talbot living. Talbot sponsors events such as movie nights, educational programs on CPR and choking and the annual sweetheart contest with Lori Underwood being chosen the sweetest for Talbot men.

If you ask director Jeff May the best thing about Talbot Hall, he would say "the people."

One might imagine that Talbot residents would agree. According to Chuck Ford, "it is a good place to live, with good people, good times and the graffiti in the rest rooms is great."

Their spirit is evident as the picture demonstrates their winning pyramid at the pep rally held in the Fall semester. They were also active during Homecoming week.

Like Robert Honeycutt says, "It's a cool place to live." That may be so, but Marty Curtis says, "It's a place I can call home."



*Vince Dawson prepares for Hallfest '84.*



*The residents of Talbot Hall.*

Some Bussey Hall residents take time to swing with their beaus.



# Bussey Hall

"It's the prettiest building on campus," said Cathy Wyles-Smith, residence hall director of Bussey Hall, one of the three women's halls on campus.

According to Cathy, Bussey Hall is different from the other halls on campus. Residents feel that they're part of a community at Bussey and once they move in, they don't move out. They're proud to be a part of Bussey. "I think Bussey is a real community," commented Cathy who has been director of Bussey

for two years. "There's always a place to go with friends and there's always a place to be alone," said Cathy. She added, "There's a real diverse group of females here and they all live in harmony."

Cathy also said that the Bussey Hall resident assistants are good role models for the residents and that they have the highest grade point average of any of the resident assistant staffs on campus.

by Pat King



Alesia Abbott takes advantage of the Bussey atmosphere as she studies for class.



Bussey Hall Council

# Talley Hall

*The most vital time of the day - a break for cards.*

"It's just the best place to live on campus," says Bobby Newton when asked his favorite thing about Talley Hall. Talley does have a lot to offer, not only in minimal living requirements, but also in the quality of men who live in Talley. The Hall Council is very active and plans many activities to keep the residents busy year-round. They plan ping-pong, spades, hearts, and chess tournaments to liven the spirits of residents. The annual Talley Hall Banquet is held each spring and honors the outstanding residents in areas of academic achievement, outstanding freshman, and overall campus service.

The Talley Sweetheart Pageant is also a big event in which a girl is selected to represent the hall. This year's winner is Darla Pinkerton, a 6'0, brown-eyed freshman from Dierks. She won the hearts of the residents by responding to the question of what she would do if she wanted to go out with a guy with the reply of, "If he doesn't want to go out with me, then he must have a problem."

When asked what he likes best about Talley Hall, director Scott Raney replied, "I get a lot of satisfaction in knowing that a lot of student leaders come from Talley. The residents take an active part in the activities like Hallfest '84 and Almost Anything Goes."



*The residents of Talley - "The Talleywackers"*



*Talley Hall Council, top to bottom, left to right: Terry Kyle, Mark Smith, Jimmy Penny, Murry Freeman, Doug McCrary, Jerry Jones, Mark Castleman, Keith Clemons and Keith Reed. Middle: Scott Raney, Hall Director. Bottom: William Johnson, Al Dyar, Ted Huneycutt, Bobby Newton, Joe Paul Beasley and Kevin Foster.*

Barbara Sherman plots the strategy for the "Hug-Mobile" in the bed race.

# Harrod Hall



Did you see all the Care Bears around campus? The cute and fuzzy friends who greeted you with a smile were the Harrod Huggers found throughout the year, in all places, doing all things. The hall took on the bears theme for their Welcome and carried it on through the whole year. The bears even greeted Mom and Dad for Parent's Day.

"Harrod is the place to be," according to Shelly Wright an RA. "The unique thing about Harrod is that we are truly a family. Everybody knows what everybody else is doing," she added. This year Harrod sponsored "The Happening," a day of fun, food and games. They also participated in the bed race and Almost Anything Goes, unfortunately losing the event. They also held their awards banquet in the Spring.

"Harrod is a lot of fun and they have nice people," says Centralia Carter.

*Micki Null gets beauty advice from Sandra Lockhart, Laurie McGowen and Javonia Anderson while waiting for a date.*



*Harrod Hall residents.*

# Greene Hall

"The best thing about Greene Hall is the women," according to resident Roderick Kidd. That is sort of misleading considering Greene Hall is a men's residence hall. Greene houses most of the male athletes and is more commonly known as the jock hall around campus.

The Rider spirit is certainly higher in Greene than in any other place on campus. The team members not only play together, but they must also live together, and often the coach decides who will live with whom. Somehow, instead of being detrimental to the team effort, it helps to be with guys who have the

same interests. Greene houses athletes from the football team to the tennis team and they all care about winning. When not under a curfew, most residents are playing cards, dominoes, or watching, what else, the game on TV. Greene is also the victim of many "jock" raids. There's always bound to be at least one jock in the place.

RA Bob Martin likes "being surrounded by a wide variety of people." And that's just what you get in Greene. Not only do these guys care about winning; they care about each other. Tyron Hammock refers to it as the

"I care" hall. Charlie Davis, director of Greene, says that he likes "working with college age students." And certainly he gets his fill in Greene.

Not only is Greene involved in conference athletics, but they also compete in campus activities such as the bed race and RHA's Almost Anything Goes in which they took first and second respectively.

The living is easy in Greene. Marlon Perry's favorite thing is the "good janitor." These guys really appreciate the finer things in life.

Dennis Woodberry, is now starting corner back for the Birmingham Stallions in the USFL football league. Greene can boast "Dennis Woodberry slept here."



Greene computer experts Joe Smith and Bobby Brown play a game of "Donkey Kong Junior."



Greene Hall Council, left to right, first row: Brent Carmony, Anthony Cheek, Bobby Brown, Mendell Glass, Vantrice Jackson, Paul Brown, Tracy Lewis, Fred Prater, and Anthony C. Johnson. Second row: Joe Smith, Tim Webb, Timothy Kemp, Anthony R. Johnson, and Douglas Lee.

# *Nelson Hall*



*Nelson Hall Residents*

Nelson Hall is one of the three women's residence halls on campus. Nelson is also the oldest hall on campus that still serves as a residence hall.

It hasn't lost its grace though. All the floors in the hall are polished wood and the atmosphere is friendly like it probably was years ago when it was the cafeteria.

Although some parts of Nelson Hall have been updated, the hall is still beautiful, and the residents are proud to be a part of that beauty.

# *Childs Hall*



## ***Childs Hall Residents***

More commonly known as the "Ag Hall," Childs Hall is just that. Childs Hall houses young men who work on the university farm. Some of these guys have to be up before the crack of dawn, and to avoid hassles, they just live in a place where everyone understands and has to do basically the same work.

Of course, if a person is just interested in agriculture, he may choose to live in Childs Hall. Childs Hall used to be the forgotten hall, but not anymore.

# *Upward Bound*



Upward Bound students enjoyed the picnic at Crystal Springs in Maude, Texas

A Crystal Springs get-together.



Charles Ambrose, UB photographer, posed for a picture himself at the Annual UB Banquet.

Gary Hageman, curriculum assistant for upward bound. (upper right)



John Gatlin, UB director. (second from top)

Dr. Don Haefner, vice president for student affairs, accepted the UB award.

DeVera Davis, (above) UB student.

# Student Government Association



The Student Government Association is the governing body for students. It is made up of students elected by the student body in elections held each spring. You might have noticed some changes around campus this year and some of it was due to the work of SGA. The major innovation was Homecoming. SGA instituted a new format in the planning and production of the big event. Committees were formed to be in charge of the various activities during Homecoming. Although there was some resistance and debate over these changes, the overall affair went off very well. Another debatable change was the banana splits provided by the SGA in place of Spring Fling. Four-hundred and fifty students participated in the eating of banana splits, whereas only 100 participated in the Spring Fling of the preceding year.

*Above: Members of SGA include Debra Hayes, Annette Lee, Shelia Young, John McGee, Dana Birchfield, Todd Self, Rod Duckworth, Melinda Christensen, Donald Westerman, Ted Huneycutt and Todd Joubert.*



# Campus Activities Board



The Campus Activities Board brings the entertainment to SAU.

If you can think of a performance that you liked, then you can bet that CAB had something to do with it. This board works hard to bring a variety of entertainment to the campus in a variety of ways.

Some of the acts CAB has brought to SAU are The Cruise Family, Gene Cotten, Sandy Pyle and a SRO performance by Dick Gregory. CAB is also famous for their weekly movies, TNT's and coffeehouses. They also sponsor the annual Christmas dance and Spring Formal.

CAB is a board run by students who select the acts and performances which come in through the school year. Each year they try to provide a variety of entertainment to meet the diversified interests of students.

*Top, members of CAB, left to right: Jerry Langston, President; Rod Duckworth, Dance Chairman; Cheryl Todd, Special Events Chairman; and Micky Jasper, Lecture Chairman. Bottom: Sandy Pyle gave an electric performance.*



# SAU's Counseling Center

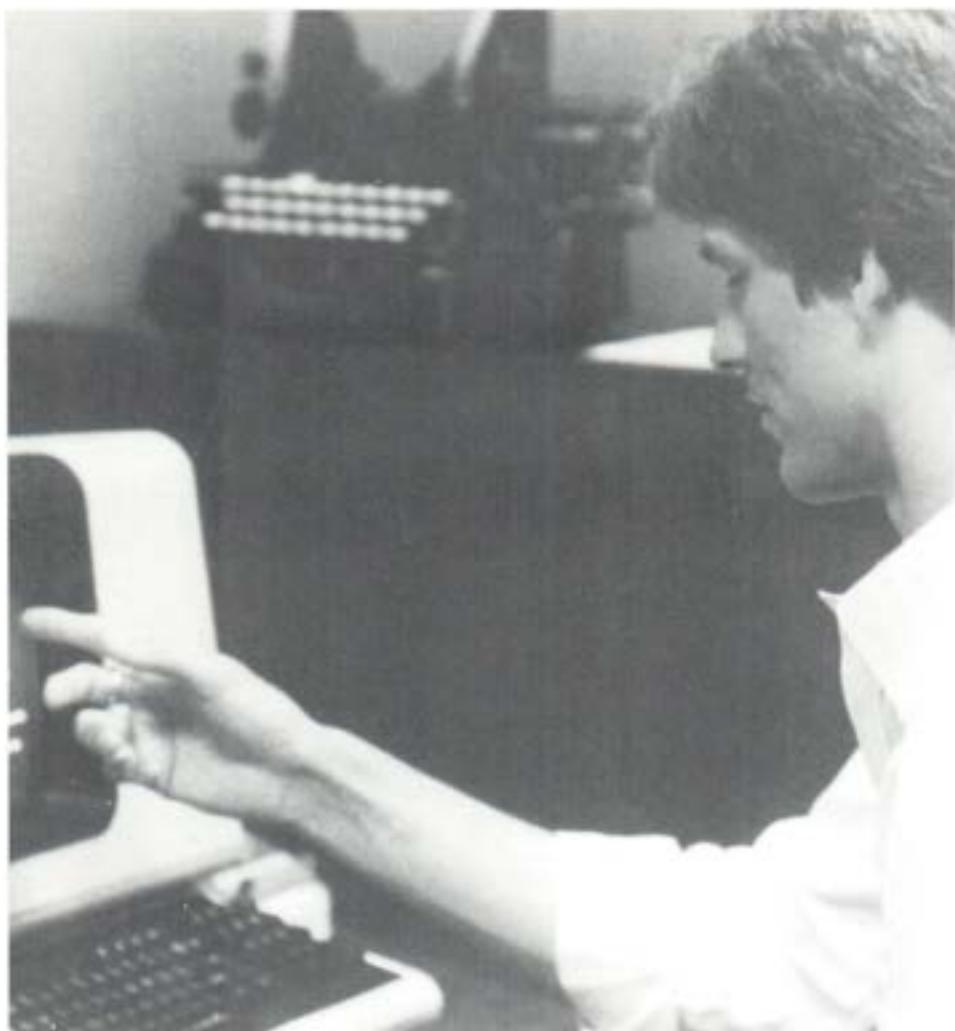
The Counseling Center is a service center to advise students in scheduling classes, changing majors, providing individual or group counseling and administering testing that is non-classroom assigned.

No fee is charged for services to students, faculty and staff.

Shelly Butler takes a test in the Counseling Center.



A student works with SIGI.



# Phi Beta Lambda Business Fraternity



"... I shall strive to develop the qualities necessary in becoming a responsible business leader." These are the last words in the PBL pledge, and that is what our organization has to offer. One of the main purposes of PBL is to provide students with activities that will broaden their knowledge and interest in any area of the business field. SAU has one of the largest chapter memberships in the state as well as in the nation. Since 1972, students from our chapter have won many awards at the State Leadership Conferences. There have been 38 first place winners, 49 second place winners and 52 third place winners. PBL produced 17 awards this year to add to their totals. SAU took 8 first place awards at this

year's conference. Two state officers were also elected for the national business student organization. State Secretary is Deborah Odom of Taylor and Rodney LaGrone of Foulk was elected Vice-President. Congratulations to PBL on their successful year.

PBL has also had winners on the national level totalling 35 in all. By joining PBL, one can learn more about the world of business from speakers and from actually visiting certain businesses and companies. In the past, PBL has had tours of such companies as Howmet, General Motors, and General Electric. Some other trips have been to the World Trade Center in Dallas and to San Francisco and Indianapolis for national conferences.



First place winners in state conference, left to right, first row: Bruce Magee, Tommy Reed, Jimmy Haney and Rodney LaGrone. Second row: Michael Hawkins, Michele Blemont, Kris Taylor and Beth Elliot.



Left: PBL Drive to increase membership.

PBL members, left to right, first row: Kelli Callaway, Jan Haliburton, Mary Humphries Barnhill, and Marvajean Lane. Second row: Deborah Odom, JoBeth Fincher, Louanne Crank and Cathy Lee. Third row: Dr. Rankin, sponsor; Kris Taylor, Genna Hargus, and Jeannie Cook. Last row: Mr. Kolb, Jimmy Haney, Ms. Jacks, Dr. Boaz, Mrs. Mlinek, Tommy Reed and Dr. Callaway.

# SAU Band Plays Like A Jewel



Left: Part of the band performs for Senior Recognition.  
Below: Cathy Denmon inspires music lovers.



Below: Director Eddie Epperson has the beat.

Right: Former SAU band director Richard Oliver conducts at Homecoming.



## The Big Band Sound

"I Can't Stop Loving You" was the featured song for the 1983-84 band. Newly outfitted in yellow western chaps, the Pride of the South brought the school to its feet during games, pep rallies, parades and concerts.



Their spirit was contagious and brought groups singing and swaying to the beat of the traditional fight songs and, of course, the alma mater.

The new look for the band is credited to Eddie Epperson, director of the band, who said he had seen the chaps used with only one other band and liked it so well that he decided to give it a try. The somewhat

unique chaps give a western look to the band, complementing the Rider image.

The band puts in many hours practice to perform at all the various functions where their sound is requested. The drum major for 83-84 was Suzie Barnett, a pre-optometry major from Magnolia. Miss Barnett and a cast of nearly 100 were greeted with welcome applause wherever they went.

# Tau Beta Sigma And Kappa Kappa Psi Band Sorority And Fraternity



Tau Beta Sigma, sorority, and Kappa Kappa Psi, fraternity, are made up of band members who are dedicated and who have leadership qualities. They strive to build a better band.

The two groups mainly work behind the scenes. They do everything from marking the field for march to reserving seats to setting up for the South Arkansas Symphony.

Tau Beta Sigma and Kappa Kappa Psi are both honorary groups. They support the band and help the band director in any way they can.



Several Kappa Kappa Psi members display their talent in the Dolph-Camp fine arts music building.

Kappa Kappa Psi members front row, left to right: Terry McLemore, Randy Schiera, Corresponding Secretary. Second row: Rufus Woods III, Reporter; Donald Lewis, Recording Secretary; Mike Sullivan. Last row: Bob Gunnels, Vice-President; Terry Stillman and Isaac Nelson.



Tau Beta Sigma members, front row left to right: Diana Marty, Secretary; Jackie Butler, Cindy Smith. Back row: Melisa Tucker, Penny McIver, President; and Debra Hamm, Vice-President.

# SAU Student Foundation Collect The Gems.



The SAU Student Foundation is a multi-faceted student managed organization which is advised by Sonny Whittington, Director of Admissions and Sherry Goodheart, Admissions Counselor. It is governed by a Steering Committee which consists of nine to thirteen senior members who also select new new members from the faculty nominated applicants. The Student Foundation is primarily involved in the Admissions Office where members volunteer their time to process applications from high school students, send out information and brochures to students who have acknowledged an interest in SAU through the ACT testing system, and coordinate campus tours for visiting students which includes meeting faculty members of prospective schools. The Student Foundation assists department heads in academic projects such as science fairs and other high school oriented activities and also is known for its willingness to help and support other various campus-wide events. By traveling to surrounding high schools on recruiting trips with advisors, Whittington or Goodheart, the Student Foundation continues to encourage high school students to consider SAU and answer questions they may have concerning college life. The Student Foundation is an active behind-the-scenes force striving to continually build spirit and the SAU winning tradition!

*Sonny Whittington tells one of his jokes to some of the members.*

*Above, members of the SAU Student Foundation, left to right, first row: JoBeth Fincher, Malinda Jester, Melody Voss, Pam Rogers and Kristy Ham. Second row: Sherry Goodheart, advisor; Jan Millican, Pam Talbert, Angela Tubberville and Beth Elliot. Third row: Bob Martin, Barry Waters, Jimmy Haney, Terry Kyle, Mike Neal, Steve Foyil, Lynn Noesser, Jimmy Etzkorn and Sonny Whittington.*



*Officers, first row, left to right: Jan Millican, Vice-President; Pam Talbert, Secretary; Bob Martin, Campus Coordinator; second row: Lynn Noesser, Historian; Terry Kyle, Junior Coordinator; and Jimmy Etzkorn.*



Students wait anxiously for a movie to start.

Andy Kean, director of student activities.

## *Student Activities*



# Nursing Students

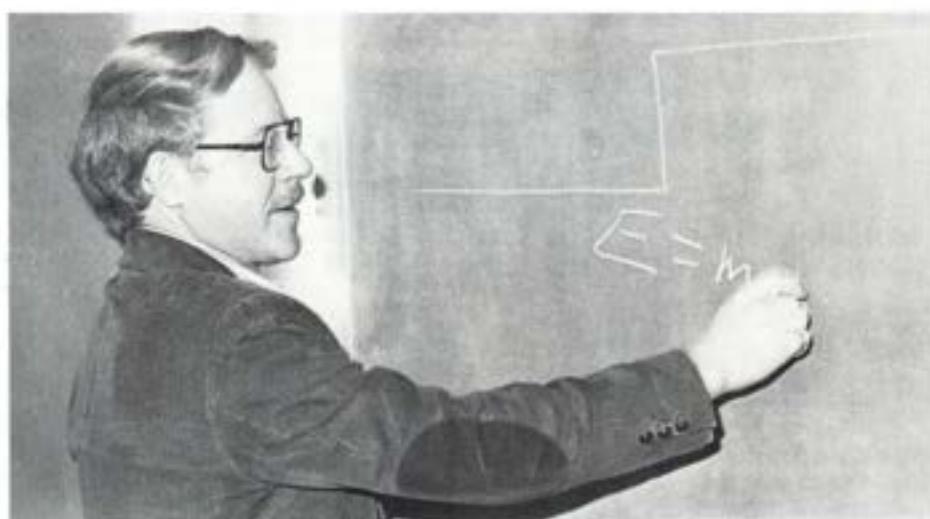


These students have to be dedicated to their goal to be nurses. There are only a certain number of people chosen to attend SAU's nursing school. These people definitely have something to be proud of.

As students, the future nurses have many responsibilities. They student nurse which means being there on time, learning from their mistakes and caring for total strangers with the utmost care.

We're all proud of these diamonds who go through some of the most tedious polishing.

## *Nursing Students*



# Society For Collegiate Journalist

The Society for Collegiate Journalists is now in its fourth year, and although the group has had its downs as far as recruiting has gone, SCJ is alive and well.

SCJ has traveled to two national conventions, the first being in Springfield, MO., and the second in Williamsburg, VA. The SAU chapter of SCJ was formally initiated into the professional fraternity at the Springfield convention.

In '84, SCJ sponsored the first annual Battle of the Bands. The fund raiser was a great success as music appreciators from all over flocked to the fairgrounds to listen to the four groups who entered the contest. The winner was Cootefoot, a band who plays music of interest to almost everyone, from country to rock.

SCJ membership is open to all mass communications majors and journalism minors on a local level and to all who meet the national requirements.



*From left to right: Fred Alexander, Secretary; Kelli Mason, Connie Stevenson, Becky Shepherd, President (behind Shepherd) Don Travis, Vice President; Kim Mason, Treasurer; Shelia Watts, Rusty Anderson and Bob Gross.*



*Becky Shepherd, Michael George and Kelli Mason take time from a party to broaden their smiles for a camera lens.*



*Socializing is one of SCJ's favorite pastimes.*

## *Admissions*



Deadrah Smith, admissions recruiter.

Sherry Goodheart, admissions counselor  
and Sonny Whittington, admissions director.



# The Compass Club Formerly Delta Chi Charity League



Formed as a charitable organization, Delta Chi Charity League went national this year under the Compass Club.

The intentions of the group are the same. The Compass Club is an organization dedicated to helping those who are less fortunate than themselves. To raise money, the Compass Club sponsors road-blocks, dances, a carnation sell at

Valentine's as well as other various projects.

The group also conducts such community projects as visiting nursing homes at Christmas, hosting the foster children and participating in the adopt a grandmother program. Compass Club works with the children in the Special Olympics, and they work with other organizations.

***Congratulations  
Delta Chi  
Members!***

# The Newmasters Art Club 1984



The Newmasters Art Club is open to all students and faculty on campus. The main purpose of the group is to bring together those people who have an interest in Arts. Non-Art majors are also encouraged to join, also.

Besides participating in art exhibits on campus, the group takes field trips to the Dallas Art Museum and the Fort Worth Art Museum. They also took a trip to Little Rock to the Delta show at the Arkansas Art Center.

The sponsors of the club are Willard Carpenter, Mary Dyan O'Hern and Fred Henry. Officers are Laurie Cloud-Hicks, President; Julie Whitten, Vice-President; Brenda Dodson, Secretary; and D. T. Kight, Public Relations.

Members of Newmasters include Sherry Longino, Alecia Flaherty, Kathleen Primm, Michael Nations, Angelo Thomas, Cissi Ghormely, Peni Anderson Friday, Karen Eminent, Jill Swilley, Karen Posey, Carla Turner, Danny Teutsch, Nina Pharr, Rodney Parham, Lori Childs and Beverly Ward.



Top: Members support the Arts.  
Left: The Newmasters.

Dr. Carpenter paints on his latest work.

# The Canterbury Club

The Canterbury Club sponsors debates throughout the year. This year the organization sponsored two debates. The first was on the ethics of nuclear war and the second was on the ethics of capital punishment.

*Members, from left to right, front row: Kathlen Ford; President, Clayton Scarzella, Secretary-Treasurer and Patricia Walker. Back row: Dr. Rebecca Willis and Dr. James Willis, sponsors.*



# Computer Programmers Unlimited



The Computer Programmers Unlimited organization is designed to promote the interests of computer information system students on campus.

The club was chartered in the spring semester of '83 and has since tried to coordinate activities that interest computer science students. The activities include a talk given by Mr. David Strattan of Snelling and Snelling Employment Agency to advise students on career opportunities, a tour of Systematics, Inc.

in Little Rock and assisting in a microcomputer show given by Digital Equipment Corporation. The group ended the year with a cookout at East Side Park.

Officers of the club are Barry Waters, President; Ray White, Vice-President; Jan Millican, Secretary; Patricia Dykes, Treasurer and Laura Heath, Public Relations Director. Ms. Shelia Jacks and Dr. Robert De Witt are sponsors.

*Front row, left to right: Gwen Reed, C. Peace, Patricia Dykes, Shelia Jacks, Mary Ellen Carmon, Jan Millican, Denita Baxter, Carol Lemon and Allison Schultz. Back row: T. Reed, Larry Watts, Randy Jaw, Ray White, Dorie Malu, Dan Perio, Bruce Mills, Jackie Melton, Danny Montgomery, Barry Waters and Danny Nix.*

# Baptist Student Union

What is BSU? Baptist Student Union is an organization or fellowship of students which crosses all types of social and ethnic lines. BSU is run by students elected by fellow students to do certain tasks on campus at SAU.

BSU is run by students who decide the best way to tell their fellow students and the world about God's love. Reaching out to SAU and the world has allowed BSU students to travel to Ohio, Houston, Colorado, Maryland, and Switzerland as summer missionaries and help teams. Each year the BSU raises almost \$800 for a specific world

hunger project.

On campus, the BSU provides Bible studies, noonday worship services, and devotions. These are all designed to help the inward growth of each individual.

BSU is concerned with every student's life. There are picnics, retreats, music groups, and intramurals. There is the challenge to do the best in classrooms - a vital part in the Christian student's witness; for the purpose of Baptist Student Union is to add that dimension to life that gives meaning, purpose and fulfillment in Jesus Christ.



"Need we say more?"

Baptist Student Union



*BSU Council, left to right, first row: Stephanie Wilson, James Waters, and Cindy Dickson. Second row: Melissa Pearson, Andrea Huddleston, Phil Shirley, Wrights Carol Lemon, and Shelly Wright. Third row: Annette Milsaps, Bill Meadows, Danny Montgomery, Nancy Patterson, and Sarah Whitten.*

*Right: "Noondays" combines food and fun.*



# ***Missionary Baptist Student Fellowship***



The Missionary Baptist Student Fellowship ministry is sponsored by the Calvary Baptist Church in conjunction with the churches of the American Baptist Association.

The purpose of the MBSF work is to promote the cause of Christ and Calvary Missionary Baptist Church on the campus of Southern Arkansas University. It also provides spiritual guidance and soul winning opportunities to the students while they work on their academic degrees, enlists resident students in the local Church and encourages participation and leadership in various church activities. The MBSF enriches students' lives through devotionals, inspirational singing, films, guest speakers and special music. The members give instruction in the Bible in an effort to attain the highest Christian development and dedication possible. MBSF provides college students with activities which will help them overcome some of the temptations of satan.

*A devotional is given during a Valentines get together.*

The MBSF student center is located at 111 W. University across from the National Guard Armory. Some activities include Tuesday night meetings, Wednesday night services at Calvary, Thursday night devotionals, visitation, choir practice, retreats, programs, cook-outs, private counseling and fellowship.



***Missionary Baptist Student Fellowship***



*BSU Council, left to right: first row: Staphanie Wilson, James Waters and Cindy Dickson. second row: Melissa Pearson, Andrea Huddleston, Phil Shirley, Carol Lemon and Shelly Wright. back row: Annette Milsaps, Jill Meadows, Danny Montgomery, Nancy Patterson and Sarah Whitten.*

# *Alpha Psi Omega*



On floor, Barry Grant. (Left to right) sitting: Alesia Holtzclaw, Melanie Anderson, Lisa Waller, Bubba Hawley. Left to right standing: Marla Rogers, Terry Bentz, Teresa Holtzclaw, and Michael Whitehead.

# The Rodeo Club



These young people travel over most of the Southern United States with their own money just to make SAU proud of them, (of course, the money they stand a chance of making helps their initiative some).

Many students come to SAU just because of the Rodeo opportunities here. And the club and team seem to always come out on top. They are winners and just another group of students we can all be proud of.

*Front row, left to right: Mr. Ed Smith, Michele Hardin, Tracy McCain, Sharon Vaughn, Tim Spruell and Ted Huneycutt. Second row: Randy Beaver, Terry Maye, Larry French, Connie Cheathem and Brent Langdon. Back row: Jake Tyree, Brian Maye, J. Allen and David Keith.*

*Not only are the Rodeo Club members hard workers as an organization, but they work hard as a team.*

# A Diamond In The Rough



Patricia King, mass communication major from Willisville

I never thought I'd be writing this letter in the 1984 *Mulerider*. The theme, Diamonds in the Rough, is just what I was (a diamond in the rough) when I started working on the annual. The only previous experience I had was selling ads for the annual when I attended high school. I knew this would not be an easy job, but when Ms. Beverly Lewis, advisor to *The Mulerider*, informed me that the editor had quit and then asked me to come to work two weeks before registration started in order to help complete the annual, I promptly agreed even though I didn't know exactly what I'd agreed to do. I knew that the students, faculty and administration at SAU wanted an annual and I wanted to do whatever I could to make sure *The Mulerider* got finished.

When I agreed to work, I had no idea that I'd be the entire *Mulerider* staff. I had to look for people who could identify people in photos, layout pages, write copy and proof copy. Thanks to Ms. Lewis, the work was easier than I had imagined.

Now that it's over, I'm glad I had the privilege of working on *The Mulerider*. It was a learning experience I'll never forget.

(Thank you, Mother, for making sure I got to work those two weeks before registration.)

# SAU's Mass Media

The Radio Station Crew: KSAU



*Donald Putman decides which disc to spin.*

*Red-eyed and Rowdy Mark Keith checks out a newspaper.*



# ROTC



ROTC recruiting



*Top: ROTC is something to cheer about.  
Bottom: Future officers*



*The Rifle Corp proudly holds the flag while it is hailed during a game with a singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."*

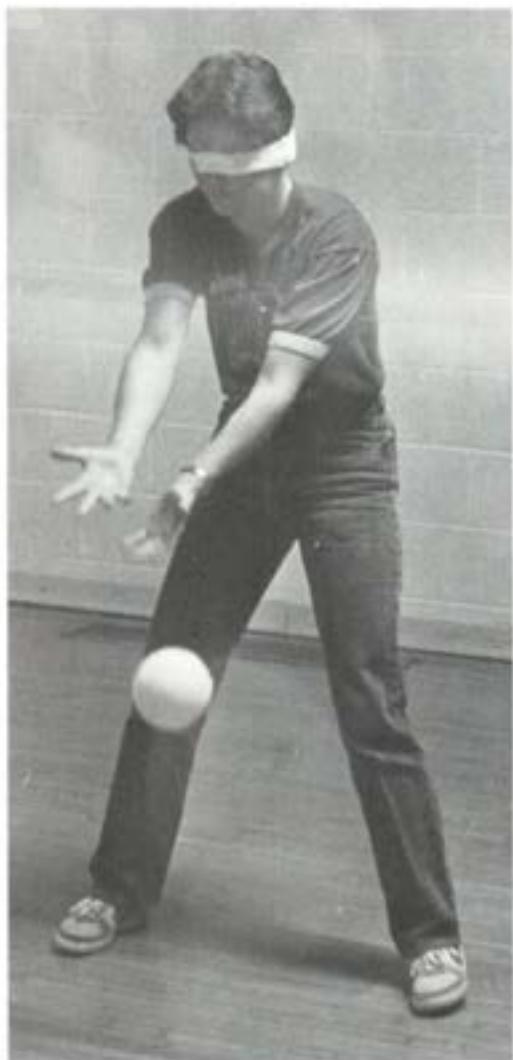
*Douglas Lea gets the point across.*



# SAU Activities

## SAU GETS HOT!

A student prepares to catch a ball while blindfolded.



A winter blanket of snow lends itself to children, so that they can have fun with snowballs outside the South Arkansas Youth Services Center.

Physical Education students get their feet moving, their minds in tune and their bodies in shape during a game of soccer.





