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Bearers of the 'mortar of the nation'

Cameron commencement graduates 880

"Values are the mortar of the nation and the teachers of our values are the true builders and architects."

The importance of values to an American society and the need to teach values to each succeeding generation was brought home during Cameron University's commencement address, delivered by Major General Randall L. Rigby, to 880 graduates on May 11.

Following a commencement concert by the Cameron University Band, directed by Dr. Warren Olfert, students gathered on a windswept field at Cameron Stadium to receive their degrees.

Everyone is a teacher of values, whether they be a member of the faculty of Cameron, a parent, or one of the graduates about to receive their degree, Rigby said.

"Our graduates will go on to become teachers in one walk of life or another, because the school, the workplace, the arts and sciences are all venues through which leaders teach and mentor Americans," said Rigby, who currently serves as commander of Fort Sill.

"No soldier goes through a military career without having to -- at least once -- deal with the aftermath of a broken society," Rigby said. "There is no more pathetic, pitiful sight than to watch a nation lose its grip on humanity.



Maj. Gen. Randall Rigby

"The line between a free and peaceful society and the shadowland of tragic states like Somalia, Northern Ireland, Lebanon, Bosnia and Liberia is fearfully thin."

"There is a pattern to these calamities. What these tragic societies have in common is that they lost their central core values -- the values that bound them together. Nothing is more important to a society than the values that tie its peoples," he said.

Five fundamental values make Americans distinctive, he noted, these being a common language, tolerance of differences, a love of peace, a spirit of selfless service and a sense of common history.

He challenged graduates to use their talents to perpetuate these values and renew the commitment that makes America a great nation.

Rigby is a 1966 graduate of Cameron College and is married to the former Carol Ann Young, also a Cameron graduate.

After receiving his bachelor's degree from Oklahoma State University in 1968, Rigby went on to receive his master's degree from the University of Oklahoma and an MBA from Long Island University.

In September 1995, Rigby was honored by Cameron with its Distinguished Service Award, the highest honor presented by the university.



Nearly 900 Cameron graduates and faculty braved blustery conditions May 11 to receive their diplomas at the university stadium.

Students tour NASA

Cameron students were able to receive on-site instruction at NASA facilities in Houston during a three-day spring workshop, Pedagogy for Space Curriculum. The workshop, led by CU education professor, Dr. William James, included tours of the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center and the Boeing Research Center. The course focused on space curriculum in the classroom setting.

During the tour of the Boeing Research Center, 12 students observed ongoing research on ways to improve astronauts' space suits. They also watched the processing of food supplies including microwavable food, hydrated fruit and fresh vegetables to be used in space flights. Another stop on the tour was the Weightless Environment Training Facility. Full scale mock-ups can be built there so astronauts can train in an environment of the weightless conditions they can expect to encounter in space.

The students viewed a display of moon rocks and received a VIP tour at the Johnson Space Center.

"Research is being conducted on the chemical composition of the moon rocks," James said. They've crushed some of the moon rocks, planted seeds in them, grown healthy plants and

proven that moon soil will support life." NASA researchers have discovered that oxygen can be produced from the composition of moon rocks and machines can be used to create oxygen on the moon, according to James.

Since astronauts were not training in the mock-up of the space shuttle, the group was able to go inside.

The highlight of the trip was a tour of Mission Control, an area not usually open to the public, conducted by J. Milton Heflin, projects office deputy manager at the Johnson Space Center. The group had the opportunity to observe problem solving simulations for the current mission.

Heflin, a native of Oklahoma, oversees the op-

erations of the space shuttle *Orbiter*, Russian, and extra-vehicular activity and crew equipment projects at the center. He has been flight director for 20 space shuttle flights, including the Hubble space telescope's first servicing mission and missions deploying probes from the space shuttle to Venus, Jupiter and the sun.

James is a member of the board of directors for the Oklahoma Air and Space Museum as recipient of the Page Endowed Chair at Cameron. As a result of his position, he has developed contacts which made the on-site workshop possible. In July, James will accompany a group of 12 to 16-year-old students to the Houston Space Center during one of four space camps to be held

on the Cameron campus.

The summer space camps, scheduled during June and July, offer activities to teach students about the processes involved in space exploration. James will direct students to develop an unmanned spacecraft deciding how a vehicle would be powered, devise a means of transmitting data, select sensory equipment and determine the cost of construction and launch.

Two NASA workshops will be held on the Cameron campus during December and January. One of the workshops will target undergraduate elementary education majors and the other is designed for the master's program.



The tour of Mission Control was conducted by J. Milton Heflin, deputy manager for the Johnson Space Center's projects office. Heflin is second from left on the back row.

History comes alive for students of Renaissance

Students enrolled in the spring semester interdisciplinary class, "The English Renaissance in History and Literature," did not have to use their imaginations to envision the sights and sounds of England. Cameron professors Dr. Mary Shanahan and Dr. Charles Smith took their class to England for 14 days in May.

Classes began at Cameron in March in preparation for the trip. While on the trip, classes were held in the morning and the group was free for sightseeing in the afternoon and evening. The group of 28 began the trip with six days in London. Visits were made to such sites as the British Museum; The Tower of London; Hampton Court, the home of Henry VIII; and Stratford on Avon.

The next stop was two days in Shrewsbury, a walled Tudor town in western England. Next came Windemere in far Northwest England, the Lake Country of the romantic poets. From there, the group took side trips into Wales and Scotland. Next on the itinerary was the history-filled town of Lincoln. During all of the wanderings, British rail passes allowed students to visit such places as Oxford, Stonehenge and Canterbury.



