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Predictions about 21st Century highlight President's Partners gala

Drawing from past predictions about technology's effect on present day life, satellite researcher Mary H. Young recently turned her eyes to the future for the benefit of supporters of Cameron University.

Dr. Young, manager of Hughes Research Laboratories' chemical physics lab, was the guest speaker Feb. 8 at the annual banquet of the President's Partners of the Cameron University Foundation.

The banquet recognized individuals and businesses who help Cameron meet its short- and long-range financial commitments to provide a quality education for its students. The \$1,000 annual donation of each Partner gives the university an added dimension in its efforts to improve educational opportunities beyond that possible through tuition and legislative appropriations.

Young's forecast of future technology fit closely with "Festival III," Cameron's ongoing look at the growing impact of science on everyday life.



Dr. Mary H. Young

"Predictions are important. It was the thoughts of past visionaries that helped us prepare for life today," Young told the nearly 200 people present for the event.

Not all visionaries were optimistic, she said, noting that such literary works as *Future Shock* warned of profound social and psychological harm that could result from a 'premature arrival of the future.' But those predictions helped society mentally prepare itself for life today -- as it is helping the human race prepare for life in the 21st Century.

"It's hard to predict the future because it doesn't unfold in a linear or organized fashion," Young said. "It seems to be dominated by monumental single events."

Many predictions made 30 years ago hit relatively close to the mark, such as the use of laser technology, growing use of efficient energy and the world becoming an increasingly "throw

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Interactive video event demonstrates OneNet's viability

BY KEITH MITCHELL

Record-setting Oklahoma astronaut Shannon Lucid added another impressive feat to her career one chilly morning last month — in a single day she spoke with youngsters at 17 state locations, including Cameron.

Lucid did it not only in a single day, but simultaneously, fielding questions and tributes by elementary, high school and vocational-technical students from Altus to Miami.

The event was an impressive demonstration of OneNet, a statewide telecommunications system using fiber-optic cable, microwave, satellite and wireless technology to transmit data and video. Oklahoma voters approved funding of the system in 1992, creating 33 regional hubsites linking colleges and universities, public schools, vocational-technical facilities, courts, libraries and government agencies.

Still in its implementation phase, eventually every county in

Oklahoma will have a OneNet access point.

On Feb. 21, Lucid participated in a teleconference originating from the Omniplex in Oklahoma City. While it was broadcast live to schools across the country via satellite and

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Clements, Drewry endowments to boost Cameron ag, telecommunications programs

Gifts allow university to capitalize on advancements in technology

Action taken by the Cameron University/University of Oklahoma regents in January paves the way for \$100,000 in endowed lectureships to promote the study of agriculture and telecommunications technology at the university.

The endowments were initiated by Buck and Irene Clements of Ninnekah, and the family of the late R.H. Drewry of Lawton.

The Clements and the Drewrys each gave \$12,500 toward the establishment of lectureships. These were matched with funds from the McCasland Foundation and the Endowed Chairs Program of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education bringing each lectureship to \$50,000.

Buck and Irene Clements are graduates of Cameron. During 35 years in the Soil Conservation Service, Mr. Clements developed a variety of conservation initiatives. After his retirement, the Clements started what grew to become a 2,000-acre farming and ranching operation in Stephens and Grady

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***- Dr. Don Davis
President of Cameron***

counties. In 1994, he was honored as one of Cameron's distinguished alumni.

Earnings from the Clements lectureship will be used to promote the study of agriculture at Cameron, particularly in soils, the environment and agricultural leadership.

The endowment may be used for development of ag-related curriculum materials, professional development and training of faculty or students, sponsorship of ag-related seminars and workshops, acquisition of necessary instructional materials or equipment, or sponsorship of a distinguished scholar.

"Mr. and Mrs. Clements have been very generous in their support of Cameron over the years," said Dr. Al Bennett, chairman of the university's agriculture department. "An endowment such as this enhances our offerings on and off-campus and shows our constituents that there is continuing valuable support in the agriculture community for our programs here at Cameron."

R.H. Drewry was a longtime civic leader whose pioneering work in broadcasting began with radio stations in Duncan and Lawton and expanded to television in 1953 when KSWO-TV went on the air. It now includes broadcast properties in Texas and a Lawton cable television company.

The empire founded by Drewry remained under family

ownership after his death in 1994 and has provided employment and training opportunities for dozens of Cameron communications students over the years.

The Drewry lectureship will be used to support innovative telecommunications programs — possibly resulting in the offering of new degrees at Cameron. The endowment will also be used to develop advanced telecommunications concepts, promote awareness of the importance of telecommunications in the next century, and enhance multi-media instruction.

"Every program offered by Cameron is in a state of rapid evolution because of new opportunities capitalizing on the revolution in telecommunications and multimedia," said Dr. Terral McKellips, provost. "This lectureship will support our efforts to assure that faculty are prepared to implement these changes and to assure that our graduates have the knowledge and skills necessary to employ this new technology in their careers and personal lives."

Both donors, along with those who have provided past endowments to Cameron, will be recognized on a commemorative plaque which will be displayed in the university's administration building in the near future.

Cameron has more endowed chairs and lectureships than any other regional institution in the state, according to President Don Davis.

"State regents consider Cameron's endowed positions exemplary models for the stewardship of endowed funds," Dr. Davis said. "We've learned through our experience with other endowments that the most productive and effective results use the majority of funding for program development, with the holder of the lectureship providing leadership to accomplish the endowment's objectives."

CU to host speech/debate/broadcast camp

The Communications Department of Cameron's School of Liberal Arts will host its 23rd Annual Speech-Debate-Broadcast Camp for high school and junior high students and teachers July 13-18.

The camp is one of the largest in the country, drawing 410 students and 95 staff members from 130 schools in eight states last year. Divisions include beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels in competitive individual speech events, team debate, Lincoln-Douglas debate, and radio/television.

The camp provides entertainment each evening and closes the week with tournaments in most events.

College credit is available for students who have completed their junior year. Graduate credit is offered to teachers.

The cost of the camp is \$235 and includes room and board if registration is received by June 10. The cost for day campers is \$140. For a detailed flyer, contact the Communications Department at 405/581-2359.

CU athletes shine ...

*... on the playing surface
and in the classroom*

BY JASON WEST

In today's sports market of "show me the money," big league signing bonuses and athletes leaving school early to become professionals, the term student-athlete has some how gotten lost in the mix.

