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## A Word from the President ...

Mike Huckabee recently became the first Ouachita graduate to serve as Governor of the State of Arkansas.

Mike is a member of the Class of 1976, and serves as a member of the Ouachita Board of Trustees. He was pastor of two Arkansas churches from 1980 to 1991, and twice was elected president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention.

Mike followed the Lord's leading from the pastorate into the political arena in 1992 when he ran for a seat in the U.S. Senate. After that unsuccessful campaign, an unexpected opportunity for public service arose when the office of Lieutenant Governor became vacant. He was elected by Arkansas voters in a special election in 1993, and was elected to a full term in 1994.

1996 brought another campaign for the U.S. Senate, but it was interrupted by another unexpected political development which propelled him into the governor's office.

When Mike Huckabee set out on a career of service in government, his destination was Washington, D.C. He has been diverted twice to the State Capitol in Little Rock. I have no idea where his path ultimately may lead, but I am pleased that one who has been a Christian leader in Arkansas will now give leadership to the government of our state. I think he will make an excellent governor.

Governor Huckabee will provide his own proof of his adequacy for the task. In the meantime, we know him as a graduate who has demonstrated sincerity, honor, and brilliance. That shouldn't be bad equipment at all for the challenge before him.

I plan to pray daily for Governor Mike Huckabee, and I urge you to do so.

*Don Ch. Elrod*

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## •SPECIAL FEATURE•

**Commencement** 2-3  
*Dr. Wesley Kluck, vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees; Dr. Mike Arrington, vice president for academic affairs; and Dr. Ben Elrod, president; stand as the Class of 1996 enters the Sturgis Physical Education Center for commencement.*

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*Cover photo: Students gather at the Katie Speer Pavilion and Gardens located down by the river behind Evans Student Center.*

# Leadership Challenge

The Ouachita family gathered to bid farewell to 230 seniors, and the class of 1996 was challenged to go out into the world and make a difference.



*"... you will soon find out that only people make a difference in any organization, community, institution, or family."*

Roger H. Sublett  
Program Director  
W.K. Kellogg Program  
W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Degree plans, resume writing, job interviews, new residence (or moving home) ... these were all on the minds of 230 seniors as they prepared for their long-awaited commencement weekend, May 11-12.

Activities began Friday afternoon with commencement rehearsal. After marching instructions, picture orders and final check-lists were completed, the seniors enjoyed a hamburger cookout at the home of President and Mrs. Ben M. Elrod.

Saturday's activities began with a baccalaureate service at 10:30 a.m. in Jones Performing Arts Center. Dr. Emil Turner of Little Rock, executive director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, spoke to the graduating class of 1996.

Turner assumed his position at the state convention headquarters in January of this year. He received a bachelor of arts degree from Louisiana State University in 1972, followed by a master of divinity degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in 1983. Turner also received his doctor of ministry degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in 1988.

Turner has held several pastorates including churches in Crossett, Bowling Green, Ky., Harrisonburg, La., and Lake Charles, La. His denominational activities include serving as a member of the Board of Trustees on the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and varied associational, state convention, and SBC responsibilities.

With the theme "Do You Hear the Music, the Leadership Music," Roger H. Sublett delivered the keynote address at the commencement ceremony in Sturgis Physical Education Center.

Sublett, program director of the Kellogg National Fellowship Program of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation in Battle Creek, Michigan, emphasized the importance of service leadership stating, "Regardless of the direction of your careers, the challenges of leadership will be with you throughout your life." He added, "Above all else, leadership is relational. And, if you have not already discovered, you will soon find that only people make a difference in any organization,

community, institution, or family."

Sublett earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in social science/history from the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville. He earned his doctorate in American history at Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana.

His responsibilities with the Foundation include developing and reviewing Foundation programming priorities, evaluating and recommending proposals for funding, and administering projects.

Before joining the Foundation in 1989, Sublett served as associate vice president for academic affairs at the University of Evansville, In. He has also served as president of the Coalition for Adult Education Organizations and executive vice-president of the Association for Continuing Higher Education.

Other commencement day activities included a luncheon for Ouachita alumni, former students, the graduating class, their friends and parents, and friends of the University. The event was sponsored by the Former Students Association.



**PRESIDENTIAL GREETINGS** • Dr. Ben Elrod, president of Ouachita, greets those gathered to participate in the commencement ceremony for the Class of 1996.

**BACCALAUREATE** • Dr. Emil Turner, executive director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, delivers the baccalaureate address in Jones Performing Arts Center.



**PRESENTING THE CLASS** • Bill Vining serves as a marshal at commencement. Upon his retirement, Vining was named Professor Emeritus of Physical Education. Serving with Vining as marshals were retiring faculty members Dr. Jake Shambarger, Professor Emeritus of Education, and Dr. Francis McBeth, Distinguished University Professor and Resident Composer.



**CLASS PICNIC** • Members of the Class of 1996 and the faculty enjoy a Friday afternoon picnic at the home of President and Mrs. Ben Elrod.



# Faculty-Staff Campaign surpasses goal of \$300,000

The Faculty-Staff portion of the Window of Opportunity Campaign came to a successful conclusion May 3 with a Victory Celebration Luncheon held in Evans Student Center. It was announced that both the base and challenge goals of \$175,000 and \$300,000 had been surpassed. More than \$332,000 in cash and pledges was raised in the campaign.

As significant as the dollars raised was the level of participation: 84 percent among full-time employees. Divisions whose percent of participation

reached 85 or above were: Business, Religion/Philosophy, Social Science and Natural Science in the Faculty Campaign; External, Internal, Maintenance and Administrative Council in the Staff Campaign.

Campaign co-chairs Mac Sisson and Randall Wight expressed appreciation to the many volunteer leaders who worked in the campaign. Faculty chair Bill Downs was aided by Freddie Jolley, Business; Craig Ward, Education; Mary Shambarger, Fine Arts; Roy Buckelew, Humanities;

Glenn Good, Natural Science; Scott Duvall, Religion/Philosophy; Trey Berry, Social Science.

Billie Sharp served as chair of the Staff Campaign. Her division chairs were Randy Garner, External; Judy Jones, Internal; Bill Harkrider, Maintenance; Rosemary Chu, Student Services; Charolette Allison, Sup-

port; Lewis Shepherd, Trio/Foster Grandparents.

Phil Rice served as chair of the Administrative Council/Emeriti Campaign.

Harold Johnson was the division chair of the emeriti portion of the campaign. Charles and Margaret Wright served as honorary co-chairs of the overall campaign. John Cloud was the campaign director.

FACULTY-STAFF CAMPAIGN	
Base Goal:	\$175,000
Challenge Goal:	\$300,000
Cash and Pledges:	\$332,000

# Hampton, Anthony selected to lead Trustee Campaign

The campaign among current and past members of Ouachita's Board of Trustees has entered the leadership enlistment phase. Jeral Hampton has agreed to serve as chair of the campaign

and Clarence Anthony has accepted the role of honorary chair. Additional enlistments are underway at this time.

Jeral Hampton and Clarence Anthony have been two of

Their leadership is already providing a good beginning for the pace-setting first months of the effort."

Hampton graduated from Ouachita in 1943. He was

*"Jeral Hampton and Clarence Anthony have been two of Ouachita's most loyal supporters for over 30 years. They are once again stepping out in the leadership ranks of those who are willing to be among the first to commit themselves to the success of the campaign."*

*Ben M. Elrod, president*

Ouachita's most loyal supporters for over 30 years," said Dr. Ben M. Elrod, president. "They are once again stepping out in the leadership ranks of those who are willing to be among the first to commit themselves to the success of the campaign. This is typical of both men.

honored by his alma mater in 1971 when he received Ouachita's Distinguished Alumnus Award. He has served numerous terms on the Ouachita Board of Trustees, serving as chairman during the tenures of three Ouachita presidents. Hampton is cur-

rently president of Citizen's Bank in Booneville. He is married to Betty Lou Stanfill, a 1945 Ouachita graduate. The Hamptons attend First Baptist Church in Booneville.

Anthony first joined Ouachita's Board of Trustees in 1979. He and his wife, Bennie Sue, have supported many projects at the university, including establishing an endowed chair of Bible and the humanities. In October 1994, the university recognized them by naming the new men's residence hall in their honor. Anthony worked with the Murfreesboro Lumber Company for 41 years, serving as president for the last 17 of those years. They are members of the First Baptist Church of Murfreesboro.

"These two men are good examples of those who express their love for Ouachita in tangible ways. They have served faithfully over the years as trustees," said Elrod. "I would not venture to guess how

many hundreds of miles they have driven in behalf of Ouachita, nor how many hours they have deliberated on matters relating to the progress of the university. They have always made their money available to help provide for progress."

Elrod continued, "Their optimism has inspired others to believe that we could be a regionally-recognized university, with legitimate ambitions to be nationally-recognized. They have helped us to dream big dreams, and then to make them become realities. May the Lord give us many more men and women like Jeral Hampton and Clarence Anthony."

The campaign will be conducted among the 24 present members and approximately 60 former members of the Board of Trustees. The base goal is \$1.5 million and the challenge goal is \$3 million.

## —Katie Speer Pavilion and Gardens—



(above) Katie and Clyde Speer join President Elrod and John Cloud, director of estate and gift planning, for a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Katie Speer Pavilion and Gardens earlier this spring. Gifts from the Roy and Christine Sturgis Charitable and Educational Trust of Malvern have helped to transform Ouachita's riverfront property into a park-like setting.

(left) The "Tiger Tram," also a gift from the Sturgis Trust, is used to transport guests to and from the new pavilion. Lisa Speer, a 1988 graduate and daughter of Katie and Clyde Speer, gave the tram its name.

## SCHOLARSHIPS ESTABLISHED

### The Grace Gantt Schooley Endowed Scholarship Fund

Miss Neva Schooley of Texarkana, Arkansas, has established an endowed scholarship fund in memory of her mother, Mrs. Grace Gantt Schooley. The fund also honors Miss Schooley's brother and sister-in-law, Roy Morris Schooley and Millie Mauldin Schooley. Scholarships from the fund will be made available to students from Arkansas who are pursuing a major in an area of ministry or planning on a career in nursing.

### The Raymond and Lita Cele Morris Endowed Scholarship Fund

Mrs. Lita Cele Morris of Bradford has established an endowed scholarship fund in memory of her husband, Mr. Raymond Morris. Mr. Morris, who died earlier this year, was a member of the Class of 1938. Priority in the awarding of scholarships from the fund will be given to students from White and Independence counties in Arkansas. All recipients must be pursuing majors in the natural sciences.

### The Margaret W. Clark Endowed Scholarship Fund

Family and friends of Mrs. Margaret Clark of Little Rock have established an endowed scholarship fund in her honor. Scholarships from the fund will be awarded to students who are pursuing majors within the Division of Music.

## Herbert and LaDelle Moody Chair in Pre-Law established

The Herbert and LaDelle Moody Chair in Pre-Law Studies has been established at Ouachita as the result of a gift to the University in excess of \$500,000 from the estate of Mrs. LaDelle Moody of Bald Knob.

Mrs. Moody died October 10, 1995, and was predeceased by her husband, James Herbert Moody, who died May 8, 1980, at the age of 73.

She was 89 years of age at the time of her death and was a retired elementary school teacher with 37 years in the Bald Knob School System.

"LaDelle Moody was one of the most loving and generous ladies I have ever known," said John Cloud, director of estate and gift planning at Ouachita. "Despite blindness and incapacitation in her wan-

ing years, she derived great joy using her resources to help others, particularly young people attending Ouachita and Williams (Baptist College). Her estate gift to endow the Herbert and LaDelle Moody Chair of Pre-Law will be a fount of many blessings for Ouachita and her students for generations to come."

Mrs. Moody was past president of the Bald Knob Business and Professional Women's Club and Garden Club. She was a member of the Cotton Plant Chapter of the United Daughters of the

Confederacy, active in the Chamber of Commerce and Parent-Teacher Association and the NuConclave Sorority.

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*John Cloud*

*Director of Estate and Gift Planning*

Mrs. Moody was a member of Central Baptist Church where she served as church treasurer for more than 25 years. She organized and served on many community

drives.

Her husband was White County Judge from 1938 to 1942. During his terms as judge, he established the White County Library and the White County Health Department, both at Searcy.

He served in the Arkansas House of Representatives from 1950 to 1960 and was prosecuting attorney from 1942 to 1950.

A former mayor of Bald Knob, Herbert Moody also was owner of Bald Knob Telephone Company, the early predecessor of the existing Bald Knob telephone system.

He was a member of the Arkansas Bar Association and the Bald Knob Country Club. He was a World War II veteran, a Methodist and a Mason.





**Kevin Brennan,** instructor in political science, was selected by the Council on International Education Exchange to spend June 1-9 on an education tour

of the Republic of Russia. The program was titled "Russia through the Eyes of the Media."

The educational program was designed for faculty members interested in former communist countries, according to Brennan. The idea was to see firsthand how the political changes within a country changed society.

Brennan traveled with 20 other professors from various other colleges and universities around the country and met with local politicians, business entrepreneurs, and Russian families.

Brennan planned to use his added insight on the condition in former communist countries in his teaching of contemporary world issues.

The trip to Russia was not Brennan's first on-site involvement with a former communist country. From September 1992 to June 1993, Brennan taught at the Technical University of Timisoara and the University of Timisoara in Timisoara, Romania.



Duvall

Two members of the religion faculty recently had articles printed in religious publications.

**Dr. J. Scott Duvall,** associate professor of religion, had his article "The Ephesian Church" published in the 1996 winter issue of "Biblical Illustrator."



Carter

**Dr. Terry Carter,** associate professor of religion, also had his article, "The Talent,"

printed in the 1996 winter issue of "Biblical Illustrator." In September of 1995, he had another article, "Clarity in Preaching," published in "Proclaim."

# McBeth, Shambarger, Vining represent 111 years of service

Three faculty members have retired from full-time teaching. The three reflect a total of 111 years of employment at the University.

In making the announcement of their retirement, Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Mike Arrington said that the school's Board of Trustees at a recent meeting conferred on the three special academic designations.

Dr. W. Francis McBeth was named as Distinguished University Professor; Dr. Jake Shambarger as Professor Emeritus of Education; and Bill Vining as Professor Emeritus of Physical Education.

The three longtime Ouachita faculty members were honored with a public reception hosted by the University on Wednesday, May 1 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on the Bridge (top floor) of Evans Student Center.

McBeth joined the Ouachita faculty in 1957 and completes a distinguished 39 year career as the Lena Goodwin Trimble Professor of Music, Resident Composer, and chair of the Department of Music Theory/Composition. In 1975, the Lubbock, Texas native was named by the Governor as Composer Laureate of Arkansas.

McBeth received the bachelor of music degree from Hardin-Simmons (TX) University in 1954, the master of music degree from the University of Texas in 1957, and holds a doctorate of music from Hardin-Simmons. He has also studied at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY.

McBeth is a leading figure in American music and has just completed a term as president of the American Bandmasters Association.

McBeth is an accomplished composer and musician, and his works have been performed all over the world.

His publications include compositions for all media, choral, chamber, orchestral and band.

He is the recipient of numerous awards, including the prestigious ASCAP award for 30 consecutive years.

McBeth was conductor of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra for many years until his retirement from the organization in 1973 whereupon he was elected Conductor Emeritus.

Shambarger joined the Ouachita faculty

in 1966. He earned the bachelor of science in education degree from the Arkansas Polytechnic University in Russellville in 1952, the master of science in education degree from East Texas State University in 1958, and the doctor of education degree from ETSU in 1971.