Pausing in front of Dove Cottage in Grasmere, where the romantic poet William Wordsworth lived, are standing, from left, Casey Davis, Josh Davis, Dr. Charles Smith, Beverly Davis, Carolyn Kinslow, Danika Hines, Andy Watson, Paul Poole, Jaime Schrick, and CU's President Don Davis; seated from left, Cecil George Smith, Sherree Payne and Emily Cooper.

Artist presents workshop in "lost process"

Amarillo artist Ruth Ellen Bryant demonstrated and taught transparent oil glazing techniques during a June workshop on the Cameron campus. The participating artists worked on their own paintings and received individual advice from Bryant.

The workshop, which was limited to 20 enrollees, was open to advanced painting students, school art teachers and community artists. The session was sponsored by the art department at Cameron and was funded by a grant from the Leslie Powell Foundation.

Bryant, a nationally recognized artist, has been featured in numerous one-person shows and her work is included in many institutional collections. The transparent oil glazing technique is a renaissance technique which is usually not a part of the training artists receive and has become "somewhat of a lost process," according to Edna Williams, the CU assistant professor of art who wrote the grant proposal.

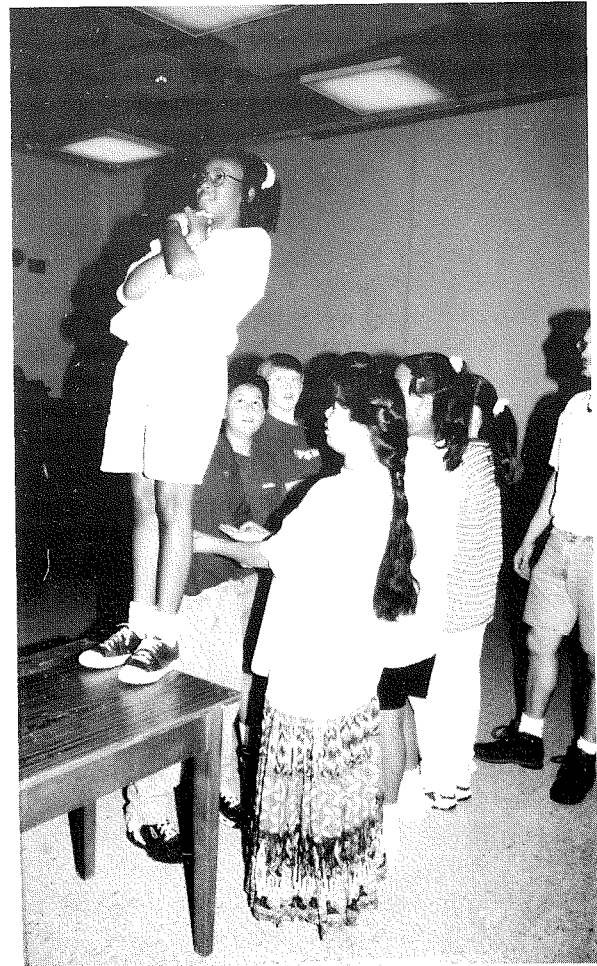


Ruth Ellen Bryant, right, discusses a workshop participant's painting with Edna Williams.

Day campers exposed to fine arts

Cameron's school of fine arts is conducting its sixth annual fine arts day camp during four sessions throughout June and July. The program is designed to tap into the joy of sensory expression through music, dance, computer graphics, and the dramatic and visual arts. Students who have completed kindergarten through eighth grades are eligible to attend. Additional information may be obtained by calling the School of Fine Arts at (405)581-2442.

In the photo at right, Katrina Scott is confident that her friends will catch her during a trust fall in the drama class. The goals of the drama session are to enhance communication and people skills while learning trust and imaginative cooperation in a fun atmosphere, according to teacher Jon Frazier. In the photo below, Will Harris operates a computer while Nathan Whiteman observes during a session in computer graphics.



Golfers finish third in national tournament

The Cameron golf team capped one of its most successful seasons ever, finishing third in the NCAA II National Championship Tournament, at Oak Tree Country Club in Edmond, Okla.

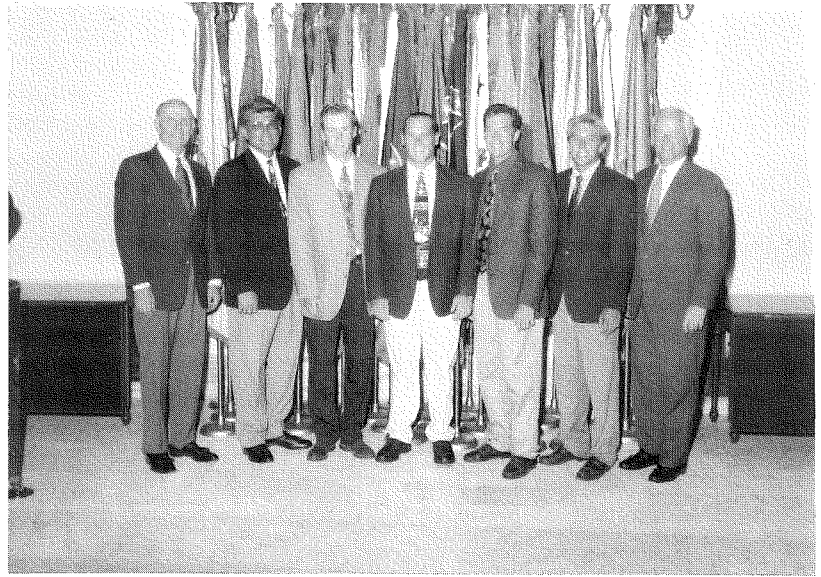
The third place finish was Cameron's highest since moving to NCAA II during the 1988-89 school year. Previous NCAA National Tournament finishes were fifth in 1990, eighth in 1994, and 14th in 1991.

