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Arkadelphia, AR Spring, 1996





A Word from the President ...

The traditional "Battle of the Ravine" was resumed recently when several athletic contests were held with our long-time rival, Henderson State University. The rivalry has had its ups and downs through the years, and has been discontinued from time to time for good reasons. The resumption this year has been in the form of swimming, tennis, basketball, and baseball contests. While the Reddies have had a three-year headstart on us in the process of moving to NCAA, Division II athletics, we have fared pretty well in the renewed competition.

Ouachita student athletes defeated their men's basketball team twice, their women's basketball team twice, their baseball team, and their men's tennis squad. Particularly sweet was the double-header victory by our men's and women's basketball teams one Monday night in February in Sturgis Physical Education Center. The Reddies have only out-pointed us once, and that in a sport where the scoring gives an advantage to a larger squad, and we are numerically disadvantaged. I think our teams have had a good start in renewing competition with our friends from "that other school in town."

The football teams of the two universities will meet on September 7 in the opening game of the season. While their team is expected to peak at its strongest and best in several years, we know that Red Parker and our football squad are just not the types to roll over and accept defeat very readily, and as we know, records don't have much influence when these two teams meet.

Things are looking up with our athletic facilities, as well. The baseball field had a facelift recently, plans are being made for extensive improvements to the Sturgis Physical Education Center, and a new field house will be coming soon. These developments, our improving records, the #2-in-the-nation NAIA ranking for our men's tennis team, and the resumption of this rivalry seem to be telling us that athletics is alive and well at Ouachita.

Dr. Ch. Elrod

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•SPECIAL FEATURE•

Christian Focus Week 2-3
Greg Kirksey and Jeff Bennett (left) visit with students in Grant Plaza following a Christian Focus Week chapel service. The two Ouachita alumni were the ministry leaders for CFW. The theme for the week was "Treasures in Jars of Clay."

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Graphic design by Guy Lyons

"T

reasures in Jars of Clay" was the theme for the annual Christian Focus Week observance February 19-23.

The week is sponsored by the campus Baptist Student Union.

The theme of the week's activities was centered around the Bible scripture from Second Corinthians 4:7, "But, we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us."

The featured speaker for the week was the Rev. Greg Kirksey, a 1976 graduate of Ouachita, who currently serves as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Benton. While on campus, he was the J. E. Berry Lecturer, an endowed lecture program named in memory of the late J. E. Berry, a businessman and longtime Ouachita supporter from El Dorado.

In addition to speaking in a morning convocation, a hour-

long voluntary worship service held at 10 a.m. each weekday, Kirksey led nightly talks.

"The weeknight meetings held on the bridge of Evans Student Center were an informal time of discussion we provided for students to have with our special speaker on a variety of topics," said Ian Cosh, director of religious activities and BSU.

A great deal of the planning and organizing for the week was done by student leaders. The co-chairs who assisted Cosh in the implementation of Focus Week activities were: Hope Tate, a sophomore religion/church recreation major from Melbourne; Jeff Walpole, a junior biblical studies/language major from Ft. Worth, TX; and Chris Newberry, a senior biblical studies/language major from Rogers.

Other student leaders were involved as committee leaders, in charge of events

such as the International Food Fest and publicity.

The week also required a great deal of support from administration and faculty," said Cosh. Certain classes were excused during the week to allow students the opportunity to attend the morning convocation in Jones Performing Arts Center.

In addition to the daily chapel services, the student body, faculty, and staff were invited to attend prayer breakfasts with the various speakers.

Another of the most popular activities of CFW was the International Food Fest on Tuesday, February 20. Cuisine was prepared by international students, faculty, and students from Southern Baptist Convention career missionary families.

A midnight breakfast for students was held on Wednesday night following a student-led informal worship time known as "Praise and Worship" in Berry Chapel. Musical entertainment was provided by Mark Maier of Kansas City, KS, a 1995 Ouachita graduate, and Kellee McCoy, a senior music major from Benton.

Jeff Bennett, a 1985 graduate of Ouachita, led the praise and worship part of CFW. He currently serves as Minister of Music and Worship at Calvary Baptist Church in Little Rock.

On Monday, February 19, the Division of Music of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts hosted a sacred music concert



STUDENT TESTIMONY • Lori Reed, a freshman from West Memphis, shares how her faith in God has helped her in her battle with leukemia. Weekday chapel services during CFW allowed for a time of testimony and worship through music.

presented by members of its faculty.

On Monday all student athletes were invited to the Athletic Team Pizza and Challenge in the Tiger Den.

On Thursday, the contemporary Christian group Geoff Moore and the Distance was in concert in the Jones Performing Arts Center.

Other team leaders for CFW at Ouachita were the Rev. John and Vivian Conrad, missionaries to Korea who are on furlough as missionaries-in-residence at Ouachita, who led discussions on foreign missions. A four-part seminar on self esteem was led by Dr. Charles Brannon, the Executive Director for the Central Association of the Southern Baptist churches in Phoenix, Arizona.

Other speakers included several faculty from Ouachita who led afternoon seminar sessions. Those leading the sessions and their topics

were: Dr. Bill Downs, chair of the department of communications and professor of communications, "Exploring The Tension Between

Christianity and the News Media"; Dr. Selwyn Ellis, assistant professor of business administration, "Decision Making and the Christian Life"; Mrs. Ashley Ellis, "Dating, Romance, and Marriage"; and Dr. Bill McCrary, director of institutional research, "How Leaders Must Manage Their Time."

Additional faculty speakers included: Dr. Roy Buckelew, professor of speech and chair of the department of speech, "Relationship Building in the 90's"; Brandi Byrd, assistant BSU director, "Making Your Social Club Involvement Count for Christ"; Dr. Gerald Morris, assistant professor of religion, "Using Greek without Pain";



FOOD FEST • Students, faculty and local residents all enjoy tasting the variety of treats at the International Food Fest in Evans Student Center.

Dr. Steve Phillips, associate professor of speech, "How to Use the Great Outdoors for Ministry"; and Dr. Randall Wight, associate professor of psychology, "Living in a Postmodern World."

•Genny Cassaday



Heflin to serve as national chair of campaign



Johnny Heflin

Johnny Heflin has been named national chair of the Window of Opportunity Campaign.

Heflin succeeds his father, J.L. Heflin, as president and chief executive officer of Terminix, Inc. of Little Rock. Sons Jay ('93) and Marc ('95) have joined their father in the business, making three generations of Heflins in the family business. Heflin is married to the former Sharon Kay Windham ('67).

Heflin, who received his bachelor of arts degree in business administration from Ouachita in 1967, served as immediate past chairman of the University's Board of Trustees.

Heflin also is a charter member of Ouachita's Development Council and is a member of the Business Advisory Council. Heflin holds a master of business administration degree from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

In making the campaign announcement on October 12, Heflin asked all friends of Ouachita to join him in making this the most successful fund-raising effort in Ouachita's history.

Leadership named for faculty-staff Window of Opportunity campaign

Mac Sisson, assistant director of public relations, and Dr. Randall Wight, associate professor of psychology, have been named co-chairs of Ouachita's Window of Opportunity faculty-staff campaign. Set to run through May, the campaign among the university's faculty and staff has a base goal of \$175,000 and a challenge goal of \$300,000.

Charles and Margaret Wright have been named honorary co-chairs of the faculty-staff campaign. Dr. Wright is dean of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts and professor of music. Mrs. Wright is director of corporate and foundation programs at Ouachita.

Dr. Phil Rice, dean of the Frank D. Hickingbotham School of Business and professor of business, chairs the administrative division of the campaign. Billie Sharp, Ouachita residence hall director, chairs the staff portion of the

campaign. Dr. Bill Downs, professor of communications, chairs the faculty division.

During Phase I of the De-

ulty and staff during Phase I of the Decade of Progress Campaign," said Dr. Ben Elrod, president of Ouachita. "I have

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cade of Progress Campaign, the faculty-staff base goal was \$100,000. The campaign exceeded the challenge goal of \$150,000 by raising a total in gifts and pledges of \$418,000.

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no doubt that the impact of this faculty-staff effort will be felt throughout the Window of Opportunity Campaign and will set the pace for other groups of our supporters."

John Cloud, director of estate and gift planning, is directing the current faculty-staff campaign.

Trustees authorize naming of facilities

The Board of Trustees has authorized the naming of several campus facilities in honor of retired faculty and other friends of the University.

- Nell I. Mondy Organic Chemistry Lab
- E. A. Provine Room
- Heflin Suite

Two areas in the Harvey Jones Science Center will be named for individuals connected with Ouachita's program in the natural sciences. The Nell I. Mondy Organic Chemistry Lab will honor Dr.

Nell Mondy, a member of the Class of 1943 and Professor Emerita of Nutritional Science, Food Science, and Toxicology at Cornell University. She was a

member of the Cornell faculty for over 48 years, with a research specialization in the biochemical and nutritional aspects of the fresh and processed potato especially as it relates to human nutrition.

The E. A. Provine Room, a large classroom located on the second floor of the building, will be named in memory of Ouachita's longtime professor of chemistry. Dr. Provine taught at Ouachita from 1929 until 1968. He died in 1985.

The career planning and placement offices in Cone-Bottoms Hall will be named the Heflin Suite, in honor of Johnny and Sharon Heflin of Little Rock. The Heflins were instrumental in the development of the career center.

Camp Younts Foundation provides computer stations

The Camp Younts Foundation of Franklin, Virginia has provided funding for a computer room in the Riley-Hickam Library. The three computers and laser printer will allow Ouachita and community students to enhance their research by utilizing the enormous capacity of the Internet.

Through the Internet, students will have unlimited and immediate access to the world's libraries and other specialized resources.

The grant was made possible by the three children of Ouachita alumna, Mrs. Mary Webb Camp. Mr. John M. Camp, Jr. of Virginia, Mrs. Lawrence M. Johnson of North Carolina, and Mrs. Charles Lee Smith, Jr. of North Carolina, made the gift to honor the memory of their mother and her siblings. All four of the Webb children attended Ouachita in the early 1900s.

The Webb family has a rich history with Ouachita, Arkansas and the Southern Baptist Convention. Mary Webb Camp entered Ouachita as a member of the Class of 1910. She left Ouachita to teach English and history for a year in Franklin, Virginia. It was there that she met and later married John M. Camp. Mary's sisters, Jennie Webb Mathis and Olive Webb Murphy graduated from Ouachita in 1910 and 1921 respectively. Mrs. Murphy is currently living in North Carolina and recently

celebrated her 97th birthday.

A brother, Dr. Perry F. Webb, graduated from Ouachita in 1919. Dr. Webb was pastor of First Baptist Church, Pine Bluff, Arkansas before becoming pastor of First Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas. The significant lifetime achievements of Dr. Webb

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• Dr. Ben M. Elrod, president

served as the catalyst to initiate the Ouachita tradition of awarding the title of "Distinguished Alumnus" to selected graduates. In 1955, Dr. Webb was the first recipient of the award.

The grandfather of the Webb children was Elder Darius Buckley, a minister and educator, who helped found Bethel College in Kentucky. In the mid-1850's, he organized the First Baptist Church of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, which today continues its long history of leadership in the Arkansas Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.

In acknowledging the gift of computer technology, Dr. Elrod said, "I am touched by the fact that the lives of these former Ouachita students continue to benefit Ouachita Baptist University. We are grateful to the children of Mary Webb Camp for choosing to honor their family in such a meaningful way."

SCHOLARSHIPS ESTABLISHED

The A. William Terry Minority Leadership Scholarship

The A. William Terry Minority Leadership Scholarship has been established to honor the memory of A. William Terry. Reverend Terry received his master's degree from Ouachita in 1972 and was an educator, Baptist minister, and community leader. At his death in 1992, he was pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Arkadelphia. For the last 20 years of his life, Reverend Terry served as mentor for both black and white students at Ouachita.

