

**Ouachita Baptist University**  
**Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita**

---

The Ouachita Circle: The Alumni Magazine of  
Ouachita Baptist University

Ouachita Alumni


---

Spring 2003

# The Ouachita Circle Spring 2003

Ouachita Baptist University

Follow this and additional works at: [https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/alumni\\_mag](https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/alumni_mag)

 Part of the [Organizational Communication Commons](#), and the [Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Commons](#)

---

## Recommended Citation

Ouachita Baptist University, "The Ouachita Circle Spring 2003" (2003). *The Ouachita Circle: The Alumni Magazine of Ouachita Baptist University*. 49.

[https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/alumni\\_mag/49](https://scholarlycommons.obu.edu/alumni_mag/49)

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Ouachita Alumni at Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Ouachita Circle: The Alumni Magazine of Ouachita Baptist University by an authorized administrator of Scholarly Commons @ Ouachita. For more information, please contact [mortensona@obu.edu](mailto:mortensona@obu.edu).

# The OUACHITA CIRCLE

The Alumni Magazine of Ouachita Baptist University

Arkadelphia, AR Vol. 1, 2003





## A Word from the President ...

Ouachita's tennis program, under the direction of Craig Ward and Betsy Danner, continues to bring national recognition to the campus. This spring our ladies advanced to the national tournament, and our men came within a whisker of reaching that level. Along with our student-athletes in other sports, we're proud of their accomplishments.

Beyond wins and losses, however, Ouachita's highest aspirations were characterized this spring by an award that our men's team received. The team was honored by the International Tennis Association with the ITA National Team Sportsmanship Award for the month of May. The ITA's news release said, "OBU has been known for winning with class and treating opponents with respect in the process."

Coach Ward's response is transparent: "We are honored to be nominated, much less receive the sportsmanship award. During the team's time together, our goal is to develop truly outstanding character and to become a great tennis team. We are never to place winning above character. Receiving this award is a confirmation that our players are working toward this goal."

"We are never to place winning above character." Coach Ward, you've earned your place in our hearts.

As always, please keep Ouachita in your prayers.

*Andy Westmoreland*

PRESIDENT  
Andrew Westmoreland

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Clarence Anthony  
Junanne Brown  
Jeral Hampton  
Frank Hickingbotham  
Rex M. Horne  
Johnny Jackson  
Taylor King  
Larry Kircher  
Wesley Kluck  
Richard Lusby  
Don Moore  
Ginger Morgan  
Mollie Morgan  
Quinton Moss  
Elizabeth Pruet  
Paul Sanders  
William H. Sutton  
Lloyd Thrash  
Mike Vinson  
Brice Wagner  
John Ward  
Richard Wells  
Gene Whisenhunt  
John Williamson

CHANCELLOR  
Ben M. Elrod

DEVELOPMENT STAFF

Joe Franz, *Vice President for Development*  
John Cloud, *Associate Vice President for  
Estate and Gift Planning*  
Kathy Berry, *Development Officer*  
Lane Smith, *Development Officer*  
Bill Wright, *Development Officer*  
Deborah Root, *Dir. of  
Development Publications*

FORMER STUDENTS

ASSOCIATION ADVISORY BOARD

Larry Frisby, *President*  
Becky Sutton Kirkpatrick,  
*1st Vice President*  
Steve Lemmond, *2nd Vice President*,  
Wesley Kluck, *Tiger Network Chair*  
*Arkansas Advisors:*  
Pauline Henderson Blacknall,  
Vicki LeMay Keeton, Chris Lawson,  
Bobbi Beeson Shepherd,  
Doug West, Bob White  
*Out-of-State Advisors:*  
G. B. "Kip" Colvin, Denise Leverett Elliott,  
Susan McCain Hinger,  
Kathy Hossler McDonald,  
Ezekiel "Zeke" Vaughn, Duke Wheeler

*The Ouachita Circle* is a publication of  
Ouachita Baptist University,  
OBU Box 3762, Arkadelphia, AR  
71998-0001 · Phone 870-245-5000  
Alumni E-mail: alumni@obu.edu

Randy Garner, *Assistant to the President  
for Enrollment Management  
and Director of Alumni Affairs*  
Jeff Root, *Assistant to the President  
for Public Relations*

Mac Sisson, *Asst. Dir. of Public Relations*  
Bettie Duke, *Alumni*

Kevin Wieser, *Director of Tiger Network*  
Printed by Twin City Printing and Litho, Inc.

# The OUACHITA CIRCLE

The Alumni Magazine of Ouachita Baptist University  
Arkadelphia, AR Vol. 1, 2003



•SPECIAL FEATURE•

Commencement 2-3  
*Two hundred and twenty-five students received degrees at spring  
commencement on May 10.*

•AN INSIDE LOOK•

Development News	4
Academic News	6
Campus News	10
Sports News	15
Alumni News	16
Memorials	18
Class Notes (marriages, births, deaths)	19
The Financial Adviser	A-C

*On the cover: President Andrew Westmoreland presents a diploma to Amy Renee  
Tinker, a summa cum laude graduate. • photo by Wesley Hitt*

# Commencement



Ouachita held spring commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 10, in Bill Vining Arena at the Roy and Christine Sturgis Physical Education Center. President Andrew Westmoreland presented bachelor diplomas to 225 students. Serving as commencement marshal was Dr. Charles Chambliss, who was named professor emeritus of education after 38 years of service to Ouachita.

The commencement address was given by Dr. Wesley Kluck of Arkadelphia, a pediatrician and chairman of the Ouachita Board of Trustees.

The annual picnic for graduates, hosted by Westmoreland and his wife, Dr. Jeanna Westmoreland, was at the President's home on Thursday, May 8.

The activities on commencement day began with a Senior Prayer Breakfast and devotional hour for the graduates, faculty and staff at 8 a.m. in the Banquet Room of Evans Student Center. The breakfast was followed by a senior class picture.

Faculty, staff, graduating seniors and their guests were invited to a reception in the Ouachita Commons immediately following commencement.

On December 20, 95 students received baccalaureate degrees. The speaker for fall commencement was Dr. Rex M. Horne, Jr., pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church in Little Rock.





*Dr. Wesley Kluck ('77) presents remarks to the members of the Class of 2003 and their guests.*

*Graduates Sara Bridges and Tara Loyd pose for a photograph prior to commencement.*



*Graduating senior Vinita Rajah, a communication disorders major from Calcutta, shares her thoughts on friendships during the senior breakfast.*



*President Westmoreland presents the Purple and Gold Heart Award to Dr. Charles Wright, dean of the Jones School of Fine Arts, who has served the past two years as acting vice-president for academic affairs.*



# Phonathon raises over \$91,000 for scholarships

The development office held its ninth annual Phonathon, contacting alumni, former students and friends around the country over eight nights between February 6 and 27. The phonathon raised approximately \$91,400 in pledges that will be used for student scholarships.

Ouachita development officer and coordinator of the event, Lane Smith, was pleased with the number of students who chose to participate and, in general, the amount of monies raised in the effort. "This year we had 178 students," he said. "That's the most we've ever had. Last year we had 166 making calls."

While volunteer numbers were up this year, the amount of money raised fell short of Smith's personal \$120,000 goal, as well as last year's \$107,113 total.

Of the 3,647 people contacted, 1800, or around 50 percent, chose to make a pledge to the Ouachita Scholarship Fund.

Smith felt that this might be due, in part, to other fund-raising projects that are currently in progress at Ouachita. "As we got into the Phonathon, we realized that a lot of folks had already given to something else like the athletic department, which began a solicitation it had never done before, or they had been solicited through a couple of other special solicitations that we had," he explained. "A lot of those were folks that were our better donors in the past."

He also cited a slow economy as another possible reason. "I think the economy finally caught up with us," Smith remarked. "Last year everyone expected the economy to hurt us, but we

did great."

Also, many Ouachita donors chose to give this year in December. "We had a really strong December, and those who gave then were not asked again during the Phonathon," he said.

Despite the shortfall, Smith does not feel that Ouachita's general scholarship program will be affected. "We only received slightly less this February than last," he said.

With this in mind, Smith remains optimistic about fund raising over the remainder of the year. "I think these next few months are going to be really strong months," he said.

Everything considered, he was pleased with the outcome of this year's Phonathon. "We didn't meet our goal, but I think we still did really well," Smith commented. "I am very thankful for all of the students who did all of the calling and

the faculty and staff who volunteered to help each night. We could never duplicate this success without all our students and staff."

Three Ouachita students were chosen as "grand prize winners" in securing pledges throughout the eight periods of calling. Brandon Gattis, a senior athletic training major from Gurdon, won first place and was awarded a \$125 gift certificate to American Eagle. The second place prize, a \$100 gift certificate to Best Buy, was awarded to Amanda McGill, a junior marketing major from Deer Park, Texas. In third place was Brittany Williams, a freshman biology major from Paragould. She was awarded a \$30 Best Buy gift certificate, a \$50 gift certificate from the Heflin Tennis Center and a wind suit donated by the athletic department.

• by Megan Beeson

# University institutes online credit card donations

The Development Office at Ouachita has recently added bank drafts to the existing methods of donation to the school.

"All along, we've been able to accept, among others, cash, checks, funds left to the school through estate planning and appreciated stock," said OBU development officer Lane Smith. "We can accept anything that will benefit the University. A donor once gave us a wheelchair-accessible van, and we were able to sell it and use the proceeds for the athletic department."

Due to advancing technology, a donation pledge form was added to the University's Website in 2001. However, the actual donation could not be made over the Internet because the Website was not secure.

During that time credit cards were accepted over the phone, but with the addition of the pledge form, donors expressed their interest in making online credit card donations. "There were a lot of people that wanted to give, not just pledge online," Smith explained. "We wanted to

make it available because there are so many people that pay all of their bills online and don't write checks."

In December, the office of development, aided by OBU computer services, made online credit card donations available on a secure Website.

The next step was making bank drafts available. "We have quite a few people that give on a monthly basis or even quarterly," explained Smith. "It cuts down on our time, having to remind them, and saves them time and expense of writing the check

each time."

Smith and the rest of the development office are optimistic about this new method. "It's all just an attempt to make it as easy as possible for people to give."

The bank draft form, as well as information on other methods of donation, can be obtained by contacting the Development Office at OBU Box 3754, Arkadelphia, AR 71998-0001, or by calling (870) 245-5169, or by visiting the development office Website at [www.obu.edu/dev](http://www.obu.edu/dev).

• by Megan Beeson

# Campaign continues; \$42 million received

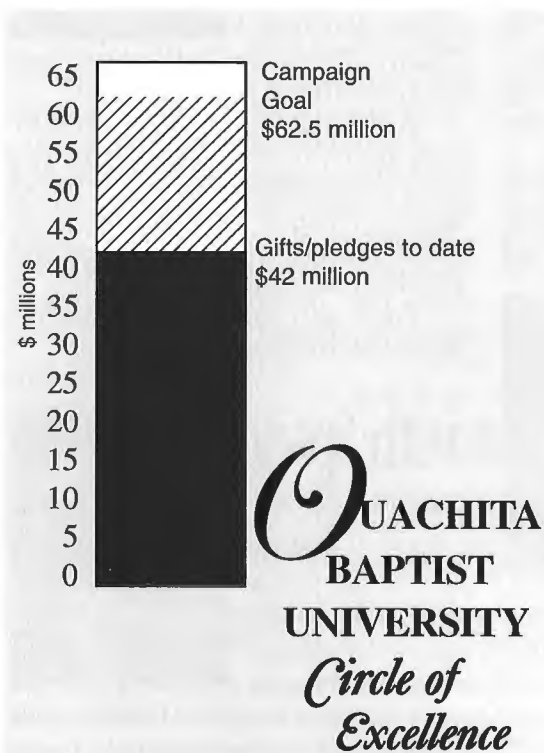
The Circle of Excellence Campaign, with a goal of \$62.5 million, was publicly launched in March, 2002. As of May, 2003, \$42 million has been received in gifts and pledges from our many constituents.

The first phase of the campaign was conducted on campus among the members of our faculty and staff. They successfully completed their campaign by surpassing the \$500,000 goal by committing a total of \$765,000. Building on this success, the alumni and friends of Clark County broke through their goal of \$800,000 and committed a total of \$1,050,000.

The University is currently conducting the Central Arkansas Campaign, which has a goal of \$5 million, and a worldwide Alumni Campaign with a goal of \$13 million.

Additional leadership positions in the Alumni Campaign include Dr. Nell Mondy, honorary chair in the School of Natural Sciences, Dr. Joe Hall, honorary chair in the School of Social Sciences, Dr. Ralph Power and Mr. Louis Power, honorary chairs in the Former Students Section. The support that we are receiving from our alumni and former students is tremendous.

Ouachita is continuing to work with the trustees and former trustees, other friends and foundations to successfully complete the University's most ambitious fund-raising endeavor.



## SCHOLARSHIPS ESTABLISHED

### Harold H. Coble Endowed Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Harold H. Coble Endowed Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established by Mr. Charles E. Coble of El Dorado, Arkansas, in memory of his uncle, Reverend Harold Coble. Rev. Coble graduated with a business degree from Ouachita in 1949 and served as a Southern Baptist pastor for 28 years until his death in January, 1978. The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarship assistance to full-time students with preference given to those pursuing a major within the Frank D. Hickingbotham School of Business.

### Ronnie Coble Endowed Scholarship Fund

This scholarship fund has been established by Mr. Charles E. Coble of El Dorado, Arkansas, in honor of his brother, Mr. Ronnie Coble. Mr. Ronnie Coble graduated from Ouachita in 1971 and was a two-time All AIC defensive tackle and defensive co-captain for the 1970 Tiger football champions. The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarship assistance to full-time students.

### J.G. Dennis Family Memorial Scholarship Fund

The J.G. Dennis Family Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established through a trust set up at the Arkansas Baptist Foundation by Ms. Lois Dennis and Ms. Louise Dennis. Recipients of the scholarship fund must be full-time students at Ouachita.

### Grover E. Hemphill Scholarship Endowment Fund

The Grover E. Hemphill Scholarship Endowment Fund has been established through the estates of Grover E. Hemphill, Sr., and Grover E. Hemphill, Jr., both of Little Rock, Arkansas. Awards will be given to full-time students at Ouachita through institutional grants.

### Dr. Clark W. McCarty Endowed Scholarship Fund

The family and friends of Dr. Clark W. McCarty have established the Dr. Clark W. McCarty Endowed Scholarship Fund in his memory. Recipients must be enrolled as full-time students at Ouachita, with preference given to a junior or senior pursuing a major in physics.

### Ray and Janice Turnage Endowed Scholarship Fund

This scholarship fund has been established by Dr. and Mrs. Ray Turnage of Maumelle, Arkansas. The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarship assistance to full-time students at Ouachita.



## — Recognitions —

### Student publications receive state, national awards

The "Ouachitonian" yearbook and "Signal" newspaper staffs won four Gold Circle Awards presented by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association at its annual convention in New York City on March 19-21. At the Arkansas College Media Association convention in April, the student publications won 22 individual awards and the "Ouachitonian" yearbook received second place in general excellence. Kathryn Stewart, a senior from North Little Rock and editor of the 2003 yearbook, was named yearbook editor of the year.

### Documentary receives award

Dr. Trey Berry, associate professor of history and director of the Pete Parks Center for Regional Studies, along with other associates in higher education in the state and in collaboration with the Arkansas Educational Television Network in Conway, recently won two national awards for their video documentary, "The Forgotten Expedition."

The hour-long documentary film which focused on the historical figures of William Dunbar and George Hunter won the prestigious "Crystal Award of Distinction" from the Communicator Awards and "The World Medal" in the history and society category of the Television Programming and Promotion Competition from New York Festivals, presented recently in New York City.

### Vocal program, senior student honored by NATS

The vocal music area of the Division of Music of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts recently received the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) Award for Excellence for the 2002-2003 academic year. The Award for Vocal Excellence is a competitive voice scholarship program endowed by the NATS Foundation.

This year, the OBU voice faculty selected Candice Looney, a senior vocal performance major from Malvern, as the recipient of the prestigious Award for Vocal Excellence.

## Poole named vp for academic affairs

Dr. Nathan Stan Poole has been named Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the School of Interdisciplinary Studies at Ouachita, effective June 1.

In his job as vice president, Poole will replace Dr. Charles Wright, who has been serving as acting vice president for the past two years after the resignation of Dr. Michael Arrington, who left to become provost at Carson-Newman College. Wright will step back full time into his position as Dean of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts and professor of music.

In his role as dean of the School of Interdisciplinary Studies, Poole replaces Dr. Randall Wight, professor of psychology and biology, who has been in the position for the past five years. Wight is assuming the position of chair of the department of psychology at Ouachita, following the resignation of Dr. Randy Smith who is leaving Ouachita to become the chair of the department of psychology at Kennesaw State University in Georgia.

Poole is departing Louisiana College in Pineville where he has been serving since June 2001 as Associate Dean of the College, Coordinator of Faculty Development, and holder of the Olive Ann Rau Chair in English. He was interim vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College from June 1996-June 1998. For the past academic year, Poole has been Faculty in Residence for Louisiana College's London Seminar.

Poole came to Louisiana College in 1988 and has served as an instructor, assistant professor and associate professor in the department of English.

He received a bachelor of arts in English and speech education diploma from Louisiana College in 1981. Tulane

University in New Orleans conferred on him a master's degree in English in 1983. Poole was granted a doctor of philosophy degree in American literature from the University of Virginia in Charlottesville in 1991.

Poole has served in a wide variety of both teaching and administrative roles on the Louisiana campus. His academic specializations are late nineteenth and twentieth century American literature, Harlem Renaissance, modern drama and Southern literature.

At Louisiana College, Poole taught Freshman Composition, American writers, American Realists and Naturalists, Twentieth Century, Modern Drama, Faulkner, Harlem Renaissance, Mark Twain, Louisiana Literature, English Novel and American Novel.

Poole has contributed to several scholarly publications and is the author or co-author of various papers and presentations given at professional meetings across the U.S. Poole has been a consultant to various levels of educational interests in the state of Louisiana.

His doctoral dissertation at the University of Virginia was titled "Conscientious Illusions: The Moral Designs of American Realistic Fiction 1881-1886." He was awarded the Outstanding Presentation Award, titled "Teaching in Higher Education Forum: Keeping the Touch in Technology," by Louisiana State University-Baton Rouge in 1999.

At Emmanuel Baptist Church in Alexandria, Poole served as a deacon, sanctuary choir member, Sunday School teacher, Finance Committee member and a member of the Denominational Relations Committee.

Poole and his wife, Sue, are the parents of two daughters.

*by Mac Sisson*

## Education students assist with Special Olympics

Special Olympic athletes from Saline, Garland, Hot Spring, Clark, Pike and Montgomery counties participated in the Area 10 Special Olympics Basketball Competition at Ouachita on February 20.

Special Olympic participants competed in either individual skill activities or team games. The individual skill activities consisted of contests in passing, dribbling and shooting. The team games matched participants from the schools represented.

The activities were administered by Ouachita students from Dr. Mike Reynolds' "Adapted Physical Education Methods" class and Dr. Jeanna Westmoreland's "Teaching Exceptional Learners" course.

# Staff members take on new roles

Six Ouachita faculty and staff members have received new administrative staff and faculty appointments.



Dr. Keldon Henley, a native of Norphlet, has been named as Vice President for Student Services. He graduated from OBU in 1986 with a bachelor's degree in music and received a master of arts degree in marriage and family counseling from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, in 1988. He received his doctor of education in higher education administration and college teaching in 1997 from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. Henley joined the Ouachita staff in 1993 as University Counselor and was later named ADA/540 Coordinator. He became Dean of Students in 1999.

Dr. Jeanna Westmoreland has been named Dean of the School of Education. She joined the Ouachita faculty in 1991 as an instructor in education and presently holds the rank of associate professor of education and serves as chair of the department of education. Westmoreland graduated from OBU in 1981 with a bachelor of science degree in education. She received a master of education degree in teaching the gifted and talented from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock in 1985, and in 1996, she completed the doctor of education degree from UALR.



Dr. Jeff Root has been named to the position of Dean of the School of Humanities. Root graduated from OBU in 1983 with a bachelor of arts degree in mass communications, and in 1988, he received a master of arts degree in history from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. In 1991, Root



obtained a doctor of education degree in higher education and college teaching with an emphasis in mass communications from Oklahoma State University. Root came to work at OBU in 1991 and has served as Assistant to the President for Public Relations and Associate Professor of Mass Communications.

Rebecca Jones, a native of Benton, has been named as Assistant to the President for Public Relations. She is a 1996 graduate of Ouachita with a major in history and a minor in speech and communications. She received a master of arts degree in interpersonal and organizational communications in 1999 from the University of Arkansas-Little Rock. She joined the Ouachita staff in the fall of 1999 as Director of Admissions Counseling.



David Goodman, a native of Prattville, has been named Director of Admissions Counseling. He received a bachelor of arts in communications degree from OBU in 1993. Goodman served as director of youth and visitation at Victory Baptist Church in Sherwood and came to work at OBU in 1996 as assistant director of student activities. After a one year absence, he rejoined the staff in 2000 and is currently serving as associate director of admissions counseling.



Dr. Randall Wight, who has served the last five years as Dean of the School of Interdisciplinary Studies and professor of psychology and biology, will serve as chair of the department of psychology. He received his B.A. degree from Arkansas Tech in 1981 and his M.S. in 1983 and Ph.D. in 1985 from Memphis State. He joined the Ouachita faculty in 1986.



Kevin Brewer of Malvern, a senior piano performance major, won the 2003 Virginia Queen Piano Competition held recently in OBU's McBeth Recital Hall in Mabee Fine Arts Center. The contest was sponsored by the Division of Music of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts at Ouachita.

## — Recognitions —

### Debaters repeat championship

The Ouachita Novice Debate Team finished the year ranked first in the nation in the International Public Debate Association. This is the second year in a row for the novice teams to achieve this accomplishment. The Varsity Team finished ranked in sixth place – one spot above last year.

Of the year's final IPDA ranking of the top ten Novice Speakers, Ouachita had four. Chase Carmichael, a junior from El Dorado, finished in tenth place; Amy Lee, an MK from Japan, finished in ninth place; Cheryl Russell, a junior from Hot Springs, finished in third place; and Jennifer Crawley, a senior from Little Rock, finished ranked as the first place IPDA Novice Speaker in the nation.

The Ouachita debate team competed in eight nationally sanctioned IPDA tournaments. They finished with a record of 312 wins and 294 losses (51.49%). They received 59 tournament awards. Winners of the team's annual R.C. Daily Most Improved Speaker Award were runner-up Cheryl Russell and finalist Jennifer Crawley.

### AdFed places sixth at regionals

In district competition among 17 universities in Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma, the Ouachita Advertising Federation team finished sixth in competition held in April in Little Rock. The Ouachita group was the top ranked and smallest among Arkansas universities participating in the competition.

Each year teams are presented the same national product/organization for which they are responsible for building a merchandising campaign. This year's presentation was an advertising/public relations campaign for the Toyota Matrix.