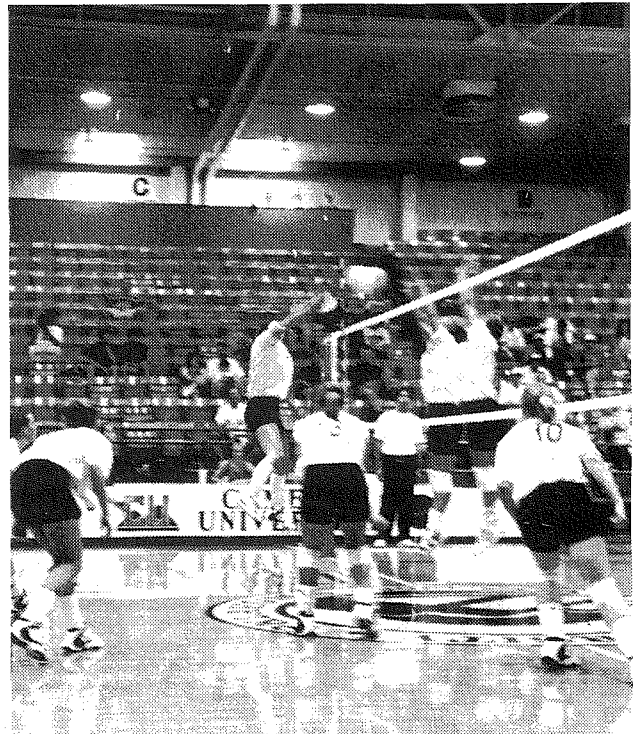
That's not the case at Cameron. Not only is there a tradition of winning on the field and court, there's also a tradition of winning in the classroom.

The department's overall grade point average at the end of the 1996 fall semester is 2.84, according to faculty representative Dr. Robert Ziegler.

The women's tennis team scored highest with a team grade point average of 3.50 with women's basketball a close second at 3.35. Women's volleyball also finished above 3.0 as a team with a cumulative 3.03 GPA.

Men's tennis is next with a 2.92 GPA, followed by men's golf at 2.77. Men's baseball has a 2.60 GPA, followed by 2.53 for men's basketball and women's softball at 2.52.

Eleven athletes finished last year with a 4.0 grade point average, while 54 athletes finished with at least a 3.0 GPA. More than half of Cameron athletes finished the fall term with a GPA of 3.0 or better, including four with a perfect 4.0.



The women's volleyball team met with success on the court, winning 25 of their 34 matches, and in the classroom, raising their team GPA by more than 30 points.

Cameron to offer accelerated MBA

Degree program features convenience, flexibility, condensed format

In an effort to make a graduate degree more accessible to Southwest Oklahomans, Cameron University will begin offering its Master of Business Administration degree on weekends this summer.

The program is designed to allow adults an opportunity to earn an MBA without adversely impacting any fulltime job they might hold.

Course work for the degree can be completed within one year of entry into the program, said Dr. David Carl, dean of Cameron's School of Graduate and Professional Studies.

Classes are offered one at a time and last four consecutive weekends, enabling students to focus their attention.

The degree program is very flexible. A student can begin the program with any course and complete degree requirements within a year by taking each class as it is offered consecutively by Cameron. Or, if they choose, they can lighten their course load and extend the completion date beyond one year.

The MBA program is coordinated by Dr. Jack Amyx, associate dean of the business department.

"Our goal is to have a more 'applied' program supported by offering all of our required courses in the program with

one or more case studies appropriate for that area of study," Amyx said.

Classes will be offered via OneNet (*see related Page 1 story*) from Howell Hall on the university's Lawton campus.

The program begins May 16-18 with a business ethics course taught by Dr. James Horner. Fort Sill staffers will have an opportunity to take an introductory finance course taught by Dr. T.K. Bhattacharya as part of the compressed MBA program.

In addition to Cameron's MBA program at its Lawton campus, the degree is available to residents living within driving distance of the Duncan Higher Education Center and the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma in Chickasha. Tentative plans call for future delivery of classes to East Central University in Ada and Western Oklahoma State College in Altus.

Persons seeking more information about Cameron's weekend MBA program are encouraged to contact the university's School of Graduate and Professional Studies at 2800 W. Gore Blvd., Lawton, OK 73505, or telephone 405/581-2986. They may also obtain information by contacting this e-mail address: jacka@cameron.edu.

ROTC honored; cadets receive assignments

Cameron University's Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) has a long tradition of excellence, and the current senior class has solidified that reputation.

The military science department was notified in February that it had qualified for the Cadet Command "All-Pro Team," based on the performance of Cameron's current senior cadets at Fort Lewis Advanced Camp. Their scores exceeded Army goals in leadership, tactics, marksmanship, land navigation and physical fitness.

The notification was followed by more good news from the ROTC Accession Board. All 19 seniors received their

first choice of duty assignment — with 17 selected for active duty and two selected for reserve duty. Fourteen of the 17 selected for active duty received their preferred choice of branch service. The remaining three received their second choice.

Seven of the cadets received assignments in the field artillery, four in medical service and two in the Quartermaster Corps. One cadet was assigned to each of the transportation, chemical, military police, military intelligence, aviation and Adjutant General branches.

Lt. Col. Tom Mayock, professor of military science at Cameron, was pleased with both announcements.

"These results clearly demonstrate that we have a first-class program at Cameron," Mayock said. "Our cadets are competitive with those from larger universities nationwide."

The ROTC program at Cameron is divided into two parts. A two-year basic course is open to all students without incurring any military obligation. It is followed by a two-year advanced course which finalizes a student's preparation for commissioning as an officer. All classes emphasize leadership development through a combination of classroom and outside activities.

The cadets will report to their assignments shortly after graduation in May.

International visit

Cameron First Lady Beverly Davis shakes hands with President Ernesto Zedillo of Mexico during a recent meeting at Los Pinos, Mexico City's presidential palace.

Shown with Mrs. Davis are Glenda Sullivan and Dr. B. Don Sullivan, Cameron's Vice President for Development, who along with President and Mrs. Don Davis took part in Leadership Oklahoma's Mission to Mexico.

The delegation met with U.S. Ambassador James Jones to discuss establishing joint programs with Mexican universities.



