



## **First Ever *Sou'Wester* Newsletter**

You may be aware that the Central Oklahoma Chapter proudly produces a monthly newsletter. The history of the *Sou'Wester* goes all the way back to 1950. Yes, fifteen years after the chapter was chartered. I guess it took the fledgling Oklahoma Chapter of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers (our name back then) a few years to make it to the bigtime and produce a newsletter. In the society year 1950-1951, Dick Swan was chapter president and Bill Collins, Jr. became the first *Sou'Wester* editor. Bill Collins, Jr. also served as Chapter Secretary and Chapter Treasurer that year. He hadn't yet become Chapter President; that occurred in 1952. Incidentally, Bill went on to become Society President in 1975. Bill produced that first five page newsletter on a typewriter and he drew the large "font" article headings by hand. If you would like to read that first newsletter, I've uploaded to our website (link below). If you would like to see the newsletter in real life, both the first ever, and the second ever, *Sou'Westers* will be on display at this year's CRC in Cancun.

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