He served as professor of education and



**A TRIBUTE** • Dr. Francis McBeth, along with his wife, Mary, applaud following the University Choir's performance of McBeth's music. The Concert Band also provided an evening of McBeth compositions. The two-night event was a tribute to McBeth.

has completed a distinguished 30 years of teaching at Ouachita, including a highly successful stint as Ouachita's baseball coach from 1965 to 1973. In that coaching tenure, Shambarger had three outright Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference baseball championships (1969, 1971, 1972) and shared three championships (1967, 1968, and 1970).

He is the author of several articles on coaching published in national journals. Shambarger served as Ouachita's faculty representative to the AIC.

Vining joined the Ouachita faculty in 1954 and is completing a distinguished 42 year career as athletic director, men's basketball coach, and associate professor of physical education.

Vining earned the bachelor of arts degree from Ouachita in 1951 and the master of arts degree from George Peabody (TN) College in 1954.

His coaching record is unequalled in Ouachita history, as his basketball teams won over 500 games during his tenure. His Tigers claimed six AIC championships.

The Eudora native has toured the world serving as coach for various Pan American AAU, World University, and Olympic trials competition.

He is a member of the Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame and the NAIA Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame. •Mac

## From economics to political science and chemistry, three faculty members make plans for sabbaticals

Three faculty members have been granted sabbatical study leaves for the 1996-1997 academic year. Eddie Ary, assistant professor of finance; Dr. Hal Bass, professor of political science; and Dr. Alex Nisbet, professor of chemistry, all will take leaves during the 1997 spring semester.

During the sabbatical, Ary plans to develop a personal finance simulation for use in a course titled "Personal Finance" which he teaches. The simulation would require students to make various financial decisions with the goal of "maximizing their net worth over time," Ary said.

For another part of the sabbatical Ary is electing to spend time reading texts to further develop teaching backgrounds and methods of incorporating biblical principles of money management into his "Personal Finance" and "Investment" classes.

Ary will also study the technical analysis method of researching various stock offerings and the ethical dimensions of investing.

Bass will use part of his sabbatical time for preparing papers for possible use in upcoming professional meetings of the American Political Science Association.

One of the papers will deal with "partisan institutions" in political science.

He also is interested in producing a volume on U.S. political parties.

"These projects will clearly deepen my understanding and appreciation of American political parties, along with improving my teaching," Bass said.

Nisbet plans to use his time in revision of two chemistry courses which he teaches for persons who intend to be nurses or dietitians. He also plans to revise a course in acoustics for music students. Further, he plans to study an electroanalytical instrument for use in his "Instrumental Analysis" course.

Nisbet would like to use his sabbatical study leave to work on a revision of the general education courses offered through the Division of Natural Science.

Reading is an integral part of Nisbet's proposal for leave time. "I would like to visit one or more chemistry libraries at large universities, perhaps in Austin or Fayetteville, both to learn and to find books to recommend for the Ouachita library," Nisbet said.

•Mac Sisson

### IN MEMORY



Dr. Alton Crawley, professor and chair of the department of math and computer science at Ouachita, died Tuesday, June 18, following a lengthy illness.

Dr. Crawley had taught at Ouachita since 1983. He also served as coordinator of academic computing at the University.

"I have admired Alton Crawley as an exemplary teacher, an influential member of our faculty and a leader at First

Baptist Church," said Dr. Ben M. Elrod, president. "Both his devotion to teaching and his courage when facing serious illness flowed from a deep, personal Christian faith. He was an inspiration to us all and his influence will be sorely missed."

In 1991, Crawley won the Sears-Roebuck Foundation's Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership Award. The national award recognized Crawley's "resourcefulness and leadership as an independent college educator."

Crawley was an active leader among faculty members at Ouachita. He had chaired two influential committees, the Academic Standards Committee and the Academic Computing Committee. Crawley also was a member of the steering committee which developed a Title III grant proposal in 1994. The proposal was funded for approximately \$1.5 million and greatly updated faculty access to computers and faculty advising.

Before coming to Ouachita, Crawley had served on the math and computer science faculties at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green and Northeast Louisiana University. Crawley received a bachelor's degree in 1964 from Louisiana Tech University. His M.S. and Ph.D. were awarded at Texas A&M in 1967 and 1970, respectively.

Crawley is survived by his wife, Joanne, who serves as loan officer for the financial aid office at Ouachita, and two children, Dayna ('94) and Donald ('96).

## —Newsmakers—



**Dr. Charles Fuller**, associate professor of music and coordinator of choral music education studies, was selected to participate in a working group for the Inter-

national Federation of Choral Music (IFCM) meeting in Strasbourg, France, May 12-18.

The working group was part of the ongoing development of the MUSUCA Database, which is the IFCM's attempt to catalog all of the serious choral music of the world in one on-line computer resource.

Currently, holding more than 80,000 entries, the database will be accessed by a multi-lingual thesaurus that will automatically translate search keywords into all of the languages of the database.

Ultimately, users of the database will be able to download printed copies of those entries that are not protected by copyright.

The working group met at Le Kleebach, the conference center of the Centre d'Art Polyphonique d'Alsace (Alsace Choral Federation), near Strasbourg.



Hamilton

**Dr. Bob Hamilton** and **Dr. Isaac Mwase** were chosen as participants for a National Endowment for the Humanities and National Science Foundation supported summer institute.



Mwase

The institute titled "Scientific, Ethical, and Social Challenges of Contemporary Genetic Technology" was held July 7-August 2 at the University of Puget

Sound in Tacoma, Wash.

The institute attracted some of the nation's leading experts on genetic technology and its relations to the humanities. These individuals from the sciences, humanities, and social sciences collaborated to enable participants to bridge the gap between the "two cultures."

At Ouachita, Hamilton is an assistant professor of physics and Mwase is an assistant professor of religion and philosophy.



**Dr. Scott Holsclaw**, associate professor of theatre arts, received a doctor of philosophy degree in educational theatre from New York University in New York

City.

Holsclaw's doctoral thesis was titled "A Comparison of the Effectiveness of a Theatre-in-Education Design and a Traditional Didactic Design in an Alcohol Prevention Program."

He holds a bachelor of music degree (1975) from the University of Kentucky and a master of religious education degree (1982) from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

Holsclaw joined the Ouachita faculty in 1985.



**Dr. George Keck**, the Addie Mae Maddox Professor of Music and coordinator of keyboard studies, received a Distinguished Service Citation from the

Arkansas Federation of Music Clubs (AFMC) at the organization's annual spring meeting.

Keck was recognized for his contributions over the past year to a myriad of music programs affiliated with the AFMC and its Arkadelphia chapter.



**Dr. Everett Slavens**, professor of history, was selected to participate in an academic summer seminar in Pietermaritzburg and

Cape Town, South Africa.

The seminar, titled "Literature and Culture in Contemporary South Africa, 1948-1994," was sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

It was designed to allow an exclusive group of college and university teachers and scholars from across the country to participate in an in-depth examination of South Africa's literary and cultural history.

The eight week seminar, based at the University of Natal in Pietermaritzburg, gave participants the opportunity to observe contemporary South African culture.

8 • Faculty/Staff News

## Twelve faculty to use grant awards for continuing professional growth

Twelve faculty members have been awarded grants totaling more than \$13,000 designed to aid each in professional growth.

The Faculty Growth Plan Awards are made annually by the Faculty Development Committee and approved by University President Dr. Ben M. Elrod.

Full-time faculty members are eligible for the awards that are on a competitive basis. The awards require a written report to the office of the vice president for academic affairs upon successful completion of the project or study.

Faculty members receiving the awards for the 1996-97 academic year include:

•Kevin Brennan, assistant professor of political science, received a grant of \$3,000 to attend a one week course this summer titled "Russian Through the Eyes of the Media: Elections and the New Social Landscape" in St. Petersburg and Moscow sponsored by the Council on International Educational Exchange.

•The Department of Biology received funding of \$800 to send a faculty member to Houston, Texas, for a three-day workshop on training for a new science software program.

•Dr. Terry G. Carter, assistant professor of religion, was awarded \$1,000 to spend six weeks this summer in Waterloo, Belgium to help in church planting under the auspices of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention in partnership with the European Baptist Convention.

•Dr. Vince Cobb, assistant professor of biology, was given \$1,078 to attend a Chautauqua course on "The Paleobiology of the Dinosaurs" at Mesa College in Grand Junction, Colorado.

•Glenn Good, professor of physics, was

granted an award of \$1,120 to attend a Chautauqua course on "Glaciers in Alaska" at the University of Alaska in Anchorage.

•Dr. Tom Greer, the Clarence and Bennie Sue Anthony Professor of Bible and the Humanities, was awarded \$1,000 to attend the International Conference on Cultural Reception and Metamorphosis in China and present a paper comparing American writer Kate Chopin and Chinese writer Zhang Jie.

•Dr. Craig Hamilton, associate professor of music and director of bands, was given \$600 to attend the College Band Directors' National Association meeting in Athens, Georgia, where he will receive training in conducting and band literature.

•Dr. Steve Phillips, associate professor of speech, was awarded \$700 to work with a University of New Mexico professor on creating a teacher's resource package to accompany a text titled "Diffusion of Innovations."

•David Sharp, assistant professor of physical education, was granted a \$900 award to attend a golf school in Sedona, Arizona, to better learn techniques for teaching golf to university students.

•Dr. Everett Slavens, professor of history, was presented a \$1,000 award to attend a National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar in South Africa titled "Literature and Culture in Contemporary South Africa, 1948-1994."

•Irene Trofimova, associate professor of modern languages, was accorded a \$1,500 award to attend a five week summer linguistics seminar at Moscow State University.

•Dr. Bill Viser, associate professor of religion, received a \$385 award to begin training to become a Certified Substance Abuse Counselor.

## Eight faculty members receive promotions

Eight faculty members have been promoted to higher academic rank by recent action of the Ouachita Board of Trustees.

The promotions from associate professor to professor include: Jack Estes in modern foreign languages, and Glenn Good in physics.

Promotions from assistant professor to associate professor include: Dr. Terry Carter in religion; Joyce Morehead in family and consumer sciences; Dr. Jon Secret in music; Dr. Edwina Thedford in music; and David Allen Wehr in music.

An advancement from instructor to assistant professor was given to Nancy T in speech pathology.

## Summer grants provide for research

Three faculty members, Dr. Bill Downs, Dr. Scott Duvall and Dr. Raouf Halaby, were awarded 1996 summer research grants from the University to provide for a period of concentrated research and creative endeavors in their respective academic disciplines.

Downs, chair of the department of communications and professor of communications, received a \$1,000 grant to develop a comprehensive set of guidelines that can be used by colleges and universities to train prospective high school journalism advisers to meet the challenges of producing 21st century scholastic publications.

To help him in compiling data, Downs distributed a nationwide survey to a representative sample of award-winning high school publication advisers and principals, state and national high school press associations and directors of scholastic journalism training programs in colleges and universities throughout the United States.

Downs said that the final product will be a manual which initially will serve as a basis for an Honors Lecture that he is delivering in Anaheim, California, in August at the meeting of the Scholastic Press Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communications.

Duvall, associate professor of religion, received a \$3,500 grant to help develop a project of writing an intermediate level text

designed for use in teaching biblical Greek.

"One of the frustrations in teaching, and learning, second year Greek is the absence of good, up-to-date textbooks," Duvall said. Duvall said that he and Dr. George Guthrie, chair of the department of religion at Union University in Jackson, Tennessee, will collaborate in writing the book.

Zondervan Publishing House, a division of Harper Collins Publishers, has expressed an interest in publishing the text which will differ in approach from the traditional method of teaching second-year Greek.

Halaby, acting chair of the department of visual arts of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts and professor of English, received a \$2,500 summer research grant to study the subject of surrealism and the symbolist poetry of Rimbaud, Verlaine, and Mallarme and their impact on Greek-American artist William Baziot's abstract expressionist paintings.

Halaby plans to spend time this summer reading, writing and traveling to New York and Washington to view material in various internationally recognized museums, libraries and exhibits in conjunction with the theme of his research project.

Upon completion of his research, Halaby plans to write a scholarly paper which he anticipates presenting at the fall meeting of the Southeastern College Art Conference, as well as for publication. •Mac Sisson

## Academic Enrichment Grants promote various innovative learning opportunities

The Paul and Virginia Henry Academic Enrichment Grant Program has awarded \$8,500 to eight faculty members to support "innovative" approaches to learning for their students for the 1996-97 academic year.

The awards were begun in 1976 by now retired Batesville businessman and 1949 Ouachita graduate Paul Henry and his wife, Virginia, a former student at OBU.

The Paul and Virginia Henry Academic Enrichment Grants for the 1996 fall semester at OBU were awarded to:

•Dr. Robert Hamilton, assistant professor of physics, was appropriated \$660 to take students to the American Physics Society meeting in Texas.

•Dr. Scott Holsclaw, associate professor of theatre arts, and Eric Phillips, assistant professor of theatre arts, were awarded \$1,200 to take students to the Southwest Regional College Theatre Festival.

•Allyson Tollett, instructor in mathematics, was given \$750 to take students to the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics meeting.

•Nancy Turner, assistant professor of speech pathology, and Carol Morgan, instructor in speech pathology, were awarded a total of \$1,200 to take students to the National Speech/Language/Hearing Association Conference in Seattle, Washington.

•Glenn Good, professor of physics, was provided a grant of \$455 to take students to the National Science Teachers Association meeting in St. Louis, Missouri.

•Dave Ozmun, assistant professor of communications and public relations associate, was awarded \$760 to take students to visit various communication complexes in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex area.

## —Newsmakers—



**Dr. William**

**Steeger**, chair of the division of religion and philosophy, the W. O. Vaught Professor of Bible, and the director of the Center for Christian

Ministries, was the speaker at a spring chapel convocation at his alma mater, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

While at the seminary, Steeger was honored with a presidential luncheon by Dr. Albert Mohler of Louisville. He also presented an exposition on one of The Psalms.



**Dr. William C.**

**Viser**, associate professor of religion, was recently named to the fourth edition of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 1996."

Viser was nominated for the honor by a former student. Students who have been cited for academic excellence themselves in "Who's Who Among American High School Students" or "The National Dean's List," respectively, are invited to nominate one teacher from their entire academic experience to the listing. Only five percent of America's teachers are selected for the honor.



**Dr. Jeanna**

**Westmoreland**, assistant professor of education, recently received a doctor of education degree from the University of

Arkansas-Little Rock.

Westmoreland's doctoral thesis was titled "Factors Related to Burnout Among Coordinators of Gifted and Talented Programs in Arkansas."

She holds a bachelor of science in education degree (1981) from Ouachita. In 1985, she received a master of science in education degree from the University of Arkansas-Little Rock.

Westmoreland joined the Ouachita faculty in 1991.



# Faculty advising

*more than creating a class schedule*

Seeking to provide close faculty and student relations for which small universities are typically known, Ouachita is one of the pacesetters in an aggressive student academic advising program in concert with a willing faculty and administration.

The program not only provides students with an advisor who teaches in the student's area of academic concentration, but works to create positive relationships with professors outside of the classroom setting.

"I attended a large state university before coming to Ouachita and the advising experience was a completely different one," said one transfer student. "I was just one out of a hundred students under my advisor. At Ouachita, I'm more than just a social security number. My advisor is not only my professor, he's a mentor and friend to me."

Convenience of academic advising was recently enhanced through the implementation of the Computer Aided Student

Scheduling (CASS) program. CASS allows advisors to enter a student's schedule into their office computer and receive an immediate report on availability of specific classes, as well as a copy of the student's final schedule.

"The objective of this program is to provide students and advisors with more time for actual advising," said Dr. Arrington, vice president for academic affairs. "We want advisors to do more than just punch some numbers into a computer. We want them to be able to discuss the student's future career plans and how those fit into their schedule here at Ouachita."