CU professor's book wins Texas historical award

Texas, New Mexico and the Compromise of 1850: Boundary Dispute and Sectional Crisis, a historical work by Dr. Mark Stegmaier, has been honored by the Texas State Historical Association as the best book on Texas history published in 1996, earning the Coral Horton Tullis Memorial Prize.

Smith tapped for forensics honor

Dr. Richard Smith, Cameron University's director of forensics and an assistant professor in its communications department, is the 1996 D.J. Nabors Forensics Coach of the Year.

The award was conferred by the Oklahoma Speech Theatre and Communication Association during its annual convention. It is named for the former coach of the East Central University forensics team, a longtime fixture in Oklahoma speech competition.

Smith holds a bachelors degree from Cameron and his juris doctorate from Oklahoma City University. He has been a member of the Cameron faculty since 1994.

Stegmaier, a member of Cameron's history and humanities department, accepted the prize during the Texas historical group's three-day meeting in Austin.

Texas, New Mexico and the Compromise of 1850 places new emphasis on Congress' attempt to set boundary lines in the years after Texas became a state. The book is an indispensable work for those who study American history of the mid-1800s and the events leading up to the Civil War.

Historians have long held that the establishment of the Texas-New Mexico border was the least important of the provisions of the Compromise of 1850. Stegmaier's research, however, points out that the issue may have been most important because of its role in delaying the start of the Civil War.

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President's Partners honored at annual gala

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away" society. Others, such as massive exploitation of the sea as a resource have yet to come to pass.

Young predicted that the use of microchip technology — already pervasive — will become even more commonplace. Medical science will continue to increase life spans and the mapping of genetic characteristics will make it easier to cure disease.

Although the rapid population increase will slow, she predicted the world must be able to support 8.4 billion people within the next 30 years. To cope, Young predicts agriculture will become a high-tech industry, using synthetic soils and scientific breeding techniques.

The use of genetic research may even make it possible to bring back extinct life, Young said.

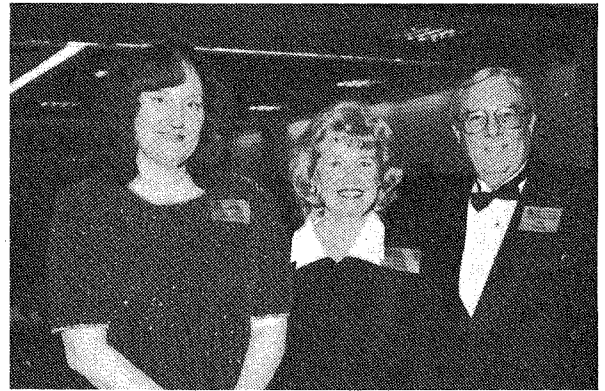
Cameron president Dr. Don Davis used the banquet to introduce the newest members of the President's Partners. These consist of Barbara Braught, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest F. Godlove, Linda Grantham, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson,

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson, Dr. F.J. Lashley and Dr. Jane Morse-Lashley, Mr. and Mrs. M.J. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Michael C. Mayhall, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Norman, Dr. and Mrs. David O'Keeffe, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Patton, Mrs. Randall Sadler, Randy Spoon, Mr. and Mrs. John Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. Harv Tomlinson and Calvin Craig Williams.

With these latest members, the university support organization — organized in 1989 — now consists of 186 Partners. Their names appear on a special plaque on display in Cameron's administration building.

Past contributions by the President's Partners have allowed Cameron to establish a faculty development endowment, enhance its honors program, make improvements to its child development center and help equip the new Sciences Complex.

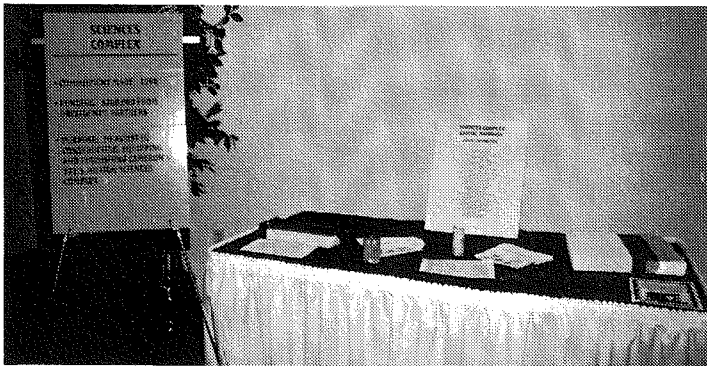
Individuals interested in joining the President's Partners may contact Dr. Don Sullivan, Cameron's Vice President for Development, at 405/581-2999.



Keynote speaker Mary Young (far left) is pictured with Darlene and Kenneth Kleypas. Ken is currently president of the Cameron University Foundation.



Dr. Don Davis and his wife, Beverly (left), greet Shirley Sage, one of the guests at the 1997 President's Partners gala.



Tabletop exhibits at the gala, such as the one pictured above, give the Cameron University Foundation an opportunity to publicize the important projects benefitting from President's Partners donations, including the newly completed Sciences Complex.

Dixieland music (right) was supplied by this six-man band, from the left, David Anderson, Carl Reno, John Moots, Glen Gillis, Tim Crawley and (on drums in rear) Jim Lambert.



History of Cameron, Part VI

The Howell years: Life after WWII

(Editor's Note: This is the sixth installment in *Cameron Today's* history of the university, from its inception until today.)

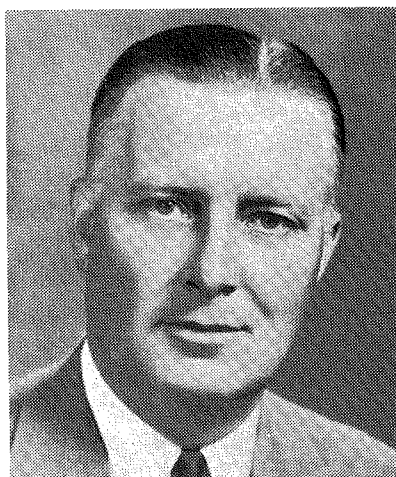
BY SALLY SOELLE

C. Vernon Howell became president of Cameron State Agricultural College in 1946* and, like predecessor Charles Conwill, oversaw a long period of growth and maturation on the Lawton campus.

Howell, a native of Guymon, was reared in a farming family, earned his bachelors degree in agriculture at Oklahoma A&M College, and became a Texas panhandle farmer. He served as a member of the 15th Oklahoma Legislature, as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and worked in private industry.