### Brewer wins piano competition

Kevin Brewer of Malvern, a senior piano performance major, won the 2003 Virginia Queen Piano Competition held recently in OBU's McBeth Recital Hall in Mabee Fine Arts Center. The contest was sponsored by the Division of Music of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts at Ouachita.

by Sarah Shepherd

## —Newsmakers—



**Larry Thompson**, associate professor of visual arts, was invited to display a portion of his artwork in exhibitions in Little Rock and New York City.

U.S. Senator Blanche Lincoln (Dem., Ark.) sponsored an Arkansas Art Exhibit, showcasing works from selected artists from around the state, including Thompson's. The exhibit will run through the end of 2004 at the Frank House in Little Rock. Thompson's works are also included in the Liberated Perspectives Show at the Agora Gallery in the Soho Art District in New York City.



**Ian Cosh**, assistant to the president for community development and executive director of the Ben M. Elrod Center for Family and Community, has been appointed

by Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee to the Arkansas Commission on National and Community Service. The Commission helps local communities obtain federal funds to establish AmeriCorps programs in Arkansas.



**Dr. Margo Turner**, assistant professor of education, attended the Hawaii International Conference on Education in Honolulu. There were more than 1000 educa-

tors who attended the conference representing more than 30 countries. Turner presented "Intersections of Hope: Writing the stories of Christina and Mark and an after-school tutoring intervention" in a paper session.



**Dr. Terry Dewitt**, assistant professor of biological sciences and director of the athletic training program, recently completed requirements for a doctor

of philosophy degree from the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville. The title of his dissertation was "Health Care Supervision for Secondary Schools in Arkansas."

8 • Academic News

# Retiring faculty/staff honored

Ouachita honored four retiring members of its faculty and staff at an informal reception on Wednesday, April 30. Those individuals recognized include:

- **Dr. Charles Chambliss**, Dean of the School of Education and Professor of Education. Chambliss received his bachelor of arts degree from OBU in 1960, his master of education degree in 1963 from Texas A&M University-College Station and his doctorate of education diploma from UA-Fayetteville in 1969. He joined the Ouachita faculty in 1965.

- **Bill Dixon**, Vice President for Student Services and Associate Professor of Biology. Dixon received his bachelor of science degree in 1959 from Carson-Newman (TN) College and his master of science degree in 1963 from George Peabody (TN) College for Teachers. Dixon joined the administrative staff at OBU in 1970 as Dean of Students and Assistant Professor of Biology, roles he retained until 1997 when he assumed his current positions.

- **Agga Mae Sanders**, residence hall director, Frances Crawford Residence Hall (East Wing) for the past 17 years. She holds a bachelor of arts and a bachelor of music education, both granted by Ouachita in 1952, and a master of education degree earned in 1957 at East Texas State University.

- **Dr. Susan Wink**, Professor of English. Wink earned her bachelor of arts



**RECEPTION** • Tona Wright, chair of the department of health, physical education and recreation, visits with Bill and Snookie Dixon at the retirement reception. Bill Dixon retired following 33 years of service to the University.

degree in 1966 from Texas Western College; and was granted both a master of arts degree in 1970 and a doctor of philosophy diploma in 1978 from UA-Fayetteville. She joined the Ouachita faculty in 1986.

• by Mac Sisson

## University honors students for academic success

Ouachita students earning various academic awards for the 2002-2003 academic year were honored at the annual Academic Awards Banquet in April. The event was hosted by the OBU Student Senate.

Following the presentation of awards by the seven academic schools, President Westmoreland announced the recipients of the University Awards.

The recipients of the University awards were: Ben Elrod Scholar to Reyda Taylor, Carl Goodson Scholar to Kevin Brewer, Rotary Club Service-Above-Self Award to Vinita Rajah, Mrs. J. R. Grant Memorial Award to Terese Purkaple and Robin Dann and Betty Oliver Grant Award to Kimberly Sanders and Nicole Engelkes.

The Academic Achiever awards were presented to: April Meyer, Hickingbotham School of Business; Jonathan Kelley, Pruet School of Christian Studies; Trixie Kartiarso, School of Education; Abby Harrell, Jones School of Fine Arts; Amber White, School of Humanities; Michael Tinker, Patterson School of Natural Sciences; and Elizabeth Posey, School of Social Sciences.

University Awards also were presented to: **Jonathan Kelley**, Overall Academic Achiever; **Randy Stanley**, Outstanding Senior Man; **Tara Loyd**, Outstanding Senior Woman; and **Dr. Barbara Pemberton**, Most Inspirational Instructor.

**SCHOLARS' DAY** • Student research and other creative outlets were the themes for the third Scholars' Day held Wednesday, April 23. The projects presented were chosen by a selection committee representing each academic division of the University. The Scholars' Day participants were honored with a reception held on the afternoon of Scholars' Day in the rotunda of McClellan Hall. Presenting her Scholars' Day presentation is Jamie Thigpen, a biblical studies/theology major from Maple, North Carolina.



## Stephen Carter presents Birkett Williams lecture

Yale University law professor and best-seller author Dr. Stephen L. Carter presented the Birkett Williams Lecture on March 6. He spoke on the topic "Religion in Public Life, with Special Reference to Abortion."

Carter, a prolific writer who has published seven critically acclaimed non-fiction books, has helped shape the national debate on issues ranging from the role of religion in politics and culture to the role of integrity and civility in daily living.

His most recent contribution to the literary world is a non-fiction novel titled,

"The Emperor of Ocean Park," currently a "New York Times" bestseller.

The "Times" has referred to him as one of the nation's leading public intellectuals, and "Time" magazine recognized him as one of the 50 leaders of the 21st century.

Carter was a law clerk for the late U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall (1980-81) and a law clerk for Judge Spottswood W. Robinson III on the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C. (1979-80).

## Ouachita, Dawson Co-op provide traveling lab

The J. D. Patterson School of Natural Sciences, in conjunction with the Dawson Educational Co-op Science Facilitators Network in Arkadelphia, has established a traveling microscopy science laboratory and a technology literacy pre-college traveling laboratory program.

The laboratories are for use in area school districts, with the results showing public school students having a broader understanding of the sciences.

With help from grants, the micros-

copy laboratories were put in place three years ago and the computer laboratory was implemented only a year ago. "Both have been good learning tools," said Dr. Jim Taylor, assistant professor of biology.

The equipment is available to the 27 districts in the Dawson Co-op region. "There was a real need for a mobile science educators' model using high technology microscopy interfaced with computers for image analysis to integrate the science, mathematics, language arts, and technology framework," said Taylor.

# Fall Pastors' Conference

Thursday, September 25, 2003

Topic: 1-2 Timothy

Contact Pruet School of Christian Studies Dean's office at 870-245-5599 or email knightte@obu.edu

## —Newsmakers—



**Dr. Deborah Root**, associate professor of mass communications and director of development publications, recently received the Gold Key Award from Columbia Scholastic Press Association in New York City. The Gold Key honors educators, members of the professional press and others for their support of excellence in teaching journalism and in student media advising and for significant contributions to student journalism. Root serves as adviser of the Ouachitonian yearbook.



**Dr. Danny Hays**, associate professor of biblical studies, and **Dr. Marvin Pate**, professor of biblical studies and theology, recently had their book, *Iraq—Babylon of the End-Times?*, published by Baker Books. It is a critique of the doomsday mentality that is the driving force behind a sensationalist approach to biblical prophecy.



**Dr. Randy Richards**, associate professor of biblical studies, has been selected as the 2003 recipient of the prestigious Kathleen Connolly-Weinert

Leader of the Year Award, given by Theta Alpha Kappa (the National Honor Society for Religious Studies). The award was given at the meeting of the American Academy of Religion.



**Dr. Caroline Cagle**, associate professor of mathematics and computer science, recently completed requirements for a doctor of philosophy degree in science and technology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Virginia.



# NEWS

## Briefs

◆ The Ben M. Elrod Center for Family and Community sponsored OBU's eighth annual Marriage and Family Week activities, March 10-15. The event exposed students to a week of teaching, training and equipping that will ideally enable them to be more aware of the ingredients of successful marital and family relationships.

Events included Ouachita missionaries-in-residence Rick and Nancy Dill speaking at Noonday, a free "romantic dinner for two" for students who are engaged as well as for students who are married, workshop sessions and a weekend retreat. Dr. Richard A. Swenson was the keynote speaker for Marriage and Family Week. He spoke at the regularly scheduled Tuesday chapel service. The topic of the retreat was "More Than You and Me."

◆ The Campus Ministries Office sponsored Christian Focus Week in February. The theme for this year's program was "Beyond the Bubble." Activities included morning prayer breakfasts, Morning Celebration worship services, afternoon sessions, the "Athletic Challenge," Praise Singers Concert and the International Food Fest.

The Morning Celebration speaking responsibilities were shared by Dr. Bruce Tippit and Brandon Bernard. Tippit is pastor of First Baptist Church in Jonesboro. Barnard is president of More To This Life Ministries and is a student ministry consultant for OBU. The music portion of the week was led by Michael Bleecker, an OBU graduate and the featured worship leader for Metro Bible Study in Dallas, Texas.

## Students connect with alumni through OSF shadowing program

With more than a 100 percent increase in its participation this year, the Ouachita Student Foundation (OSF) Shadowing Program has become a popular activity for students seeking to get an early start on professional careers.

Since its formation in 1983, the Shadowing Program has provided OBU junior and senior students with opportunities to get hands-on experience with professionals in the professional fields of their choosing during either Christmas or spring breaks.

"The Shadowing Program allows students to spend time with OBU alumni in their declared academic field and get a feel or perspective of what a career in that certain area might be like," said Bettie Duke, assistant director of the Tiger Network and staff coordinator of the OSF student development committee. "They can shadow someone in any field for a day." The most common fields are graphic design, interior design, elementary education, ministry, dentistry, pharmacy, pediatrics, marketing, psychology, accounting, law, public relations, dietetics and occupational therapy.

Each semester, Duke sends an e-mail to all juniors and seniors informing them of the opportunity to watch and participate in the activities of a

professional in their field. The students are then able to respond and get involved. "During this past spring break, we had 15 students participate, but this Christmas we had to turn the students away after 33 signed up," said Duke.

After the applications for participation have been submitted and the students have specified the field and the city they would prefer, Duke and her student assistant, Ellie Neytcheva, access the University's data base and begin calling alumni that match the criteria. Students can choose locations both in and out of Arkansas.

"The Shadowing Program allows alumni a chance to be connected with the university and to again give back to OBU," said Duke. "Those alumni who offer their help seem to enjoy getting to reconnect with the students at Ouachita."

The program benefits the students in numerous ways, according to Dr. Deborah Root, director of development publications, associate professor of mass communications and a faculty adviser of the OSF. "It allows the students to see a typical day in their future profession, and it allows them to make connections and develop relationships with professionals in their field."

• by Bethany Jones



**THEATRE PRODUCTION** • The departments of theatre arts at Ouachita and Henderson State University joined forces to present William Shakespeare's classic play, "The Comedy of Errors" in February. • photo by Rebecca Dawson



**PRAISE AND WORSHIP •**  
Students gather in Jones Performing Arts Center for a Morning Celebration during Christian Focus Week. • photo by Mandy Blackwood

## Students minister through drama

Rough Draft, the Campus Ministries drama team, uses the sights and sounds of theatre arts to enhance worship at church youth conferences, Discipleship Now conferences and worship services.

The group travels to venues in and out of state, presenting short performances, as well as entire worship services. "If we do a whole worship service, we usually perform five or six skits, and we do scripture readings in between and let the message be spoken through the drama," said Rough Draft director Emily Byers, a senior mass communications major from Hope.

The Rough Draft members have their own reasons for participating in the group, but they all share a common goal, and that is using their theatrical abilities to communicate the gospel message.

"I did a lot of drama ministry in high school, and I absolutely loved the ministry itself," said Betsy Stewart, a sophomore mass communications major from Seminole, Oklahoma. "I really enjoy acting, so I thought this would be a great way to give of myself for God while I am at school so that I don't get lost in studies, and it kind of help keeps my focus on God, as well."

Trey Patterson, a junior marketing major from Hot Springs, said, "I was interested in doing drama in some way, but I didn't know what this was all about. It's a great way to not lose all your time in the

theatre but still get to do some sort of drama."

According to Bryan Tucker, a freshman history major from Healdsburg, California, drama teams of the nature of Rough Draft not only hold great personal benefits for the participants, but they can also have a lasting impact on the audience. "I haven't been in church all my life, but when I was in church a cou-

*"... I thought it would be really fun because I like to see other kids impacted the way I was."*

• Bryan Tucker

ple of years ago, there was a drama team that came in and did some skits, and it really impacted me. I always wanted to be a part of one, but there weren't enough kids my age to start a drama team. When I heard about this ministry opportunity at Ouachita, I thought it would be really fun because I like to see other kids impacted the way I was."

Rough Draft spends a considerable amount of time rehearsing each week, creating new skits and perfecting them. It takes hard work and dedication, but thus far, participation in the group has proved rewarding for all involved.

"One thing I've learned is how to share the message through drama," said Byers. "You're put around people that you wouldn't normally be around because we all have different schedules, and we're all different age groups and majors and everything, but it's a way that we can all come together and present the message as well."

• by Megan Beeson

# NEWS Briefs

◆ Sodexho, the international food services company that has Ouachita as one of its clients, recently collected more than 800 pounds of non-perishable food from OBU faculty, students and staff to be donated to local churches and other food bank organizations.

Ouachita's Sodexho operation also provided a free picnic dinner recently at the Community Family Enrichment Center in Arkadelphia, where more than 235 adults and children were served with the assistance of many community volunteers.

"Both these efforts were successes and show that the Ouachita campus, the city of Arkadelphia and our company are committed in the fight against hunger," said Kerry Ross, Sodexho's general manager on the OBU campus.

The Servathon food drive is an annual event staged by Sodexho.

◆ Gwen Crangle, office manager of the Physical Plant at Ouachita, was chosen by the OBU Staff Development Committee as recipient of the annual Support Staff Member of the Year Award.

Crangle received a plaque and a cash award at a recent ceremony. She has been employed at Ouachita since July of 1999.

"Gwen has done an outstanding job of providing service and support through her work in the physical plant office to the entire campus community," said Richard Stipe, vice president for administrative services. "She has worked tirelessly on behalf of OBU."

In her position, Crangle handles bus and travel services for the University community, types work orders for campus needs, keeps up with payroll for the office, receives invoices and works with the business office in assigning payment codes to invoices and builds cores for door locks and cuts keys, along with handling various administrative services in the office.

Crangle, a native of El Paso, Texas, graduated from Ouachita in 1982 with a bachelor of arts degree.



# OUACHITA SINGERS TOUCH *Hearts AND Lives* IN SHANGHAI

Music is often proclaimed as the universal language. For the Ouachita Singers, the experience of being musical ambassadors in a global arena for 11 days in December meant understanding that human barriers are indeed transcended with the dynamics of music.

The Singers, an acclaimed mixed-voice auditioned organization of approximately 55 vocalists, went to Shanghai, China, from December 11 to 22 to "present a Christmas gift of music to the people," according to Dr. Charles Fuller, the group's director.

The Singers gave 11 performances, including a stop at a bilingual high school, tourist meccas, a church filled with 2,000 eager listeners, an audience at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel and the world famous Shanghai Conservatory of Music.

The Singers are no strangers to travel, having performed in venues across the globe. Fuller said the group was confronted at instances with few smiling faces at first but became experts in transforming as many as possible from "frowns of suspicion to countenances of joy through the gift of music."

One of the Singers' cultural exchanges occurred with the students of Kong Jiang Bilingual High School, where the Ouachita vocalists performed and were entertained on instruments ancient and modern and through song, compliments of the choir at the school.

On a Sunday of their stay, the Singers visited the famous Muen Church, where thousands of believers worship in multiple services. That evening the Singers performed a program for the foreign expatriates who worship each week in the building of Shanghai Community

Church. "The church was literally filled to the brim with English-speaking people from all over the world who gave the students their most enthusiastic response of the trip," said Fuller.

At the Yu Yuan Gardens, which Fuller described as a sort of ancient museum and expansive tourist shopping area, the Ouachita Singers became friends with several art students who shared their studio/gallery area with them between outdoor performances. "I think maybe all of the students had them create custom calligraphy for themselves and their families and friends," said Fuller.

Meals during the trip, Fuller said, included a wide variety of Chinese cuisine. "We were able to stay 'connected' to home through the occasional visit to Kentucky Fried Chicken outlets or McDonald's and Hard Rock Café," Fuller said.

One of the performances of the Singers was for a large group of city officials during an afternoon tea meeting. "We donned our tuxes and dresses and headed up eight flights of stairs to a large meeting room that was eventually filled with smoke and conversation," Fuller said. "Before the meeting, the main official of the Yu Yuan Gardens cornered me for a request. He wanted us to sing something besides Christmas music. Through the moments of awkward translation and my anxiety about where he was headed with this request came this result. He wanted us to sing something familiar to them and began to hum a tune to me. I said, 'Sure, we can do that and will be pleased to do so.' So, in the midst of our short presentation of Christmas music, I looked into the crowd to find him, and

we sang a new Christmas favorite, 'Do, a Deer.'"

On a Friday evening, the Ouachita Singers found themselves singing at the Shanghai Conservatory of Music. Fuller said that in attendance at the performance was Professor Ma Ge Shun, the 90-year-old pioneer of choral music in China. Ma received his training in the late 1940s at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth and Westminster Choir College and is considered the leading expert and influence on choral music in China. "A Christian survivor of the Chinese Cultural Revolution, he is a hero to the faith as well as to music," Fuller said.

Fuller said that he anticipated that the results of the visit by the Singers to Shanghai would be long lasting. He said that once leaders actually heard the group, doors begin to open all over the city. Additional invitations to sing poured in from churches and other organizations, yet their schedule was completely full.

"In Beijing, the head of the registered churches of all of China saw us on CCTV, the Chinese government's cable channel, and sent word that we could sing for any of their churches anywhere in China," Fuller said. "The Chinese YMCA and the Communist Youth Federation were most pleased with our cultural exchange and encouraged us to return."

Fuller said that the most important memory of the trip was the tear-streamed faces of believers touched by God's spirit as they sang and interacted with the people of Shanghai.

"The trip touched all of our hearts and lives," he concluded.

• by Mac Sisson

## Elrod Center honors over 100 volunteers

More than 100 campus and community leaders were recognized for their volunteer efforts at a Community Service Excellence Awards banquet held recently at Ouachita. The banquet was sponsored by the Ben M. Elrod Center for Family and Community.

The awards are given by the Elrod Center to those students, faculty and members of the community who show a dedication to community and volunteer service.

Each year, the Elrod Center honors distinguished professional members of the community for their work as volunteers. The Community Service Excellence Awards were given to: Bill Dixon, OBU vice president for student services and associate professor of biology; Dr. Hal Bass, dean of the OBU School of Social Sciences and the Herbert and LaDelle Moody Professor of Pre-Law Studies and Political Science; and Jim Burns, a local business owner.

Burns has served as director of the Clark County Office of Emergency Management/Homeland Security since 1972.

Recognitions were given to students who have been actively involved in Tiger Serve Day leadership roles, the America Reads/America Counts Programs, ElderServe, servant-leadership training, the Spring Break Enrichment Camp, TranServe and the Campus Ministries program.

Kluck Student Enrichment Grants were awarded to several OBU organizations and their representatives. The awards, provided by local pediatrician and OBU graduate Dr. Wesley Kluck, are competitive and are designed to augment existing programs and services connected with student organizations for special causes.

Rick and Nancy Dill were honored for their service to Ouachita as Missionaries-in-Residence.

• by Megan Beeson

## ARKANSAS' MOST EXCITING COLLEGE WEEKEND



The crew sings "There's Nothing Like a Dame" during the Jones School of Fine Arts production of "South Pacific." • photo by Josh Farmer



## Tiger Traks

Justin Myrick gives a final pull in the Tug-of-War competition during Tiger Traks, sponsored by OSF. • photo by Julie Tohlen



## Spring Fling

President Andrew Westmoreland takes the challenge on the bungee chord pull during CAB's Spring Fling. • photo by Michael Schartung

# Lady Tigers earn GSC trophy

The No. 3 Tiger tennis team became the first team in any sport at Ouachita to win a Gulf South Conference championship with a 5-1 victory over West Florida at Ouachita's Heflin Tennis Center.

The Lady Tigers also kept their 2003 season record perfect as they moved to 24-0 with the championship victory. Ouachita defeated Lincoln Memorial in the first round and defeated Valdosta State in the semis to reach the finals.

The Lady Tigers looked to have things under control after the completion of the doubles matches. NCAA Division II's No. 1-ranked doubles team of Ouachita's Victoria Domina and Brenda Magnetti defeated Nicole Plikat and Maria Cortes 8-3 for the first point of the match. Ouachita's Helena Besovic and Carolina Lopez Ascarte won number two doubles, and Inga Ziemina and Sabrina Benitez earned Ouachita's third point with a win in number three doubles.

When the singles matches began, the Lady Tigers needed just two wins to secure their conference championship. Domina won No. 1 singles in straight sets 7-5, 6-2 to give the Lady Tigers a 4-0 lead

in the race to five points.

With the match indoors due to rain, three other singles matches were in progress with Ouachita needing only one point to win. Besovic, playing number two singles for the Lady Tigers, dropped her first set as did Ouachita's number three singles player, Magnetti. In number four singles, however, Ziemina picked up a 7-5 win in her first set.

The second set in each match had opposite results. Besovic and Magnetti won their second sets to tie the matches at 1-1, but Ziemina dropped her second set 2-6 to even all three matches up at 1-1 going into the third set. UWF's Ilona Szalai earned UWF's only point of the match with a third set victory over Magnetti.

Down 4-3 in the third and deciding set to West Florida's Nicole Plikat, Ouachita's Besovic held serve to tie the set at 4-4. After the players returned to the court, Besovic broke Plikat's serve to take a 5-4 lead and then saw a backhand return from Plikat go wide on triple championship point to give her a 4-6, 6-2, 6-4 win and the clinching point for the

Lady Tigers.

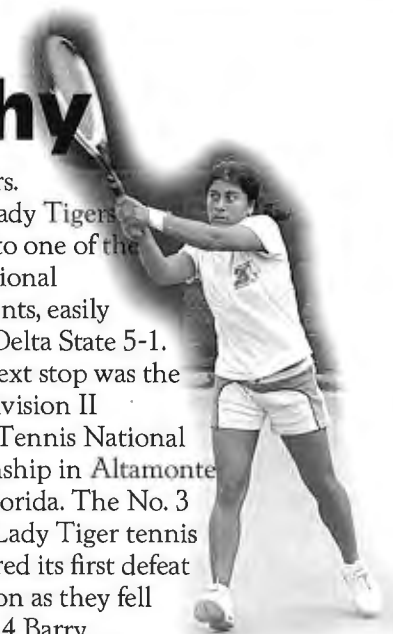
The Lady Tigers advanced to one of the South Regional Tournaments, easily handling Delta State 5-1.

The next stop was the NCAA Division II Women's Tennis National Championship in Altamonte Springs, Florida. The No. 3 Ouachita Lady Tiger tennis team suffered its first defeat of the season as they fell 5-4 to No. 4 Barry.

