THE OTHER PART OF THE PARTY

The Centennial Celebration was not just a Norman campus event. For 3,600 students, 700 faculty, 1,500 staff, 15,500 alumni and scores of private supporters, the University of Oklahoma means the classrooms and laboratories of the Health Sciences Center campuses in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Happily, there was more than enough Centennial spirit to go around.

AN EVENING FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH

One of the first Centennial events of 1990 was the sixth annual Evening of Excellence, a January 23 black-tie benefit for medical research hosted by the College of Medicine Alumni Association. Joint sponsors were the Oklahoma Health Center and the state’s business, industrial and medical communities.

In addition to showing support for medical research, the more than 800 guests filled the Oklahoma City Marriott Hotel ballroom to honor Edward L. Gaylord, G. Rainey Williams and the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.

Gaylord, president of the Oklahoma Publishing Company and publisher of The Daily Oklahoman, was recognized for his work as chairman of the Oklahoma Industrial Authority, which has financed $200 million in expansion at Baptist Medical Center, St. Anthony Hospital, Mercy Health Center and Presbyterian Hospital.

A distinguished surgeon, Williams is professor and head of the department of surgery at OUHSC who three times has served as interim dean of the College of Medicine. OMRF was the first recipient of the Dean’s Recognition Award for a distinguished Oklahoma institution.

Previous Evening of Excellence dinners have raised more than $500,000 for the College of Medicine Research Fund. Chairing the 1990 event were Nancy Payne and Mrs. J. Michael Kelly.

TULSA MEDICAL IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The youngest of the University of Oklahoma’s three campuses, the OU College of Medicine-Tulsa, kicked off the Centennial Emphasis on the Health Sciences Center on October 22-26 as health care and community leaders toured facilities, attended public lectures and broke bread together.

The Tulsa campus on South Sheridan Road was open daily during the week for public tours of the library and computer-assisted learning center, clinics, medical graphics department and the Health Awareness Center. Included were free health screenings and tests for hypertension, blood pressure, diabetes, vision, hearing and cholesterol.

BELOW: A wary young Tulsan needs some reassurance on the advantages of the services he is being offered at the Health Fair held in conjunction with Centennial Emphasis Week on the Health Sciences Center.

ABOVE: Dr. Steven Landgarten, left, and Health Sciences Center Provost Clayton Rich, arrive at the luncheon for community health care leaders, a feature event of the Centennial Emphasis Week at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine-Tulsa.

MEDICAL ALUMNI DAYS

There was plenty to celebrate May 3-5 on the OU Health Sciences Center campus in Oklahoma City with the OU Medical Alumni Association’s “Alumni Days,” held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Oklahoma State Medical Association and the state’s Homecoming ’90 Celebration. The medical alumni reunion involved the five-year classes from 1940 to 1985.
Tulsa business leaders were invited to a luncheon October 24 as a tribute to the mutually advantageous relationship between the medical facility and the community.

At the first of three stellar events on October 25, community health care leaders were guests at a luncheon in the Doubletree Hotel in Warren Place. The featured speaker was Dr. Samuel O. Thier, president of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences.

Following the luncheon, a scientific program was held on campus titled "Advances in Cardiology," featuring Thier and Dr. J. Willis Hurst, a cardiologist from Emory University and former cardiologist to President Lyndon B. Johnson. Hurst, with OU President Richard L. Van Horn, also spoke at the evening Homecoming Banquet at the Doubletree.

The OU College of Medicine-Tulsa trains third- and fourth-year medical students who have begun their studies on the Oklahoma City campus. Education for resident physicians is also offered in the areas of family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, surgery, medicine/pediatrics and psychiatry.

THE EMPHASIS ON HSC IN OKLAHOMA CITY

The six colleges of the OU Health Sciences Center showcased their outstanding academic programs and welcomed alumni and friends to Oklahoma City on October 26-27, the second phase
One highlight of the celebration was a daylong Basic Science Symposium on October 26, stressing the role of the fundamental biological sciences and their applications to clinical medicine. The keynoter was molecular biologist and Nobel laureate Paul Berg of Stanford University, with lectures by Dr. David Nathan of Harvard Medical School and Dr. Samuel O. Thier of the National Academy of Sciences.

Other Centennial activities, by college, included:

**The College of Allied Health**

Open houses throughout Friday, October 26, featured special activities in many of the departments with alumni invited to join faculty, staff and students at a social at the Holiday Inn West on Friday evening.

Guests also could tour the College of Health Building on Saturday morning before a Centennial program of tree-planting, a historical show and review of progress in the allied health professions.

**The College of Dentistry**

October 27 was a day of continuing education in temporomandibular joint therapy at the Holiday Inn West, a Centennial opportunity offered to practitioners by OU dentists.

**The College of Medicine**

A plenary session for medical alumni October 27 featured an address on "The Impact of Biomedical Research on Practice over the Next Century" by Dr. James Wyngaarden. A former director of the National Institutes of Health, Wyngaarden is foreign secretary of the National Academy of Sciences. A panel discussion followed on the next century in Oklahoma medicine.

The college also held a recruitment fair during the day to encourage and inform prospective OU medical students.

**The College of Nursing**

The Centennial observance of the College of Nursing began on a social note October 26 to welcome alumni and friends. The following day's activities took a more serious turn with a speech by Dr. Karin Kirchhoff of the University of Utah, "The Art and Science of Clinical Practice: Alumni and Faculty in Action." Also on the agenda were poster presentations, a panel discussion and a keynote speech by Dr. Mary Adams, the former Parry Chair in Gerontological Nursing at OU.

**The College of Public Health**

Alumni Day 1990 sessions for the College of Public Health on October 27 were keynoted by Dr. Everett Rhoades, director of the Indian Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The daylong activities were held at the Sheraton Century Center Hotel.

The previous day, the college held an open house and that evening hosted the appearance by Nobel laureate Paul Berg, the featured speaker at the Basic Science Symposium.