**Freshman Leadership  
Camp '83**

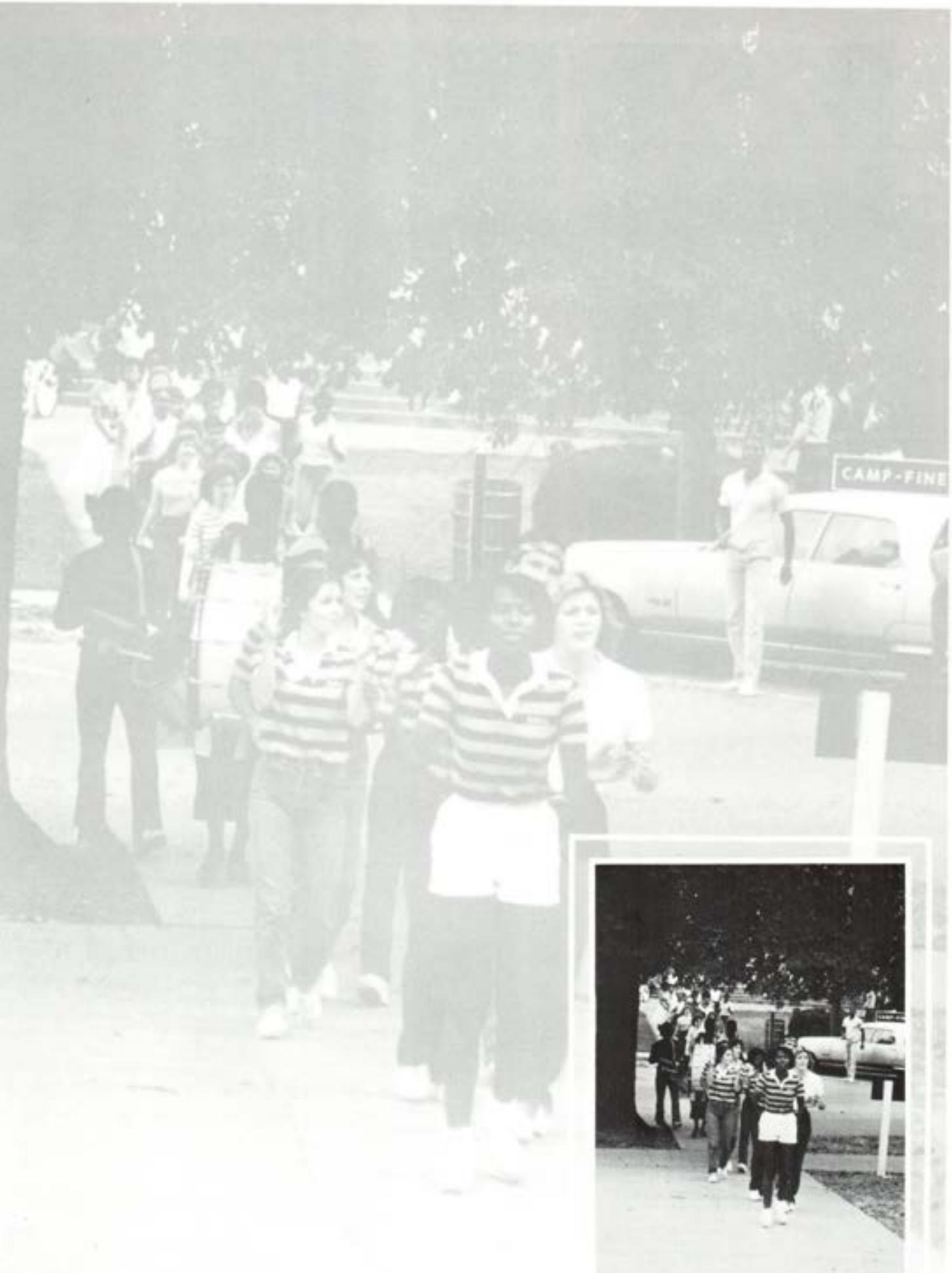
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# *Fads And Fashions*



Ceil Holmes Bridges



An SAU cheerleader leads the snake dance through the campus with cheers and chants.



Ceil Holmes Bridges

# Fads And Fashions

By: Melody Voss

Cartier, Dior, Givenchy - no, not names from a 17th Century Lit. class, but the top names in fashion. Maybe not so foreign to SAU as you might think. Although it takes fads and fashions a while to seep down into this region, students echo their delight with the latest vogue.

The classic "preppy" look is definitely popular with the student body. A blue button-down, straight legged Levi's and Nike's are standard equipment in any wardrobe - men or women's. Leaders in the designer industry claim that designer clothes are on the downswing. (Sorry to disappoint all you Calvin freaks.)

Hair is the main ingredient of the overall appearance. Short styles are what's going according to Karen Hall, owner of Karen's Beauty Salon. "The bob, short and medium, is the coming style." This variation of the 20's rage features hair short over the ears, long in back and on top. Men's hairstyles are plainly shorter. The "GQ" look is being emulated by many of our male coeds. The clean-cut, All-American look is quickly erasing the long hair image of college students.

The "Color Me Beautiful" concept is slowly catching on. Clothes to complement your coloring and buying colors is a new idea with fashion conscious individuals.

One fashion "bridge" from Dallas to Magnolia is Ceil L. Bridges, a 23 yr. old speech major. Ceil, a former Miss Southern Belle, models for Neiman Marcus, an elite department store in Dallas. Currently she works at Lois Gean's here in Magnolia and loves it. She likes fads and feels if you've got the money, then do it. Ceil opts for conservative clothing that will last - an investment. She believes that designer clothes are better simply because one tends to treat them better. "I was once a preppy myself," Ceil laughs and states that her little girl even wears them. Ceil's predictions - anything goes.

The Suit Shop is well represented with an employee like Roy Showalter, a 21 yr. old Secondary Education major. Roy's goal is to someday own an exclusive men's shop. Roy currently models for different shows and has modeled at the Talk o' the Town. He appreciates designer clothes and likes them because he feels they are better made and have a better fit. He feels that the preppy look gives



*Roy Showalter's photos by Kelli Mason. Roy works at the Suit Shop and is up on the latest fashions. He is shown here in a sleeveless, argyle sweater, a button down oxford shirt and matching slacks. A senior social studies education major from Hot Springs, Roy enjoys Encore and the theatre.*

students a sense of belonging and unity with other students. Roy feels that men don't like to stand out as much as women and so their clothes tend to be much more traditional.

Although blue jeans and tennis shoes may be the SAU style, fashion is not totally foreign to us. Debbie Harding, a 19 yr. old freshman adds a dash of class to the campus. Debbie studied in Phoenix for six months and has modeled professionally in Little Rock at various shows. She has been working hard to compete in the modeling field; practicing runway, acting, mood changing and moving with music every day. Her goal is to become one of the top ten models in runway modeling in the country. Flashing a brilliant smile, Debbie says she "loves the fast life." She likes "her own style" - sophisticated and definitely different from everyone else.

So what's in the next year? Your guess is as good as ours. Don't get us wrong.

Fashion doesn't have to be what's in style. Your fashion should be unique and original. Comfort and price are often the biggest factors to a college student when shopping for clothes. Fashion is what you make it and it should never make you.

Students generally adapt quite well to their crazed surroundings. Generally, fashion takes a back seat to practicality, so pardon our blue jeans if you please — students hard at work.

## Fads . . .

As defined by Webster's, fads are "a passing fashion, craze, etc. that many people are interested in for a short time." Fads are often expensive and extravagant, but for the most part are simply fun! Fads are signs of the times and often touchstones for a particular age. They often turn into fashion and then, tradition. The point is that everything starts out as a fad, but as time passes these crazes become a way of life. Izod shirts, the craze of the 50's, came back to haunt us in the 80's and seem here to stay. Hats are always coming and going. The exercise fad has awakened the bodies of many and now seems to be a continuing concern and a way of life. Fads tend to flare up and eventually die down.

Remember the fads of our ancestors? Hula hoops, 3-D movies, pet rocks and mood rings were a must if one was not to be scorned among his peers. Of course, we can see the absurdity of these crazes and pride ourselves on the logicality of our age. But try to imagine what our children will think about us.

For example, what would our descendants think about punk rock and the attire that went with it. Green and purple hair with a safety pin in one ear, chains and clothing suitable for trash cans will in time be laughed at (if not already).

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*Roy Showalter models the latest in men's fashions.*

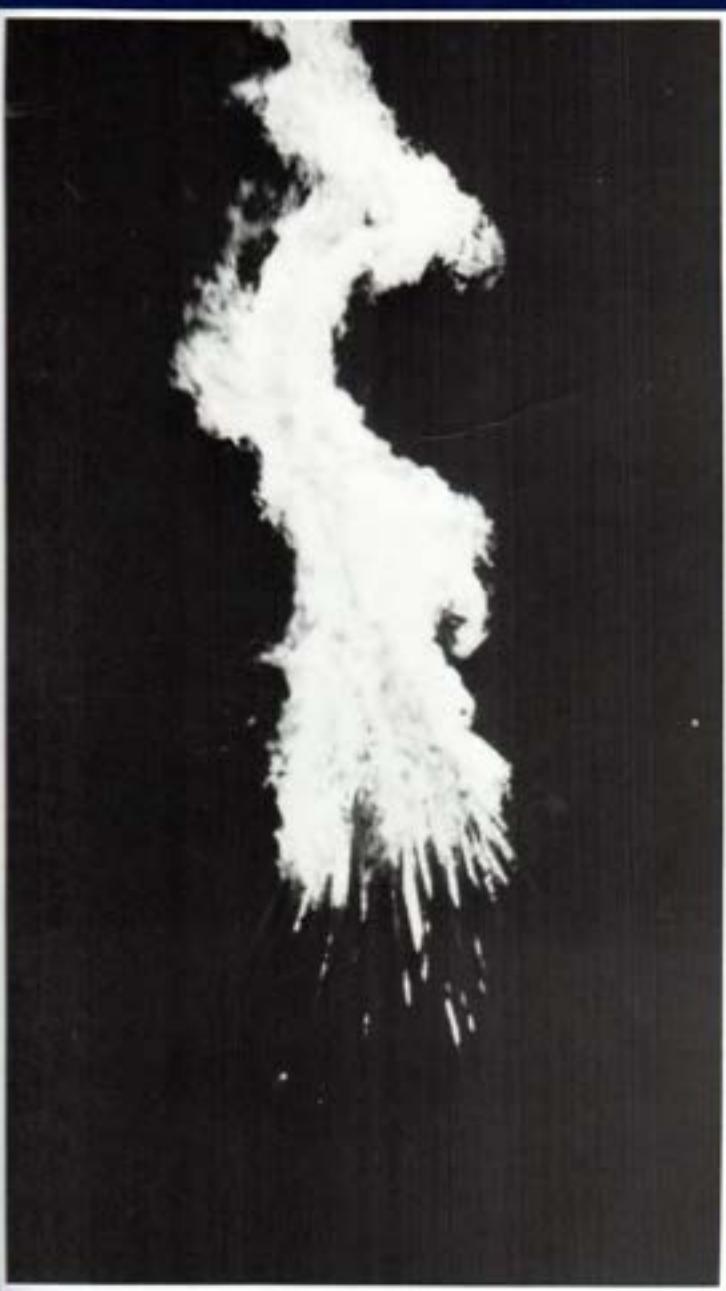




*As Roy emerges from Overstreet Hall, he finds a photographer awaiting his arrival on the front steps.*

## *The Makings Of A Successful Homecoming!*





Video games are another fad of peculiar interest. Most students were consumed with this craze of the 80's. It was rumored that students even skipped classes to outwit these machines. Many a pleasant night's sleep was disturbed by invading aliens and creatures from another galaxy. The Pac-Man addicts will soon find another source of competition and enter another phase of Pac-Man fever.

The most recent fad is definitely those homely, but lovable Cabbage Patch dolls, complete with adoption papers and sometimes death certificates. Grown men and women shoved and pushed in ridiculously long lines to have the privilege of giving one to their whining child for Christmas. Strange, but after Christmas not one more word was to be heard about these dolls. It makes one wonder if the dolls survived the hard winter or were merely put on a shelf after Christmas morn with all the other after-Christmas discards.

The computer craze seems here to stay. Students of all ages can be heard uttering such strange phrases as "PIP it", "SWAT it", "BASS it", "DAMN it" and the list goes on. Transfixion of the eyes is the result of this phenomenon and

many a computer science major has that crazed look in his eye. It seems suitable these days to teach one's young to learn the BASIC language before learning the English language. Only time will tell what terminal-minded monsters we are creating.

The ingenious fad which has made Michael Jackson a legend in his own time is video music. Many a party and topic of conversation is dominated by the music-television industry which has only just begun. Videos are flourishing and there seems to be no limit to the imagination of video producers. From the premiere of the first video on M-TV, "Video Killed the Radio Star" to Michael Jackson's awesome "Thriller", videos take the mind beyond sound into a new dimension — the M-TV zone.

*Flashdance* wear is just starting to catch on. Ripped and torn sweatshirts are the in fad in fashion. Maniacs of all ages are adorning apparel from the movie and dancing like they've never danced before. What a feeling!

Just as quickly as fads appear, they disappear. But for a while, people act and dress outrageously. Fads sometimes make people seem weird — just look at Boy George.



Hissing its way through campus, the snake eventually gets louder and bigger. It's constantly joined by its peers for an hour or so with the only fear coming from the opposition.

The annual snake dance is one of many traditions which occur during the Homecoming festivities. This snake dance ritual is performed for the sole purpose of getting everyone on campus "in the mood", so to speak, for the big Homecoming game.

The snake dance, consisting of cheerleaders, band members and other spirit-filled students, winds and slithers in and out of the doors of residence halls, picking up innocent bystanders mesmerized by the overpowering sense of togetherness given off by the "snake."

The band accompanies the crowd with the beat of cheers and praises for the football team, the Homecoming Queen and her court. Sometimes all this noise and the long monstrous snake made of people can make one wonder why we're really here. It might look silly to a stranger, but the fun is there somewhere. Students can always use a break to let it all out. The snake dance gives students a change of pace and when refreshed, the students are ready to return to basics.

Some students feel the faculty and administration could participate a little more in the dance and that more students could get involved. The dance not only gives students and faculty an afternoon off, but it also gives the student body a chance to get together, get a little crazy and show just how much spirit we all have bottled up inside.

## We Love A Parade

The Homecoming parade this year was outstanding and undeniably the best ever. Homecoming took on a different shape this year as students planned and produced the entire affair. A great big hand should be given to the Parade Committee and especially to Parade Chairman Cesar Nassar.

The biggest change in the parade was the location. Instead of being held downtown on the square, it was moved home. Starting at the physical plant and ending up at the football field, the parade shined as alumni, students and faculty proudly watched the best of SAU march by. According to Cesar, six floats and forty cars were entered in the parade which was the largest number ever.

The theme of Homecoming 1983 "Rider Roundup" was expressed in many different ways. Sporting a live mule on their float, FFA of Overstreet teamed up with the Agri Club to win the float contest and a large prize. Second place went to Alpha Sigma Alpha and Alpha Psi Omega captured third place. The car contest was won by Xi Gamma Nu who dressed up their car as a mule. The queen and all her maids were given the royal treatment and driven through the parade in style.

Prizes and trophies of over \$400.00 were donated by SGA, RHA and CAB to give the contestants added incentive. The move home made the event more meaningful to all involved — spectators and participants as well. Cesar proclaimed after all was over that it was "the best parade SAU has ever seen."



*Above: Cheerleaders lead the snake through the campus with cheers GO U SAU!*

*Top Right: Cheerleaders show spirit.*



*Left: The snake dance returns from terrorizing Bussey Hall as it makes its way back to the Bell Tower for a grand finale.*

*Below: Students anxiously await the "Union of the Snake" "Union of the Snake."*



*Cheerleaders jam in Greene Hall. They lead the Mulerider fans and the team to a Homecoming Victory over the Harding Bison 31-0.*

Homecoming took on quite a different look this year as students directed and produced the entire affair. Nominations were taken and chairpersons were made responsible for the different activities during Homecoming as an attempt to get students more involved in Homecoming. The effect — Success. The five chairpersons were: Todd Joubert, Overall Committee Chairperson; Cesar Nassar, Parade Chairperson; JoBeth Fincher, Alumni Committee Chairperson; Ricky Jasper, Special Events Chairperson and Terry Kyle, Queen Committee Chairperson. Thanks to all the students on the Committees, the alumni were welcomed home again in the warm, traditional Rider style.

The annual Snake Dance officially kicked off the Homecoming with gleeful students twisting round campus to generate the 'ole Rider spirit. This is one tradition unique to SAU and just one more character trait in the unique personality of SAU.

The Royal Court was presented on the track field Thursday night at the pep rally, arriving in glamourous movie star style. The moment had arrived to announce the Queen and everyone held his breath. Then the cheers burst forth as the crowd crowned Yvonne Smith with screams and yells. The sheet sign contest was held at the pep rally and Phi Lambda Chi won with their Rider "kickin' ass."

The traditional heartbeat began after the pep rally as enthusiastic band members beat the drum, enlisting the aid of unsuspecting students to keep the heartbeat going till kickoff Saturday. In the wee hours of the morning, the drum echoed throughout the walls of SAU.

The parade was a big success with SAU fans lining the sidewalks of the campus to see

the spectacular array of floats, campus beauties, the band, majorettes and much more riding by. The move from downtown Magnolia to the campus was a much welcomed change as everyone gathered together at "home" to see the event.

An alumni reception was held in the University Center as faculty and alumni mingled over coffee and doughnuts. The alumni signed up under their respected class and old friendships were renewed.

Dr. Brinson's home was the setting for an alumni luncheon to honor the former students of SAU. They were treated to a Southern lunch of fried chicken and were entertained by Encore. Then it was time for the game.

It was a clear but windy day and many fans braved the cold to watch the game. Kickoff was at 3:00 and pre-game activities started at 2:15 with various awards announced as well as the Riderline performing. A special tribute to four distinguished alumni was presented during the pre-game activities.

The Pride of SAU trampled the Harding Bisons, and there was no question of victory in anyone's mind as the Riders left the field at halftime with the scoreboard showing 21-0.

After halftime, the Riders continued to roll over the Bisons and ended the game with a final score of 31-0 leaving the Bisons scoreless and speechless.

The game plan changed to dinner and dancing as the University Center came alive to the sounds of Climax while the alumni relaxed and enjoyed the Stardust sounds of the Varsitonians, a band of alumni who performed during the late forties and early fifties.

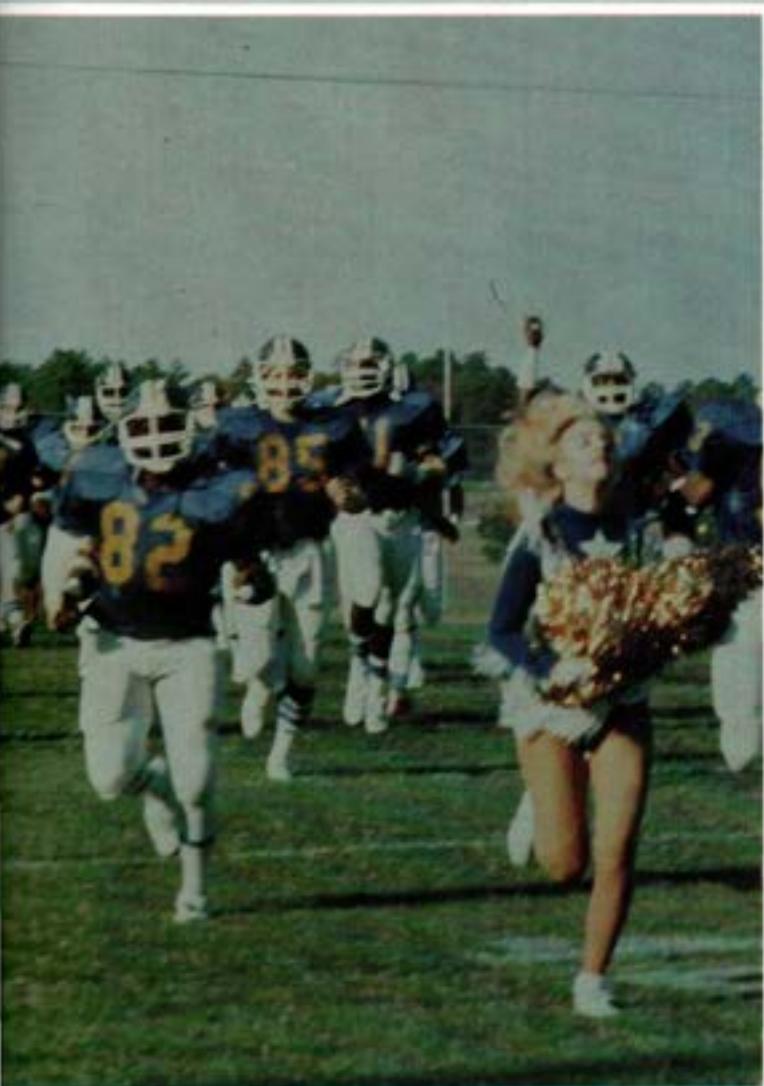
Rider Roundup '83 proved to be a special time for all with the Pride of SAU shining for all to see.



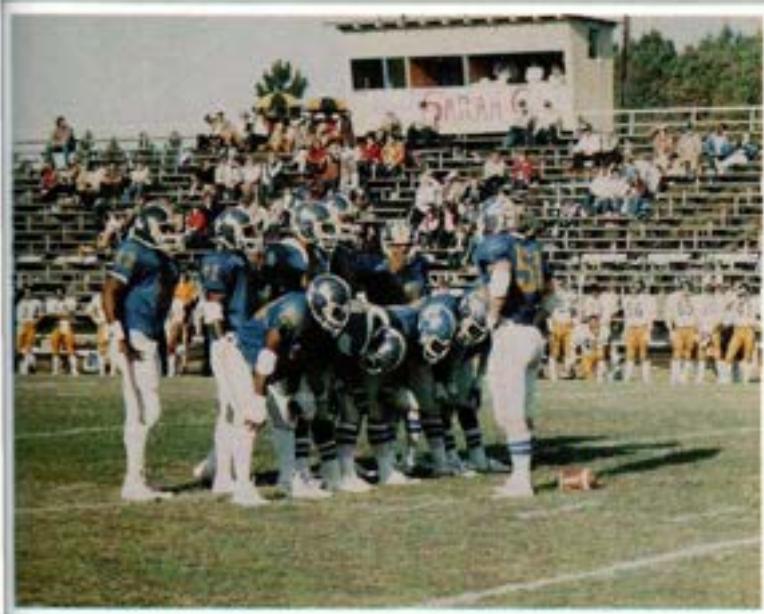
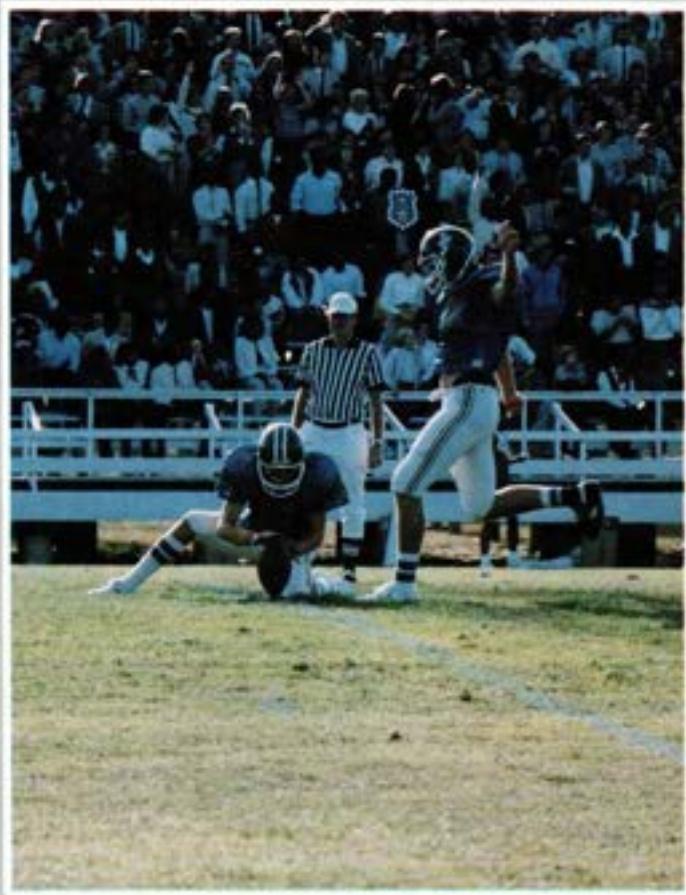
*Right: The Riders make an entry onto the field, confident that they will win.*  
*Above: The Rider offense protects the quarterback.*



*The Riderline members "strut their stuff" during the pre-game activities.*

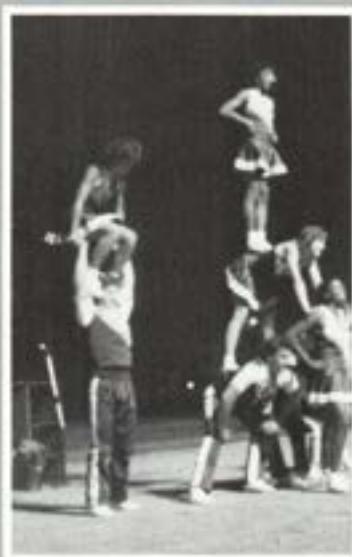


*The Muleriders stampede the Bisons in the Homecoming game.*



*Discussing the next play, the Muleriders plan their strategy for a Homecoming victory.*

*A Mulerider field-goal racked a few of the many points scored by the team.*



*SAU Cheerleaders strut their stuff as we await the announcement of the Queen.*

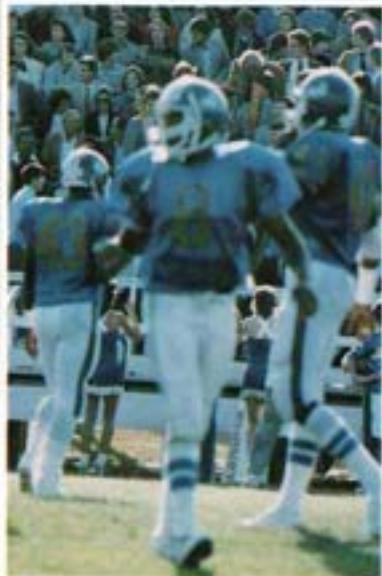


*Above: Sigma Pi displays their art work.  
Right: The Cheerleaders keep the spirit up.*





*R. Cotton is "given five" for a game well played.*



*The band kept the snake dance alive with their own sound of music.*

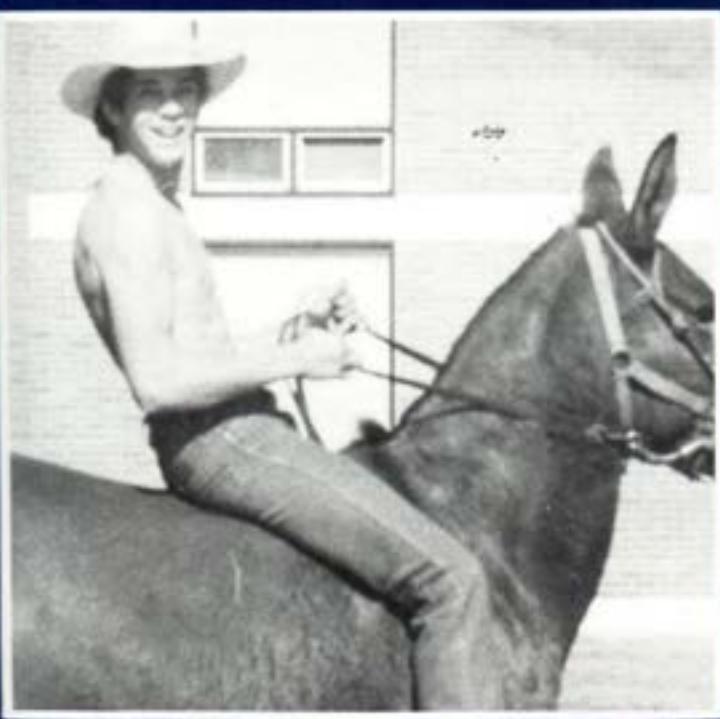


*The music at halftime was enjoyed by all at the game.*



*Flames filled the sky at the Homecoming Bonfire. The bonfire was held immediately following the pep rally and the turnout was the best in years. Held in back of the track field, the bonfire was a roaring success as was the entire week.*





*Rita Hamilton (left) and Angela Jester wait anxiously for the announcement of Homecoming queen.*

*Cheerleaders continue to heighten the spirit by the light of the fire.*

# Rider Roundup '83

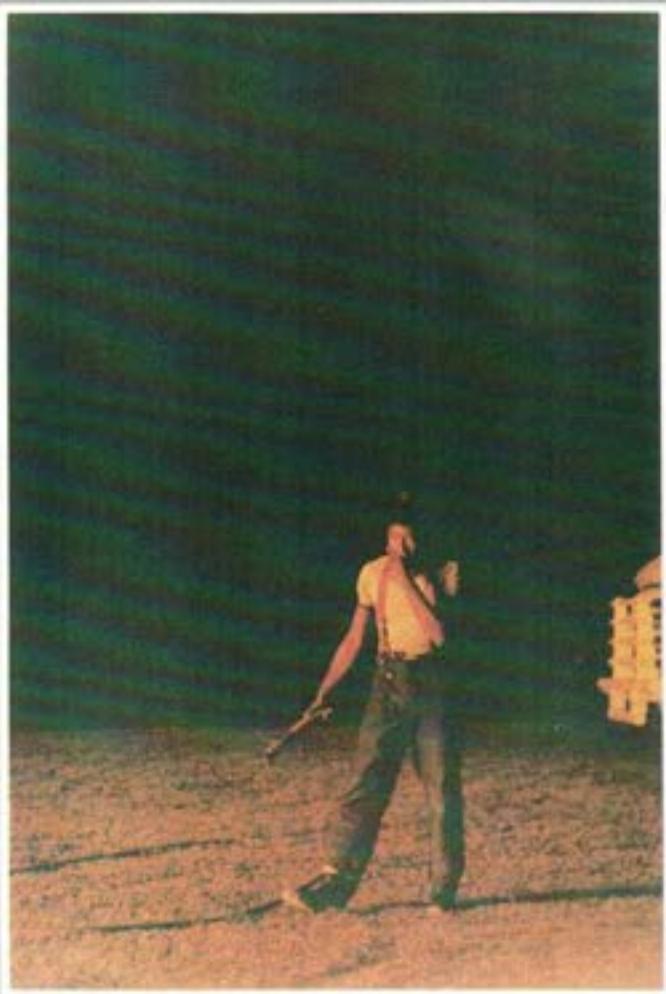
Dean Becky Sanderson and CAB Director Andy Kean stand and watch as the bonfire warms the crowd. They're also ready for any major fire tragedies.

*The Homecoming court giggles nervously as they stand before the expecting crowd. Pictured here are (from left) Angela Jester and Stephanie Johnson.*



*The SAU Cheerleaders show the power of the pyramid.*

*Dr. and Mrs. Brinson discuss the big game with Mr. W.T. Watson, athletic director at SAU.*



*Richard Cox stands in awe of the raging bonfire.*

*The firemen are on hand for safety in case things should get a little too "fired up".*

*The awesome flames of the bonfire brighten up the darkness of night.*

# *Queen Yvonne Smith*

## **Rider Roundup '83**



*The 1983-84 Homecoming Court of Southern Arkansas University.*

## We Are The Muleriders!



Pretty maids all in a row  
The Royalty (from left) Pam Talbert, Stephanie Johnson, Angela Jester, Sarah Caudle and (in back) Queen Yvonne Smith and Sherri Bridges took a few minutes from the game to pose for a picture.



# *Diamonds In The Rough And Their Stone Cutters*

When a student decides to further his education, he might as well be *tabula rosa* as far as his mind goes. The slate begins as clean and is filled with knowledge to capacity, well if the student permits it to be anyway.

With this in mind, thus comes the term "Diamonds in the Rough" which describes the students as they enter the institutions of their choice. The students are all diamonds in the rough looking to become polished stones.

Of course, this is not possible without the most valued stone cutters. These people have already been through the slow and precious process. They are the qualified ones — the masters of the art, and they take the rough stones in their care to make them into ones that can be used in the most gorgeous of settings. Their work shines and sparkles as the students. It is transformed from the roughest to the most polished.

Both the rough stones and the stone cutters are essential, for one without the other cannot exist. We need each.

# A New Beginning

## Seniors Look Down The Road And Up The Street

by Melody Voss

Every senior is told at graduation that it is a beginning; A commencement. And being a senior denotes respect, glory and authority; well, it used to anyway. These days being a senior means having to worry about the job market, new living arrangements, a car payment and unfortunately, the real world. The confidence about making your mark in the world seems somewhat shaken in these times of such fast changing technology and stiff competition. All these considerations must be faced by the graduating seniors who will now be put to the test. Of course, many are not apprehensive of the new responsibilities and duties, but some feel the pressure to prove themselves. In addition to all these new burdens, some seniors are on the verge of marriage. The last year of college seems like the appropriate time to be engaged and many are deciding to take that step. It just seems to be the right time before your loved one goes his or her separate way. So, whether alone or newly married, the senior starts out on a new beginning; a diamond in the rough.

We could classify the year as one of distinct advantages and disadvantages. But between these two are the tensions that a senior feels. "Getting out of this place" must feel great, but what of all the friends and good times that you had here during those four, long years? Some will be scattered, and you will never see them



*Jimmy Beaty, computer science major from Texarkana, Ark., day dreams about the day he will walk for his diploma.*

again. And getting a new job and starting out on your own is exciting, but what about the responsibilities that you must now take upon yourself that before, parents were gladly willing to take? The little things like the telephone bill, some new clothes every now and then, money for gas will now be your own expenses. Getting married to the one you love, honor and serve and want to spend the rest of your days with, supposedly, is romantic, but what about all those happy days spent living the life of a single? Those are gone with housepayments,

car notes and baby bottles. Being a senior means facing all these obstacles and coming to terms with them.

Finding a job seems to be the number one problem that a senior faces. The figures on the unemployment rate are watched very carefully by many seniors as they figure their chances on that one dream job. As the figures vary and fluctuate, so do the seniors' expectations of making a living in the work force and not off Mom and Dad or even Uncle Sam. A college degree no longer seems like a luxury, but rather a necessity if you expect to live in the manner in which you are accustomed. College is not anymore simply considered knowledge for knowledge's sake, but a precious resource.