Cameron's proud golf history began in 1977 with sixth place in the NAIA National Championship and hit its peak in 1983 when the Aggies won the NAIA title. Cameron participated in six consecutive NAIA National Tournaments from 1982 to 1987, never finishing below ninth place.

The Aggies did not win a tournament during the 1995-96 school year, but showed consistency throughout the season with eight top five finishes in 11 tournaments played. Cameron peaked at the end of the season finishing in the top five in its final five tournaments, including two second place finishes in the Bellarmine Intercollegiate and the Lost Creek Invitational.

Cameron entered the national tournament on the heels of a fifth place finish in the NCAA II West Regional held in Turlock, Calif. Freshman Jason Jeter led the Aggie attack with fourth place in the individual race, with Cory Stone not far behind in eighth place.

Cameron, who entered the national tournament ranked 12th in the country, ended the first day in a tie for third place with Rollins College of Florida, just five strokes behind the leaders.



Cameron University's golf team was honored at the State Capitol after finishing third in the NCAA Division II Golf Championships. Pictured are from left, State Sen. Jim Maddox, CU coach Jerry Hrnciar, Cory Stone, Jason Jeter, Chad Willis, Sam Vardeman and Gov. Frank Keating. Not pictured, Chris Neidhart and Jeffrey Van Horn.

The third day of competition dashed the hopes of Cameron's national championship chances as they shot their worst round of the tournament, falling nine strokes behind the leader and eventual champion Florida Southern, but still in third place. Junior Cory Stone kept his individual medalist hopes alive, shooting a third round 73 to move within four strokes of the leader, with only 18 holes to play.

The final day of competition saw the Aggies fire their best round of the tournament, finishing in third place as a team, only two strokes out of second place.

Cory Stone fired another 73 and finished in a tie for sixth place, only three strokes out of first. Senior Chris Neidhart improved his score each day, finishing in 12th place, freshman Jason Jeter and junior Jeffrey Van Horn finished in a tie for 31st, and freshman Sam Vardeman finished in a tie for 35th place.

Cameron will lose only one player from this season's squad and with the help of some quality recruiting should be back in the national title race again next year.

Successes for the golf program were not limited to the course this season, though. Senior Chad Willis was named to the GTE/CoSida Academic All-District VI team and the Golf Coaches Association Academic All American team. Willis has a 3.57 grade point average majoring in pre-med biology and chemistry. Freshman Jason Jeter finished runner-up in the national voting for the Golf Coaches Association Freshman-of-the-Year award.

Cameron makes transition to junior college status

by Sally Soelle, History & Humanities, Cameron University

Editor's note: This is the fourth in a series of articles covering the history of Cameron.

The transition of Cameron from a state school of agriculture to a junior college was characterized by new goals and objectives, additional faculty, courses and facilities, energized student organizations, and an innovative new president. When administrators received notice of Cameron's elevation to junior college status in 1927, they were overseeing a four-year high school program as well as a prep department of seventh and eighth graders. Many of the school's original course offerings remained essentially unchanged. Most girls chose home economics as their major and took courses in domestic science and arts. Boys studied subjects designed to help them become successful farmers, including manual training, mechanical drawing and specific agricultural courses. Courses in physics, chemistry and general science attracted more boys than girls. Fundamental courses in liberal arts, including English and history, and instruction in music were also offered. The school farm, consisting of 80 acres of bottom land and 70 of upland, provided an important laboratory for a wide range of experiences for aspiring farmers.

More than half of Cameron's students were employed part or full-time, and many worked on campus as cooks, dishwashers, carpenters, farmhands, stenographers, and janitors. In addition, students were allowed to bring cows to school and exchange milk for room and board. The time which remained after the completion of school and work responsibilities was carefully regulated and chaperoned. Discipline on campus was strict and furloughs were granted judiciously. Chaperones were required on dates and no dancing was permitted on campus. Students regularly attended church services.

The year 1927 was a pivotal one in Cameron's evolution, for while the agricultural focus of its curriculum remained important, and social etiquette remained essentially unchanged especially for younger students, Cameron's mission expanded. It did so in response to growing urbanization and industrialization as well as expanding job opportunities in the region. President John L. Coffey saw the school through this important period. Coffey was a graduate of Southwest Teachers College in Weatherford, and held a bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma and a master's degree from Oklahoma A & M College. Prior to his service at Cameron, which began in July 1927, he served as a professor of history at Oklahoma A & M College. As an historian, Coffey's vision for the school was far-reaching and clearly articulated. In a September 1928 article in the *Lawton Constitution* he expressed his views on the value of higher education, especially in the junior college setting. He wrote that the junior college appealed to high school students who might not know how many years they could devote to college work. "Such students," he asserted, "will have an opportunity for an elementary liberal arts education, and in many cases, be able to specialize in some trade or industry." According to Coffey, such education often served as a stimulus for further study.

President Coffey embraced a number of challenges as Cameron underwent its first major metamorphosis, from high school to junior college. He dealt with the expansion of the curriculum and the need for additional faculty and facilities. In 1928, 50% more students were expected in Cameron dormitories. The school needed



John L. Coffey

facilities for young married couples, and larger dining halls to accommodate the growing population. The administration building no longer met the needs of the campus and there was no suitable facility for school functions. Although the road from Lawton to Cameron had been upgraded and gas lines extended to the campus, Coffey pressed for an appropriation for a concrete road which would extend C Avenue from Lawton to Cameron. He also asked the legislature for \$250,000 for an administration/classroom facility.

Under Coffey's direction, Cameron began offering associate degrees in science and in agriculture, as well as teacher certification in elementary and high school education. It added college courses in agriculture, home economics, history, literature, education, economics, foreign languages, science, mathematics, public speaking and music. It provided correspondence courses, and discontinued the preparatory grades. Cameron boasted a faculty of 18, all but two of whom held bachelor's or master's degrees. Col-

lege credit at Cameron was accepted at the University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma A & M College, and ultimately by other four-year institutions. There was no tuition at Cameron during these years, but students paid for their books, room, board and clothing, as well as a student activities fee of \$3.50 per semester.