During the New Deal period, Howell served as state project director for the National Youth Administration, as agricultural coordinator with the State Board of Agriculture, and as district supervisor of the Farm Security Administration, in charge of 19 Southwest Oklahoma counties.

Howell was just 34 when he accepted the role of president at Cameron, and over the next decade was largely responsible for many physical improvements to the campus, for the establishment of Cameron's ROTC unit, and for the promotion of Cameron as the best



*C. Vernon Howell
Cameron President, 1946-57*

junior college in the state.

Although enrollment dropped during the war years, Cameron fared better than many other state schools, and administrators were eager to address the educational needs of returning veterans, many of whom expressed a desire for vocational training.

The campus became the beneficiary of equipment that companies in Oklahoma and Colorado donated to the school for such training. The Douglas plant in Oklahoma City provided machine tools, Denver ordnance shops gave equipment, and Tulsa businesses donated materials which made Cameron a well-equipped center of vocational education.

Cameron organized a veterans' organization to assist former soldiers as they made the transition to civilian life, arranged a program of Extension courses for Fort Sill soldiers, and began the construction of housing near old South Hall to accommodate student veterans and their families.

Through a special government program to aid veterans, the college requested the transfer of four surplus government buildings which the campus sorely needed for a gym, library, lab, science shop, and offices.

President Howell also facilitated programs which aided prospective farmers and prepared them for careers in agriculture. Cameron purchased additional land west of the campus for use as farmland, grassland, and live-stock grazing, in order to improve the agriculture department and its livestock herd.

The college overhauled its bus, in storage since 1942, and purchased a 1/4-ton pickup truck. A road construction project, a joint effort of the Cameron administration and city, county and state officials, improved 28th Street from Gore Boulevard to E Avenue. A program to repair existing buildings began.

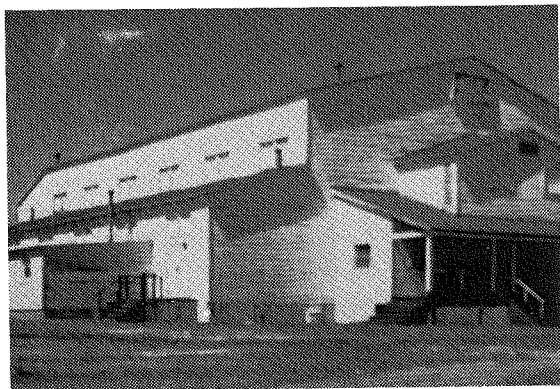
A new gymnasium to house basketball, boxing and intramural sports was critical among the building needs on campus during the 1940s. By 1946 Cameron has raised most of the funds needed to build such a facility, but the project was delayed to accommodate the construction of badly-needed classroom facilities. The campus sought and received a surplus airplane hangar from the Frederick Army Air Field to use as a temporary gymnasium.

In 1950, Cameron received funding for the construction of a new home economics and science building which housed classrooms and laboratories on the first floor, as well as classrooms, labs, a living room and offices on the second.

The science department had been housed in Aggie Hall, the original building on campus. The structure suffered from serious wiring problems by the 1940s, which administrators felt could no longer be addressed through palliative measures.

With the completion of the new science and home economics building, named for Conwill, who died in 1946, the historic Aggie Hall was razed.

While Cameron continued its con-



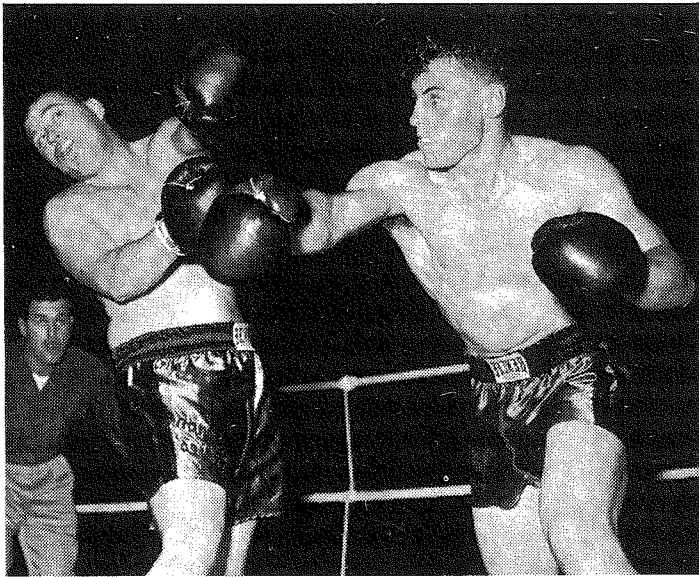
Cameron acquired a surplus hangar from the Frederick Army Air Field to use as a temporary gymnasium after World War II. It served indoor athletes until a new facility was built in 1955.

**Clarence Breedlove served briefly as Cameron president between Conwill and Howell.*

struction and renovation program, the Korean conflict erupted. Although a number of Cameron students joined the military and the college suffered a temporary enrollment decline, it was one of few colleges in the state with an increase by 1952.

Howell was among many who asserted that the country needed "college-trained persons" and that Cameron students should remain in school and take advantage of a deferment permitted for those in the upper 5% of their class. In late 1951, Cameron established its military science department, which was affiliated with Oklahoma A&M. It proved enormously popular and required elaborate organization to accommodate those interested.

The phenomenal growth which characterized Howell's



During the Howell administration, the Cameron boxing squad brought home the open division title of the Golden Gloves Southwest District Tournament.

administration continued in the decade of the 1950s.

The planned auditorium housed the music and speech departments formerly located in Aggie Hall. The facility, which could seat several hundred, was completed in 1953 and sported turquoise front curtains, concert curtains, and a movie screen. It boasted a modern projection booth with a panel controlling stage and auditorium lights. The stage was one of the largest in the Southwest. The facility was equipped with dressing rooms, music practice rooms, offices and classrooms.

That same year, State Sen. Bill Logan of Lawton requested funding for the long-sought physical education facility. In 1953, indoor events were still housed in the temporary building acquired earlier from the Frederick airfield.

In November 1955, regents finally approved a new field house to accommodate a basketball court, offices, dressing rooms, a boxing workout area, classrooms and seating for 1,800. The old gymnasium was turned over to the agriculture department when the new facility was completed.