The Lady Tigers looked to have things under control after the doubles play, as Ouachita took all three of the matches to take a 3-0 lead into singles play. The Lady Tigers needed only two single matches to win the five points but could only manage one singles victory.

Head Coach Betsy Danner was named the Wilson/ITA National Coach of the Year for NCAA Division II, and freshman Helena Besovic was named the ITA South Region Rookie of the Year.

• by Chris Babb



# Men's tennis team advances to regionals



The seventh-ranked Ouachita Baptist University Tiger tennis team was put out of the NCAA Division II Men's Tennis National Tournament with a 5-2 loss to No. 8 Valdosta State in the second round in Valdosta, Georgia.

The Tigers managed only one win in doubles play, and the Blazers finished off the Tigers by winning three singles matches to earn the necessary five points for the win. Two singles matches that were not finished saw Ouachita players winning when the match was completed.

The Tigers ended the season with a 17-5 record and reached the second round with a 6-0 win over Delta State. The loss to the Blazers was the second in three weeks. Valdosta State put the Tigers out of the Gulf South Conference Championships in the semifinals on April 18-19.

In the GSC semifinal match, with the match tied at 5-4, Ouachita's Federico Pinaluba found himself down 5-2 in the third set of the deciding match. In front of a supportive home crowd, Pinaluba won four straight games to take a 6-5 lead

in the set. However, VSU's Andres von Michaelis rebounded to send the deciding set into a tiebreaker, which he won 7-3.

The Tigers won two doubles matches to take a 2-1 lead into singles action, but the Blazers won four of the six singles matches to pick up the win. Guillaume Coubard won No. 1 singles for Ouachita, and Tjeerd Star won number six singles for the Tigers. The Tigers reached the semifinals by defeating North Alabama in the first round 7-0 of the GSC Tourney.

The Tigers won their third consecutive Gulf South Conference West Division Championship and placed six players on the All-GSC Teams. Guillaume Coubard picked up both GSC West Freshman and Player of the Year Awards and joined senior Gilles Lagardere, junior Andre Edwall and freshman Federico Pinaluba on the All-GSC First Team. Pierre Perez and Tjeerd Star were named to the second team. Of the Tigers' five losses this season, three came to teams ranked in the top five in the country.

# Sports Briefs

compiled by Sports Information Director Chris Babb

## Tiger Basketball

The Ouachita Tiger basketball team posted its best record since the 1996-97 season as the Tigers finished with a 16-12 mark. The Tigers also finished in fourth place in the GSC West Division, earning the program's first GSC Tournament berth since joining the conference three years ago. Ouachita fell in the first round after taking East Division champ Alabama-Huntsville to overtime before falling 63-60.

The Tigers were led by guard Rod Edwards, who averaged 23.1 points per game. Edwards' average was the highest scoring average in a season for a Tiger since Tommy Patterson averaged 25.3 points per game in the 1971-72 season. He became the first Tiger to be named first-team All-GSC after the season.

The Tigers provided many exciting moments this season, perhaps none eclipsed by a come-from-behind victory over Henderson State to snap an seven-game losing streak against the Reddies. The Tigers were down by 20 points with 14 minutes left in the game but then went on a 23-0 run to take a lead that they would hold on to for a 73-69 win before a standing-room only crowd at Bill Vining Arena. Seniors Hassan Conteh, Jarris Kentle, Treston Dowell, Bunyan Johnson and Lonnell West each bid farewell at the end of the season. Kentle joined the 1,000-point club with 12 points at Delta State in January.

## Lady Tiger Basketball

Injuries proved to be the stumbling block of the Lady Tiger basketball season. The Lady Tigers started the season at 6-0 but were hit with injuries to key players during the conference stretch. The Lady Tigers finished the season at 13-14. Participation in the Disney Wide World of Sports Christmas Classic in Orlando, Florida, highlighted the non-conference part of the schedule.

With one player redshirting due to knee surgery, the Lady Tigers suffered their second season-ending injury in November. Senior guard Crystal Allen suffered an ankle injury against Christian Brothers that haunted her the rest of the season. Allen's injury came one game after she scored 39 points against No. 3 and previously undefeated Central Arkansas as the Lady Tigers handed UCA their first defeat of the season.

The Lady Tigers were dealt another blow when the team's leading rebounder, sophomore Stephanie Grimes, went down with a season-ending knee injury against Henderson State in the first half of the conference schedule. Allen and guard Tracy Denney were the only seniors on the 2002-03 squad and ended their careers in the Top 10 in many statistical categories.

## Golf

Ouachita senior golfer Randy Southerland was named first-team All-Gulf South Conference after finishing third in the individual race at the Gulf South Conference golf championships at Hot Springs Country Club.

Justin Bates earned his second straight GSC post-season honor after finishing in a tie for 12th place individually. Bates shot a two-over par 74 in round one followed by an even par 72. Bates shot a 77 in the final round for a three-round total of a seven-over-par 223. Bates' three rounds placed him on the second-team All-GSC squad.

The Tigers finished in sixth place as a team with a three-round total of 908. West Florida won the tournament with an 878, followed by Central Arkansas in second place with an 883. North Alabama and Arkansas Tech followed in third and fourth places with an 888 and an 889, respectively. Delta State finished in fifth with a 905 followed by Ouachita in sixth with a 908. Valdosta and Henderson State tied for seventh with a 909.

## Student-athletes honored at banquet

The athletic department hosted the annual Athletic Banquet for all Ouachita athletes in April. Coaches from each sport presented awards to outstanding student athletes.

Those receiving the highest honors were: Lyndsey Hawkins, a member of the Lady Tiger basketball team, Female Scholar-Athlete Award; Nathan Syer, a member of the Tiger football team, Frank Reed Male Scholar-Athlete Award; Amy Pace, a member of the Lady Tiger volleyball team, Outstanding Female Athlete Award; and Montoya Brown, a member of the Tiger football team, Bob Lambert Memorial Outstanding Male Athlete Award.

## Baseball

A win over No. 1 Delta State highlighted the season for the Tiger baseball team in 2003. Sophomore pitcher Robin Macon of Flower Mound, Texas, was named the Gulf South Conference Pitcher of the Week for his 2-1 win over Delta State in game two of the teams' GSC series at Rab Rodgers Field.

The Tigers, who finished the year with a 7-40 record, awarded the Rab Rodgers Outstanding Baseball Player Award to senior first baseman Tony Carozza of Texarkana, Arkansas. Freshman pitcher Josh Fleming of Ashdown, Arkansas, was awarded the team's outstanding pitcher award. The Tigers sent the seniors out in style at home with a two-game sweep of Christian Brothers University.

## Softball

The Lady Tiger softball team completed its first season as a member of the Gulf South Conference and its first season with a full schedule with an overall record of 11-39.

Junior catcher/infielder Andi Sloan led the team in batting with a .325 batting average, becoming the first Lady Tiger ever to average over .300 for a season. Freshman pitcher Katie Dedas posted a season ERA of 4.25, which is the lowest in the history of the program, and also picked up four complete-game shut-out wins which is also a school record. The Lady Tigers had only one senior in shortstop Tracy Denney who joined the team after finishing her basketball career as well.



photo by  
Wesley  
Kluck

## Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Sep 6	SE OK	H	7:00 p.m.
Sep 20	ARTech	T	6:00 p.m.
Sep 27	UCA	H	6:00 p.m.
Oct 4	Valdosta	T	1:00 (EST)
Oct 11	N. Alabama	T	6:00 p.m.
Oct 18	UAM	H	1:30 p.m.
Oct 25	SAU	T	2:30 p.m.
Nov 1	HSU	H	1:30 p.m.
Nov 8	Delta St.	T	1:00 p.m.
Nov 15*	Harding	H	1:30 p.m.

\*Homecoming

Times subject to change.





**Larry  
Frisby**

President  
Former Students  
Association

Greetings from your Alumni Association. This past Christmas, my son, a fresh 2001 graduate, asked me what exactly our Association was and what we did. I expect many of you might wonder as well. Our purpose, to quote from our Constitution, is fivefold. 1.) To strengthen ties between former students and the university. 2.) To help the university to serve former students. 3.) To preserve and further the aims and ideals of the university. 4.) To participate in further development of the university and 5.) To assist in student recruitment and placement efforts. Our Board meets each spring and fall. In addition to the director of alumni affairs, an official employee of the university, the Board consists of four officers of the association, six former students residing in Arkansas and six former students living out of state.

We see ourselves as an advisory body (or a sound board) to assist our director and any other official of the university who might wish to pass along an idea by a cross-section of former students of various age groups. We have no authority to affect university policy beyond acting as a lobbying group for former students. Incidentally, there are over nineteen thousand of us.

Recently, several matters concerning our role and its relevance to the university, its officers and trustees, have been seriously discussed and debated. You will soon be receiving a separate mailing with several proposed changes to our Constitution. If ratified, they will significantly change our association. We believe that these amendments will help to modernize the association and allow us to better serve the University and its alumni. Please consider these proposed changes and make your wishes known by voting. If any of you have a desire to serve our association in any capacity, I encourage you to contact the Alumni Office. A strong, vibrant university needs a strong, supportive alumni association. We have a dedicated faculty, administration and Board of Trustees. Let's all do our part to under gird their efforts to assure Ouachita its rightful position as the Queen of the college world.

# Gold TIGERS



**GOLD TIGERS** • (front row) Betty Collomp Natzke, Anne Lenderman Webb, Deanie Marshall Nichols, Frances Louise Cockrill Zastrow, J. Wayne Eskridge, Charles R. Edwards, Ken Reed, L.C. "Sonny" Nutt, Geraldine Head Puckett, Annette "Peanut" Carter Waters, Donna Sullivan Stark, (second row) Bill Simmons, Alice Ann Newman Simmons, Jean Emrich Landrum, Bennye Sims Meredith, Bertha Moseley Monfee, Virginia Steed Stone, Al Sparkman, John Hagan, David Pendergrast, Martha Moreland Dewbre Ryan, Betty Baldwin Gwatney, (third row) Jane Gullely Jackson, Mary K. Sims Wright, Lloyd Thrash, Dorothy Thomerson Hickey, Glenn Hickey, Hugh Hairston, Fred. W. Davis, Claud McGarrity, (back row) Gloria White Plumlee, Ann Strickland Vining, Muriel Evans Sims, James M. Conard, Bettye Newman Conard, Joe Massey, Gilbert Nichols, Henry Wood, Zahle Elms, Robert McCollum. • photo by Julie Tohlen

## MUSICAL REUNION •

Alumni performed a concert on Thursday evening before the Gold Tiger Reunion April 25. Those pictured are Ann Strickland Vining, Bobbie Stephens Sparkman, Ila Westerman, Charles Mayo, Henry Wood and Glenn Hickey.



## EEE Golf Scramble ...

The 2003 EEE Pledge Class is announcing plans for the first EEE Golf Scramble. We would like to invite everyone interested to come out and join us for this event on Saturday, September 6, 2003. For more information, contact Meredith Buelow at (870)703-4566.





# Homecoming 2003

We hope you will make plans now to be a part of Homecoming 2003. There are some exciting new developments taking place in the schedule. There's something for everyone.

Here's a brief look at this year's Homecoming Week events.  
*(a brochure and reservation form to be mailed this summer)*

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Homecoming Week Kick-Off Rally of Appreciation for all Clark County Alumni/Former Students

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Homecoming Chapel

## WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY

Alumni visits in the classrooms

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

7:30 p.m. Tiger Tunes • Jones Performing Arts Center

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

7:00 a.m. 1st Alumni/Friends Bass Tournament • DeGray Lake

9:00 a.m. 5th annual Alumni Golf Scramble • DeGray State Park

10:00 a.m. 1st Alumni Tennis Matches Heflin Tennis Center

5:00 p.m. Tiger Tunes • JPAC

5:30 p.m. Dinner at DeGray (Ouachita alums and former students) DeGray Resort Lodge

8:00 p.m. Tiger Tunes • JPAC

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

9:15 a.m.–11:30 a.m. Let's Blow Up the Gym Inflatables in Sturgis P.E. Center (for kids only)

9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Future Tigers Basketball Clinic for kids 1st-6th grade

10:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. Club and Organizational Drop-Ins

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Future Tigers Cheerleading Clinic for kids 1st-6th grade

10:30 a.m. Faculty/Alumni Author Book Signing Party in lower level of Evans

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Buffet Lunch in the Commons

1:00 p.m. Pre-game activities and crowning of the 2003 Homecoming Queen

1:30 p.m. Kickoff • Ouachita vs. Harding University

5:00 p.m. Giant After-Game Fellowship in Ouachita Commons

**NEW – DeGRAY RESORT LODGE ROLLS OUT THE RED CARPET FOR HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES!** A block of rooms at DeGray Resort Lodge has been reserved at the great rate of \$65 plus tax just for you! If you are interested, call 1-800-737-8355 and ask for reservations. Be sure to let them know that you are with Ouachita's Homecoming.

## *Book authors ...*

The Ouachita Bookstore is hosting a book signing at Homecoming, beginning at 10:30 a.m. All faculty, staff and alumni who have published a book are welcome to participate. Those interested should contact Yvonne Cloud at [bookstore@obu.edu](mailto:bookstore@obu.edu) or 870-245-5299.



# Memorial Contributions

October 16, 2002 - April 30, 2003

Mrs. Billie English Adams  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Mrs. Clyta Daniel Agee  
By: Mrs. Marilyn A. McVeigh

Mrs. Mary Agnes Anthony  
By: Mr. James M. Anthony

Dr. Daniel Wade Armstrong  
By: Dr. and Mrs. James L. Adkins  
Mr. and Mrs. Gene T.  
Bowman

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin L.  
Capehart

Mrs. Geneva Dismukes

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Grass

Mr. Paul R. Grass

Dr. Andrew M. Hall

Dr. and Mrs. J. Leland Hall

Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Heath,  
Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Michael

Langford

Mr. and Mrs. Onis G.

McCarrell

Mr. and Mrs. Troy McCarrell

Midwestern Seminary

Auxiliary, Kansas City, MO

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W.

Moore

Pahokee High School Alumni

Association, Clewiston, FL

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Parrish,

Jr.

Ms. Bette N. Rollins

SBC-Alternate Channels

Group, Dallas, TX

Mr. and Mrs. Gary V. Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Charles N.

Watkins

Mr. Jim Watson

Westpark Elementary Special

Education Staff, Benbrook,

TX

Ms. Beverly Williams

Mr. William E. Atchison

By: Rev. and Mrs. William D. Agee

Mrs. Dorothy Lambert Barr

By: Dr. and Mrs. S. Clark Fincher

Mrs. Sue Genestet Joyce

Dr. and Mrs. F. Allen White

Mrs. Winifred Barton

By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mrs. Phyllis A. Bradshaw

*Mother of Dr. Joe Bradshaw*

By: Mr. and Mrs. Glenn E. Good

Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root

Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson

Mrs. Hazel Brown

By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Dr. Glenn A. Burton, Sr.

By: Mrs. Kathleen Burton

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Grant

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holley  
Dr. and Mrs. Walter S. Mizell  
Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples  
Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root

Rev. Carroll D. Caldwell  
*Former Trustee*

By: Mr. and Mrs. H. Lavon Abbott

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D.

Anderson

Dr. and Mrs. Gordon S.

Bachus

Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd M.

Baltimore

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Barrett

Mr. and Mrs. James R.

Blackburn

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent H. Bond

Rev. and Mrs. C. Phelan

Boone

Mr. and Mrs. Roger W. Booth

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Bowers

Dr. and Mrs. James N. Braden

Mr. and Mrs. Larry J. Brandt

Ms. Candy Brar

Dr. and Mrs. Terry V. Braswell

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Britton

Ms. Dottie L. Brock

Mrs. E. Murray Caldwell

Mr. Paul T. Caldwell

Central Baptist Church,

Mineral Springs, AR

Mr. and Mrs. Prince E.

Claybrook

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil R. Cochran

Dr. and Mrs. David A. Conner

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Cook

Mr. and Mrs. Bret Craytor

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Cross

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C.

Culpepper

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C.

Cummings

Ms. Carolyn F. Davis

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E.

Dieffenbacher

Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Dowd

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Dowd

Dr. and Mrs. William D.

Downs, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Elkins

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Eoff

Esther Sunday School Class,

Central Baptist Church,

Mineral Springs, AR

Dr. Cecil C. Evans

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd E. Gary

Dr. and Mrs. Richard W.

Gibson

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Gill

Dr. and Mrs. Bob L. Gosser,

Sr.

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Grant

Dr. Melvin E. Greer

Ms. Montaree H. Hall

Mr. Wesley W. Hasson

Mrs. Juanita Gill Hatfield

Ms. Jane Henley

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hobbs

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hodnett

Mr. and Mrs. R. Danny Hooten  
Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hudson  
Hudson Investments, Harrison,  
AR

Mr. and Mrs. James E.

Humphrey, Jr.

Dr. Jim and Belinda

Hutcheson

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald W.

Jackson

Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Jordan

Miss Patsy Keller

Ms. Wanda Lair

Rev. and Mrs. Robert E.

Langley

Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Ledbetter

Mr. William A. Loe

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lorick

Ms. Lynne Bass Lovoy

Mr. and Mrs. Ted McCoy

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Miller

Mr. and Mrs. W. Russell Miller

Dr. and Mrs. Rodney D. Neal

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E.

Nichols

Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Oliver

Ms. Vida D. Owens

Mr. Woody Parker

Mr. and Mrs. Joey Paul

Dr. and Mrs. Richard J. Payne

Mr. Lowell Phillips

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Qualls

Mr. Jerry L. Reed

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Register

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rimmer

Mrs. Peggy Caldwell Robbins

Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rosenbaum

Ms. Bettye L. Rowe

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Ryan

Mrs. Marilyn K. Scroggins

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Shrader

Dr. and Mrs. C. Edward Spann

Dr. and Mrs. Jerry G. St. John

Mr. and Mrs. Richard T.

Stiltner

COL and Mrs. Jerry R. Stratton

Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Mrs. Billie Tanner

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Treadway

Mr. and Mrs. Billy R. Utery

Village Flower & Coffee

Company, Harrison, AR

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Walker

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Ward

Mr. and Mrs. Tom R.

Westbrook

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S.

Wheeler, III

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Wilburn

Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wise

Ms. Peggy E. Works

Mr. and Mrs. A. Dean Yeager

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Young

Ms. Janie Caldwell

By: Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lorick

Dr. Dewey E. Chapel  
*Former Education Faculty*  
By: Dr. and Mrs. William D.  
Downs, Jr.

Mrs. Dorothy J. Chapel  
*Former Library Science Faculty*  
By: Dr. and Mrs. William D.  
Downs, Jr.

Mrs. Virginia Combs  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. Lewis Cowart  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Miss Mildred Crawford  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Richard H.  
Jackson

Dr. Alton R. Crawley  
*Former Math/Computer Science  
Faculty*  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie C.  
Crawley  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Martin

Rev. Raymond B. Crotts  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Mrs. Joan Russell Daniell  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke  
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Flaig  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mrs. Virginia Danner  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raouf J. Halaby  
Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Rev. Wilson Deese  
*Former Trustee*  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bailey, Jr.  
First Baptist Church, Cabot,  
AR  
Mr. and Mrs. James M. Conard  
Dr. and Mrs. B. G. Cremeen  
Mr. and Mrs. George W.  
DeLaughter  
Mr. and Mrs. Al Flynt  
Mr. and Mrs. William T. Flynt  
Mr. and Mrs. Truett M.  
Goatcher  
Mr. and Mrs. Buron Griffin, Sr.  
Mrs. Sarah J. Lindsey  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack M. Lowman  
Dr. and Mrs. Walter S. Mizell  
Ms. Jamie L. Phelps  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson  
Ms. Cindy Walters  
Mr. and Mrs. Don White  
Mr. and Mrs. Donny White  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. Luke Easley  
*Brother of Philip Easley*  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke  
Mr. and Mrs. Luke Owens

Ms. Christine Edwards  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Totty

Mrs. Anne Culley Yates Enlow  
By: Dr. Eugene L. Enlow  
Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Mr. Leamon Don Eppinette, Jr.  
*Brother of Dr. Ouida Keck*  
By: Drs. George and Ouida Keck  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. Oswald Franz  
*Father of Joe Franz*  
By: Rev. and Mrs. W. Lloyd Cloud,  
Sr.  
Dr. and Mrs. Raouf J. Halaby  
Mr. and Mrs. Bobby G. Jones

Ms. Gracie Brown Fulford  
By: Ms. Betsy J. Brar  
First Baptist Weekday  
Preschool, Ellisville, MO  
Mr. and Mrs. James E. Gill  
Hannah Sunday School Class,  
First Baptist Church, Pine  
Bluff, AR  
Dr. and Mrs. Andrew M.  
Monfee  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Miss Rachel Fuller  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Cox  
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fuller

Mrs. Sylvia Webb Gates  
By: Mr. and Mrs. E. J. French

Mrs. Patty Goble  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Mr. George Grant  
*Brother of Dr. Daniel R. Grant*  
By: Mrs. J. Richard Grant

Mr. J. Richard Grant  
By: Mrs. J. Richard Grant

Mrs. Harriet Grant Hall  
*Sister of Dr. Daniel R. Grant*  
By: Mrs. J. Richard Grant

Dr. John A. Hall  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Vincent C.  
Henderson, II  
Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Rev. Charles Wesley Hamil, Jr.  
By: Mrs. Juanita Hamil

Ms. Terri L. Hamil  
By: Mrs. Juanita Hamil

GEN Herman Hankins, Sr.  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raouf J. Halaby

Mr. Fred Hardwick  
*Father of Camille Brown*  
By: Mrs. Joanne Caldwell  
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Franz  
Drs. George and Ouida Keck  
Mr. and Mrs. Luke Owens  
Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root  
Drs. Jon and Glenda Secrest  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. William A. Harkrider  
*Former Director of Maintenance*  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke  
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Franz  
Dr. and Mrs. J. Thomas Greer  
Mr. and Mrs. Luke Owens

Dr. Lawson Hatfield  
By: Mrs. Juanita Gill Hatfield  
Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Miss Faye Holiman  
*Former Humanities Faculty*  
By: Mr. John L. Ware

Mr. John Howell  
By: Dr. Richard D. Wilhelm

Ms. LaVerne Hall Hudson  
By: Mrs. Vesta Chinn

Mr. Sonny Jackson  
*Former Maintenance Staff*  
By: Mr. Thomas Duncan  
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Franz  
Dr. and Mrs. Tom Murphree  
Mr. and Mrs. Luke Owens

Mrs. Byrla Waters Jean  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Evans  
Ms. Patricia J. Fulleylove  
Ms. Lisa Hill  
Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. Billy Ray Johnson  
By: Mr. and Mrs. B. Aldon Dixon  
Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. Julius J. Johnson  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. Sam Johnson  
By: Miss Patsy Keller

Mr. Stanley Jordan  
By: Mrs. Margaret Jordan

Mr. Jacob L. King  
By: Mr. and Mrs. C. Randy  
Fontaine

Mrs. Esther Kugele  
By: Ms. Marilyn A. McVeigh

Mrs. Elsie Dane Daughtrey  
Lambert  
By: Mrs. Wanda E. Jones  
Mrs. Kathrine Magruder

Mr. Joseph Landrum  
By: Dr. and Mrs. James N. Braden

Mrs. Nina Sue Blagg Lewis  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mr. Bart Lindsey  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Flaig

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Linkous  
By: Mrs. Mary L. Howell

Dr. John Linn  
By: Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson

LTC Robert C. Lowry  
By: COL and Mrs. Thomas F.  
Treat

LTC Crawford T. Marbury  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Mr. Robert A. Martin  
By: Mr. Gene C. Martin

Dr. William Earl Martin  
By: Mr. Gene C. Martin

Mrs. Elizabeth Massey  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Rev. Delbert C. McAtee  
By: Ms. Marilyn A. McVeigh

Mr. David McCallum  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raouf J. Halaby

Dr. Clark William McCarty  
*Former Science Faculty*  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Garvin W.  
Abernathy, Jr.  
Rev. and Mrs. Clayburn C.  
Bratton  
Mr. and Mrs. Doyle W. Daniel,  
Jr.  
Dr. and Mrs. Raouf J. Halaby  
Mr. and Mrs. Monte J.  
Hollowell  
Dr. and Mrs. Joe S. Jeffers  
Dr. Joseph P. McCarty  
Pilot Club of Fort Smith, AR

Mrs. Myrene McCarty  
By: Rev. and Mrs. Clayburn C.  
Bratton

Dr. John H. McClanahan  
*Former Trustee*  
By: Rev. and Mrs. W. Lloyd Cloud,  
Sr.  
Mr. and Mrs. Truett M.  
Goatcher  
Dr. and Mrs. Raouf J. Halaby  
Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples  
Mr. Wilbur C. West  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Dr. L. Jack McHaney  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Mrs. Mary Kelly McKenzie  
By: Mr. and Mrs. E. Ted Harrison,  
Jr.