School organizations expanded and became more sophisticated with the addition of college students, who gradually assumed much of the leadership of such groups. In the fall of 1927 students created a governing body comprised of representatives of the various classes, who oversaw the chartering and activities of Cameron clubs and organizations. They also established a campus newspaper, published first bi-monthly and later weekly. Members of the journalism class and journalism honor society, supported by the Lawton business community, collaborated on its publication.

Other school organizations were established and grew steadily in number and prestige. A boys' glee club, a letterman's club, pep organizations, and the Cameron Young People's Union grew in stature. The forensic team won a number of awards at state contests and became affiliated with state and national forensic associations. The YMCA joined the YWCA on campus to sponsor Christian fellowship programs and the Aggie Society was

established. Several honor societies including Phi Theta Kappa, the national junior college honor society, established chapters on campus.

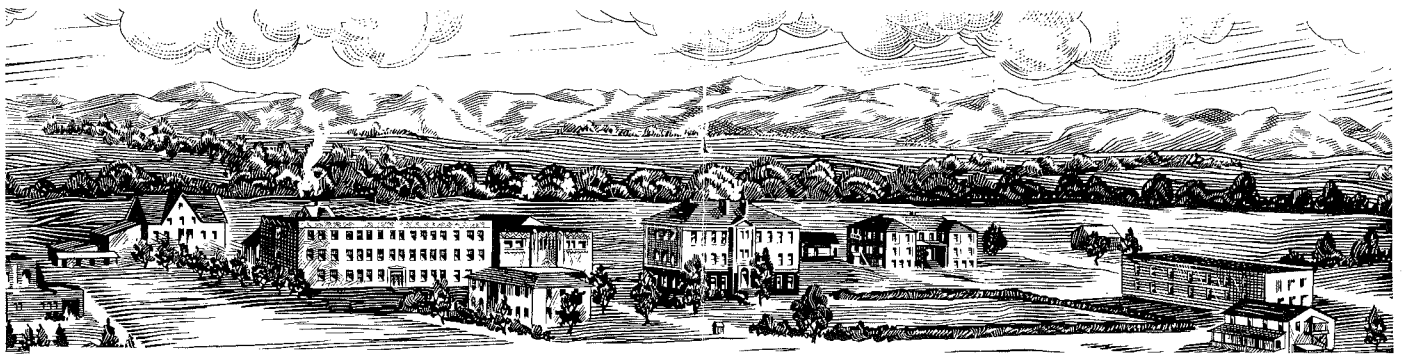
In the field of athletics, junior college status brought change as well. Many former high school stars returned to participate in football, basketball, baseball and track events, which resulted in an unusually successful 1927-28 season for the Cowboys, as they were known for a time. In 1928, Cameron constructed clay tennis courts and in 1930 introduced night football.

In March 1929, an inspection team visited the campus for the first time to inspect the new college programs, and evaluators praised Coffey for the school's obvious progress. Two months later the House Appropriations Committee passed a request for \$100,000 for the new administration building which Coffey had sought. The president and the State Board of Agriculture also considered changing Cameron's name to Western Oklahoma Agricultural College, asserting that its original naming had been a political gesture and no longer relevant or meaningful. Coffey appealed to friends of the school to express their views concerning such a name change.

Meanwhile, Cameron enjoyed its reputation in 1929 as a respectable institution with a growing constituency in Southwest Oklahoma. The graduating college class of more than 50 stu-

dents, together with 245 high school students, had weathered adversity, embraced change, and improved the quality of campus life at Cameron. The 1929-30 school year represented yet another important milestone as the college added courses, hired faculty, and created administrative positions. On March 12, 1930, Nance-Boyer Hall was dedicated as the new administration building. Many state officials including Gov. W. H. Holloway, Lt. Gov. Charles Storm, and Rep. Jim Nance and Sen. Dave Boyer for whom the building was named, attended the dedication. The governor complimented the citizens of Lawton and praised President Coffey for fulfilling the school's mission. Each of the speakers in turn promised continuing legislative support for the fledgling college, a commitment which had eluded earlier Cameron administrators. In a closing remark, Nance credited Coffey for his ability to work with the state legislature on Cameron's behalf.

The former administration building was remodeled for use as a boys' dormitory, classes were conducted in the new classrooms, and school functions were held in the new auditorium. Cameron's name did not change that year and in April 1930, Cameron State Agricultural College remained the largest junior college in Oklahoma.



Nance-Boyer Hall (large building to left) replaced the original administration building (center of sketch) in 1930. Buildings on the right served as dormitories.

If alumni received more than one degree from Cameron, they are listed under the year of their most recent degree. Those who attended but did not graduate are listed under the last year they were at Cameron; or in some cases, the class year when they would have graduated.

1940 - Mary Holland McGraw lives in Norman. She has been inducted into the Okemah Chamber of Commerce's Hall of Fame. She was one of the first Waves to serve during World War II where she specialized in cryptography. She taught at Okemah High School for 16 years and 20 years at East Central State University before retiring in 1983.

1946 - Carla Thompson Lund lives in Tulsa. She is a math teacher at B.T. Washington High School in Tulsa. **Mary Loys Peters Ray** lives in Vernon, Texas, where she is owner of a Dairy Queen.

1947 - Barbara Ross Smith lives in Rogers, Ark., where she has retired.