A campaign to raise \$50,000 for the scholarship endowment has been initiated by Ouachita's African-American alumni and others. Campaign leadership includes the honorary chair, Johnny Ware, city manager of Dallas, Texas; the national chair, Dwight McKissic, pastor of Cornerstone Baptist church of Arlington, Texas; alumni division co-chair, Louis Shepherd, director of Trio Programs at Ouachita; alumni division co-chair, Euodias Goza, vice president of Mercantile Bank of Central Arkansas in Little Rock; and friends and family division chair, Llewellyn Terry, pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Arkadelphia.

Ouachita has accepted a challenge from the campaign leadership to raise an equal amount of endowment for the scholarship. The endowment will provide at least four scholarships to outstanding African-American students who have demonstrated leadership potential.

The Chris Chance Endowed Scholarship Fund

The Chris Chance Endowed Scholarship Fund was established to honor the memory of Chris Chance who graduated from Ouachita in 1981. Alumni members of Rho Sigma Social Club, friends, and family members have provided funds for the endowed scholarship which will be awarded for the first time during the 1996-97 academic year.

The scholarship award will be given based on the following order of preference: an active member of the Rho Sigma Social Club, an active member of the Chi Delta Social Club, an active member of the Ouachita Student Foundation, or a pre-law student.

Additional gifts may be added to the Chris Chance Endowed Scholarship Fund by the donors and others at any time.

The Russell and Ina Miller Endowed Scholarship Fund

The Russell and Ina Miller Endowed Scholarship Fund has been established by their family and friends. The Millers are graduates of Ouachita, currently residing in Jonesboro.

Students majoring in music will receive first preference in awarding the scholarships. The fund will be administered by the Ouachita Student Foundation.

—Newsmakers—



Dr. Craig Hamilton, associate professor of music and director of bands, has been named chair of the Music Education Department of the Division of Music of

the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts.

He also was recently named to the fourth edition of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 1996." Hamilton was nominated for the honor by a former student. "Who's Who" is the only publication dedicated exclusively to the recognition of the country's premier teachers.

Hamilton earned his doctor of philosophy degree in music education from the University of North Texas, master of music in trumpet performance at Arkansas State University, and his bachelor of music education degree with honors from the University of Southern Mississippi.

His professional affiliations include Pi Beta Mu, Pi Kappa Lambda, Phi Delta Kappa, Phi Eta Sigma, Arkansas School Band and Orchestra Association, Arkansas Bandmasters Association, Christian Instrumental Directors Association, and the College Band Directors National Association.

Hamilton has been a member of the Ouachita faculty since 1983.



Dr. Tim Knight, associate professor of biology, has been awarded a \$50,000 grant by the Mercury Task Force of Arkansas to evaluate treatment

alternatives in reducing the mercury contamination in fish in southern Arkansas waterways.

The Task Force was created in 1993 by Governor Jim Guy Tucker to combat the mercury problem in Arkansas. Knight will be testing the effectiveness of three different treatment methods, liming, clay lining, and a process called aeration in which oxygen is added to the water.

Clark Kuyper, a Ouachita research assistant, as well as representatives from the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission will be working with Knight on the project. Several students will also be assisting in the research during the summer and fall semesters.

6 • Faculty/Staff News

McBeth composes music for 150th anniversary of Academy

The celebration of the 150th anniversary of the U.S. Naval Academy held recently in Annapolis, Maryland, drew the talents of world-renowned symphonic band composer Dr. W. Francis McBeth, Ouachita professor of music, who was commissioned to compose a piece of music in honor of the event.

McBeth is composer laureate of Arkansas and resident composer and chairman of the Ouachita department of

theory-composition of the Division of Music of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts. He is one of the most performed composers of band music in the world.

McBeth's contribution to the service academy's sesquicentennial celebration was titled "The Sea Treaders in Calm and Storm." It was performed by the U.S. Naval Academy Band and conducted by band commander Tom Metcalf.

Fuller performs at Carnegie Hall

Dr. Charles Fuller, associate professor of music and coordinator of choral music studies, was selected through competitive audition to be a member of the Robert Shaw Festival of Singers and the Robert Shaw Choral Workshop which performed in concert on Saturday, January 20, at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

The concert featured three significant choral works of Giuseppe Verdi: "Requiem," "Ava Maria," and "Stabat Mater." The Chorus was accompanied by the Orchestra of St. Luke's.

"Every choral conductor in this country has been influenced either directly or indirectly by the work of Robert Shaw," said Fuller. "His work, which has spanned over half a century, is known around the world as promoting the very highest standards of musical excellence. It is a great honor to have been selected for such an experience. It is, for me, the opportunity of a lifetime."

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TIGER DEN • (Left) Students enter the Tiger Den for a movie sponsored by the Student Entertainment and Leisure Fund. The Tiger Den (above) opened in January and is located next to Sturgis Physical Education Center. The facility replaces Mitchell Hall as a place for students to gather for campus activities.

Parks presents Nell Mondy Lecture

Sara Clemen
 Parks, associate dean
 in the College of
 Health and Human
 Development at
 Pennsylvania State
 University and
 immediate past
 president of the
 American Dietetic
 Association,
 presented the 1996



Nell Mondy Lecture February 27.

The lecture was titled "Preparing for the New Millennium: New Paradigms, New Realities."

Parks' comments centered around needs that are driving the need for restructuring professions and personal lives. She discussed the impacts that society's rapidly changing environment will have on citizens' personal and professional lives, and painted a picture of their future.

Parks, a consultant, educator, and researcher, is known for her work in strategic planning and marketing management. She earned a bachelor of science degree from the University of Nebraska, a dietetic internship from Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, and a master of business administration from Michigan State University.

Dr. Nell Mondy is Professor Emerita of Nutritional Science, Food Science, and

Toxicology at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York, where she has been a faculty member for more than 48 years.

She graduated summa cum laude from Ouachita in 1943 with bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degrees in chemistry. She received master of science and doctor of philosophy degrees in biochemistry from the University of Texas (1944) and Cornell University (1953), respectively.

Her research specialization is in the biochemical and nutritional aspects of the fresh and processed potato especially as it relates to human nutrition.

Mondy is the author of more than 190 publications including the book "Experimental Food Chemistry."

She has received distinguished awards from the National Science Foundation for University Teachers of Chemistry, two Danforth Awards for teaching, and the Higher Education Act Award from Cornell University. She also received the Distinguished Alumni Award (1960) and the Centennial Achievement Award (1986) from Ouachita.

The Nell Mondy Lecture Series was established at OBU in 1991 by Mondy.

The focus of the Mondy Lectures is centered in the fields of chemistry, food science, and nutrition.

New staff employees announced

Eight new staff members have joined the university since the beginning of the 1995-96 academic year.

They are: **Mary Cook**, academic coordinator in the Upward Bound program; **Stan Escalante**, academic activities coordinator for the Upward Bound program in mathematics and science; **Robin Green**, safety officer;

Jill Jones, secretary/receptionist in the TRIO office; **Daytra Rogers**, activities coordinator for the Talent Search program; **Cynthia Harmon**, activities coordinator for the Talent Search program; **Clark Kuyper**, research assistant in the Division of Natural Science; and **Richard Stipe**, development officer.

Perry joins chemistry department

Dr. **Martin D. Perry, Jr.** joined the university faculty at the beginning of the spring semester as assistant professor of chemistry.

Perry comes to Ouachita after having served as visiting assistant professor of chemistry at the United States Naval

Academy in Annapolis, Maryland.

He holds a bachelor of science degree from Arkansas Tech University and a doctor of philosophy degree in physical chemistry from Oklahoma State University.

Newsmakers



Sandy McDowell,

instructor in art, received a \$200 Merit Award for her painting, "The Neck for Pearls," entered in the Arkansas Art 1996 competition. The artwork

is an expression of the neck with pearls added to enhance the stretch, and is the first in a series of paintings.

Arkansas Art 1996, in its seventeenth year, is sponsored by Ouachita and Henderson State University through the Joint Education Consortium of Arkadelphia. It is funded in part by the Ross Foundation of Arkadelphia.

At Ouachita McDowell teaches studio painting and public school arts and crafts.



Wink

Two faculty members presented papers at the Arkansas Philological Association's annual meeting held recently at the Arlington Hotel in Hot Springs.

Dr. Johnny Wink,

professor of English, returned to the convention for the fourth consecutive year to present a comparison paper of sonnets by Robert Frost and Jorge Borges and a short story,



Turner

written by himself.

Nancy Turner, instructor in speech pathology, presented a paper titled "Forgotten Mercies: The Indian Captivity Narratives of Mary Rowlandson and John Williams." This was her first time to present a paper at the APA meeting.



Dr. Charles Wright

has been named Dean of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts. Wright formerly held the title of Dean of the Ouachita School of

Music, Chair of the Music Education Department, and Professor of Music. The new Jones School of Fine Arts is composed of the Division of Music, Department of Visual Arts, and the Department of Theatre Arts.



PROCLAMATION • Summit participants take turns signing their ten-point proclamation on world issues.

CHALLENGE • Dr. Ben Elrod, president of Ouachita, reflects on the Summit experience and the goals established by the students.



Students from 23 foreign nations gather at Ouachita to consider world issues

World Youth Summit

Ouachita hosted approximately 80 delegates from 23 foreign nations as part of the 1996 World Youth summit January 12-14.

The summit, organized through the American International Student Exchange Program, brought together foreign students who are attending high schools in the United States in order to discuss global issues and policies.

Dr. Trey Berry, director of the Daniel R. Grant International Studies Program and assistant professor of history at Ouachita, compared the summit to the Model United Nations program, an annual national platform that attracts college and university

students to several locations in the U.S. to discuss issues related to nations that they have "adopted" in a mock U.N. format.

"The gathering is like the Model U.N. in that it is a conference of young people who are interested in politics and are eager to discuss world problems and issues," Berry said. "However, rather than having U.S. students study and discuss the issues of other countries, we had actual students from these countries here to discuss the issues of their homeland."

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become leaders of their nations. Proclamation topics included human rights and racism, education, environment, endangered species, economics, family planning, communications, health care, world peace and drugs. When these students arrive home after their studies in America are completed, they are to present these goals to their heads of state.

The students were assigned a Ouachita student as a mentor during their stay in Arkadelphia. These mentors not only helped the students during their stay at the Ouachita campus, but also housed the students in their residence halls over the weekend as well.

St. Olaf Choir performs in February concert

The Division of Music of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts presented the internationally recognized St. Olaf Choir from Northfield, Minn. in concert, February 12. The choir was under the direction of Dr. Anne Armstrong.

The vocal unit has made annual tours since 1912, when it was founded by F. Melius Christensen. It was the 1920 tour to the major music centers of the East coast, however, which sowed the seeds of the ensemble's national reputation and

established its a cappella style of singing as a significant force in American choral music.

The St. Olaf Choir has continued to inspire and entertain audiences in the United States, Europe, and Asia. In 1986, it was one of only five choirs from around the world invited to participate in the Olympic Arts Festival in Seoul,



South Korea. Two years earlier, it celebrated its 75th anniversary with a four-week tour that took it to Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and the People's Republic of China.

University sponsors first campus Health Fair

The Health Services Office at Ouachita hosted its first Health Fair on Tuesday, February 6, in the lobby of Evans Student Center.

The fair offered a variety of booths with health care information and free samples available.