During Howell's tenure, the campus also added a 15-bed infirmary (located south of Jed Johnson Hall), eight farm

buildings, and a library wing which was an extension of the administration building.*

To accommodate new construction, many familiar landmarks were razed. In addition to the original administration building (later called Aggie Hall), historic Whitehurst Hall (the first dormitory), King Hall, and the old gymnasium came down. A

Howell ... was largely responsible for ... the promotion of Cameron as the best junior college in the state.

major landscaping project added a lawn in front of the administration building and library.

Extracurricular activities grew in number and scope during the 1950s. Cameron published its yearbook again in the post-war years. The Cameron Players organized to promote theatre activities and became affiliated with the drama fraternity. A hobby club formed to foster interest in "a more worthy use of leisure time" and to stimulate interest in home economics. A French Club, President's Club, Pre-Med Club and Rodeo Club were active.

The *Cameron Collegian* received numerous honors from the Oklahoma Collegiate Press Association, including awards for sports and editorial writing. Cameron hosted the Southwest Oklahoma FFA Annual Aggie Field Day for the sixth time. Athletic teams were active, despite the need for new facilities. The boxing team brought home the Open Division trophy in the Golden Gloves Southwest District Tournament.

By 1956, Cameron's enrollment was 1,600 — an all-time high. Physical growth had exceeded the million-dollar mark, and instructional building space had more than doubled. Cameron had a well-deserved reputation as an outstanding agricultural school.

Howell resigned unexpectedly in 1957, accepting a position at City National Bank. He passed the mantle to Clarence Davis, who saw Cameron through its early modern years.

**Today, education department offices are housed in this area.*



These Cameron students make a 1950s fashion statement.

Cameron alums: What are they doing now?

Alumni who received more than one Cameron degree are listed by year of most recent degree. Those who attended, but did not graduate, are listed under the year they would have graduated; or in some cases, the last year they attended Cameron.

1917: Sanford Brandon, Lawton, celebrated his 100th birthday Sept. 5, 1996. During his career, he served in the air corps during World War I, sold insurance, owned a dry cleaners and dairy operation, and worked as a civil servant at Fort Sill before retiring in 1960. He still lives at a location owned by his family since 1902. Until recent years he was mowing his own lawn. He has fond memories of attending Cameron when it was a high school and played on the first football team. He played basketball, baseball and was in the band and boys' quartet.

1933: Carl T. Campbell, Duncan, is retired.

1938: Irena Charity Ledford Hansen, Lawton, retired after teaching 36 years.

1941: Glen R. Hastings lives near Lawton. He and his wife, Winifred, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in November. Hastings received Cameron's Distinguished Alumni Award in 1990. He served as an aviation cadet and administrative NCO in the Army Air Force during World War II, and retired in 1982 as a colonel. He received his doctorate in education and accumulated 38 years of service in public and higher education before retiring.

1950: Donald E. "Smokey" Torbert, Lawton, and his wife, Mary Ann, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in November. A self-employed pharmacist at Smokey's Prescription Store, he has developed residential areas and volunteers to support and coach youth sports.

1958: Jerry L. Brammer, New York, N.Y., is self-employed as an attorney.

1960: Loyd Benson, Frederick,

became the speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives in January. He has served seven terms as a state representative. A partner in the law firm of McBee and Benson in Frederick, he has farmed and ranched in Southwest Oklahoma for the past 25 years. Benson has been honored by Cameron with its Distinguished Service and Alumni awards.

1967: Juanita Pahdopony, Lawton, has a busy career as mother, artist and educator. She directs the Carl Perkins Vocational Training Program administered by the Comanche Tribe. A special exhibit of her mixed media art is on display at the Southern Plains Indian Museum and Crafts Center until March 26.

1968: Tim Richardson, Edmond, has pastored Waterloo Road Baptist Church since 1980. He previously served various churches as youth minister for 12 years.

1971: Frank Rainer Gilchrist, Baton Rouge, La., served in the military after graduation and is now surplus material coordinator for Exxon Co., USA.

1973: Charles R. Coker, Duncan, is retired. He is secretary of the Duncan Masonic Lodge No. 60.

1974: Curtis D. Johnson Sr., Memphis, Tenn., is employed by the U.S. Postal Service.

1976: Mike L. Bunning, Honolulu, Hawaii, is an Air Force major and a public health officer with the Pacific Air Forces at Hickam Air Force Base. He received a doctor of veterinary medicine degree after graduating from Cameron. He recently received a master of public health degree from Harvard University School of Public Health.

1977: Billy Cooper is a brigadier general in the Army. In November, he was the chief of the Fire Support Division, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff Operations-Force Development at the Pentagon, and was awaiting orders to his next duty station.

1979: Rusty Allard is president of Guarantee State Bank in Mangum and has been appointed to the Oklahoma Bankers Association's agriculture committee. Previously, he was vice president of Farm Credit Services and assistant vice president of Great Plains PCA. **Jerry J. Bradford**, Abilene, Texas, has retired from the Army Reserves as a colonel after 30 years. He is employed by PCI in investor relations. **Col. Mark Griffard**, McAlester, commands the McAlester Army Ammunition Plant. **Gregg MaGuire**, Palm Desert, Calif., is a retirement plan specialist for VALIC.

1980: Maj. Stephen P. Perkins, Springfield, Va., is a team chief in terrorism with the Warning Division, Defense Intelligence Agency.

1983: David McNeil, El Paso, Texas, is manager of S.W. Kings. **Randy LeRoy Muirhead**, Lawton, is a salesman with American General Insurance. **Gary L. Rainey Jr.**, Lawton, is assistant vice president of Security Bank and Trust in Lawton. He serves on the CUA board of directors.

1984: Dr. Bryan L. Dalton has joined the Family Medicine Associates of Broken Arrow, practicing family medicine and minor emergency care. He is board-certified by the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians.

1985: Coby Carden coordinates Western Oklahoma State College's criminal justice program. He previously directed the Victoria (Texas) College Police Academy. **Barbara K. MacInnis**, Lawton, is a library assistant with the Lawton Public Schools. **Lucinda Marie Ouma**, Amarillo, Texas, is a registered nurse at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital. **Alan Perry**, Chickasha, is an elementary principal in Rush Springs. He has taught in Chickasha and Altus. **Leslie Deanne Snipes**, Houston, is an attorney. She recently closed her law practice due to injuries from an automobile accident. **Michael Edwin Webb** and Cameron student **Karen Cecilia Howard** were

Cameron alums

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married in August. Michael is employed at Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. They live in Lawton.