New students' first opportunity at Ouachita to meet

with a faculty advisor is during one of the four Early Academic Orientation sessions held the

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**Dr. Mike Arrington**

summer before the first fall semester. "Freshmen are assigned to an academic advisor who provides guidance in selection of courses and also serves to help the student in the transition into college life,"

said Arrington. "Advisors also encourage the students to talk with instructors in academic areas of particular interest if they are uncertain of their major."

A recent survey adopted by the institution through the Noel-Levitz Retention Management System is serving as a tool for that first contact with the advisor after the EAO so that students have an additional visit with their advisor before it is time to

schedule for the spring semester.

"One of the calling cards of a small university is the close relationship between faculty and students," said Dr. Jeff Root, director of public relations and assistant professor of communications. "Ouachita is fulfilling that call through the faculty advising program."

"When I was a graduate student, the university I attended had one person in charge of advising all of the students in the School of Journalism," said Root. "This person was in charge of advising hundreds of students. I believe that was a mistake."

That is a mistake that Ouachita wants to avoid. "Ouachita was placed in a rural setting on purpose," said Arrington. "The aim was to have faculty and students living together and working together in the same environment. We want to continue to strengthen that traditional concept of close relations both on and off campus between students and faculty."

•Genny Cassaday



**SUMMER RESEARCH** • Dr. Joe Bradshaw and Julie Beckwith, a chemistry major from Hot Springs, conduct DNA research as part of a grant awarded Beckwith by the Science Information Liaison Organization.

## Student awarded DNA research grant

An experimental DNA research project was awarded to Julie Beckwith, a chemistry student from Hot Springs, by the Science Information Liaison Organization (SILO) in Little Rock. Beckwith and Dr. Joe Bradshaw, assistant professor of chemistry, are spending ten weeks this summer in the project funded at \$3,200.

"Primarily, we are conducting preliminary research into DNA cleavage using metallo-porphyrins, which are like huge hemoglobin units in blood," said Bradshaw. "We are actually looking into how these things interact with DNA."

"The intent of the research carries with it possible new uses of DNA. The well exposed DNA sequencing techniques shown in the Los Angeles trial of O. J. Simpson came through the use of current radioactive methods," Bradshaw explained. "Our research is along the lines of the possibility through new color sequencing methods of doing the same job, yet eliminating the laboratory technicians from working with radioactivity."

•Mac Sisson

# AdFed

*Advertising Federation team becomes first Arkansas team to win district competition*

A year's worth of deadlines, sleepless nights of preparation, and endless research finally paid off for the 11 students who were announced as the district winners of the American Advertising Federation's National Student Advertising Competition held recently at the Excelsior Hotel in Little Rock.

The idea of the competition is to allow collegiate advertising teams from across the country the opportunity to act as if they were the agency of record for a

large corporation and what they would do to enhance that company's or institution's product and/or image for all of its publics.

At Ouachita, the advertising/public relations campaign class, commonly known as AdFed, is a senior level course in the department of communications.

The advertising campaign designed by the AdFed students promoting American Red Cross volunteerism was chosen over that of 11 other institutions of higher education in District 10

that includes both large and small colleges and universities in Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas.

The victory in the district competition marks the first time in the history of the competition that an Arkansas school has won the regional contest.

"The feeling was exhilarating," said Dr. Bill



**RECOGNITION** • The Arkansas Advertising Federation (AAF) named Dr. Bill Downs as its Distinguished Educator of the Year for 1996. Downs was recognized at the AAF's ninth annual "Salute to Excellence" awards dinner. Ouachita's advertising federation team, led by Downs, won the 10th District awards competition and placed 11th in national competition.

Downs, chair of the department of communications, professor of communications, and teacher of the AdFed course at Ouachita. "I knew after our presentation had been made to the judges that it was as near perfect as it could have been."

Chris Bosen, a senior communications major from Collinsville, IL, was elected 'president' of the AdFed campaign last fall. "It was every emotion you could imagine at the same time," said Bosen. "The highest Ouachita had ever placed before was third."

Students began preparations for the campaign during the fall semester with in-depth research on the American Red Cross Volunteer Program, the focus for all teams by the AAF national office. Students were presented with a case study at the beginning of the fall semester that outlined the objectives of the campaign. The purpose of the Red Cross Campaign was to increase volunteerism among the "20 somethings." The second semester was spent developing the creative aspects of the campaign.

Five presentors were selected to represent Paradigm Productions, the name of the fictitious Ouachita student advertising agency.

Ouachita's campaign used the "Help Can't Wait" slogan already being utilized by the Red Cross and with it incorporated the slogan "If Not Now, When? If Not You, Who?"

"Our win proved that it is not the size of the school, but the quality that counts," said Downs. "This is the most intense college experience these team members will ever have. It's the ultimate academic achievement when victory isn't based on just a grade but successful application of knowledge to a real world problem."

## Ouachitonian yearbook named best in state; Signal newspaper receives second place

The "Ouachitonian" yearbook received first place in the General Excellence Overall Sweepstakes category at the annual meeting of the Arkansas College Media held recently in Jonesboro. The University campus newspaper, "The Signal," won second place in newspaper General Excellence.

In addition to being named

the best college and university yearbook in Arkansas, the "Ouachitonian" staff earned 26 individual awards.

The editor of the yearbook was Beth Ann Lee, a 1996 communications graduate from Midwest City, Okla. The adviser is Dr. Deborah Root, director of development publications and assistant professor of

communications.

"The Signal" staff members won five individual awards. Chris Bosen, a senior communications major from Collinsville, Mo., served as editor of "The Signal." The adviser of the newspaper is Dr. Jeff Root, director of public relations and assistant professor of communications.

## Campus BRIEFS

◆ The concert choir joined the choirs from four other Arkansas universities in a performance of Mahler's "Second Symphony" on Saturday, April 20, and Sunday, April 21, in the Robinson Music Hall of Little Rock.

Dr. Charles W. Wright, dean of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts, was the conductor of the 100-voice concert choir. Steven Cole, a senior music major from Greenwood, was the accompanist.

◆ Members of the Wind Ensemble spent their spring break on a performance tour in the Pensacola, Fla. area, according to Dr. Craig Hamilton, director of bands and coordinator of instrumental studies.

The Ouachita Wind Ensemble is an auditioned wind and percussion organization which was established in September, 1994.

Its 40 members include a broad representation of majors throughout the university community.

"The goal of the Wind Ensemble is to perform quality sacred and secular literature in concerts on and off campus and to give students quality concert experiences year round," Hamilton said.

For the Florida trip, the group performed at Scenic Heights Baptist Church, Pine Forrest High School, Bailey Middle School and Tate High School.

The Wind Ensemble also played at Gulf Breeze High School and Gulf Breeze First Baptist Church.

The group spent one day of sightseeing in the Pensacola area before a final performance at Calvary Baptist Church.

# Global AWARENESS

Ouachita students participated in two mission projects recently. Over spring break, a group went to San Antonio, and this summer, another group traveled to Africa.

A group of 28 students took the opportunity to minister to inner-city elementary students in San Antonio, TX, during spring break.

The students, along with Ian Cosh, director of religious activities and the Baptist Student Union, and Brandi Byrd, assistant director of the BSU, worked with students at Burnet Elementary School in the Victoria Courts Housing Project in San Antonio.

Burnet Elementary School serves the housing project as a 12-month school.

The BSU mission team provided a day camp for the children of the elementary school. The elementary students were on a vacation period during the stay by the Ouachita students.

"This trip introduced our students to some of the needs inner-city kids may face," Cosh said. "Frequently students in the housing project are bored and motivated to become involved in activities detrimental to their well-being. This was a great opportunity for Ouachita students to learn and spend a spring break helping those less fortunate than themselves."

The group worked closely with the San Antonio Baptist Association that organized funds to provide meals during the lunch hour for the children

and workers. The Association also provided funds for all extra materials the mission team needed.

The mission team hosted



**CHILDREN'S PROGRAM** • Members of the mission team provide a puppet ministry show for the children at Chinyaradzo Children's Home in Harare, Zimbabwe.

approximately 100 children. These elementary students were divided into six different groups according to age, including grades K-6. During the day they rotated various activities including: music, puppets, drama, sports, arts/crafts, and character profiles.

The character profiles sought to teach the students positive traits, teaching them how to relate to other children.

In addition to the day camp, the mission team led worship in local churches on Sunday, March 17, as well as Wednesday night, March 20. On Tuesday night, March 19, the Ouachita students participated in an area youth rally.

Nineteen students and four faculty/staff members spent three weeks in Zimbabwe and South Africa, May 28-June 18.

"One of our goals as a university is to develop leaders who are globally aware," said Cosh. "In pursuit of this goal, over the past years we have taken students to every continent in the world as a way of exposing them to consider ways they may make a contribution to solving some of the challenges facing our

global community," he said. "We are committed to an ongoing effort to seek to highlight the many and varying needs of the developed and developing world."

The students began preparation and training in mid-October with weekly team meetings, evangelism conferences, fundraising, and developing specific skills for the ministry.

The mission team was divided into four different smaller groups. Each small group worked with local pastors and led worship services, conducted discipleship workshops, sang, shared testimonies, and witnessed.

On Tuesday, May 28, the mission team boarded a trans-Atlantic flight to London, where they spent some time visiting the city's historical sights before reaching the mission field. From London, the team flew to Harare, Zimbabwe, where they ministered in local churches and worked with youth.

On Sunday, June 2, students led worship in local churches and visited the country's only Baptist Seminary in Gweru, south of Harare. The Ouachita team had the opportunity to visit with seminary students and professors, as well as share about their own mission work in the two countries.

The following week was spent in Johannesburg, South Africa, where the mission team worked with college students at Rosebank Bible College. The final stop was Cape Town, located on the southwest tip of Africa. The team worked

alongside two local churches: Fishoek Baptist Church and Durbanville Baptist Church.

Throughout the time in these cities, team members visited and spoke in public schools. "There is no separation of church and state," said Cosh. "Our students were able to go into classrooms to provide not only educational information on American culture, but to share their faith as well."

Cosh says that this trip was unique, not only because the team ministered in two different countries, but each of the faculty sponsors have strong ties to Zimbabwe and South Africa. Cosh was raised in Zimbabwe.

Another trip sponsor, Dr. William Steeger, the W. O. Vaught Professor of Bible and chair of the religion and



**MEETING NEEDS** • BSU mission team members serve lunch to the children at a squatter's camp in Cape Town, South Africa. The ministry was sponsored by a local church.

philosophy division, served as a Southern Baptist Convention foreign missionary in South Africa for eight years.

Dr. Isaac Mwase, OBU assistant professor of religion and philosophy, accompanied the Ouachita group. Mwase is from Zimbabwe and has numerous professional and personal contacts in the region.

Brandi Byrd, assistant BSU director, was also a sponsor on the mission trip.

•Genny Cassaday

## Four students visit NATO, SHAPE headquarters

Four students from Ouachita were selected to visit the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, during their spring semester study in England at Reading University.

The Ouachita students joined 26 others from five different universities in England one weekend last spring to learn more about the military alliance. The opportunity originated from a class the Ouachita students were taking in the United Kingdom titled "Anglo American Relations."

"Our group was composed of students from three or four different countries," said Ashley Nall, a senior English major from Batesville and one of the four Ouachita students on the trip. "We studied the special relationship between Britain and America.

"Our professor was head of the politics department and he asked us if we would have any interest in going on the trip to NATO. He was allowed to select several students from our

university."

In addition to the Ouachita students, there were three other Americans selected for the NATO tour. "It was very exciting to be there," said Nall. "One of the most memorable experiences was lunch in the NATO headquarters cafeteria. We sat down at our table and I looked around and saw all of these highly decorated officials. And I thought I am sitting in the middle of people who make the most important decisions in the world."

During their visit to NATO the students attended three briefings conducted by various officers. "They talked about America's role in the Gulf War and NATO's role in the peacekeeping process during the war and how they had to employ arms to keep the peace," said Nall.

The two day NATO trip also included a visit to the Strategic Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) located outside of Brussels. Here, students were honored guests at a luncheon.

"SHAPE serves as the muscles behind the brain of NATO," said Nall. "Those two organizations work together. SHAPE is the military power for NATO."

While at the SHAPE headquarters, the students observed a three panel discussion made up of generals from Belgium, America, and France.

"Each general came in and talked about a different facet of SHAPE," said Nall. "One talked about the Gulf War, another one talked about America's role in NATO, and the last one talked about NATO's future role in the world. There was an overall emphasis about the necessity of employing arms."

Ouachita students who participated in the trip included: Ashley Nall; Mason Pickens, a sophomore political science major from Batesville; Heidi Nunn, a junior political science major from Lingle, WY; and Hope Tate, a sophomore family life ministry/church recreation major from Melbourne.

•Genny Cassaday

## Germany, Morocco added to list of programs

Beginning in the fall of 1997, Ouachita students will have the opportunity to study at Martin Luther University in Wittenburg, Germany.

Two Ouachita students will be allowed to attend the German university each semester along with other American students from Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) colleges and universities in the Cooperative Services International Education Consortium (CSIEC).

I expect this program to impact the entire campus," said Dr. Trey Berry, director of the Daniel R. Grant International Studies Program and assistant professor of history. "It will offer outstanding study

possibilities for students majoring in Ouachita's broad liberal arts environment."

The Ouachita students studying abroad will be taking courses in the German language, German history, history of the Reformation, religious history, political science, business, and art.

Ouachita will also initiate a new student and faculty exchange program at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco in August of 1997.

Al Akhawayn University is the first private institution of higher learning in the North African country. Students will enroll in a broad range of liberal arts courses, and faculty will

teach in areas including business, political science, history, English, and natural sciences.

Dr. Ben M. Elrod, president of Ouachita, signed an agreement for the program during a March visit to the Al Akhawayn campus.

"This program offers a tremendous opportunity for Ouachita students and faculty to experience the rich and ancient cultures of North Africa," Berry said.

Ouachita has an extensive student and faculty exchange program with universities in Japan, China, Austria, England, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Israel, France, Italy, Indonesia, and now Germany and Morocco.

## Campus BRIEFS

◆ Students in the Phi Beta Lambda national honorary business fraternity showed "excellent skill" in the PBL State Leadership Conference held recently in Little Rock bringing home a host of awards and offices for their work.

Nationally, Phi Beta Lambda is a professional association of business students and is the post-secondary division of the Future Business Leaders of America.

Winning first place in their respective competition divisions were: Tyler Vance, a senior accounting major from Cabot, Accounting II; Jarrod Gaither, a senior accounting major from Lake Charles, LA, Finance; Layne Johnston, a sophomore marketing major from Rose Bud, Impromptu Speaking; Wesley Tollett, a senior management major from Nashville, AR, Mr. Future Business Executive; Theodocia Johnson, a senior business education major from Wynne, Ms. Future Teacher; and Brian Davidson, a senior accounting major from Lewisville, Who's Who.

The Ouachita Phi Beta Lambda Chapter also received several chapter awards: first place for the Local Chapter Annual Business Report, prepared by Brian Davidson; second place for the Sweepstakes Award; second place for having the largest local chapter membership; third place for community service project; and third place for scrapbook.

PBL members Gib Richardson, a junior finance major from Warren, and Theodocia Johnson were recognized for Who's Who in PBL.

PBL sponsors are Dr. Freddie Jolley and Mrs. Jeanie Curry.



# Benson succeeds Vining as athletic director

Buddy Benson will succeed Bill Vining, Sr. as the athletic director at Ouachita. Vining retired from the position at the end of the 1995-96 academic year.

Benson served for 31 years as head football coach at OBU before announcing his decision in December to leave the active duty ranks of coaching. He was succeeded by Jimmy "Red" Parker.