The booths offered subjects such as: skin care information, vision screening, information from the American Lung Association, diet information from Ouachita's dietetics association, blood pressure and weight testing, information about mental health from Ouachita counselor Keldon

Henley, questions answered about sports injury, information from the American Red Cross, and much more!

Baptist Medical Center

"There is a national emphasis on personal health these days, and Ouachita is trying to make sure that everyone is aware of their own health and ways to improve it," said Bill Dixon, dean of students.

The school offered door prizes from local merchants and companies. The fair was open to Ouachita students, faculty and staff.

Ouachita plans to host more health fairs in the future.

"We hope to continue the awareness on personal health at Ouachita," said Dixon. "Hopefully, this will become an annual event."

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brought its mobile unit and offered free cholesterol testing to the first 50 visitors. Other testing cost \$5 for students and \$7 for faculty and staff.

Campus BRIEFS

◆ The Center for Christian Ministries (CCM) sponsored a campus conference for pastors and lay leaders titled "Non-Traditional Worship and Ministry" on March 5.

The Rev. Stan Hannan of First Baptist Church in Eustis, Fla., conducted the annual meeting.

Hannan was born and raised in Zimbabwe, Africa. Prior to his conversion to Christianity, Hannan managed a contemporary singing group in Europe, Africa and America.

He came to the U.S. in 1987 and has participated in pioneering work in reaching beyond the walls of the church with the gospel message in contemporary language, style, and method.

Question and answer sessions, dialogue, and an informal working banquet composed the program.

◆ Thirteen students discovered through an unique teaching apparatus the importance of international dialogue in seeking solutions to world problems.

The group attended the 35th annual Midwest Model United Nations convocation in St. Louis, February 28-March 2. They represented the Republic of Russia.

More than 50 college and university teams from all size campuses met in St. Louis to discuss global issues in a simulation of the United Nations. The meeting is sponsored by the Midwest Model United Nations Inc. and is the largest of several regional Model U.N. student assemblies.

Kevin Brennan, instructor in political science, and Dr. Everett Slavens, professor of history, serve as sponsors of the annual trip.



FESTIVAL • The Ouachita Sounds perform during the Festival of Christmas in Jones Performing Arts Center. The Division of Music and the Department of Theatre Arts of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts presented the fourth annual Christmas performance Thursday, November 30 and Saturday, December 2. The 150 vocal and instrumental performers presented Christmas favorites, both sacred and secular, ranging from simple carols to the classics.

For the third consecutive year, Ouachita is home to the largest number of missionary kids (MKs) attending Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) colleges and universities.

The students are children of career missionaries appointed to foreign countries by the Foreign Mission Board of the 15-million member SBC, along with several students associated with other mission efforts.

"Much of this is due to the financial advantage Ouachita gives to these students," said Ian Cosh, director of religious activities, associate director of the Center for Christian Ministries, and director of the Baptist Student Union.

Cosh says while a good number of colleges have decreased their funding for MKs, Ouachita has "stayed faithful" to providing as much financial support

Missionary Kids

from 22 countries are currently studying at Ouachita

as possible for these students in give them "the best education they can receive."

A recent report released by Dr. Trey Berry, director of the Daniel R. Grant International Studies Program at Ouachita and assistant professor of history, recorded that 57 MKs from 22 countries are currently studying at the Arkadelphia campus.

"Combined with the scholarship awarded to the MKs from the Foreign Mission Board, Ouachita gives one of the best financial packages of any Baptist institution," said Berry. "This monetary assistance is a tangible means of saying we care, apart from other avenues of support given to the MKs and their families."

Aside from the classroom, Ouachita offers a climate that fosters stability in the lives of MKs, thus making it even more attractive, said Cosh.

"The size of Ouachita and location of the school offer a small, comforting environment while these students are far away from home and adjusting," said Cosh.

Not only does Ouachita have a great deal to offer to these students, the MKs, Cosh said, have a great deal to contribute to the various publics of Ouachita. "These students are important third culture students, meaning Americans that have grown-up in a second culture and returned," Cosh said. "It's good for students to be around those with a different perspective."

"MKs bring both their culture and language with them and help to create a more diverse and globally aware campus," he said.

From the 1994 school year to the 1995 school year, the number of MKs attending Ouachita increased by 13.

"It is the belief of the leadership of the University, both past and present, that MKs are important in the composition of our student body," said Berry.

Sam Stroope, a freshman English major from Reigate Surrey in the United Kingdom, says that he feels more comfortable than he might at other schools where the student body might have no knowledge of MKs. "I think mainly it's the general awareness around campus about what an MK is," he said.

He says another problem faced by missionary kids is finding things in common with other students.

It is this knowledge that has prompted the ever growing BSU ministry for MKs on campus. Special events are planned throughout the year to provide fellowship for these students.

The BSU is also a strong recruiter for MKs through the numerous mission trips taken each year both in the United States and abroad, said Cosh.

It is this combined with the MK alumni, parents, and siblings that make potential MK students aware of Ouachita. Katrina Owen, a sophomore speech pathology major from Guatemala, was introduced to the school through her parents.

Owen was also familiar with Ouachita through an MK friend who had attended a few years before.

The University has a very strong commitment to mission causes worldwide, said Berry.

"Each year we send out many current students to the mission fields on short-term programs who serve the Lord in various witnessing and service areas and also act as ambassadors for the University to the MKs and other constituencies," said Berry. "They get to know our students firsthand and relate to them what Ouachita is all about."

Chris Babb, a freshman communications major from Cabot, appreciates all that MKs have to offer. "They have an advantage over other foreign students, because they can better relate their culture with their American background," he said.

·Genny Cassady

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MKs • Julie Packwood, of Ecuador, is just one of 57 MKs studying at Ouachita this year.



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The Division of Music and the Department of Theatre Arts of the Bernice Young Jones School of Fine Arts presented an adaptation of the longest running show in New York theatre history, "The Fantasticks," by Harvey Schmidt and Tom Jones, February 29 - March 3.

The award-winning musical is best known for its memorable songs "Try to Remember" and "Soon It's Gonna Rain."

"I've always loved this musical mainly because of its universal theme," said Scott Holsclaw, assistant professor of speech and theatre arts and director of the production. "It's very simplistic with a strong message about the illusions we create in life."

With the development of a new musical theatre degree, the department is trying to do one musical a year alternating between a large production and a smaller one, said Holsclaw.

Eric Phillips, assistant professor of theatre arts, provided both scenic and lighting design. Dr. Jon Secrest, assistant professor of music, served as musical director of the performance.

◆ Ouachita offered a different Valentine present for youth by sponsoring a program known as "Heartbeat" on Saturday, February 10.

"Heartbeat" featured an informal Valentine theme dinner, followed by a concert by the Ouachita Praise Singers. The Valentine banquet and program was aimed at junior and senior high school church youth groups from Arkansas and surrounding states. The Admissions Counseling Office sponsors the annual program.

David York of Glide, Oregon, president of Upper Room Ministries, was the speaker at the banquet and had some remarks for the concert audience. Prior to his work at Upper Room Ministries, York served at Ovillo Road Baptist Church in Ovillo, TX as the Minister of Youth and Educational Director.

◆ The Ouachita Singers entertained special guests of the White House for a Christmas celebration on Monday, December 18.

The Singers joined several other selected groups from across the nation in the holiday entertainment fare at the White House.

They are under the direction of Dr. Charles Fuller, associate professor of music.

In September 1995, Fuller submitted excerpts from a CD that the group recorded last spring and subsequently was notified by the White House in early October of being one of the chosen performance groups.

The group also performed on Sunday morning at Mount Airy Baptist Church in Maryland where Mike Trammel ('75) now serves as pastor.

Student publications receive CSPA awards

The 1995 Ouachitonian yearbook received a Gold Medal and the Signal newspaper received a Bronze Medal from Columbia Scholastic Press Association in its annual critique of college yearbooks and newspapers. The Gold Medal is the highest award given by CSPA in its critique of university publications.

The Ouachitonian also received All-Columbian honors in all five critique categories: design, writing, concept, photography and structure. The Signal received All-Columbian in General Operations, based on overall concept and frequency of

publication. All-Columbian honors are awarded to publications that score in the top 95th percentile in the individual categories of judging.

Ouachita's 1996 yearbook has been inducted into the Walsworth Publishing Company Gallery of Excellence. Representing fewer than eight percent of the books published by Walsworth, Gallery of Excellence books are used by the company's sales force nationwide as examples of quality yearbooks. In addition to being loaned to schools across the country for idea generators, the books are often displayed at regional, state

and national conventions. They are also used as example illustrations in Walsworth's educational resource materials.

The editor of the 1995 Ouachitonian is Beth Ann Lee, a senior communications major from Midwest City, Okla. The adviser is Dr. Deborah Root, director of development publications and assistant professor of communications. The editor of the Signal is Chris Bosen, a senior communications major from St. Louis, Mo. Dr. Jeff Root, director of public relations and assistant professor of communications, serves as the adviser.

Jimmy "Red" Parker named head football coach

Jimmy "Red" Parker, one of the state's best known and successful coaches, has been named as the new head football coach at Ouachita. The announcement was made at a press conference December 22.

For the past three seasons, Parker has served as head football coach at Rison High School and guided that school to a State Class A Championship this season.

In making the announcement, Ouachita President Dr. Ben M. Elrod said that hopefully Parker's upcoming experiences at OBU would, in some ways, parallel his own.

"When I returned to Ouachita as president in 1988, at the age of 57, many of my friends thought that I had taken leave of my senses," Elrod said. "By that stage of life I had accomplished most of the things that I had wanted to do and I certainly had no ambitions to climb the career ladder. What I found, however, is that these eight years have been the most rewarding and fulfilling of my career.

"As Red Parker, at the age of 63, assumes the position of head coach of Ouachita's football team after a distinguished career in coaching, I believe that he will also find that his days at Ouachita will rank among the most rewarding and fulfilling of all his experiences."

Parker, a 1988 inductee into the Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame, began his new duties at Ouachita Jan. 15. He succeeds Buddy Benson who announced his retirement from the position on November 13th after serving as head coach for 31 years.

Parker will be the fourteenth head coach in OBU football history with intercollegiate competition dating back to 1897. Ouachita officially became a member of the Lone Star Conference, a NCAA Division II affiliation, on December 1.

Parker has been a successful
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Jimmy "Red" Parker

head coach at both the high school and university levels in three states for more than four decades. He has a career collegiate coaching record of 146-99-2 and an overall career mark, including high school coaching, of 259-118-6.

Parker said he is "looking forward" to getting back into collegiate coaching.

"I am grateful to have this opportunity to reassociate myself with good friends from the past, including Dr. Ben Elrod and coach Bill Vining," said Parker. "Having competed against Ouachita in two different eras in the past, I know of the loyalty and support given the football program by the school's students, alumni and fans. I look forward to giving them the type of program that I think is deserving of the traditions and goals of the university. I also feel fortunate to follow a legendary coach in Buddy Benson. I count him as a true friend and look forward to extending our relationship."

Parker has been head football coach at Rison since 1993 and this year guided the Wildcats to the state Class A championship

and a perfect 15-0 record. In 1994, he led Rison to the runner-up spot in the state championship playoffs ending the year with a 13-1 record and receiving the National Football Foundation's Distinguished Service Award. His 1993 Rison team won the conference and advanced to the semi-finals of the state playoffs with a 10-3 record.

Prior to coming to Rison to coach, Parker was offensive coordinator at Ole Miss (1988-91) where he was twice chosen as SEC Offensive Coach of the Year.

Between 1982-87 he was head coach at Delta State University in Cleveland, Miss., where his Statesmen compiled a record of 41-21.

In 1981, Parker was the head football coach at Southern Arkansas University in Magnolia and led the Muleriders to an 8-3 record.