There are those of you who worry about higher education and the possibility of furthering your education. These are the seniors who plan to enter some type of graduate school or some type of professional training. They obviously wish to continue this madness. Even those aspiring for greatness and riches have qualms about the future. "Getting accepted into grad school is my biggest worry," says Beverly McCann, a biology major, "and the next thing is what to fix for dinner every night." And those students who are accepted face the same routine. Play it again Sam?

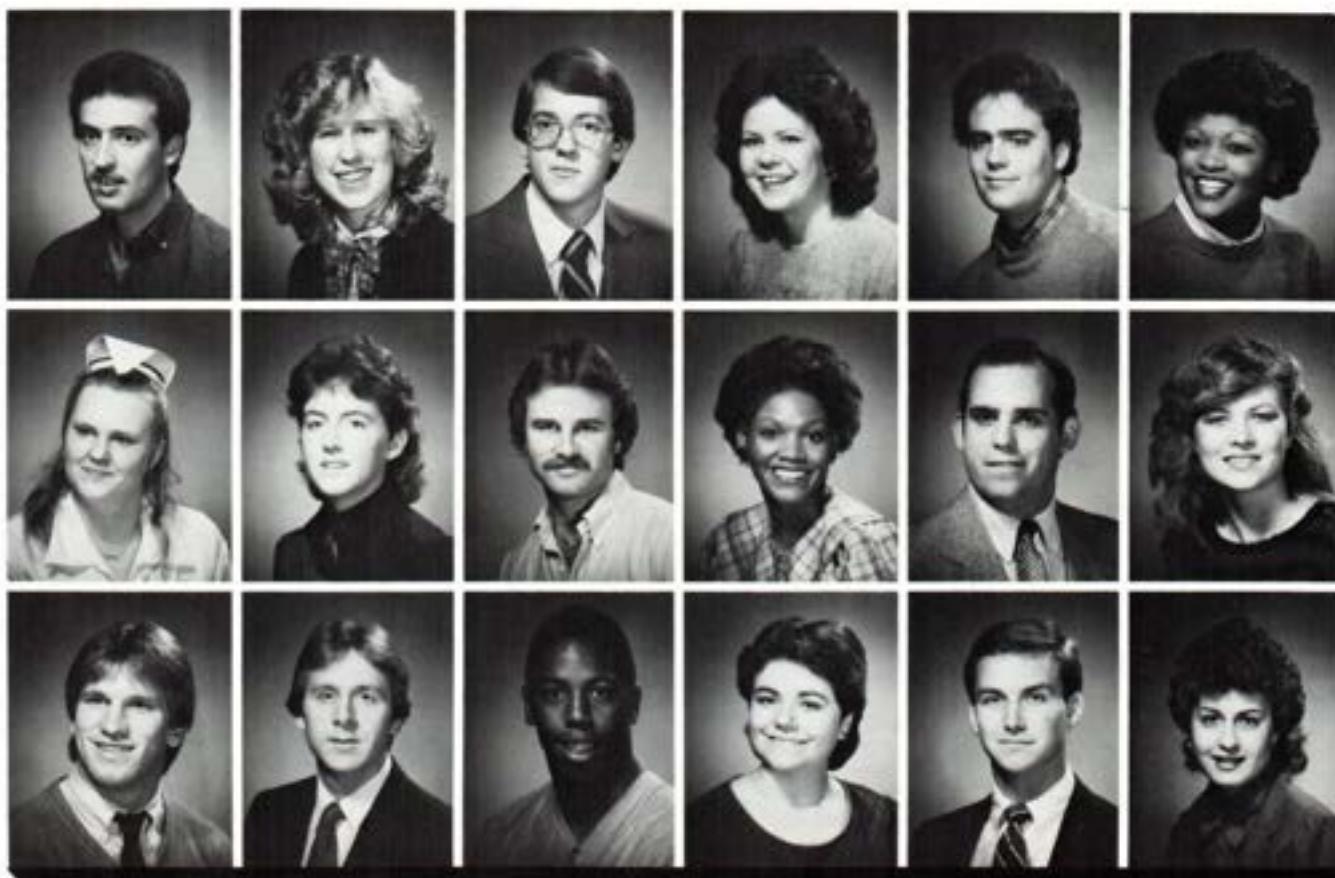
One problem seniors encounter their last year is the dreaded "Senioritis." This is a deadly disease, fatal only to grades. It can lead to a general disregard for grades and their importance, occasionally skipping an important class and smiling with ease all the while. This affliction is somewhat kin to "Spring Fever", but

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only present in seniors. I remember a slight trace from high school when all the sudden any type of homework, formal or otherwise, ceased. It's something to look forward to.

Of course, others feel just the opposite. Many get nervous and anxious about graduation during that last semester. "I choke," says Ellen Mathews, who hopes to get into dental school, "and I get panicky. I have more tests than ever before this semester and I study more than I ever did." Amid all the "what ifs", graduation is just around the corner and one step closer.

And then it's finally here. It took four, long, hard years in coming. The day seems to be a kleidoscope of past and future images. Those four years at school have changed your life in - every way so that nothing will ever be the same. It is a day of reckoning; the day when an assessment seems necessary. As you don the black robe with tassel in hand, a bittersweet pang swells in even the most stoic of people. That long walk is just the first step on the road of life. "It's a chance to put in action what you've learned for the past four years," says Dan Galway, a senior from Lena, Illinois. But the learning will not stop here; we have far to go. Soon the diamond will be polished and shine for all to see.

*"A chance to put in action what you've learned for the past four years."*

*Dan Galway*



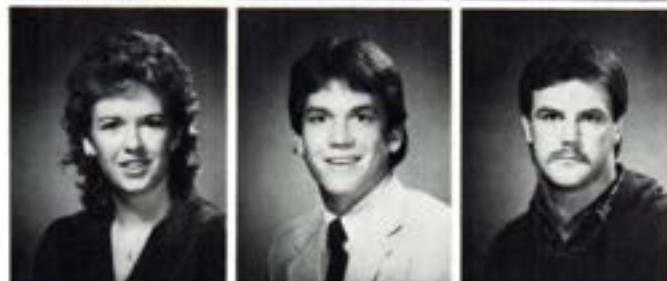
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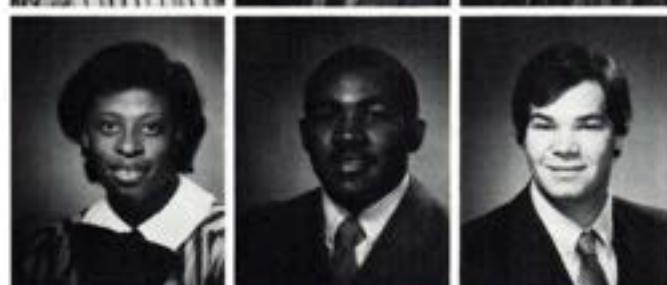


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## Terminally Troubled

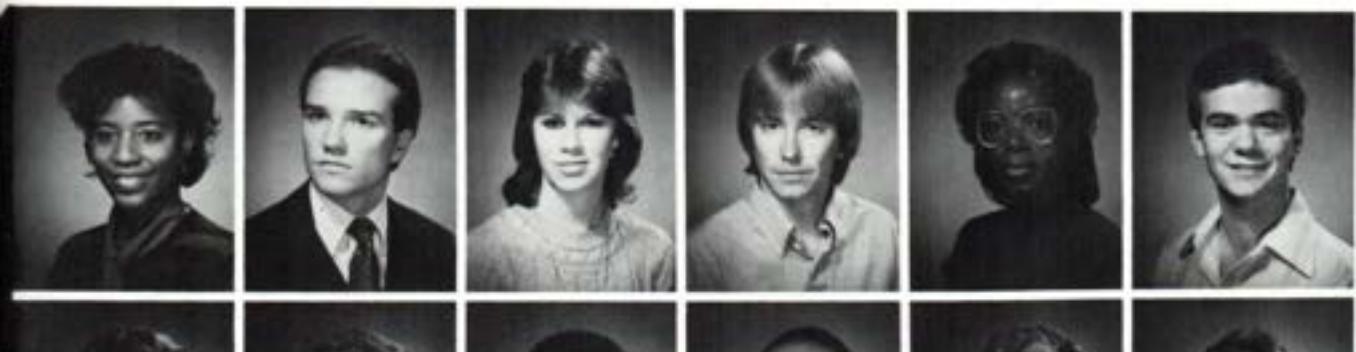
by Melody Voss

It is 11:30 p.m. and what else is open on campus besides Wilson North? A place where students can bravely and wearily pursue the conquest of Ivan. Actually, it is the computer center, called the Ivan Brown Memorial Computer Center, named Ivan Brown, the first professor here to teach Computer Science courses. The terminal room is the one place on campus that stays open till midnight and can usually boast of a capacity crowd. Not often a very fun crowd, but a group of people striving for that one perfect printout. And out of many tries, there is that one printout that looks better than anything else at the time to that bleary-eyed student, even a three inch ribeye. Certainly, practice in this case makes perfect. So the search continues.

The computer lab room has an average of 25 terminals with two printers for the student's use. A host of tutors and operators are on hand to be of some assistance - if they can. Students often gladly give help to a fellow seeker of the truth. Tutors, commissioned by teachers, are one available resource which provides the troubled student some relief. As their eyes are magnified to the screen, they continue to edit and wait in hopes their name will be called. It's sort of like watching a clock or waiting for a phone to ring.

The challenge is half the adventure. It's the classic struggle of man against machine in a bitter duel to the death, so to speak. Why does one spend endless hours in pursuit of what seems unattainable? "It's illogical," Mr. Spock would say, but those points seem harder to squeeze than the juice of turnip. Does monetary gain motivate these people? Are they obsessed with perfection in the Greek tradition? "Maybe in the long run it will pay off," Stated Danny

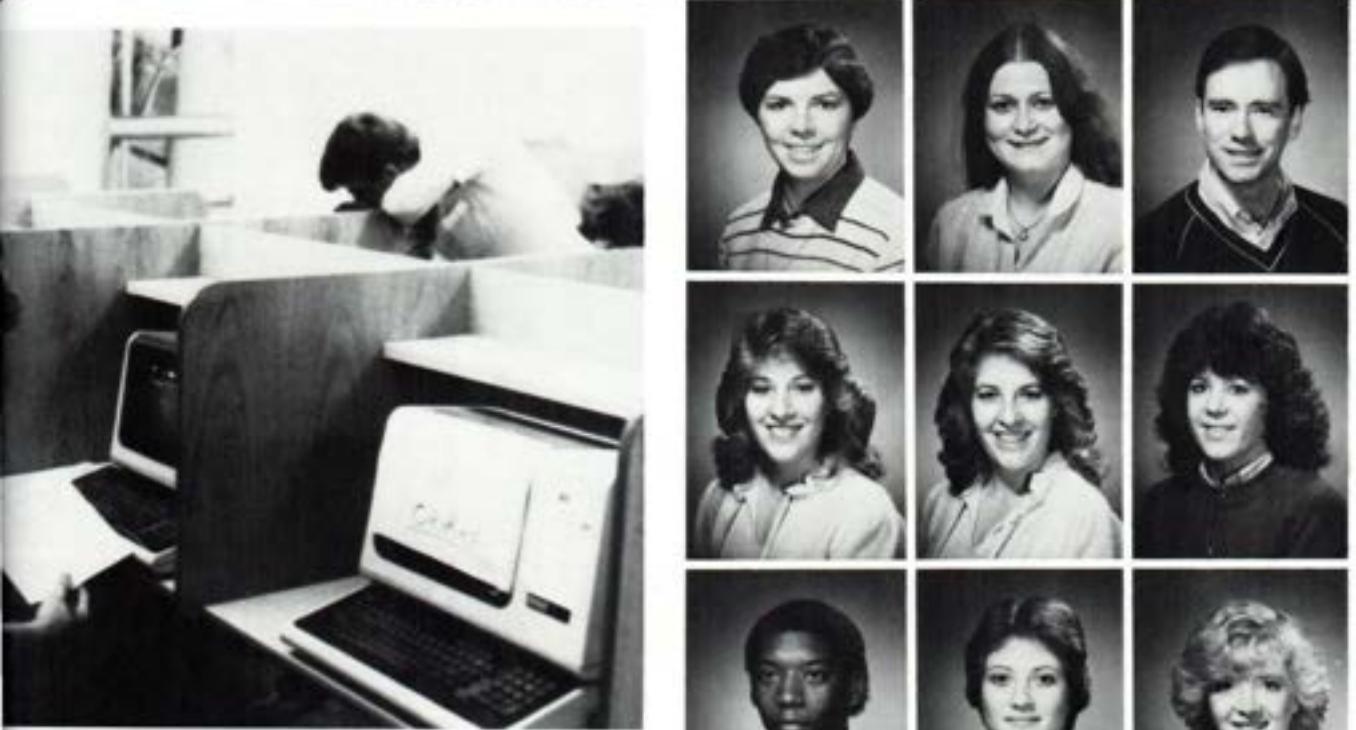




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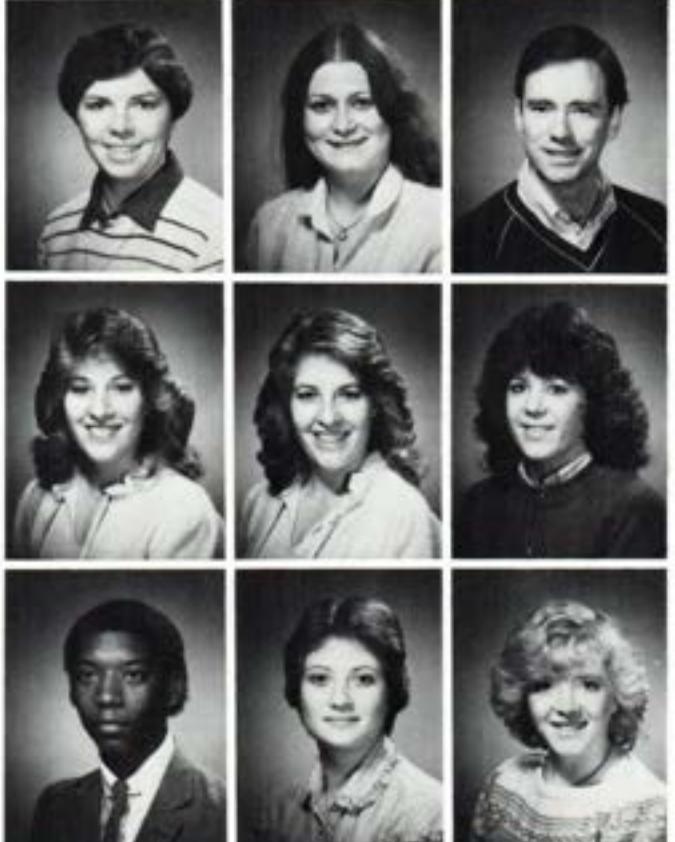
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Waldo, AR

Montgomery, a COBOL tutor. Often the tutor can clear a problem and the weight of those almighty points is lifted. But what of those many who feel that there is no place left to turn? What's next, Dear Abby?

Computer fanatics here are lucky. We have more actual time on our terminals than any other college in Arkansas. And with such a fast-growing field, that time is valuable. The computer center is conveniently open from 8 a.m. to 12 a.m. Monday through Thursday and until 4 p.m. on Fridays. On the weekend, while other students are partying or at home, computer students can often be seen in the lab from 10 a.m. on Saturdays and from 1 p.m. on Sundays. So any time the urge to debug hits, usually a terminal is available to satisfy the desire.

The terminal room is overseen by Danny Nix. His job as lab coordinator is to keep the lab open and schedule operators and tutors. There are generally 350-500 students enrolled in computer courses per semester and satisfying all of them is a big order. "The biggest problem is not enough memory space," states Nix. "The computer is overloaded and it slows down the work creating a bottleneck. Somehow, the computer center manages to work out the problems and resolves the conflicts of everyday usage of the machine. The service given by Danny and his crew is excel-



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Terry Hudman  
Smackover, AR  
Mary Humphries  
Texarkana, AR

Barry Ivers  
Lewisville, AR  
Iverson Jackson  
Little Rock, AR  
William James  
Little Rock, AR



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Parkdale, AR  
Angela Jester  
Magnolia, AR  
Dianne Jordan  
Emerson, AR

Neal Jeffrey  
Sheridan, AR  
Esther Jermany  
Emerson, AR  
Greg Jester  
Magnolia, AR  
Gwen Johnson  
Magnolia, AR  
Valerie Johnson  
Camden, AR  
William Johnson  
Eldorado, AR



Jim B. Jones  
Hampton, AR  
Susie Jones  
Camden, AR  
Scott Jordan  
Pine Bluff, AR  
Otha Kirkindoff  
Magnolia, AR  
Terry Kyle  
Taylor, AR  
Charles Larkin, JR.  
Little, Rock, AR



Larry LaRue  
Sheridan, AR  
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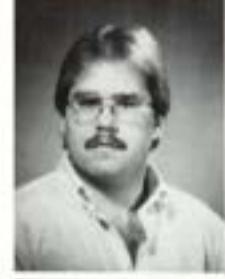
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Springhill, LA  
Rebecca McKamie  
Hope, AR



Diana Marty  
Buckner, AR  
Kelli Mason  
Hope, AR  
Ellen Mathews  
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Ronald Meadows  
Texarkana, AR  
Roberta Meeks  
Eldorado, AR  
Roger Meredith  
Clarksville, TX



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Hope, AR  
Elizabeth Meyer  
Magnolia, AR  
Jim Mikula  
Justice, IL  
Gary Miller  
Texarkana, TX  
Linda Miller  
Magnolia, AR  
Jan Milligan  
Stamps, AR



Pierce Moore  
Eldorado, AR  
Stephen Moore  
Camden, AR  
Keith Morgan  
Haynesville, LA  
Marilyn Morine  
Texarkana, AR  
Mark Morris  
Searcy, AR  
Mickey D. Moss  
Sulphur Springs, TX



## More Troubles

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lent and efficient. The computer center is professionally run and staffed by knowledgeable individuals who are usually computer science majors who have a definite interest in the field and working in their chosen vocation. The terminal room offers them just that opportunity. The skills they acquire while still in school will be a definite advantage for future job placements, in a field that seems to have no limits.

Another problem in the computer world is Mother Nature. When the weather gets bad and nasty, so does the temperament of the computer. The computer must be closed down to avoid the possible effects of lightening strikes. A program may be erased or lost when the computer is up in a storm. This is one problem no amount of money can cure.

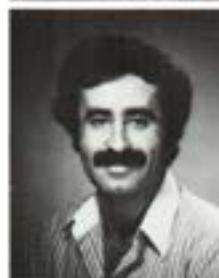
David Keith is the head of the computer center and explains the system. "We have a DEC (Digital Equipment Corporation) PDP11/70. The biggest problem we encounter is the increasing student demand for computer resources." In other words, not enough resources. "Currently, the computer is used 40% for administrative purposes and 60% for academic purposes. SAU is in the process of bidding on another computer of equal capacity in addition to the present one," Keith went on to say. But, the bidding process is on a state wide basis and with all the red tape involved, the new computer could be a while in coming. When the bidding is complete, students should enjoy the additional space of Ivan provided by the new computer.

Meanwhile, the struggle continues. The long nights at the terminal room will be remembered by any student. Often students despair after a bout with the mighty machine. "I give up," says Richard Williams an avid COBOL fan, after an exasperating night in the lab.

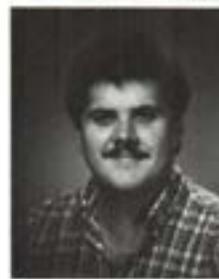
But usually students persist and find the experience rewarding, if not monetarily, then gradewise. Beware: Computers are here to stay.



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Mount Holly, AR



Danny A. Nix  
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Lynn Noesser  
Blevins, AR  
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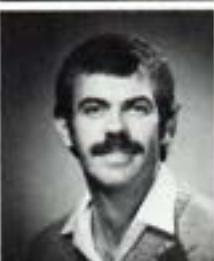
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Nina Powell  
Texarkana, AR  
Donna Pumphrey  
Eldorado, AR  
Donald Potman  
Eldorado, AR  
Carolyn Rayfield  
Texarkana, AR



Crystal Reed  
Magnolia, AR  
Keith Reed  
Eldorado, AR  
Thomas Reed  
Eldorado, AR  
Vinnie Reep  
Texarkana, AR  
Belinda Kay Roe  
Eldorado, AR  
Mary Ellen Rollins  
Magnolia, AR



Sandra Ross  
Hope, AR  
Abby Rushing  
Texarkana, AR  
Mary Sanders  
Sheridan, AR  
Laurie Seidenschwarz  
Stuttgart, AR  
Rebecca Shepherd  
Kansas City, MO  
Roy Showalter  
Hot Springs, AR



Tena Simpson  
Magnolia, AR  
Cecil Smith  
Malvern, AR  
Deadra Smith  
Casscoe, AR  
Peggy Smith  
Bossier City, LA  
Steve Smith  
Hope, AR  
Yvonne Smith  
Garland, AR



Sondra Sneed  
Eldorado, AR  
Deborah Ann Spears  
Camden, AR  
Jennifer Stafford  
Camden, AR  
Melanie Steely  
Magnolia, AR  
Carl Stevens  
Emerson, AR  
Pam Talbert  
Stamps, AR



## Our Favorite Things

by Melody Voss

It seems as though when we look back on a period in our lives that we remember our favorite things during that time. We wanted to find out just what it is students like most about SAU. We searched the campus for the elusive answers and came up with some pretty amazing ones. Some we got were unfit for print. And some people we talked to preferred to remain anonymous when telling us the lowdown. We also got the feeling that some of you with whom we talked were being somewhat sarcastic, to say the least. Well, what are your favorites, SAU? What are you going to remember when you're long

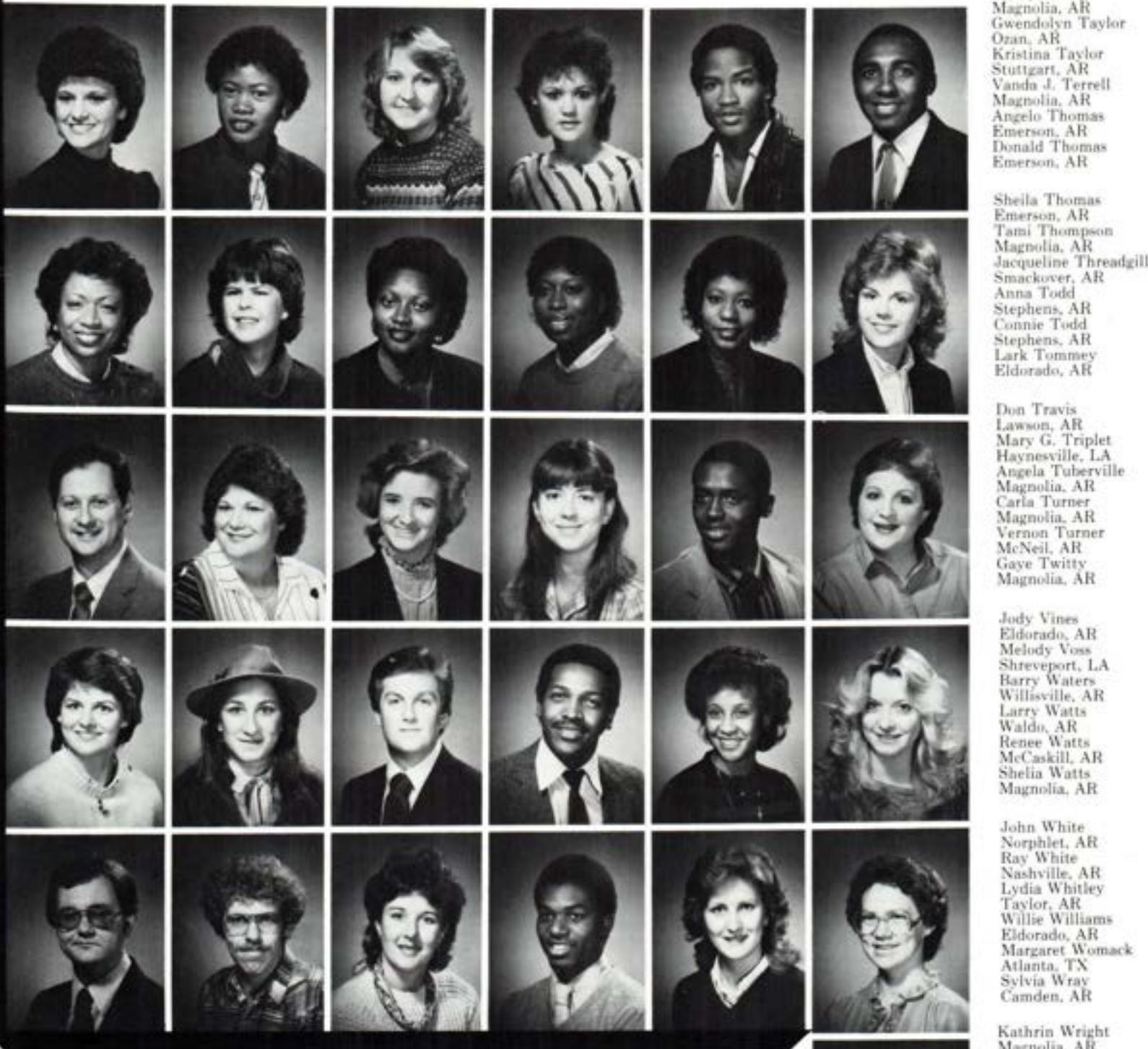
gone?

Some frequent answers to the question of "What is your favorite thing about SAU?" were "friendly people," "the duck pond," "friendly people," "the new fitness trail," "friendly people," "Dr. Boaz," and "more friendly people." Of course, we did ask a few students and they wouldn't talk to us. One student even said the cafeteria, but he was mumbling something about Hare Krishna.

Andy Baker, a sophomore from Fort Smith, emphatically stated that his favorite thing is "parties." Somehow that seems to go without saying with most students. "Nice living facilities" is the favorite of Melvin Lee Thomas III. Obviously this man has never been inside anything other than a locker room. Naturally everyone always says his favorite organization. That falls in

with the "friendly people category. We suspect those people who voiced no favorite even have some secret pleasure. Out of this, there's got to be something worth everyone's while.

Hopefully when we're old and gray, we can sit back in the old rocking chair and remember when we were young and all the crazy stunts that we used to pull. And the things are the ones that we will look fondly and wonder how we could have ever been so foolish. We'll wonder how such rough cuts could have ever turned out to sparkle so much. It's all a part of the polishing process and that's one reason why we're here. Otherwise, these four years have meant a great deal to us. The sparkle is there; it just needs a little rubbing.



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 Gwendolyn Taylor  
 Ozan, AR  
 Kristina Taylor  
 Stuttgart, AR  
 Vanda J. Terrell  
 Magnolia, AR  
 Angelo Thomas  
 Emerson, AR  
 Donald Thomas  
 Emerson, AR

Sheila Thomas  
 Emerson, AR  
 Tami Thompson  
 Magnolia, AR  
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 Smackover, AR  
 Anna Todd  
 Stephens, AR  
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 Lark Tommey  
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 Magnolia, AR  
 Vernon Turner  
 McNeil, AR  
 Gaye Twitty  
 Magnolia, AR

Jody Vines  
 Eldorado, AR  
 Melody Voss  
 Shreveport, LA  
 Barry Waters  
 Willisville, AR  
 Larry Watts  
 Waldo, AR  
 Renee Watts  
 McCaskill, AR  
 Shelia Watts  
 Magnolia, AR

John White  
 Norphlet, AR  
 Ray White  
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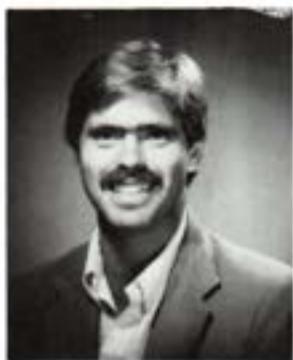
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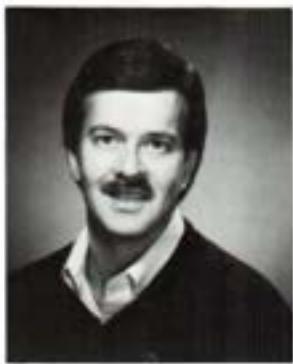
Lous Younghblood  
 Springhill, LA

Mass Communication students wait for class to begin. The class is television production.

# “Masters Of The Game”



Chris Fountain  
Texarkana, TX



Bruce Magee  
El Dorado, AR



Mary Pigott  
Camden, AR



Leslie Putman  
El Dorado, AR

*Dr. Gene Kelsay directs the Heritage Singers during practice. The Singers practice many hours before touring. The touring season is a very busy time for everyone involved.*



*Talent is unlimited on campus, and the chance to show it off is always open. Here, a student is providing his own entertainment as well as providing entertainment for other students.*



*The students in the Freshman Orientation class listen attentively. Dr. Harold T. Branson taught this class.*

After four long years of study, some graduates feel the need to further their education even more. They do this by going to graduate school or secondary school, get a doctorate or a score of other opportunities are available.



*Joe Fiegel and Gloria Benton don't always spend their lunch hours in the cafeteria. Sometimes they show everyone how to enjoy the Bermuda Triangle to its fullest.*

*There was a big turn out for Governor Bill Clinton's visit on campus. The Governor was happy to answer any questions the students had.*



*A friendly little fellow poses for a photographer on the natural surroundings of the SAU campus.*



*Linda Dykes, communications secretary, uses her typing skills in her work. Many students have jobs on campus that provide some pocket money for the extra movies and munchies which make life a little easier.*

# Stuck Between A Rough Spot And A Smooth One

by Kelli Mason

*In the beginning, there was the freshman who slowly but eventually advanced to the junior ...*

Juniors are the students who ask the question, "Will I ever get out of here?" And "NO" is the answer that most of them come up with, but somewhere in the back of their minds, they know they can do it — thus they go on with the work and toil. It is also a time when they learn just exactly what it was they came here for in the first place. Most juniors know that although they have "partied" more than they have studied and bought enough booze to pay the way of five students through the most prestigious of universities that there is some way to survive, to go on and to eventually become a senior and maybe even graduate.

Of course, it is not quite that easy. Juniors are divided into several categories, the first being the junior who slid through his schooling without the above mentioned problems.

The second group is a little more complicated than that near perfect student, at least mentally speaking. (It would take a shrink years to figure out his logic). This student started out as a good student and was somehow led astray during the course of events. He started slipping probably half way through his sophomore year, but his early GPA's will help him swim rather than sink. The grades he made as that eager freshman and climbing sophomore will serve as a "lifeguard" — more or less.

The third and last group contains the student who never really caught on to the academic curriculum, but rather the extra curricular activities. When the words "college career"

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Beverly Bearden  
Camden, AR

Susie Belin  
Hermitage, AR  
Doris Berry  
Waldo, AR  
Douglas Bever  
Taylor, AR  
Joey Bounds  
Dierks, AR  
Sherri Bridges  
Crossett, AR  
Brenda Brown  
Augusta, AR

David Bryant  
Plain Dealing, LA  
Kerri Bryant  
Texarkana, AR  
Thaddeus Buffington  
Kansas City, MO  
Kelli Burch  
Springhill, LA  
Beth Caldwell  
Leola, AR  
Emily Camp  
Springhill, LA



*Sometimes juniors have very little space in which to decide their futures. They feel as they are literally stuck between a rough spot and a smooth one; the smooth one being so close yet so far.*

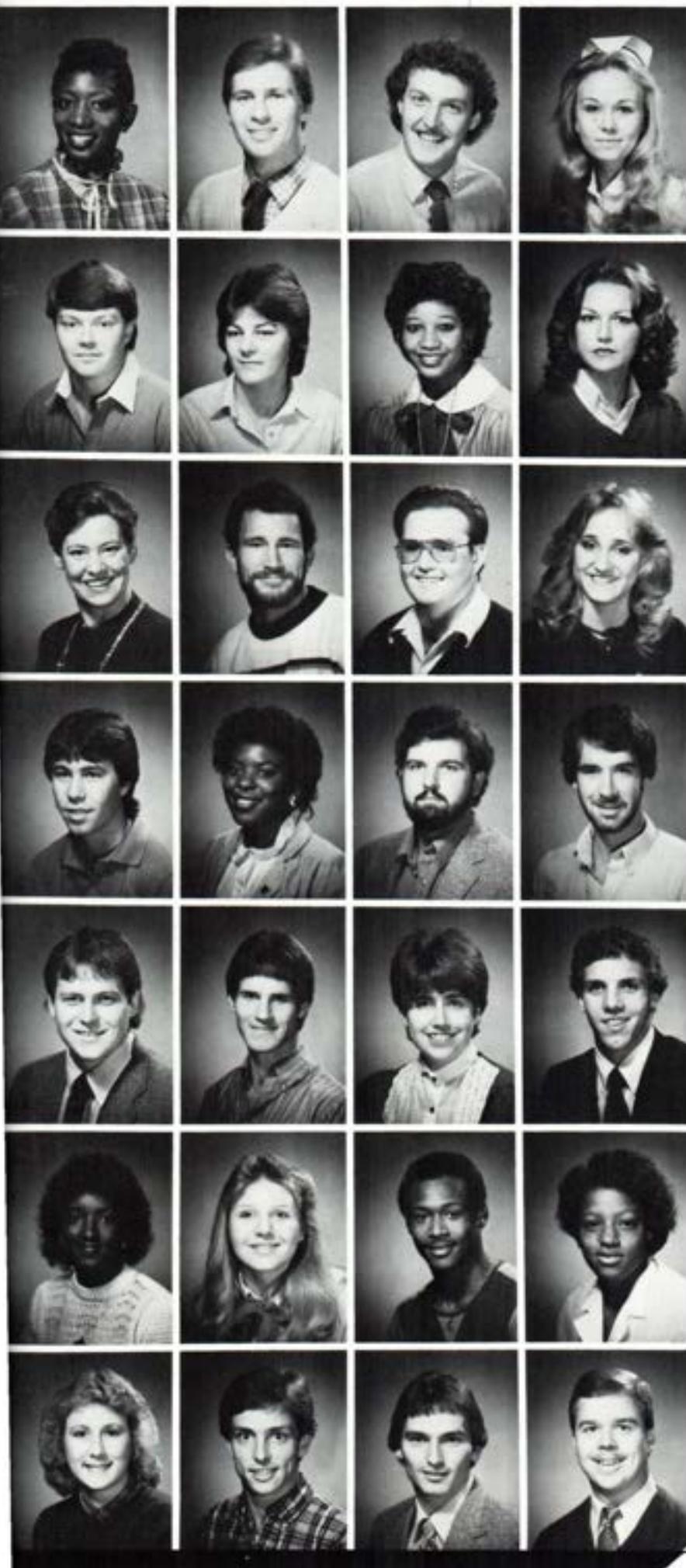
were first mentioned to him, he took it literally as a life long thing. This student had a somewhat perverted concept of a university before coming to college. Rather than studying "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet," (Shakespeare) he studies "A beer by another label would not taste the same." (Budweiser). How he made it to the junior level is only for those who know the Ultimate Truth to know, but academic probation is always nipping at his heels.