1986: Dana Lynn Kiser Pederson, Yukon, is a contracting officer for the Federal Aviation Administration. She married **Dolan Howard Pederson**, '87. **Michael Lafayette Smith**, Plano, Texas, is a sales representative for Achieve Healthcare Information Systems. His wife, **Joanna Lucille Meek Smith**, is a former Cameron student.

1987: Walter D. Driskell, St. Louis, Mo., is a CPA and tax accountant for Grace and Company P.C. **Richard L. Heston Jr.** is a surface sonar technician with the Navy on the *USS Oldendorf*. **Francis Paul Jette**, Lawton, is working toward a masters in behavioral science degree at Cameron. His wife, **Letisia Fitzgerald Jette** is a 1986 graduate. **Judy L. Leonhart**, Plano, Texas, is an accountant for Weaver and Tidwell L.L.P. in Dallas. **Arthur J. Madden**, Wichita Falls, Texas, is in private practice as a licensed professional counselor. **Bobbie Matchette**, Lawton, is executive director of Arts for All Inc. **Dolan Howard Pederson**, Yukon, is assistant vice president of operations at Associates Financial Services. He is married to **Dana Lynn Kiser Pederson**, '86. **Ablene R. Pendergrass**, Lawton, is a library assistant at Eisenhower High School. **Juan M. Rosales**, Little Rock, Ark., is a supervisory equipment specialist at Camp Robinson, Ark. **Bruse Scott**, Lawton, is owner of the new Bruse Gallery of Contemporary and Fine Arts in Lawton.

1988: Randall Chewning, Mt. Sterling, Ky., is a store manager for Kroger. **Suzanne L. Coons**, Oklahoma City, formerly operations manager for Servicemaster, will become operations manager at St. Anthony North Hospital in Denver. **David Fritz**, Cache, is employed at Fort Sill as a soil conservationist. He is a CUAAs director. **Pedester Halley**, Rockledge, Fla., is a Department of Defense curriculum specialist. **Thomas S. Hallock**, Cedar Hill, Texas, is a senior

engineer for Lockheed Martin Tactical Aircraft Systems in Fort Worth. **Sean Hutchinson**, Chicago, Ill., is executive vice president of Healthcare Strategy Institute. **Deborah Lewis**, Durant, is a financial services specialist for Rural Enterprises of Oklahoma, Inc. **Gabriele Lingenfelter** is teaching in Germany for the University of Maryland. **Deborah A. Weaver**, Lawton, is a social worker with the Department of Human Services.

1989: Judith A. Bohan, a housewife and mother from Fort Wayne, Ind., is working toward a masters degree in psychology. **Michael Heine** is lead programmer/analyst for MBNA Hallmark Information Services in North Dallas, Texas. **Ricky B. Jones**, Eddy, Texas, is a technical writer for Central Texas Airborne Systems. **David E. Love**, Maumelle, Ark., is vice president of LSI Financial Group. His wife, **Kimberlie A. Cannon Love**, attended Cameron. **Terry Lynn Chapman Maloyed**, Altus, is a housewife and tutor, volunteering with the Great Plains Literacy Council. **Carolyn B. McCarthy**, Madison, Tenn., is a self-employed hypnotherapist and writer. **Aaron S. Rubin**, Oklahoma City, is a campaign manager, fund raiser and researcher. He is vice president of Don Hoover and Associates. Army **Cpt. Frank Socha**, Lawton, married Patricia Neal in June.

1990: Deborah Bryant coaches senior high girls' basketball and assists with other athletics in Mooreland. **Chlorica Farmer**, Lawton, is a real estate broker with Remax. **Michael H. Githens**, Oklahoma City, is a lawyer and legislative representative for Farmers Insurance Group. **Barbara D. Lindsey**, Lawton, is a system engineer and task leader for Telos. Lawton firefighter **Michael Allen McDaniel** married Cameron student **Leeza Daniele Heffington** in April. **Robert Ludwig Ryans**, Lawton, is president of Christina Moving and Storage Company. **John Simon** returned to Cameron last fall to perform with the CU percussion ensemble. He conducted clinics and workshops with student musicians. He says, "It's not how you

play, but it's who you know that knows how you play." **Karl J. Vahle**, Edmond, is a manager for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. **Samantha Wartley**, Lawton, is Cameron's assistant to the president for equity issues. **Jimmy Alfred Wiersema**, Apache, is an HVAC contractor, adult education vocational/technical instructor, and owns W&W Mechanical, Inc. He was named 1995 Apache High School Booster of the Year. **Brenda Wilson**, Duncan, is secretary for Sooner Trucking. **Guy Robert Wood**, Oklahoma City, is deputy chief of staff and special counselor to Gov. Frank Keating.

1991: Dr. George "Trace" Bridges, Lawton, has opened a dental practice with his brother, former Cameron student **Dr. Todd Bridges**. His wife, **Karen Thompson Bridges**, is a former Cameron student. She has a bachelors in dental hygiene. **Joel V. Garrett**, a Marine warrant officer, has graduated from the Basic Warrant Officer School at the Marine Corps Combat Development Command. **Ron L. Hammond**, Lawton, is a certified insurance counselor for J.T. Neal Insurance Agency Inc. **Mark Potter** is general reporter for the Vernon (Texas) Daily Record. **Donald D. Smith**, Holloman Air Force Base, N. M., is human resources manager for LODGE and is working toward a masters degree in human resources management. **Cpt. Tommie Walker** is serving as commander of Service Battery, 2nd Battalion, 5th Field Artillery at Fort Sill. He was the guest speaker for the annual Patriotic Assembly program presented by 1996 Boys State and Girls State delegates in Hollis. **Marilyn K. Williams** is an elementary school teacher in Moore. **Kyle Worthington**, Cordell, has been hired as 4-H agent for the Washita County Extension office. He was previously Greer County's 4-H agent.