From 1977-80, Parker was out of coaching. He owned and operated an automobile dealership in Fordyce. He still owns the dealership.

Parker was head coach at Clemson University in Clemson,

S.C. from 1973-76. While coaching the Tigers, Parker's teams went 19-22-1. In 1974 he was runner-up for National Coach of the Year honors and the same year was named as Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year. He also won South Carolina College Coach of the Year accolades in 1973.

Prior to accepting the position at Clemson, Parker served as head coach at The Citadel in Charleston, S.C., from 1966-72. His offensive teams broke seven conference scoring and total offensive records.

Parker's 39-28 record at The Citadel was the best in school history and best in the nation's military colleges and academies.

While at The Citadel, he claimed more Coach of the Year honors including Southern Conference Coach of the Year in 1969 and 1971 and South Carolina Coach of the Year in 1967, 1969, and 1971.

From 1961-65, Parker was head coach at what was then Arkansas A&M College (now UA Monticello). His record for the last three years of his tenure at his alma mater was 25-4-1. Overall, he guided the Boll Weevil program to a record of 39-25-1. He was twice named as Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference Coach of the Year in 1963 and 1965. Parker was inducted into the school's Football Hall of Fame in 1962.

Parker, a native of Rison, got his start in coaching at Fordyce High School, where he served from 1953-60 and guided the Redbug program to a 75-15-4 record. The last 37 games was a consecutive game winning streak. In 1958, Parker was named as the first recipient of the "Lowell Manning" Arkansas High School Coach of the Year Award.

Parker and his wife, Betty, are the parents of three children and seven grandchildren.

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Sports Wrap-Up

Football

Two Tiger football players have received All American status as a result of their actions on the field during the 1995 gridiron season.

Art Cadena, sophomore running back and specialty team member from Katy, Texas (Katy-Taylor), has been named to the NAIA All American Second Team Division I for the '95 football season. He was voted the honor on the basis of his kickoff return statistics.

The other Tiger listed on the All-American list was junior Vince Perrin. The Hot Springs (Lake Hamilton) native earned his way onto the Honorable Mention Team with his efforts returning kickoffs, as well.

Volleyball

Krista Lapp, a junior setter for the Lady Tiger volleyball team, has been named to the NAIA Division I Second Team All-Southwest Region.

The Little Rock native and graduate of Pulaski Academy helped lead head coach Betsy Danner's squad to a 19-13 record, but a loss to John Brown University in the first round of the Southwest Independent Tournament ended the Lady Tigers' season.

Lapp was the only Lady Tiger named to the 22-girl first and second team All-Region squads.

Swimming

The Tiger Sharks and Lady Tiger Sharks swimming and diving teams finished third and sixth, respectively, at the New South Intercollegiate Swim League Championship Meet held in February at UA-Little Rock.

Ouachita divers Bobby Rollins and Jeff Anthony finished in the top two spots in the two diving events and earned All-Conference honors. Masa Yamamoto finished second in the 200 yard breaststroke, third in the 100 meter breaststroke and fourth in the 200 yard individual medley to earn a spot on the All-Conference squad. Another Tiger Shark named to the All-Conference squad was Fred Dickinson who finished fourth in the 400 yard individual medley, fifth in the 200 yard individual medley and seventh in the 200 yard backstroke.

Jari Kirkland led the Lady Tiger Sharks as she had done all season and earned herself a place on the All-Conference squad. She finished fourth in the 200 and 400 yard individual medley and fifth in the 200 yard backstroke.

At the NAIA National Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, Anthony finished second and Rollins finished third in the diving competition. They received first team NAIA All-American honors as did Ryan Killackey. Honorable mention All-American honors went to Kirkland, Yamaoto, Dickinson, Joe Crum, and Jason Miller. The Tiger Sharks finished ninth at the national meet, and the Lady Tiger Sharks finished 20th.

Women's Basketball

The Lady Tiger basketball team ended the season with an 18-8 record, their best since beginning intercollegiate basketball competition in 1976.

The season ended with a 75-67 loss to the Arkansas Tech University Golden Suns in the first round of the NAIA Southwest Region Independent Basketball Playoffs February 28. Senior forwards Lavinia Young and Joveta Saylor led the Lady Tigers with 20 points each.

For their careers, Saylor scored 1,382 points and grabbed 727 rebounds, and Young scored 1,269 points and brought down 603 rebounds. Saylor was named NAIA All Southwest Region.

Also wrapping up her career was Lady Tiger Karla Lang. For her two-season career at Ouachita, Lang scored 39 points and grabbed 29 rebounds.

Men's Basketball

The Tiger basketball team ended its season with 15-12 record, including two wins over cross-town rival Henderson State University.

The season ended February 29 with a 97-86 loss to Midwestern State University in the first round of the NAIA Southwest Regional Tournament. The Tigers ended the season on a positive note, winning 10 of their last 12 games.

Post-season honors went to Lamont Page, a point guard from Hot Springs. Page was named to the NAIA All Southwest Region Independent Team. Also making his mark for the Tigers was Mitchell Bolding who broke Dan Taylor's 1979 school record in free throw percentage with 91.3%. Bolding is expected to be a national leader in free throw percentage when the national statistics were tabulated following the NAIA national tournament.

Sands named assistant coach

Head football coach Jimmy "Red" Parker has announced the hiring of Jerry Sands as a new assistant coach for the Tiger football team.

Sands comes to Ouachita from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff where he formerly served as the linebacker and defensive line coach.

He received his bachelor of science degree in recreation at UAPB in 1995.

While at UAPB, Sands was a member of the Golden Lions football team, where he played defensive end, defensive tackle, and defensive noseguard. In 1993, he received the squad's Most Valuable Leader Award.

Sands is a graduate of W.W. Samuell High School in Dallas, Texas. As a student-athlete, he was voted First Team All District and First Team All Metroplex honors for two consecutive years.



TIGER REBOUND • Lamont Page battles for a rebound. The senior point guard from Hot Springs helped lead the Tigers to a winning season, including two victories over ravine-rival Henderson State University.

Benson learns lessons of life as

NBA REFEREE

Gary Benson's eight years in the National Basketball Association have made him more than a great NBA official; they have also made him an expert in psychology, business and theology.

Benson, the son of Tiger football head coach Buddy Benson and his wife, Janet, graduated from Ouachita in 1978 with a degree in biology. Benson played free safety for his dad from 1974-77 and was a member of the All-AIC team in his junior and senior years.

After his career at Ouachita, Benson tried out with the Denver Broncos, but wasn't cleared to play because of injuries to his neck he had suffered in college.

"I jammed my neck so many times while I was at Ouachita that when they got the medical results back they had to let me go," said Benson. "I'm glad I didn't play, because at least now, I'm alive."

Instead, Benson pursued a career in officiating. "I started when I was 13 or 14 officiating in the city recreational league in Arkadelphia," he said.

Benson also worked as an official with the AIC conference several years before getting his break in 1988.

"I paid to go to a referee camp in Los Angeles and it just so happened that the right people were there and I got picked to referee a game in front of them," he said.

In 1988, the NBA decided to add an official to every game and hired 18 new officials, one of whom was Benson.

"How does a guy from Arkadelphia, Arkansas, who went to Ouachita Baptist University and then moved to Little Rock and was a referee in the AIC become an NBA official?" Benson asked. "The only way to explain it is by the grace of God."

After being chosen as an official, he selected his old Tiger football number of 30 to wear on his back as a NBA official.

Apart from liking the sport of basketball, knowing the rules, and being fair in your calls, the "mind" set of professional basketball must be realized.

"You begin to learn who is in charge," Benson continued. "High school is a parent's game, college is a coach's game and the pros are a player's game."

Benson also dispels myths about being an NBA official and is very blunt about what his job is all about.

"No matter what anyone tells you an official's number one job is to provide safety," he said. "If the players have a consistently safe environment, it allows them to show their stuff."

Benson said officials do not live in a sterile environment in terms of their decisions on the hardwood courts.

"There are a lot of things that you learn after you have been officiating for awhile," Benson said. "First you learn that every time you blow the whistle there is some consequence to that whistle and you must know before you blow the whistle what that consequence will be.

"Some people think an official should be separate from the game and not know the score or how much time is remaining, but that's
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not true. An official must always know the situation and what the consequence of that whistle is."

Benson and his other league officials are graded weekly on their performances by a committee in the office of the NBA's supervisor of officials.

"We can be fined for missing a rule violation," Benson said.

Benson said another point of the professional game is that the fans' view of the game must be balanced with the business end.

"You have to understand that this is a business," he said. "It is a real big business. Things happen in the front offices and league headquarters which affect the entire process in regard to lockouts, etc."

Being an official is not as easy as going to an occasional game according to Benson, who never spends more than nine or 10 nights each month at his Little Rock home during the six month exhibition and normal professional season.

This is an even bigger problem for a family. Benson and his wife, Paula, also a Ouachita graduate, have two small children: Abigail, 4, and Garret, 2.

"It's hard on them," Benson said. "But when you make a job decision you have to weigh the consequences of how it will affect your family.

"Like any family we have our ups and downs. I guess in the whole scheme of things it's not that much different from any other family." Benson also said that in the 113 day span from January 1-April 23 he will spend 97 days traveling from city to city.

When Benson is on the road he lives on the phone, and takes volumes of meals in hotel restaurants.

"You have to learn to become your own travel agent," he said. "And you spend a lot of time doing things on your own."

Benson said he never has to worry about bumping into players at game sites, since the league offices book the officials in different hotels. He said that the officials try not to put themselves in compromising environments with fans and players.

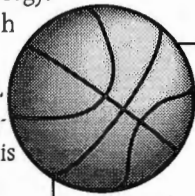
"You try not to make a display in going to hangouts of fans for a meal," Benson said.

There is a drastically different lifestyle in late spring when Benson's basketball official days are completed for another year. He doesn't just take three months off. In addition to keeping himself in the physical condition needed to be a referee in the high paced game, Benson also spends his off season working and learning the funeral business at Griffin Leggett Healey & Roth Funeral Home in Little Rock.

"I'm 39 and I know, I'm not going to be able to be an official all my life, and I know I will need another career down the road," Benson said.

Benson has certainly missed a call or two during his eight years, but no call Benson will make will change the fact that he is an extremely intelligent man who has decided to spend his life with the things he loves most: his God, family and sports.

· by Jeff Williams



"You have to understand that this is a business... It is a real big business."

•Gary Benson

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& Four alumni and one current student
join mission effort in Honduras

teach all nations



Janice Langley Warwick ('80)
creates balloon animals with the
children in Gualcinse.

Uniting for a medical mission project, four graduates from Ouachita and one current student joined five others for a recent missions trip to Gualcinse, Honduras.

This was the twelfth year for the project, coordinated annually through First Baptist Church Smackover. A core medical team is assembled each year including a physician, a surgeon, an anesthesiologist, and several nurses to work with Leslie Shaw, a local missionary in Gualcinse.

Shaw operates a medical clinic in the area performing needed surgery and general health care for patients who come to the clinic. But each year, he expectantly awaits the arrival of the U.S. medical team to assist in all those cases Shaw would otherwise be unable to reach.

And the work of this group has become well-known not only to the villagers in Gualcinse, but to the government as well.

"Last year the government was so impressed that they didn't believe the mortality rate had changed so drastically," said Barry Bates, an '82 graduate of Ouachita, minister of music at First Baptist church Smackover and a member of the mission team this year.

"People were doing so well in that area of the country, which is the poorest part of the country, that they built a new clinic and gave the old clinic to Leslie for his work.

"There are plans now to build a hospital there in Gualcinse. Right now it takes a year's wage for people to get there and have surgery. There is still no electricity. The surgeons have to use a generator to get their work done."