Mrs. Marye Ann Morgan  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. Hardin

Mr. H. Y. Odom  
*Father of Cindy Fuller*  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. Hardin  
Drs. George and Ouida Keck  
Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root  
Drs. Jon and Glenda Secrest  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson

Dr. John H. Parrott  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Garland H. Allen

Dr. Wayne H. Peterson  
*Former Religion Faculty*  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Grant  
Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Mrs. Janice Rogers Ray  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Bobby G. Jones

Rev. James Reed  
*Father of Doug Reed*  
By: Dr. and Mrs. William D.  
Downs, Jr.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke  
Dr. and Mrs. Ben M. Elrod  
Dr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Grant  
Mr. and Mrs. Bobby G. Jones  
Library Staff of Ouachita  
Baptist University  
Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson

Mr. Gordon Riley  
By: Mr. and Mrs. B. Aldon Dixon  
Drs. George and Ouida Keck  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Mrs. Sue Daily Robertson  
By: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R.  
Robertson

Mrs. Ruth Sawyer  
By: Ms. Doris J. Chediak

Mrs. V. Tommie Green Selph  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples

Dr. Donald M. Seward  
*Former Math Faculty*  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Claude W.  
Sumerlin

Mrs. Elisabeth Anne Enlow Shaw  
By: Dr. Eugene L. Enlow

Mrs. Carolyn S. Southerland Shell  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples  
Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey F.  
Teague

Mrs. Victoria Brown Shults  
By: Dr. and Mrs. Raymond  
Peeples  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson  
Dr. Randal A. Woodfield

Rev. Edward Lee Smith  
By: Mrs. Joanne Caldwell

# Class Notes

- 1933**  
**Gerald Berry**, who's 92, lives in Sutherland, VA, with 88-year old wife, Juanita. He writes that his life has been full: served in Air Force for 30 years with tours in France, Germany, India and United States; served for IRS until retirement. They live on Lake Chesdin and have five grown children.
- 1939**  
**Kathreen Haynie Thomas** (fs), who resides in Texarkana, TX, writes that her son, Frank, an instructor at Texas A&M, has been named National Archery Coach of the Year by United States Olympic Committee.
- 1940**  
**Jeanie Burns** has fully recovered from hip replacement. She walks without assistance or equipment and thanks friends who have written.
- 1943**  
**Walter and Mary Jo (Lile, '40) Mizell** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary December 26 with a family dinner at Chenal Country Club in Little Rock. They have three sons, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.
- 1943**  
**Andy Hall**, who spends his retirement years shuttling back and forth between Fayetteville, AR, and Delray Beach, FL, was recently elected pastor emeritus of First Baptist Church of Delray Beach on a motion by another Ouachita alum, **Bill Derryberry (fs67)**.
- 1944**  
**Mary Alice Burns Nantz** taught choral music and orchestra for 38 years, served as church organist for 36 years, and played violin in the Symphony for 25 years. She lives in Houston, TX, and attends Champion Forest Baptist Church, where **Damon Shook ('57)** is pastor.
- 1945**  
**Doyle and Marie (Hardwick, '44) Lumpkin** continue to enjoy retirement at Baptist Memorial Center in San Angelo, TX. Anyone who would like to contact them can email them at dlumpkin@wcc.net.
- 1947**  
**Don Corley**, a retired Presbyterian minister, announced publication of his fifth novel, "The Unhappy Prostitute." He quickly adds that it's not about prostitution but a contemporary love story about

## Memorial Contributions (continued)

- Mrs. Frances M. Smith  
*Former Dorm Parent*  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. B. Aldon Dixon  
 Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Melton  
 Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley  
 Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams
- Mrs. Virginia Smith  
 By: Dr. and Mrs. Ben M. Elrod  
 Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pennington
- Mr. Lewis Steele  
*Father of Dr. Glenda Secrest*  
 By: Drs. George and Ouida Keck
- Dr. James Donald Sykes  
*Father of Dr. Jeff Sykes*  
 By: Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root
- Mr. Allen Burl Syler  
 By: Ms. Wendy L Bush  
 Mr. A. Clifton Cornelius  
 Dyke Bros., Fort Smith, AR  
 Dyke Industries, Inc., Little Rock, AR  
 Ms. Sue Gresham  
 Ms. Norma D. Heard  
 Mr. and Mrs. Michael Peach  
 Mr. and Mrs. Farris C. Purviance, Jr.  
 Ms. Peggy Thannisch
- Mrs. Sue F. Teague  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey F. Teague
- Mrs. Hazel Williams Thomas  
*Former Family and Consumer Science Faculty*  
 By: Mrs. Earnestine Barati  
 Ms. Janet B. Davis  
 Mr. and Mrs. M. Ken Everett, Sr.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Hill
- Mrs. Vesta Tucker Thrash  
*Wife of Trustee Lloyd Thrash*  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Truman O. Boatright
- Rev. and Mrs. W. Lloyd Cloud, Sr.  
 Mrs. Margaret Davis  
 Dr. and Mrs. Jerry G. St. John  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jim D. Wallace
- Mrs. Marie Landes Watts  
 By: Mrs. Ruth Jordan  
 Neeley Forestry Service, Inc., Camden, AR  
 Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Watts  
 Mr. and Mrs. Lin C. Wetterau, Jr.
- Ms. Althea P. Wheeler  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams
- Mr. Michael Charles White  
 By: Dr. and Mrs. Tom Murphree
- Mr. David P. Wilcox, Jr.  
 By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley
- Ms. Candace Wilhelm  
 By: Dr. Richard D. Wilhelm
- Mr. Billy C. Williams  
 By: Drs. Ed and Fran Coulter  
 Mr. and Mrs. George D. Green, Jr.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Johnny L. Heflin  
 Dr. Margaret Gill Hein  
 Mrs. Katharine Hobgood  
 Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams
- Mr. Kemmons Wilson  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Franz  
 Mrs. Betty Lile  
 Ms. Marilyn A. McVeigh
- Mr. H. J. Windham  
*Grandfather of Jeff Root*  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke  
 Dr. and Mrs. Ben M. Elrod  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holley  
 Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pennington  
 Mr. and Mrs. Mac B. Sisson
- Ms. Mary L. Wisdom  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy W. Williams
- Dr. and Mrs. O. W. Yates  
 By: Dr. Eugene L. Enlow
- IN HONOR OF
- Mr. John David Cloud  
 By: Katie Speer, Trustee of the Roy and Christine Sturgis Charitable and Educational Trust of Malvern, AR
- Mr. and Mrs. T. Clay Conly  
 By: Mrs. Lana Hampton
- Mr. James Cunningham  
 By: Dr. Richard D. Wilhelm
- Mr. B. Aldon Dixon  
 By: Drs. Ed and Fran Coulter
- Dr. W. Wayne Everett  
 By: Drs. Hoy and Marolyn Speer
- Mrs. Mayble Goodier  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Gordon C. Goodier, Jr.
- Dr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Grant  
 By: Mrs. J. Richard Grant  
 Mrs. Carolyn Grant Walton
- Mr. and Mrs. Jeral L. Hampton  
 By: Mrs. Lana Hampton
- Mr. J. Ty Hampton, Jr.  
 By: Mrs. Lana Hampton
- Dr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Hollaway, Jr.  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Robertson
- Mr. Ira Hubbard  
 By: Mr. Willard C. Forsythe
- Mr. Daniel R. Humble  
 By: Dr. and Mrs. Earl R. Humble
- Mr. David E. Humble  
 By: Dr. and Mrs. Earl R. Humble
- Mr. Larry E. Kircher  
 By: The Arkansas Bankers Association, Little Rock, AR
- Mrs. Juanita Litzelfelner  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hopkins
- Mr. and Mrs. Phares Raybon  
 By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley
- Mrs. Ann Wilhelm Sell  
 By: Dr. Richard D. Wilhelm
- Mrs. Judy Shanks  
 By: Dr. Richard D. Wilhelm
- Mrs. Elizabeth Stanford  
 By: Mrs. J. Richard Grant
- Mr. and Mrs. Lynn H. Strother  
 By: Mrs. Lana Hampton
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. White  
 By: Rev. and Mrs. W. Harold White
- Mr. Alfred D. Wilhelm  
 By: Dr. Richard D. Wilhelm
- Mr. Jack Wilhelm  
 By: Dr. Richard D. Wilhelm
- Mrs. Norma Williams  
 By: Dr. and Mrs. Michael R. Williams
- Mrs. Phyllis Young  
 By: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Robertson

# Class Notes

choices, consequences and responsibilities. He and wife, **Lynell (Sandifer, '47)** live in Arkadelphia where he is an adjunct philosophy instructor at Henderson. More information about his writings are on his website: [www.donaldcorley.com](http://www.donaldcorley.com)

**Mary (Helton) Tucker** enjoys retirement and is active on city/county library board, sailing club, jazz society, Gilcrease museum and her church. She and husband, Gene, live in Tulsa, OK.

## 1948

**Paul Shipman** of Mount Ida, AR, is serving as interim pastor of Caddo Gap Baptist Church in Norman.

**Fred Martin** is a production consultant with Technical Innovations, after retiring from Dow Chemical (30 years) and serving as consultant for AMSCOR, Fluid Data, and Onix for 15 years. He and wife, Patsy, live in Angleton, TX, where they are active in BSF (Bible Study Fellowship) leadership.

## 1949

**Robert McCormick** is a retired minister and teacher. He and wife, **Marie (HoeHN, fs49)**, live in Murphysboro, IL. They both teach Sunday School at their church.

**Homer Wright** lives in Channelview, TX, since retiring from Atlantic Richfield.

## 1951

**Cecil Malone** was awarded the AARP's Andrus Award for Community Service in December. He reports that retirement has affected his golf schedule. He retired as director of the Arkansas Employment Security in 1989 and played a lot "until" he retired! Now he doesn't have time. He currently serves as state president in a volunteer position for AARP. He and wife, Betty Jo, live in Little Rock.

## 1952

**Carl** and **Barbara Fawcett** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 15, 2002. They are parents of three children and nine grandchildren and live in Austin, AR.

**Agga Mae Overton Sanders** is having a busy summer. She and Clinton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 31 with a reception at St. Andrews Methodist Church in Arkadelphia, where she's served as choir director for past six years. She attended her 55th high

school reunion in Arkadelphia in April. She will retire from Ouachita as head resident (dorm mom) for Frances Crawford-East in August.

## 1953

**Charles Edwards** and wife, Christine, have had a busy spring. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 30 and he celebrated his 75th birthday on February 7. He has pastored churches for more than 50 years. They live in Eunice, LA, and are the parents of four children.

**Dennis (fs) and Geraldine (Head) Puckett** celebrated their 50th wedding on June 6, 2002, with a reception in the atrium of Immanuel Baptist Church in El Dorado. Dennis, who's retired from Lion Oil/Tosco, won his bid in the November election for office of El Dorado city clerk/treasurer. They have four children.

## 1954

**Harold and Josie (Burroughs) Tedford** spent five weeks in London last fall and came back to the States on the QE II ocean liner. They live in Winston-Salem, NC, off the campus of Wake Forest University where he taught for 33 years and was director of the theatre. They returned home in February after a stay in Chicago where they helped their daughter, Vivian, following her back operation.

**Robert Eubanks** retired in 1991 from the pastorate, and he and wife, Sarah, moved from St. Louis to Diamond City, AR. In 1993, he was asked to pastor Diamond City Baptist Church, a mission church started by Southside in Lead Hill. In January of this year, they celebrated ten years and dedicated a new building, debt free.

## 1956

**Nancy Burchfield**, a retired RN, lives in Picayune, MS, and would love to hear from anyone in or around Class of 1956. They can write her at 2131 Crestwood Drive in Picayune 39466 or call 601-798-4155.

**Richard and Bea (Rodgers, fs) Walker** reside in Murray, KY, where he's president of the Amazon Mission Organization (AMOR), which ministers exclusively in the Amazon Valley of Brazil. Their sons, **Boyd ('88)** and **Winston**, live with their families in Brazil and are involved full time in the AMOR ministry.

## 1957

**Bill Goff** underwent knee replacement at a Hot Springs hospital in February. He and Hazel Ann live in Arkadelphia.

**Gilbert (fs) and Jeanette McPherson Rainey** reside in Jonesboro where he's the owner/operator of Systems Design, an engineering company.

## 1958

**Ramona (Stubblefield) Tugwell** and husband, Phil, live in Fayetteville, AR. He retired last year from Entomology Department at University of Arkansas. She volunteers at the University museum and in public elementary schools. They enjoyed a trip last summer with their son and daughter-in-law to Alaska's Yukon Territory.

**Archie Lawrence** retired in 1998 from Presbyterian Church, USA, and now serving as interim minister at McAlester (OK) First Presbyterian Church. He's also a retired Lt. Colonel with the U.S. Army National Guard, Chaplain Branch.

**Gene Davis** taught school for 32 years and pastored eight churches over a period of 48 years. He and wife, Vi, live in Jacksonville, AR, and he pastors in North Pulaski County.

**Carolyn Buckhanon Hawkins (fs)** and husband, Bill, lives in Dothan, AL, where she's a homemaker.

## 1959

**Shirley Faye (Hite) Davis** still works for State of Nebraska Health Department. Husband, Charles, recently retired from Nebraska Educational Telecommunications. They live in Lincoln, have five children and five grandchildren, and are active in Bethel Baptist Church, where she is organist and choir accompanist.

## 1960

**John and Charlotte (Spade, fs) Robbins** retired in January after 43 years in the ministry. He pastored in Grand Junction, CO, for 16 years, where they currently live, and for 14 years previously at Second Baptist in Monticello, AR. He is currently vice chairman of the Executive Board and president of the Pastor's Conference for the Colorado Baptist General Convention.

**William Knabe** is director of statistical support services and

adjunct professor at the University of Iowa. He and wife, Judith, live in Iowa City.

**Valinda (Whittle) Jones** retired in 1993 as media specialist/librarian at Southside Elementary in Cabot. Husband, Jimmy, sold his construction company in 2000 so they are enjoying retirement. They have two daughters, **Lisa (fs81)** and Carrie.

**Gene Weatherly** is leading the singles ministry at Concord Baptist Church and is preparing to start a biker (motorcycle) praise/worship service this spring. He and wife, Rita, who were married last year and honeymooned in Paris and Switzerland for two weeks, live in Anderson, SC.

## 1961

**Caroline Woodell Cagle** successfully defended her Ph.D. dissertation at Virginia Tech in December. She is professor of math at Ouachita.

**Andy "Richard" Adams** retired in April 2003 as pastor of First Baptist Church of Festus-Crystal City, MO, after 25 years and ten months. He and wife, Alice Ann, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in May 2002. They live in Herculaneum, MO, have four children and 25 grandchildren.

**Richard Rogers** retired from NAMB after 18 years of service as Director of Missions in Central Michigan. He now serves as pastor for Bethany Baptist Church in Lansing. He and **Martha (McGarety)** have four children and eight grandchildren.

## 1962

**Barbora Kay Martin Cole** retired from Exxon's Baytown Refinery in 1997 after 31 years of service. She and husband, Leo, travel with the Lee College Senior Adults when they're not keeping their two grandchildren.

**James Duncan** and wife, Jistine, live in Whitehouse, TX, where he is associate pastor at Gateway Baptist Church.

**Don Moffat (fs)** writes that some of his most pleasant memories are from his time in Ouachita's ROTC in 1960-62. He left in '62 for a tour in Korea. Upon returning to the States, he received his degree in secondary education and taught school for 20 years. Now retired, he lives in Columbus, OH, and would love to hear from some of the fellas who were in ROTC when he

*Continued on page 22*

# Class Notes

## ALUMNI *Profile*

Theodocia Johnson Latham ('96)

Theodocia Johnson Latham has been selected as the first Sister City Program Coordinator for the City of Hot Springs. Her duties include communicating the purpose, ideals, and benefits of the Sister City program to local citizens.

Latham is a Staff Sergeant with the 2nd Battalion 379th Regiment, 7th Brigade, 95th Division Training Support Brigade in Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Latham has been in the U.S. Army Reserve for 13 years. She works as a Personnel Administration Sergeant with her unit in Arkadelphia and is a certified instructor through the military's Total Instructor Course. Latham has trained ROTC Cadets on the Individual Tactical Techniques and the Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Ranges in Fort Lewis, Washington, and looks forward to the next training cycle. She performs the National Anthem for various groups and organizations, and has received Lieutenant Colonel, Command Sergeant Major, and 95th Division coins for her rendition of the National Anthem. She has received several Army Achievement Medals, Commendation Medals, and other recognition for her skills and performance while serving in the United States Army Reserve. She performed the National Anthem for the Tacoma Rainiers vs. Oklahoma Baseball game on July 24, 2002 in Tacoma, Washington. Recently, she performed for the Support Our Troops Rally sponsored by the Thaddeus H. Caraway VFW Post 2278 in Hot Springs. The rally took place near the Veteran's Memorial located in the Transportation Depot Plaza on April 5, 2003.

Theodocia Latham is the 2003 Mrs. Central Arkansas contestant in the next Mrs. Arkansas America Pageant in Hot Springs, AR. She is the wife of Calvin Latham, Jr., and mother of two children, Emily and Trevor.

She is a 1989 graduate of Wynne High School. She received her B.S.E. in Business Education with a minor in International Studies from Ouachita in May 1996. She has worked in the education field for over three years teaching high school students in Marketing and Workplace Readiness Skills; then later moving on to working with persons with disabilities in Business Education and Marketing and Sales. She is a member of Greater Unity Church of God in Christ in Hot Springs.

*• Continued from page 21*  
was here. You can contact him at 241 North Chesterfield Road, Columbus 43209.

### 1964

**Clyde Snider** is the owner/producer of Audio Recording Corp. of Arkansas. He and wife, Joyce, live in Little Rock.

**Gene (fs) and Connie (Harrellson) Cox** live in Poplar Bluff, MO. He's a state trooper and she is a school music teacher.

**Ed Pettibone**, retired from Indiana Employment Security Division, currently edits a website for discussion of all things Baptist. It's [www.Baptistlife.com](http://www.Baptistlife.com). He and wife,

Dr. Trudy Pettibone, call Cincinnati, Ohio, home. She serves as interim pastor of Latham Community Baptist Church ABC-USA in Latham, NY.

**Don Duren**, minister of activities at Park Cities Baptist Church in Dallas, was recognized and honored at the December church staff party for his length of service to that church. He has been on staff for 20 years. Don also is a member of FSA Advisory Board at Ouachita.

*Correction to the last Circle:* We incorrectly identified **Mike and Sue Scifres's** son-in-law, Jeff, as their son. Jeff works with Mike at Eufaula Pharmacy, but their son, Tim, teaches and coaches basket-

ball in Missouri.

### 1965

**Darrel Watkins** lives in Fort Worth with wife of 41 years, **Janis (Nutt, '62)**. He writes he has "flunked" retirement twice and continues to teach part time in Southwestern Seminary's Doctor of Ministry program and in the Institute for Gerontological Studies, School of Social Work at Baylor. He's also managing editor of the "Journal of the Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education," and keeps busy by leading seminars. Janis, associate professor emeritus at SWBTS, continues to teach one class there.

**Robert Ethers (fs)** and wife, Susan, were recently featured in the March 9 issue of the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette on how they met and married. They currently live in Maumelle, AR, and have two grown sons.

**Larry Kircher**, of Bald Knob, was appointed in December by Gov. Mike Huckabee to serve on the Interest of Lawyers' Trust Account Committee until 2007.

**Nelson Wilhelm**, associational missionary for Concord Association, was named "Associational Missionary of the Year" at their annual retreat at DeGray State Park in February. He and wife, **Elaine (Atwell, fs)**, live in Fort Smith.

**Ed Coulter**, chancellor of Arkansas State University-Mountain Home, was elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce in Little Rock.

**Alfred and Geraldine Duncan** moved to Bastrop, LA, in 2000 to be near their daughter. Other than eight years as pastor in Ohio, his major ministry was spent in Virginia.

**Mary Anne Wilkerson Sennett** lives in West Fork, AR, where she's in the teaching profession. She writes that "Ouachita was a great place to study!"

**Eddie and Mary Sue (Hill) Rettstatt** are owners/operators of an on-line travel agent service, YTB Travel & Cruises in Fort Worth. Website: [www.ytbnet.com/awealth](http://www.ytbnet.com/awealth) of travel. He also is a chiropractor with Family Chiropractic Clinic.

### 1966

**Wally Ferguson** serves as pastor of Wilmar (AR) Baptist Church. He and **Linda (Etheridge, fs)** live in Monticello.

**Ray Hardin** sings tenor in the professional choir of King's Chapel, one of Boston's historic churches. Besides providing music for weekly services, the choir presents a concert series for the general public. He is an administrative assistant in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at MIT.

**Ruth Wilkerson Hawkins** is an elementary school librarian for Madison (MS) County School District.

### 1967

**James Fox (fs)** lives in Rutherford, New Jersey, and writes that when he left Ouachita, he took away some memories and a learning experience that will never go away.

**Linda Yaeger Hough (fs)** works at Charlotte John Co., a real estate agency in Little Rock.

### 1968

**Richard Lindley** is a transportation officer for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile (AL) District.

**Lynne Crittenden Huggins** teaches second grade at Faith Christian School in Grapevine, TX. Husband, Steed, who retired after a 30-year career with U.S. Postal Inspection Service, is now working for GEICO Insurance as a special investigation unit supervisor. They have two children, Lee and Faith.

**Buddy and Janada (Graddy, '84) Barnett** have returned to Arkansas after almost 16 years in North Carolina. He is serving as minister of music at Mountain Home Baptist Church.