1948 - Doris Ann Peters Harp is retired and lives in Vernon, Texas. **Dena Biffle Mumper** has retired and lives in Duncan. **James Franklin Murphy** retired from the Army as a lieutenant colonel in 1970, Central National Bank in 1981, and the Oklahoma Tax Commission in 1991. He lives in Oklahoma City. **Desmond H. Nistetter** and his wife, **Clara King Nistetter**, '45, have retired and live in Tulsa. **Homer E. Pickhardt** lives in Tulsa where he is self employed as a consultant engineer. **Olin D. Poole** lives in Duncanville, Texas. He has retired from Coca-Cola Company as corporate director of quality assurance. He has been featured on the cover of Beverage World with a story about the quality assurance system. **Dr. Odville A. Rinn** has practiced medicine for 38 years. He lives in San Antonio, Texas. **A.B. Pete Slaybaugh** has retired as vice president of Conoco. He lives in Evergreen, Colo. **Elred Lindon Smith** has retired and lives in Ryderwood, Wash. **Pauline R. Chaat Smith** has joined her husband, **Dr. Clodus Smith**, in Oklahoma City. She previously worked with the Title V Indian Education Program in Columbus, Ohio. Clodus has

been president of the Oklahoma Association of Independent Colleges and Universities for the past three years. **Charley D. Stamps** lives in Houston. He has retired from NASA where he was a contracting officer at the Johnson Space Center. **Wendell Dean Walling** has retired and lives in Sacramento, Calif. He was a civil engineer for the state of California.

1949 - Carl B. Calame lives in Comanche. He has retired from Halliburton and is enjoying fishing and golfing. **Robert P. Chaat Jr.** lives in Lawton. He has retired and works part time at the Lawton Food Bank. **Ralph Greb Jr.** has retired and lives in Mountain View. **Floyd R. Jacobs** is a retired educator and lives in Marlow. **James Ellsworth Longueville** lives in Tulsa. He retired from J.C. Penney in 1991 as an executive after a 36-year career. **Wallis B. McArthur** lives in Grand Junction, Colo. He has retired from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. **Thomas H. Porter** lives in Springfield, Va. **James Pete Robinson** lives in Arlington, Texas. He has been in the insurance business for 40 years and is an insurance agent with Pete Robinson Insurance. He says there's been a little music "biz" along the way. **Jack Taylor** and his wife, **Lois**, recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. They live in Marlow and operate the **Jack A. Taylor Tax Service**. **Perry Madison Vestal** lives in Fort Worth, Texas. He is a retired Air Force lieutenant colonel.

1950 - Dr. Harold J. Jackson lives in Tulsa. He is self employed. **Dan Preston Lea** lives in Arlington, Texas. He is a retired public school administrator and is active in his church. **Erma DeYong Manley** has retired and lives in Altus. **Donald G. May** lives in Purcell. He is superintendent of Mid-America Area Vo-Tech School in Wayne. **Bobby L. McNeil** lives in Lawton. He is a retired pharmacist. His wife, **Billye J. McNeil**, is an '83 Cameron graduate.

1951 - Graham Wayne Meadville lives in Fort Smith, Ark. He is a hearing instrument specialist and owner of **Meadville Hearing Aids, Inc.** **Jean A. Moss** lives in Carlsbad, N.M. She has

retired after a 26-year career from IMC Global, Inc., a fertilizer company. She was a personnel assistant involved in hiring potash mine employees. **George E. Robertson** and **Shirley Ann Padgett Robertson**, '52, live in Palm Desert, Calif. **Jimmy Smith** and **Catherine Frances Amyx Smith** are retired and live in Vernon, Texas. Catherine was a third-grade teacher. Jimmy was a teacher and director of industrial cooperative training and also golf coach. **Kermit E. Tate** lives in Riggins, Idaho, and is a retired educator. **Paul Wege Jr.** lives in Lawton and is self employed. Three generations of his family have graduated from Cameron. **Dr. E.T. Woody** and **Betty Jean Pullen Woody** are retired and live in Weatherford. E.T. was a faculty member at Southwestern State College for 33 years with ten years in industrial arts and 23 years in the education department. They enjoy traveling.

1952 - Walker Alexander lives in Granite. He retired as superintendent from Oklahoma State Reformatory. **Kenneth Perry Baird** lives in Oklahoma City. He is the preacher at North Penn Church of Christ. He worked as a geologist prior to entering the ministry. **Kenneth Gene Donley** lives in Salem, Ala. **Richard Elkouri** lives in Duncan. He is a retired accountant. **John Maurice Fisher** lives in Marlow. He is a rancher. **Delta June Delk George** lives in Mountain View. Her husband, **Harold B. George** is a former Cameron student. **Parker D. Ingram** lives in Fletcher where he farms and ranches. He retired from the U.S. Department of Agriculture as a soil scientist. **Willie J. Self** lives in Kyle, Texas, and is employed by the school system. **Joyce A. Stevens** lives in Norman. She is a retired science teacher. She is an active volunteer and enjoys traveling.

1953 - Jerald D. Adelman lives in Garland, Texas. He is a government contracts administrator for the Defense Logistics Agency of the Department of Defense. **Larry George Cassil** lives in Oklahoma City. He is a lawyer with the firm of Cassil and Henson and is a judge for Warr Acres. **J. Mack Cox** lives in

Cache and is a retired teacher. **Leonard Wayne Littlefield** lives in Tyler, Texas. He is a consulting petroleum engineer. **Frankie Stauffer** lives in Elgin where he farms and ranches.

1954 - **Donnie R. Billbrey** lives in Clarendon, Texas. He operates a ranch in the Texas panhandle. **Dorislyn Padgett Johnston** lives in Overland Park, Kan. **Stanley Don McCallon** is retired and lives in Haughton, La. He was a chief industrial engineer with the Air Force. **Claud A. Mullins** is retired and lives in Athens, Texas. **Dr. Albert Melburne Pearson** is a veterinarian and owner of Pearson Veterinary Consultants. He lives in Tulsa. **Elmer Kent Pennington** lives in Thomas. He is executive vice president of First National Bank in Thomas. **Jimmy L. Rogers** lives in Fort Cobb where he farms and ranches.