There is — or rather was — a fourth, but they aren't here anymore. They're probably contem-

plating the Ultimate Truth, and they probably right.

Whatever group in which the junior classified, they are essentially in the same group, stuck between a rough spot and smooth one — a diamond almost polished but not quite.





Lucendia Campbell  
Saginaw, MI  
Kelly Cannon  
Ashdown, AR  
Brent Carmony  
Bodcau, AR  
Angelia Castleberry  
Norphlet, AR

Mark Castleman  
Mineral Springs, AR  
Mona Chesoneth  
Gillham, AR  
Donna Cook  
Eldorado, AR  
Jeannie Cook  
Eldorado, AR

B.C. Cox  
Oklahoma City, OK  
Richard W. Cox  
Mena, AR  
Sherman E. Cox  
Clarendon, AR  
Louanne Crank  
Garland, AR

Dean R. Creasey  
Vilonia, AR  
Vicki Cross  
McNeil, AR  
Joe Crow  
Texarkana, AR  
Doug Davis  
Stephens, AR

Scott Davis  
Fordyce, AR  
Andy Dees  
Magnolia, AR  
Lisa Dumas  
Springhill, LA  
Scott Eddy  
Hope, AR

Vickey Elijah  
Texarkana, AR  
Melinda Elliott  
Camden, AR  
Sammy Epps  
Atlanta, TX  
Brenda Farmer  
Gainesville, TX

Jo Beth Fincher  
Prescott, AR  
Jeff Flaherty  
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Texarkana, AR



*One of the Burgess twins is caught off guard in the costume shop.*

## Beating The Odds

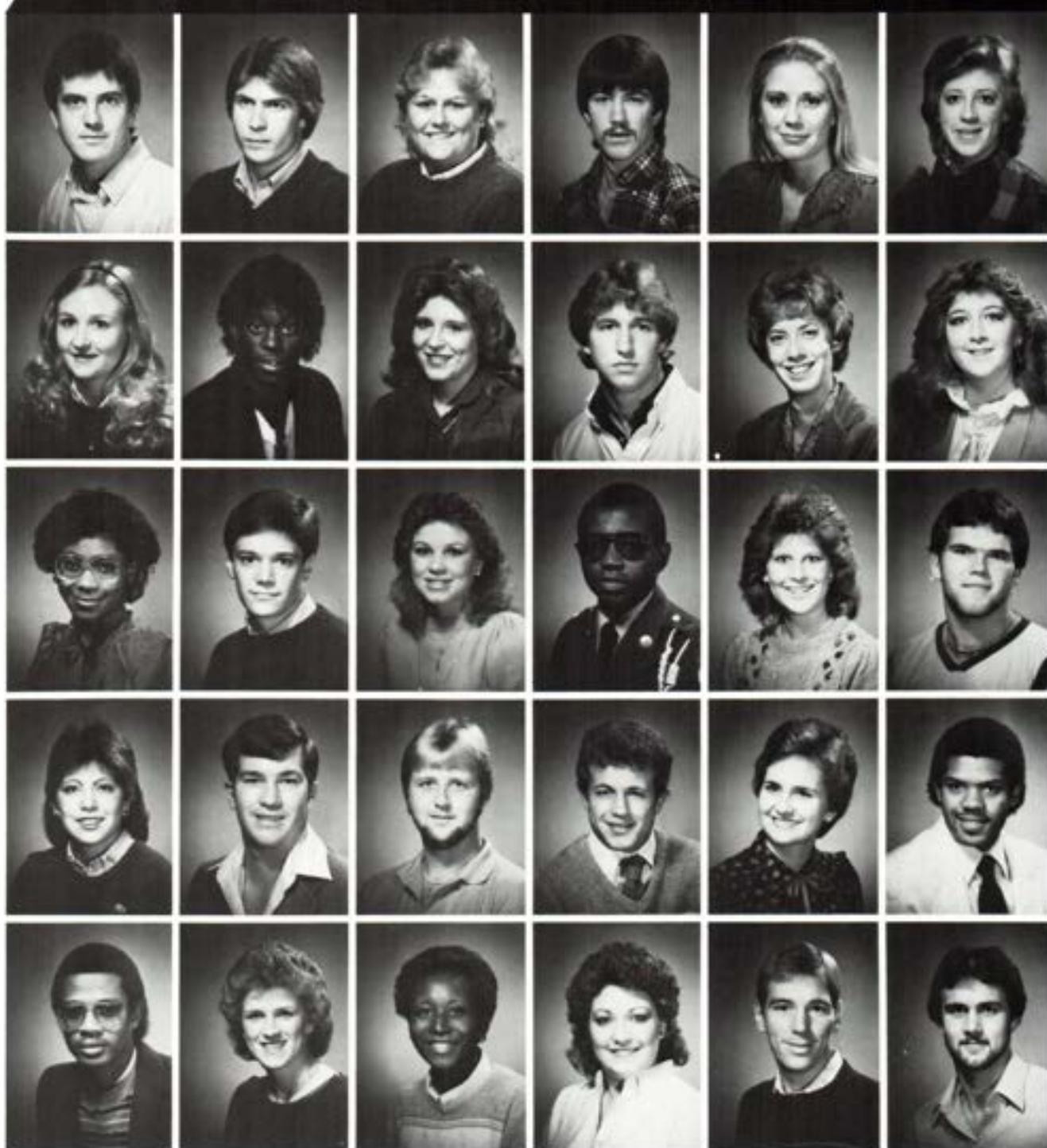
by Melody Voss

As a major investment in your life, SAU is definitely a terrific asset and one that will increase with value as time goes on. Not only does SAU provide quality education with a homey atmosphere, but SAU does it for less than most other state-supported schools in the nation. A recent survey among 31 states by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities found that many state colleges now cost more than \$4,000 a year, including living costs. By comparison, SAU averages about 59% of that total cost. The comparatively lower cost of school here makes for an affordable means of going to college. Going to SAU is like eating a balanced meal; a square deal with all the necessary additives to insure a full lifetime investment which will pay for itself in the long run.

The annual expense for students in Magnolia is currently \$2,340 almost 41% less than the national average. Take that to the bank! Costs break down into \$390 per semester tuition fee for full time students with only \$15 in extra fees. The expense of living in a residence hall is \$765 per semester which includes the 7-day meal plan. It's hard to beat our prices. Although this may seem a lot to many, consider the benefits; a quality education at an affordable price with the added bonus of a lifetime college degree. It makes good sense; even Dr. Pearce couldn't argue with that.

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James Franks  
Magnolia, AR  
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Springhill, LA  
Larry French  
Moro, AR  
Lisa Friday  
Texarkana, AR  
Lori Garner  
Bearden, AR



Carol Gates  
Camden, AR  
Micheal George  
Texarkana, AR  
Lesa Gill  
Magnolia, AR  
Barry Grant  
Conway, AR  
Mary Beth Green  
Camden, AR  
Amy Griffith  
Waldo, AR

Deirdre Gorden  
Eldorado, AR  
Even Guengerich  
Eldorado, AR  
Kristy Ham  
Berryville, AR  
Keith Hamilton  
Prescott, AR  
Michele Hardin  
Bismarck, AR  
Jim Haynie  
Prescott, AR

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Port Lavaca, TX  
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Mt. Vernon, AR  
Chris Hughes  
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Kip Humphrey  
Grand Saline, TX  
Stacy Jackson  
Hope, AR  
Randy James  
Malvern, AR

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Mineral Springs, AR  
Frances Johnson  
Hope, AR  
Laura L. Johnson  
Magnolia, AR  
Gareth Jones  
Doddridge, AR  
Jerry L. Jones  
Maud, TX

*Faculty and students at SAU  
are not just acquaintances, they  
are friends.*

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The extra attention that is available to students at a smaller college is discounted, and in fact, it is one of the main advantages of attending college at a smaller, more personal school. Professors know you by name, not number, (although sometimes that can be a disadvantage) and are more willing to help on a one-to-one basis. This outside exchange comes into class and makes the student more interested in the subject and the desire to learn is greater.

Another advantage of a small college is that you get to know everybody according to me students and that can make a world of difference. Faces become names and teachers often become friends and that is what we call the family of SAU. The friendly smile often seen on campus is worth all the money in the world, well, maybe part of it anyway. So, if ever there are times when you ask yourself, "Is it really worth it?" Rest assure





## Security . . . What Price?

by L. Keith Johnson

"What security?", "you mean we have one?", "I think they should spend more time catching crooks than they do writing tickets." These are the opinions of many students on campus. And justifiably so. We should worry about our safety and the security of our valuables. But, we should be aware of what we can expect from security and what we can do for ourselves.

Ms. Rebecca Sanderson, Assistant Dean of Students defined the job of the security personnel and gave some advice to students worried about the safety of valuables. "They are public safety officers. Their job is to enforce traffic laws, assist campus personnel, patrol the campus and farm area, locking and unlocking buildings, responding to alarms set off by air conditioners and heaters, transferring people to the hospital, putting air in tires for flats, jump-starting cars and

*Charlie Polk, security officer, reads while he takes a break from his duties.*

Laurie Jones  
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David Keith  
Lockesburg, AR  
Mark Keith  
Magnolia, AR  
Patricia King  
Willisville, AR  
Susan Kyzer  
Fordyce, AR  
Dawn Launius  
Eldorado, AR

Billy Lee, Jr.  
Delight, AR  
Charlotte L. Lewis  
Camden, AR  
Shawn Lewis  
Mount Holly, AR  
Kimbra Lindsey  
Nashville, AR  
Doug Long  
Magnolia, AR  
Tracy McCain  
Idabel, OK

Stephen Ray McCann  
Nashville, AR  
Kathleen McCarter  
Norman, AR  
Tamra McCollough  
Berryville, AR  
Laurie McCullough  
Mineral Springs, AR  
Robby McDaniel  
Smackover, AR  
John McGee  
Lewisville, AR

Richie McGinnis  
Hermitage, AR  
Dwayne Terry  
McLemore  
Malvern, AR

giving directions." This is the official job description, but other stipulations are included such as, enforcing all the rules and regulations on campus.

Those lovable men to whom we give such affectionate names have various qualifications according to Dean Sanderson. "Officer Evans worked for the

fire department; Officer Parham was in the navy and worked with their security, and Officer Polk was originally a night watchman here on campus and has worked here for twenty-seven years. They are all certified by the police academy. They work three different shifts and are payed for forty

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hours with no overtime." There is no question about their qualifications and about their ability to handle the job.

Dean Sanderson continued to answer our questions concerning the negative attitudes of students concerning security and answered the always controversial issue of parking tickets. She explained, "Students get tickets and want to blame someone and it is not themselves. Most tickets are written out by student ticket writers. Most tickets can be appealed by the Traffic Appeals Committee, if there is good reason to appeal. The committee is made up of three students advised by myself. Most of the tickets are given for parking in handicapped parking, yellow zones, and faculty parking."

Harassment of the officers by the students is also a problem. Officers are often

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Bob Martin  
Shreveport, LA  
Kimberly Mason  
Hope, AR  
Steve Millican  
Taylor, AR



Julie Morgan  
Camden, AR  
Mark Morris  
Magnolia, AR  
Roger Newman  
Eldorado, AR  
Mahmoud Nouri  
Jonesboro, AR

Carle Nutt  
Murfreesboro, AR  
Nancy Patterson  
Mena, AR  
Melissa Pearson  
Magnolia, AR  
Anthony Marlon  
Perry  
Wiltman, AR



*Are these our security officers undercover?*

*Where's the beef????*



the victim of pranks by different groups of students which often makes them leary of answering late night calls.

"Security is doing the best job possible, yet when students park their cars in the same place every night, they are inviting theft. Taking down serial numbers is also a precautionary measure," Sanderson asserted.

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Taylor, AR  
Benita Pratt  
Eldorado, AR  
Ronnie Qualls  
Camden, AR  
Michael Ray Raines  
Camden, AR

Rhyna Ramsey  
DeKalb, TX  
Tammy Ray  
Magnolia, AR  
James Riddick  
Camden, AR  
Pam Rogers  
Camden, AR





Cindy Russell  
Little Rock, AR  
Clayton Scarzella  
Anchorage, Alaska  
Paul Schneider  
Fargo, ND  
Kimberly Schoen  
Texarkana, AR  
Allison A. Schultz  
Magnolia, AR  
Pete Schwartz  
Crossett, AR



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Pam Shinn  
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Senatobia, MS  
Linda Simmons  
Buckner, AR  
Angelia Smith  
Prescott, AR  
Jay Smith  
Pine Bluff, AR



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Melody Smith  
Taylor, AR  
Randy Smith  
Atlanta, TX  
Wendy Smith  
Magnolia, AR  
Carolyn Stevenson  
Hope, AR  
Tammy Stiffler  
Camden, AR



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Camden, AR  
Darla Tankersley  
Pine Bluff, AR  
Linda Taylor  
Bradley, AR  
Mary Taylor  
Taylor, AR  
Bobby R. Thompson  
Magnolia, AR  
Lisa Jo Thompson  
Magnolia, AR



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Wilmar, AR  
Beverly Townsend  
Spring Hill, AR  
Sandy Tucker  
Hot Springs, AR  
Gwen Turner  
McNeil, AR  
Jeannie Turner  
Forrest City, AR  
Britt Volker  
Magnolia, AR



Pamela Walker  
Springhill, LA  
Wing Wan  
Hong Kong  
Genita Watkins  
Gillham, AR  
Charles Watson  
Warren, AR  
Kathleen Wesley  
McNeil, AR  
Gregory Williams  
Camden, AR



Liz Williams  
Willisville, AR  
Sandra Williams  
Emerson, AR  
Laura Wilson  
Delight, AR  
Karen Wolf  
Benton, AR  
Sharon Wright  
Texarkana, AR  
Sandra Young  
Camden, AR

# The Second Year

## A Time To Change And A Time To Grow.

by Melody Voss

Being a Sophomore means getting over the stigma of being a freshman; learning the whos, whats, wheres, whens, but not often the whys; becoming a bigger part of the University, a diamond in the rough; finding out just who you are and what you want to be; and according to the ancient Greeks, a man who thinks he is wise, but is more often foolish.

The sophomore year is often the highlight of a college career. All the worries of the world are not yet weighted down on your shoulders, but that responsibility is on the way. The youthful, carefree days are still in abundance. The times are merry and the parties never end.

Getting past the preliminaries and into the major area of your curriculum is also a big part of a sophomore's life. It is a first glimpse of what your future holds; a time to change and a time to grow. Valerie Wyatt, a sophomore from Texarkana feels a sophomore is a little older, but mostly the same. "It's good to feel that you're getting a little closer to getting out." Most sophomores are making their career goals and beginning to find the long and narrow paths to their dreams being put into reality. And getting there is only half the fun.

A sophomore can relax and not have to worry about all the typical freshman woes. Occasions like going out of the side door in the cafe and setting off the alarm and doing the donkey kick at the first pep rally to initiate the new Riders are not soon forgotten by the frantic



*Sophomore cheerleader, Rita Hamilton, performs a cheer at half-time.*

locked at random seem to be forgotten as some of the most important details of college life. Sophomores can now snicker at the ignorance of the naive freshmen.

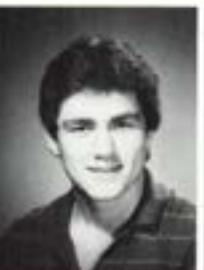
One major advantage that sophomores have is that they get to register just a little bit earlier. Dana Burchfield, a pre-architecture major, thinks that the best thing is that you get to schedule yourself and most importantly, that you get the right teachers. "You're not a freshman anymore," says Burchfield. That seems to be the main consensus among the sophomores talked to. Anything, but anything, is better than being a freshman. Now I wonder why .

The sophomore year should be a year to remember. The misconceptions of the naive, innocent youth are soon replaced by thoughtful questions of the aged, but there still remains the playfulness and frivolity of youth. The one thing to rely on is change and that is precisely what makes up the sophomore year. But, like a diamond in the rough, they begin to sparkle.

freshmen. Sophomores can sit back with a grin and thank God that they are no longer freshmen. A sort of relief is felt by the sophomores and it comforts them to know that they were not like that last year.

Sophomores now know the tricks of the trade, so to speak. They know the ins and outs of the university and all the little details that everyone conveniently leaves out. Things like the right teachers to take, the mystery meat in the cafeteria, and doors in the Union which are perplexing to open and close and are to be

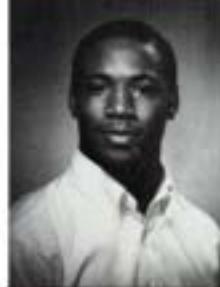
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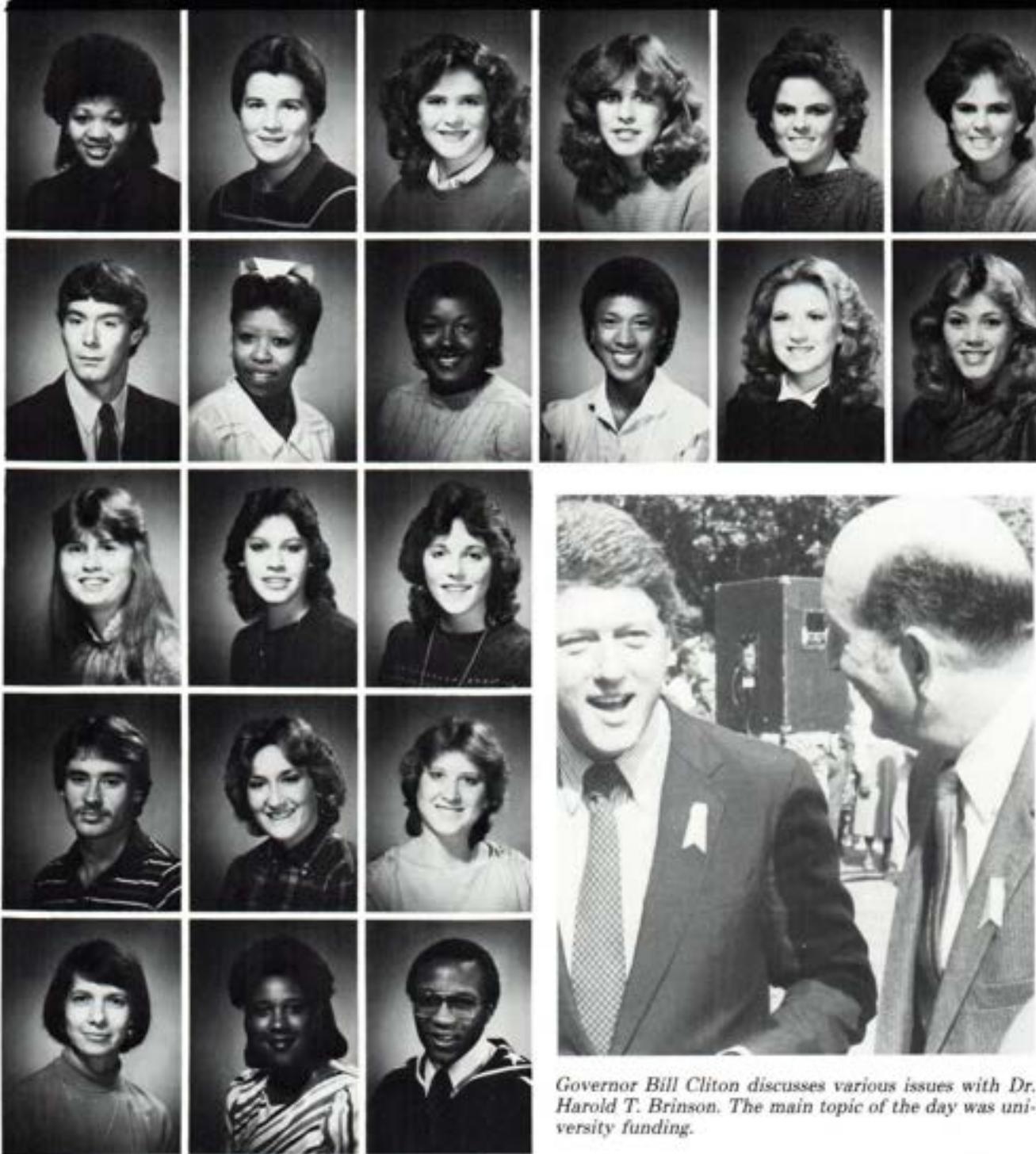


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## A Visit From The Governor

In a rare visit, the governor of Arkansas, Bill Clinton, spoke on campus September 29th, 1983 to endorse his new educational bill introduced in the state legislature. It was a controversial bill which would raise the sales tax from three to four percent. This bill would raise the educational standards in Arkansas to meet the national level.

The wearing of blue ribbons by faculty, staff and students symbolized our support for the goal of excellence in education that the bill will strive to achieve. Governor Clinton was introduced by SAU President, Dr. Harold T. Brinson, who gave strong support in favor of Governor Clinton and his new program for the betterment of Arkansas. After a resounding welcome from every-

one here, Clinton spoke on the advantages of his program and gave an outline of his proposals.

Along with the increase in sales taxes, the program calls for an increase in the state severance tax on natural gas and an increase in the corporate tax, citing a substantial tax break given to corporations being the reason.

Clinton emphasized the educational reforms which he felt would upgrade Arkansas' standards. He called for required kindergarten for pre-schoolers, smaller classes with more teacher attention provided, more math and science courses taught in the curriculum, no option to drop out of school after the eighth grade and standarized tests to compare the level of Arkansas students to the national standard and to chart their rate of improvement.

One heated issue in the legislature was

*Governor Bill Clinton discusses various issues with Dr. Harold T. Brinson. The main topic of the day was university funding.*

teacher salary increases and competent evaluations to measure the basic skills of teachers. These were major considerations when the state legislators convened to debate the bill. Also in question was the distribution of funding to the various schools.

According to a Supreme Court ruling, Arkansas was to follow a plan which allowed more equal distribution of funds among the poorer districts in the state. The Education Committee was responsible for complying with that law.

Once the money is appropriated to the budget for education, then it will be basically secure for the future disbarring any unforeseen circumstances, which will make the future of college careers more attainable to many students.

So, what does all this boil down to for SAU? Basically, it will mean more support for education in Arkansas which has usu-



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been thought of as a poor educator. The progress enacted will start a new way of thinking among the voters in Arkansas who will now contribute an even larger percent of their salary to the new reforms. Education in Arkansas will be given a closer look as the rate of progress is carefully measured and gauged as never before.

The only strings were those imposed by the Governor himself. The major restriction imposed on every institution was that every one file a specific and detailed report to show that the money is indeed going to the targeted areas. The money is not to be spent on things which are not academically essential to the student.

Just what exactly is this going to mean for SAU? The major area where students will prosper from the legislation is in the state scholarship funds. Many serious maintenance problems which are neglected until it is absolutely necessary to make repairs will be given more consideration and adjustments in that area will be made. Also, the library will be strengthened.

Clinton asked for support and urged all to contact their state legislators to vote in favor of the bill. "It's time Arkansas stopped making excuses and starting making progress," was the closing statement made by

the governor. The governor then went to a special question and answer session in the board room attended by members of area and school press.

Probably one of the largest crowds ever at SAU was assembled to hear the governor speak. Most favored the resolutions and supported the governor's program. Hopefully, many will feel the impact of the program soon as the program was passed in the state legislature in November.

*"It's time Arkansas stopped making excuses and started making progress." — Governor Bill Clinton*

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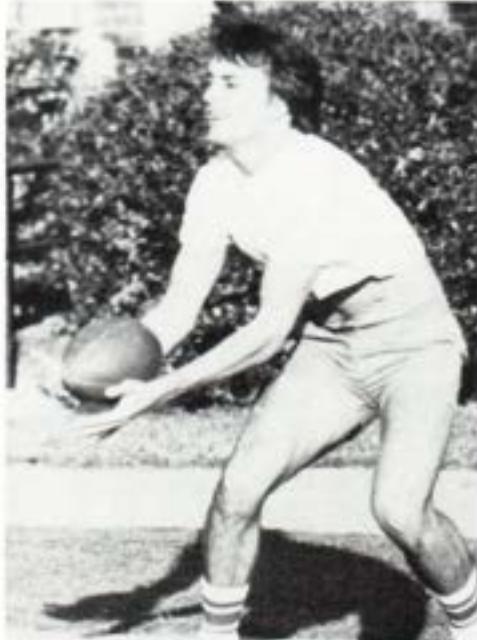


## The Big Chill

It was a year of cold, then hot, then cold, and so on. Sweaters were on one day, but the next day you could find girls lying out behind Bussey to catch some rays. The constant change in the weather was a source of discomfort to many students who planned events, only to have them changed by Mother Nature. Outdoor dances and car washes were cancelled or given a "rain-check." Plans were quickly changed overnight with the weather.

The winter cold reached depths of 10 degrees and under, breaking all-time records. Luck was with the cold-natured students as these temperatures plummeted in the middle of Christmas break when students could snuggle in their beds without worrying about the 9:00 class. The day after finals were over and students were either home or on their way home, a record 9 inches of snow fell on Magnolia and SAU freezing the lives of students who were active yesterday. The campus was still from the departure of the students and the coldness of the season.

The change in the weather also played havoc with the health of the students. Flu



*Joey Bound's expression shows the real agony of catching a football!*

raged throughout the campus putting students to bed to rest for days or more. Usual coughing, aching and high temperatures disabled many, finding the rest bothersome and uncomfortable. If you were one of the few lucky ones who were bypassed by the wake, then congratulations.

While most of the country was experiencing snowstorms in mid-February, do you remember what you were doing? Well, some guys like Richard Cox were playing frisbee in front of Harton, some trampled each other to get a seat on the swings, and some wore shorts to class. The weather down here is yucky and often takes nose-dives, then it's rocket at the drop of a hat. But, who would rather have winters of five months or more and just a short breath of spring before a devastatingly hot summer? Only polar bears and Northerners.

Cold weather tends to slow down the pace of the students on campus. It's so much easier to lie under the blankets than to get out of bed and rush to class.

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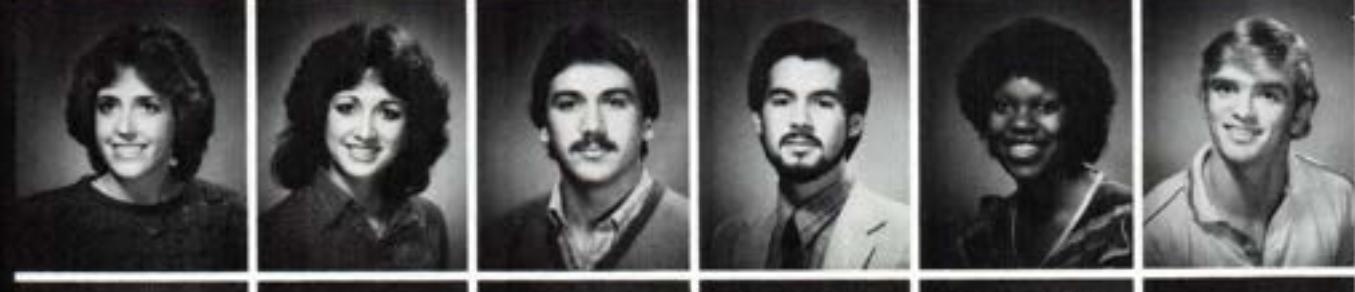




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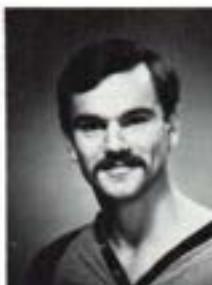


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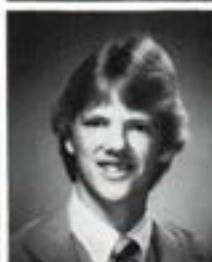


*Sigma Pi shows their stuff in the pyramid contest. The Sigma Orchids also participated in the contest to add icing to the cake.*

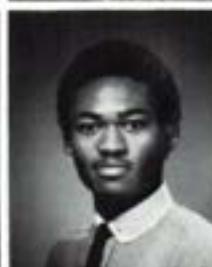
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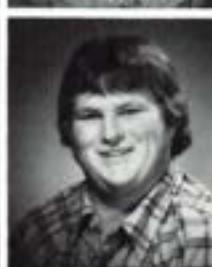
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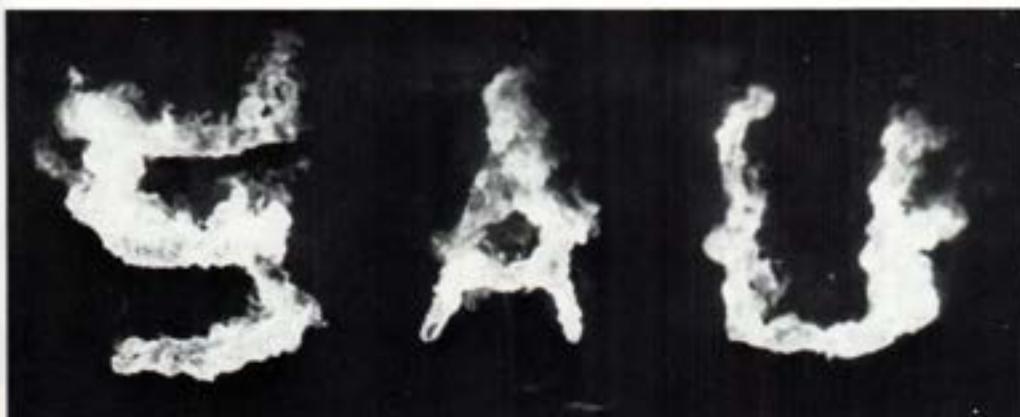




*Above: "Listen, Bud; don't pick on me anymore or I'll break your face." Left: Inch by inch the photographer gets the whole story.*



*Above: "Gee, look at all those nuts."*



*Left: The flames of SAU burn bright.*

# Freshman Follies

## The Real Life Experiences Of A Lively Freshman

by Donnie Clayton

Try to remember the first day of your freshman year. It was probably a horrifying experience; just the thought of eating alone in the cafeteria was enough to make McDonald's look good. And at registration, freshman are shuffled through the system in such a hurry that they don't even remember their new room number. Finding out where to be and when often gets complicated when trying to schedule favorite TV shows in with classes and labs.

Of course, no one likes to admit that he was just as green as the new freshman some time ago. I remember looking out of my hall window and seeing smoke rise from the library. In a panic, I rushed to inform my RA to evacuate the campus. They had a good laugh and told me that it was merely steam rolling off the top. It was the first time of many to be made a fool. Then, later in the cafe, an upperclassman addressed me by saying, "Hey freshman." I felt honored to be spoken to by an upperclassman anyway, and so I answered him. Then, he asked me if I knew that they washed the trays with lemon. So, I said no and sniffed the tray and immediately felt the whole tray against my face. That is what is referred to as the "lemon trap." I can't wait to use it next year.

Now, we could say that a real freshman can be seen always going into the union. Of course, no one can get in and out of those trick doors, so he is virtually impossible to distinguish among the masses. I have a friend who is a



*Freshman Rhonda Thurman relaxes in a swing after suffering through the trauma of eating in the cafe.*

senior and he still can't decide whether to push or pull. It's sort of like playing "Let's Make A Deal" when trying to find out which door is locked today. I often think it's some kind of psychology test when I'm standing there wondering which one to pick this time.