### 1969

**Paul McClung**, pastor of First Baptist in Sherwood, was elected president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention Executive Board at the November convention.

**Sue Priest Henke** is a part-time psychology instructor at Missouri Baptist University, after retiring as social work coordinator for Missouri Baptist Children's Home in St. Louis. She and husband, Kent, live in Chesterfield.

**Ken and Virginia (LaCook) Parker** live in Port Orange, FL, where he's served as city manager since 1984. In September 2002, he began a 3-year term as Southeast Region Vice President and a member of the executive board for the International City-County Management Association, one of the largest professional organizations of local government managers in

# Class Notes

the world. He also was selected by the Port Orange Community Trust as "Citizen of the Year." Virginia is the registrar at Creekside Middle School in Port Orange. She's active in the Port Orange Association for the Arts and serves as chairperson of the two craft shows sponsored each year. They have three grown sons and are members of First Baptist Church in Daytona Beach.

**Carel Norman** serves as pastor of First Baptist Church in Mountainburg, AR. A retired associational missionary for Little Red River Association, he and Barbara live in Van Buren.

**Ron** and **Elinda West** have gotten settled in their new apartment in Taipei. They have returned to Taiwan after a stateside furlough and will serve as members of the logistics team on the administrative staff of the Taiwan missionaries. Ron will serve as the missionaries' representative to the Taiwan government and also liaison between the International Mission Board and the missionaries and between the Taiwan Baptist Convention and the churches and missionaries. She is teaching an adult English class downtown.

## 1970

**Colonel Ed Buffington** retired last fall from the U.S. Army after 32 years of service. He received the Department of Defense's Superior Service Medal at his retirement ceremony. Wife, **Kay (Fisher, '69)**, was presented the Department of the Army's Outstanding Civilian Service Medal for her years of public service and devotion to the military communities. They now reside in Stuttgart, Germany, where he works with the militaries of NATO and former Eastern European countries.

**Joe Class** owns/operates Class & Association, a video production company in Costa Mesa, CA.

**Henry Yen-Tsi Huo** is an engineer and lives in Manlius, New York, with wife, Siang Mei Huo.

**Marci Sellers Richards (fs)** is the school secretary for Palmdale (CA) School District. She and husband, William, have been married for 28 years and have three children.

**Rebecca Cowling** is president of Cowling Consulting in Dallas, a consulting firm for healthcare issues. She helped with legislation involving privacy and confidential-

ity of patient's personal healthcare information with federal government healthcare programs and provider organizations.

**Marijo Kirkland Bono** lives in Elkhart, TX, and is assistant director of technology for the Elkhart ISD.

**Martha White Forrest**, a widow since 1994, is self employed as a consulting registered dietitian in West Central Arkansas. She lives in Ola, AR, and is an active member of First Baptist-Plainview.

**Larry Lefler** is the new owner of Shields-Horst Real Estate Agency in Stuttgart, AR.

## 1971

**Mike Rogers** and wife, Janis, and daughters, Elizabeth, 8, and Bridgette, 14, live in Naperville, FL, where he's a sales account executive with Ikon Office Solutions. Having taught and coached for 14 years, he's been in sales for the past 18. He also has a son, Tony, 29. He says, "Hi to my old friends and would love to hear from you."

**Mary Ann Griess**, a writer, is currently living in Utah where she's a home missionary to the Mormons.

**Dianna Kirk Thayer** works in Interdisciplinary Studies at University of Maryland-Baltimore County. The program has about 10,000 students including Ph.D programs in the sciences. She and husband, David, live in Columbia.

## 1972

**Tom and Rita (Lewis, '73) Spillyards** live in Pine Bluff, where he's the vice chairman of Simmons First National Bank. They have two children: Jeff and Suzanne, a current Ouachita student.

**Janet Hawkins Guydon** is assistant director at Gary (IN) Public Library where she's worked for over 30 years. She and husband, Stan, a psychiatric therapist with the School of Gary, have been married for 30+ years.

**Cindy Ritchie Walker** teaches English and coordinates technology for a private school in Minden, LA. She and Tommy have three children: Chris, a physics teacher, Craig, a senior at La. Tech, and Cara Beth, a sophomore at Ouachita.

## 1973

**John "Marshall" Moore** and wife, Donna, live in Roanoke, VA. He's the customer relations specialist with Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

**Marlynn Parrish Yates** is the accounts payable clerk for Gwatney Chevrolet in Cabot.

**Butch Reeves** was recently appointed by Gov. Mike Huckabee to chair the Arkansas Worker's Compensation Commission, a term that lasts six years. He and wife, Sue, live in Bryant where she's principal at Bryant Middle School.

**Judy (Sutterfield) Harvey** has lived in Tacoma, WA, since 2001 when husband, Wes, took a position as finance officer with World Vision, after retiring from a career with the U.S. Forest Service. She's active in local church and community events.

## 1974

**Sheila Strickland** is the accountant for The Strickland Group in Fort Worth. She also volunteers as treasurer for The Church in Cityview.

**Jerry Miller (fs)** was honored in November by Mount Carmel Church of Cabot, AR, in recognition of 15 years of service as minister of music and worship. The church presented him and wife, Lind, with a trip to Bahamas.

**Pam Estes** lives in Blytheville, AR, where she is senior pastor for the First United Methodist Church.

**Sally (McCarty) Abernathy** and husband, Garvin, recently returned from Guatemala where they served as librarian and director of finance, respectively, for Christian Academy of Guatemala, an appointment through the International Mission Board. They now make their home in Lawrenceville, GA, where he's the accounting manager for Crown Ministries and she's a school librarian.

**Susan Crosby** is choral music teacher at Southwest Middle School in Little Rock.

## 1975

**Vince and Sherry (Hall) Henderson's** son John has been named a 2003 Rhodes Scholar from Arkansas. They live in Little Rock.

**Ron Chandler** has served for 20 years as pastor for administration at Germantown Baptist Church, outside of Memphis. He also manages several websites devoted to ministry and profession. His personal site is [www.ronchandler.com](http://www.ronchandler.com). Wife, **Renee (Flowers, '77)** is a homemaker and gives private piano instruction. They have two daughters, Rebekah, a senior at University of Memphis, and Rachel, a freshman at University of Ten-

nessee-Martin; and a granddaughter, Cara, 2.

**Joe and Robin (McBride, '77) Robertson** reside in The Colony, TX. He's a project manager for EDS, working on the Sabre and American Airlines accounts. She teaches third grade in Frisco. They have been very active in getting the DFW Alumni Association started in that area, working with **Shannon Brown ('87), Tom Aud ('63), Cheryl Warren ('83)** and others.

**Fred and Gayla (Bingham, fs77) Parker** live in Little Rock. He's the pastor at South Highland Baptist Church and she's the preschool/children/student consultant for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention Missions Support Team.

**Edsel Danner** owns two Subway Sandwich shops in Arkadelphia and Caddo Valley. He and wife, Jan, live in Little Rock where she's the administrator of McFarland Eye Centers. He has five children, Clayton, Casey and Cory Danner and Jimbo and Liz Ramsay.

**Nan Murdock Nelson** works part time in the library at First Baptist Church-Russellville and loves it! She also plays in the handbell choir and often sees OBU friends at handbell festivals. Husband, Greg, is regional director of human resources for Tyson Foods. Son, **David (2002 grad)** is a first-year med student at UAMS in Little Rock. They have two daughters at home, Lee Anne and Lauren.

**Jim Veneman**, photographer, and Sara Horn, writer, have been deployed to the aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman, which is stationed in the eastern Mediterranean, to document the intersection of faith and patriotism and profile the life and work of Christians during this time of conflict. This deployment was a partnership between the North American Mission Board, LifeWay Christian Resources of the SBC, Union University and Baptist Press. Jim is director of visual communications at Union University.

**Cathy Robinson Dawson** has lived in Benton, AR, for 20 years, is a teacher, and has four children and two grandchildren.

**Hwai Khee Seow** emailed recently that she has 27 private piano students from ages 7 to 15. This year she is preparing eight of them for their Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music. She is actively involved in the music and Bible-study program of the International Baptist Church of Singapore,

• Continued on page 24



# Class Notes

• Continued from page 23

pastored by David Packer, father of Ouachita freshman Amy Packer.

1976

**Carla Jo Vernon Robertson** is the chief financial officer for Saline Memorial Hospital in Benton, AR.

**Karen Crowder Taylor** and husband, James, who served as missionaries to Africa, are now living in Hot Springs. He's a biology professor at Ouachita. They have three daughters, **Rachel** and **Reyda** (current OBU students) and **Rebekah**.

**Susan McDougal** has written a book on her experiences from the Whitewater investigation. It is titled "The Woman Who Wouldn't Talk: Why I Refused to Testify Against the Clintons and What I Learned in Jail."

**Kathy Ferguson Williford** is a part time music teacher at Valley View Schools. She and husband, **Danny**, live in Jonesboro.

**Pam Vinson Raspberry** teaches third grade at Arkansas School for the Blind in Little Rock. She and husband, **Ken**, are members of Geyer Springs First Baptist Church where she sings in the choir and directs children's choir. Son, **Joshua**, is a sophomore at Ouachita.

**Chuck Henry** has completed 17 years with United Airlines. He has four children, **Lance** (18) and **Jordan** (15), **Ty** (11), and **Chase** (6). They live in Centennial, CO, outside of Denver.

1977

**Wornest Lambert** of Fordyce recently assumed command of the Army Reserve's 468th Chemical Battalion in North Little Rock. The battalion commands four other reserve chemical units in Little Rock, Russellville, Jonesboro and Middleton, TN. He and wife, **Mary**, have two daughters, **Trinisha** and **Latrinda**.

**Donna Kirkpatrick Carson** and husband, **David**, live in Van Buren where she's a homemaker and he's employed with Southwestern Bell Corp.

**Mike Powell** is a loan officer with the U.S. Small Business Administration-disaster program in Dallas.

1978

**Sherry Montgomery Churchman**, and husband, **Bob**, live in Searcy. He was recently

named director of finance at Harding University. They have two daughters, **Ashley** and **Kathryn**.

**April Davis Elliott** and family moved to Fort Worth where she's an accountant, working part time for Wright & Co. Husband, **Jeff**, is golf course superintendent for the Colonial Country Club. They have two children, **Ethan** 12, and **Paige**, 10.

**Janet Ehren Gathright** is development director for Conway Christian School. The school leased space from Second Baptist until they were able to move their junior and high students into the first building as part of the first phase of constructing a new campus. She and **John** have two children, **John Paul** and **Laura**, a freshman at Ouachita.

**Gary Benson** will be inducted into the Arkansas High School Coaches/Arkansas Officials Association's 2003 Hall of Fame. Installation banquet for the six inductees will be July 25 at Hot Springs Convention Center. **Gary** has been an official with the National Basketball Association since 1992.

**Jeffrey Bradley** moved from Cincinnati to Brunswick, GA, where he'll serve as student pastor and worship leader for Calvary Baptist Church. He's also enrolled at SBTS's doctorate program in educational leadership with plans to graduate in May 2003.

**Garin Chad Wiggins (fs)** is employed at Drexel University as a research coordinator for computer science department while completing his master's in publications management. He and his wife, **Dr. Mary Cochran**, a professor and clinical psychologist, live in Philadelphia, PA. He has one daughter and two grandchildren.

**Stephen Cox** is an operator and EMS technician for Dow Chemical in Houston.

**Carol Young Pinkston** teaches K-7 art in Cincinnati Christian Schools. She and husband, **John David ('79)**, live in Hamilton, OH.

**Tom McCone** served as minister of music and youth at FBC/Monticello from 1985-93; then left to serve FBC/Booneville in same capacity. After suffering a brain tumor, he had to leave the music ministry. FBC/Monticello called him back in 2001 as associate pastor. God healed him and restored his ability to do music so in January 2003 the church voted to change

his role from associate pastor back to minister of music. Wife, **Jan (Lyle)** teaches 4th grade and they have two daughters, **Cara**, a senior at OBU, and **Alisha**.

**Charles Martin** has been promoted to colonel in the Army Reserve. He received his commission at Ouachita in 1978. He lives in Little Rock where he's a division administrator for Industrial Compliance. He has two children, **Whitney** (16) and **Chad** (10). He lost his wife, **Susie**, to cancer in June 2002.

1979

**Carol Cannedy Dalby** of Texarkana has been appointed as District Judge for Miller County by Gov. **Mike Huckabee**. She previously served as a special justice for the Arkansas Supreme Court.

**Susan Grafton** is the economic development director for the City of Westminster, CO.

**Melody Williams Oliver** was named a member of the Memphis law firm of Glankler Brown, PLLC in February 2003. She concentrates in areas of real estate and secured lending. She and husband, **Arthur**, live in Germantown.

**Jim and Diane (Denney, fs78) Spann** live in Huntsville, AL, where he's a research scientist for NASA/Marshall Space Flight Center.

**Ralph Waddell (fs)**, a principal attorney with Barrett & Deacon in Jonesboro, has been listed in the most recent edition of Best Lawyers in American 2003-2004.

1980

**Lisa Wolfe Goodwin** and husband, **Bill**, have moved from Mt. Ida, AR, to Alabama. She's a special ed teacher for Baldwin County Public Schools and he's a consultant.

**Jim Burleson** recently moved back to Georgia where he is associate pastor/music at The Summit Baptist Church in Loganville (Atlanta suburb). He and wife, **Darla**, celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary in June 2002. They have three children, **Ashley**, a sophomore at Carson-Newman where she's become friends with **Dr. and Mrs. Mike Arrington**; **Weston**, a freshman in high school, and **Austin**, a 5th grader.

**Terry Young**, assistant principal for Nashville (AR) Public Schools, recently authored and was awarded a proposal for a grant for almost \$600K from the State for their school system.

**David Taylor** is a trial attorney in Boca Raton, FL.

1981

**Greg and Sue Ann (Nutt, '81) Smith** were called 16 years ago to Costa Rica by the SBC Foreign Mission Board as missionaries. In January 2000, they retired from that career and moved to Virginia to pursue additional education. In March 2003, however, they were appointed by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Virginia to serve as missionaries to Spanish-speaking people across Virginia.

**Tina Kent Reynolds (fs)** is a housewife and mother to **Krisanna**, after working for 10 years as an o.p.t. technician. She and husband, **Mike**, live in El Dorado where he's president of Southern Contractors.

**Lisa Jones (fs)** is the regional manager of orthodontics for Monarch Dental in Arkansas and lives in Cabot.

**Betsy Orr Fulmer** teaches art at Henderson State University and is also enrolled in art history at UALR.

**James and Susan (Jones, fs92) Harris** live in Pine Bluff where he's a manager for International Paper.

**Ken Locke** had the privilege of presiding at a pre-inaugural prayer service for Tennessee's new governor, **Phil Bredesen**. His duties included opening and closing remarks. He serves as pastor of the Downtown Presbyterian Church in Nashville.

**Jean Hale Davis** teaches English at Springdale (AR) High School.

**David Culpepper (MSE)** and wife, **Mary Ellen**, have moved to San Antonio, TX, where he will serve as superintendent of Castle Hills First Baptist School.

**Nancy Cole** is regional contracts manager for URS Corporation's legal department in Denver.

**Cotton Cothren** was accepted in 1999 as a football official in the Southeastern Conference to become one of a dozen out of 4,000 applicants. Currently, he's on the SEC's supplemental list, meaning he is moved from crew to crew when other officials are unavailable and when he has an open date with the Gulf South Conference, where he's been an official for several years. He and his family live in Dierks, AR, where he's an independent insurance agent when not

# Class Notes

officiating.

**Jeanna King Westmoreland** has been appointed to the Arkansas Board of Education by Gov. Mike Huckabee. The Dean of the School of Education at Ouachita, her term will expire June 2008. She and husband, **Ouachita President Andy Westmoreland ('79)** have one daughter, Riley, 13.

**Robbie Clifton Pinter**, professor of English at Belmont College in Nashville, TN, leads writing workshops in the community for several churches and for Gilda's club.

## 1982

**Thomas Talbot** recently retired from the Army and is working for Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) in Arlington, VA.

**Sandy Mills Hooks** went back to work full time last August as an elementary music teacher for the Intermediate School (grades 3-5) in the Richmond (MO) School District. She's also involved in the community theatre and was in the production of the musical "Scrooge" in December.

**Brad Hunnicutt**, assistant professor of music at Shaw University in Raleigh, NC, published a collection of Six Organ Settings of Shape Note Hymns.

**Bill Thornton** is minister of music at Lynch View Baptist Church in North Little Rock. He and wife, Anita, have two daughters, Amy (16) and Ashley (12).

## 1983

**Celeste Efur Williams** lives in Greenwood, AR, with husband, William, and children, Charles, Cheree, Kendra and Anthony Spann. She is a reading teacher in Greenwood Public Schools.

**Jim and Christie (James, '85) Neal** relocated from Texas to Phoenix, AZ, where he's the chief operating officer for Legal Technology Consulting. She home schools their children: Cassie, 13, Jordan, 11, and Jarrett, 7.

**Terry Griffin Peeples** has been named the 2003 chairman of the board of directors for the North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce. She is community relations director at Baptist Health Medical Center in North Little Rock.

**Casandra Walker Eni** is office manager at University of Massachusetts in Boston.

**Rosanne Giannetta Shockey** and family settled in Tay-

lor Mill, KY, following her husband Peter's retirement from the Air Force. He's working as a pilot for DHL, a cargo shipping company and she is a stay-at-home to 14-year old Rachel. She enjoys volunteering in church and school activities.

## 1984

**Mike DeLoach** is a probation officer for the government. He and wife, Cathy, and daughter Bronwy (12) and Duncan (9) live in Fairfax, VA.

**Tammy Lockeby Lawrence (fs)** and husband, Gary, are in Nashville, AR, where she's a customs coordinator for Electrolux Home Products.

**Scott Price** lives in Los Angeles and works for Steptoe & Johnson, LLP.

**Kim McGhee Wright (fs)** is a registered nurse. She and **Casey (fs)** have been married for 19 years and have two daughters and live in Glenwood, AR, where he owns/operates Wright's Food Center.

**Barbi Wright Briscoe** is a human resources assistant at Prestonwood Baptist Church in Dallas.

**Jeanne Murdock Lawrence** is a teacher at Midlothian High School and enjoys playing, coaching and refereeing soccer. She has two sons, Stephen (13) and Daniel (15).

**Jane Brigance Hattabaugh** teaches high school math in Magazine, AR. She and husband, Kenny, and 4-year old Isaiah raise poultry and beef on a farm outside of Booneville.

**Mike and Marla (Whitworth) Moore** are both employed at Sheridan Junior High. He coaches high school baseball and junior high football. She is the media specialist. They have three children: Whitney (14), Landon (11), and Sarah (3). Their email is: fivemoore@alltel.net.

**Lyn Vance Benson** finished her second year as coach of the junior girls basketball team at Hampton High School as first in the conference and first in the district tournament with a record of 18-1.

**Walter Washington** graduated in December from the University of Northern Colorado with his masters in special education. He currently lives in Aurora.

**Ruth Williams Yamasaki** works as a language interpreter and lives in Murfreesboro, TN.

**John Greer (fs)**, an architect

with Witsell Evans & Rasco in Little Rock, was recognized last fall when the design awards were presented at the Arkansas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects' annual convention. He was presented a merit award for his work on the Old Washington 1874 Courthouse at Old Washington State Park.

**Cathy Crosskno Snow** currently lives in Plano, TX, with husband Brian and 9-month-old son, Logan. She has been a flight attendant with American Airlines for the past 18 years. Brian is in accounting.

**Phillip Watts** is vice president of tax for Dillard's, Inc. in Little Rock. **Karen (Davis, '83)** is coordinator for North Little Rock Community Bible Study. Their son, Chad, is 18 and plans to attend Ouachita next fall. Daughter, Molly is 14 and in the 8th grade.

**John Littleford** and wife, Laura, live in Frouard, France.

**Jeff Bennett** is worship pastor at Ridgecrest Baptist Church in Springfield, MO. He continues to perform solo piano concerts throughout the United States, in addition to writing and recording.

## 1985

**Rusty and Lori (Reeves) Hart** and three daughters (Laura, Megan, and Hannah) arrived safely in Yekaterinburg, Russia, in January and are getting settled as career missionaries. They have been in the Moscow since July preparing for this move.

**Chuck Matthews (fs)** is public relations manager for the University of Arkansas. He and wife, Terra, live in Benton, AR.

**Boyd and Rhonda (Dismuke) Hall** are in Port Elizabeth, South Africa, where he's the student and sports evangelist with the SBC International Mission Board.

**Christy Lyday Nichols** was named Shelby County Schools Teacher of the Year for 2003. She was also a Premier Player Outstanding Teacher nominee, which is with the Memphis Chapter of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences. This is the local "Grammy" awards. She was the only Shelby County teacher to ever receive a nomination. She is the choral director and general music teacher at Schilling Farms Middle School. She and **Kenny ('88)** live in Cordova.

**Jennifer Hutto Dillon** is a reg-

istered nurse at Little Rock's Baptist Medical Center in labor/delivery. She and Chaz have four children: Brooke (7), Charlsey (5), Lauren (1) and Evan, 5 months.

**Joan Duke Crowder** returned to teaching 6th grade science at Goza Middle School in Arkadelphia last fall. She's been home "being Preston's mommy for the past four years."

**Joann Brian Baca** and husband, Anthony, have relocated to Midlothian, TX, where she's a homemaker.

**Roger O'Neel** recently accepted a position at Cedarville University as assistant professor of church music, teaching church music, music composition and directing the Jubilate Choir. He and wife, Nancy, and their five children, live in Xenia, OH.

## 1986

**Glenda McCarty Owsley** is the knowledge management coordinator for Focus on the Family in Colorado Springs, CO.

**Tony Briscoe (fs)** is a pastor in Chicago, IL.

**Sonya Wiley-Patton** is assistant professor of information systems and decision sciences at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. She also serves as a Ph.D dissertation advisor as well as a research director for undergraduate students of the Ron McNair Research Program. She and husband, Keith, have a 2-1/2-year-old daughter, Zoe.

**Susan McClure Hurst** has been reappointed by Gov. Mike Huckabee to serve on the Arkansas Student Loan Authority until 2006. She is the director of financial aid at Ouachita. She and husband, David, have one daughter, Jenna (9) and live in Gurdon.

**Cary Hall** lives in New Orleans where he's the training supervisor for Payless Shoe Source. He writes that "his life was changed in 1984 when two guys from the BSU came to his Ouachita dorm room to witness to him about Christ." Even though his education was important, nothing compares with that decision and he can never thank them enough. He and his family are active in their church where he's a deacon and teaches Sunday School with his wife.

**Carol Byers Harmon** and husband, **Bryan (former faculty member at Ouachita)** have lived in Virginia for two years where he's

• Continued on page 26

# Class Notes

• Continued from page 25

a principal engineer at Raytheon, a company that has contracts with the government. She is working at Northern Virginia Community College as an administrative program technician in the office of continuing education.

1987

**Tammy Wheat** is a kindergarten teacher in Searcy, AR.

**Sam Stricklin (fs)** is a catering manager for a hotel in Dallas.

**Pascal Stowell** and his family (wife, Amy, and sons, Micah and Matthew) have moved to Uberlandia, Brazil, where they will serve as missionaries and church planters.