**NEW DIRECTION** • Buddy Benson, who served as head football coach for 31 years, has been named athletic director.

The appointment of Benson to the post of athletic director at Ouachita was approved at a recent meeting of the Ouachita Board of Trustees. Vining is completing his 30th year at Ouachita as athletic director and has served as coach and teacher since 1954.

Vining, a 1951 graduate of Ouachita, became head basketball coach of the Tiger men's basketball program in 1954 and athletic director in 1965. He remained the head basketball coach for 34 years

before giving up that title in 1989. In addition to his athletic director's duties, Vining also taught courses in the University's

department of health, physical education and recreation.

As head basketball coach, Vining led the Tiger basketball program to a record of 555-382 to go along with six Arkansas Intercollegiate Championships and appearances in post season NAIA play.

Benson coached the Tiger football program for 31 years until November 13, 1995, when he resigned his post as football coach.

In 1961, Benson, a native of DeQueen, was hired as assistant

coach by then head coach Rab Rodgers.

Four years later, Benson took over the reigns of the program and began a career that ended with a 162-140-8 record.

He became the longest tenured coach in the much chronicled 89-year history of the Ouachita football program and led the Tigers to four AIC titles and two trips to the NAIA national playoffs.

When Benson retired from coaching he ranked as the second winningest active coach in the NAIA.

Since the announcement of his retirement, Benson has remained with the University as associate professor of physical education, teaching classes in the Roy and Christine Sturgis Physical Education Center.

Benson is a 1956 graduate of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, where he was a star player for the Razorbacks. He also holds a master of arts degree from UA-Fayetteville, conferred in 1962.

•Jeff Williams

## Benson honored by football foundation

Athletic director and former head football coach Buddy Benson received yet another honor when he was given the Distinguished American Award sponsored by the Arkansas Chapter of the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame.

Benson was presented with the award on Saturday, April 6, at the chapter's annual banquet at the Riverfront Hilton Hotel in North Little Rock.

Also honored at the April 6 banquet in North Little Rock were the head coaches of the state's high school football championship teams from last fall. Among these was Jimmy "Red" Parker, who coached Rison High School to the State Class 'A' Championships and who in December was named as Ouachita's head football coach to replace Benson.

# Gravett inducted into Track and Field Hall of Fame

The Arkansas Track and Field Hall of Fame inducted five individuals, including retired Ouachita indoor and outdoor track and field coach Dr. Bob Gravett, into its ranks in a ceremony held Friday, June 7, at the Riverfront Hilton Hotel in North Little Rock.

The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to honor individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the sport of track and field. The ceremony in June marked the second such ceremony in the history of the Arkansas Track and Field Hall of Fame.

Others honored at the banquet include: George Jones, John McDonnell, Dr. Thomas Hill and the late Eddie Hamm.

"We believe that these individuals are five of the greatest 14 • Campus News

achievers in the sport of track and field in the state of Arkansas," said Dr. Woody Jolley, chair of the department of physical education at Henderson State University.

Gravett coached at Ouachita from 1965 until his retirement in 1994, when he was named by the Ouachita Board of Trustees as Professor Emeritus of Physical Education.

At the time of his retirement, Gravett was not only the coach of the Tiger track and field team, he also served as chair of the University's department of health, physical education and recreation.

Gravett's teams won six Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference championships. He was named AIC and NAIA District 17 Coach of the Year on



Dr. Bob Gravett

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Dr. Woody Jolley

six occasions. Gravett coached 14 All-Americans in track.

The Humnoke native served in every executive position, including president, of the NAIA Track and Field Coaches Association.

He received his B.S.E. from Arkansas State Teachers College (now the University of Central Arkansas) in 1958. He was granted a M.S.E. degree in 1962 from Arkansas State University and a Ed.D. from North Texas State University (now the University of North Texas) in 1969.

Gravett served as an instructor at Humnoke High School from 1958-59; instructor at Keiser High School from 1959-63; and instructor at DeWitt High School from 1963-65.

# Sports Wrap-Up

## Lady Tiger Basketball

Joveta Saylor of Lead Hill, a 5-10 senior forward for the Lady Tiger basketball team, was named to the 1995-96 NAIA Division I Women's Basketball Honorable Mention All-American Team.

Saylor led her team to an 18-8 record this year, the best in school history since starting in intercollegiate play in 1976. Under last year coach Garry Crowder, Saylor and teammates advanced to the first round of the NAIA Southwest Independent Region Tournament.

In her career as a Lady Tiger, Saylor scored 1,382 points and grabbed 727 rebounds.

Saylor is a 1992 graduate of Lead Hill High School and a 1996 graduate of Ouachita.

## Golf

Ouachita finished fifth in the NAIA East/Southeast Regional Golf Tournament which concluded on Tuesday, April 30.

The tournament was won by NAIA 10th ranked University of Mobile (AL) Rams.

Ouachita hosted the two-day tournament at the Glenwood Country Club.

## Swimming

The Tiger Sharks and the Lady Tiger Sharks swimming and diving teams, coached by Jim Dann, have been honored by the College Swimming Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) in Myrtle Beach, SC, for their performances in the classroom.

Both teams have achieved the distinction of having been selected as CSCAA Academic All-American Swimming Teams for the 1995 fall semester of classes.

The Lady Tiger Sharks were ranked by the CSCAA as the second best team academically in the nation in the NAIA Women's Division. The Ouachita men's team was ranked as the fourth best team academically in the nation in the NAIA Men's Division.

In national swimming and diving competition this year in the NAIA, the Ouachita men finished ninth and the women finished 20th in the nation.

## Lady Tiger Tennis

Three Lady Tigers competed in the NAIA Regional Independent Women's Tennis Tournament in April.

Jennifer Jones competed for a singles' spot in the national tourney, but lost to the region's number one seed Sarah Fox of Schreiner College from Kerrville, TX. Yoshie Ganaha and Aimee Dinwiddie of Ouachita faced Katherine Well and Amanda Roberts of East Texas Baptist University in their first round doubles match, but were also defeated.

The Lady Tiger netters ended the year with a 5-11 record.

## Tiger Tennis

The Tiger tennis team was never forced to play a doubles match in grabbing an insurmountable lead in singles in winning 17 of their 18 matches to capture the NAIA Southwest Regional Independent Tournament Championship in Oklahoma City, April 18-19.

To wrap up the season, the team finished in a two-way tie for fifth place at the conclusion of the 45th annual NAIA Men's National Tennis Championship Tournament held in May at the Shadow Mountain Racquet Club in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

It was the best finish ever by an Arkansas team of any size college or university in a national championship tennis tournament.

The performance of Coach Craig Ward's team eclipsed their seventh place finish at last year's NAIA national tournament.

The team went into the tournament as the victors from the NAIA Southwest Regional Independent Tournament held in late April in Oklahoma City.

At Tulsa, Ouachita tied with Incarnate Word College in San Antonio, Texas, for fifth place with 18 points. Winning the tournament was the University of Auburn at Montgomery

(Ala.) with 34 points.

"I was pleased, overall, with the performance of our young men," said Ward. "Placing fifth in a very tough competitive tournament, such as the one in Tulsa, is a real credit to the dedication of our athletes. I couldn't be prouder."

Several Tiger netters achieved individual honors at the conclusion of the tournament.

Three players were named as All-American in the sport of tennis. They were: Christian Wassmer, a junior communications major from Singen, Germany; Tim Oosterhous, a junior sociology major from Texarkana, Texas; and Larry Hurta, a senior biology major from Pearland, Texas.

Wassmer and Hurta, along with Patrick Lofvenberg, a senior finance major from Stockholm, Sweden, also were named as NAIA Academic All-Americans for their performances in the classroom.

In addition, it was announced in Tulsa that Wassmer was selected by a panel of coaches to receive the Southern Regional

## Ward named Coach of the Year

Tiger Tennis Coach Craig Ward was named as the Coach of the Year in men's tennis in the NAIA Southwest Independent Regional District.

Ward's Tigers, ranked fourth nationally, swept away the opposition in the NAIA Regional Independent Tournament.

It is not the first time that Ward has been honored by his coaching peers. At the conclusion of the 1994-95 season last May, he was honored as NAIA National Coach of the Year in men's tennis.

"I have been blessed with having some great players on my side," said Ward. "I am humbled by my fellow coaches recognizing me for the regional honor. But the award is truly in recognition of a team effort in support of our entire men's tennis program at Ouachita. I am proud for the school, my athletes, and my family."

Arthur Ashe Sportsmanship Award.

Lofvenberg also brought back to Arkadelphia and the Heflin Tennis Center at OBU the trophy for being tabbed as the Southern Senior Player of the Year.

"We are very proud of the accomplishments of all these players both on the court and in their classes," Ward said. "It reflects very favorably on the work ethic of these guys and the contributions others associated with them, on and off the campus, have made in the best interest of OBU tennis."



# Yevonne Conrad

President  
Former Students  
Association

Looking out at majestic Pikes Peak each morning certainly makes me appreciate living in Colorado with my husband, Bill, and our son, Brian. However, we always look forward to our trips "home" to Arkansas. Visiting family and friends provides an opportunity to revive old memories and build new ones,

including special memories of Ouachita.

Since my graduation in 1974, the campus has grown and changed in amazing ways. Beyond the physical changes, I am impressed by the real people whose support and dedication to the focus of Christian higher education make these changes possible. The success of the Decade of Progress campaign, an increase in new scholarships, and numerous endowments are a few examples of this dedication. Many of you continue to be a part of the excellent Christian leadership through your support of Ouachita.

More than just memories, I believe it is a sense of "belonging," a sense of "family,"

that makes our experience here important. What excites me about that is the realization that we are part of fulfilling God's plan and purpose for Ouachita. Those touched by Ouachita's "family" continue to touch others, and make a difference in their lives. We are thankful to be a part of this "family."

It is a privilege to serve as President of the Former Students Association this year. I look forward to working with the FSA Advisory Board. I hope you will be able to be a part of the many activities available to us throughout this year. If you have any questions or wish to share support or suggestions, please let us hear from you.

## Former Students Association Advisory Board

### Nominating Committee Report for 1995-96

#### Nominees for Officers (One-Year Term)

- President • YEVONNE FLEMING CONRAD, '74, Colorado Springs, CO
- Vice President • BRUCE TIPPIT, '76, Jonesboro, AR
- Secretary • JUNANNE REYNOLDS BROWN, '73, Hope, AR
- Tiger Network Chair • WESLEY KLUCK, '77, Arkadelphia, AR

#### Nominees for Arkansas Advisors (Three-Year Term)

- Arkadelphia • SUZANNE DUKE FRANKLIN, '83, Arkadelphia, AR
- Central • LARRY ROOT, '80, Little Rock, AR
- East Central • OLEVIA DEERE BABB, '72, Cabot, AR
- West Central • CRAIG CAMPBELL, '87, Russellville, AR

#### Nominees for Out-of-State Advisors (Three-Year Term)

- Central U.S. • SHARON FRANCIS PLYLER, '93, Memphis, TN
- Southwest U.S. • POLLY NATION TUTTLE, '61, Henderson, TX
- South Central U.S. • CINDY RITCHIE WALKER, '74, Minden, LA

## 1996 Homecoming SCHEDULE

### Friday, November 8

- 5:00-6:00 Registration
- 6:00-7:15 Reunion Dinner
- 7:30-10:00 Tiger Tunes  
Class Gatherings

### Saturday, November 9

- 9:00-11:30 Registration  
Faculty Connection  
Student Association  
Fellowships  
Campus Tour
- 10:00-11:15 Alumni Buffet
- 11:30-1:15 Pregame at  
A.U. Williams Field
- 1:30-2:00 Campus Tour  
Football Game
- 1:30 After-Game Buffet for  
Alumni and friends
- 2:00 Tiger Tunes
- 4:30-7:00
- 7:30-10:00

### Reunion Groups

- |             |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| '50-'51-'52 | '65-'66-'67 | '80-'81-'82 |
| '55-'56-'57 | '70-'71-'72 | '85-'86-'87 |
| '60-'61-'62 | '75-'76-'77 | '90-'91-'92 |

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Secretary '97	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Junanne Reynolds Brown _____
Tiger Network Chair '97	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wesley Kluck _____
Arkadelphia area '99	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Suzanne Duke Franklin _____
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East Central Arkansas '99	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Olevia Deere Babb _____
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March 1, 1996 - June 30, 1996

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*Mother of Donna Sisson*  
By: Ms. Gracie Fulford

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# Class Notes

1935

**Thomas and Lucile Payne** (fs), of Bella Vista, AR, recently celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary. He began playing golf at Bella Vista at age 81 and is still not the oldest on the course.

1938

**George and Martha Jean DeLaughter** (fs) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 28 with a family dinner at Big Cedar Lodge in Branson, MO. The couple lives in Sparkman.

**Colonel Joe Burt** (fs) is a consultant for the Defense Intelligence Agency and lives in Arlington, VA. A retired Air Force officer, he plans to revisit Istanbul, Turkey, where he served as an Air Force attaché.

1939

Clarification: **Alvin Clark** received the Doctor of Theology degree from Andersonville Baptist Seminary. The degree was based, in part, on work done earlier at New Orleans Seminary.

1942

**Willye Gann Holcomb** lives in Little Rock with husband John David. Son David is a micro-biologist with Maybelline/ L'Oreal, and son Timothy was recently named head of the department of internal medicine at UAMS.

1943

Wayne and **Virginia (Robinson) Baker** (fs) live in Jonesboro where they own and operate Baker Health Care Specialties. They are very active in their community and First Baptist Church.

**Ray Branscum**, who has served as chaplain for the Little Rock Fire Department since 1989, is in his 66th year of ministry. He ministers in the 20 stations of the LRFD, visiting each station at least twice a month, and holds weekly Bible study at the Little Rock National Airport Fire Station.

**Graham R. Keith** (fs) has completed two careers. He retired as a Colonel from the U.S. Army and retired from New York Life Insurance. He and wife, June, divide their time between two homes in Hot Springs, AR and Princeton, NJ. He was president of the

freshman class of 1941-42.

1944

**Juanita (Lewallyn) Drumm** of Abingdon, MD, celebrated Christmas at sea on the Ms. Westerdam. The Christmas program was outstanding with the presentation of "Silent Night" in many languages.

1946

**O.J. "Buddy" (fs) and Margaret Harris** of Hot Springs, celebrated their 50th anniversary on February 22. Harris is retired from Arkansas Power and Light Co.

1947

**Charles "Doc" and Nita (Andress, fs 46) Batson** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 24 with a reception at their home in Hope, AR. They were married on that date in 1946 by the late Rev. S.A. Whitlow. The Batsons have two children, **Charles III ('70)** of Denver and **Rachel Batson Arrington** of Bryant, AR.

In April, **J. Sturgis and Angie (Higgins) Miller** (fs) celebrated

their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house in Hot Springs. They are the parents of **Jay ('69)** and **Lee** and have two grandchildren.

**Dr. Joe Pipkin** of Orlando, FL was awarded the Humanitarian of the Year Award in 1994 by the Florida Dental Association.

1948

**James Johnson** is serving as minister of music and education for Ft. Kensington Baptist Church in Memphis, TN. He and wife, Jane, have led conferences for the past five years at Senior Adult Chautauquas at both Ridgecrest and Gorieta.

1949

**Durward Bourns** moved in April to the Whispering Pines Retirement Inn in Texarkana, TX, from DeQueen, AR. He would love to hear from former classmates. His current address is 5002 N. Elizabeth St., Texarkana, TX, 75503.

1951

In April, **Dr. Roy Carroll** be-

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Mr. and Mrs. Albert Yarnell  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Argyle Anderson

# Class Notes

senior vice president and vice president for academic affairs for the on-campus University of North Carolina. He and wife, Eleanor, live in Chapel Hill, NC.