Living in the halls can be an encounter of the worst kind too. But, more often it is fun. A freshman is always so scared of getting "wrote up." After that, the thrill is gone. Freshmen always have their panty raids together too. For some reason, I always get the biggest ones of all and the kind without lace and frills. Some brave freshman girls venture out on jock raids,

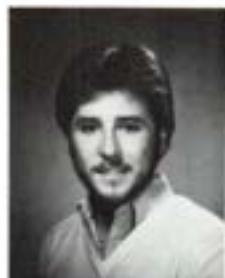
but they usually end up getting chased by the guys who are on the panty raid and the girls run back to the safety of their rooms, only to have guys yelling at their windows, "We want panties!" Who can resist that line?

The initial party that a freshman goes to is usually an eye-opening experience. The alcohol is plenty as is the number of girls. People are talking and dancing and really seem to be having a good time at it too, unlike high school. Now begins the college experience. But, the newly awakened freshman finds that although the alcohol flows freely, it does not come freely. And the path is soon paved to Ogemaw, Springhill or Haynesville; more commonly known as "the line." And the party experience would not be complete without a road trip to Shreveport or Texarkana. In a while, going to class with a hangover will be just another part of the morning routine.

Freshmen on the whole are an important part of SAU. They are usually the most spirited and the most eager to learn. And a freshman will do anything, as long as he doesn't know better. In time, the ignorance and the innocence will wear off. The freshman will become older and wiser, and he'll be the one playing the same tricks on the incoming freshmen. The seasons will change and the years will give the knowledge needed to go on in life. But the first year will not soon be forgotten.

It determines the survival of the fittest and the cream of the crop. A sparkle is spotted, and the diamond is unfinished. The freshman has far to go and will often fall and get laughed at by his elders. But heck, what fun would school be without freshmen.

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*Not all students are affected by spring like this student is affected, but the majority of them are. What is going on? No telling, but it looks like good clean fun — at least it is starting off as good clean fun.*



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## Spring Fever

by Donnie Clayton and Melody Voss

It starts around February and doesn't let up till the last week of school. You're restless, itchy and inattentive. Classes are skipped for no special reason other than to watch the day go by. Spring break is not soon enough or has passed too quickly. Summer seems right around the corner. It's the Spring Fever that gets all of us. This syndrome will attack even the most studious and dedicated of students who will fall prey to its enticing calls. Face it, the Fever will get all of us in one way or another.

For some odd reason, school seems harder, yet less important in the spring. Although it is the last semester for many who will graduate in May, school often takes a

back seat to the real pleasures of life. The finer things such as lying out, sitting by the duck pond and swimming in the lake seem so much more important than writing an English paper or doing your Chem homework. It feels great just to be outside after such a long winter of snow and sweaters. The sun never felt as good. And somehow, the days drag endlessly by in time with the clouds. Nothing is quite as pressing or urgent when here is a beautiful day at hand. Each new day seems unique as are the feelings that go with it. It takes real determination to make every class and suppress the urge to skip a few. Nothing could be better than dreaming at the duck pond and naturally it's the hangout for any one hit with a sudden attack of the near-fatal disease. Of course, the disease is only fatal to grades. And somehow, the swings are always full.

An empty one is a rarity around mid-March.

What we wonder is just what exactly causes Spring Fever. Is it the sunshine on your shoulders or perhaps the moonlight on your face? Is it the change in the season or the change of clothes? And just what exactly is Spring Fever? We know the symptoms, but the cure is as elusive as the cure for cancer. We suggest a large dose of sunshine and plenty of friends and fun with a minimum daily requirement of laughter. Well, it may not cure the common cold, but it works wonders on the soul. And what more could you want than a day of sunshine and spring. For a day without sunshine is like ... or something like that anyway.

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For some, spring is a season of romance and love, while for others it brings the want of freedom, which can be expressed in many ways. It can be a day's hike to the end of the world or just a nice, cool swim in the lake. It's just natural that spring should fall at the end of school when the desire to get out hits. Spring couldn't fall at a better time.

For some reason, love blossoms in the spring. Have you ever noticed that more couples seem to become engaged in spring. Maybe there are more full moons that time of the year. But it does bring out the love in just about everybody; except the professor who makes assignments that hinder your true appreciation of the season. Try that one on one of your profs for an excuse sometime.

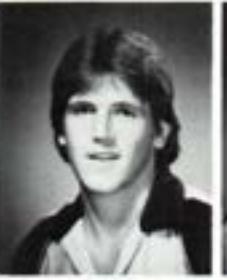
Our real point is that spring be fully appreciated by everyone with a romantic leaning. It's the time for lovers and anyone else with a feeling for nature. Oh, sure, there are those who will scoff and scorn the ones with a tender feeling and a warm heart, but they will soon learn that only a cold fish can ignore warm sunshine and the laughter in spring. Surely, a change

*Just sitting by oneself is all that is needed by some students to get rid of depression and stress. Of course, the campus counselors are always available, if a friendly face or a kind word would help.*





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Rico Harris  
Prescott, AR



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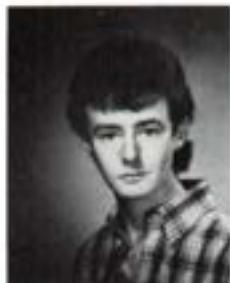
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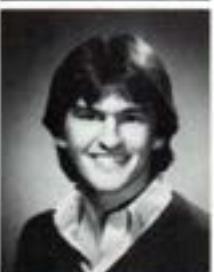
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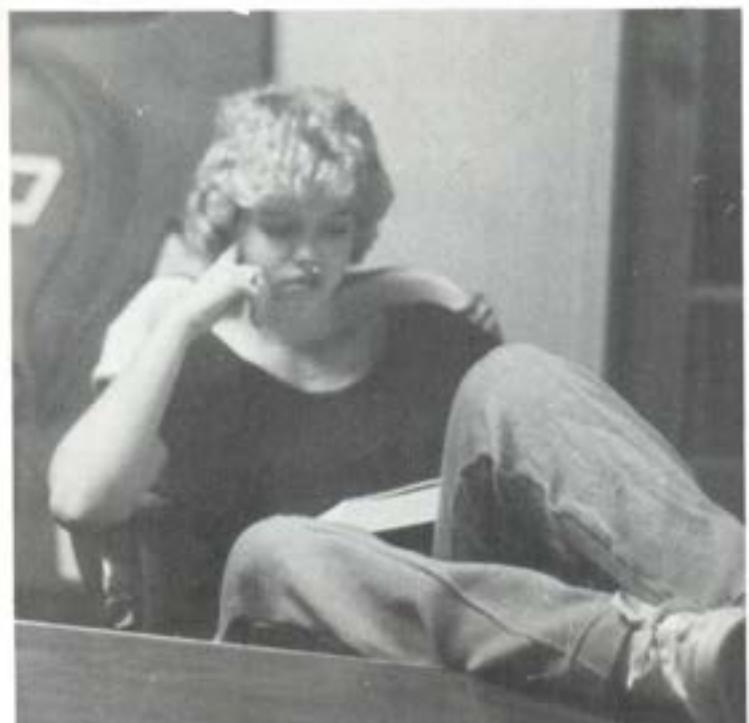
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Maria May  
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*Below: represents the typical freshman. Always studying! At right: these students are trying to figure out the card catalog in the library with no success.*





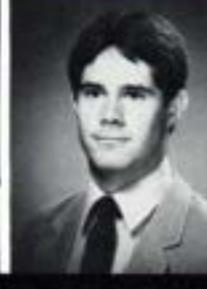
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Umpire, AR  
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Haynesville, LA  
Norman Potts  
Monticello, AR  
Raymond Powell  
Camden, AR



*At left: Mason Cozart and Cheryl Cunningham get into the party mood at the Sadie Hawkins dance.*

## Weekends Were Made For . . .

by Melody Voss

College should not be all books and papers. Socializing is a very important part of college life. And packed between the Mondays and Fridays, there is the one part of life that keeps us alive — WEEKENDS. While our hair is still without gray, we should find time to do what is important to us and the weekend gives us that opportunity. Somehow college life in a small town is not quite the same as it would be in a larger city. So, we miss some of the excitement that a larger town has to offer. But, making our own fun can be just as good as the glamour and the lights.

Usually, on Fridays, the campus becomes deserted after lunch. Parking places are easy to come by and students want to leave early for home. The girls in Bussey Hall can be seen taking their suitcases to their cars. Maybe that is why this school is nicknamed a "suitcase college." Obviously, there is some

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Jamie Price  
McNeil, AR  
Holly Quarles  
Bearden, AR  
Patricia Raines  
Dierks, AR  
Daphne Robertson  
Wilmar, AR

Esther Robertson  
Tacoma, WA  
Karen Rodgers  
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Dean Seals  
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Hope, AR  
Mechelle Self  
Kirby, AR  
Melody Sharp  
Smackover, AR



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thing better to do than to stay on campus for the weekend or so some students think. But what do students do on the weekends?

A large percent of students who stay on the weekends do what comes naturally, party. And the place can be just about anywhere from a hall room to a vacant field. It's the who that matters, not the where. Most students stay in a party frame of mind for the entire weekend. "Am I here on the weekends? Mentally or physically?" quips Paul Fimpel, a sophomore. When asked the same question, some students said that they indeed were here, but couldn't remember exactly what they were doing; sort of par for the course. Others work here on the weekends enabling them to prepare for the strenuous week ahead. They are the ones to get

the scoop from on Monday morning. For some, home is simply too far away for a weekend sojourn. According to Gene Parsons, his entertainment for the weekend consists of "parties and women." Girls, isn't that nice to know.

Oh, we did forget to mention one important element of that group and these are the ones who stay here on the weekends, but do not party to any great extent. That is to say, they write their papers, study, read their chapters and get their computer programs done. They're almost enough to make you feel guilty for having so much fun. Unfortunately none of these people were available for comment. They were probably in the library.

And then, we have the largest percent of all, those students who go home every weekend. Don't you wonder what they do every

weekend? Well, some said they work in jobs ranging from crop dusting to being a DJ. Some like freshman Nicole Hicks go home every weekend "to see my boyfriend."

Whether you are here for the weekends or go home, or possibly travel to different places, the main goal of the weekends is just to relax and let the week catch up with you. They are never long enough, though. No matter how long you try to stretch them out by staying out late or taking it easy, the weekend passes like the sands of the hourglass. These are the days of our lives and unfortunately, Monday seems to be always staring us in the face once again. Thank God for Fridays!

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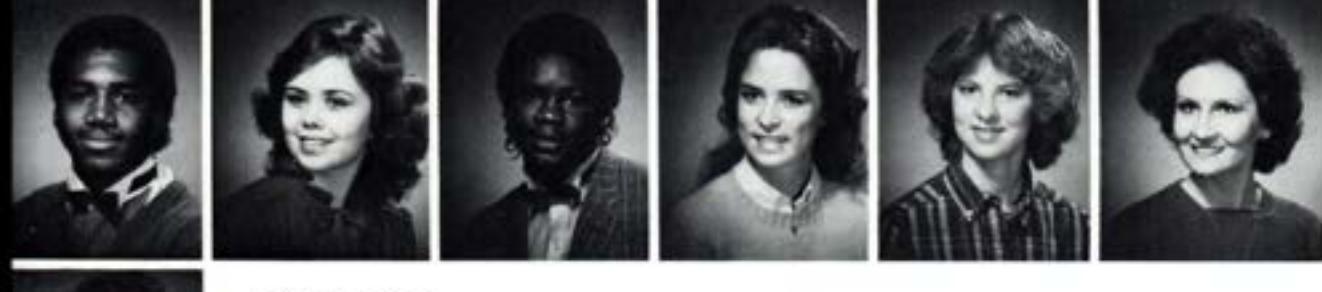
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Tonya Woodard  
Magnolia, AR



Tracy Yarbrough  
Waldo, AR

# SAU's Polished Stone Cutter

by Kelli Mason

This man has an incredible rapport with most all of his students. He is not only a teacher, but he is also a friend. It has not been so long that he went through all of the trials and tribulations of being a student himself.

Raised in Philadelphia, Bob Gross is one of the most valued instructors on this campus. He's been here only three years and in that time, he has done more for the broadcasting department than he could be expected to do in such a short time. Since he's been here he has rebuilt the radio station, designed a whole new format for the station, built a recording studio from scratch and sparked the interest of many students in the field of broadcasting.

The radio station is called KSAU now, and students run the station with Bob as their adviser. The recording studio is mostly a demo studio where live music and commercials are recorded. "We do a lot of work with live recording," said Bob as he leaned back in his chair behind his desk. "I'd like to build an on air FM station and expand television facilities to have a cable television station," Bob went on to say.

Bob conducts a fairly informal classroom. Most of his third and fourth year students call



him Bob. When he first came to SAU, he was only 25, barely older than many of his students. At 28, he still feels close to the age of most of his students. The results of his close relationship with his students is respect for his broad knowledge and understanding of the broadcast field and human nature in general.

Before coming here, Bob attended the University of Hartford in Hartford, Conn. where he obtained his B.A. in mass communications. His next two years were spent working in commercial radio. Part of that time was spent in Fayetteville. He then went to the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa where he got his M.A. in broadcast and film. After spending a short amount of time in Fayetteville,

he had a small taste of Arkansas before coming to Magnolia. "I like the people in Magnolia. They're nice. The town is pretty and nice to live in. It could be more cosmopolitan," relayed Bob. He went on to say, "There are some things I miss about Philly."

Bob does believe SAU could be improved. "I'd like to see more money appropriated. We could do so much more with more government financing," stated Bob.

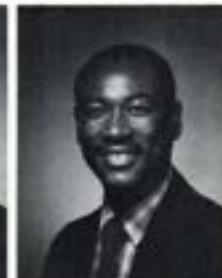
When Bob is not preparing for class or helping his students with problems that seem like the end of the world or advising Sigma Pi, he is lifting weights, reading, listening to music or catching old Harry, Curly and Moe flicks. Bob boasts about the

great comedians from Philadelphia such as W.C. Fields. He's proud of his home town, and he says that he led a fairly normal childhood for the area from which he came. "I was a nice Jewish boy from Philly," says Bob jokingly. "I went to a big high school — had lots of fun. It was typical for the area. I grew up in an ethnic area," Bob reminisced.

Bob tries to keep his students as interested as possible in the subjects he teaches, and he relates the subjects to the world to show relevancy. "My favorite classes to teach are upper level broadcasting classes," said Bob. He looks for interest and a keen mind in his students and he advises students who want to go into the field of broadcasting to work hard, to get practical experience and to get as much education as possible.

Bob's philosophies on life are to "treat each individual as he would expect to be treated, to seek out new experiences and paths to wisdom, to look inside oneself for the truth of the universe and to 'Be Here, Now.'"

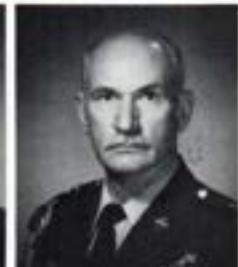
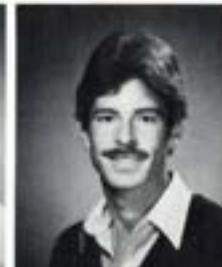
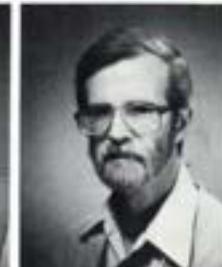
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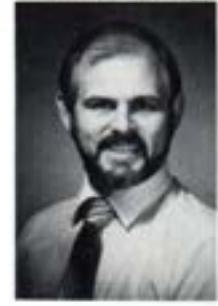
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*Boaz explains the economics of everyday life in everyday language.*

*A new birth in the family. Coach Gibson and daughter Kelli doing fine.*



*J is happy after being named Advisor of the Year.*



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Robin McKnight  
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Jimmie Watson  
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# Dr. Harold T. Brinson

## "The Master Cutter"

Now in its 74th year, Southern Arkansas University is still going strong. This university has survived three names and countless students. The three names being A&M College, Southern State College and Southern Arkansas University, the countless students have fond memories of each of the three institutions which are one.

During the 1984-1985 school year, SAU will be 75 years old. The celebration will be The Diamond Jubilee, a time when Dr. Brinson, Southern Arkansas University President, will reflect on the years he spent at A&M College. The Diamond Jubilee will be a special time for all alumni and future students.

Of course, Dr. Brinson met his wife on this campus as many other students have met their mates, challenges and destinies here. The Diamond Jubilee will definitely be a joyous occasion — a homecoming for many.



Since Dr. Brinson has been here, he has made many changes such as the bells in the bell tower, an improvement that when it was first made, many complained about it, but now alumni associate the bells with the fun and friends they found at SAU. Dr. Brinson has also landscaped the front of Overstreet Hall, and in time students will appreciate its beauty, remembering the landscape as a setting for a picture or the background for a midnight walk. And the 75th Diamond Jubilee will be a memory before long and a celebration with all the frills.

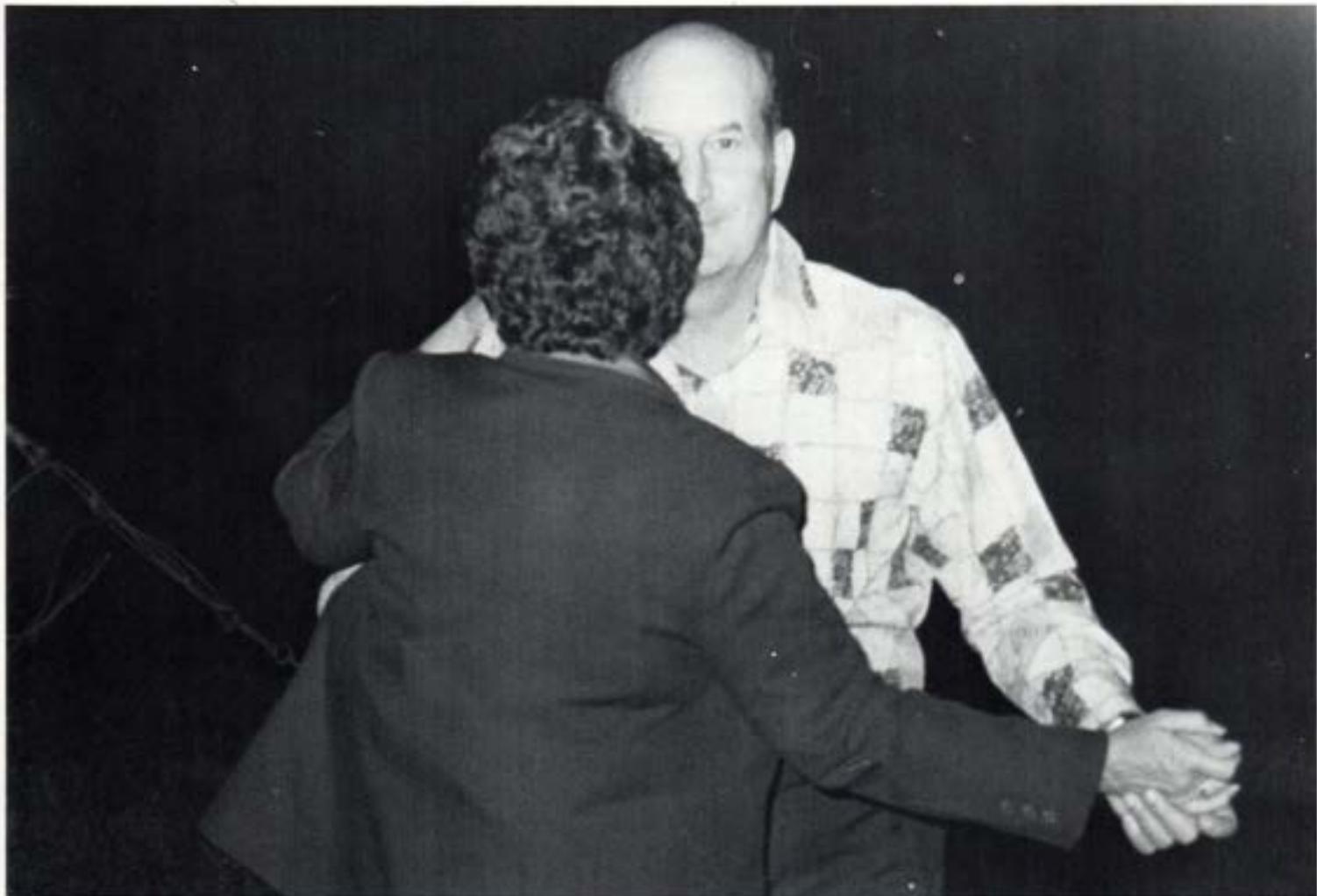
Southern Arkansas University's 75th birthday will give all of Magnolia something to celebrate — THE BLUE AND THE GOLD. SAU is a DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH, but Dr. Brinson will cut and polish that stone for the 75th birthday party. It will definitely be A BLUE AND GOLD CELEBRATION!

### *Dr. Harold T. Brinson President*



*Dr. and Mrs. Brinson wave cheerfully as they ride through campus in the Homecoming parade.*

*Dr. and Mrs. Brinson show everyone how its done at a Homecoming dance.*



***The 75th  
Diamond  
Jubilee  
Congratulations  
Southern  
Arkansas  
University!***

*Dr. Brinson welcomes Governor Bill Clinton to the SAU campus in front of Harton Theater.*

# Board Of Governors



The Board of Governors of the Southern Arkansas University Foundation raised \$12,000 in scholarship money to more than match a \$10,000 challenge gift from an anonymous donor. The 23-member board directs efforts to raise private funds for the Magnolia campus. Governors in this picture are (seated l to r) Harold Fincher, Waldo, president, People's Bank of Waldo; Ronnie Ribble, Magnolia, personnel director, Howmet Corp.; Mrs. Gillie R. Shcene, El Dorado, retired businesswoman; Archie Monroe, Magnolia, insurance and investments; Dr. Betty Blue, SAU chairman of language arts; M.C. "Buddy" Jones, Magnolia, regional vice president, Enstar Petroleum and R. Imon E. Bruce, SAU president emeritus. Governors standing are (l to r) Sanford Beshear Jr., Rison,

attorney-at-law; Charles E. Down, Hope, engineering manager, Champion Parts; Dr. Harold T. Brinson, SAU president; Dr. Robert W. Pearce, SAU vice president of finance and administration; Ralph Weiser, Magnolia, partner, Weiser-Brown Oil Co.; Jack Marshall, Magnolia, president, SH&J Drilling Co. and W. T. Watson, SAU athletic director.

The foundation was established in 1981 to broaden the raising of private funds and develop ties between SAU and its alumni and friends throughout the nation. It is incorporated as a tax deductible organization.

In 1982 the foundation started a new fund drive to commemorate SAU's 75th anniversary in 1984-85 and raise money for endowed faculty chairs, special departmental gifts and other programs.

# The Board Of Trustees



Left to right: H. J. "Tinker" Crowell, Perrin L. Jones, W. H. Handy, Bob L. Burns and Virginia A. Todd.

## ***Diamond Miners***

The Board of Trustees are the actual diamond miners of SAU. The members approve all the legalities and major programs for the university. They choose the people who make the decisions.

The ultimate responsibility of the board is to represent the citizens of Arkansas for SAU. The board members are chosen and appointed by the governor.

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# Diamond Clusters

Fun, parties, people and more fun come to mind to the average college student when Greeks are mentioned, but more than that, a sense of belonging is felt by the members of the Greek organizations. Greeks are not there only to ruin the good 'ole GPA, (Greeks have GPA competition every year, and some of the best GPA's come from the Greeks). In fact, Greeks encourage study and academics. Some fraternities and sororities have study tables in the library for their pledges.

Currently, there are eleven fraternities and sororities on campus from which to choose. Each has its own set of standards and personalities. Of course, the final choice is up to the members of the organization as to whether one is chosen to pledge and join a particular fraternity or sorority.

Some people think that joining a Greek organization means giving up one's individuality, when in reality it does not. Being your own person is also what belonging to a Greek organization means. Although Greeks can be compared to a diamond cluster, where everyone is a diamond, each is still an individual just as each diamond in that cluster has its own cut, gleam and charm.



From left: Myron Leggett, Stacy Walton and James Cantrell sit at Sigma Pi's rush table, scoping out prospective pledges for the semester. Sigma Pi is one of the largest Fraternities on campus.



Shelia Thomas, Timothy Hopson and Mickey Jasper spend time in the Magale Library doing research.



Chris Blair, information office assistant, and Debbie Mullens, mass communications major.

*SAU Greeks enjoy parties, no matter what the occasion is.*



*You'd be surprised what you have to do just to get initiated.*



*The Xi Gamma Nu Tush contest was a hit with all the girls.*



*"A little bit higher now"*

*"Elvira, we're gonna search and find that preacher man."*

# Sigma Tau Gamma

Sigma Tau Gamma at SAU began with the realization that there was a need for a new and different type of fraternity on campus. After an open expression of positive experiences with Sigma Tau Gamma, Keith Clemons and Joe Paul Beasley began to discuss the possible development of a Sig Tau chapter here.

After a trip to the UAM campus to meet some members and alumni at their Homecoming reception, they were excited about the possibility of a colony being formed here. With some more interested friends, they decided to poll the eligible SAU male — the feedback they got was very positive. They then proceeded to call the National office to get their attention. Obviously, they did and the national office took

great interest in what these men were trying to accomplish.

It was suggested to these men by Blake Furlough, president of the UAM chapter who played a very instrumental part in the colonization of Sig Tau, that they attend a regional meeting in Hot Springs. The SAU representatives were well received. Upon returning, everyone was very anxious to hear about the trip. Those men who went on the trip to Hot Springs were very impressed and they were assured that the national people were indeed interested in the effort at SAU.

After several meetings with Dr. Heafner concerning the procedures and requirements of a new fraternity and letters to the national office, the group was more determined than ever to

get the organization into action.

After much discussion Sig Tau finally became a colony. In the meeting on October 26, 1983 was set for the pinning ceremony of the founding fathers and the new Sig Tau colony was firmly established as a part of SAU.

In their first rush attempt, Sig Tau recruited sixteen pledges, the Alpha class. Their colors are blue, silver, and white. During the year they have sold raffle tickets, held a dance in the armory, and worked at the orphanage doing handywork inside the building and gardening chores around the yard. Their formal was held in Camden. Sig Tau is a welcome addition here and we'll probably see more during the years ahead. Congratulations to all of Sig Tau.

*President Mark Smith has fun at the Fiesta held by Xi Gamma Nu and Sig Tau.*

*Pledges Donnie Clayton and Scott Adams smile at the possibility of becoming Big Brothers.*



*Sigma Tau Gamma members, front row, left to right: Steve Chenowith, Greg Williams, Ted Huneycutt, Mark Smith, President; Joey Bounds, Chris Hughes, Joe Paul Beasley, Greg Starks, Vice-President of Management; Keith Clemons, Vice-President of Membership; Danny Montgomery, and Tony Harcrow. Second Row, left to right: Jeff Davis, Eddy Brown, Donnie Clayton, Joe Fincher, Richard Castor, Al Dyar, Donald Westerman, Jay Coburn, Scott Adams, Marty Curtis, Jim Andrews, Daniel Rood, and Ronald Hines.*

*Xi Gamma Nu sponsored the Tush Contest as they have done for the last two years. The first "Best Tush"*

*was Cesar Nassar. Cesar took his final walk before giving up his title to Keith Clemmons.*



*Xi Gamma Nu Knights from left are: Bob Embry, Rod Boaz and Jim Jones.*

*Front row, left to right: Ellen Mathews, Jo Beth Fincher and Malinda Jester. Second row: Bob Embry, Jim Jones, Rod Boaz, Kelli Mason, Jan Halliburton and Melody Voss. Third row: Lori Garner, Diana Larch and Lauri McCullough. Fourth row: Susan Bethea and Kim Mason. Fifth row: Abby Rushing, Tami Gardner, Kim Shoen, and Nancy Patterson. Sixth row: Vicki Brumley, Pam Jones, Melissa Pearson and Cindy Russell. Seventh row: Annette Armer, Lori Keith and Karen Wolf.*

Consisting of 25 members, lots of fun and existing as one of the newest sororities on campus is Xi Gamma Nu, local social sorority. Xi Gamma Nu were the original Phi Lambda Chi Little Sisters, but they felt a need to be independent and separate from the Brothers of Phi Lambda Chi.

Xi Gamma Nu's first pledge class was accepted in the spring of '83. Xi Gamma Nu was established in the spring of '82.

Xi Gamma Nu sponsors such activities as the Tush Contest, a contest between elected men from the campus who show their "tushes" in jeans and shorts, and the Red Light Dance at which everyone dresses as if they were from the red light district of New Orleans — it's all in fun. The members also participate in the Special Olympics and give a Christmas party for the mentally retarded children each year.

The Xi Gamma Nu pledges hold various fund raisers throughout their pledging term, such as carwashes, bake sales and dances.

## ***Xi Gamma Nu***

In '84, Xi Gamma Nu had their formal rush party, the fiesta, with Sigma Tau Gamma in an effort to help them establish themselves on campus. The party was a great success. The Sisters of Xi Gamma Nu wish to congratulate the Brothers of Sigma Tau Gamma.

Xi Gamma Nu's symbol is the unicorn and their colors are navy blue and silver.

Xi Gamma Nu members are on their feet, and they are enjoying their independence.

# Sigma Pi

Founded on December 3, 1977, Sigma Pi is one of the oldest fraternities on campus. They are also the largest frat at SAU. In their colors of purple and gold, they can be seen all over.

Sigma Pi hosts many activities on and around campus for themselves and for the enjoyment of other students on campus. They sponsor an annual softball tournament every year, and they hold a food drive with proceeds being donated to the Methodist's Children's Home. They also sponsor several concerts at the Rodeo pavillion and a dance during the Rodeo to help members of the Rodeo team pay for their expenses.

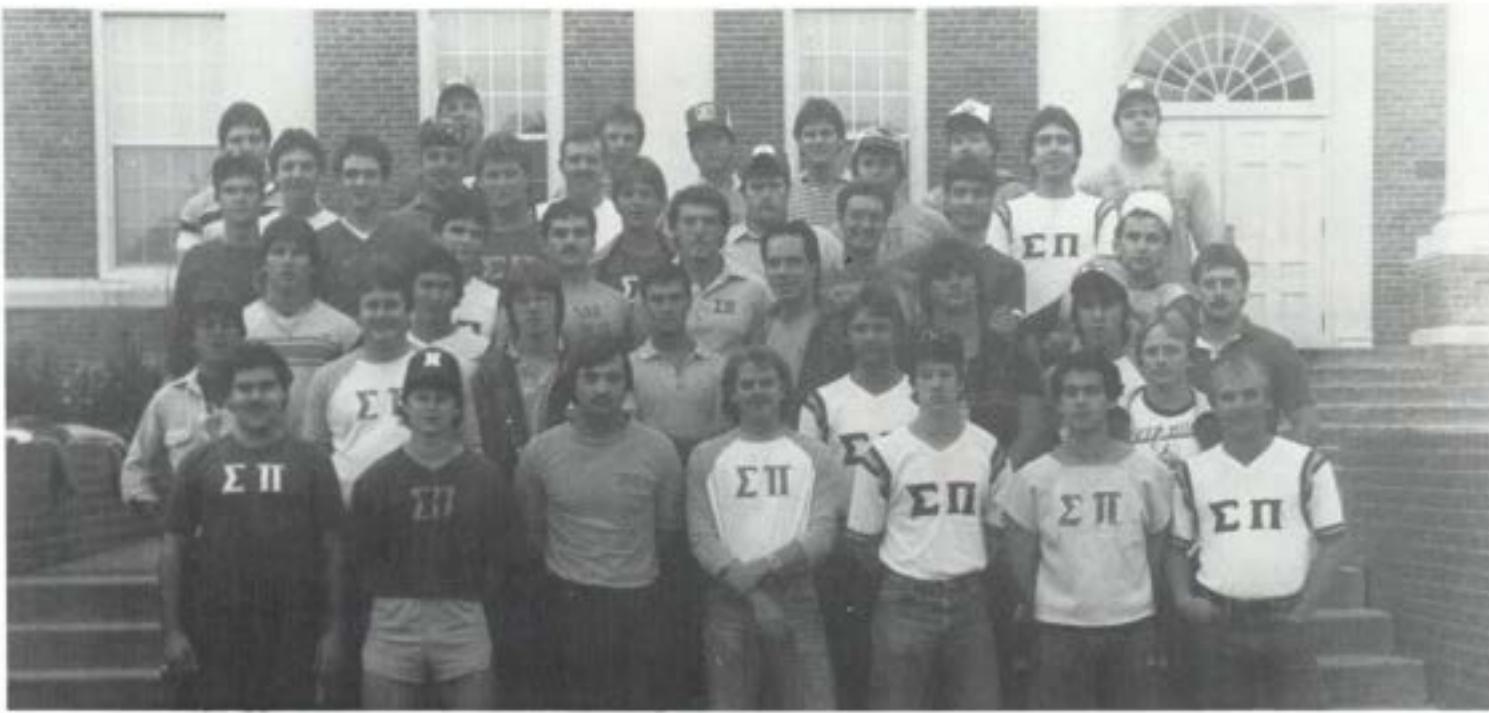
Their pledges are some of the most loyal on campus bearing strange protrusions on their chests during pledging. But remember, don't ask. Sigma Pi had a successful rush during '83-'84 and added 25 new members to their



group.