This year the team performed 27 major procedures in the six days they were in Gualcinse, said Bates. Medical supplies for the clinic were donated and funds supplied through a unique fundraiser.

"Back in the summer during our Vacation Bible School we had a contest of pennies between the boys and girls expressly to pay for medicine for Honduras this year," Bates said. "The boys and girls raised over \$700 out of a 120 kids. We were able to buy quite a bit of medicine."

After a surgery procedure is completed the patient can recover in the clinic recovery room, but most stay with a local until they can make it home.

"Usually they just go into a home of someone there in Gualcinse who offers to let them stay in their home until the patient is able to travel," Bates said. "We have pictures of people being carried home in a blanket with each end of a blanket tied to either end of a stick with two people carrying them down the mountain."

But the medical team seeks to do more than meet the physical needs of the people. Several team

members are specifically there to minister to the spiritual needs of the people.

"It started out as a medical work," Bates said. "But the past three years we've incorporated a Vacation Bible School."

During the first year of the Vacation Bible School there were 90 children who attended, according to Bates. That number has increased to over 150 this year. The impact of that number is much stronger with the knowledge that there are only 300 people in the village, said Bates.

"The medical people are just as interested in what's going on in the Vacation Bible School as the Bible School people are in what's going on in surgery because they're all opportunities," Bates said. "The medical attention is a temporary fix, but leading people to the Lord is eternal healing."

Every team member participates in leading church services held in two or more villages each night. Bates said that while the age of team members ranges from 20 to 60, it becomes an irrelevant issue once the team focuses on their common purpose to minister to the needs of their fellow man.

"There were several children who walked four miles just to come to Vacation Bible School. It was incredibly overwhelming to realize the simplicity of their life, but yet to realize how happy

they are," said Bates. "To know that people cared enough about church and about God that they walked up a mountain four and a half miles just to go to Bible school is really touching"

"These children who walked four and a half miles up a mountain just to come to Bible school are leaving a witness and a testament for Jesus that we could never make."

One of the most unique parts of the mission team was the variety of denominations and churches involved. "Our group represented seven different churches and denominations," said Bates. "It's neat when you can cross denominational lines or individual church lines and come together as a group, because our church doesn't have the people to create a complete medical team."

Each person was responsible through their church or personal contacts to provide for their own trip expenses.

Ouachita mission team members included: Eva Umholtz, a sophomore liberal arts major from Little Rock; Dr. Fred Ball, an '82 graduate of Ouachita and minister at Lakeshore Drive Baptist Church in Little Rock; Dr. Scott Hardin of El Dorado, a '67 graduate of Ouachita; and Janice Langley Warwick of Smackover, an '80 Ouachita graduate.



David Tate

President
Former Students
Association

Hey! Did you notice anything different? Well, I finally got my picture taken recently so that when my likeness is needed, as in the case above, I will have something that is up to date. I got by with the other picture as long as I could. Do you see the difference from my picture in the last four Ouachita Circles? I thought you would. That other picture was probably 10 or more years old.

The reason I brought up the thought about my "likeness" was because things really change over the years. The "likeness" of Ouachita has really changed. Have you been to campus lately? It is beautiful! There are so many new buildings and some under construction that the place could be said to have had, and is having, a face lift. The last time I was on campus I saw the "abyss" that once was Mitchell Hall. The new science building will be built in this area. You girls who lived in Cone-Bottoms will gasp when you see the inside that now houses the administrative offices. It is fantastic. And then, how about those decorative brick walls that line the sidewalks and streets. They really add class to the looks of the campus.

I could go on and on but I simply want to say how proud I am of our university. But then the beauty of the campus is not the prime reason for young people to come to Ouachita. The real and lasting beauty is in the changes made in the lives of those who come to Ouachita for their preparation for life ahead. The great scholarship, the Christian perspective, and the friendships make lasting impressions on their lives. That's why I sing "Ouachita, we sing thy praises, thy beauty, thy pow'r, thy fame."

Former Students Association

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MAY 11

FSA Commencement Luncheon

JUNE 11

Ouachita Reception at SBC (New Orleans)

NOVEMBER 8-9

Homecoming '96

NOVEMBER 19

Ouachita Dinner at ABSC (Little Rock)

More information concerning these events will be published at a later date. For questions concerning FSA activities, please contact the Alumni Office, OBU Box 3762, Arkadelphia, AR 71998-0001, or call 501-245-5506. Please feel free to correspond through E-mail. The address is alumni@sigma.obu.edu.

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Lois B. Baker
By: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson B. Eubank

John H., Sr. Bale
By: Mr. J. Rick Pruitt

Juanita Barnett
Former Librarian
By: Dr. and Mrs. Claude W. Summerlin

Curt Benton
By: COL and Mrs. David C. Jackson

James C. Berryman
Former Religion Faculty
By: Dr. and Mrs. Joe S. Jeffers
Dr. and Mrs. Cecil S. Sutley

Thurston Black
By: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson B. Eubank

Edward Blackmon
By: Mr. and Mrs. Dick Langdon
Mr. and Mrs. Harrell D. Stark, Sr.

Charles R. Blagg
By: Mr. and Mrs. James V. McKinney

W. J., Jr. Blagg
By: Mr. and Mrs. James V. McKinney

Evelyn Bowden
Former School of Music Faculty
By: Drs. Derrel and Janis Watkins
Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

John Boyt
By: Dr. and Mrs. Paul R. Root

Lorene G. Brandt
By: Mr. and Mrs. Bonnell C. Birkhead

Ralph W. Braswell
By: Mr. and Mrs. Farris C. Purviance, Jr.

Jessie May Brown
Mother of Richard Brown
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Christina P. Bryan
By: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gerard

Jimmy Butcher
By: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson B. Eubank

Hugh Cantrell
Former Religion Faculty
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Robert S. Cherry
By: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson B. Eubank

Joe Clements
By: Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Rogers

Cathryn Couch
By: Ms. Doris Baughn
Ms. Jane Edmonds
Ms. Nancy Richards

John T. Daniel
By: Mrs. Dorothy Barr

William Dann
Father of Jim Dann
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Logan Davis
By: Mrs. Martha L. Davis

Helen Davison
By: Miss Virginia Queen

Betty Dorsey
By: Drs. Woody and Freddie Jolley

Geneva H. Dorsey
By: Drs. Woody and Freddie Jolley

Harvey Elledge
By: Mrs. Alma Elledge

Thomas Benjamin Everett
Father of Wayne Everett
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Helen Frazier
Former Business Faculty
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Georgia Gardner
By: Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root

Lois Gardner
Former Foreign Language Faculty
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Calvin Joe Hall
By: Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Brackman
Drs. Ed and Fran Coulter
Mrs. Ruth M. Davis
Mrs. Betty Lile
Dr. and Mrs. Donald Jeffrey Moore

Mr. J. Rick Pruitt
Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Williams

Evelyn Hammons
By: Mr. and Mrs. John Cloud

Irma Harper
By: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clark
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Franz

Charles Hampton
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Helen B. Harrison
By: Mrs. Ruth M. Davis
Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. Harrison

Durwood Hatcher
By: Mrs. Dorothy Barr

Vega Hendrix
By: Mrs. Olive Murphy

Annette Hobgood
Former Home Economics Faculty
By: Mr. and Mrs. Hudson L. Abbott

Mrs. Dorothy Barr
Miss Catherine Condray
Mr. and Mrs. Norvell G. Holloway
Ms. Rose-Marie B. McCartney
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth J. Smith
Ms. Nancy E. Stocks

Dennis Holt
Former Drama Faculty
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Marian Jarrett
By: Mr. and Mrs. William L. Cravens
Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Price

Emery Jones
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke

Lynda L. Kelley
By: Mr. and Mrs. Farris C. Purviance, Jr.

Frank Lane
By: Mr. and Mrs. Farris C. Purviance, Jr.

Elmo Lawrence
By: Mrs. Inez Smithwick

Jeff Looney
By: Mr. and Mrs. Larry R. Bennett

Lillie Mae McBeth
Mother of Francis McBeth
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

John McCarty
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Freeman McMenis
By: Mrs. Eleanor B. McMenis

Bob McMorran
By: Mr. and Mrs. James V. McKinney

Weldon R. Miller
By: Mr. and Mrs. Argyle Anderson

LaDelle Moody
By: Mr. and Mrs. John Cloud

Herb, Sr. Moore
By: Mr. and Mrs. James V. McKinney

Glen Morehead
Husband of Joyce Morehead
By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Betty Frame Mowrey
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Flaig
Mr. and Mrs. William E. Hill
Dr. and Mrs. L. Jack McHaney
Mr. John F. Mowrey

Clara Murray
By: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin B. Aycock, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Joel Brown
Ms. Marjorie Fought
Harrison First Baptist Church
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hubbard
Mr. and Mrs. John R. Kehn, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Pounds

Bobby Myers
By: Mrs. Frances B. Myers

Leanna Nelson
By: Dr. and Mrs. L. Jack McHaney

Lou Ann Nicholson
By: Mr. and Mrs. John Cloud

Alice T. Olson
By: Mr. Egnar Olson

Martha J. Pacifici
By: Mrs. Eugenia Leeton

Wayne Pollard
By: Dr. and Mrs. R. Frank Taylor

Floyd Pope
By: Mrs. Doveta Pope

Robert Porter
By: Dr. and Mrs. R. Frank Taylor

Connie Quattlebaum
By: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke

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Class Notes

1926

Paul Morton (fs) lives in Beebe. He attends Union Valley Baptist Church. He assisted with the organizing and developing of their church library.

1933

Rev. Paul Elledge observed his 65th anniversary as a Southern Baptist minister. He and wife, Marie, live in Overland Park, KS.

1939

Alvin Clark was awarded the Th.D. degree, summa cum laude, in December from New Orleans Seminary.

1941

Onato (Wiley) Denney is a retired elementary school teacher living in Wadsworth, OH.

Since retirement, **Bill and Jacque (Bly '46) Hughes** have taught two summers in China. Bill was volunteer state coordinator for Missions Service Corp. Jacque was volunteer Foreign Mission Board liaison for Texas six years. Since

January 1995 both are consultants with Baptist General Convention of Texas Partnership Missions.

1943

Marilyn (Sanders) White (fs) and husband, Lewis, live in Shreveport, LA. They moved there after his retirement from the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, TN, where they lived for 23 years.

John Ashcraft and wife, Nan, members of Calvary Baptist Church in Little Rock, are presently in Celle, Germany, where he is serving as an interim pastor.

Martha Hairston who retired from the mission field in 1987, has returned to Brazil ten times, coordinating the work of volunteer mission teams, the most recent from Immanuel Baptist Church in Little Rock.

1944

Frances (Osborn) Hazzard (fs) retired in 1993 as manager of diabetes and nutrition clinic for Willis Knighton Health Care System in Shreveport. She is very active in professional and civic clubs.

1945

Albert and **Carr Lemoine (Moore) Priddy** live in Cabot. In December they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with an informal reception at their home. She is a retired school teacher and he is retired from the Department of Defense. They have two children, Melissa and MAJ Alan Priddy.

1946

Nancy (Orr) Haley has for the past few years been supporting the effort for the "Women in Military Service for America Memorial." The ground breaking for that memorial was held this past June. It will be located at the gate of Arlington National Cemetery and will honor all women who have served since Revolutionary War times.

1947

Alvis Carpenter retired in 1994 after 25 years of service as pastor and 15 years as marriage and family counselor. He and wife, Florence live in Clemmons, NC.

1949

James Taylor is a retired engineer for Avondale Shipyards. His wife, **Marie (Adair)** is retired from work at Bell South. They now live in IZard, AR, and have two sons **Timothy (79)** and James.