**John and Laurabeth Martin** of Donogo, MO, celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary in April. He retired from the pastorate after 54 years.

1952

Dr. Edward and **Fern (Wilkins) Stanford** are retired but continue to operate the Stanford Animal Clinic part time. They live in Memphis, TN, and are parents of daughters, Gayle and **Cindy (Stanford) Berry** ('83).

1953

**R.V. Haygood** is pastor of Huntsville (AR) First Baptist Church.

**Al and Bobbie (Stephens) Sparkman** of Russellville, AR, left April 1 for Baumholder, Germany where he will serve as interim pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in the absence of the furloughing missionaries Dan and Glenda Sims. Upon his return, Sparkman will be interim pastor of Atkins (AR) First Baptist Church.

1956

**Ed and Greta (McFerrin) Pinkston**, missionaries to the Ivory Coast, are in the States on furlough. They can be reached at 211 East "B" Street, North Little Rock, AR 72116.

1957

**Billy Holmes** has retired after 40 years in the pastoral ministry, pastoring churches in Arkansas, Oklahoma, Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. He and wife, Ruby, live in Steelton, PA.

**Gerald Taylor** retired in February as pastor of Hebron Baptist Church in Little Rock, after 44 years as an ordained Southern Baptist minister. He and wife, Catherine, served for five years as foreign missionaries to Dakar, Senegal. The Taylors, parents of four grown children, Susan, **Max** (fs 74), Sharon, and **Karen** (fs 84), have five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

1958

**Paul Parker** retired April 1 as pastor of Scotland (AR) Baptist Church. He and wife, Betty, will live in Fairfield Bay, AR.

1959

**John W. Crawford** has been professor of English at Henderson State University since 1973 where he also serves as chair of the department. He has five books published in the areas of poetry and Shakespeare. Winner of the Sybel Nash Abrams Poetry Prize in 1982 and 1995,

Crawford resides in Arkadelphia with wife, Kathryn.

1960

**Margaret Gillaspie** retired April 30, 1996, after nearly 28 years as Indiana Women's Missionary Union/Women's Ministry Director with the Indiana State Convention.

**James Burleson** has joined the staff of Central Baptist Church in Pine Bluff (AR) as minister of music and activities.

**Jerry Sparks** retired from the FBI in November 1994 after 28 years. He and wife, Mary, live in Thomasville, GA.

1961

**Jim McDaniel** recently observed his 25th anniversary as pastor of Brinkley (AR) First Baptist Church. The congregation presented him and wife, **Beverly (Worrell)**, with a trip to the Holy Land. The McDaniels have three children, Joel, Dina, and Michael.

**Dr. Joe Nix** was inducted into the Arkansas Outdoor Hall of Fame in February by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission. Formerly head of the chemistry department at Ouachita, Nix continues scientific research for the Ross Foundation in Arkadelphia.

**Sally (Jewell) Sherrod** is completing her 10th year as an elementary principal of Fisher Elementary School in the Pasadena (TX) ISD. She and husband, Bill, live in Deer Park, TX.

**Virginia (Bledsoe) Turnage** holds a faculty/administrative position with off-campus academic programs for Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. She lives in Memphis, TN.

1962

**Edwina Walls** volunteered with other Arkansans to assist in moving the International Baptist Theological Seminary from Ruschlikon, Switzerland to Prague, Czech Republic. She lives in Little Rock where she is chairman of the Historical Research Center at UAMS and a member of Pulaski Heights Baptist Church.

1964

**JoAnn (Henderson) Nutt** (fs) retired from the Missouri Department of Social Services in 1994 after almost twenty years. She and husband, **Jesse** ('53), live in St. Louis, MO.

**Beth (McClung) Williams** retired this spring after teaching first grade for thirty years in Texarkana, TX. Husband, **Wayne** ('57) is still teaching at Texarkana College.

1965

**Sandy (Polos) Hinkson** (fs) is president-elect of the wives of the Directors of Missions of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. She lives in Little Rock with husband, **Ed** ('65) who is DOM for Pulaski Association. She is employed as minister of education at Markham St. Baptist Church.

1968

**Lindsay and Vida (Hill, '65) Baker** of Longwood, FL, own and operate KRB, Inc. a software development company specializing in CAD translators.

**Buddy and Janada (Graddy, '84) Barnett** recently returned from an 8-month leave of absence from the Eden (NC) First Baptist Church, where he is minister of music. While on leave, they helped establish and pastor the International Baptist Church of Kiev, Ukraine.

**Dr. Dan and Susan (Irby, fs '66) Gaske** live in Herndon, VA, where he is involved in economics education and training and has just published a guide to economics, Understanding U.S. and Global Economic Trends. She teaches fourth grade and develops alternative math assessment instruments for Fairfax County Public Schools.

**Joanna Redding Melton** is an elementary school principal in Humble, TX. This year she opened Humble's 18th elementary school which was nominated for a National School Design Award.

**Linda (Temple) Morris** is a teacher for Lonoke (AR) Public Schools. She married John Morris in January and has two children, Cash

and Carrie Acrey.

**Joe and Margaret Williams** live in Yukon, OK, where he has completed ten years as minister of music at First Baptist Church.

1969

**Mike O'Cain** is director of the Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Program for the State of Alabama. He and wife, Carolyn, live in Montgomery and have two grown daughters.

**Sue (Priest) Henke** is a social work coordinator for Missouri Baptist Children's Home in St. Louis. She and husband, Kent, live in Chesterfield, MO. She has two daughters: **Kristin Garner-Hodge** ('94) and **Kelli Garner** (current student).

Ellis and **Marilyn (Turney)** live in Greenbrier (AR) with their two children, Leah and Bryant. Marilyn teaches home economics at Greenbrier Middle School.

1970

**Ron and Alana (Ichter, '72) Greenwich**, missionaries to Brazil, will be on furlough from November 1996 until May 1997 when their son, Jason, will graduate from Ouachita. Former classmates and friends can contact them at 601 South Hughes, Little Rock, AR 72205, 501-664-5137.

1971

In April, **Tim Blann** (MME) joined the staff of Little Rock Second Baptist Church as minister of worship and music, coming from Taylor Memorial in Hobbs, NM. He and wife, Joan, have two daughters, Beverly and Barbara.

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**GOLD TIGERS** • The Class of 1946 gathered April 19 for induction as Gold Tigers. Those present included (front row) Betty Tatum Pounders, Alma Ward Lokey, Sue Hubbard Williams, Culley Yates Enlow, Tanna Murry Howell, (second row) Marcine Swaim Floyd, Virginia Swaim White, Horace Grigson, Bette Cochran Hall, Jacque Bly Hughes, (back row) Quincy Mathis, Dillard Miller, Randolph M. Smith, Charles Rose.

## Elliff elected SBC president; Coppenger president of MBTS

Two Ouachita graduates have recently been elected to serve in prominent positions in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Tom Elliff ('66) was elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention at the convention's June meeting in New Orleans. Dr. Mark Thomas Coppenger ('70) was recently inaugurated as president of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Mo.

Elliff has served as pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla., since 1985. From 1981-83 he was a SBC foreign missionary to Zimbabwe. He has also pastored churches in Warren and Little Rock, Ark., as well as in Texas and Colorado. He received his B.A. in history from Ouachita in 1966, his M.Div. from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1971, and received an honorary Th.D. from Southwest Baptist University in Boliver, Mo.

Attending Ouachita is somewhat a tradition in the Elliff family. "I love Ouachita," said Elliff. "Three generations of Elliffs have attended Ouachita. My grandfather, A. P. Elliff, met my grandmother, Sue Bishop, there. My father, J. T. Elliff, met my mother, Jewell Carter, there. And then, my three siblings and I all met our spouses at Ouachita."

In recalling his days at Ouachita Elliff said he "was particularly blessed that the faculty was so encouraging. Instead of scoffing or discouraging the ideas of students, they would look at what was valid in your ideas and encourage you to think big. It fostered in me a deeper belief that God really could use me."

Coppenger is the third president in the history of Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, founded in 1957.

Prior to his election to the presidency of Midwestern Seminary, Coppenger held the position of Vice President for Convention Relations of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee from 1991-95. From 1988 to 1991 he led the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana as executive director-treasurer. Coppenger was associate professor of philosophy at Wheaton College from 1975-81.

After teaching at Wheaton, Coppenger enrolled at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. Following two years of study, he was called as pastor of the First Baptist Church of El Dorado, where he served from 1983-88.

Coppenger received his B.A. in philosophy from Ouachita in 1970, his Ph.D. in philosophy from Vanderbilt University in 1974, and his M.Div. from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1983. Coppenger grew up around Ouachita as a "faculty kid." He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Coppenger of Arkadelphia.

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**Randy and Janet (Crawley, '72) Hyde** moved to Little Rock where he is pastor of Pulaski Heights Baptist Church.

**Randy Maxwell** became pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church in North Crossett, AR, in April, coming from South Highland Baptist in Little Rock. He and wife, Nan, have one son, Scott, a student at the University of Arkansas.

**Steve and Sandy (Hughes, '72) Peoples** live in Greenwood, AR where he is the football and track coach at Greenwood High School, completing 23 years of coaching. She teaches fifth grade at Greenwood Elementary, having taught for 20 years.

**Marvin Peters**, director of missions for North Pulaski Association, was recently elected president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention Directors of Missions. He and wife, **Pamela (Rainbow, fs70)** live in Little Rock.

### 1972

**Bill Fleming** entered the field of full-time evangelism after having served as pastor of Southern Baptist churches for 30 years. He and wife, **Sharon (Osburn, '67)** live in Alexander, AR, and are members of Parkway Place Baptist Church in Little Rock.

**Paul Lancaster** joined the staff of Eastside Baptist Church in Mountain Home as associate pastor. A 22-year Navy veteran, he previously served as minister of music for Foot-hills Church in Mountain View.

### 1973

**Jan (Bennett) Hollowell** was selected for inclusion in Who's Who in American Education. She is employed by J.F. Drake State Technical College in Huntsville, AL, as the individual prescribed instruction manager. Husband, **Monte ('72)**, works for the U.S. Army as an engineer. They have two sons, Brett, a senior at Berry College, Rome, GA, and Matt, a freshman at the University of Alabama-Birmingham.

**James Hurley** is senior attorney for Texaco Inc. He and wife, Ruth, have two daughters, Kendall 6 and Taylor Nicole 1-1/2. They live in Universal City, CA.

**Sandra McGuire** began in January as the national English specialist for Prentice Hall College Publishers in Dallas.

**Kay (Cason) Shrum (fs)** earned her MS degree in human sciences in May 1996 from Stephen F. Austin University, after completing her certification in Family and Consumer Sciences in April. She lives in

Nacogdoches, TX, with her two daughters, Lydia 17 and Lycia 16.

**Marsha Ellis-Smith** was a contributor to "The Women's Study Bible," 1995, with her article, "What They Left Behind: Women, Archaeology and the Bible." She is Associate Vice President of Academic Administration at Southern Seminary in Louisville, KY.

### 1974

**Yevonne (Fleming) Conrad** was selected as Outstanding Early Childhood Educator of 1995 for the State of Colorado. She teaches children with learning disabilities in the El Paso County School District. She also teaches Sunday School and serves as chair of the missions committee at First Southern Baptist Church. She recently completed an endorsement to her master's degree in early childhood special education. She, husband Bill, and son Brian (13) live in Colorado Springs. Yevonne serves as President of the Ouachita Former Students Association.

**Debbie Moore**, missionary to Burkina Faso, is in language study in France. Debbie was appointed in 1982 and also has served in Liberia and Ivory Coast.

**Larry and Fayrene (Moore '77) Elrod** live in Nashville, AR where she teaches third grade at Nashville Primary School. He is principal at Delight Elementary School. They have three children, Tisha Elrod Launius, 20 (current OBU student), Erin 17, and Carey 15.

**Brenda (Melton) Manning** joined Elk Horn Bank and Trust in Arkadelphia as Vice President of Lending. She has 21 years of banking experience. She and husband, Larry, have two children, Beth and Mark. Mark will be transferring to Ouachita in the fall 1996.

**Virginia (Adams) Orellano** and husband, T.J., live in Little Rock where she is the assistant OPS manager for Stephens, Inc.

### 1975

**Mark Baldwin** is employed by Cooper Tire and Rubber Co. in El Dorado. He and wife, Sally, have two children, Matthew, 10 and Ashley, 6.

**Don and Dee (Thornton fs'75) Yancey** are stationed at Ft. Campbell, KY, where he is 3rd Brigade Chaplain and senior Protestant pastor at Soldiers' Chapel. Since 1975, Don has received an M.Div. from Mid-American Seminary and a Th.M. from Southern Seminary. His Army service has included Korea and Germany as well as stateside assignments. Dee graduated May 12, 1996 from Indiana University with a BS in elementary education. They have a

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**Sarah 12.**

In April, **Richard Wade** celebrated his 20th year of ministry on the staff of Monticello (AR) Second Baptist Church where he is the minister of music and youth. Wife, **Bonnie Carol (Burgess)**, was honored for 10 years of service as pianist and director of the Young Musicians Choir. Daughter, Ellen, will be a freshman at Ouachita this fall.

**David and Jan (Battles) Wesley** live in Cave City, AR where he is pastor of Salado Baptist Church and she teaches special education.

**Martin and Beverly (Smith '80) Babb** moved in July to Springfield, TN, where Martin is Minister of Education at Springfield Baptist Church. Beverly recently completed 10 years as music teacher at Walnut Valley Christian Academy in Little Rock. They have a daughter Meredith 14 and a son, David 11.

1976

**Linda (Smith) Covey** and husband, David, reside in Searcy, AR, where he is an internal medicine physician at the Searcy Medical Center. She is a homemaker and mom to daughters, Andrea 12, and Sarah 10.

**Becca (Mazander) Clark** is the national account manager for Carlson Wagonlit Travel Company in Denver, CO.

**Rick Frie** is the pastor of Southwood Baptist Church in Tulsa, OK.

**Diana (Edmondson) Lewis** is a home missionary working through church and community ministries of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention Missions Department. Husband, John, is a chaplain at McClellan V.A. Hospital in Little Rock. They have one son, Caleb 12, and live in Benton, AR.

**Steve D. Lewis** lives in Mabelvale, AR, with wife, Cheryl, and two sons, Steven Adam 13, and Matthew Jonathan 8. He is employed with Raytheon Corporate Jets in Little Rock, AR, as the manager of engineering configuration.

**Dr. Steve Mullen**, assistant professor of adult education at Williams Baptist College in Walnut Ridge, AR, is also serving as interim pastor of Piggott (AR) First Baptist Church.

**Bruce and Kathy (Marable) Tippit** have moved from Fort Smith to Jonesboro where he will serve as pastor of First Baptist Church. They have two daughters.

1977

**Honsley and Ann (Hicks) Snow** live in Searcy, AR and have two children, Marlys 11, and Daniel 9. He is segment controller for Bryce,

Inc., which manufactures clear packaging for Frito-Lay and other companies.

**Jeff Willis (fs)** is employed in Little Rock by KATV Channel-7 in the sales department as an account executive.

1978

**Liese (Flack) Richardson** and husband Roger live in Plano, TX. They recently had a baby, Gunner Pierce, who joins four-year old brother, Preston. Liese worked as a marketing specialist for Motorola Nortel Corp. before Gunner's birth.

**James Meredith** is employed by USDA Forest Service as a contracting officer. He lives in Norcross, GA, and has three children, Kurt 17, Kyle 13, and Kori 7.

**Keith and Jane (Chastain, fs) Byrd** completed language study in Moscow, Russia, and arrived on their field of service as Baptist representatives to Western Republics. They will live in Belarus, one of the independent states of the former Soviet Union.