The annual Orchid Ball is held in the Spring. This year, it was held at the Holidome in Texarkana with 160 members and alumni in attendance.

*Strange vibrations existed in the sky when Sigma Pi showed up at the pep rally dressed in the original Greek outfits to advertise the following toga party. "Toga! Toga!"*



Front row, left to right: Steve Shipman, Allen McKee, Keith Cutchall, Nelson Miles, Jim Pennington, John Raybon and Richie McGinnis. Second row: Junie Munoz, Len Tipton, Richie Ross, Mark Woods, Jay Rowe, Jimmy Penny, Deris Winman, Dean Creasy, Darwin Turner and Bob Embrey. Third row: Vic Bishop, Roger Daugh-

Bobby Newton. Fourth row: Allen Brown, Mark Avery, Kevin Chapman, Steve Penny, Tim Morton, Travis Thornton and Roger Dol. Back row: Bobby Thompson, Dan Galway, Max McMahan, Pe Schwartz, Mike Neal, Brian Strickland, Steve Foyil, Mark Edwards, Mark Castleman and Stacy Walton.

# Omega Psi Phi

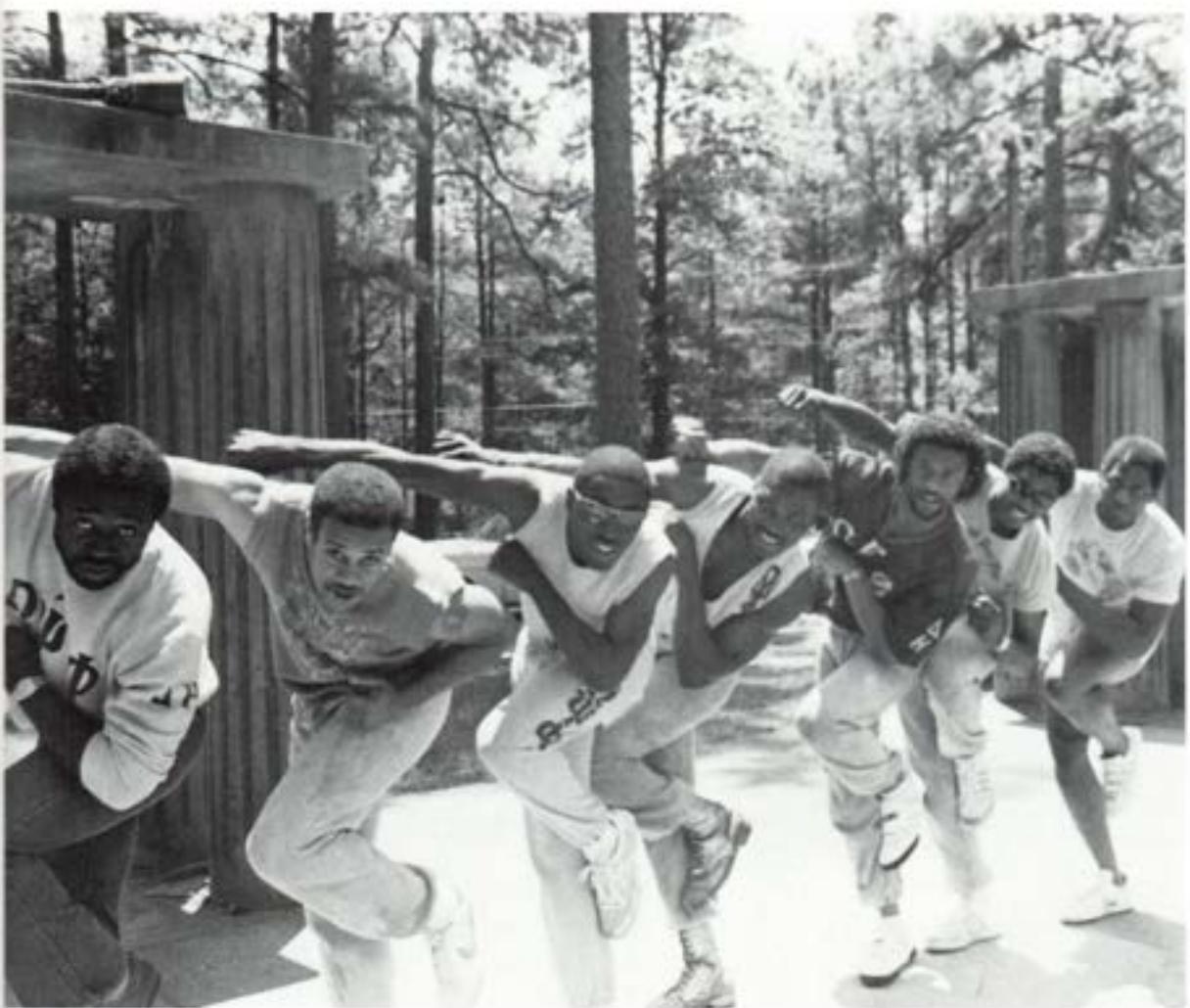
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. was founded November 17, 1911 at Howard University in Washington, D.C. Omega was established on a foundation of faith in the basic ethical standards of unifying brothers together with like ideas and values. Nationally, Omega sponsors a program called Achievement Week. This program is dedicated to the recognition of black achievement. Also, scholarship funds, food drives, and various social activities are conducted by the brothers of Omega.

The Delta Eta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi was established at SAU in 1973, becoming the first Greek organization on the campus. Delta Eta sponsors such events as a canned food drive, scholarships to the needy, social functions, Greek shows, and various other functions. In closing, the Omegas would like to express a thought of feeling for everyone about Omega Psi Phi: Omega is more than just a name; Omega is the force that can make you love and feel for another man just as if he were your blood brother. Omega is the prototype of quality instead of quantity. Omega is purple. Like the robes of Jesus, our hearts are noble, yet our soul is that of a humble man. Omega is Gold. Like the treasures of the richest Moorish Sultan, our Friendship to our brothers is as lasting as the priceless South African Diamond. We are Omega!

The Brothers of  
Omega Psi Phi

*Top, members left to right: Paul Brown, Bernardi Johnson, Rufus Willis III, Iverson Jackson, Keith Reed, Willis B. Williams and Stan Askew.*

*Left, Officers of Omega, top, left to right: Williams, Vice-Pres; Jackson, Pres; Brown, Sec; Reed, Treas; Willis III, Ser. at Arms.*



# Delta Sigma Theta

Front row, left to right: Stephanie Fogel, Lucendia Campbell, Marilyn Morine; Treasurer, Dr. Kathleen Jordan; sponsor, Renee Cook, Rosie Matlock; President, Otha Kirkindoff; Vice-President, Vickie Cross and Roberta Thomas.



Delta Sigma Theta is a public service sorority. Each year, the group sponsors such activities as The Little Miss Delta and Little King of Hearts pageant, two Greek shows, the Mr. Ten contest for males and as a final project, they conduct the Jabberwock, a variety show where students have a chance to show off their

*Above: Rebecca Shepherd won the Jabberwock talent show with her medley from LADIES SINGS THE BLUES. Right: Mr. Ten from the Delta Sigma Theta Mr. Ten Contest.*

talents. Delta Sigma Theta also puts on fashion shows and participates in several service activities.

The group of young ladies received the highest GPA award for the Spring of '83.

Alpha  
Phi  
Alpha

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity was founded on the SAU campus in 1974. The national fraternity was founded in 1906 at Cornell University and currently has over 520 chapters in the United States and throughout the rest of the world. Members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity include from left to right Willie Carroll, Rickey Lambert, Zachery Smedley, Samuel Lovett, Michael Hopson, Angelo Thomas and Ray Carroll. (Not pictured are Donald J. Lovett, Orval Haley and Mendell Glass.)



# Phi Lambda Chi

Founded on the SAU campus in 1978, Phi Lambda Chi is probably the most philanthropic social organization on campus. They willingly donated their time and efforts to many community service projects. Their advisors are Dr. Belmont, Dr. Skelton and Mr. Smart, all former Phi Lambs who help to preserve the traditions and give a sense of continuity to the organization.

Just some of their services included the lollipop sales for the American Cancer Society, co-sponsor of the blood drives on campus and coaching a boy's club basketball team. They also dribbled a basketball from Magnolia to Little Rock to support the Rider effort in the Regionals and also for the Methodists Children's Home.

They place strong emphasis on supporting the Riders in every

sport. On campus, they sponsor the annual Miss SAU pageant and prepare her for the Miss Arkansas pageant. They also hold a softball tournament on campus. At the end of the spring semester, they hold an End-of-the-World party in which the revelers dress as what they are likely to be at the end of the world. Thank heaven it only falls once a year.



*Phi Lamb wins the sheet-sign contest at Homecoming.*



*Jimbo explains what it's all about.*



*Members of Phi Lambda Chi are left to right, first row: Charles Goodwin, Treasurer; Jimmy Etzkorn, Parliamentarian; Gary Martin, President; Kyle Anderson, Vice-President; and Gareth Jones, Secretary. Second row: Cesar Nassar, Steven Peppers, Chris Haefner, Charles Barton, Tyrion Lewis, Lynn Noesser, Mike Stewart and Cliff Lester. Third row: Todd Self, Gene Parsons, Patrick Moseley, Roger Dunlap, George Haynie and Keith Moore. Fourth row: Staley Cash, Jimbo Haynie, Dwight Baker, Scott Davis, Jeff Barnhill, Sherwin Hemphill and Charles Clegg.*

# Alpha Kappa Alpha

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was started on the SAU campus in 1974. The national sorority was founded in 1908 at Howard University and has over 38 chapters.

1984 spring pledges of AKA are Michelle Bryant, Octavia Barnes, Sharon Brown and Odie Marie Watson.

Members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority are (left to right) Lisia Brown, Odie Marie Watson, Mrs. Irene Brannon, sponsor; Gwen Roland, Octavia Barnes, Sherri Bridges, Sharon Brown, Michelle Bryant and Valerie Johnson.



# Alpha Sigma Alpha

Members of Alpha Sigma Alpha, first row, left to right: Pam Rogers, Treasurer; Louanne Crank, Parliamentarian; Beth Elliot, President; Shelby Nottingham, Vice-President; and Carol Gates, Secretary. Second Row: Cindy Bair, Julie Morphew, Laura Johnson, Denise McCoy, Debbie Foreman, Beverly Bearden, Cheryl Cunningham and Lesa Gill. Third row: Denise Duke, Laura Heath, Carle Nutt, Cindy Dickson, Debbie Mullens, Stacey Kelly, and Lisa Hines. Fourth row: Kristy Ham, Melinda Elliot, Laura Wilson, Sandra Young, Deborah Spears, Melinda Christensen, Delores Staggs and Karen Graham.

What comes to mind when you think of rainbows, Raggedy Ann dolls and everything nice? If you guessed Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority, then you guessed correctly.

Each day you pass them. They proudly display their Greek letters and/or national emblem on a crimson or pearl white shirt. Full of fun, full of laughs, these girls know how to have a good time. However, the Alpha Sigs have much more than a social organization; they have a sisterhood, and it is one that will last a lifetime.

Formerly Tau Delta Theta, the sorority chartered as a part of the national organization, Alpha Sigma Alpha, in the Fall 1981 semester. As of now, there are about thirty women who have met the taskful requirements of becoming an Alpha Sig.

Some activities sponsored annually by SAU's



Epsilon Alpha chapter of Alpha Sigma Alpha are the Fall Sadie Hawkins dance and the Spring Hawaiian dance. They also sponsor the Mardi Gras dance and their special charity is the annual Special Olympics.

Alpha Sigma Alpha was brought into existence on November 15, 1901 at Longwood College in Farmville, Virginia. It was the first women's group to be founded in the twentieth century.

As anyone can tell, this group clearly adds sparkle and a touch of glitter to university life.



Upper right: Alpha Sig Big Brothers; Don Pierce, Myron Leggett, Rodney LaGrone, Cesar Nassar, Mark Edwards, Richie McGinnis and Vic Bishop.

Alpha Sigs participate in the pyramid contest.



Members plan upcoming activities.

## *Phi Beta Sigma*

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity was started at SAU in 1975. The national fraternity was founded in 1914 at Howard University.

Members are left to right: (kneeling) Michael George, Leron Trotter and Tracy Lewis. (standing) Chris Warren, Freddie Rayfield, Cecil Bland, Danny Junior and Roderick Henderson.





### Top: The Intergreek Council

The Intergreek Council governs the greek fraternities and sororities.

Above: The SAU marching band on the practice field.

Right: The SAU Student Foundation holds a gathering for its new members.



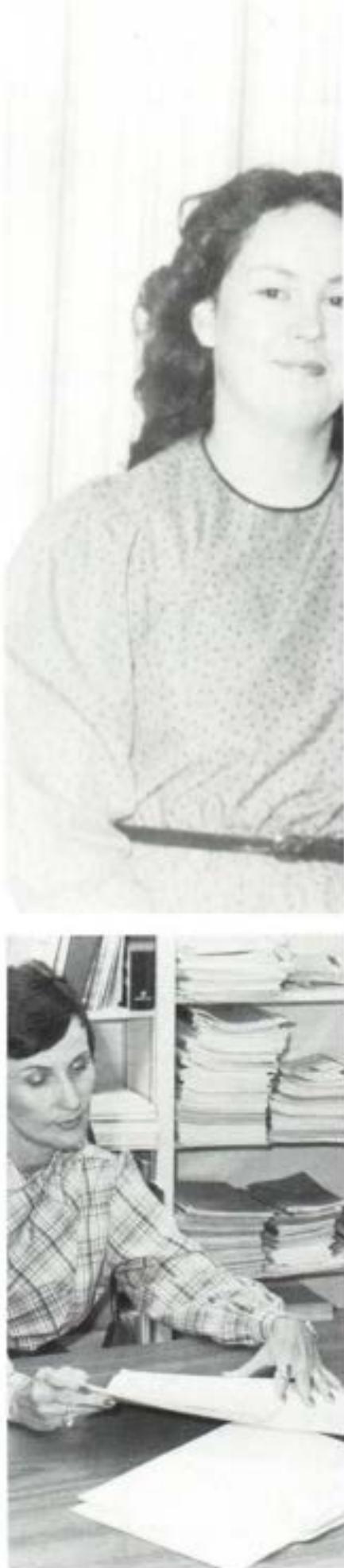
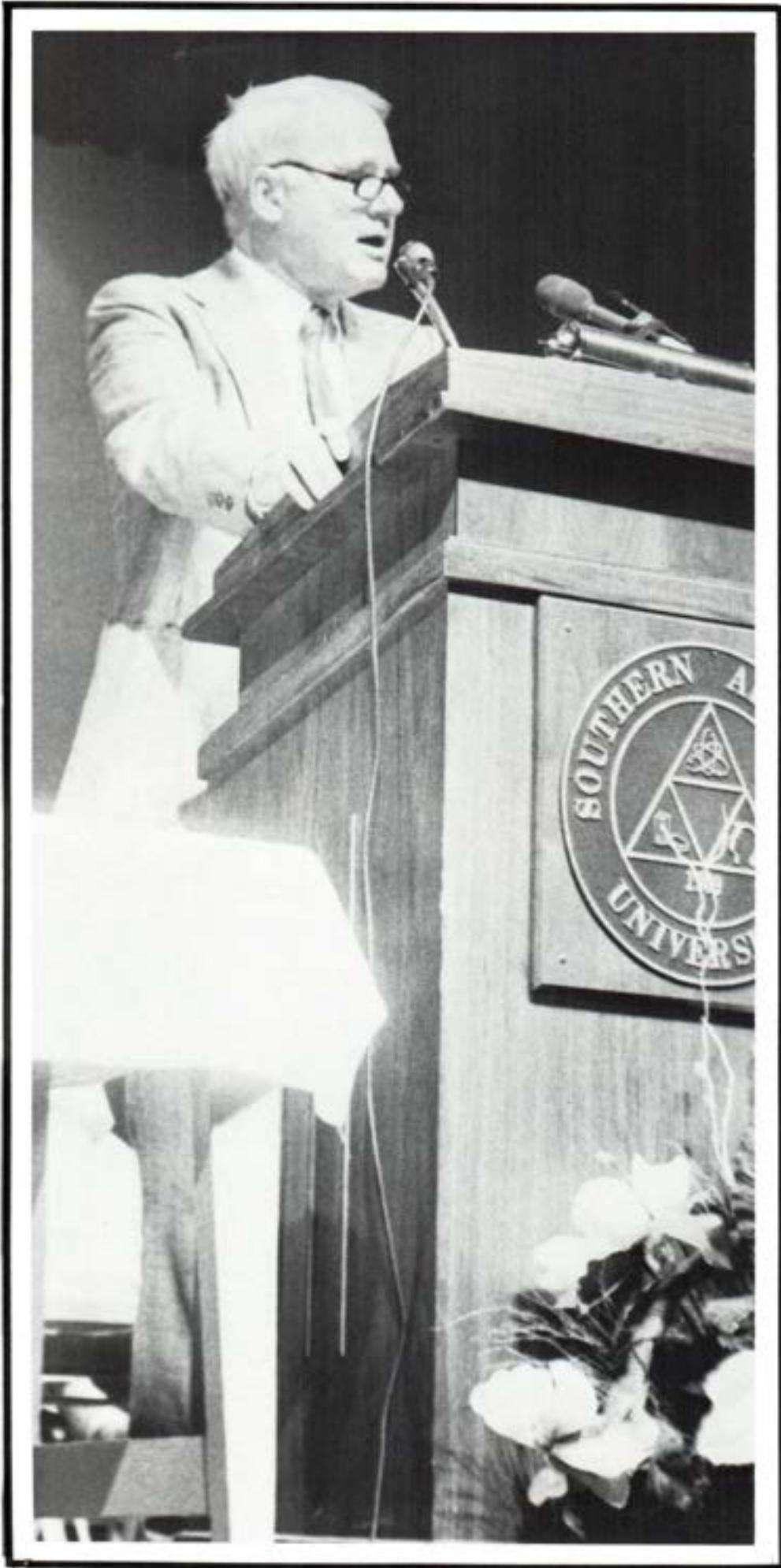
**Mr. And Miss  
Black Student  
Association 1984**



Miss BSA, Javonnia Anderson and Mr. BSA, Christopher Wilkins.



Anderson performs with the Rider Line Drill Team. Standing: first from left





# *Who's Who Among American Colleges And Universities*



*Carol L. Gates*

A senior from Camden, Arkansas, Carol was a member of the Chamber Singers, the Heritage Singers, Choral Society, BSU, BSU Choir and secretary of Alpha Sigma Alpha. Her honors include Alpha Chi, Alpha Honor Society, Dean's List and President's Roll. She majored in Elementary Education.

*Michael B. Hawkins*

Michael is a senior from Magnolia majoring in Finance/Economics. He was treasurer of Phi Beta Lambda and has won state awards in Management, Economics and Business Decision Making. He was president of College Republicans, a member of Alpha Chi Honor Society and voting delegate, a member of Alpha Honor Society and the Political Affairs Club. Michael was also a member of the Baptist Student Union and on the Executive Council, involved in the Student Government Association and participated in intramurals.



*Beverly D. Townsend*

A senior from Hope, Arkansas, Beverly is a Physical Education major. In the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, she has held the offices of Reporter/Secretary, Secretary and President. Beverly was President of HPER Majors and Minors. She has played Riderette basketball and is a member of the staff. She also was a two-year member of the Softball team.



*Ellen B. Mathews*

Ellen is a senior from El Dorado, Arkansas majoring in Biological Science. She has been a member of Inter Greek Council, Phi Lamb Little Sisters, President of Delta Chi, Residence Hall Association, Bussey Hall Council, President of Xi Gamma Nu and was also a cheerleader. She also participated in intramural volleyball.





*Donna M. Eaton*

A senior from Magnolia, Arkansas, Donna is majoring in Biological Science. Her activities included Alpha Sigma Alpha, Medical Science and Biology Club and CAB chairman of the Coffee House.



*Robert N. Jeffrey*

Neal is a senior Political Science major from Sheridan, Arkansas. He was a member of Alpha Honor Society, Alpha Chi, Phi Alpha Theta and the Dean's List. He held the offices of secretary of Student Government Association, President of Young Democrats, Vice-President of College Republicans and Chairman of the Political Affairs Club.

Krissy is a senior accounting major from Casscoe, Arkansas and a second year member of Who's Who. She was a member of Delta Chi Charity League, Alpha Chi Honor Society, Phi Beta Lambda, Resident Assistant, Missionary Baptist Student Foundation and won the Ms. Future Business Executive Award in the PBL State Conference.

*Kristina L. Taylor*



*Mary Humphries-Barnhill*



A second year member in Who's Who, Mary is a senior accounting major from Texarkana, Arkansas. She was a member of the Newman club and served as president, SAU swimming and diving team, Phi Beta Lambda, Student Foundation, Xi Gamma Nu secretary, Resident Assistant, and a cheerleader. Her honors included a second place in the PBL State Conference in accounting and Miss Congeniality in the 1983 Miss SAU pageant.

# *Who's Who . . . SAU's Most Celebrated*



**James C. Haney**

Jimmy is a senior computer science major from Camden, Arkansas. He was a member of Computer Programmers Unlimited, VITA, Alpha Honor Society, Vice-President of Alpha Chi, Vice-President and later President of Phi Beta Lambda. His awards in the PBL State Conference included 2 first's in Parliamentary Procedure and Accounting II, a second in Marketing and a third place in the Mr. Future Business Executive.

**Sharon E. Wright**



**Lisa K. Dumas**

A junior from Springhill, Louisiana, Lisa is a music major. Her activities included Chamber Singers, Alpha Chi and librarian of the Heritage Singers. She was president of Sigma Alpha Iota and awarded a scholarship by the SAI Philanthropies, Inc. She was a member of MENC and winner of their chapter's annual music award.

**Lanita Clark**

Lanita is a senior computer science major from Magnolia. She has held the positions of Historian, Secretary and Vice-President of Phi Beta Lambda, secretary of Computer Programmers Unlimited, Secretary of the College Republicans. She was a member of the Alpha Honor Society and a Sigma Pi Orchid. She also placed third in the PBL State Conference in the Chapter Activities Report.





### ***Donald G. Pierce***

Don is a senior Health, Physical Education and Recreation major from Crossett, Arkansas. He was an Alpha Sigma Alpha Big Brother, Bussey Hall Beau, President of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Wesley Foundation Board member, a member of the Baptist Student Union and a member of the HPER club. He was also a four-year letterman on the track team.



### ***Pamela A. Talbert***

Pam is a senior math education major from Stamps, Arkansas. While at SAU, she was a member of the Missionary Baptist Student Fellowship, a charter member of Delta Chi, a resident Assistant and secretary for the Student Foundation. Pam was also a 1983 Homecoming maid.



### ***Robert T. Martin***

Bob is a pre-med major from Shreveport, Louisiana. He is a member of the Medical-Science Biology Club, Residence Hall Association, assistant campus coordinator for the Student Foundation, Vice-President of Alpha Honor Society and Arkansas Residence Hall Association President.



### ***Vincent J. Dawson***

A senior from El Dorado, Arkansas, Vince is a Business Education major. He was a member of Phi Beta Lambda, Student Government Association, Student Faculty Discipline Committee, Homecoming Council and Student Affairs Committee. He held the offices of President of Talbot Hall, President of Residence Hall Association, National Residence Hall Honorary, Treasurer of Kappa Kappa Psi and was also a member of the Band.

# Who's Who . . . SAU's Most Celebrated



**Roberta Meeks**

Roberta Meeks is a senior mass communication major from El Dorada, Ark. She is minoring in English and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Meeks. Her activities include Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Black Students Association, Miss BSA 1981-82, Miss Black Magnolia 1981, Tau Beta Sigma Sorority, and Fall 1983 head reporter for the campus newspaper, *The Bray*.

Jimmy Etzkorn is a senior computer science major from DeQueen, Ark. His activities include SAU Student Foundation president 1983-84, Phi Lambda Chi Fraternity, Computer Science Professional Club, Phi Beta Lambda Business Fraternity, Residence Hall Association, speaker of the General Assembly 1982-83, Faculty/staff Human Rights and Appeals Committee and Who's Who 1982-83. His hobbies include football, basketball, hunting and water skiing.

**Jimmy Etzkorn**



**Rickey L. Jasper**



Rickey Jasper is a senior political science major from Parkdale, Ark. He is minoring in accounting and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kirt Grayson. His activities include president of Brothers and Sisters In Christ (BASIC), treasurer of the Student Government Association and secretary of Black Students Association. He is a member of Alpha Chi National Honor Society and Campus Activity Board. Jasper is also a minister and has been an Upward Bound Peer Counselor.

Terry Kyle, 22, is a senior English major from Taylor, Ark. He is minoring in marketing and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Kyle.

Kyle participates in many activities. He is president of Alpha Chi and the Talley Hall Council. He is also campus coordinator of the SAU Student Foundation, SAU parliamentarian of Phi Beta Lambda and a member of the Student Government Association.

Kyle was Homecoming Queen Committee Chairman, Who's Who in Arkansas Phi Beta Lambda, Alpha Honor Society president and Residence Hall Association president. This is his second year being selected to Who's Who.

Terry Kyle



Deadra Smith



Deadra Smith is a senior mass communication major from Casscoe, Ark. Her activities include Women's Fellowship of Christian Athletes treasurer (1980-83), Resident Assistant of Nelson Hall (1983), member of Black Students Association (1980-81), Bray staff reporter (1982-83) and member of Nelson Hall Council (1982-83).

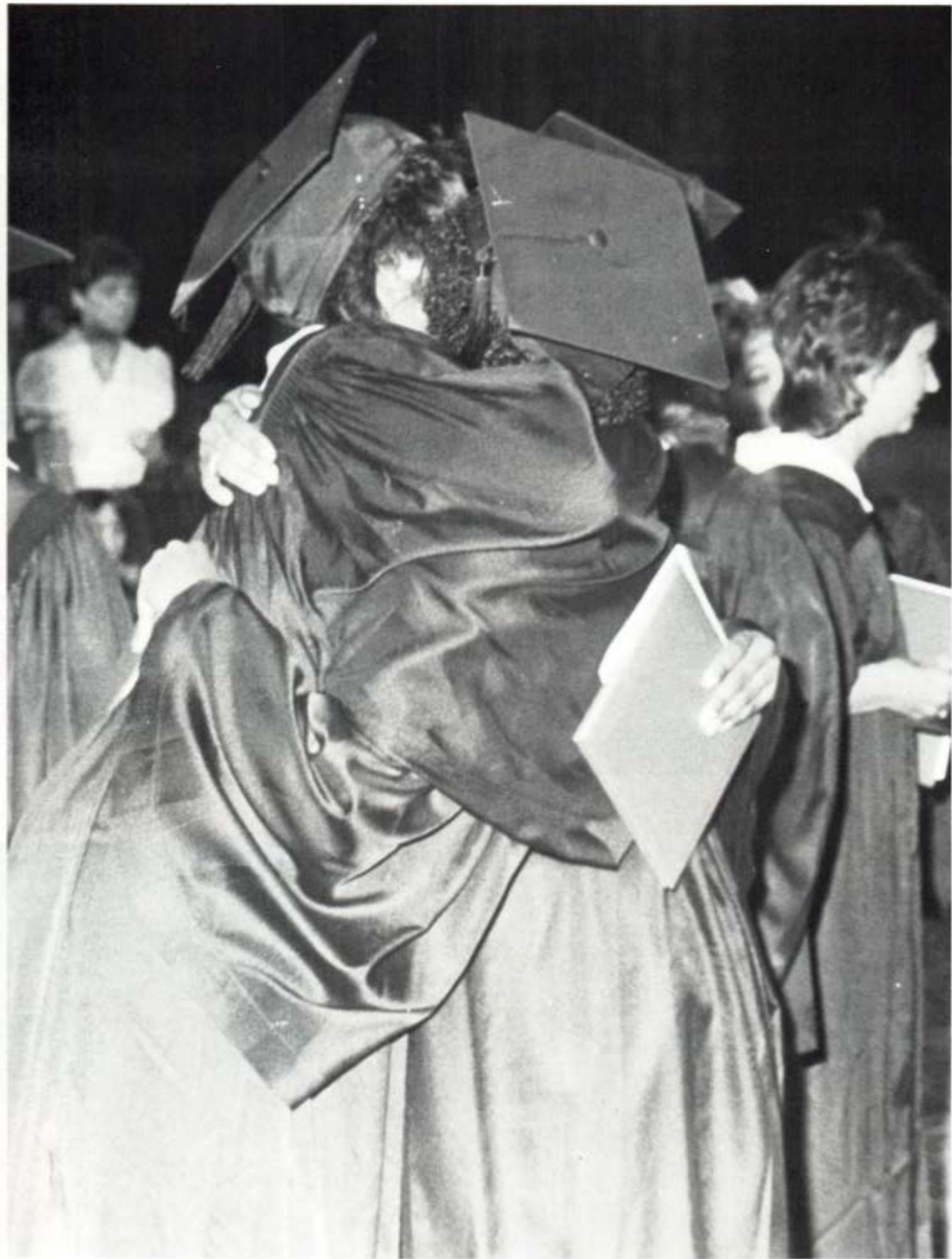
Smith's hobbies are swimming, reading and writing.

Susan Kyzer



Susan Kyzer is a senior health physical education and recreation major from Fordyce, Ark. She is a member of Phi Lambda Chi Little Sisters. She is also vice president of the HPER club.

Kyzer is a licensed cosmetologist and gymnastics judge and has worked at the SAU Counseling Center and the Magnolia Boys Club.



# *Honor's Convocation*



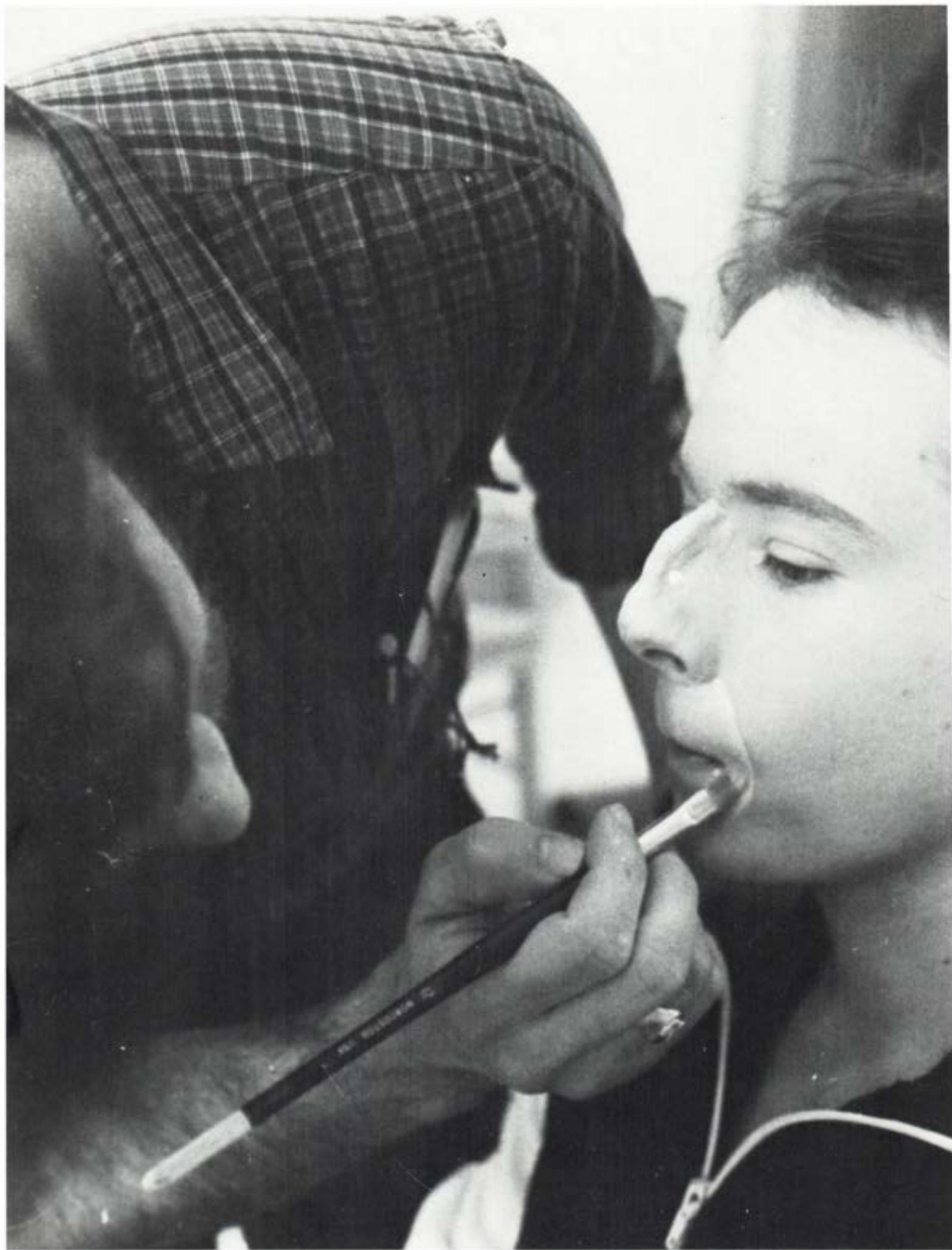
Terry L. Kyle received the most Outstanding Student Award from the School of Liberal and Performing Arts. Kyle received a bachelor's of art degree in English and a minor in marketing. He plans to enter law school in the fall of 1984. Dr. Dan Ford, dean of the School of Liberal and Performing Arts, presented the award to Kyle.