1950

Jesse Stogsdill pastored Cherokee churches and served for two years as DOM for Cherokee Association after retirement from the Home Mission Board in 1987. He and wife, Mary, live in Tahlequah, OK.

Duane Thomas recently retired after 45 years in the banking business. The last 22 years he served as the president of the National Bank of Commerce in Maben, MS. He now plans to spend some time researching his family's genealogy.

1951

Powell Hines has retired as professor of education at Texas A&M. He and wife, Patricia, live in Corpus Christi, TX.

Otis Turner was recently

Memorial Contributions

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Rateliff, Faye

Mother of Bettie Duke

By: Drs. Woody and Freddie Jolley

Reed, Ted

By: Mr. and Mrs. John Cloud

Riley, Bob

Former Political Science Faculty

By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Roach, Robert M.

By: Mrs. Connetta S. Roach

Rudolph, Mrs. Gene

By: Mr. John B. Keith

Schesventer, Carl

By: Mrs. Margaret Davis

Scott, Olive Denny

By: Mrs. Carolyn Berry
Mr. and Mrs. Bonnell C. Birkhead
Mr. and Mrs. James C. Hobgood

Seward, Donald

Former Math Faculty and Acting President

By: Miss Betty R. Allen
Ms. Caroline Cagle
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clark
Mr. and Mrs. John Cloud
Drs. Ed and Fran Coulter
Mr. and Mrs. John E. Davis
Dr. and Mrs. Ben M. Elrod

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Flaig

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn E. Good

Dr. and Mrs. Joe S. Jeffers

Drs. Alex and Meredith Nisbet

Miss Virginia Queen

Drs. Jeff and Deborah Root

Mr. and Mrs. Doyne E. Russell

Dr. Larry E. Russell

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Selph

Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Dr. and Mrs. R. Frank Taylor

Dr. and Mrs. William Trantham

Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Dr. and Mrs. Charles W. Wright

Mrs. Sarah York

Shambarger, Jessie

Mother of Jake Shambarger

By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Shults, Victoria

Mother of Donna Sisson

By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Sims, Carbon

Former Director of Alumni

By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Snell, Steven

By: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duke

Sorenson, Raoul

By: Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Williams

Stone, Joseph W.

By: Mr. and Mrs. William S. Naylor

Stout, Ruth H.

By: Mr. and Mrs. Argyle Anderson

Stout, Samuel R.

By: Mr. and Mrs. Argyle Anderson

Tyson, Werdna

By: Mr. and Mrs. James V. McKinney

Walker, Edmond

By: Mrs. Lurie B. Walker

Warren, Gene

Husband of Edith Warren

By: Dr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Sutley

Dr. and Mrs. R. Frank Taylor

Wells, Robert A.

By: Mrs. Sara L. Wells

Whittington, Otto

By: Ms. M. Jane Allen Hall

Williams, Milton N.

By: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson B. Eubank

Wilson, Mrs. Charles

By: GEN and Mrs. Melvin C. Thrash

Wilson, Jon Allen

By: Mr. and Mrs. Larry R. Kilbury

Works, Beulah

By: Judge and Mrs. Spencer Carver
Mr. and Mrs. Dale R. Stroope

Ms. JoAnn Utley

In Honor Of

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Benson

By: Mrs. Betty Lile

Miss Elma Cobb

By: Mrs. Helen Fling

Miss Nancy Cooper

By: Mrs. Helen Fling

Rev. and Mrs. David Couch

By: Dr. John E. Stuckey

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert I. Hamilton

By: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Ward

Mrs. Marilyn Hodges Kerr

By: Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Hodges

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Linkous

By: Ms. Lisa Hill

Mrs. Betty McCommas

By: Mr. and Mrs. Larry E. Kircher

Mr. Raymond Morris

By: LTC James W. Sanges

Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Pruet

By: Mr. and Mrs. Mack Hall

Mrs. Irene Stratton

By: Mr. and Mrs. Argyle Anderson

Mrs. Irene Ware

By: Mr. and Mrs. Argyle Anderson

Class Notes

appointed to the Arkansas Bar Association's Senior Task Force.

Earl and Nancy (McNeil, fs51) McCain are retired and living in Rogers, AR. They are both active in volunteer service, he at Pea Ridge Battlefield, and she with the historical society.

1953

Winston and Millie Beard live in Abilene, TX. Winston is retired as the president of Hendrick Medical Center Foundation but keeps busy with church and other volunteer work.

1954

Ruth (Holland) Carswell and husband, Sid, were elected to a second term as president and secretary/treasurer for the Golden Gate Seminary Arkansas Alumni Association.

Robert Eubanks was elected vice president of the New Orleans Seminary Arkansas alumni.

Floyd Emmerling is now serving as pastor of Angora Baptist Church near Mountain View, AR. He and wife, Sarah, have three children, David, Laura and Sherri.

James Wilson resigned in December as pastor of Parkway Place Baptist Church in Little Rock and accepted an interim pastorate for a church in Celle, Germany. He and wife, **Betty (Miller, fs 53)** will serve there for the next 11 months.

1955

Don Moore, who retired in December as executive director of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, is interim pastor of Parkway Place Baptist Church in Little Rock.

Candace (Ross) Brar is an Administrative Aide for Modern Xerographics. She is active in Prestonwood Baptist Church, Dallas, TX.

Glenn and Dorla (Medford fs 56) McCoy are in Portales, NM, where Glenn is chair of the Department of Religion at Eastern New Mexico University.

1956

David White retired from Army Chaplaincy in 1992 and prison Chaplaincy in 1995. He and wife, Jean live in Louisville, KY.

1957

Horace Duke retired in June with the rank of Colonel after 27 years of duty with the USAR. He received the bronze star for re-entry ministry in Desert Storm. His last duty assignment was senior chaplain

for the 124th Regional Support Command which serves Oregon, Washington and Idaho. He is now a counselor with Hope Ministries in West Linn, OR.

Farris "Purvy" Purviance worked for Crime Stoppers International from 1985-1992. He is now a consultant and lives in Albuquerque, NM. He also reports his marriage last year to Lela Lane Swinney.

Gerald and Barbara (Robertson, fs 58) Schleiff are on furlough from mission service to Zimbabwe where they have served for 28 years. Because the government there feels that there has been enough evangelization from the outside, the Schleiffs will not be allowed to return. Instead they will work with the Foreign Mission Board's Cooperative Services International (CSI). The Schleiffs have two children, **Mark '88** and **Kiki '90**.

Ken Burling is owner of The Burling Company in Cut and Shoot, TX. He is on the executive board of Montgomery County Crime Stoppers. He and his wife live in Conroe, TX.

1958

Janet (Larson) Davis is a high school teacher at Hickman Mills School District in Kansas City, MO. She is a member of Raytown First Baptist Church.

Charles and Peggie (Brewer) Sharp are in Garden City, KS, where he is director of missions for West Kansas Baptist Association. Previously, he served on the faculty at East Texas Baptist and Mobile College. He was an adjunct professor at Southwestern Seminary and taught short courses in South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Russia.

Charles L. Hughes retired from Memorial Baptist Church in Tulsa, OK after 25 years of service as the minister of music. He has been a member of the "Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma" for 26 years.

1959

Lonney and Jean (Hughes) Hulse live in Glenwood, IA where he is the pastor of Calvary Baptist. He has pastored three Iowa churches over the past 28 years. He was recently elected second vice president of the newly-formed Baptist Convention of Iowa and Jean was honored for 10 years service as WMU director for Iowa. They have four children and five grandchildren.

Joe Howerton and wife, Pat, left December 31 for Indonesia, where they will teach at Central Java Inter-Mission school.

1960

Mary (Hargett) Benberg is a counselor at Northwest Elementary School in El Dorado, AR.

Jerry D. Sparks has retired from the FBI and lives in Thomasville, GA.

1961

Billy Kite was awarded the 1995 national exemplary director of missions award for bivocational ministries during the annual meeting of the Fellowship of Bivocational Ministers in Bolivar, MO. He currently serves as director of missions for Ashley (AR) County Association and lives in Crossett, AR, with wife, Ruby.

1962

Milton Wilson is pastor of Matthews Memorial Baptist Church in Pine Bluff. He and wife, Alice, have two children: Patricia and David.

Cecil and Jerry (Grounds) Yates welcomed the arrival of their first grandchild in June of 1995. They live in Eden, NC, where he is director of security for Fieldcrest-Cannon.

Francis Schimming recently became the bivocational pastor of the Shrewsbury Baptist Church. He and wife Naomi live in Jarrettsville, MD.

1963

Jo Ann (Ferguson) Taube and husband Jim are in Kenosha, WI, where Jo Ann is an elementary music teacher in the Kenosha Unified School District.

Dr. Warfield Teague is professor of chemistry at Hendrix College in Conway. He is currently on sabbatical in Maryland. His wife, **Vicki (Ensminger fs)**, is a retired

wedding consultant. She is giving tours of the D.C. area.

1965

Ellis and Kay (Miller) Melton are with the American School in Japan where Ellis is curriculum coordinator and Kay is counselor. Ellis has also served as consultant to international schools in Thailand, Cambodia, and the Philippines. Prior to living in Japan, they taught in Saudi Arabia for 6 years. They have one son, Andrew.

Barry and LaFran (Justice) Crow are in Pine Bluff, AR. Barry was recently elected as Chairman of the board of the Greater Pine Bluff Chamber of Commerce. He is also executive vice president and CEO at Simmons First National Bank.

1966

Mark Shelton has been reappointed for a three year term to the board for the Little Rock branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. He is president of M.A. Shelton Farming Company and lives in Wabbaseka, AR.

1967

Sally (Spearman) Everett lives with her daughter, Amy, in Allen, TX, and teaches at Shepton High School in Plano, TX.

1968

Lynette (Guy) Ranton married Dr. Jim H. Ranton in April 1995 after the death of her first husband in 1992. They live in Sugar Land, TX.

Judy Dyer Blalock (fs) earned her doctor of pharmacy degree in

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PHONATHON • Jennifer Tolbert Byrd, a senior communications major from Wynne, Arkansas, participates along with other students in Ouachita's Annual Fund phonathon. The students raised more than \$57,000 in pledges from alumni and friends of the University.

PROFILE · · · Five Generations



Pictured above are three current Ouachita students, (clockwise from top) Julie Jones, a junior from Camden, Matthew Shepherd, a sophomore from El Dorado, and Susan Harrell, a sophomore from Camden. The photo on the left was taken in 1976, when the three met for the first time at their great-grandparents' home, the late Rev. and Mrs. Ray M. Smith of Camden. The photo on the right was taken in July, 1995, on the occasion of the girls' grandparents' 50th wedding anniversary.

Susan's parents are Judy and Mike Hargrave of Camden and the late Tommy Harrell. Julie is the daughter of Richard ('69) and Sandra Robertson ('68) Jones of Camden. Matthew is the son of Bobby E. ('73) and Bobbi Beeson ('72) Shepherd, who live in El Dorado.

Ouachita has been a tradition in the family for five generations. The three students' great-great-grandfather, George S. Smith was at Ouachita when Dr. Conger was president. His son, Rev. Ray M. Smith, is the great-grandfather of Susan, Julie and Matthew. Of Rev. Smith's family, 19 of his children and grandchildren attended Ouachita.

Julie and Susan are first cousins, and Matthew is a second cousin to them. Julie and Susan's grandparents are Rex (f.s. '47) and Rose Jane Smith (f.s. '47) Jones of Camden. Matthew's grandparents are the late Travis N. Beeson (f.s. '47) and Doris Smith Beeson ('48) also of Camden.