**Dr. Gerald Masterson** is assistant professor of health, physical education, and recreation at Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, MO. He teaches courses in computer applications, exercise testing and health/wellness management. Wife, **Dr. Julie (Johnson) Masterson ('77)** is professor of communication sciences and disorders at SWMSU. She is active in the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA), serving as an editor for one of ASHA's journals and member of ASHA's Research and Technology Advisory Board. They have two children, Caleb 11, and Caitlin 6.

1979

**Mike Kemper** has been named administrator of Southern Baptist missions work in five central European countries. He will help administer the work of 59 Southern Baptist foreign missionaries who serve in Romania, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, and Hungary. He has been the pastor of an English language Baptist Church in Bucharest, Romania, where he lives with wife, Kathy. They will continue to live in Bucharest.

**Cheryl Jenkins Andreson** teaches kindergarten at Valley Springs, AR. She resides in Harrison, AR, with husband, Tadd, and two sons, John Robert 6, and Michael 3.

**Terri (Hunter) Bridges** and husband, Darrell, are church planters in Germantown, MD. She home schools their four children.

**Steve Halpin** and wife, Mary

Ann, have three children, Marc, Sara, and Luke and live in Garland, TX. Steve is the head football coach at Mesquite High School.

**Warren and Karen (Boone, '81) Watkins** moved this summer from Pine Bluff to the North Little Rock area where he will serve as pastor of Indianhead Lake Baptist Church in Sherwood. They are parents of three children, Beth 14, Rachel 11 and Bekkah 6.

**Willis Moore** has joined the staff of Spradling Baptist Church in Fort Smith, AR, as minister of youth. He previously served on the staff of El Dorado First Baptist. He and wife, LeeAnn, have one daughter, Caroline.

**Karen (Buchanan) Neal** and husband, Ollly, live in Little Rock where he is an Appeals Court Judge and she is employed by the Little Rock School District as a principal.

**David and Rachel (Moore, fs) Uth** have moved to West Monroe, LA, where he will serve as pastor of First Baptist Church. The Uths have three children, Joshua, Andrew, and Hannah.

1980

**Wyley Elliott** is the new presi-

dent and CEO of Boatmen's National Bank of South Arkansas, with offices in Camden, Magnolia, and Waldo. He served previously with Boatmen's in Mountain Home and Harrison, and with NBC Bank in San Antonio, TX. He and wife, Stephanie, have two daughters, Aubrey Ella 6, and Aaryn Wyley 3.

After spending 2-1/2 years in Panama at the American Embassy, **Loy "Butch" Haley** and wife, Linda, have been reassigned to the States and are residing in Burke, VA, with their two children, Will 3, and Rachel 1. He works in Washington, DC for the U.S. State Department.

**Jeff Porter** was hired by the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* as its computer-assisted reporting editor and an assistant city editor.

**Ron Burks** recently graduated from Southwestern Seminary with a doctor of divinity degree.

1981

**Brenda (Williams) Adkins** and husband, Mark, live in Memphis, TN, where Brenda works for Henry Turley Company, a real estate development firm.

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**COMING HOME** • Point of Grace performs to a sellout crowd in Jones Performing Arts Center. The May concert brought home Ouachitonians Denise Masters Jones, Heather Floyd, Terry Lang Jones and Shelley Phillips. The group won a Dove award in April for best group. The Dove awards are given by the Gospel Music Association. Point of Grace also won three awards honoring its song "The Great Divide," album "The Whole Truth" and for participation in the album, "My Utmost for His Highest." The group won its first Dove award in 1994 as New Artist of the Year, and received two nominations in 1995.



## OUACHITA FAMILY

**PICNIC** • OSF member T.K. Zellers paints the face of Callie Hamilton at the faculty/staff picnic sponsored by the Ouachita Student Foundation. Callie is the daughter of Dr. Craig and Robin Hamilton. The picnic was held at the Katie Speer Pavilion and Gardens, and featured games for adults and children, and a cookout by Walt Kehoe and his staff.



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**Rocky Mantooth** received class A-1 designation as a PGA golf professional. He is the manager of Foxwood Country Club at Jacksonville, AR. He and wife, **Pam (Tollett '82)**, also own Pam's Place, a pageant, wedding and formal wear store. They have one daughter, Victoria Lynn 3-1/2 and live in Sherwood, AR.

**Dr. Toby McSwain** is pastor of First Baptist Church of Humble, TX, near Houston. He and wife, **Dianne (Dawkins)**, have three children: Courtney 13, Mallory 9, and Talley Tobin 4.

**Major Ed Payne** is a systems analyst in the U.S. Army in Maryland Heights, MD.

**Mrs. Laurie (Sorrells) Wood** is employed by Western Arkansas Education Services in Branch, AR, as an early childhood teacher. She and husband, Jerry, live in Van Buren, AR.

**Ken and Linda (Darling, '82) Williams** live in Fort Benning, GA where he is chaplain with the U.S. Army and she is a full-time homemaker. They have two daughters, Megan Elise 8 and Bethany Darling 2-1/2.

1982

**Bill and Christa (Lind, fs'83) Atchison** own and operate Lakeway

Country Store, a convenience/grocery/gas/deli restaurant/bait/tackle and sporting goods store near Lake Wright Patman in Texarkana, TX. They have five children, Jennifer 11, Bill Earl 8, Jimmy 5, Benjamin 3, and Joseph 1.

**Shirley (Allen) Cooper (MSE)** was recently honored by the Hempstead County Chamber of Commerce as the "1996 Educator of the Year". She is employed by the Hope (AR) Public Schools as an adult education teacher. She and husband, **Edward (MSE '81)**, are parents of **Sharyla (Cooper) Thompson ('88)**.

**Robert Cornelius** is employed at Georgia-Pacific Paper Co. as an E&I technician. He and wife, **Emma Jean (Crow, '69)**, have three children: Robert, Jr., Shirlene, and Staci and live in Crossett, AR.

**Rick Moore** and wife, Carol, live in Little Rock, AR, where he is a licensed social worker for Arkansas Children's Hospital and she is an account representative for INK Enterprises, Inc.

In March, **Sam Roberts** became pastor of Walnut Ridge (AR) First Baptist Church. He came from Baptist Tabernacle in Louisville, KY. He and wife, **Martha (Turner fs)**, are the parents of two sons, Dustin and Turner.

**Lynn Robertson** began serving in March as pastor of Grand Av-

enue Baptist Church in Hot Springs, AR.

1983

**Ben Jones** is pastor of Woodlawn Baptist Church in Little Rock, AR. He previously was associate pastor and minister of youth for Archview Baptist Church in Little Rock. Wife, Kathy, works for UAMS.

**David Kok** is a registered nurse in the emergency department of Baptist Memorial Medical Center in Memphis, TN.

**Darrell Conway Stone** operates Creative Difference of Louisville, KY, providing motivational services and products to businesses and organizations. Wife, Polly, is a CPA.

**Jim Yates** is employed at Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva, OK as assistant professor of English. Wife, Maggie, is a teller/loan secretary for Central National Bank.

**Nickol (Northern) Tompkins** is the training/quality supervisor for the City of High Point, NC, involved in employee-management and organizational development. She has lived in Winston-Salem, NC, since receiving her MA in speech communication from Wake Forest University in 1989. Nickol and **Jill (Jordan) McMillan**, former OBU professor, published an article last fall in "Management Communication Quarterly."

1984

**J. Dawson Williams** earned his doctor of ministry degree in May from Midwestern Seminary. He and wife, Rosemary, live in Pine Bluff where he is BSU director at University of Arkansas/Pine Bluff.

**Mike and Kelly (Patterson) Baldwin** live in Cabot, AR, with their children, Katie 6 and Garrett 3. Mike is a loan officer for First Security Bank, and Kelly is a full-time mom.

**Tim Cypert** is pastor of First Baptist Church in Yellville, AR. He and wife, Dani, have one son, Joshua, born in February.

**Larry and Shanna (James) Killian** moved to Warren, AR, where he will be minister of youth and music at First Baptist Church. They have one son, Zach.

**Penny McClard** is a speech pathologist for the Austin (TX) Independent School District. She works with severely handicapped and brain injured students.

**Rex Pilcher** has moved from Little Rock, AR to Carmi, IL, where he is pastor of Carmi First Baptist Church. He and wife, Mery, have two daughters, Hannah and Marissa.

**Jack and Janine (Reeves) Tiner** live in North Little Rock, AR, where he is employed as a medical trainer by Arkansas Department of Human Services. They have a daughter Tressa 1.

**Walter Washington** serves in

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The special education department of the Cherry Creek School District in Aurora, CO. He will enter the University of Northern Colorado this fall to pursue a master's degree in special education for moderate needs.

**John and Terry (Jones) Guerra** have moved to Carlisle, AR, where he will serve as pastor of First Baptist Church.

1985

**Tippi McCullough** is the head girls basketball coach at Newport, AR High School, where she also teaches English. She is an ex-officio member of the Arkansas High School Asso. Executive Committee, Girls All-Star Committee, and is the girls athletics rep on the AHSCA Executive Committee.

**Teresa Weaver** is the manager at the Hard Rock Cafe in New York City.

**Richard and Janet (Crouch, '79) Wentz** have moved to Little Rock where he is on staff of The Church of Rock Creek as associate pastor and minister of worship. They have one daughter, Taylor 3-1/2.

1986

**Sandy (Mills) Hooks** and family have moved from Prescott, AR, to Richmond, MO, where husband, Mike, will serve as minister of music and youth at First Baptist Church. Daughter, Haley, is 3.

**Charles and Laura McKenzie** are serving as missionaries to Spain. They were appointed in 1991.

**Lynn Segerstrom** writes that she and husband, Toshihura Nishimura, accidentally ran into **Tim ('88) and Beth (Owens, '89) Ferguson** on Yokoto Air Force Base, where the Fergusons are stationed. The Nishimuras live in Tokyo. She reports that they have enjoyed many activities together.

**Joy (Busby) Smith** and husband, Jerry, live in Little Rock, where she is a clinical dietitian at UAMS.

1987

**Michael and Keri (Jordan, '92) Bone** live in Arkadelphia. Michael is employed by First Commercial Corp. in Little Rock where he is the systems analyst in the credit administration department. Keri teaches third grade in the Arkadelphia Public School System.

**Susan (Pickle) Batchelor** and husband, Tim, live in Chatsworth, GA where Tim is pastor of Springs Place Baptist Church. They have one daughter, Melanie Rachel 2.

**Scott Baugh** is baseball coach at Midwest City (OK) High School. His team was the 1995 Class 6A State Runner-up. He and wife, Kim-

berly, have one son, Brady Scott 2-1/2.

**Tammy (Allen) Hartsfield** and husband, Mike, are living in Hope, AR, where he is assistant manager with Wal-Mart. They have two sons, Ryan and Joshua.

**Dan Martin (fs)** recently completed his Ph.D. in sociology at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, OK. He and wife, **Sue Ellen (Howell fs)**, will be moving to Ruston, LA, this summer where he will be an assistant professor at Louisiana Tech. Sue Ellen has been library technician assistant in the OSU library.

**Robert and Sharon (Smith, '89) Pinkston** appointed in 1995 as missionaries to Mali, have arrived in France for language study. Robert served as BSU director for Southern Arkansas University in Magnolia. He is the son of Southern Baptist missionaries, **Ed and Greta (McFerrin) Pinkston, '56.**

1988

**Doug Barlow (fs)** is a program coordinator for the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Tulsa, OK. He and wife, Liz, have a son, Gage Douglas 5, and a daughter, Madison Krystine 3.

**Charlotte (Christie) Davis** works as food service director for Searcy (AR) School District. She and husband, Tony, have one daughter, Kayla 4 and are expecting another child this summer.

**Mike and Kimma (Whitford, '87) Harper** are employed by the Cabot (AR) Public Schools where Mike is senior high assistant basketball coach and geography teacher, and Kimma teaches a failure-prevention program for at-risk 8th graders. They have a daughter, Kaylee Grace 1.

**Jay McAlister** is serving as the pastor of Trinity Baptist Church in Moore, OK. He and wife, Katrina, are expecting their first child this summer.

1989

**Rod Mays** is a teacher in the Arkadelphia Public School District. He recently joined the staff of Fairdale Baptist Church in Hot Springs as a bivocational music minister.

**Joe Cathey** graduated in May from Southwestern Seminary with a Master of Divinity in Biblical Languages.

**Randy and Julie Jones** are employed by the University of Houston. He is an intern for the International Students Program and she is BSU secretary.

**Carla (Moody) McDaniel** graduated from UCA in Conway in December of 1995 with an MS in

Sociology. She continues as a case worker for the Arkansas Baptist Home for Children. She and husband, Anthony, live in Monticello, AR, and have one son, Philip 15.

1990

**Joel Humphrey** is a probation officer for the U.S. District Court in the Western District of Arkansas. He lives in Hot Springs, AR.

**Mark Johnston**, an aide to Arkansas U.S. Senator David Pryor, recently helped Mrs. Pryor organize an art show, where some of his own art was displayed. The art show took place in March 1996 in Washington, DC.

1991

**Steven Brawner**, editor of the Malvern (AR) Daily Record, recently received numerous awards at the 1995 Arkansas Associated Press Managing Editors news contest, including four first place awards.

**G. Richard Collum** passed the Arkansas Bar exam given in February. He attended Memphis State University School of Law and is living in Wynne, AR.

**Elizabeth Dyer (fs)** completed her BS degree in pharmacy from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. She is employed by Wal-Mart Pharmacy in McKinney, TX.

**Jimmy Don Pinson** is serving as pastor of Liberty Baptist Church near Nashville, AR, coming from Chillicothe, MO. He and wife, **Kimberly**, have two children, Zachary Blake and Hali Morgan.

**Doug and Kelly (Spivey) Schmidt** are living in Nederland, TX, where Doug is the coach of the varsity football and girl's softball teams. Kelly teaches school in Beaumont, TX. They have two children, Ashli 4 and Brooke 2.

**Brian Smith** has been named interim director for the office of public relations at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, TX.

**Susan (Greenwood) Scates** is a program analyst for the U.S. Mint in Washington, DC. She and husband, Craig, live in Fairfax, VA.

1992

The following recently graduated from Baptist seminaries: Southwestern Seminary: **Mathew Stewart**, master of arts in religious education; Southern Seminary: **Mark Railey**, advanced master of divinity; Midwestern Seminary, **Larry Herron**, master of divinity.

**Derek Alexander** is employed as a budget accountant at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock.

**Jason Barrett** passed the Arkansas Bar exam given in February.

He graduated from UALR School of Law in May 1995. He and wife, Lee Anne, live in Little Rock where he was clerking for the Perroni Law Firm.

**Darin Buscher** received his master of education degree from Henderson State University at the May 11 commencement. He is a teacher for the Arkadelphia Public Schools.

**Susan Calhoun** is employed by the Arkansas Industrial Development Commission in Little Rock as community development consultant.

**Jana (Crain) Elliot** was awarded a doctor of medicine degree from the UAMS School of Medicine at its May commencement. She and husband, Carter, live in Conway, AR.

**Mike and Alison (Collier, fs) Fendley** bought Collier's Jewelry in Arkadelphia from her parents and have renamed it Fendley's Fine Jewelry and Unique Gifts. They have three children, Seth 5, Laura 3, and Abby 2.

**Susanne Hickman** is a registered dietitian and clinical nutritionist at V.A. Medical Center in Charleston, SC.

**Terry (Lang) Jones, Heather Floyd (fs), Shelley Phillips ('91), and Denise (Masters) Jones (fs '91)** - otherwise known as Point of Grace, a popular contemporary Christian group - were honored recently by Word Records for the group's tenth consecutive No. 1 single - "God is With Us." This achievement marks the first time that any musical group's first ten singles have reached No. 1 status.