1955 - **Corine Payne Francis** lives in Blanchard. She is retired from Pioneer Telephone Cooperative. **Max E. Harris** is retired and lives in Oklahoma City. **Billy Joe Hawkins** lives in Waller, Texas. He is a school board president and retired county school superintendent. **Ronald Dale Haynie** and **Martha Sue Parks Haynie** are retired and live in Tipton. **Murel Holder** is retired and lives in Port Arthur, Texas. **James Milton McGinley** lives in El Reno. He is manufacturing president of Amity, Inc. **Franky D. Miller** lives in Chandler, Texas. He retired as sales manager of Navistar International after a 36-year career. **Donald Lee Scantlin** lives in McPherson, Kan. He is retired from Petrolite Corporation and has been a Middle Eastern consultant for the state of Kuwait. **Arnold Mitchel Scoggins** is retired and lives in Fort Worth. He is active in his church and enjoys golf. **David L. Williams** lives in Ames, Iowa. He is associate dean and professor in the college of education at Iowa State University. **Jay Dee Wingo** is retired and lives in Muskogee.

1956 - **John I. Abrams** lives in Edmond. **Clyde Beall Jr.** lives in Stillwater. He is managing representative for Excel Telecommunications. **Boyd R. Linduff** lives

in Shawnee. He is a retired school superintendent. He now owns VIP Cellular and is president of Educator's Investment, Inc. **Jean Ladoyce Noel Lynch** lives in Frederick. She has retired from the state of Oklahoma as a clerk typist. **Dr. Perry L. Morren** lives in Childress, Texas, where he has had a chiropractic practice for the past 32 years. His wife, **Genta Vaughn Morren**, is a former Cameron student. **Omye Loyd Neely** lives in Beaumont, Texas. He is employed by Dyn McDermott Operations company as an operator. **Dr. Ernest L. Stair Jr.** lives in Stillwater. He is a veterinary pathologist. **Loyd M. Wax** lives in Urbana, Ill. He is a weed scientist and research agronomist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and a professor of crop sciences at the University of Illinois.

1957 - **Cletus L. Adair** lives in Weatherford where he is a rancher. **Janell Withrow Baxter** lives in Banning, Calif., where she is an eighth-grade science teacher. She is a quilter and master gardener. **Robert J. Calibani** lives in Edmond. He is regional manager and vice president of LDS-1 America. **Dr. Lester R. Dupler** lives in Temple where he is a veterinarian. His wife, **Janice Hollander Dupler**, is a former Cameron student. All three of his children have attended Cameron. **Charles Rayford Florence** lives in McLoud. He is self employed in sales and ranching. **Jack P. Forbess** lives in Plano, Texas. He is a chemist and president of Forbess Corporation. He manufactures and sells Sole Food foot cream and Finger Food hand cream. **Dr. Henry Grant Kinzer** lives in Las Cruces, N.M. He is a professor and department head of the entomology department and director of livestock research at New Mexico State University. He is also a sculptor and his work is displayed in galleries and private collections. **Frederick W. Leippe** lives in Lawton. He has retired from Public Service Company of Oklahoma as division accounting manager. His wife, **Loraine W. Leippe**, is a former Cameron employee. **Thomas M. Neel** lives in Brecksville, Ohio. He is senior vice president and controller for Key Corporation. **LaDonna Ann Cook**

Spradlin lives in Kilgore, Texas. She is self employed as a real estate manager. Her husband, **Billie Charles Spradlin**, '54, is a Cameron graduate.

1958 - **Arthur Byron Jantz** lives in Altus where he is an instructor at Western Oklahoma State college. His wife, **Janice Rae Powers Jantz**, '75, is a Cameron graduate. **Sidney Merle Murray Kirkby** lives in Dallas. She assists her husband with their construction business. **William Andrew Lang** lives in Singapore where he is regional security manager for Exxon Company, International. **Lee Caton Potts** lives in Burkburnett. He is employed by Delphi Energy, a G.M. automobile manufacturing company. He has also served as city commissioner for eleven years and is an avid golfer. **Dr. Bud Sahmaunt** lives in Oklahoma city. He has been on staff at Oklahoma City University since 1972. He is currently athletic director and oversees American Indian programs. **Glen Wendell Stephens** lives in Stillwater. He is self employed in insurance and real estate. **Glenda G. Strand** lives in San Diego, Calif. **Frankie L. Stretesky** lives in Pittsburg, Mo. He is a retired civil engineering technician. He had a 32-year career with civil service working for the Air Force, Federal Aviation Administration and the Army Corps of Engineers. He owns and flies a Piper Cherokee Warrior. **Robert Lee Westerman** lives in Stillwater.

1962 - **Earlene Lewallen Bayse** lives in Lawton. She has been a 4-H agent for over 28 years and currently is employed by the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service in Comanche County. Lawton's Citizens' Commission for a Responsible and Drug Free Community has honored her by creating the Earlene Bayse "I'm For Kids" Award to be presented annually.

1965 - **Fred Krasser** lives in Chattanooga. He has retired after a 29-year teaching career. For the past 16 years he has been vocational agriculture teacher and FFA advisor at Chattanooga High School.

1967 - **Janet K. Armstrong** lives in Okmulgee. She has been promoted to the

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position of Community Development Manager in charge of the Rural Economic and Community Development office in Okmulgee. She has worked for RECD for over 22 years.

1970 - Linda L. Jenkins Stanley lives in Lawton. She is a counselor at Eisenhower High School and is a board member of the Cameron University Alumni Association.