**Jennifer Cram Webb (fs)** is national account manager for Langescheidt Publishing Group, calling on Wal-Mart. She and husband, Rusty, have two daughters, Jenny Kate (11) and Caroline (5) and live in Lowell outside of Springdale, AR.

**Scott and Christine (Roberson, '85) Street** and their four children have moved to Duncan, OK, where he's accepted the position of president and CEO of Duncan Regional Hospital.

**Jenifer Hendrix** has opened her own business, Jenifer's Antiques, Inc. in downtown Conway. She invites friends to stop by when you're in town. You can email her at [jhendrix@tcworks.net](mailto:jhendrix@tcworks.net).

**Ronny Bedford** lives in Tulsa where he's the director of internal audit for Parker Drilling Company.

**Mike and Teena (Taggart) Pirkle** and children, Trey (11), Katy (10), and Andrew (5), moved to St. Louis last fall to be a part of a new church start. They would love to hear from Ouachita friends. Email: [mikepsummit@aol.com](mailto:mikepsummit@aol.com).

**Scott Hobbs** was recently elected to the Board of Trustees at Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth. He and **Laura (Wikman, '86)** and family live in Crown Point, IN, where he pastors Griffith First Baptist Church.

1988

**Paula Truett Coffield (fs)** has been promoted to assistant vice president of branch operations at the Chenal location of Delta Trust & Bank in Little Rock.

**Jeff Hogg** has taken the defensive coordinator position at Chapel Hill High School in Tyler, TX. He and wife, Suzanne, have one daughter, Savannah.

**Todd Turner and brother, Dan ('94)** have opened their own law firm, Turner & Turner, in Arkadelphia. They formerly were with the law firm of **Henry Morgan ('69)**, Clark County prosecuting attorney.

**Doug Barlow (fs)** is in sports media production with Winnercomm, the largest independent provider of programming for ESPN. He and wife, Heidi, have a new son, Daylon, born in September.

**Terry DeWitt** recently served as medical services officer overseeing the health care of competitors from all branches of the U.S. military reserves competing in a pentathlon event in Draguignan, France. Terry is a major assigned to the Army ROTC program at Ouachita and Henderson. He's employed as a professor of biological sciences and director of the athletic training education program at Ouachita.

**Jay McAlister** and wife, Katrina, and 6-year-old son Eli, have moved from Arkansas to Leavenworth, KS, where he is the senior pastor of Leavenworth Baptist Church.

1989

**Chris and Michelle (Crockett) Turner** resigned in December from active missionary service with the International Mission Board. He has accepted the media relations manager position at LifeWay Christian Resources in Nashville, TN.

**Tommy Wallace** pastors Tamuning Christian Fellowship in Tamuning, Guam. He and wife, Paula, have three children, Cassie (15), Anna (13), and Will (8).

**Carla Moody McDaniel** has changed careers. She left criminal justice research to teach sociology at Pulaski Technical College in Little Rock. She would love to hear from other sociologists to know what fields they have entered. You can email her at [CmcDaniel@pulaskitech.edu](mailto:CmcDaniel@pulaskitech.edu) or [Carla@arkansasliving.com](mailto:Carla@arkansasliving.com). She and Anthony and their two sons live in Sherwood.

**Tommy and Karen (Gilbert, '87) Lowe** now live in Fulton, just outside of Hope, AR, with 5-year-old daughter, Callie. She works for SMI Steel Products as benefits administrator. SMI builds joists used in construction of Wal-Mart, Auto Zone, Sam's and other commercial buildings.

1990

**Greg Lane** teaches and coaches at Bonham (TX) ISD.

**Kiki Schleiff Cherry** and husband, Doug, are in the process of appointment with the Mission Service Corps of the North American Mission Board. They will move from Oklahoma to Pittsburg, PA, to serve as collegiate ministers on the campus of Carnegie Mellon University. The Schleiffs have two children: Anna (8) and Joshua (5-1/2).

**Jeff Noble** received the 2003 Distinguished Alumni Award from his high school alma mater, Pulaski Academy, in Little Rock. He and wife, **Carolyn (Brooks, '92)** live in Monticello where he's the director of the Baptist Campus Ministries (BSU). They have two children, Sam (5) and Adelyn (3).

**Chris Norris** is completing his ninth year as minister of music/education at West Acres Baptist Church in Evans, GA. Wife, **Jenifer (Moseley, '91)** home schools their children, Drew (9), Rachel (7), and Benjamin (2-1/2).

**Tracy Niven Myers** and husband, Phillip, live in Richardson, TX, where she's a stay-at-home mom with children, Trent, Hayley and Cale. He works for EDS in Plano.

**Sheila Leslie Harrell** ran in the 2002 Little Rock Race for the Cure and finished in the top 200, out of 30,000 women, with a time of 25:26. She and husband, Jon, live in Camden. She's a stay-at-home mom to Max, 7, and Mackenzie, 3. He's an executive vice president for First Bank of South Arkansas.

**Laura Terry Johnson** and husband, Layne, live in Garland with daughters, Alyssa (9) and Carley (10 months). She's employed as a library medical specialist for Dallas ISD.

**Kelli Lambert Gilbreath** serves as pianist and choral accompanist for St. Paul Lutheran Church of Niceville, FL. She lives in Bluewater Bay with husband, Greg, a major assigned to Elgin Air Force Base. They have three children, Nathaniel, Kiri and Evan.

1991

**Joel Humphrey**, a major in the Army Reserve, was mobilized in January in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He is currently stationed at Fort Polk, LA, with the 321st Material Management Center awaiting assignment. Wife,

Sharon, and daughter, Kamryn, remained at home in Hot Springs.

**Chuck McClain** is an interventional radiology fellow at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. He and wife, **Stacy (Coats)**, son Charlie, 2, and Zachary, 5 months, will be moving to Batesville, AR, in June.

**Blake and Gayla (Graves, '92) McKinney** and son, Justin, moved in May from Arkadelphia to Power Springs, GA, a suburb of Atlanta, to pastor Lost Mountain Baptist Church.

**Eric and Ranae (Green) Carrouth** live in Hot Springs. She's the assistant principal for Lake Hamilton Primary School and he's a pharmacist with USA Drug.

**Lydia Fowler Stevenson**, husband, Sean, and three daughters have moved to Warsaw, Poland, with the International Mission Board. They can be reached at [stevenson@pobox.com](mailto:stevenson@pobox.com).

**Greg and Jamie (Frazier) Rucker** live in Maumelle where he's in management for Target Distribution and she's an accountant with Alltel.

**Sharon Curry Prather** has been employed for seven years with SkyTel as a commission accounting manager. She and husband, Todd, have a son, Noah, 1-1/2, and live in Clinton, MS.

**Corey and Christi (Dodd) Gillum** live in Little Rock where he owns/operators Gillum Photography.

**Scotty and Tiffany (West) McCallister** have been transferred to Texarkana, TX, for his job as sales manager for Texarkana Coca-Cola. She teaches at Texarkana Middle School.

**Ginny White** has transferred from Colorado Springs to Gaithersburg, MD, just outside Washington, DC, to work at the Lockheed Martin Corporation. She will be supporting the warfighter information network-tactical Army contract.

**Chris Rinehart** is the junior boys basketball coach at Sheridan (AR) Public Schools.

1992

**Paul and Missy (Collier) Williams** have relocated to Walker, LA, where he has joined the staff of Walker Baptist Church as minister of education/administration. They have three children: Mikayla, 7, Noah, 3, and Hannah, 1.

**Dee Small Richardson** and

# Class Notes

husband, Shannon, and 2-year-old son, Zach, moved to Brunswick, Maine, in August 2002. She is the media director for The Maine Freeze of the National Women's Football Association, and he's an officer in the U.S. Navy.

**Susan Jones Harris (fs)** is director of development at the Arts & Science Center for Southeast Arkansas. She and husband, Tom ('81) live in Pine Bluff.

**Kevin Palmer** is sales manager for Circuit City in Longview, TX.

**Brent and Savannah (Dyer) Sorrels** are serving a two-year term with the International Mission Board as church planters in Cartago, Costa Rica, under the International Service Corps.

**Sandra Fife Jones** is pricing administrator for J.B. Hunt Transport. She and husband, Tim, live in Gentry, AR.

**Michelle Haynie Flores** works in the accounting dept. at PRN, Inc. She and husband, Rene, live in Fort Worth and are expecting their first child in August.

**John Turner** lives in New York City and works in the music performing industry.

**Donna Wilson Walls** completed her residency at Vanderbilt Medical Center in oral and maxillofacial surgery in July 2002 and entered private practice in Nashville, TN. Husband, Rob, is a pediatric occupational therapist.

**Trica Taylor** appeared on ABC's "Wheel of Fortune" in March. She lives in Playa del Rey, CA, and is associate director of Character Counts!.

## 1993

**David Gillson** is president of Gillson Enterprises, an online marketing franchise. He and Jessica live in Sherwood.

**Blair Houston Weisenfels** and husband, Chris, co-own an anesthesia group that is the exclusive provider for Northeast Nevada Regional Hospital. They live in Elko, NV, and have two children, Logan, 5, and Margaret, 2.

**Adam Carson (fs)** has opened his own business, Carson Physical Therapy, an out-patient orthopedic physical therapy clinic in Bryant, AR.

**Eric and Rennie (Davenport) Herndon** live in North Little Rock with Caleb, 9, and Karaline, 2. He received his CPCU (chartered property casualty underwriter) in October 2002 and works for Farm Bu-

reau Insurance as senior claims adjuster. She works part-time as a developmental therapist with special needs children.

**Michael McCauley** is youth and children's minister at Bella Vista (AR) Baptist Church.

**Melissa Nesbitt** works for the Texarkana Museums Systems as the assistant curator and manages the Ace of Clubs House. This house has been featured on Bob Villa's Guide to Historic Homes of America, on HGTV's Christmas castles, and in numerous magazines.

**Susan Kappus Bohanon (fs)** and husband, Jeff, live in Round Rock, TX, where she's employed by AIM Investments.

**Heidi Fite** opened her own dance studio last year in St. Louis, specializing in swing, blues and hiphop. She and her dance partner teach weekly local classes as well as travel nationally for weekend workshops. Visit website: [www.stlfusion.com](http://www.stlfusion.com).

**Stacey Craig Canady** is employed with Arvest Bank and lives in Lowell, AR, with husband, Michael.

**Robert Lackie** is an art psychotherapist providing counseling and therapy to students in the Shawnee (KS) Mission Schools. He also does interior design consulting for both residential and commercial clients.

**Beth Anne Rankin** didn't grow her hair long for appearances' sake. She let her red locks grow so she could donate it to Locks of Love, a nonprofit that provides natural hair wigs to children with cancer or illnesses that cause hair loss. She lives and works in Little Rock as director of inter-governmental affairs for the Governor's office.

In January 2003, **Kim Duke Huckabee** became speech pathologist at HSC Medical Center in Malvern. Husband, **Sandy ('90)**, is employed by Pediatric Specialty Care in Arkadelphia as a psychological examiner.

**Kyle Blanton** is serving as pastor of Pee Dee Baptist Church in Clinton, AR.

**Stephanie Edwards** lives in Austin, TX, and is in the process of starting a business, Due Diligence.

**Judy Whittington Daust** is a social worker for Presbyterian Hospital of Plano, TX.

**Wade Tomlinson** has joined staff of First Baptist Church in Rogers, AR, as associate pastor to students. He served in that capacity for seven years at FBC/Benton.

## 1994

**Bentley Blackmon** has joined the Little Rock office of Stephens, Inc., as vice president and senior financial consultant.

**Melinda Wynn** was recognized at the annual church staff party in December for her length of service at Park Cities Baptist Church in Dallas. She has served for five years as youth ministry assistant.

**Jenny Cranford Roberson** and husband, Brett, recently moved to Searcy, AR, where he is a nurse anesthetist with AR Anesthesia and Pain Management. She stays home with new baby, Evie, born in March.

**David Bond**, having served as minister of music since 1999 at First Southern Church in Bryant, AR, is now serving as associate pastor and minister of education at the church. He and wife, **Renee (Fleming)**, have two daughters, Kelsey (8) and Cassidy (2).

**Allison Allred** is an attorney with the law firm of Shepherd and Allred in North Little Rock.

**Johnny Johnson**, district manager for Primerica Financial Services, has served as youth minister for First Baptist Church of Balch Springs, TX, since 1994. He and wife, Peggy, have two daughters, Meagan and Katie, and live in Mesquite.

**Stephanie Anderson Bird** teaches high school math at McKinney (TX) ISD.

**Randy and Carrie (Plummer) Varnell** are in Plano, TX, where he's employed in computer software quality assurance at Ensemble Studios.

**Hillmon and Brandy (Long, '96) Davis** have been blessed to be part of establishing Lifeway Church, a new church in Arlington, TN. She is also completing her last year of residency as chief resident at University of Tennessee St. Francis Family Practice Center, where she has been selected to complete another year as a Fellow in a women's health fellowship.

**Tara Morley** is employed by Bank of America in Charlotte, NC.

**Michael Nichols** is on faculty at Tarrant County College in Fort Worth.

**April Works Moreau** successfully passed the CPA exam and is employed by Pine Bluff Arsenal as an accountant. She lives in White Hall with son, Dustin, 4.

**Drew Timms** is a S.E.R.E. specialist with the U.S. Air Force in Spokane, WA.

**Nikki Daniell Thomas** teaches 7th grade geography in Arkadelphia Middle School, and is working on her master's in educational leadership. She and husband, Ray, have a 2-1/2-year old daughter, Kacie.

**Allison Brawley Covington** is the accounts payable/payroll clerk for West Memphis School District. She and David have two children, Tanner (5) and Tyson (3).

## 1995

**Amy Cobb Jordan** and husband, Daniel, live in McKinney, TX, where she's the head choir director at Dowell Middle School. He's the music minister at Scofield Memorial Bible School in Dallas. They enjoy life with dog, Maggie.

**Matt Buie** works for Alltel in Little Rock.

**Marnie Barrett** has moved back to the USA after teaching business English in the Czech Republic for two years. She now works as the volunteer coordinator for Habitat for Humanity in Little Rock and is enrolled in ESL Graduate Program at UALR.

**Derick Palmer** and wife, Greta, worked for years as adventure guides and wilderness therapy instructors. They now live in Fairbanks, AK, where they work with adjudicated youth and with native villages to foster healthy choices. They are both Wilderness EMT's and are pursuing their graduate studies in adventure-based counseling and cross-cultural studies, respectively. Anyone interested in a career to help native people attain their goals in healthier living through Christian mentoring need to contact them at [derick\\_greta@yahoo.com](mailto:derick_greta@yahoo.com). They are expecting their first child in June 2003.

**Rob Taylor** has joined the athletic staff at University of Arkansas-Fayetteville as athletic advisor/counselor for the football and golf teams, and some recruiting duties.

**Jason Files** accepted a job in Lancaster, PA, in February 2003 as stage technician with Sight & Sound Theatres. This company specializes in Biblical stories brought to life with beautiful sets and wonderful music. He and wife, **Elizabeth (Radle, fs97)**, have two children, Caleb (3) and Natalie (3 months).

**Marcus DeVorak** is a rice farmer and lives in Des Arc with wife, **Susan (McCartney, fs92)** and

• Continued on page 28

# Class Notes

• continued from page 27

Luke (9) and Natalie (6). They are expecting third child in October.

**Jake Shoemake** has accepted a new position as head tennis pro at Laurel Country Club in Laurel, MS.

**Andrew and Robin (Copeland '94) Yoakum** live in Springdale and teach in Fayetteville School District.

**Elizabeth Weathers** recently joined the Dallas law firm of Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold, LLD, as ERISA (catastrophic-injury and products-liability litigation specialist). She and husband, Ted Nguyen, live in Grand Prairie with Kolski, Bailey and Jordan.

**Joy Wommack (fs)** is assistant vice president for JP Morgan Chase, an advertising firm in New York City.

**Mark Madison** is president of Madison Financial Services in Little Rock.

**Sam and Stephanie (Tallent) Thomas** live in Spring, TX, where he's employed as a teacher with Montgomery College in Conroe and she's a stay-at-home mom to 20-month-old son, Whitt.

**Eric Stanton** received his master of divinity degree in December from Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth.

**Misty Williams** is a software specialist and lives in Cabot.

**Jamie Lyn Spigener** is assistant vice president for AmeriCredit Financial Services in Arlington, TX.

**Todd Fry (fs)** is employed with Wal Mart and is moved around quite a lot. Currently he is working in Paul's Valley, OK.

1996

**Brian Tuggle** has joined Darragh Company, a construction company based in Little Rock, as an account manager. He is assigned to their Texarkana office.

**Mary Lewis Collins** lives in Jonesboro, AR, and works as a pediatric/home health physical therapist in Blytheville/Osceola.

**Chris Williams** teaches business and coaches for Lake Village (AR) School District.

**Dorothy McCarty** is the clinical research study coordinator for River Valley Neurology Center and lives in Fort Smith.

**Caroline Curry** serves as law clerk for Honorable Bill Wilson, Federal Judge for Eastern District of Arkansas.

**Oliver Shipman** received his master of divinity in December from

Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth. He plans to pursue his Ph.D degree. Wife, **Meredith (Worrell, 2000)** teaches in the Fort Worth ISD.

**Jessica Franks Crenshaw** is editor of "Active Years" magazine in Little Rock.

**Daniel Funderburk** is a financial analyst with American Airlines. He and Heather live in Cedar Hill, outside of Dallas.

**Erica Hitt** is the children's minister for Hot Springs Baptist Church.

**Joanna Person** is quality monitor nutritionist for Texas Department of Human Services and lives in McQueeney, TX.

**Doug Hasley** is a CPA with Radcliff Associates in Fort Smith. He and wife, **Leigh Ann (Johnson, '97)** have a son, Bennett (3).

**Denise Wilhelm** lives in Bigelow, AR, and teaches second grade for East End School District.

**Chad Gay** is a graphic designer for the Times Record in Fort Smith.

**Kevin Holt** is a member of the Vocal Majority, an internationally acclaimed male pops chorus. When not singing, he's the business manager at Plano (TX) Dental Management.

**Marcy Franks Davis** and husband, **Carl ('97)** live in Wichita, KS, where she's a physical therapist. He's in the 3-year family practice medical residency at Via Christi Regional Medical Center.

**Tracy Powell** passed the State Board of Law Exam in February.

**Todd Kendrick** and wife, Heather, live in Conway where they are both teachers.

1997

**Jo Ellen Green** has moved to El Dorado where she's a speech pathologist for Speech Pathology Associates.

**Jimmy Baugher** is a loan officer for Heritage Bank; he and wife, Christie, live in Jonesboro.

**Salinda Russell Bernard** is making use of her "spare time" since having daughter Addie in October 2001. She is creating designer nurseries for clients in Shreveport.

**Priscilla Shrader** has been promoted to account service manager with Communications Development.

**Ashley and Allyson (Roy) Patrick** had just moved to Fayetteville, AR, when he was deployed to Iraq to lead a U.S. Marine

tank division.

**Jerod Winemiller** is associate account analysis for Clark-Bardes Consulting, an investment firm in Dallas.

**Julie Packwood** lives in Dallas and teaches foreign language at Ranchview High School in Irving.

**James Parker**, wife Meridith, and son, Caleb, moved in January to Orem, Utah, to plant Utah Valley Church, as a church planter pastor with Advance Ministries International. Orem is in a valley with over 400,000 people with less than a dozen evangelical Christian churches.

**Teresa Haynes Lee** is a stay-at-home mom with daughter, Lawson Alexa. She and family live in Denver and would love to hear from friends. Contact her at Lawson2Duke@aol.com

**David Burris** is a pastoral shepherding associate for Woodstock (GA) First Baptist Church.

**J. Kelley Harris**, who oversees charitable grant development for Young America's Foundation, has been named associate director of the Washington, DC-based National Journalism Center. The NJC has trained 1,400 aspiring journalists since its founding.

**Joel and Stephanie (Robins) Gaddis** send greetings from New England. They live in Rhode Island where he's a computer programmer for Fidelity National Financial (formerly Alltel). She enjoys staying home full time, decorating their new home and getting ready for birth of first child in May.

**Marc Shepherd** recently moved back to Van Buren where he's accepted a position at USA Truck as an operations dispatcher. He also started his own NCAA officially licensed t-shirt company, called CMHOGN, Inc. which he will run part time.

1998

**Mary Claire (Proctor) Maier** is a speech therapist for Northwest Pediatric Therapy Clinic. She and **Mark ('95)** live in Rogers, where he's on staff at First Baptist Church.

**Mark and Amy (Sanders, '97) McCraw** and 2-year old Noah live in McKinney, TX. She's a preschool teacher at Cottonwood Creek Baptist Church in Allen. He teaches history at McKinney High School and was recently hired by Intel as a senior trainer for their nationwide program "Intel Teach to

the Future."

**Carrie Overton** teaches second grade in Pulaski County Special School District in Little Rock, AR.

**Shawn Finney** and wife, Pam, have moved to Columbia, TN, where he's on church staff.

**Licia Samuels** has been promoted to assistant general manager with Capstar Commercial Real Estate Services and lives in Irving, TX.

**Brian and Johnna (Walden) Goodman** graduated in May from UAMS with their medical degrees. He will start anesthesiology residency in July at Vanderbilt in Nashville, TN. They have one son, Lance (18 months).

**Jerusalem (Jackson) Greer** lives in Little Rock with husband, **Nathan (fs)** and 2-year-old son, Wylie. She's a design consultant and has a website: www.thecomfyhome.com that features articles and ideas on home design and entertaining.

**Ryan Killackey** is working on his master's in clinical psychology. He is employed with the Hawaiian Department of Education as a school counselor. He and wife, Jennifer, live in Pahoia, Hawaii, and are expecting their first child in August. He enjoys waterfall and cliff diving on weekends.

**Shannon Taylor** and family have moved to Harrison, AR, where husband, Phillip, has accepted the associate pastor-youth pastor position at Valley Springs First Baptist Church.

**Melissa Adams Carozza** has completed her master's degree in clinical nutrition.

**Shane and Katrine (Beaty, '99) Robertson** live in Hot Springs with 2-year-old daughter, Savanna. He is junior high youth pastor at Second Baptist Church and she's a part-time staff accountant with Spann & Associates.

**Ben Crowley** works as a research associate for University of Texas-Southwestern Medical Center of Tarrant County. They conduct research on implementation of the computerized Texas medication algorithm project. This is a software program designed to assist psychiatrists in treating those with mental illness. He is also working toward obtaining full licensure as a licensed professional counselor.

**Todd and Laura (Burns) Baker** live in Killeen, TX. He's a doctor with the Army and she

# Class Notes

teaches in the Killeen ISD.

**Jeremy Allen** is stationed in South Korea with the Army as an intelligence analyst. In December 2003, he will be transferred to Fort Carson, CO. Wife, **Christy (Hudson)** is living and working in New Orleans until he returns.

**Christian Wassmer** coaches the women's tennis team at The University of Texas-Arlington. He has led them to four straight undefeated Southland Conference seasons, sweeping all ten SLC matches each year since 1999.

