

SWOSU Physics Program Seeking Help with Pratt Project

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Southwestern Oklahoma State University's physics program is seeking information about graduates—with either a major or minor in physics—from the years 1956-1964 who went to work in the space program and contributed to NASA's Lunar Program.

Dr. Terry Goforth, professor in the SWOSU Department of Chemistry & Physics, said the department is attempting to document the influence that Mr. J.R. Pratt had on the effort to land a man on the moon.

Pratt served as chair of the physics program until his retirement in 1964, and many SWOSU graduates during those years left Weatherford to work at NASA.

Graduates or relatives/friends of the graduates are encouraged to contact Goforth. She said the department wants information or stories on Pratt as well as information on job(s) held by the graduates.

"We want to hear about the experiences in this great American triumph," Goforth said.

"We are hoping to document these stories while we still can."

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