1972 - Naomi Garrett Hayes and Rev. Kenneth E. Hayes, 1975, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in March. Kenneth is pastor emeritus of First Baptist Church in Elgin. In addition to serving with churches for over 30 years, he has been an insurance agent and photography instructor. He was the photographer and co-author of "Merchants Tokens of Oklahoma." They live in Lawton.

1978 - Jan Weryavah lives in Lawton. She is assistant principal at Tomlinson Junior High. She has been recognized by the Lawton School Board with a distinguished achievement award in the certified professional category.

1979 - Fernando Amaton lives in Rialto, Calif. He is chief engineer for Custom Suppression, Inc. in Chatsworth, Calif.

1981 - Dr. David Shaw lives in Starkville, Miss. He is a professor of weed science at Mississippi State University where he has taught since 1985. He was recently recognized as the Outstanding Weed Scientist of America. He received the Teaching Award from the Mississippi Weed Science Society in 1990 and the organization's Distinguished Service Award in 1993. His wife, Sherri Renee Allison Shaw, is a former Cameron student.

1982 - Renee M. Chapman lives in Oklahoma City. She is executive secretary to the president of Sonic Corporation. **Jeff Hughes** lives in Frederick. He has taught math at Frederick High School for three years and coaches baseball and the academic team. Previously, he was a math instructor and coach for the Davidson Schools for 11 years. His baseball teams have ranked in the top 10 for the last five

years.

1983 - Michael W. Cox lives in Columbus, Ohio. He is assistant professor of saxophone and jazz studies at Capital University where he has been granted tenure. He won the open division of the 1996 Evansville International Jazz Saxophone competition held in Evansville, Ind. **Quincey Mays** lives in Lawton. He is an expressions teacher at Pat Henry Elementary. He has been recognized with a distinguished achievement award by the Lawton School Board. **Hazel Nunn** lives in Lawton. She is a third-grade teacher at Woodland Hills Elementary. She has been recognized with a distinguished achievement award by the Lawton School Board. **Paula J. Raney** lives in Millstadt, Ill. She is project manager of airport planning for The Benham Group. She has been named a fellow with the Intergovernmental Relations in Aviation Committee at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C.

1984 - Lee K. Durham lives in Holton, Kan. He received a juris doctorate degree in May. **Patricia Michelle Tomczak Farley** was married in April. She lives in Stockton, Calif., and is a chemist for the Tracy Defense Depot in Tracy, Calif.

1985 - Virginia Cantu lives in Lawton. She retired as chief of administration of the Law Enforcement Command at Fort Sill. She has been elected to represent Oklahoma at the American Association of Retired Persons Biennial Convention in Denver, Colo. She is director for Oklahoma's District 7. **Marcy J. Prescott** lives in Frederick. She is news editor of The Frederick Press.

1986 - Robert A. Whetstone is a captain in the Army. He is marketing and public affairs officer with the U.S. Army Cadet Command at Fort Monroe, Va. He lives in Hampton, Va.

1987 - Terry Evans lives in Duncan. She is learning disabilities instructor for grades K through 12 in Velma-Alma.

1988 - Sheryl Lynette Robey Reed was married in April. She lives in St. Joseph,

Mich., and is office manager at Wightman and Associates, Inc.

1989 - Dr. Amanda Kim Karvonen Case lives in Honolulu. She is a D.O. and captain in the Army stationed at Tripler Army Medical Center. **Kimberly Jane Mulkey Dodds** was married in March. She lives in Lawton and is a sales manager at KLAU-FM. **Craig Hadley** lives in Lawton. He was named Lawton's Citizen of the Month for May by the Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women. He is deputy chief of the Lawton Fire Department and was a volunteer in the aftermath of the Oklahoma City bombing. He recently was an Olympic torchbearer. He has been chairman of the Lawton Toys for Tots program for the past 15 years and is involved in numerous community service organizations.

1990 - David Boyd lives in Lawton. He has completed certification as an emergency medical technician and is employed by Comanche County Memorial Hospital. **Tina L. Harmon** lives in Indianapolis, Ind. She graduated from the Army Management Staff College and is now a staff accountant for the U.S. Customs Service. **Gil Hernandez** lives in Lawton. He is an English, journalism and yearbook teacher at Eisenhower High School. He has been honored by the school board with a distinguished achievement award. **Rob High** has been elected chairman of District 3 for the Oklahoma Funeral Directors Association. He is funeral director and manager of Wilkenson Mortuary based in Watonga and Okeene. **Bettilou Bryce Stover** lives in Kingston, Okla. She teaches first grade at Kingston Elementary School and has been named Kingston Teacher of the Year.

1991 - Melissa Wade Choate lives in Lawton. She is a second-grade teacher at Woodland Hills Elementary School. She was married in March. **Karla Kay Mettler Hanson** lives in Norman. She was married in April and is employed by Arrow Oil and Gas.

1992 - Lori Rae Baker Porter married **James Wilford Porter III, '94,** in June. They live in Lawton where Lori is

employed as an elementary education teacher and early childhood education specialist. **Catalina Canlas Cruz Wright** lives in Cedar Hill, Texas, and is employed at Allied Research Services in Dallas. She was married in May.

1993 - **Sammie G. Powell** has retired from the military and lives in Lawton. **Ronnie Jay Shelton** lives in Fort Worth. He was married in February and is employed as a cardiovascular perfusionist in Fort Worth. **Jason P. Smith** lives in Amarillo. He was married in May and is employed by the Texas Department of Human Services as an eligibility specialist.