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December, 1995 and is a clinical pharmacist with Overton Brooks UAMC in Shreveport, LA. She and husband, Rick, live in Plain Dealing, LA.

1969

Henry Morgan, prosecuting attorney for Clark County, AR was recently elected 1996 president of the Arkansas Prosecuting Attorney's Association.

Benny McCracken is chaplain at the Pine Bluff Diagnostic unit of the Arkansas Department of Corrections. He takes God's message where a church can't go and sees approximately 5,000 male inmates each year.

1970

Dale Tucker is director of human services for the city of Louisville, KY. He and wife, Gail, have two sons, Todd and Daniel.

Ralph Shoptaw is President and CEO of the Four States Fair in Texarkana.

Cheryl (Kelley) Reeson lives in Vicksburg, MS, where her husband, Aaron, is an engineer with Archer Daniels Midland Co.

Bill Bowen was honored in November by First Church of Mena AR, for 10 years of service as pastor.

Fran (Jackson) Farias is a State Farm agent and an elder at Roswell, GA, Presbyterian Church. She and husband, Phil, have 3 children.

1971

Dr. Paula (Mitchell) Marks (fs), associate professor of American studies at St. Edward's University in Austin, TX, received the 1995 Western Writers of America award for historical nonfiction for her book "Precious Dust: The American Gold Rush Era." She and husband, Alan, have one daughter, Carrie, 13.

Charles Wilkins received his JD degree from Southern Texas Law School in Houston and has passed the Texas Bar Exam.

Randy L. and Janet (Crawley '72) Hyde are in Trumann, AR, where he is pastor at First Baptist Church.

Ronald and Pamela (Collins '69) Evans are in Bedford, NH, where they are owners of six McDonalds restaurants in the area. They have two daughters.

Dr. Larry Russell is director of finance and personnel for Lake Hamilton School District in Hot Springs, AR.

1972

Gwyn (Bradley) Fulmer (fs) and husband, Jim, adopted twins,

Joshua and Emily in 1992 from Lima, Peru. They now live in Glen Ellyn, IL.

Susan (McCain) Hinger has been promoted to senior vice president, trust administration officer, for Broadway National Bank in San Antonio, TX. Before joining The Broadway Bank in 1988, she was a vice president and trust officer at First Commercial in Little Rock.

1973

Stephanie (Shank) Miyake is a marriage, family, and child therapist in Monrovia, CA. She is also a very busy mom to two sons. Her husband, Thomas, is director of choral studies at California State University and director of music at Arcadia Presbyterian Church.

Jimmy Lea was promoted in August 1995, to co-director of the Forensic Drug Lab at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta. He also was appointed to the clinical faculty in the School of Allied Health in April 1995. He lives in Martinez, GA, with wife, Elaine, daughters Hannah and Jessie, and son Jordan.

1974

Julia (Chambers) Harvey lives in North Little Rock with her husband, Ray. She works for the Arkansas Sheriffs' Association. He teaches in his own Tekwondo school. Among his students is Julia, who holds the rank of 5D green belt.

Richard "Bogan" Morgan is vice principal of Hollydale Elementary School in Long Beach, CA.

Dale Martin is completing his fifteenth year as dean of student development at Eureka College in Eureka, IL. He and wife, Carol, have four children.

Cindy (Ritchie) Walker teaches at Glenbrook High School in Minden, LA. She and husband of 23 years, Tommy, have three children.

1975

Richard and Bennie Carol (Burgess) Wade live in Monticello, AR, where he is minister of music and youth at Second Baptist Church and is president of Drew County Minister's Association. She is choral director at Drew Central School District and is also president of the Arkansas Choral Director's Association.

Patty Snipes is a computer curriculum trainer for Pulaski County Special School District. She lives in Little Rock.

James Washington is principal at Henderson Junior High in Little Rock.

Michael and Pamela (Miller 76) Trammel live in New Market, MD. Michael is pastor at Mt. Airy

First Church.

Martha Hogan lives in **Madison, AR**, where she is a teacher in the **Lee County School District**. She just participated in her second mission trip to Santo Domingo, Mexico.

Stephen and Tommie (Smith 74) are still serving as missionaries in Portugal. Their son **Shad** is attending Ouachita. They also have a daughter, **Krista**.

Robert Showers and wife **Liz** live in **Camden, AR**, where he is a computer systems analyst for Saint Anthony's Health Center. She is a computer programmer analyst for Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

Laura (McHaney) Nix (fs) is now employed by Baptist Medical Center in **Philadelphia** as the certified registered nurse anesthetist. She and husband, **Joe**, former professor of chemistry at **OBU**, live in **Philadelphia** with daughter, **Erin**.

Donny and Patsy (Pettus '77) still live in **Little Rock**. Donny is a teacher for **Little Rock School District**. Patsy is an investigator for the **Arkansas Attorney General**.

Debra (Franks) Reynolds and her husband, **Sam**, have moved from **Conway** to **Bedford, MA**. Sam is a principle software engineer with **Polaroid** and Debra is running the family software business.

Diana (Griffith) Warnock is children's director of the **Christian school** at **Church on the Rock**, where husband, **Chuck**, is the pastor. They live in **Longview, TX**.

Kathy (Wadley) Ingram and husband **Jim** moved to **Osceola, AR**, in January. He is pastor of **First Baptist Church**. The **Ingrams** had been serving as **Southern Baptist missionaries** to **France** since 1990. They have three daughters, **Sara**, **Emily** and **Laura**.

In November, **Rhonda (Sealy) Thigpen** was named **Gulf South Conference "Coach of the Year"** for 1995. She is the volleyball coach at **Henderson State University** where husband, **David**, is head women's basketball coach. They have one son, **Zane**, 6.

Lavana (Jones) Kindle is teaching at **SAU-Tech** in **Camden**. She and husband, **Lee**, have 2 daughters, **Leah** and **Laren**.

Michael Ray (fs) and wife, **Linda**, have arrived on the field in the **Ukraine** to begin their first term of

service as **Baptist representatives**.

Denise (Bellamy) Ebisuzaki is teaching in a Japanese bilingual, bicultural program in the public school district in **San Francisco, CA**. She and husband, **Gary**, live in **San Pablo, CA**.

Sarah (O'Kelly) Silliman lives in **Camden, AR**, where she is an instructor at **Ouachita Vo-Tech College**.

Jimmy and Cynthia (Friedl '81) Ivers live in **Crossett, AR**. He is regional safety and health manager for **Georgia-Pacific Chemical**. She was selected as "Teacher of the Year" in '94 for **Crossett School District**. She has written a book titled "The Home Visit."

Mark and Donna (McCoy) Evans live in **Little Rock** with their 2 year old daughter, **Molly Anna Marie**. Mark is a civil engineer for the **Arkansas Highway and Transportation Dept**. Donna works for **Bristol Myers Squibb**.

Steve (fs) and Shannon (Cardine '84) Ballinger live in **Chantilly, VA**, where he is a contractor, builder, and cabinet maker. Their sixth daughter, **Emily Jane**, was born in August 1995. She joins **Micah Marie (10)**, **Danielle (8)**, **Hannah Rose (5)**, **Mary Kathryn (4)** and **Leah (2)**. The **Ballingers** are in the process of building a new home with **Steve** doing much of the work and making most of the furniture.

Deborah (Holley) Root, director of development publications and assistant professor of communications at **Ouachita**, has been selected to the 1995 Board of Judges for the **Columbia Scholastic Press Association** in **New York City**.

Pam (Cook) Jackson is manager for **Forecasting/Financial Analysis** at **Southwestern Bell Telephone Co**. Husband, **Tom**, is a project mManager for **Arkansas Systems**. They live in **Alexander, AR**.

Jamie (Wofford) Merritt and husband, **Chester**, live in **North Little Rock** where **Jamie** works for the **VA Medical Center** in the **Nutrition and Food Services Department** as a clerk typist and timekeeper.

Nathan and Cynthia Lewis are in **North Little Rock**. He is Owner/Director of **Arkansas Actions Lab**, the first and only school for film and commercial acting licensed by the state Board of Private Career Education. He is also owner of **Cyn Con Pictures Inc.**, a motion picture

production company. He had an acting role in the recent film, "Brother Conyers."

Hal Hall has moved from a pastorate in **Palm Bay, FL**, to **Madison Baptist Church, Madison, NJ**. He and wife, **Sharon**, have two sons.

Rev. Kirk and Dr. Karen (Williams 85) Bullington are serving as missionaries in the **Dominican Republic**.

Denise (Clark) Kaniss is an elementary school counselor in **Copperas Cove, TX**. Her husband is a tank commander in the **Army**. They have a three-year-old daughter, **Jillian**.

William "Alan" Brown received an MA degree from **Southwestern Seminary** in **Fort Worth**. He and wife, **Tammy (Wilson, '86)** live in **Fort Worth** and have three children, **Clint 4**, **William Austin 3**, and **Madison Marie, 6 months**.

Steven and Diane (Mackey) Lovell are owners of **L&L Stump Cutters** in **Benton, AR**. Steven is a laboratory director at **American Interplex Laboratories**. Diane

teaches in **Benton, AR**, and recently completed a masters in education administration.

Kent Priest is an artist at **Robertson's Photography**. His wife is a chemist supervisor. They live in **Montgomery, AL**.

Rick Johnson is a business development officer for **Comercia Bank**. He lives in **Dallas** with wife, **Tandra**, who works as a promotions administrator for the **Dallas Cowboys Football team**.

Gene Whisenhunt has been promoted to executive vice president and chief financial officer for **TCBY Enterprises Inc**.

Melissa Nesbitt is an assistant curator for the **Texarkana Museums System**. She manages the **Ace of Clubs House Museum** which was recently featured on the **A&E network special "Bob Vila's Guide to the Historic Homes of America."**

Jim and Melanie (Cardine) Constable live in **Sterling, VA**, with their five children: **Callie (10)**, **Rachel (6)**, **Tony (4)**, **Daniel (2-1/2)** and
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LADY TIGERS • Senior forward **Lavinia Young** scores for the **Lady Tigers** against **Arkansas College**.

PROFILE · ·

Col. Robert L. Utley · '37 & Lt. Col. William C. Abernathy · '43

Running through the current of once presidential aspirant Colin Powell's life are two Ouachita figures, one of whom had his name mentioned in a recent excerpt from Powell's autobiography published in the October 1995 edition of "Reader's Digest."

Prior to his retirement from active duty, General Powell served as a career Army officer, a captivating figure of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

While stationed in Vietnam, Powell was an officer under brigade group commander Col. Robert L. Utley, Ouachita class of 1937. Utley, who now lives in Fayetteville, was Professor of Military Science at Ouachita in 1951. Powell's battalion commander in Vietnam was career Army officer and 1943 Ouachita graduate Lt. Col. William C. Abernathy, whom Powell said "gave troop morale top priority." Abernathy now lives in Fairfax, Va.

Under Abernathy, as a first lieutenant in a captain's slot, Powell was assigned as battalion adjutant in First Battalion, 2nd Infantry to handle personnel, mail, promotion, discipline and "morale and welfare." In the book titled "My American Journey," Powell recounted that Abernathy was a "teetotaling Baptist from Arkansas and a graduate of Ouachita Baptist University who never uttered an expletive stronger than "golly." Powell said he viewed Abernathy's presence and came to the conclusion that he had to "clean up my act."

Powell said that Abernathy was "no swashbuckler," but he was a "solid performer who gave troop morale top priority. "He expected a promotion to private first class to be handled with the same importance as a promotion to colonel," Powell said.

The troops were paramount, always, in Abernathy's mindset. "Abernathy expected the men to be paid on time," Powell said. "Soldiers out in freezing weather were to have hot coffee and soup available. Any sign that a GI was not being properly looked after meant trouble right up the chain of command. Abernathy did not pamper the troops; he worked them hard and disciplined them, which was another way of caring."