1992: Pedro M. Bayona, Lawton, is a supervisor at the county Juvenile Detention Center. **Jennifer McCraw Black**, Forest, Va., is a writer. Her poem, "Cry to My Distant Kin," has been published in the anthology, *Daybreak on the Land*, under the pseudonym Jessica Leigh Black. **Ronita Bridges**, Fletcher, is a Cameron

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accountant. **Karen Ann Cunningham**, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., teaches fourth grade. **Roger Clark Forté**, Lawton, is a customer service engineering representative for Public Service Company of Oklahoma. **Steven G. and Sara Wood Johnson** live in Oklahoma City. Steven is an Oklahoma City police officer and Sara teaches English at Bridge Creek High School. **Paul Erick Korhonen**, Lawton, is director of human relations for EZ Go Foods. He is a CUA director. **Bonnie Smith Lawler** lives near Comanche and became 4-H agent for Comanche County in January. **David Allen Nelson**, Alva, is an instructor of mass communication and director of CEA-TV Channel 7 at Northwestern Oklahoma State University. **Kirsten Lee Moos Pettus**, Lakenheath, England, married Evan Pettus in December. **Dena Kay Dickson Roush**, Chesterfield, Va., is a staff accountant for Marcellus, Wright, Cox and Smith Architects and a consultant for The Workshops of Gerald E. Henn. She was married last April. Retired 1st Sgt. **Jerry L. Williamson**, Lake Jackson, Texas, is a U.S. Postal carrier. **Susan Elizabeth Wisener**, Fletcher, passed her bar exam in July and works for Ashton, Ashton, Wisener and Munkacsy in Lawton.

1993: Theresa Ann Albertson, Lawton, is station agent for Atlantic Southeast Airlines. **Kevin K. Alexander**, Dallas, Texas, is a software engineer for Optical Data Systems Inc. **Lt. Donoval M. Avery**, Killeen, Texas, has been serving in Kuwait for Operation Intrinsic Action with the 1st Cavalry Division. He will attend the Field Artillery Officers Advanced Course at Fort Sill in April. **Sharon Lynn Buzzanca**, Bossier City, La., is a certified public accountant with Arnold Castellano and Associates Inc. **James R. Cook**, Tulsa, is a senior telecommunications engineer for Central and Southwest Services. **Pamela Quashnock Francis**, Wichita Falls, Texas, is a chemistry teacher in Burkburnett, Texas and been honored as Chemistry Teacher of the Year by the Lawton-Duncan-Wichita Falls section of the American Chemical Society. Her husband, **Brian Francis**, is a '92 gradu-

ate. **Cpt. Kevin L. Harris**, El Paso, Texas, is a commander of HHB 3-43 ADA at Ft. Bliss, Texas. **Rita C. Ratliff Love**, is executive director of the Lawton Housing Authority. **Frederick D. Luther** has been promoted to chief warrant officer in the Marine Corps and is assigned to the 3rd Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 1st Marine Division at Twentynine Palms, Calif. **Sammie G. Powell**, Lawton, is a retired command sergeant major. **Penn Vernon Rabb III**, Albuquerque, N.M., is special assets assistant at Sunwest Bank. **Jan Thomas**, Lawton, teaches fifth grade at Westwood Elementary and is working toward a masters in elementary education. **Candace Varner**, Framingham, Mass., is a claims examiner and analyst for Sun Life of Canada.

1994: Industrialist and farmer Thomas Ray Benke, Lawton, married Cameron student **Amanda Beth Huckleberry** in August. **Danny E. Blackwell**, Comanche, is working toward his masters degree. **Merrill Bonwell**, Lawton, teaches at Sterling. **Catherine Jenny Caccioppoli**, Lawton, is chief financial officer at the Jim Taliaferro Community Mental Health Center. **Reginald Thornton Clay**, Lawton, is a telemarketing sales representative for ITI Marketing Services. **Rolanda M. Hickman Cole**, Lawton, is a Department of Human Services child welfare specialist. **Melissa Beth Cothren**, Denton, Texas, is working toward a masters in speech-language pathology. **Dessialis Cruz**, Ft. Worth, Texas, is an instructional associate in chemistry at Tarrant County Junior College. **Brian DeLozier**, Frederick, graduated from the Dallas Institute of Funeral Services and is a licensed funeral director and embalmer for Gish Funeral Homes in Frederick and Tipton. **Timothy Alan Flaig**, Oklahoma City, is head of the clinic support department of the City/County Health Department of Oklahoma County. **Jerry Dean Grizzle**, Lawton, teaches seventh and eighth grade science at the Phoenix Learning Center of the Lawton Public Schools. **Milton Victor Paddlety**, Anadarko, recently displayed his Native American photographs at the Anadarko Community Library. **Kimberly R. Reed**,

Hobart, teaches first grade at Frances Willard Elementary. She previously taught four-year-olds at Medford School. **Leonard R. Robertson**, Lawton, is a technology engineer at Goodyear Tire and Rubber. **Patricia Lea Routon**, Lawton, is an Indianoma Title I teacher and counselor. **Janet Kay Ruiz**, Anaheim Hills, Calif., is a technical writer for State of the Art Accounting Software in Irvine, Calif. **Sgt. 1st Class Garry Jay Swedlund**, Lawton, plans to retire from the Army in June after 22 years. He is operations sergeant for the Officers Advanced Course. **Barbara Jean Kinder Taylor**, Lawton, is a chemist at Cosmetic Specialty Lab. She married Alan Taylor in August. **Noelle Leigh Bellofatto Terry**, Lawton, married Darin Terry in July. She is employed at AmQuest Bank. **Carmen A. Thompson**, Frankfort, Ky., is a teacher for the Franklin County Schools. She previously taught at Almor West Elementary in Lawton. **Mendolyn Suzanne Warner**, Dallas, Texas, is a key accounts associate with the Kennedy Group. **Larry Bruce Young**, Cache, is a tutor and mentor.