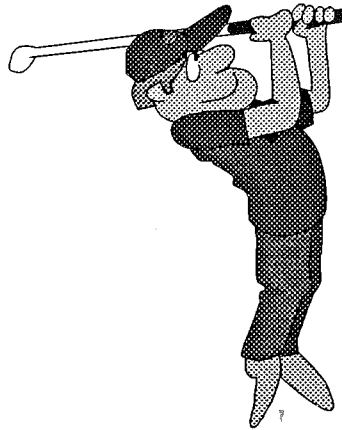
1994 - **Karenann Beavers** lives in Lawton. She is director of The Sterling House Assisted Living Residence in Lawton. **John Delaney** is vocational agriculture instructor at Sayre. He has moved to Sayre from Iowa. **Anglea P. Farley** lives in Savannah, Ga. She is a registered nurse working in home health care and at a women's clinic. She has a seven-month-old daughter. **Faron Dale Griffin** and **Margaret Elizabeth Owens Griffin**, '95, were married in April. Margaret is a substitute teacher. Faron is employed by Cache Public Schools and Sears Automotive. He belongs to the International Professional Rodeo Association and Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. They live in Cache. Staff Sgt. **Paul A. Hurt** is an Army recruiter. He lives in Norman. **James Wilford Porter III** married **Lori Rae Baker**, '92, in June. James is employed as an information systems supervisor by LB&M Associates, Inc. **Gloria T. Rowley** and **Bruce J. Rowley**, '95, have relocated to the Broken Bow area. Bruce is an assistant computer analyst for Pan Pacific Products, a division of Defiance Industries, Inc. **Becky Womack** lives in Lawton. She has been promoted to vice president of human resources for First Commercial Bank. She has 17 years of banking experience.

1995 - **Mary Ann Allison** lives in Lawton. She is employed by Comanche County Memorial Hospital as a mental health aide and is working toward a master's degree in social work. **Kim Sterling-Bennett** has been accepted into the Oklahoma State

University College of Osteopathic Medicine. **Gale Bradford** lives in Lawton. She is employed by the Lawton Public Schools as a learning disabilities teacher. **Cormiere V. Garrick-Figueroa** lives in Duncan. She is working toward her master's degree and is employed as a family counselor for Youth Services of Stephens County. **David B. Gibson** lives in Oklahoma City. He is an associate with Sears. **Peter D. Gorman** lives in Germany. He is a division artillery fire control chief with the Army. **Don and Heidi Maier** live on RAF Base Wymondley in England. Don is a sergeant first class and works at the Joint Analysis Center on RAF Molesworth as supervisor of military intelligence related to Iraq. Heidi works for the Department of Defense Education Activity as a full-time substitute teacher at Alconbury Elementary School, RAF Alconbury. The Maiers have offered to provide information to other Cameron alumni regarding employment in England. They may be reached at PSC 46 Box 1072, APO AE 09469. **Barbara**

McNally lives in Lawton. She has been named manager of the Lawton Municipal Airport. She has worked for the airport for 12 years and has been assistant airport manager for two years. **Fleda McLaren Phillips** lives in Comanche. She has completed a course entitled Treatment and Education of Autistic and Related Communication Handicapped Children. The course qualifies her to teach children with communications difficulties. **Kenneth Loyd Powers** lives in Apache. He is employed with Dolese Brothers Company. **Sarabeth Sahmaunt** lives in Elgin. She is employed by the USPHS Indian Hospital and plans to obtain a master's degree in public health. **Charlene Tahdooahnippah** lives in Cache. She is an education technician with civil service at Fort Sill. **Paul A. Wood** lives in Oklahoma City. He is a manager trainee with Wal-Mart Tire and Wholesale Express. **Michael Charles Zelez** lives in Lewisville, Texas. He is a cost accountant for Halliburton Energy Services.

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Mitchell named to Cameron University post

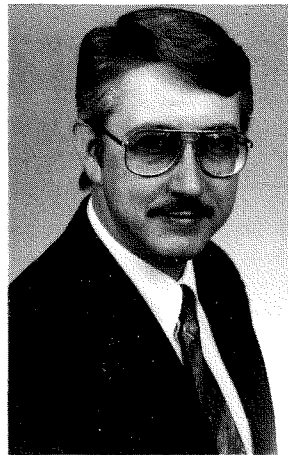
A Cameron alumnus returned home in June to assume the position of Director of Information Services at the university.

In his Information Services role, Keith Mitchell oversees public relations and assists area media in their coverage of the Lawton university, said President Don Davis. He filled the slot left vacant by the retirement of former director Paul McClung in 1995.

"I am glad to have this opportunity to return to Cameron," Mitchell said. "The university, its administration and its faculty have long demonstrated a commitment to excellence in education and I feel fortunate to have the opportunity to promote the university's accomplishments to the people of southwestern Oklahoma."

The Mountain View native graduated from Cameron University in 1989 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications. He will graduate this summer from Oklahoma State University with a Master of Science degree in Mass Communication.

While at Cameron, Mitchell was inducted as a member of Phi Kappa Phi, a national honors fraternity. He was recently inducted into the OSU chapter of Kappa Tau Alpha, an honors



Keith Mitchell

fraternity for journalism and mass communication students.

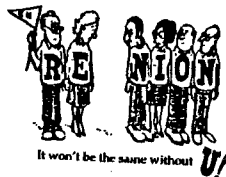
Mitchell published the *Mountain View Times* in 1979-80. For the next ten years, he worked for the Donrey Media Group, serving as managing editor of the *Frederick Daily Leader* and the *Altus Times*.

In 1990, he joined the Oklahoma Department of Transportation, promoting community traffic awareness programs through the Oklahoma Highway Safety Office, then serving as a member of ODOT's Public Affairs branch.

Mitchell and his wife, Terri, have purchased a home in Frederick where they will live with their sons Jeff, 15, and Chase, 7.

Reunions scheduled Saturday, October 5, 1996

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