**Andrew Landers** graduated June 1 from Tulane School of Medicine and began a family practice residency on June 10 at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, HI.

**Shane McNary** lives in Campbellsville, KY, with wife, Dianne, and their children, Matthew Taylor 2-1/2 and Alethea 1. He is the pastor of Mount Roberts Baptist Church in Campbellsville.

**Debbie Nicklaus** has been promoted to senior analyst in the state regulatory matters department at ALLTEL Corporation in Little Rock. She is a member of Immanuel Baptist Church.

**Tammie Nix** received a master of education degree from Henderson State University on May 11.

**Tabi (Bryan) Osborne** is a teacher at Webster Parish School in Minden, LA. She is also pursuing a master's degree at Louisiana Tech.

**David Rogers (fs)** is a buyer and import wholesaler for Roy Rogers Foreign Car Parts in North Little Rock, AR. He and wife, Heather, live in Little Rock.

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**SPRING FEVER** • Brian Maddox and Kevin Samples take the bungee run challenge at the Spring Fling sponsored by the Student Entertainment and Leisure Fund (SELF). The afternoon of fun and games, followed by a dinner-on-the-ground, was open to all students, and to faculty/staff and their families.

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1993

**Tre' and Jennifer (Boatman, fs) Cates** have moved to Boulder, CO, where he will be a church planter. Tre' recently graduated from Southwestern Seminary with a master of arts degree.

**Brian Miller** passed the Arkansas Bar exam given in February. He graduated from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville School of Law.

**Julie Lawrence** received a master of arts in Christian Education in May from Southern Seminary.

**Robby Sherman** received a master of arts in Religious Education from Southwestern Seminary.

**Michelle McCoy** is employed as educational secretary at Watson Chapel Baptist Church in Pine Bluff, AR.

**Diane Henry** graduated in December 1995 from the University of Central Arkansas with a master's degree in physical therapy. She lives in Garland, TX, and works at Doctor's Hospital in Dallas as a physical therapist.

**Jeff and Paula (Jayroe) Erwin** live in Jonesboro, AR, where she is a legal secretary and he is the department head for computer installation for Redbook Technologies, Inc. in

Paragould.

1994

**Heath and Dawn (Martin, '93) Clower** are in Bedford, TX. Heath is attending Southwestern Seminary. Dawn is working at the Veteran's Office in Fort Worth.

**Angela (Grigsby) Fulks** graduated with a master of arts in Religion Education from Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary in May. She is the preschool coordinator at Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis. She and husband, Dean, attend Bartlett Baptist Church where he recently took a position ministering to singles, college, and career.

**Kristal Graves** is working on her teaching certificate at the University of Central Texas in Killeen.

**Jeff Madlock** had the opportunity last fall to play with jazz musician Wynton Marsalis, during the University of Louisville's "Jazz Week". Jeff is the assistant director of the Hope (AR) High School Superband.

**Jon Self**, who has been teaching English in rural northern Japan this past year, returned to the U.S. this summer to begin law school at the University of Texas at Austin.

**Ralph and Lark (Eads, '95) Smith** live in Dallas, TX, where Ralph is a sales representative for Minolta

Corp. and Lark is a contract administrator processor/researcher for Fox Meyer Health Corp.

1995

**Karon Edge** is working as customer service representative for Family Life Ministries in Little Rock.

**Melanie (Stephan) Busby** received a master's of education degree at the May commencement of Henderson State University.

**Brice Hester** earned an M.B.A. degree from the University of Arkansas in June 1996.

**Emily (Terrell) Lucas** and husband Barry are stationed in Vicenza, Italy, with the U.S. Army. They have a daughter, Madison.

**Joy Mayfield** will graduate from Baylor with an MS in communication disorders in August 1996. She is doing her internship at Hillcrest Hospital in Waco.

**Jennifer (Littlefield) Meyers** is a registered dietician at National Park Medical Center in Hot Springs. Husband, Andy, is a real estate broker with Meyers Realty.

**John Reid** lives in Little Rock, where he is attending graduate school at UALR/UAMS for a master's degree in audiology.

**Carrie (Rinehart) Roberson** is working for the Ruston-Lincoln (LA) Chamber of Commerce as program director. Husband, Carey, is in graduate school at Louisiana Tech University pursuing a degree in fine arts.

1996

**Greg Kendrick** graduated May 18 from UAMS School of Medicine, ranked No. 1 in his class. Wife, **Jenifer (Hill '92)**, has completed law school and they are relocating to Nashville, TN where Greg will begin his residency at Vanderbilt and Jenifer will practice law.

**GyElla Swanigan** has volunteered for two years of service as a journeyman to Brazil.

## MARRIAGES

1968

**Linda (Temple) Acrey** to John K. Morris, January 14, 1996, Lonoke, AR.

1974

**Mary Joyce (Berry) King** to Ivan Baker, May 11, 1996, Bahamas. They live in Hope, AR.

1983

**Nickol Aline Northern** to Ernest Tompkins on April 13, 1996, Winston-Salem, NC.

1984

**Kenneth Boyland** to Leslie

Dyan Austin, April 20, 1996, Mena, AR. They live in Little Rock, AR.

1987

**John D. Harrison** to Alexia Vaccratsis, February 24, 1996, St. Clair Shores, MI. They live in Pelham, AL.

1988

**Tommy Johnson** to Jenifer Lane Cook, March 29, 1996, Little Rock, AR.

**Holly Morgan (fs)** to Clinton DeLan Shields, March 16, 1996, North Little Rock, AR.

**Stephen Nortier** to **Elisabeth Spencer ('90)**, May 4, 1996, Alexander, AR.

**Janet Renee Tullos** to Shawn Patrick Wild, June 8, 1996, Cabot, AR.

1989

**Randall Jones** to Julie D. Lewis, March 16, 1996, Denton, TX.

**Dan Michael Leamons (fs)** to Mary Katherine Selph, June 8, 1996, Gurdon, AR.

1991

**William "Bill" Daniel** to Elizabeth Britton, March 23, 1996, Tyler, TX.

1992

**Toby Neal Talley** to **Rachael Elaine Ward ('94)**, July 4, 1996, Texarkana, TX.

**Andrew Landers** to **Michelle Franks ('93)**, May 11, 1996, Greenwood, AR.

**Rick Neil Moore** to Carol Elizabeth Rosenbaum, May 3, 1996, Little Rock, AR.

**David R. Rogers (fs)** to Heather Lynn Barnes, March 16, 1996, Collierville, TN.

1993

**Bonita "Nita" (Pettus) Murray** to Robert Gage, March 16, 1996, El Dorado, AR.

1994

**Eric Bonifant** to **Shaunna Brown ('96)**, May 25, 1996, Van Buren, AR.

**Raphael "Ralph" Smith** to **Lark Eads ('95)**, July 1, 1995.

**Angela Grigsby** to Dean Emerson Fulks, March 2, 1996.

**Jennifer Lea Littlefield** to Aaron Andrew Meyers, April 20, 1996, Hot Springs, AR.

**John Taylor Hampton Jr.** to **Kelly Denise Humphries ('92)**, June 15, 1996, Sherwood, AR.

1995

**Gina Leigh Denton** to Eric John Fox, April 6, 1996, Arkadelphia, AR.  
**Jennifer Mobley** to **Wade**

# Class Notes

**Johnson** (current), March 16, 1996, Little Rock, AR.

**Nikki Northern to Brett Dandley** ('96), May 17, 1996, Little Rock, AR.

**Stephanie Shepherd** (fs) to **David Ammerman**, May 11, 1996, Hollywood, AR.

**Emily Terrell** to **Barry A. Lucas**, April 18, 1995.

**Tiffany Kristine Thompson to Zachary Aaron Crow** (current), June 1, 1996, Searcy, AR.

**James Michael Marshall** (fs) to **Rebecca Caroline Hardy** (fs '93), June 1, 1996, Stuttgart, AR.

**Wendy Elizabeth Foster to Chad Jerel Donley**, May 25, 1996, Memphis, TN.

## 1996

**Albany Irvin** to **Michael Colvin**, December 29, 1995, Las Vegas, NV.

**Beth Ann Lee** to **Kevin Parnell**, May 25, 1996, Russellville, AR.

**Jamie Dee Gilbert to Ryan Keith Fray**, May 25, 1996, Texarkana, TX.

**Thomas Phelan** to **Wendy Lynn Randall**, June 15, 1996, Sherwood, AR.

**Matthew Weyenberg to Stephanie Arnold**, June 3, 1996, Highland Village, TX.

## Current Students

**Kimberly Dawn Cash** to **Jeremiah Lyne Fisher**, June 13, 1996, Arkadelphia, AR.

## BIRTHS

### 1978

**Larry and Amanda Kay (Buice) Lohec** (fs) daughter, Savannah Arianna Rosamond Lohec, February 14, 1996.

### 1982

**Jimmy and Suzanne (Duke, '83) Franklin**, daughter, Andrea Chandler Franklin, January 4, 1996.

### 1983

**Gill (fs) and Amy (Simpkins, '88) Davidson**, daughter, Lauren Abigail, December 19, 1995, Atlanta, GA. Joins brother, Benjamin.

### 1984

**Tim and Dani Cypert**, son, Joshua Haddon, January 2, 1996, Yellville, AR.

**Wendell and Julie Bradley**, son, Gunner Redding, September 1995. Welcomed by sisters Taylor Brianne 6 and Kylie Lianne 3.

**David and Kristy Mosley**, son, Jackson Lide, March 5, 1996. Joins older sister, Hope Elizabeth, 2-1/2.

## 1985

**David and Karin (Riner) Wilcox**, daughter, Laura Kathryn, February 15, 1996, Houston, TX. Joins Elizabeth 7 and William 4.

**Mark and Leslie (Moore) Elledge** daughter, Seth Wayne, May 20, 1996, Richardson, TX. Joins sister Audrey.

## 1986

**Tim and Angela (Ausmus) Hendrix**, daughter, Hannah Grace, February 18, 1996, DeSoto, TX.

**Lynn Segerstrom** and husband **Toshihura Nishimura**, son, Kent Segerstrom Nishimura, May 29, 1995, Tokyo, Japan. Joins sister, Lisa 5.

**Steve and Beth (Graves, '87) Snider**, son Chase Stephen, February 2, 1996. Welcomed by brother, Jack 3.

## 1987

**Michael and Tammy (Allen) Hartsfield**, son, Joshua David, November 27, 1995. Welcomed by brother Ryan, 4.

## 1988

**David and Deborah (Savage, fs) Wilson**, son, Cameron Brooks, February 22, 1996, Arkadelphia.

**Terry and Beth (Bennett, '91) Jerry**, son, Bennett Lee, May 6, 1995, Benton, AR.

## 1990

**John and Cindy (Carroll) Ford**, son, Jonathon "Luke", September 1995, Ashdown, AR. Joins sister Amanda 4.

## 1991

**Gregory and Ashley (Fulmer) Riley**, daughter, Emma Kathleen, March 3, 1995, Rogers, AR.

## 1993

**Kenneth and Kiki (Young) Bretches**, daughter, Kaitlyn Elysse, February 12, 1996, Mt. Pleasant, TX.

**Tre' and Jennifer (Boatman fs) Cates**, son, Trevor Allen, September 17, 1995.

**Kyle and Rebekah (Kinney) Hollaway**, son, Benjamin James, January 10, 1996, Maumelle, AR.

## 1994

**Peter and Tamara (Burns) Miles**, son, Elishah Michael, January 26, 1996, Delta, CO.

## 1995

**Matthew (fs) and Rebecca (King, fs) Allen**, daughter, Emilea Lora, April 30, 1996, Brownsburg, IN.

## DEATHS

### 1919

**Floy (Austin) Davis**, March 9, 1996, Ruston, LA.

### 1929

**Cleddy Fay (Cox) Andrews**, April 22, 1996, Alexandria, VA.

**John Malcolm Moore**, April 2, 1996, Arkadelphia, AR.

### 1930

**Clarice (McDaniel) Johnson**, March 1996, Signal Mountain, TN.

**Neva Bennett Talley Morris**, June 18, 1996, Judsonia, AR.

### 1936

**Edward O. Warmack**, May 1996, Baton Rouge, LA.

### 1937

**Raymond Claud Morris**, March 11, 1996, Bradford, AR.

### 1938

**Rivos H. Dorris**, March 19, 1996, North Little Rock, AR.

**Thomas P. Lynch**, October 15, 1995, California.

### 1939

**Lorene (Golden) Brandt** (fs), January 1996, Tulsa, OK.

**William "Henry" Davidson** (fs), April 20, 1995, Walker, TX.

### 1942

**Dr. William Wood Abbott**, June 13, 1996, Hampton, AR.

### 1947

**Robert E. Craig** (fs), March 4, 1992, Marshall, TX.

**John Norman McKinney** (fs), February 5, 1996, Pine Bluff, AR.

### 1949

**Roy E. White** (fs), March 29, 1996, Benton, AR.

### 1952

**Carrol Plunkett**, December 2, 1992, Fort Smith, AR. Notified March 1996.

### 1953

**Homer Weldon Haltom**, March 23, 1996, Little Rock, AR.

### 1954

**Frankie and Gloria (Frazier) Pickard** (fs), Frankie - May 5, 1995; Gloria - March 23, 1995, Doraville, GA.

### 1955

**J. W. "Dub" Carney**, April 2,

1996, Jonesboro, AR.

### 1959

**Mayo J. Riley Jones**, June 1, 1996, Wynne, AR.

### 1961

**Vivian (Edmondson) Morrow**, March 1, 1989, Gadsden, AL.

### 1969

**Betty Lou (Grace) Dorsey** (fs), December 24, 1995, Warren, AR.

### 1971

**Jacquelyn Martin** (fs), March 1993. Notified February 1996.

**Frances Ann (Peters) Smith** (fs), February 10, 1996, Crossett, AR.

### 1976

**Thomas F. Farris**, April 28, 1996, Fort Smith.

### 1978

**Joseph R. Hughes** (fs), May 30, 1996, Nashville, TN.

### 1979

**Magnolia Jones** (MSE), August 1995, Forrest City, AR.

### 1983

**Mary Virginia (Cloar) Struthers** (fs), April 1, 1996, Nashville, TN.

### 1988

**Amanda Lee "Mandy" (Draffen) Fulton**, June 13, 1996, Paragould, AR.

### 1994

**James "Kyle" Collier**, April 27, 1996, Baton Rouge, LA.

**Candace N. Bearden** (fs), notified June 1996.

### 1995

**Jerry Dale Cound**, March 15, 1996, North Little Rock, AR.

## Former Faculty/Staff

**Martha Adams Burleson**, June 7, 1996, Gurdon, AR. Mom "B" served as head resident of Conger Hall 1975-1985.

## Faculty/Staff

**Charles "Gramps" Robinson**, June 14, 1996, Arkadelphia, AR. He served as head resident of Daniel Hall South since 1994.

**Dr. Alton Crawley**, June 18, 1996, Arkadelphia, AR. He served as professor and chair of math and computer science. He joined the Ouachita faculty in 1983.



# The Financial ADVISER

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**John Cloud**  
DIRECTOR OF  
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Most people will admit to a tendency to procrastinate, especially on tedious or difficult projects. Delaying confronting a task can lead to some serious problems. For example, failing to replace worn shingles on your home may result in the need for extensive repair work later on. In contrast, inaction regarding estate planning may lead to many problems, monetary and otherwise, that we won't have an opportunity to correct when they arise.

Please review the articles presented here, then reflect on what you need to do to get your planning in order. Yes, the subject can be complex, and there are many options available. An adviser who is familiar with your situation and who has a firm grasp of estate planning tools can help you choose those options that will enable you to accomplish your goals. Be cautious here; choose an attorney who has expertise and experience in estate planning.