**Aruna Perera** is a graduate student at Baylor in Waco, TX.

**Tony McCreery** is pastor of Central Baptist Church. He and wife, Leeann, and 3-year-old daughter, Karys, live in Hermleigh, TX.

**Amanda McDowell** is a home-based Acxiom associate in Coppell, TX.

**Jeremy Greer** earned his master's in divinity degree in biblical studies at December commencement of Southwestern Seminary.

**Fawnda Cruse White** and husband, Jason, live in Little Rock. She attends school and he pastors Rayville First Assembly of God Church.

**Josh Evans** is entering his 5th year with American Express Financial Advisors and is now a franchisee with the company. He recently closed his first home purchase on Lake Hamilton in Hot Springs.

**Sarah Stanley Henry** earned her master's degree in church and community ministry at December commencement of Southwestern Seminary. She is currently employed as a music specialist in the Fort Worth ISD.

**Julie Beckwith King** completed her Ph.D in chemistry at Texas A&M in December. She is a post-doctoral research associate at the University of Missouri-St Louis.

**Randall and Kim (Broom, '99) Glass** have moved to West Memphis while he attends the Southern College of Optometry in Memphis. She manages a real estate title company in Forrest City.

## 1999

**Ryan and Kristin (Townsend, fs00) Lavender** live in Little Rock where he works in the computer software business.

**Brandon Warner** has joined the staff of Brinkley First Baptist

Church as the family life minister. He and Torie have two sons, Rhett (3) and Ridge (born in August '02).

**Jason Owens and Corey McGaha** passed the February State Board of Law Exam. Jason lives in Little Rock. Corey lives in El Dorado where he's a law clerk for a federal judge.

**Jennifer Beard Gibson** and husband, Mark, live in Fort Worth. She works as a secretary at Buckner Children & Family Services while attending Southwestern Seminary. He's employed by FedEx Ground as service manager.

**Joey Head**, wife Latifa, and her two children, Josephine and Joe, live in Dallas, TX. He drives a truck for the Southwest U.S. and is on the road hauling mostly large freight. She is completing her degree in architecture and is an intern with Vandeleigh Industries.

**Wayne Hawthorn** has joined staff of Mount Ida First Baptist Church as part-time minister of students.

**Kevin and Nicole (Rainey, '01) Bledsoe** live in West Memphis. He coaches 7th grade football, is assistant coach for the senior high basketball team, and teaches career orientation at Marion and she teaches high school English at West Memphis High School.

**Mike Marshall** received his master of divinity degree in December from Southwestern Seminary. He and **Becky (Hardy, fs94)** live in Fort Worth.

**Deborah Hillman McMillan** graduated in December from Henderson with a master's in elementary education. She teaches pre-algebra at Goza Middle School. She and **Corey (fs92)** live in Arkadelphia and have two children, Samantha (9) and Cole (4).

**Jimmy Ivy** has accepted minister of youth/education position at Rose of Sharon Baptist Church in Durham, NC.

**Chad Pratt** and wife, Jenny, have moved to Columbia, SC, where he's in facility management at the University of South Carolina.

**Bryce Mitchell** and wife, Rachel, are living in Columbus, GA, with their three children. He had plans to leave the Army in the summer of 2003 with hopes to begin preaching. (Note: with war with Iraq, we do not know if his plans will change.)

**Terry Williams** is working as a nanny for a family in Holly Springs,

MS, while attending Ole Miss to complete her requirements for medical school.

**Misty Nichols Fox** works in loans/legal documentation at a bank and teaches computer courses at a local college. Husband, Curtis, is a pilot's ground manager for Wil-Co Flying Service and a partner in Subway Sandwiches in DeWitt. They live in Gillett, AR.

**Lika Alieva** is living in New York City and is a grad assistant at New York University College of Denistry.

**Matthew McCrary**, a deputy with the Clark County Sheriff's Office, recently graduated from the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy.

**Stacey Smitherman** is a speech pathologist for Allied Therapy in Little Rock.

**Aaron Bell** lives in North Little Rock and is employed with ABC Financial Services.

**Nick and Amy (Sandidge, 2000) Livers** are in Gainesville, FL, where he's pursuing his masters of law in taxation degree from the University of Florida.

**Kaela Kenley Easley** and husband, Justin, live in Waco where she's a pharmaceutical sales rep and he's attending Truett Seminary.

**Lance Britton** has been promoted to art director at Communications Development in Little Rock.

## 2000

**Jonathan and Karen (Moore) Watson** live in New Orleans. He's director of housing at New Orleans Baptist Seminary while pursuing a master of divinity degree in Christian thought. She works in the Seminary business office.

**Beth Stubblefield Davis** and husband, Jason, will complete their master degrees at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth in May. He is serving as minister of music at a church in Cleburne and she's teaching piano lessons and serving as the church pianist.

**Kevin Still** is the barista for Starbucks in Kansas City, KS. He writes that he "drinks a lot of coffee, has a new burgundy cardigan, and his frog, Chris, says hello to all."

**Rebecca Wicker** earned her master of arts in Christian education at December commencement of Southwestern Seminary

**Signe Vang** moved to Phoenix last August to work as the program coordinator at Fuller Seminary's Southwest Extension Office.

**Shannon Leathers Hays** is a special education teacher for Gurdon Public Schools and works as youth director for First United Methodist Church in Arkadelphia.

**Jeff Ward** is employed by the SBC Annuity Board and lives in Farmers Branch, TX.

**Stephen Boissy** won first place for spot news coverage in the National Press Photographers Association Fourth Quarter Clip Contest. He lives in Little Rock and works for KTHV-Channel 11 as staff photojournalist.

**Kyle Dean** is regional accountant for Enterprise Rent-a-Car in Wichita, KS.

**Jeremy Conrad** is general manager of consulting at Group Dynamix in Carrollton, TX.

**Kathryn Sohne** lives in Grand Prairie, TX, and is a project manager for Communities in Schools of Greater Tarrant County.

**Andy Baber** graduated from University of Tennessee College of Dentistry in May. He's been accepted into oral and maxillofacial surgery residency at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond. He and wife, Susanne, will move there in June for this 4-year training program.

**Joel Schrap** is the marketing coordinator for Reunion Records in Nashville, TN.

**Kay Denny Holland** graduated in August 2002 from Louisiana State Health Sciences Center in Shreveport with her master of physical therapy degree. She is currently employed as a physical therapist with Cornerstone Rehab in Sulphur Springs, TX. She and husband, Casey, live in Royse City while he's attending Southwestern Seminary.

**Blake Powell** lives in Houston, TX, and is assistant director of development for A.D. Players, a theatrical group.

**Frank Vaughn (fs)**, youth minister of First Baptist Church of Desha, near Batesville, is among thousands of active and reserve military forces called up for service in Middle East. A sergeant in the U.S. Army Reserves and member of the 692nd QM Battalion, he had orders to leave March 1 for an undisclosed area. This battalion oversees water purification services. Wife, **Leah (Floyd, 2001)** will possibly move to Richmond, VA, to stay with her parents while he's deployed.

**David Bowen** is serving as

• Continued on page 30



# Class Notes

• continued from page 29

youth intern at Travis Avenue Baptist Church while attending Southwestern Seminary.

**Beau Bishop (fs)** is an accountant with Alliance Insurance in Arkadelphia.

## 2001

**Adam Norwood** teaches high school chemistry in Grand Prairie, TX, and coaches a men's soccer team that plays in two different soccer leagues. He's been accepted into the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine at University of North Texas Science Center and will enter in the fall of 2004.

**Lauren Eagle Walker** moved to North Little Rock after she earned her master's degree in speech pathology at Baylor last August. She's a speech-language pathologist at St. Vincent's Rehab Hospital. Husband, Brent, is assistant branch manager at Metropolitan National Bank.

**Joshua Moore (fs)** lives in New York City where he and wife, Melody, are pursuing acting careers.

**Rachel Caldwell Leite** and husband, Alessandro, live in Santarem, Brazil, and work with youth ministry, music and evangelism.

**Andrew and Melinda (Dill, '02) Morgan** left Ouachita in March to move to Birmingham, AL, where he'll be employed as an assistant tennis pro.

**Jeff Works** was deployed in October as an assistant chaplain for the Army Airbound Rangers. Wife, Angela, will remain for the present at their home in Longview.

**Roger Boyer** works with Athletes in Action at the University of Calgary in Canada.

**Zac Stuckey** lives in Smyrna, GA, and attends the Portfolio Center in Atlanta furthering his education in art direction.

**Emily Tapson Pierce** teaches math at Pulaski Academy in Little Rock.

**Lynn Libbey** is a financial analyst for National Semiconductor Company in San Jose, CA.

**Gina Wallace Scott** and husband, Ryan, live in Euless, TX. She teaches art to K-5th graders at David Daniels Elementary Academy in Grand Prairie. He's a graphic designer and minister.

**Erin Statham** teaches first grade at Oak Park Elementary in Shreveport and loves it!

**Gary and Terri (Grinage, '02)**

**Miller** live in Texarkana. He is a community organizational specialist for the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences-Area Health Education Centers-Southwest (UAMS/AHEC-SW) and she works in the schools.

**Matthew Doom** is a technical support technician for Alltel in Little Rock.

**Courtney Lipscomb** is a psychological examiner for Arkansas Rehab Services in Little Rock.

**John and Ashley (Carroll) Beller** have moved to New Orleans where he's a graduate student at Tulane University and she teaches English at Mount Carmel Academy.

**Michael Rains** is serving as youth and children's minister at Fordyce First Baptist Church.

**Faith Hunter** is office manager for Measurement Devices Limited in Houston, TX, where she lives with daughter, Leila Kathryn.

**Kelly Propes** works part-time as an account manager in the bookstore at Emerson University in Boston, MA. She's also been asked to do the website for the store.

**Janet Moore** is on church staff at Prestonwood Baptist Church in Dallas.

**Paul and Lisa (Jones, fs00) Lowe** live in Arkadelphia where he's assistant vice president and commercial lender for USBank and she's a dental hygienist for Dr. Randall Jones (fs71).

**Laura Beth Steed Cope** and husband, Jon, moved to Oklahoma City in January. She's the program coordinator of assisted living at the Center of Family Love; he works at Tinker Air Force Base.

**Erin Elrod Carter** will graduate in August from UCA with her masters in speech-language pathology.

**Rick Dildine** has been accepted into the MFA-Acting graduate program at Brown University, an Ivy League school in Rhode Island. The 3-year program is at the Tony Award-winning Trinity Repertory Company.

**Wes Engram** went back to work full time for the Memphis Redbirds, AAA minor league baseball team for the St. Louis Cardinals. He and **Cendi (Weatherford, '02)** live in Memphis where she works at the Memphis-Shelby County Library as the volunteer coordinator.

**Kyle and Leslie (Lafferty, 2002) Smith** are living in Portland, OR.

**Kammie Bass** is working part time as a nanny in Armonk, New

York. She also teaches 4th grade math at a private school in Mt. Kisco. She is pursuing her Connecticut teaching certification and will be looking for full-time teaching position there next year.

**Molly Darden** is working on her master's degree in social work at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

**Danielle Patricio Waterman** and husband, Dennis, live in Richmond, VA. She's a freelance graphic designer and he's a designer for IMB.

**Erin Huddleston** is youth minister at Jessieville (AR) First Baptist Church.

**Tracy Krueger** is a loan officer for Centex Home Equity in Fort Worth.

**Stephanie Sisson** received a master's degree in physical education from the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville.

## 2002

**Trent Smith** is working on his master's degree in sports administration at Henderson. He also helps coach the OBU baseball team.

**Robert Hand** lives in Fort Worth where he works for a State Farm Insurance agency. After marriage in June, he and fiancée, Michele, plan to move to Vancouver, Canada, to attend seminary.

**Julie Bowen** is pursuing her master's in communication sciences and disorders at St. Louis University in St. Louis, MO. She and Guy Green plan to marry August 2 at Bella Vista (AR) Baptist Church. He's working on his master's in business administration at University of Arkansas.

**Dustin Freeman** is serving a 2-year term in Mali, West Africa, as a journeyman with International Mission Board.

**Sarah Walker** lives in Hot Springs where she's employed with Heritage Physician Group-Children and Youth Clinic.

**Whitney Baker White** is project manager for Publishing Concepts in Little Rock.

**Daniel Johnson** is attending Southwestern Seminary working on his master of divinity degree.

**Jennifer Smith** recently accepted a position as copy editor at the Pine Bluff Commercial newspaper.

**Brad Sheppard** is a funeral director at Rollins Funeral Home in Rogers, AR.

**Cody Cates** is a sales consultant for Gildner AutoPlex in Arka-

delphia.

**Ashley Bridwell** and **Whitney Bailey** are sharing a house in Conway while attending UCA. Ashley is seeking her master's in communication disorders; Whitney, her master's in counseling psychology.

**Julia McFerrin** left in February to join the Shoji Tabuchi show in Branson, MO, as a dancer.

**Michael Reding** and **David Nelson** are sharing a house in Little Rock while both attend medical school at UAMS.

**Rebecca Zellmen** is doing her graduate work in audiology at the Central Institute for the Deaf in St. Louis.

**Amanda Williams** is employed by Bath & Body Works in Branson, MO, and is planning her upcoming marriage.

**Monty Ray** is enrolled in Southeastern Baptist Seminary in Wake Forest, NC.

**T.J. Bingham** will go to training camp with the Kansas City Chiefs after playing a season on NFL Europe's Scottish Claymores. Bingham was with the practice squads for both the Kansas City Chiefs and the Cleveland Browns last fall.

**Matt Burns** is a loan officer at Centex Home Equity, an investment firm in Brinkley, AR.

**Dave Johnston** spent the summer of 2002 in Madrid, Spain, with a team of former college baseball players, playing baseball and sharing the gospel. He graduated in December with his master of divinity in theology from Truett Seminary at Baylor.

**Carrie Talbert** is a lead communications specialist for AT&T Wireless and lives in Benton, AR.

**Todd Bunch** began working on his master's in physician assistant studies at the University of Kentucky in Lexington in January.

**Chris Wright** is pursuing his master of divinity degree at George W. Truett Seminary at Baylor University in Waco, TX.

**Jenna Mazoch** teaches first grade at Nash Elementary, which is in the Texarkana (TX) ISD.

**Sally Allred** spent the summer and fall of 2002 in Costa Rica learning the language and completing her Spanish degree. She also taught English as a second language at the Conversa Language Institute. After completing her Ouachita degree in December 2002, she moved back home to Marshall, TX, to substitute teach

# Class Notes

and decide the next step in her career plans.

**Catherine Garrett** is pursuing her graduate degree in education at Tarleton State University in Aledo, TX.

**Brandon and Kristi (Ellison) Berry** live in Haltom City, TX, where he plans to work for First Command Insurance for probably another year before enrolling in Southwestern Seminary. She plans to teach.

**Susan Burkhead** began working on her masters in speech pathology at Baylor in the Fall 2002. She has an assistantship and works her clinicals at the Preschool Language Institute at a Baylor clinic.

**Steven Helfrich** enrolled in Fall 2002 at Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis. He and wife, Daria, live in Alton, IL, where she's a second grade teacher.

**Adam and Kara (Ketner) Langley** moved to Austin, TX, after December graduation. He is substitute teaching and auditioning for parts in film, TV and theatre. She's teaching school.

**Matt Snow** is employed as a cast member of a production at Lawrence Welk Theatre in Branson.

**Jenny Logan** is attending seminary in Dallas and living with OBU grads, **Wade and Susan Doshier ('80 and '81)** as a nanny to their three 6-year old girls. She would love to hear from friends. Email: jennyclogan@hotmail.com.

**Joel Hollingsworth** and wife, Melody, moved to Paragould in December where he's employed as a sales rep for Acme Brick Co. in Jonesboro.

**Heidi Schneider** is attending the University of Memphis.

**Jordan Douglas Malone** and husband, Cody, are living in Little Rock where she's a chemist-laboratory analyst for McClelland Consulting Engineers.

**Rachael Sykes** is employed with Gaylord Entertainment in Nashville, TN.

**Carrie Brown Schweer** and husband, Kenny, (former director of campus activities at Ouachita) live in Waco, TX, where she is attending graduate school at Baylor.

**Tami Harper Griffith (fs)** is a "swing" performer in a production being staged at the Lawrence Welk Theatre in Branson. She also performs on the Branson Belle Showboat.

## Faculty/Friends

**Earl Robinson**, former mem-

ber of Ouachita's Board of Trustees and Development Council, was inducted in April into the Van Buren (AR) High School Hall of Honor. A 1945 graduate of VBHS, he has spent his career working in the real estate business in Van Buren.

## MARRIAGES:

1951

**James E. Hampton** to Ganelle Pearce, March 8, 2003.

1959

**Gene Weatherly** to Rita Carter, May 18, 2002.

1988

**Wallace H. Landrum** to Betty F. Rogers, February 22, 2003.

1991

**Renee Green** to **Eric Carrouth (fs93)**, November 23, 2002.

1992

**Susan Jones** to **Tom Harris ('81)**, August 2002.

1994

**Julie E. Garner** to Bryan Allen Patterson, October 5, 2002.

1996

**Todd Kendrick** to Heather Anne Holliday, June 17, 2002.

1997

**Hayden Hoyt Hendrix** to Lori Ann Grant, February 22, 2003.

**Mary "Alicen" Laws (fs)** to **Jason Bennett**, May 2, 2003.

1998

**Karen E. Southerland** to Jeffrey Scott Lemay, October 26, 2002.

**Elizabeth Smith** to Sgt. Timothy Evan, December 14, 2002.

**Taft Garrett Laster** to Anita Carol Duggan, December 15, 2002.

**Cynthia Moore** to **Kevin G. Jones ('96)**, April 12, 2003.

1999

**Joey Head** to Latifa (last name unknown), December 14, 2002.

**Kaela Kenley** to **Justin Easley**, December 21, 2002.

**Jennifer Beard** to Mark Gibson, January 5, 2002.

**Misty Nichols** to Curtis Fox, April 12, 2003.

**Jill Fowler** to Mitchell Bobo, May 3, 2003.

2000

**Jenny Power** to Kevin

Lemley, August 17, 2002.

**Amber Masengale (fs)** to Michael Todd McGuire, October 12, 2002.

**Amanda Miller (fs)** to Jason McLachlin, December 14, 2002.

**S. Kay Denny** to Casey A. Holland, December 21, 2002.

2001

**Rachel Caldwell** to Alessandro Leite, September 19, 2002.

**Tanya Ivanova** to **Igor Yakushkin (fs97)**, October 2002.

**Rachael Bohlen** to Benjamin Johnson, December 27, 2002.

**Clay Glasgow** to **Jennifer Bruce ('03)**, December 28, 2002.

**Gina Wallace** to Ryan Scott, January 4, 2003.

**Rachelle Reece (fs)** to Jared Smith, January 4, 2003.

**Scott Fitzgerald** to Stacey Jo Biggs, April 5, 2003.

**Lauren Eagle** to **Brent Walker ('00)**, April 26, 2003.

**Kadre Clark** to Roger Wingfield, April 26, 2003.

2002

**Dan Abbott (fs)** to Janelle Waelder, November 30, 2002.

**Kitty Thornton** to **Chris Osmon (fs)**, December 20, 2002.

**Allison Miller** to **Caleb McLean (current student)**, December 21, 2002.

**Megan McGraw** to **Michael Frisby ('03)**, December 28, 2002.

**Kathryn "Kate" Elliott (fs)** to **Josh Floyd ('03)**, January 4, 2003.

**Jeremy Nottingham** to **Jenna Ely (current student)**, January 4, 2003.

**Elizabeth "Beth" Bennett (fs)** to **Jeremy Miller (current student)**, January 5, 2003.

**Terese "Terri" Grinage** to **Gary Miller ('01)**, January 11, 2003.

**Rachel Payne** to **Mark Eric Harrison**, March 15, 2003.

**Julie Cooper** to **Hunter Burroughs**, March 22, 2003.

**Sue Pittman** to Jonathan Vangilder, April 5, 2003.

**Tilly Carter** to **Brent Gambill ('01)**, June 7, 2003.

**Dayle Sian Cosh** to **Anthony Carozza ('03)**, May 17, 2003.

## Current students:

**Elizabeth Dixon** to **Matthew Smart**, December 21, 2002.

**Sascha Lowery** to Jonathan Lee Webb, December 21, 2002.

**Chris Riddle** to **Yuliya Kryshalovich**, December 28, 2002.

**Sandra Kisling Copeland** to Tim Kersey, January 4, 2003.

**Tifani Thomas** to **Robert Coleman**, March 22, 2003.

## BIRTHS:

1983

**Dennie and Elizabeth (Neighbors, '82) Ashley**, daughter Diana Leigh, September 12, 2002. Welcomed by Daniel (15), Denise (13) and David (3).

1984

**Fred and Karen (Hill) Lord**, son Frederick Charles III "Trey", December 30, 2002.

**Bob and Dorothy (Trigg) Rhoads**, adopted Joseph Dmitry "Dima" and Daniel Anatoly "Toly" on October 29, 2002 in St. Petersburg, Russia. Dima was born December 29, 1998 and Toly was born July 12, 2000.

1985

**Roger and Nancy O'Neel**, son Ethan Clark, October 23, 2002. Joins Natalie, Collin, Caleb and Nathan.

1986

**Philip and Kelley Darr**, daughter Morgan Caroline, August 7, 2002.

1988

**Richard and Jennifer (Wallace) Lowe**, daughter Lindsey Olivia, August 12, 2002. Joins Lexi and Brooks (twins who are 3).

1989

**Chris and Michelle (Crockett) Turner**, daughter Madison Diane, September 27, 2002.

1990

**Philip and Tracy (Niven) Myers**, son Cale Griffin, October 5, 2002. Joins Trent (6) and Hayley (4).

**Mark and Hannah (Whitley) Addington**, son Ethan Whitley "Whit", December 13, 2002. Welcomed by brother, Quinn (2).

**Scott and Mary Snider**, daughter Keathley Elizabeth, March 21, 2003.

1991

**Jeff and Tamie (Tatum) Hudson**, daughter Hope Alexandria, September 4, 2002. Welcomed by sister Hanna Grace (2).

**Brad and Jill (Hamlin, '92) Bishop**, daughter Grace Renee,

• Continued on page 32

# Class Notes

• continued from page 31

October 7, 2002. Joins Brady (5) and Ben (3-1/2).

John and **Ellen (Childress) Schneider**, daughter, Lilly Elaine, October 26, 2002.

1992

**John and Kelly (Coulter) McCuiston**, twins Coulter and Collier, February 1, 2002. Welcomed by brother, Chris (3).

Michael and **Karren Snider Peters**, son Isaac James, April 16, 2003.

**Lon and Amanda Vining**, Isaiah Tyndale, April 19, 2003. Welcomed by Kaleb, Abigail, and Noah.

1993

**Tony and Mary Jane (Lee) Hutchins**, son Timothy "Caleb," August 16, 2002. Welcomed by SarahJane (7) and Joshua (4).

Russ and **Diane (Henry) Moore**, daughter Abigail Nicole, October 11, 2002.

