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Arkadelphia, Ark.—The Ouachita Student Foundation will host the 40th annual Tiger Traks competition on April 24-25 on Ouachita Baptist University's campus.

"Tiger Traks is something that sets Ouachita apart from other schools. It is a great way to be involved with your classmates in a fun, competitive atmosphere," said OSF President Gracie Lundstrum, a senior mass communications and speech communications major from Springdale, Ark. "With college being so busy, it is great to have a weekend devoted to having fun with your classmates."

"My favorite part about Tiger Traks is seeing how much fun everyone has and how competitive they get," Lundstrum added. "I have never seen seniors in college be so competitive while being covered in mud and passing oranges with their necks and be excited about it! All of the proceeds go toward student scholarships; this has to be the most fun fundraiser!"

The weekend will begin on Friday evening with an egg toss, mega relay, dodge ball and game center. After teams complete on-campus events, they will head to Arkadelphia High School to participate in the Relay for Life. The games continue on Saturday morning with raft races, tricycle races, tug-of-war, and ooze-ball – a mud volleyball event.

"My favorite thing about Tiger Traks is definitely mud volleyball," said Tiger Traks participant Rebekah Holiman, a junior psychology major from Little Rock, Ark. "I also love all the memories of hiding in the back and watching my team, the Leafy Sea Dragons, dominate in dodge ball."

"Arkansas' most exciting college weekend" isn't just for fun and games though. The event helps to raise money for student scholarships and the surrounding community. "This year we are doing something new," explained Jon Merryman, director of the Ouachita Student Foundation. "Traks is on Relay for Life weekend so a portion of the entry fee this year will be donated to the American Cancer Society. After the final event on Friday night, we will all go to the high school and walk in Relay for Life together."

"It is a fun weekend, but it really is all about raising student scholarships and giving back to the community," said OSF Co-Chair for Special Events Lauren Snow, a junior mass communications major from Wylie, Texas.

Tiger Traks is sponsored by Everett Buick & GMC, Farm Bureau Insurance, Young Life, The Fish Net, Adorn Boutique & Gifts, Mary & Martha's Florist & Gifts, Knit Unto Others, Sodexo and TigerMart.

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