(Top Left) Carl E. Stevens, Emerson, received the award for the Most Outstanding Student from the School of Science and Technology. Stevens received a bachelor of science degree in biology and a minor in chemistry. He plans to attend medical school.

(left) Penny L. Talley, Prescott, received the most Outstanding Student Award from the School of Education. Talley received a bachelor's of science in education degree in elementary education with a specialization in English. Dr. Doug Herbster, dean of the School of Education presented the award to her.

(Bottom) James C. Haney, Camden, received the most Outstanding Student Award from the School of Business Administration. Haney received a bachelor's of business administration degree with a double major in accounting and computer information systems. Dr. Gayle White, dean of the School of Business Administration, presented the award to Haney.





# Rough Cuts



Entertainment at SAU is sometimes hard to find, but as the saying goes, "take a look in your own backyard."

There's a lot of entertainment right on campus. The students provide many hours of fine entertainment from the theater department. Each year, there are several student productions ranging from comedies to musicals. The students aren't by themselves. The faculty also throw in their two cents worth as actors, actresses and directors.

The plays presented in '84 include *Curse of an Aching Heart*. It was directed by Mr. Jake Whitehead and was a comedy. The publicity was some of the most entertaining parts of the play as the actors paraded on the football field before the football games in an effort to encourage play goers.

*Threads*, directed by Dr. Dan Skelton, was more of a melodrama. It was the story of a young man and his family during the last days of his mother's life. Marla Rogers skillfully portrayed the mother while Terry Bentz acted as her husband and Mike Whitehead as her son.

One of the biggest productions of the year was Dr. Jerry Cortez and Mrs. Janelle Viertel's production of *The Sound of Music*. Many, many hours went into this play. The cast included children and faculty as well as students.

*Fools*, a Neil Simon play, directed by Dr. Dan Skelton, was radically funny. The townspeople were, to say the least, fools. And then, the last play of the year is always Mr. Jake Whitehead's production of the Children's Play.

We can't leave out the faculty's big folly sponsored by Alpha Sigma Iota and Music Educators National Conference (MENC), after all, where do you think the students learned all the tricks of the trade?

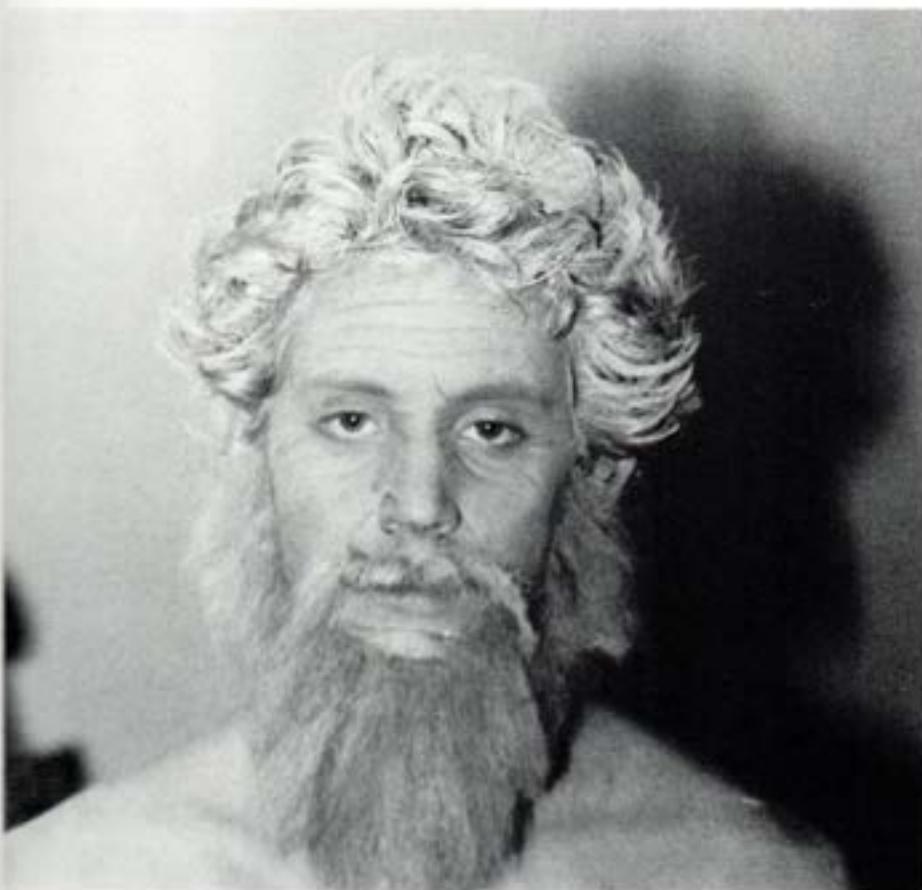
Darren Kight sits patiently as Terry Bentz applies a nose for a part in Dr. Dan Skelton's production of Neil Simon's play *Fools*.

# Plays



Randy Shipman and Mike Whitehead light up backstage before the production of *Curse of an Aching Heart*.

Betty Morgan plays Elsa Schraeder and Randy Garrett plays Maz Detweiler in *The Sound of Music*.



L. Keith Johnson as the old father in the *Curse of an Aching Heart*.



Bob Holladay as Rolf and Cathy Denmon as Liesl in the spring production of *The Sound of Music*.



Betty Morgan as Elsa Schraeder and Randy Garrett as Max Detweiler in *The Sound of Music*.

# Theatre Productions

During the spring semester, Joe Bussell plays Captain Von Trapp (1), Mary McHone plays Maria Ranier (center) and Fred Hunter plays Admiral Von Schreiber (R) in *The Sound of Music*.

The Ballroom scene from *The Sound of Music*.



# Theatre . . .



In the spring production of *The Sound of Music*, Joe Bussell plays Captain Von Trapp (left) and Fred Hunter plays Admiral Von Schreiber (right).



# Encore, Encore

Encore doesn't give you that same old song and dance routine. With a sponsor like Judy Vasser, the fun never stops. She sponsors this group of talented singers and dancers whose main purpose is to have fun. In the process, a lot of singing and dancing go into the routine. They perform at area high schools, as well as school functions, such as Homecoming and Senior Recognition Day. They are much like recruiters in that they promote SAU. They are not your traditional recruiters, however. They sing and dance to add a dash of spice to SAU.

Lesa Gill really likes the spirit of Encore. "I enjoy being around people. I love to sing and dance. Mrs. Vasser is just like a mother to me," Lesa affirms. Besides the long practice in class, the members just like being together.

"Encore enables students to have the chance to interact with other students who are from the high school community. And it also gives us a chance to have fun," Rodney Lagrone states. You can certainly see it in their work.

*Students seem to be pleased at Encore's performance.*





*Encore members, left to right, first row: Tammy Ray, Mickie Null, Rhonda Thurman, Lisa Lusby, Cathy Denmon, Teresa Holtzclaw and Cindy Ayers. Second row: Ronda Burgess, Gloria Benton, Cheryl Cunningham, Gail Ramsey, Fred Coleman, Teresa Bradshaw, John Henley, Angie Tate, Richie Grant, Alesia Holtzclaw, Lesa Gill, Vonda Burgess. Top row: Barry Grant, Melani Anderson, Eddy Brown and Rodney Lagrone.*



*Barry Grant shows the high schoolers how its done.*

*Rodney Lagrone and Melinda Christensen emcee the show.*



# CAB Entertains SAU



"The Bermuda Triangle" in their second appearance here kazooed their way through the SAU campus.



Angie Tate gets her break in a CAB production.



Dick Gregory, a human rights activist, spoke to students during Black History Week.



During the spring semester Sandy Powell's backup band performed at SAU as part of CAB's TNT program.

Dick Gregory, a human rights activist and member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, took time out from his busy activities to chat with some of his fraternity brothers at SAU. From left to Right: Ricky Lambert, Gregory, Zachery Smedley and Samuel Lovett.

# Arkansas Residence Hall Association

ARHA members from the U of A demonstrate how to make non-alcoholic drinks for Casino Night.

SAU is always trying to better residence hall living, and they seem to exceed at least part of the time. This year, SAU sponsored the Arkansas Residence Hall Association (ARHA) conference, and the members of the Residence Hall Association had the chance to learn new ways to make residence hall living just that much more interesting. Now in its second year, ARHA was established to unite residence halls around the state, and to strengthen residence hall living.

The state conference was February 10, 11 and 12, a time for the keepers of the SAU diamond mines

to rejoice. The SAU chapter walked off with several honors. J. Courson was named Adviser of the Year. Bob Martin was chosen State President and Al Dyar was selected as State Secretary. SAU won School of the Year.

Other universities which are members of ARHA are Ouachita Baptist University and Henderson State University both of Arkadelphia, the University of Central Arkansas in Conway, the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville and Arkansas College in Batesville. The next conference will be at the University of Arkansas.



*Students from various schools study what makes residence halls appealing to other students. Their main objective? — To make things better.*



Arkansas Residence Hall Association SAU Chapter.

The Residence Hall Association sponsors the Annual Bed Race.



Members of the Talbot Hall staff include Jim Andrews, east wing, Daniel Rood, west wing, Eddie Brown, first floor, north wing, Jeff May, hall director and Roger Dunlap, third floor, north wing.

Here's a look at Talbot from the inside on the first day of the fall '83 semester.

Fall check-in day at Talbot.







# *The Academic Celebration Of The Blue And Gold*

The academic curricular is not always as strictly followed as it should be, but the academic aspects of a university are the main reasons for the existence of a university. Academics should be the center of life while attending an institution at which a fee is required for the services rendered.

Here, academics should not be taken with a grain of salt. A person can get a quality education from SAU if only he applies himself (or herself). SAU academics are what one makes of them. One can pass or fail according to his capacity and application.

There are five schools from which to choose a major. The School of Business offers many courses in business such as marketing, management, accounting, finance and industrial management. The School of Science and Technology is to be considered for pre-engineering, chemistry and pre-med. Those interested in journalism, broadcast, media, English, foreign language, history or theatre need to check on the School of Liberal and Performing Arts. The School of Education can produce some fine teachers in the fields of special education, higher education and elementary education. Then there is the school of general studies for those who haven't decided just what it is they want to do. And the list goes on.

The point to be made is that there are many ways to broaden the mind. As to who takes advantage and what is to be gained depends on the person and what field is chosen.

## *There She Is . . . Miss SAU*



After being crowned Miss SAU, Cathy Denmon (center) poses with (left) Shelly Marks, first runner-up and (right) Kelly Lovelis, second runner-up.



Miss SAU, Cathy Denmon, smiles for the SAU family.

## *... And Then, Graduation.*



Tami Thompson, elementary education major, Magnolia, looks in amazement as she awaits graduation.



Gov. Bill Clinton was speaker at the 1984 Spring Commencement. First row, from left to right are Dr. Dan Ford, Dr. B.C. Dodson and Clinton. Standing from left to right are Perrin L. Jones, W. H. Handy, president Harold T. Brinson and Bob L. Burns.



A shot of the happy graduates right before the commencement.



1984 Spring Commencement.



Governor Bill Clinton talks with student, Freddie Thomason, during his visit to SAU.

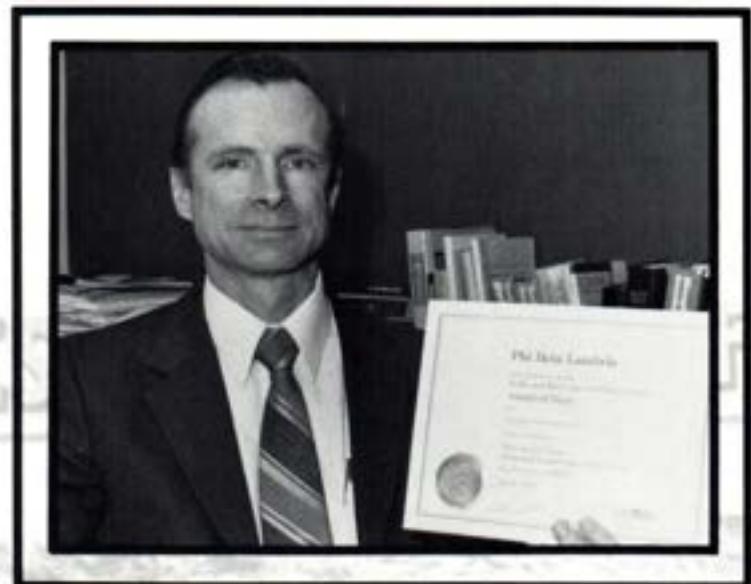


A student and his daughter model for Mrs. Mary Diane O'Hern's drawing II class.

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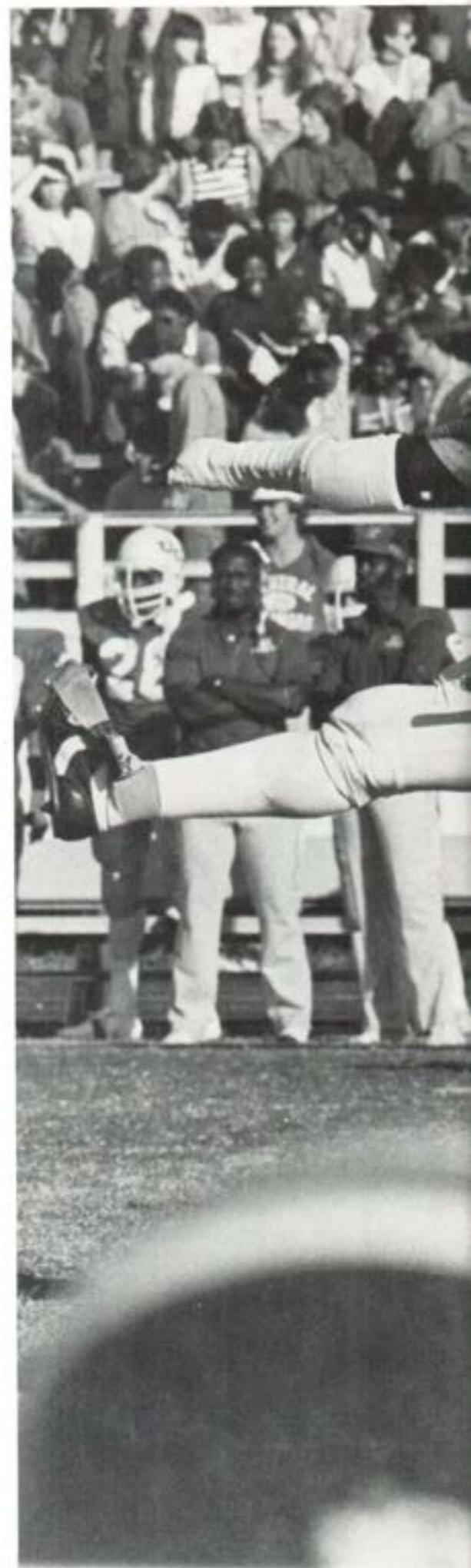
# *Those For Whom We Celebrate*

Sports and more sports — SAU has all the basics. There's contact and noncontact sports in which to participate. Some sports departments even offer scholarships and workstudy to those who want to play the Mueller games.

Some of the sports available at SAU are football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, tennis and track. For those who are not in it for the competition or who do not feel they are good enough for the "big leagues" there are the intramural games. The range of games are broadened in the intramural league. Included are table tennis, soccer and chess as well as a score of others.

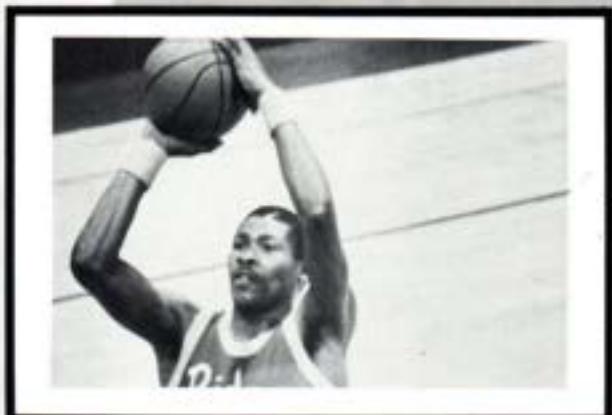
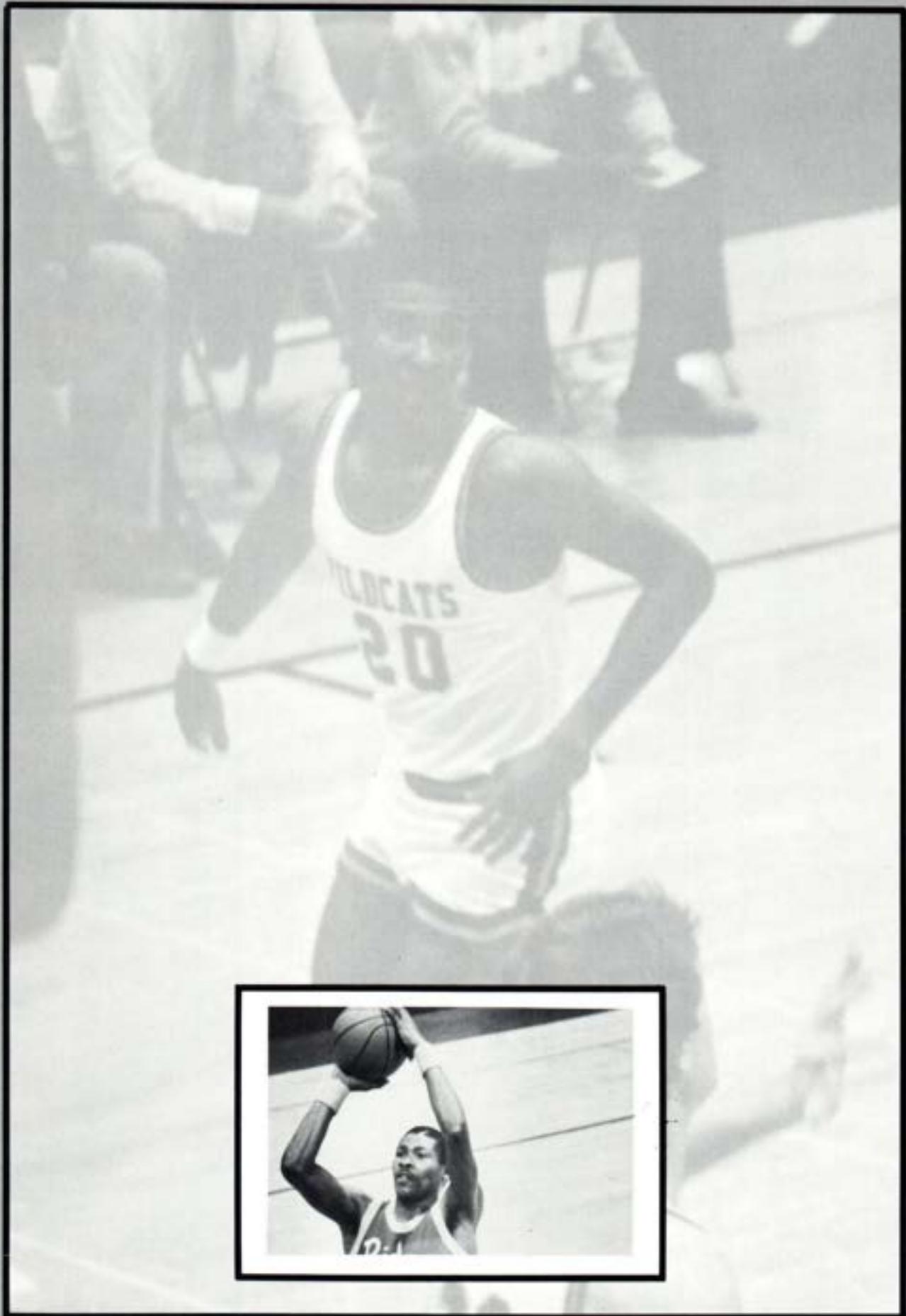
Of course, what would sports be like without the hard work of the cheerleaders and the Riderline? Not much, huh? These groups are hard workers and they do their jobs well as they praise the efforts of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletes from SAU. These two groups are also open to interested individuals.

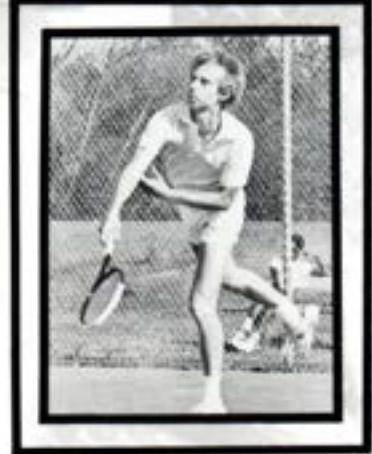
Whatever the sport or activity, these people are the ones who give us victories of blue and gold to celebrate, and we commend you!



*The Rider football team starts the game with enthusiasm and a wild kick.*







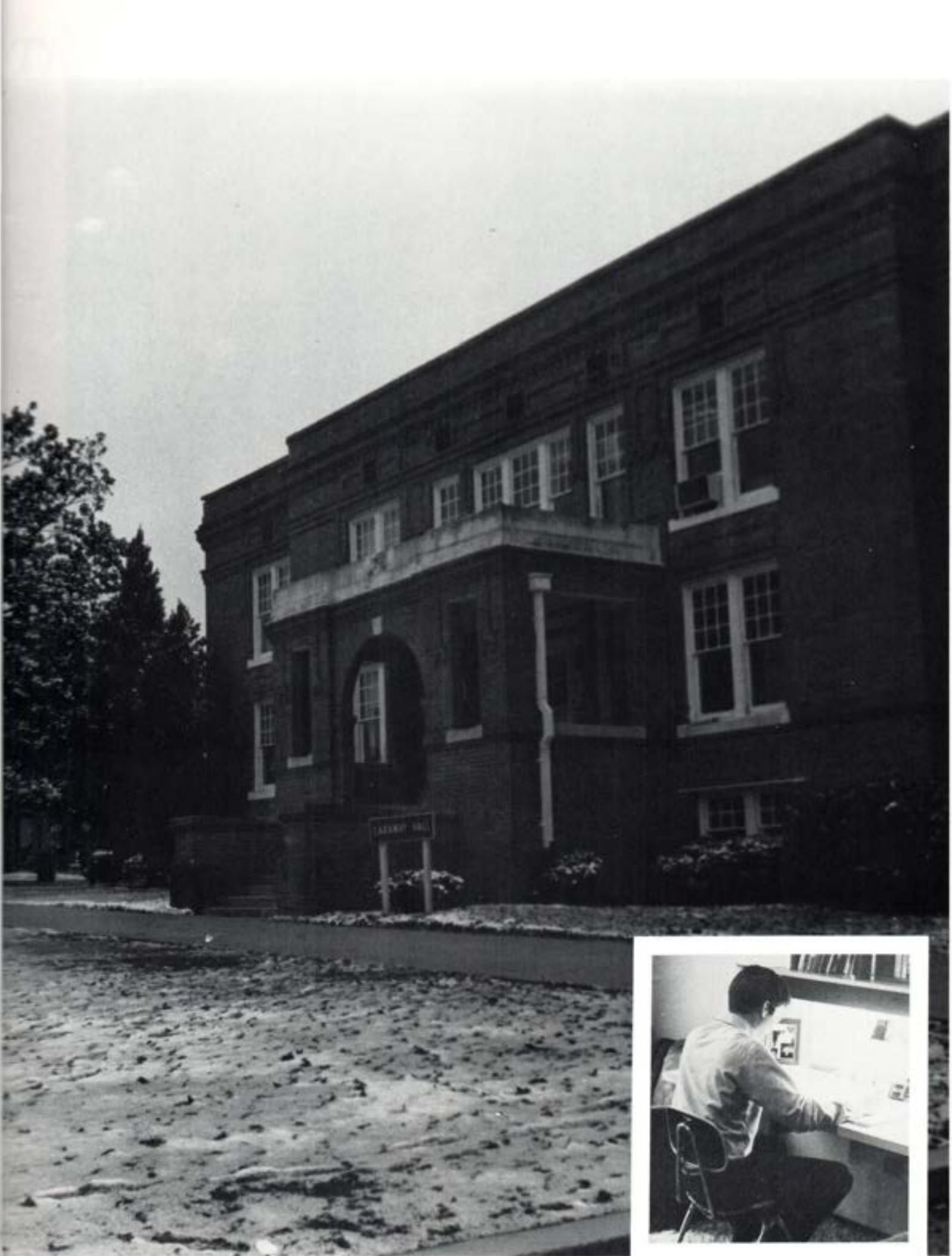
# Track



Tracksters from (L to R) Sammy Epps, Leron Trotter, Michael George, Smokey Price, Men-dell Glass, Tracy Lewis, Andy Dacovich, (back row) Don Pierce, graduate assistant coach, Harold McNight, Reggie Mitchell, Danny Ju-nior, Cecil Bland, Ralph Adams, Lawrence Yon, Lamar Alexander, Anthony Johnson and Charles Moseley, track coach.



Welded aluminum sculpture by Fred Henry, SAU Art faculty.



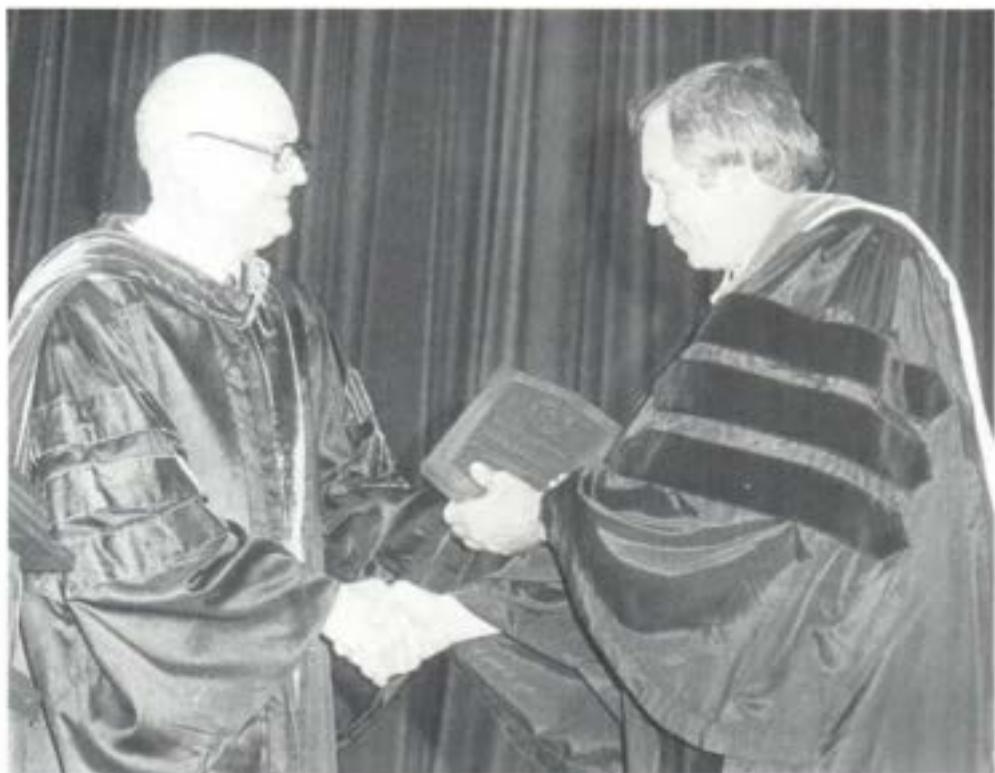
Caraway Hall, the location of SAU's art department.

A student does late-night studying in Talley Hall, a residence hall for men.



Dr. Dan England, head of the biology department and professor of biology, received the Honor Professor Award during SAU's seventh annual Honor's Convocation. The Honor Professor is selected by a campus-wide vote of students, faculty and administrators. Some of the criteria for nominating the Honor Professor are excellence as a classroom teacher, sensitivity to the needs of the students, work with students outside of scheduled class time and professional ethics as an educator.

In addition to a plaque, the Honor Professor receives \$500 for academic travel and research.



# *Tennis*



Left to right: Grad Assistant Shirley Earley, Melissa Christopher, Adrienne Guevara, Darlene Sullivant, Shelly Grim, Jeannie Turner, Terri Toland, Julie Morgan, Head Coach Ginger Hurst.





Men's Tennis Players

Front row left to right: Kyle Humphrey, Mark Payne, Greg Landesman, Robert Barr; Back row: Coach Baylor Guy, Hernan Guevara, Ivell Bullock, Roger Meredith, Alex Baumer and Kip Humphrey.

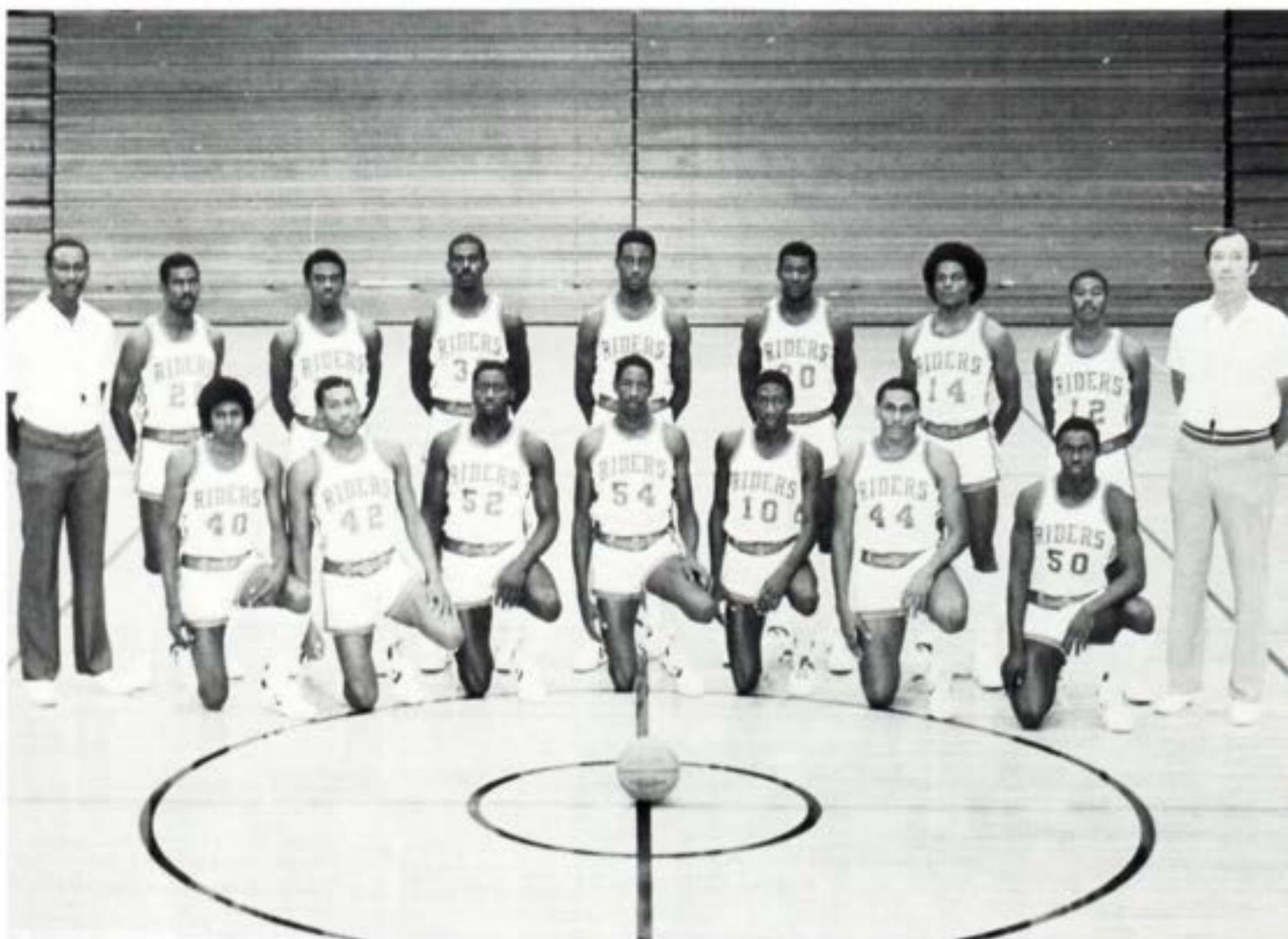


Darlene Sullivent and Melissa Grim take a tennis break.