**Jeff and Paula (Jayroe) Erwin**, daughter Emma Claire, November 25, 2002.

**Adam and Jenny Carson**, daughter Olivia Marion, April 2, 2003.

**Bryan and Leigh Anne (Spivey, '95) McKinney**, son Colson Thomas, April 19, 2003.

1994

Tony and **Leah (Liberator) Shell**, daughter Sydney Elizabeth, October 3, 2002.

**Philip and Allison (Hill) Worthen**, daughter Caroline, November 3, 2002.

**William "Kipper" and Holly Clarke**, son Tyler Robert, November 3, 2002. Welcomed by Audrey (3-1/2) and Grace Anne (18 months).

Nathan and **Chandra (Dawson) Martin**, son River Glen, November 21, 2002. Joins sister Diamond Rae (3).

Jeff and **Allison (Morgan) Covington**, daughter Jillian Paige, November 26, 2002. Welcomed by Makinley (2).

Kenny and **Heather (Brandon) Spruill**, daughter Kenley Ellen, February 4, 2003.

Jerry and **Angie (Dodd) Thomas**, daughter Abigail Grace, February 20, 2003.

Brett and **Jenny (Cranford) Roberson (fs)**, daughter Mary Evelyn "Evie," March 3, 2003.

1995

Stuart and **Penny (Erion) Ray**, daughter Maggie Rose, June 4, 2002.

Eric and **Gina (Denton) Fox**, son Andrew Kennedy, October 10, 2002.

Donald and **Donnita (Bell) Tubbs**, daughter Kathryn Grace, November 26, 2002.

**Jason and Elizabeth (Radle, 'fs97) Files**, daughter Natalie Cooper, December 16, 2002. Joins Caleb (3).

Timothy and **Sarah (Kellar) Cook**, son Harrison, January 10, 2003. Welcomed by brother, Jackson (16 months).

1996

Rick and **Kathryn (Kirtley) Neill (fs)**, daughter Zadie Elizabeth, June 14, 2002. Joins Jason (2).

Craig and **Pamela (Blackmon) Bailey**, daughter Irene Lillian, July 18, 2002.

Joe and **Ashley (Nall) Stuckey**, son Charles Wilbanks "Will," October 14, 2002.

**Bob and Misty (Brewer) Wilson**, daughter Allie Jane, January 10, 2003. Welcomed by Robert Wade (2).

**Brian (fs) and April (Shields, '99) Maddox**, son Hudson "Fowler," February 9, 2003. Joins sister Molly (3).

1997

**Jason and Allyson (Denton, 2000) Greenwich**, son Jacob "Jake" William, December 17, 2002.

Clay and **Audrey (Hightower) Gordin**, son Matthew Clayton, December 21, 2002. Welcomed by sister, Olivia (19 months).

Nick and **Dongwei "Winnie" (Wu) Poynder**, son Christopher Anli, January 17, 2003.

**Anthony and Misty (Evers) Knighton**, daughter Emilee Grace, February 25, 2003.

Herb and **Sarah Beal Watts**, daughter Hannah Elizabeth, March 11, 2003.

**Tim and Kara (Mills, '96) Oosterhaus**, son Nathan Thomas, March 27, 2003.

**Mark and Dawn (Hasley) Conine**, daughter Molly Beth, April 3, 2003. Welcomed by Sam (1).

1998

Robert and **Sarah (Pennington) Fairchild**, son John Benton, November 6, 2002.

Todd and **Holly (Brooks) Stout**, son Leo Todd, January 1,

2003.

**Trey and Beth Ann (Richardson) White**, daughter Laynie Elizabeth, January 1, 2003.

**Matthew and Alie (Hill, '99) Shepherd**, son Eli Thomas, February 14, 2003.

**Daniel and Ruth (Hennagin) Lane**, son Phillip Alexander, February 23, 2003. Joins brother Nathaniel.

**Keith and Meredith (Snow) Purifoy**, son Kale Landon, April 24, 2003.

Kyle and **Tracy (Lewis) Hughes**, daughter Meghan Riley, January 15, 2003.

1999

**Brandon and Torie Warner**, son Ridge, August 13, 2002. Welcomed by Rhett (3).

**Justin and Kari (Stewart) Moseley**, daughter Abigail Ruth, January 22, 2003.

Jim and **Kitty (Burroughs) Nelson**, son Taylor James, February 14, 2003.

2000

Joe and **Melissa (West) Ray**, son Jacob Reed, September 12, 2002. Joins sister, Katie (1).

Ryan and **Sarah (Thompson) Alexander**, son Zachary Thomas, January 7, 2003.

2001

James and **Amy (McCormick) Kemmer**, daughter Abigail Rae, March 20, 2003.

2002

**Jeff and Erin (Buelow, current) Maneth**, son Steven Carter, October 30, 2002.

**Faculty-Staff:**

**Kevin and Shannan Inman**, daughter Ella Caroline, January 27, 2003. Welcomed by Jack (6) and Anna Kate (3). (Kevin is director of campus ministries.)

Douglas and **Caroline Henderson Taylor**, daughter McKenna Grace, March 3, 2003. (Caroline is associate professor of music.)

**Grant and Melissa Jolley Pate**, daughter Emily Love, April 17, 2003. (Grant is former cross country coach. Melissa is daughter of Drs. Woody and Freddie Jolley. Freddie is professor of education.)

**DEATHS:**

1922

**LaDosca Jones Clipman**,

August 4, 2002, Montgomery, TX.

1927

**Ida Marie Landes Watts**, January 7, 2003, Franklin, TN.

1930

**Anne Humphreys Poulsen**, September 29, 2002, Oklahoma City, OK.

1931

**Nell Rogers English (fs)**, January 12, 2003, DeQueen, AR.

1934

**Horace Whitten**, December 23, 2000 (notified December 2002), Elon College, NC.

**Burl Fowler**, December 7, 2002, Millbrae, CA.

1935

**Lorraine Sinks Edwards (fs)**, January 20, 1999 (notified February 2003), Kansas City, MO.

**M. Ferne Dyer Wright (fs)**, September 19, 2001 (notified November 2002), Westminster, CA.

**Norbert John Lueken (fs)**, December 1, 2002, Little Rock.

**Marjorie Higgason Smith (fs)**, October 22, 2002, Hope, AR.

**Aline Stevenson Powell (fs)**, February 14, 2003, Brinkley, AR.

1936

**Namon B. Davis**, January 16, 2003, Nashville, TN.

**Gladys McManus Parham**, January 19, 2003, Pine Bluff, AR.

**Emma Jean Parker McCaskill (fs)**, February 22, 2003, Arkadelphia, AR.

1937

**J.C. Smith, Sr.**, March 5, 2003, Stamps, AR.

1940

**Anna Louise Bradbury Ferguson (fs)**, February 14, 2003, Sardis community near Benton, AR.

**Donald Rolfe Corbet**, March 4, 2003, North Little Rock.

1942

**Gladys Mae Gray Orton (fs)**, November 7, 2002, Pine Bluff.

**Janice Rogers Ray**, March 29, 2003, Hot Springs.

**Wilson Deese**, April 4, 2003, Little Rock.

1943

**Clarence D. Sallee**, August 22, 2002, Chattanooga, TN.

**D. Wade Armstrong**, March 2, 2003, Pahoake, WV.

# Class Notes

**Herbert Phillips**, March 20, 2003, Gould, AR.

1944

**John H. Parrott**, October 17, 2002, Norman, OK.

**Dortha Lee Davis**, December 28, 2002, Tallahassee, FL.

1945

**Dorothy Wright Hall (fs)**, December 30, 2002, Little Rock.

**Don L. Philpot (fs)**, March 25, 2003, Carlisle, AR.

1947

**Hazel Marie Ramsey Wright**, October 5, 2002, Channelview, TX.

**Marcella Taylor Byrum (fs)**, February 11, 2003, Lonoke, AR.

1948

**Rubye Faye Floyd Hodges**, April 4, 2002, Little Rock. (Notified April 2003.)

1949

**Betty J. Dickason Flint (fs)**, November 24, 2001 (notified February 2003).

**Allen B. Syler (fs)**, December 11, 2002, Arkadelphia.

**Wanda Lucille Moore Watts**, March 30, 2003, Fort Smith.

Correction: Mistakenly reported death of **Ira Hubbard**. He is alive and well in Biggers, AR.

1950

**Paul Patton**, June 22, 1995, Neosho, MO. (Notified March 2003.)

**H.C. "Bill" Lowry**, February 18, 2003, Albuquerque, NM.

**Robert Jewell Carson**, March 27, 2003, Benton, AR.

1952

**Max J. Kuespert III (fs)**, December 24, 2002, Spokane, WA.

1953

**Ben Clements**, September 21, 2001, Pensacola, FL. (Notified October 2002.)

**Gracie Brown Fulford**, January 24, 2003, Chesterfield, MO.

1954

**John E. Laird (fs)**, December 29, 2002, San Diego, CA.

1955

**Leamon "Don" Eppinette, Jr.**, October 22, 2002, Little Rock.

**Carroll D. Caldwell**, November 1, 2002, Texarkana.

1956

**John Carver (fs)**, March 2000, Atlanta, TX. (Notified February 2003.)

**Russell O. Brazzel (fs)**, August 30, 2002, Greeley, CO.

**Edward K. Anderson (fs)**, February 12, 2003, Little Rock.

1958

**Nina Sue Blagg Lewis**, November 7, 2002, Fort Smith.

1959

**Anna Sue Smith Cain**, September 2002, Texarkana, TX.

**Morris Edward Young**, April 1, 2003, Hot Springs.

1960

**Robert C. "Radar" Lowry**, November 7, 2002, Edgemont, AR.

1961

**Harold "Gene" Dooly**, July 18, 2002, Alma, AR.

**Betty Jane Stroh Cooper**, September 4, 2002, Lee's Summit, MO.

1964

**Phyllis J. Molencupp Breakwell**, September 9, 2002, San Jose, CA.

**Paul Oliver Orton (fs)**, December 29, 2002, Villahermosa, Mexico.

1966

**James Donald Sykes**, January 13, 2003, Dardanelle, AR.

1967

**DeOnne Chavis Cicero**, January 27, 2003, Camden, AR.

**Rita Grace Cadwell Campbell**, April 4, 2003, Wynne, AR.

1968

**Billy C. Williams**, January 26, 2003, Arkadelphia.

1971

**Robert R. Riggins, Jr.**, December 12, 2002, Dallas.

**Joan Bussell Daniell (fs)**, February 23, 2003, Arkadelphia.

1977

**Edward "Eddie" Hinson**, October 1995, Los Angeles, CA. (Notified January 2003.)

**Stella Louise Smith (MSE)**, February 18, 2003, Little Rock.

1978

**Sylvester Quincey Valley**, November 14, 2002, West Helena,

AR.

1981

**Bonnie S. Mohundro (MSE)**, December 8, 2002, Little Rock.

**Garry Hanvey**, April 8, 2003, Virginia Beach, VA.

1984

**Linda Ann Davis Self (MSE)**, December 4, 2002, Little Rock.

1988

**Scott Maurer (fs)**, March 4, 2001. (Notified November 2002.)

**Eddie Wayne Thomas**, December 24, 2002, Hardy, AR.

1994

**Grace and Gideon Pickle**, twins born February 11, 2003 to **Scott and Michele (Woodall) Pickle**; went to be with the Lord on February 13, 2003, Bainbridge Island, WA.

1997

**Jason Greer**, November 19, 2002, Hawaii.

2003

**Rachel Anne Shupe (cs)**, May 17, 2003, Plano, Texas.

Faculty/Staff:

**Royce L. "Hap" Eaves, Sr.**, December 14, 2002, North Little Rock. (Former professor of military science.)

**Sonny Jackson**, January 2, 2003, Arkadelphia. (Former maintenance employee.)

**Wayne Peterson**, February 5, 2003, Austin, TX. (Former professor of Bible.)

**Dorothy Chapel**, March 10, 2003, Bismarck, AR. (Associate Professor Emerita of Library Media.)

**William "Bill" Harkrider**, March 18, 2003, Arkadelphia. (Former director of physical plant-maintenance dept.)

## ALUMNI *Profile*

Irene Branum ('45)

Ouachita alumnus and retired SBC missionary nurse, Irene Branum (who served briefly in China and then for many years in South Korea), recently wrote Mary (Mrs. Jack) King about her Ouachita memories. She told how she happened to come to Ouachita in the early 1940s and how she paid for her education and living expenses. Irene had finished nurse's training and felt she needed a college education but knew nothing about how and where to apply. She wrote a friend in the SBC BSU office in Nashville, Tennessee, for advice, and received the names and addresses of four or five colleges.

Irene wrote them, saying that she was an R.N. with no financial assistance from her parents. She reports that "most of the replies were not very helpful" but Ouachita President J. R. Grant sent her an application form and said, "Come on and we will work things out, even at this late date." Upon arriving at Ouachita, she became the "women's nurse" and "at no time did the college ever ask me for fees for anything." She was responsible for her books and paid for these from "a little money" saved from earlier work as a private nurse in St. Louis.

Shortly before her second year she went to see Dr. Grant to tell him she had to quit school and go back to hospital nursing in St. Louis because she was out of money. "He asked me how much I needed per month. I was surprised as I had not thought about an amount. So I reached up into thin air and came up with the sum of \$25 per month!" 'O.K.,' he said, 'we'll give you that!' I was so surprised!" She reports receiving one other raise, at the beginning of her senior year, when she told Dr. Grant that "\$25 monthly was just not enough" to pay for her graduation expenses.

Irene accelerated her course work with summer classes as she came to know that foreign missions was her goal. She saw her parents only a few days during the summer and at Christmas during her college years, traveling by train from Arkadelphia to St. Louis and back. To pay for this "I did a few days general duty at Missouri Baptist Hospital, where I had graduated." Irene graduated from Ouachita with the Class of 1945 "with no debts to pay back! All was in God's plan for me."

# The Financial ADVISER.....

Ouachita Baptist University • Arkadelphia, Arkansas 71998 • Vol. 1 • 2003



**John Cloud, J.D.**  
ASSOCIATE  
VICE PRESIDENT  
FOR ESTATE AND  
GIFT PLANNING

Please read the article in this issue entitled "The Gift-Giving Matrix" to get a general idea of the various methods available to you to accomplish your charitable giving goals. Some of these we focus on more than others, particularly the charitable gift annuity because the payout rates and tax benefits are extraordinarily attractive for those at or past retirement age. Ouachita has in force scores of gift annuities which generate income for the donors during their lifetimes, then at some point begin perpetually generating income for scholarship awards and much more.

Two other options you may not have considered are the Bargain Sale and the Life Estate. With a Bargain Sale you can sell appreciated property such as real estate or stock to Ouachita for less than full market value. You receive cash plus an income tax deduction, as well as avoid gain on the portion attributable to the gift. Ouachita would sell the asset and use the net proceeds according to your stated wishes. You could use your tax savings — and cash proceeds if needed — to purchase life insurance to equal or exceed the value of the asset so that eventually your loved ones will have even more. Life insurance "wealth replacement" also works very well using the tax savings of outright gifts. If estate taxes are a consideration, the life insurance could be structured in a trust which would not be taxable at your death.

With a Life Estate you can deed your home or farm to OBU while retaining lifetime use of the property. By doing this, you would generate an income tax

*See "Giving" page C*

## Seeking more income?

### Why now is the best time to plan for the future

Sometimes investments just don't cooperate. Maybe it's the economy...or your stock picks...or simply low interest rates. It may be discouraging, especially if you need to stretch your dollars to maintain your way of life.

For our supporters, there's a bright ray of hope. It's called planned giving—a benevolent donation that satisfies your requirements as well as ours. You create a life income plan that will boost your cash flow. For example, you can set up a charitable remainder trust that will pay you more income than you get now from other investments, with the remaining principal eventually going to support Ouachita.

In addition to greater income, you'll benefit from income tax savings and less investment worry. One form of charitable trust is an annuity trust. It will pay you, every year, the same dollar amount you choose at the start—regardless of bear markets or falling interest rates.

### Funding Your Trust

What's the best way to fund this kind of trust? Ordinarily, appreciated securities held long term are ideal, because you get a tax-saving charitable deduction for the full fair market value of your donation and you avoid capital gains tax on the appreciation. But if that's not possible, here are other opportunities:

**Capital losses.** Sell the losers in your portfolio and donate the proceeds to the trust. You'll not only obtain a charitable income tax deduction, but you can also use your capital losses to offset any capital gains this year. If your overall losses exceed your gains, you can deduct up to \$3,000 of the excess loss from ordinary income.

**Real estate.** Despite an uncertain economy, perhaps you hold marketable property (developed or undeveloped) that has appreciated over the years—but provides little or no income. If so, ask our representative about donating it to a charitable trust in return for a dependable income. As with appreciated securities, you avoid capital gains tax and receive an immediate charitable deduction.

Call us for more information on the many ways to fulfill your charitable goals.



**FINALS** • Students study for final exams in the science library, located on the second floor of the Jones Science Center. • *photo by Wesley Hitt*



# The Gift-Giving Matrix

Want to make a contribution but don't know the best way? First, you must plan when you want to make the gift. Next, seek the right strategy. The chart below will help you quickly evaluate a wide range of gift opportunities designed to meet your needs and brighten our future.

Type	How	Advantages
<b>CURRENT GIFT</b>		
A donation you make now can be utilized promptly to meet our urgent needs. You can see the beneficial results of your immediate gift without delay...and you maximize your income tax savings.		
Cash	Write a check or charge a credit card.	It's quick and easy.
Securities or real estate	Give long-term appreciated assets.	You receive an income tax deduction and avoid capital gains tax too.
Tangible personal property	Donate property you've held long term that is related to our exempt function.	You receive an income tax deduction and avoid capital gains tax too.
Bargain sale	Sell to us long-term appreciated securities or real estate below market value.	This is part gift and part sale. You avoid capital gains tax on appreciation attributable to the gift portion.
Charitable lead trust	Fund a trust that provides payments to us for a term of years, then pays the remainder to family members.	This is a smart way for anyone in high estate and gift tax brackets to benefit us and pass principal to family with reduced estate or gift taxes.
<b>DEFERRED GIFT</b>		
A deferred gift is a planned contribution that you arrange now but that won't benefit Ouachita until later—perhaps after your lifetime. Your personal circumstances may dictate this strategy, especially if you contemplate a sizable contribution.		
Bequest	Through your will, give OBU money, property or a share of estate residue.	A bequest can either be outright or contingent upon the death of a family member. You may consider a memorial gift.
Living or testamentary trust	Create a trust that will pay income to you or a relative for life, and then part or all of the remainder to OBU.	This trust provides for heirs first and us thereafter.
Life insurance	Name us the primary or contingent beneficiary transfer a policy to us now.	You can contribute either a new policy or one no longer needed.
Qualified retirement plan	Name us as primary or contingent beneficiary of part or all of your qualified plan or IRA.	This gift avoids twofold taxation (income and estate taxes) on distributions after your lifetime.
Life estate agreement	Deed your personal residence or farm to Ouachita but retain life use.	You avoid the hassles of selling your property and secure current income tax savings.
<b>LIFE INCOME GIFT</b>		
These plans ensure you (and even a survivor) an income for life as well as substantial tax savings. You can convert low-yielding assets into a higher income stream. You transfer assets to the plan now, and we receive the remainder after the beneficiary's lifetime.		
Charitable remainder annuity trust	Fund with cash, securities or other assets.	You receive payments of a fixed dollar amount for life.
Charitable remainder unitrust	Fund with cash, securities or other assets	You receive a fixed percentage of market value of trust assets, revalued annually.
Charitable gift annuity	Fund with cash or other assets.	You receive fixed payments for life without investment worries.



# How you own property may affect your estate planning

*How you own that property—how you hold title—can influence the distribution of your estate*

You sit down to construct your estate plan, or perhaps update an existing plan, and find that property is a significant asset. How you own that property—how you hold title—can influence the distribution of your estate. Primary ways to hold title on property and their effects on estate planning are:

- Fee simple, also called outright ownership, means you own the property by yourself and can sell it or give it away without anyone's consent. You may also leave the property to any beneficiaries you choose, so long as you recognize a spouse's marital interest.
- Tenancy in common is when two or more people have ownership. You can sell or donate your share as you wish, without the permission of other owners. Upon your death, your share of the property will go to your heirs or the beneficiaries in your will.
- Joint tenancy with rights of survivorship means that two or more people own equal shares of the property. When an owner dies, his or her share passes to the surviving owner(s) even if there is a will that says the property should go to someone else.
- Tenancy by the entirety is a form of joint property ownership that only applies to married couples. Neither spouse can sell property owned this way without the permission of the other. When one spouse dies, full title goes to the survivor.
- Community property laws apply to married people in Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Washington and Wisconsin. The laws do vary, but generally hold that each spouse has a 50 percent interest in all property and at death can dispose of that interest as desired.

It's important to note that other factors not listed here may come into play when transferring property. Professional advice is recommended.

## Giving

*Continued from Page A*

deduction for the "future value" of your property based on your life expectancy. Ouachita owns homes with life tenants, homes which someday will help young people at Ouachita pay for tuition, have access to musical instruments or computers, or any number of good things.

During our ongoing major campaign emphasis would be a great time to implement a gift plan and perhaps add a bequest to your estate plan for Ouachita. We are deeply grateful to all of you who share your resources so that Ouachita can offer the best educational opportunities while remaining among the most economical of private universities in the south. You are the lifeblood of this school.

### © The Stelter Company

The information in this publication is not intended as legal advice. For legal advice, please consult an attorney. Figures cited in examples are based on current rates at the time of printing and are subject to change. References to estate and income tax include federal taxes only; individual state taxes may further impact results.

## Estate Planning Strategies That Meet Your Needs

Return this form for our free booklet, *Estate Planning Strategies That Meet Your Needs*.

- I have already made a provision for Ouachita through:
  - my will;  a life insurance policy;  a trust arrangement.
- Please provide me with the free booklet.
- I have a specific question. The best time to call is \_\_\_\_\_ (a.m.) (p.m.).

Name - please print \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ This information is confidential.

**Clip and return to:  
 OBU Development Office • OBU Box 3754 • Arkadelphia, AR 71998-0001**

## From the Archives



**TEAM EFFORT (1977)** · The EEEasy Riders get ready for the Trike competition at Tiger Traks. Team members were Vicki Wilson Wagner ('79), Nancy Whitten Hardman ('79), Paula Woodall Phelan ('79) and Gayla Bingham Parker (fs '77).

## Share the Best of Life!

TO: Director of Admissions Counseling  
Ouachita Baptist University

FROM: \_\_\_\_\_  
name

\_\_\_\_\_ address

Listed below are high school students  
who may be interested in Ouachita.  
Please contact them.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to:  
Director of Admissions Counseling  
Ouachita Baptist University  
410 Ouachita Street  
P.O. Box 3776  
Arkadelphia, AR 71998-0001

## 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@obu.edu](mailto:alumni@obu.edu)

The  
**OUACHITA CIRCLE**  
The Alumni Magazine of Ouachita Baptist University Arkadelphia, AR Vol. 1, 2003

Ouachita Baptist University  
Arkadelphia, Arkansas 71998-0001

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

NONPROFIT  
STD MAIL  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
Arkadelphia, AR  
71923  
Permit No. 34