Ouachita has a world of resources to offer you, including estate planning computer programs and an attorney on staff with our Arkansas Baptist Foundation. I travel extensively to assist alumni and friends with estate planning concerns, and I would be very happy to stop in and visit with you. Whether or not you include Ouachita in your planning is totally irrelevant. Just give me a call at 501-245-5169.

## Where there's YOUR WILL, there's YOUR WAY

We've fractured a familiar saying to make a point: It is only natural and sensible that any remembrance of Ouachita you might consider in your will should reflect your personal wishes.

For example, you may have certain desires for your family that you would address first, or you may want to guide us in how to use your gift. Matching a bequest to your preferences is a private matter, but we are always happy to help you identify possible gifts if you like. We encourage you to advise us of a bequest to Ouachita, too, so that we may properly show you our appreciation and include your future gift in our planning.

### To help with your planning

In planning a bequest to Ouachita, you have a wide choice of alternatives.

- You can will us outright a sum of money, specified personal or real property, or a share of your estate's residue.

- Your gift can be contingent. In other words, you can provide that the money, property, or share is to go to some individual if that person survives you; otherwise, it is to be distributed to Ouachita.

Example: *I give to my sister Julie the*

*sum of \$50,000 if she survives me. Should she predecease me, I give this sum to Ouachita Baptist University.*

- You can create a trust for a relative's benefit, assuring the availability of income and principal for that person's support and comfort, and name us to receive whatever is left when the trust terminates.

- For greater tax savings, you can establish a charitable remainder trust that will pay a life income to the individual of your choice and the remaining principal to Ouachita.

- We generally prefer gifts without limits on their use so we can apply them to our most urgent needs. You can, however, restrict your bequest by directing how you want it used or allowing us to expend only the income from your gift. If you want to designate a specific purpose, we hope you will consult us in advance, to make certain we will be able to carry out your wishes.

- You can make a bequest in memory of yourself or a loved one. We are pleased to honor your intent, and we have many ways to grant appropriate recognition.

Call or write John Cloud to help you choose the gift opportunity that best suits your intentions.



**SCHOOL OF BUSINESS •**  
Frank Hickingbotham, President and CEO of TCBY Enterprises, Inc., and Dr. Ben Elrod, president of Ouachita, pose in front of a plaque recognizing the contributions of Hickingbotham to Ouachita and the naming of the Frank D. Hickingbotham School of Business.

# Restoring the value of a charitable gift in your estate

Perhaps you would like to make a sizable contribution to Ouachita now to help meet our current needs, but you don't want to reduce the estate you will pass to your family. The solution? Purchase life insurance.

"Sounds like a good idea," you say, "but then I'll have to pay the premiums on the policy." True enough, but depending on your age, health, and top tax bracket, the income tax savings from your charitable gift may be enough to cover the premium cost. Assuming your estate is taxable, dollar-for-dollar asset replacement isn't necessary. A smaller amount of insurance can be enough to restore your family's after-tax inheritance. If you are married, a second-to-die policy can offer the most coverage per premium dollar.

## Strategies avoid tax

If you own the insurance policy, ultimately the proceeds

will be included in your taxable estate. The remedy: if your sole heir to the policy value is a responsible adult, make him or her the policy owner and beneficiary.

Then give that individual a yearly amount adequate to pay the premium, utilizing your annual gift tax exclusion.

For multiple heirs or a larger gift, take advantage of an exceptional plan called a "wealth replacement trust" and name your spouse, children, or other individuals as trust beneficiaries. The trust is the owner of the policy and will eventually receive and manage the proceeds. The trust is irrevocable, and if designed correctly the insurance will be excluded from your taxable estate. You transfer

enough money to the trust each year so the trustee can pay the policy premiums.

To avoid any gift tax (or use of your estate and gift tax credit

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on yearly gifts to the trust over the annual gift tax exclusion, the trust agreement must give your beneficiaries the temporary right each year

to withdraw these funds. However, should your beneficiaries exercise this power, the insurance may lapse due to insufficient funds to pay the yearly premium.

## Replace a deferred gift

If contributing a particular asset to us would reduce your income, consider establishing a charitable remainder trust with it. You will receive a life income

from the trust along with an immediate and substantial income tax deduction, and ultimately the remaining principal will be paid to us. Life insurance will complete your plan.

Example: Frank creates a charitable remainder annuity trust with stock having a cost basis of \$40,000 but now worth \$100,000. Using the benefits of his planning to offset premiums, he arranges \$50,000 of life insurance. This replaces his daughter's potential inheritance lost to estate tax. The stock yielded a dividend of only \$2,000 each year, but now the trust will pay Frank \$7,000 annually. He avoids tax on his \$60,000 capital gain, and he will get a sizable income tax deduction.

Together with you and your attorney, we can help design a plan that preserves your estate's value while fulfilling your desire to benefit our cause.

**Do give away the farm!**  
*Or give a house or other real estate*

Donating your home, farm or ranch, or other real estate to us makes a compelling statement of your support for our mission.

For some charitably inclined people, the decision to donate real estate is as clear cut as writing a check. The second home is no longer wanted; the apartment house is becoming too much to manage; the undeveloped land has sat idle for too long; the logical heirs have their own homes and would probably sell the family homestead anyway.

Some see the charitable gift of real estate as a way to turn an unprofitable holding into a productive asset.

Is a gift of real estate an option for you? Consider these points:

- Your generosity is rewarded by valuable income and estate tax savings.
- Your donation can be immediate and outright or a gift in trust or a devise in your will.
- When you contribute appreciated real estate held more than one year, you get a double income tax benefit: first, a deduction for the property's full

present fair market value (instead of its lower cost basis); second, complete avoidance of capital gains tax on the appreciation.

Example: Joan contributes to Ouachita a vacation cottage she no longer uses. It originally cost \$50,000 but is now worth \$150,000. She gets a \$150,000 charitable deduction and completely avoids tax on the \$100,000 of appreciation. She no longer has to maintain the place, and the property won't be taxable in her estate.

Generally, the ceiling on the deductibility is 30% of your adjusted gross income, with a five-year carryover for any part of the gift that exceeds that 30% ceiling.

•You can deed your personal residence (including a vacation home, farm, or condominium, if used by you) to Ouachita now but continue to enjoy full use of it for life. This gift entitles you to an immediate income tax deduction for the value of the remainder interest. Ultimately we receive the remainder without exposure to estate taxes.

•Your gift could be turned into an improved source of income. For instance, instead of giving unmortgaged real property outright, use it to fund a charitable remainder trust. The trustee can then sell it and invest the proceeds in income-producing securities. You can receive an income for life—and so can a survivor—and an immediate income tax deduction for the value of the remainder interest that will come to us.

# Keep more of your estate for your heirs: tax-saving ideas

With tongue in cheek, Will Rodgers said, "I don't see why a man shouldn't pay an inheritance tax. If a country is good enough to pay taxes to while your living, it's good enough to pay to after you die."

All humor aside, Congress recognizes our desire to leave an estate mainly to loved ones rather than the country; thus, tax laws have numerous exemptions, exclusions, and deductions.

For your estate to benefit, however, you must plan wisely—otherwise, your heirs may come up short. Though the first \$600,000 of everyone's estate is tax-free, the federal estate tax then begins at 37%, increasing to 55% on transfers of more than \$3 million.

## Don't overlook these tax-saving ideas

Despite the seemingly ever-present prospects of tax reform, important strategies remain for cutting federal estate and gift taxes.

Two of the best deductions are available to married couples and philanthropic donors. Gifts and bequests between spouses are completely free of gift and estate taxes because of the

unlimited marital deduction. Similarly, because the government encourages gifts and bequests to qualified charitable organizations, their value is completely deductible for tax purposes.

When you plan your estate, consider these tax-cutting ideas, too:

- Create a bypass trust. This strategy is often used to shelter assets from tax in the surviving spouse's estate.

Example: A husband has assets of \$1.2 million. He leaves \$600,000 to his wife either outright or in a marital deduction trust (such as the QTIP trust). Then he places \$600,000 in a bypass trust. Both trusts pay her a life income; after her lifetime the trust principle is divided among their children.

The first \$600,000 qualifies for the marital deduction. Though the second \$600,000 does not, it qualifies for the \$600,000 tax-free allowance for every estate. Later, after her lifetime, the bypass trust assets avoid her taxable estate and go

directly to the children. On \$600,000, the savings are \$235,000. This strategy works for smaller amounts, too.

- Skip a generation. If provisions for your children are already sufficient, skip a generation and leave part of your

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estate directly to your grandchildren. Your assets are still subject to estate taxes on these transfers, but additional estate taxes are avoided when your children die.

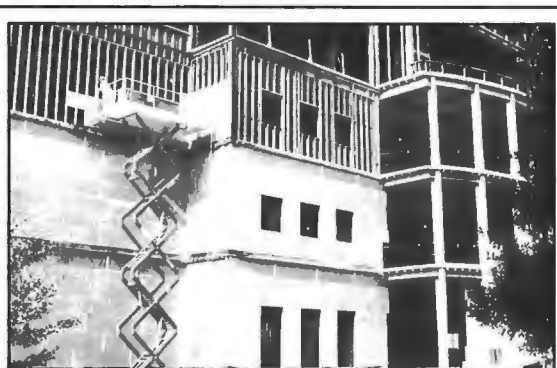
Caution: You can benefit from such transfers up to a maximum of \$1 million; the excess is subject to a flat penalty tax of 55% in addition to the normal estate tax. To avoid this, consider a charitable gift of the excess.

- Establish a lead trust. Suppose you would consider giving us an income from some of your principal for several years. The principal could then pass to your family at greatly reduced gift and estate taxes, perhaps even tax-free. You can do this by creating a charitable

lead trust, so called because it is designed to provide us with income for a period of time, after which your individual beneficiaries receive the remainder outright.

The taxable value of your transfer is diminished by the value of the present worth of the anticipated income Ouachita will receive over the trust term. Your family can benefit in another major way: Future increases in the market value of the trust assets generally are not subject to additional taxes when the trust ends and those assets pass to your family. You will find the lead trust especially attractive if you are subject to the highest federal gift and estate tax rates.

- Reduce your estate by annual gifts. During your lifetime, you can give up to \$10,000 a year to each of any number of individuals without paying the federal gift tax. These annual exclusion gifts are also exempt from the generation-skipping tax. If you are married and your spouse consents, the ceiling is raised to \$20,000. Over the years, gifts can mount up, substantially decreasing your taxable estate.



**NEW FACILITY** • Construction continues on the Harvey Jones Science Center, located on the former site of Mitchell Hall. The facility is scheduled to open in the spring of 1997. The state-of-the-art science center was made possible through a generous gift of Mrs. Bernice Jones of Springdale, and is named in honor of her late husband, Harvey Jones.

# UNIVERSITY CALENDAR • 1996-97

August	25	New Beginnings, 2:30 p.m., JPAC	
	27	Registration	
	28	Classes Begin	
September	7	Football vs. Henderson State, 7 p.m., there	
	9-10	Campus Renewal	
	12	Faculty Recital, Jon Secrest, Tenor, and Glenda Secrest, Soprano, 7:30 p.m., MRH Concert, 8 p.m., JPAC	
	14	Football vs. Southwest Baptist, 7 p.m., here	
	15-21	TWIRP Week	
	16	Guest Artist Recital, Mia Kim, Pianist, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	17	Mid America Air Force Wind Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	19	Arkansas Symphony, Concert Conversations, 7:15 p.m., VT, Concert, 8:00 p.m., JPAC	
	21	Football vs. NW Oklahoma, there	
	24	Faculty Recital, David Allen Wehr, Pianist, Concert Conversations, 7:15 p.m., Concert, 8:00 p.m., MRH	
	26-27	Pastor's Conference	
	26	Birkett Williams Lecture, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	28	Venture, JPAC	
			Football vs. NE Oklahoma, 7 p.m., here
	October	5	Football vs. East Central Oklahoma, 2 p.m., there
12		Parents' Day, Preview Day	
		Football vs. SE Oklahoma, 2 p.m., here	
19		Football vs. Southern Arkansas University, 2 p.m., here	
21		Ouachita Singers Concert, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
22		Faculty Recital, David Allen Wehr, Pianist, and Barry McVinney, Flutist, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
26		Football vs. Harding University, there	
24-26, 28-29		Drama, Verser Theatre, 7:30 p.m.	
November		7-9	Tiger Tunes, 7:30 p.m., JPAC
		7-8	President's Leadership Forum
	9	Homecoming	
		Football vs. Arkansas Tech University, 2 p.m., here	
	14	Football vs. University of Arkansas at Monticello, 6 p.m., there	
		Birkett Williams Lecture, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	18	Jazz Band Concert, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	21	Faculty Recital, David Allen Wehr, Pianist, Concert Conversations, 7:15 p.m., Concert, 8:00 p.m., MRH	
December	22-24	Opera, VT, 7:30 p.m.	
	5 & 7	Festival of Christmas, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	10	Messiah Sing-a-long, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	12	Opera Arias, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	17-20	Finals	
January	14	Registration	
	15	Classes Begin	
	18	Ouachita Sounds Concert, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	19-24	Men's and Women's Rush	
	21	Faculty Recital, David Allen Wehr, Pianist, Concert Conversations, 7:15 p.m., Concert, 8:00 p.m., MRH	
	27-31	Social Club Induction Week	
February	7-9	World Youth Summit	
	8	Heartbeat Dinner and Concert	
	13	Concert Band and Wind Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	17-21	Christian Focus Week	
	17	Sacred Music Concert, Music Faculty, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	20-21	President's Leadership Forum	
	27-28	Drama, 7:30 p.m., Verser Theatre	
March	1,3,4	Drama, 7:30 p.m., Verser Theatre	
	4	Faculty Recital, Jon Secrest, Tenor, and Glenda Secrest, Soprano, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	8	Miss OBU Pageant, JPAC	
	11	Jazz Band Concert, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	13	Birkett Williams Lecture, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	22-30	Spring Break	
April	1	Faculty Recital, David Allen Wehr, Pianist, Concert Conversations, 7:15 p.m., Concert 8:00 p.m., MRH	
	17-19	Musical Theatre Production, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	18-19	Tiger Traks	
	20	Musical Theatre Production, 2:30 p.m., JPAC	
May	28	Ouachita Singers Concert, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	1	David Allen Wehr, Pianist, and Quapaw Quartet, 7:30 p.m., MRH	
	2	Concert Band Children's Concert, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	6	Concert Choir presents Brahms's REQUIEM, 7:30 p.m., JPAC	
	13-16	Final Exams	
	17	Baccalaureate, Commencement	

JPAC • Jones Performing Arts Center  
 MRH • McBeth Recital Hall, Mabee Fine Arts Center  
 VT • Verser Theatre

Dates and events are tentative. For more information contact:

Music Events • Jones School of Fine Arts • 501-245-5129 ♦ Theatre Events • Department of Theatre Arts • 501-245-5563  
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## From the Archives



1950s · Dr. E. A. Provine works with a student in the chemistry lab. Dr. Provine, who was professor of chemistry and head of the natural science department, served on the faculty from 1929 to 1969. Upon his retirement, he was named professor emeritus of chemistry.

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Listed below are high school students  
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Please contact them.

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## We want you in Class Notes

·Your former classmates and friends would like to know what you have been doing lately. How long has it been since you've updated them? Please send a note today to: Class Notes, Former Students Association, Ouachita Baptist University, 410 Ouachita Street, P.O. Box 3762, Arkadelphia, AR 71998-0001. Or send an E-Mail to: [alumni@sigma.obu.edu](mailto:alumni@sigma.obu.edu)

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