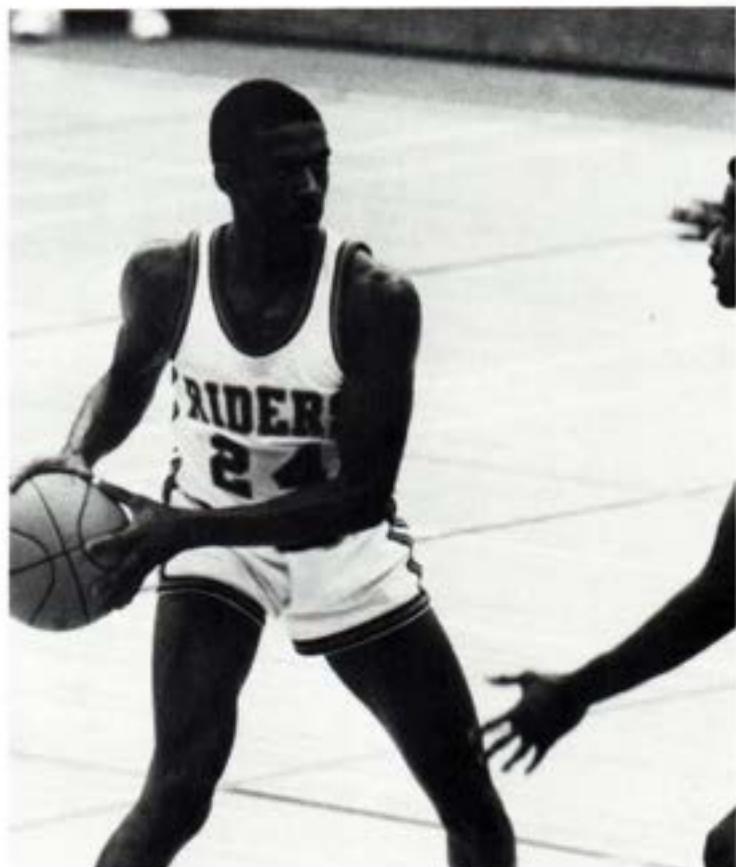
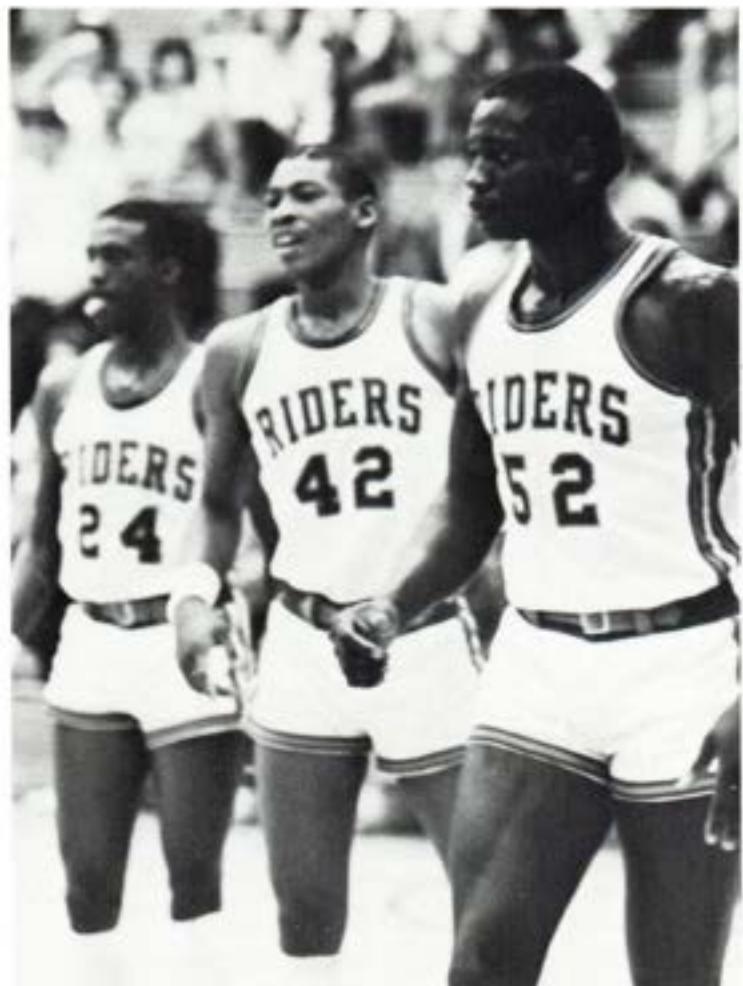
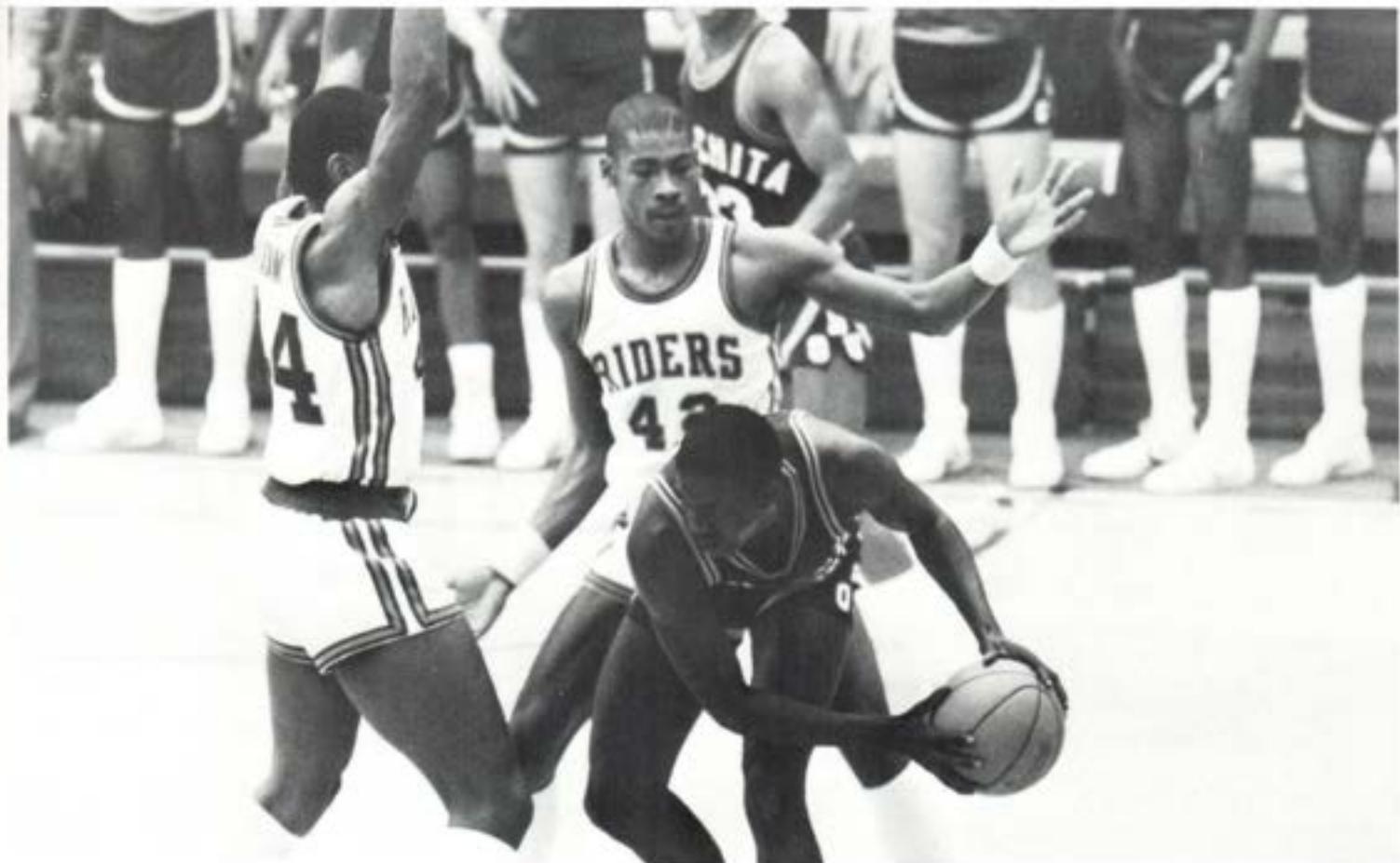
# Basketball

'Spoon' (52) reacts to instructions from Coach Ingram on the sideline.

The SAU Mulerider basketball team finished the season in second place in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference. Kneeling, L to R, Billy Green (40), Marlon Perry (42), Fred Weatherspoon (52), Douglas Lea (54), Earnest Moore (10), Mike Wilson (44) and Ray Rice (50). Standing, L to R, assistant Coach Sam Biley, Tyrone Hammock (22), Jerrold Merrick (24), Donnie Pindexter (32) Eric Clardy, James Sellers (20), Charles Dennis (14), Curtis Hildreth (12), and Head Coach Monroe Ingram



SAU's Mike Wilson (44), left, and Marlon Perry (42), put the pressure on Ouachita players.

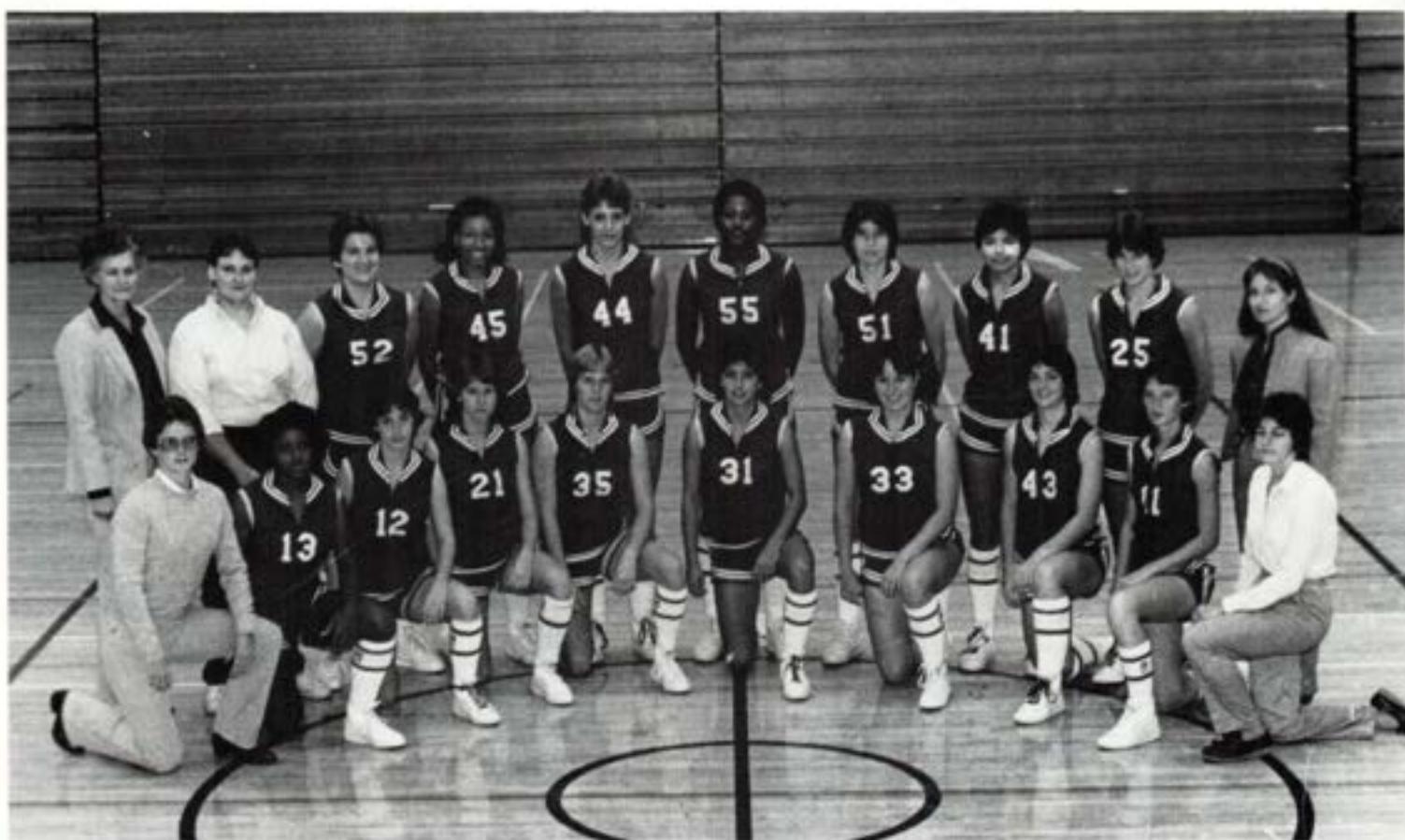


SAU's Jerrold Merrick (24), Marlon Perry (42), and Fred Weatherspoon (52) await the introduction of the other starters during pre-game activities.

Playmaking guard Jerrold Merrick (24) searches for an open teammate.

# *Women's Basketball*

Riderette leading-scorer, Phyllis Jackson, Lewisville, shoots for two as Ozarks attempt to guard her.



Members of the 1983-84 Riderette basketball team are (kneeling) (L to R) Manager: Bev Townsend, Darla Stivers (12), Paula Coats (21), Melissa Christopher (35), Cyndi Hernandez (31), Tammy Pickering (33) Melody Turbeville (43), Gena Moore (11) and assistant mana-

Margaret Downing, Trainer Diana McCullough, Christine Gregory (52), Cherye Wilson (45), Darla Pinkerton (44), Phyllis Jackson (55), Carol Scheet (51), Julie Morgan (41), Jeanne Turner (25) and graduate asst. Coach Kathy Gann.



SAU's riderette Darla Pinkerton shoots a free throw as teammates Tammy Pickering (34) and Melissa Christopher (24) prepare for the possible rebound.



SAU's Phyllis Jackson dribbles down the court for a basket after a steal from the Ozarks.

# Volleyball



SAU's volleyball team gives "high-five" to start the match off on the right foot.

Pictured (l to r) are Sherry Williams (8), Andrea Fritz (5), Denise Wilder (14) Pam Opiela (12), Terri Toland (15) and Captain Delores Watson Ashbrooks (13). (At Left) Denise Wilder (14) and Terri Toland (15), walk on to the volleyball court to prepare for another match.





The Riderettes set up a play to the opponents.



Riderettes eagerly watch the referee's call.

# Mulerider Football

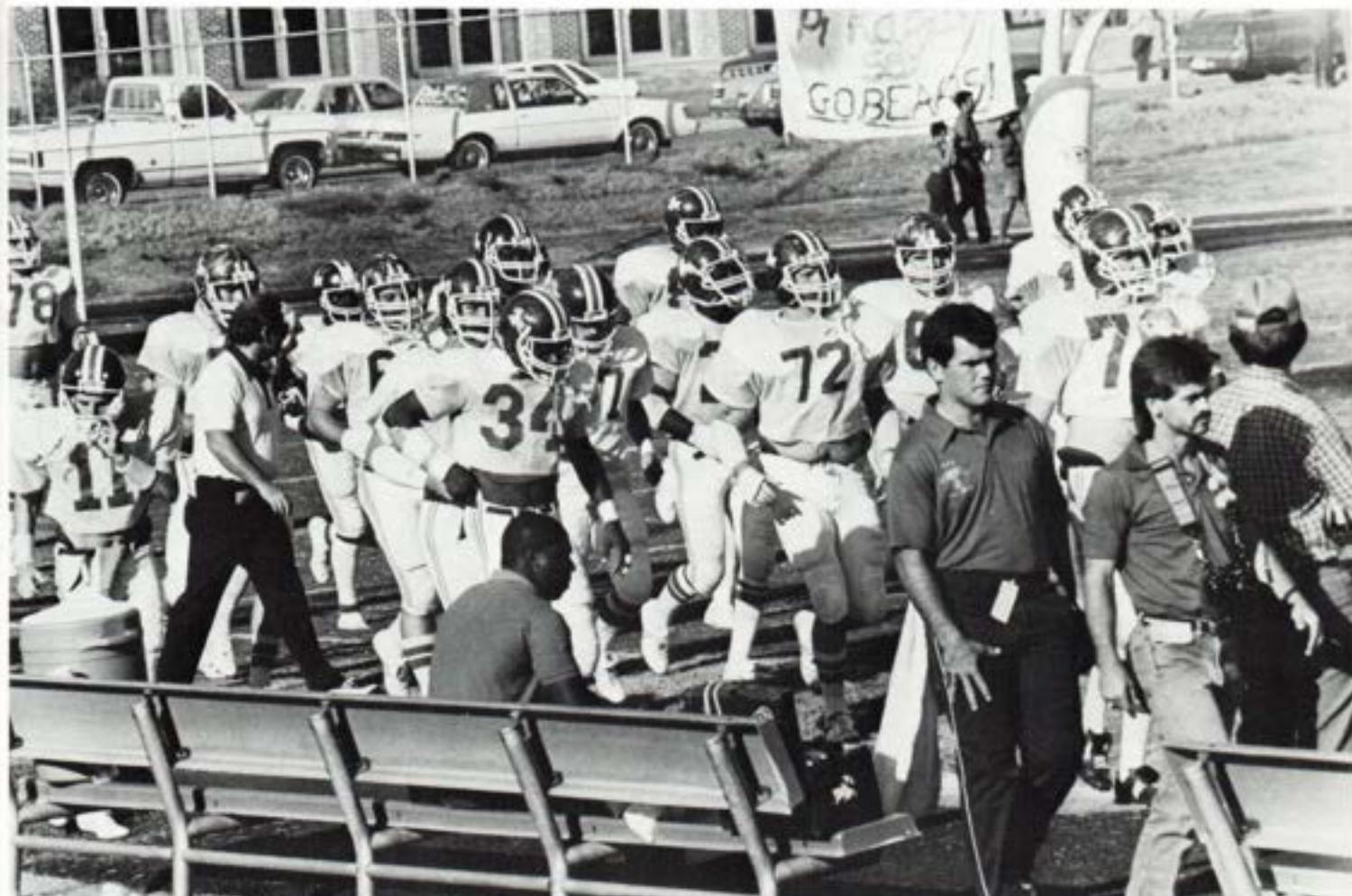
Senior fullback Mickey Faulkinberry (46) Shreveport, La is eager to block as quarterback Jerry Copeland drops back to pass. Copeland set a new school record with 799 yards passing. (Right)

SAU's sudden-death defensive team discusses strategy for holding the opponent. (Bottom Right).

Senior safety, Dennis Woodberry, returns a kick-off against the Bears. Woodberry was drafted in the sixth round of the second USFL players draft by the Birmingham Stallions. (Bottom Left)



# *Mulerider Football*



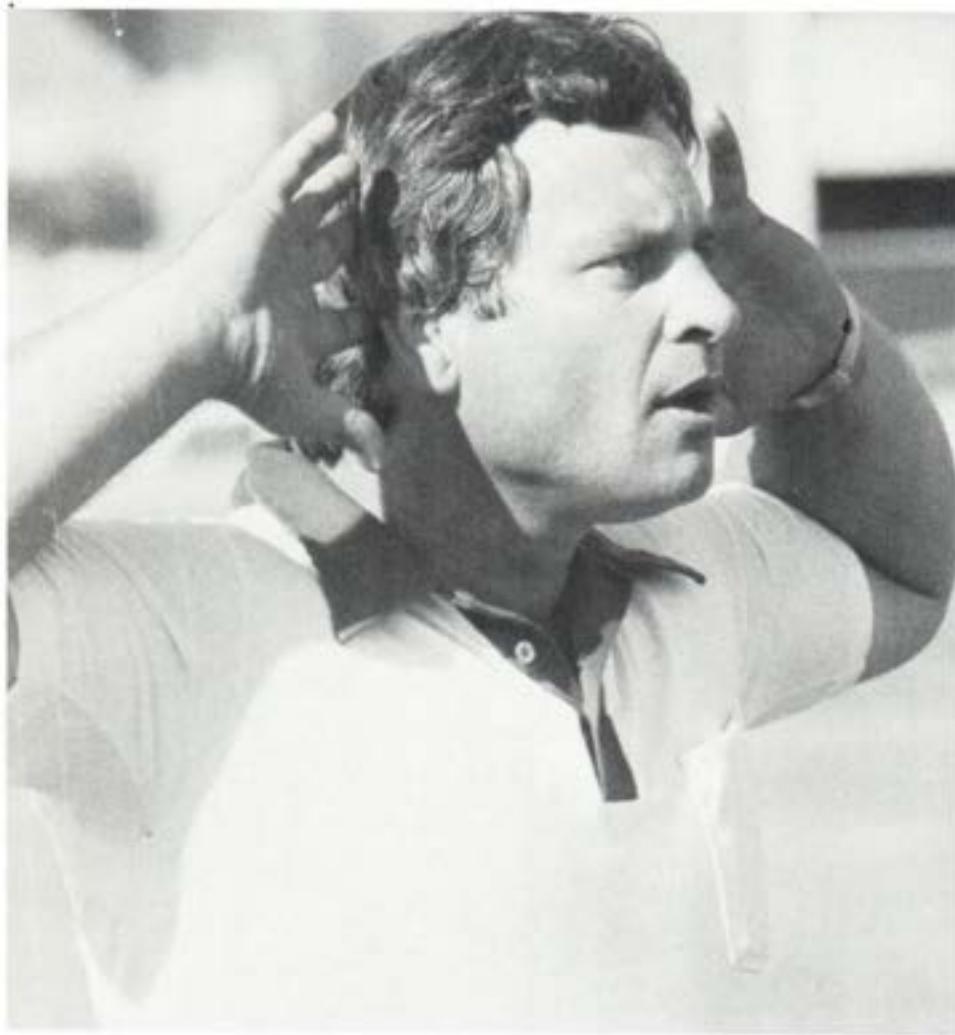
SAU's sophomore quarterback, Jerry Copeland, hands off to Senior fullback, Victor Bishop.

SAU's Muleriders move back to the center of the field for the kick-off after scoring a TD against the undefeated Bears. The 'Riders were upset by the Bears 24-21. The 'Riders went on to finish the season third in the conference.

# Roughin' It To The Line



*The Riders awesome defense.*

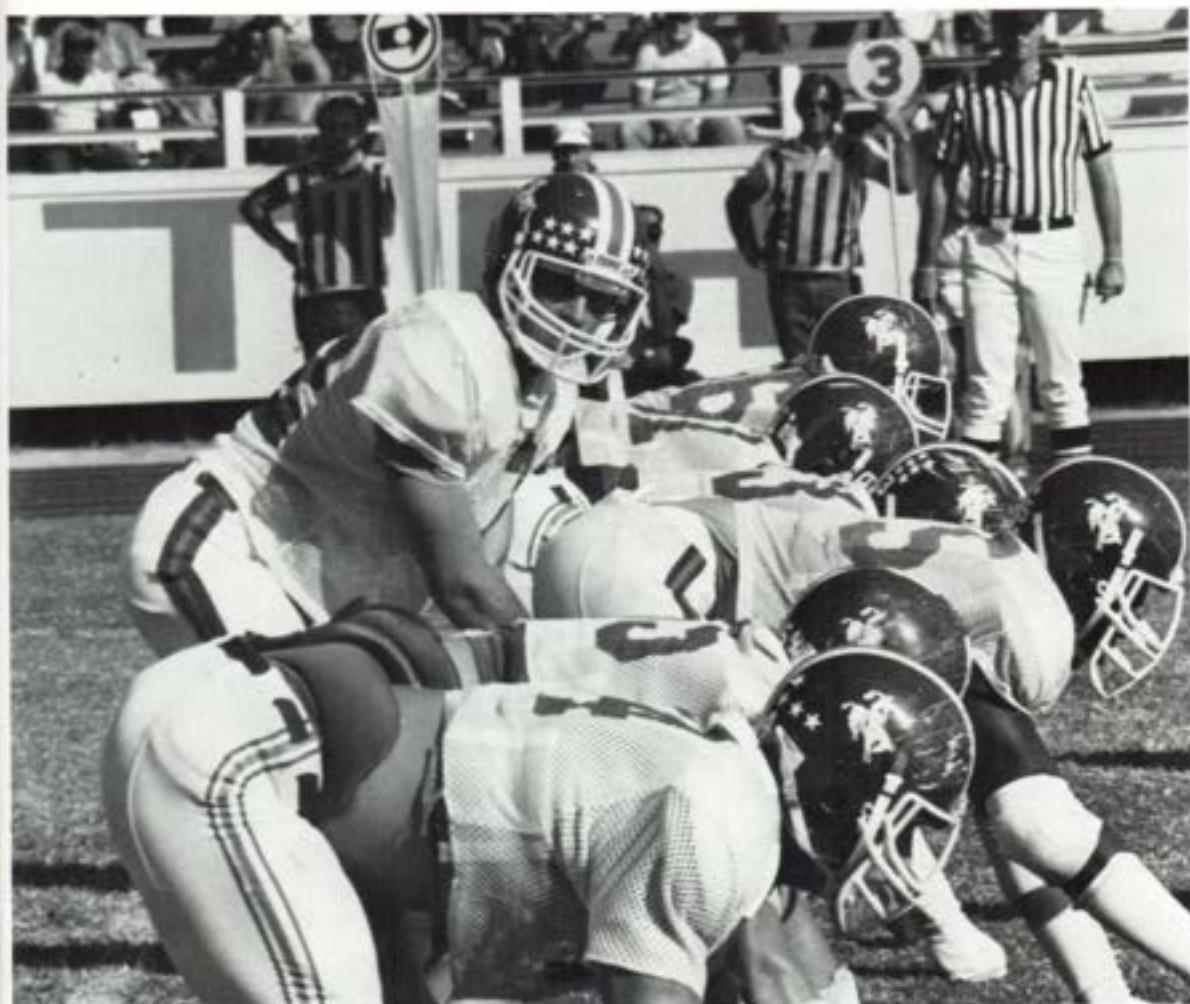


*"What, no extra point?" Coach Arnett exclaims.*



*The Rider braces himself for the impending tackle*

*Vantrice Jackson kicks a long, hard one to the Bears.*



*The quarterback takes a moment to smile for the photographer.*

## SAU Cheerleaders

Certainly they are the most spirited of all. Nobody can get a crowd going quite like the cheerleaders can. They are dedicated, loyal and willing to work.

The cheerleaders perform an important function on campus and out-of-town. They represent SAU and SAU's finest, the Riders. But, it's not as much fun as it looks like. Into cheerleading there goes long hours of practice and preparation, new cheers to learn, banners to be painted, dance routines to be performed, pep



*The mascot cheers with the Riders at a basketball game.*



rallies to be planned, numerous games to be attended, special activities at Homecoming. This does not even include any event that they may be called on to perform such as Senior Recognition Day. Tammy Gardner says "It feels good to support the school team with all my school spirit." But there are some rewards, too. For one thing, Rick Cox says, "I like the free food and getting into all the games free." It seems like a small price to pay. "Plus camp is GREAT!" Rick concluded. It seems like a lot of hard work that you love to hate. Or hate to love.



*That's right, Tam; we're # 1. The 1983-84 Cheerleaders, top to bottom, left to right: Tammy Gardner, Deidre Gordon, Kathleen Primm, Richard Cox, Barry Grant, Jeff Haney, Chris Heafner, Rita Hamilton, and Glenda Perry.*



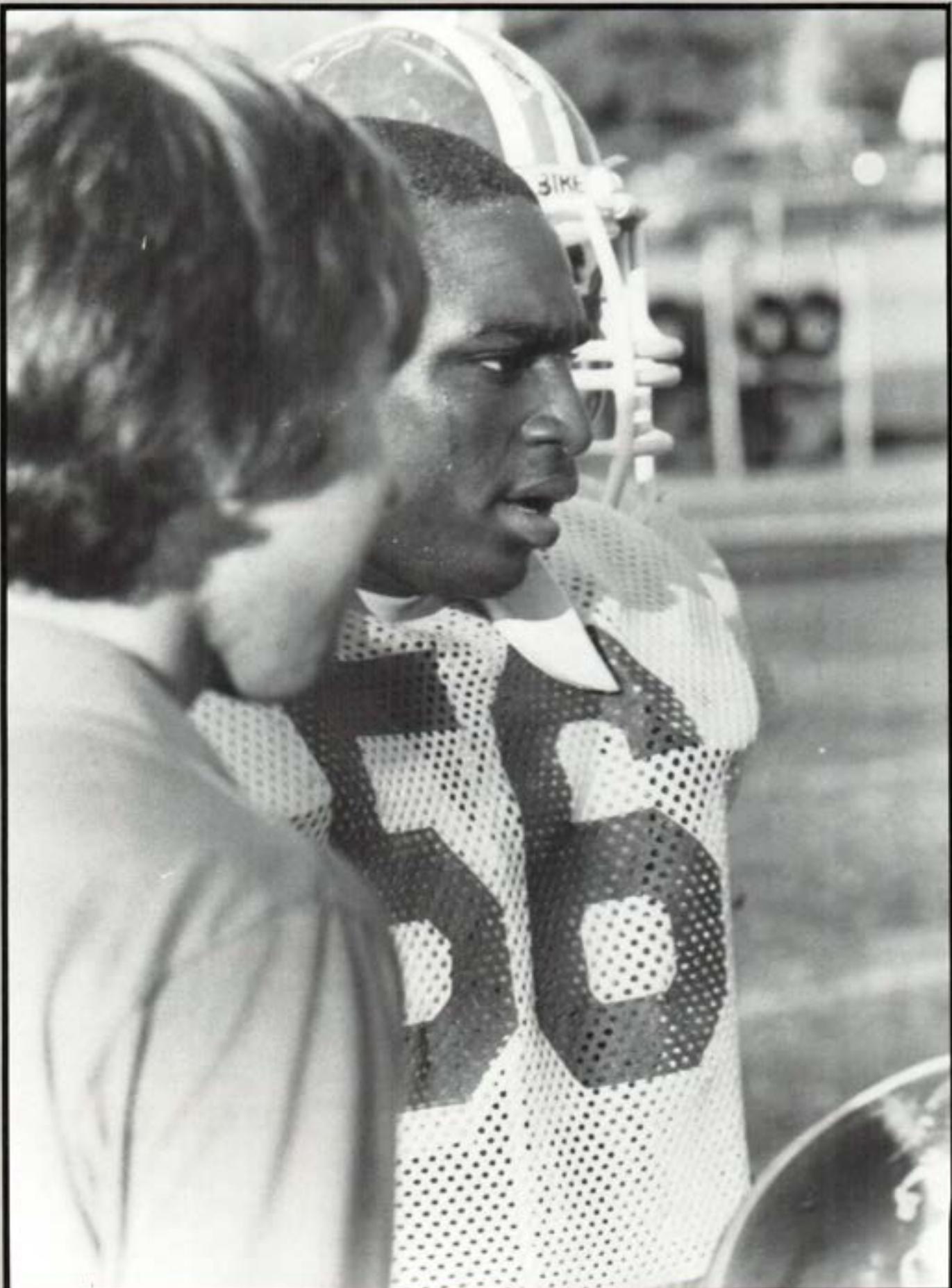
*The SAU Cheerleaders show Harding how it's done.*



*Lisa flips for the Riders.*



*"Ritacise."*



# The Mulerider, The Bray And KSAU

## K. Mason

Well, what can I say? It was a rough year. There were scandals to uncover, announcements and pictures to be taken. All and all it was covered, and the complaints let us journalists know that someone was reading, listening and looking at our stuff. It's called input, and it can't all be good, although we did have our share of compliments. But, with every compliment came a complaint or two (usually two).

Becky Shepherd, **BRAY** editor, had her share of problems as she took her position in the middle of the year. With her budget at the point of death, she managed to put out a paper with news for everyone. She also gave me moral support and kept me typing, editing and laying out pages. I want to thank Becky for being a friend.

Kim Mason, the voice of **KSAU** and also my sister, had a pretty good year with her new radio station. Of course, her problems were mostly with reception, but then they always have been, (just kidding sis)! She always had questions about the book and something nice to say about the job we were trying to do. I also want to thank Kim for just being.

My staff, **THE MULERIDER** staff, was great. Many of them worked without pay. They had a goal and they wanted to see a dream that they had helped plan finished in style. Well, if bags under the ole' eyes and grouchy dispositions are style, they accomplished just that. Thanks staff!

On a more personal note, I'd like to thank my writer and copy editor, Melody Voss. Melody probably has no more words left in her head after writing for **THE MULERIDER**.

**IDER.** Mel put in some long hours, and I am deeply in debt to her for her work.

Scott Adams, associate editor, was also a staff member who gave all to the making of this book. He's the fastest layout artist I've ever seen! Ten minutes at the most, and I had some of the most beautiful layouts anyone could dream of.

The advisers of the publications and the radio station were also a big help. Their advice couldn't have been any better than Mom and Dad's, (actually, it was probably the same as Mom and Dad's). Thank you Bob Gross (**KSAU**) and Mrs. Beverly Lewis-Johnson (**BRAY/MULERIDER**). In closing, I'd just like to say, "Good luck, Scott! You've got a big job ahead of you!"

*P.S. Thanks Dad! Your financial help was greatly appreciated!*

Becky, always at work and usually on the phone with one of her many beaus.



Kim: "Do you see what I'm talking about?"