1995: Gale Bradford, Fayetteville, N.C., is a special education teacher. **Sandra Sewell Brierton**, Lawton, is a teacher and academic coach for Elgin Middle School. **Maj. Michel Lincoln Harris**, Germany, is an Army engineer. **Roy M. Helmka**, Lawton, is a CPA and internal bank auditor for J. R. Montgomery Bancorp. **Gina Marie Purvis Hulen**, Lawton, married Brent Hulen in October. She is a military sales representative for C&C Distributors and is an independent commissary broker. **Ronald Eugene Hunt**, Lawton, is working toward a masters in American history. **Sherron Denise Jones** is a Tulsa police officer. **Tony Lambert**, Altus, is a math and science teacher at Southwest Technology Center. **Jaylene B. Lander**, Lawton, is executive director of Northgate Mental Health Services. She is a candidate for acceptance as a criminal justice specialist and a master addiction counselor with the National Association of Forensic Counselors. **Heidi Anna Fyock Maier and Sgt. 1st Class Donald E. Maier** live in

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England where she teaches first grade at Alconbury Elementary School in Huntingdon. Donald is stationed at RAF Alconbury/RAF Molesworth as NCOIC of the Iraqi Intelligence Group. **Wade McCarty Jr.**, Lawton, is a teacher with Vision Quest. **Carrie Leann Priest**, Lawton, is a claims representative for State Farm Insurance. **Robert Stevens**, Bynum, Texas, is employed by Bynum Independent Schools and is a history department chairman. **Veronica R. Sexton**, Lawton, is a Cameron software engineer. **Cassandra Dawn Sutton Sutphin**, Lawton, is an elementary teacher at Flower Mound School. The Buckle manager **Amanda Kay Wyatt Teague**, Lawton, married Jeffrey Wayne Teague in September. **Adrian Michael Wiggins and Heather Nichole Doolin**, Lawton, married in December. Both are employed by the Lawton Public Schools. **Paul Alan Wood**, Sherman, Texas, married **Myca Campbell** in October. He manages the McKinney, Texas, Wal-mart Tire Lube Express.

1996: Tony Arroyo, Lawton, is physical director of the Lawton YMCA and handles such sports programs as adult and children's physical fitness, aquatics and aerobics. **Carlos R. Bonilla** is an Army fire control NCO in Germany. **Shirley Anita Catlin**, Lawton, is a software test specialist at Telos. **Gloria Adriana Cepeda**, Lawton, works with Fort Sill's Drivers Academy NCOIC, 15th Transportation Company. **Clarissa Charlene Donnell**, Abilene, Texas, is a graduate assistant at Abilene Christian University. **Susan Mary Furtado**, Lawton, is a preschool teacher at Children Today. **Christopher Thomas Gentry**, Duncan, married Michele Hurst in July. He is a programmer for Goodyear Tire and Rubber. **Clara June Grady**, Duncan, is a legal secretary for Douglas F. Dufort. **Heather Dutcher Halloran and 2nd Lt. Joseph Edward Halloran IV**, Germany, wed in October. **Brenda J. Harris**, Marlow, is an administrative secretary for Halliburton in Duncan. **Kay Haraughty**,

is working toward a masters in behavioral science at Cameron. **Christina Leanne Henry**, Lawton, works in child welfare with the Department of Human Services. **David Chad Hance**, Checotah, married Elizabeth Suzanne Chinnow in August. He is assistant coach and biology teacher for Checotah Public Schools. **Jacqueline Cornelia Jackson**, Dallas, Texas, is an administrative assistant for Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems. **Charles Eugene Lawrence**, Lawton, is an Army gunner. **Sarah E. Major**, Friendswood, Texas, is a payroll/accounts receivable and payable clerk for Clayco Industries. **Jillaine Ellis McGough**, Lawton, is a medical technologist at Duncan Regional Hospital. **Casey A. Rains**, Duncan, works in the trust department at AmQuest Bank. **Glenda Kay Robertson**, Marlow, is an auditor for J. R. Montgomery Bancorp in Lawton. **Denise J. Rooney**, Lawton, is employed by Lawton Public Schools. **Cheryl Shepherd**, Hephzibah, Ga., is an RN at Fort Gordon Hospital.

Annual campaign sets goal of funding lectureship

Cameron's 1997 Reasonable Request Campaign seeks to establish an endowed lectureship at the university, according to Dr. B. Don Sullivan, Vice President for Development.

Funds raised for the lectureship will be matched dollar-for-dollar by the McCasland Foundation of Duncan.

That total will then be matched dol'ar-

for-dollar by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, meaning a successful campaign raising \$12,500 from local donors can provide \$50,000 to endow a lectureship.

Past reasonable request campaigns have been very successful, providing scholarships and new equipment for students, and helping to complete the

university's new Sciences Complex.

The names of those who contribute \$100 or more to this year's campaign will be placed on Cameron's Endowed Positions Display Board.

To participate, complete the coupon below and mail to the *Vice President for Development, Cameron University, 2800 W. Gore Blvd., Lawton, OK 73505.*

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was carried by the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority, 18 fourth graders from Pat Henry Elementary in Lawton and students at 16 other universities and public schools were able to do more than just watch it on television — they also spoke directly to Lucid.

A classroom at Howell Hall equipped with two-way audio and video links allowed the astronaut and students to see each other as the children delivered a brief welcome address from the Cameron campus.

OneNet is an improved version of the concept of "talkback TV" through which college courses can be broadcast to remote locations, but is not technologically advanced enough to provide visual feedback from students.

During the teleconference, young people in Edmond, Cushing, Stillwater, Norman and other sites performed skits honoring Lucid and asked detailed questions concerning her recent record-breaking space flight.

Lucid, who grew up in Bethany, completed 188 days in space last year — more time than any other American astronaut to date. Most of it was spent aboard the Russian space station Mir.

Her accomplishments in space earned her induction into the Oklahoma Women's Hall of Fame and the proclamation of "Shannon Lucid Week" in late February by Gov. Frank Keating.

Lucid is the latest in a long line of Oklahomans to play important roles in space exploration, dating back to

Gordon Cooper's days as a Mercury astronaut when America's manned space program was in its infancy. Oklahoma has produced more astronauts than any other state.

It is estimated that two-thirds of the state's population will eventually have access to OneNet through local user sites. When fully operational, the system will provide an efficient and effective means of delivering educational and governmental services to Oklahomans.

Cameron, through its Division of Educational Outreach, already utilizes this technology to deliver weekend and evening courses to the Duncan Higher Education Center and Western Oklahoma State College at Altus.



Dr. James Lambert

Society honors Lambert

Cameron music professor James Lambert received the Distinguished Service Award from the Percussive Arts Society during its international convention in Nashville, Tenn., in November.

Dr. Lambert's award was based on years of outstanding service to the Percussive Arts Society Museum, located in Lawton, his involvement in percussion clinics and conventions, and for his work as editor of *Percussive Notes*, the society's bulletin.

Lambert also served for eight years as a board member of the organization, said executive director Randall Eyles.

The Cameron professor presented a clinic on keyboard fundamentals during the convention.

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