

## I remember when ...

**M**y favorite professor was Dr. Johanne Fairchild. Upon taking my first class with her, I immediately liked her teaching style, knowledge and ability to disseminate the subject material. Dr. Fairchild exceeds many professors in

that she gets to know her students. When I moved to California after college for my first professional job, I even received a postcard from her and her husband when they were on vacation in the Smokies! To this day, she would know me and be interested in how my life was going. This is an example for all teachers, at any level, to learn from!

*Brian James '95*

Maryville. This generated so much attention that they decided to block the highway again the next night.

Some students were even under the wheels of large semitrailer trucks. After traffic had been blocked for up to several miles, a highway patrolman ignited a tear gas grenade to clear the area.

Trust me, you only have to experience tear gas once to understand why it is such an effective tool.

But the story does have a happy ending. The college decided to do something about the food being served and hired a new chef. As a result, the average per capita weight of the student body was noticeably increased.

*Ron Martin '66*

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**I**t was popular on some university campuses to participate in anti-war protests. However, the only protest that ever materialized at Northwest that I recall was a protest of the poor quality of food being served in the campus dining hall. I do remember that one dessert was a piece of tuna fish inside a small block of lemon Jell-O.

Dissatisfaction with the food finally got to the point that a number of the more committed activists marched over to Highway 71 at night and blocked all traffic on the south side of

**I** remember the first time I ever stepped on to Northwest grounds was also the first time I was in the state of Missouri. I was so impressed with how beautiful the campus was and how, when I walked through campus with my mom, everyone said hello. From that point on, I knew that coming to Northwest would be the best choice I made. I never looked back.

*Jennifer Dickson Booth '98*



President Robert P. Foster (right) gives Everett Brown a notebook of letters from friends and colleagues at a retirement dinner and “roast” in his honor in 1976. Brown, who died in 2005, came to Northwest in the 1930s as a student, was a longtime Northwest administrator and later was the area’s state representative for 16 years. Brown Hall is named for him.

## Do you remember these events?

### 1957

President J.W. Jones announces plans for two new dormitories, one classroom building, a physical education building, baseball diamond and football practice field. The \$3 million expansion program includes remodeling the Administration Building and gymnasium as well. *Towers in the Northwest*

### 1967

Northwest starts a National Honor Fraternity. *The Northwest Missourian*

This year’s track team won every meet. Pete Hager broke the 220-yard dash school record. The previous record was made by Herschel Neil in the 1930s. *Transitions: A Hundred Years of Northwest*

### 1977

Walkout Day resumes after an absence of several years, establishing itself as the Friday before Homecoming. *Transitions: A Hundred Years of Northwest*

Bearcat pitcher Mark Miller is drafted by Major League Baseball’s California Angels. *The Northwest Missourian*

### 1987

Missouri Gov. John Ashcroft “switches” on the Electronic Campus on the first day of Freshman Advantage Week, signifying the accomplishment that each residence hall room is equipped with a networked computer. *Transitions: A Hundred Years of Northwest*

### 1997

The Bearcat football team, coached by Mel Tjeerdsma, finishes the season 12-1, led by quarterback Chris Greisen. The Bearcats’ only loss comes in the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division II playoffs to the University of Northern Colorado, the eventual national champions. *2006 Football Media Guide*