Powell said in his vastly popular autobiography that Abernathy had another innovation that initially brought a perplexing glance from the young lieutenant. One day, according to Powell, Abernathy informed him that he was to set up a system of 'welcome baby' letters. Every soldier whose wife had a baby was to receive a personal letter from the battalion commander congratulating the parents. A second letter was to go to the baby.

"Abernathy demanded that I get these letters out the very day the baby was born," Powell related. He said he was not "enthusiastic" about the assignment and was unsure as to how to proceed with the order. "How was I supposed to know which men were about to become fathers?" he said. "I could picture the battalion massed on the parade ground: 'Every man whose wife is pregnant, take one step forward! All right. When's she due?'"

"I dragged my feet in setting-up the stork-alert system, partially, I guess, because I was single at the time," Powell said. "When he found out, Abernathy called me on the carpet." "Gee Whiz, Colin," he said. "I'm disappointed you haven't done this yet." Powell said the words came at him like a spear. "I would rather have been blistered with four-letter words than hear Colonel Abernathy's pained reprimand. I returned to my office and immediately added population reporting to my duties," Powell said.

Ultimately, the edict from Abernathy to Powell reaped benefits. "To my surprise, we got positive feedback from the letters," Powell said. "The soldiers were impressed by Abernathy's thoughtfulness. Mothers wrote that they appreciated being considered part of their husband's Army life. The babies were not talking yet, but I imagine, somewhere out there, a 35-year-old woman is wondering how a letter making her a member of the First Battalion, 2nd Infantry, got into her baby book.

"It was another lesson learned and filed—find ways to reach down and touch everyone in a unit," Powell said. "Make individuals feel important and part of something larger than themselves."

Powell said Abernathy had a compassionate soul coupled with keen professionalism.

"Abernathy had found a way to demonstrate caring in a fundamentally rough business," Powell said. "And, this he achieved at a time when the Army's attitude was, if we had wanted you to have a wife, we would have issued you one."

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Susanne (1). They are Christian family counselors and youth ministers in their church. Jim and daughter, Callie, are busy actors in a Christian theater group.

Paula (Holland) Caldwell is a homemaker in Richardson, TX, with her husband, Eddie and children, Josh and Courtney.

Kevin Stewart resigned as pastor of First Church of Horseshoe Bend, AR, to serve as pastor of Central Church in Owasso, OK.

Mike and Kelly (Patterson) Baldwin are now living in Cabot, AR. Mike is a commercial loan officer at Citizens Bank. Kelly is semi-retired from teaching to stay at home with son, Garrett and daughter, Katie.

Scott and Leslie (Funderburk 83) Byrd are moving to Arkadelphia this spring. Scott will join the dental practice of Dr. Tommy Roebuck. They have two children, Daniel-10, who is anticipating football season, and Lauren-7 who is an avid gymnast.

1985

Wes Sutton is working at Morgan Keegan, specializing in investments and Sports Management. He lives in Little Rock.

Stacy Williams is living in Little Rock where he is a market consultant in the political arena and is involved in public relations.

Roger Lee O'Neel is serving as the associate pastor of music at the Congress Avenue Baptist Church, Austin, TX. He has recently completed and defended his dissertation at University of Texas for a doctorate in music theory.

Scott Bryant reported in February to his new position in Singapore. He is regional development manager for Resort Computer Corporation, which specializes in worldwide management of timeshare/rental/condominium vacation properties. Since joining the company five years ago, Scott has traveled the world. He will be at this new assignment for one year.

1986

Mark Hicks (fs) was ordained to the ministry in January by Central City (AR) Baptist Church and is now serving as pastor of James Fork Baptist Church in Mansfield, AR. He and wife, Dana, have three children: Elizabeth, Benjamin, Jessica.

1987

Barry King has accepted the pastorate of Tumbling Shoals (AR) Baptist Church. He and wife, **Frances (Burton, '86)** are the parents of twins, Reagan and Ryan.

Class Notes

Thomas Medley has joined the staff of First Baptist Church in Hamburg, AR as minister of music and youth. He and wife, Tracy, have two daughters, Caitlyn and Hannah.

Susan (Girard) Warren has joined Guest House in Little Rock as sales manager.

Steven and Sherri (Watson) Roberts are in Magnolia, AR. Steven is the head football coach for Southern Arkansas University. Sherri is a homemaker.

David and Jennifer (Linkous) Wilson live in Little Rock. David was recently voted partner in the law firm of Friday, Eldredge & Clark.

Tammy Thrash lives in Texarkana, TX where she is working as a physical therapist assistant at a nursing and rehab facility.

Michael and Keri (Jordan '92) Bone are in Arkadelphia where Keri is a public school teacher. Mike has recently started a job as Credit Administration Systems Analyst with First Commercial Corporation in Little Rock.

1988

Jana (Hall) Wells is a stay-at-home mom. She is also active in the Twin City Mother of Twins Club. She and husband, Kenneth, live in Little Rock with their 3 children.

Marc Spencer was commanding the 546th Transportation Company (Airborne) at Ft. Bragg, NC, until December of '95. He and wife, Donata live in Fayetteville, NC.

Laura Bridges joined the staff of Stone & Ward, an advertising agency in Little Rock.

Mickey Shaffer is basketball coach at Caddo Hills High School, in Glenwood AR. He and wife, Lynn, have two children.

Curtis Parker is a pre-trial officer for the U.S. Probation Office in Little Rock. He and wife, Glenda Ann, live in North Little Rock.

1989

Alice (Frady) Galligani is a social worker living in Panama City, FL, with her two children.

Chris Taylor is minister to students at Grand Avenue Church in Fort Smith. He and wife, Wendy (Johnson 91), have a son, Caleb.

1990

Derek and Melinda (Monk 86) Randle are living in Knoxville, TN. Derek is an art professor at Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City and Melinda is the pharmacy manager at Walgreen Pharmacy.

Mitch Bettis was recently named advertising director of the Southwest Daily Times at Liberal,

KS.

Mark South lives in Little Rock with wife, Kelly, and children, Zackary and Hunter.

Angela (Nation) Terry lives in Arlington, TX, with husband, John and children, Ravyn and Parker.

Lucille Traylor (MSE) was cited recently as one of 30 Arkansas educators for excellence in teaching economics by the National Council on Economic Education. She was a recipient of first place in the open category. She lives in Little Rock and teaches at Baker Elementary School.

Marie Zhang is at Howard Hughes Medical Institute in Seattle doing research.

Gary McCartney works with Allied Supply in Conway, AR. Wife, Kellye works for the Arkansas Department of Health.

1991

Lisa (Murphy) Keeling and husband, Matt, are living in Cedar Park, TX, where she is the children's minister at New Hope FBC. Daughter, Katelyn Melinda, was born Nov. 10 1995.

Tony Price is working for ABC Homes in El Paso, AR. He recently earned top salesperson awards.

Lesli (Vickers) Mayner is Director of Outpatient Therapy Services at Concordia Rehab Services in Bella Vista, AR. Husband, Mark, is Director of Outpatient Therapy Services at Crossroads Therapy in Rogers.

1992

Zeke and Ruth (Atkinson) Moore live in Louisville, KY. Zeke is pastor of Buffalo Lick Baptist Church. He graduated in December from Southern Seminary with a master of divinity degree.

Six Ouachita graduates recently graduated from Southwestern Baptist Seminary: **Bob Thornton Biggers, Jr.**, master of divinity; **Gladys (Joiner) Childs**, and **W. Clark Colbert**, master of arts in religious education; **Robert C. Green**, master of music; **Toby Talley**, master of divinity and Biblical languages; **Paul Williams**, family counseling and religious education.

Greg Rudkin has been promoted to account coordinator in the account services department at Cranford Johnson Robinson Woods, in Little Rock.

Kevin Green is the territory sales manager for Philip Morris USA and lives in Pine Bluff, AR.

Todd Reed is pastor at Malta Baptist Church in DeKalb, TX. He and wife, Debbie, have one son, Andrew.

Jeff Sheeler is a mental health

worker and supervisor with Birchtree Communities in Little Rock.

Paul and Missy (Collier '93) Williams have moved to Dumas, AR, where he has joined staff of FBC as minister of youth.

Bob and Tricia (Murphree) Biggers live in Wilmot, AR, where he is pastor and she is a speech pathologist in Crossett.

Susan Calhoun was named in January as a community development consultant with the Arkansas Industrial Development Corporation in Little Rock.

1993

David Ward earned a master of arts in religious education from Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth.

Robby and Donna (Maples '95) Richards are in Benton, AR where Robby is minister to youth at Congo Road Baptist Church and Donna works at Union Bank of Benton.

Wade Tomlinson is minister to students at FBC Benton.

Amy (Costanzo) Davis is part-time secretary for Dr. Naylor at Southwestern Seminary, in Fort Worth. Her husband **John (fs)** is pastor of Oakridge Baptist Church.

Dana C. Caldwell is a sports writer for the Tampa Tribune and is living in Brooksville, FL.

Amy Williams is an RN at LSU Medical Center, in Shreveport, LA.

Robert and Jennie (Freeman) Sexton live in Little Rock. He is a law student at UALR Law School and a

Law Clerk at Huckabay, Munson, Rowlett & Tilley. She is an account executive at Active Years Magazine.

Penny Thomas is the recording secretary for the Pulaski County Young Republicans and office manager at Classic Impressions.

1994

Leah Liberator is the studio manager for Rivendell Recorders in Houston, TX.

Airman First Class Drew G. Timms is stationed at Fairchild AFB, WA. He is a survival instructor for Air Force pilots and aircrew members.

John Kelley is in Bryan, TX, and he is a graduate assistant in track at Texas A&M.

Dana Presley is at the Baptist Theological Seminary in Richmond, VA completing a master of divinity degree with emphasis in Pastoral Care/ Hospital Chaplaincy.

Bentley Blackmon is a stock broker for Dean Witter in Little Rock.

Travis McCormick is youth minister at FBC, Edinburg, TX.

Stuart Young is attending Owen Graduate School of Management at Vanderbilt University.

Brian and Michelle (Warren-Cook, '95) Bell live in Hot Springs where he is marketing director for National Park Medical Center and she is marketing director at Horizon Bank.

Cindy Staton is a registered dietitian and clinical coordinator at Bates Medical Center, Center for Health, in Springdale, AR.

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IN CONCERT • The Ouachita Sounds performs its January concert in Jones Performing Arts Center. The group is under the direction of Mrs. Mary Shambarger.

Class Notes



WINNING SMILE • Merideth Arnn, a junior choral music education major from Benton, smiles at the audience after being crowned the 1996 Miss OBU. Runners-up were Missy Nobles of Hot Springs, first runner-up; Erin Crumley of Denver, Colorado, second runner-up; Sarah Stanley of Warren, third runner-up and Miss Congeniality; and Alicen Laws of Mabelvale, fourth runner-up.

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1995

Jason Mueller is a chemist with GEO Specialty Chemicals in Bastrop, LA.

Peter and Rebecca (King) Lake are in Fort Worth, TX. He is an account manager for Conway Southern Express. She is a 6th grade teacher at Deer Creek Elementary in Crowley, TX.

Joy Mayfield will graduate from Baylor in August with an MS in Communication Disorders. She has an internship at Hillcrest Hospital in Waco, TX.

Mark Maier has joined the staff of Trinity Baptist Church in Malvern as minister of music, coming there from Marion (AR) FBC.

Former Faculty/Staff

Dewey and Dorothy Chapel were honored by Bismarck High School, where a new building was named for them. The Chapels both worked at Bismarck High before coming to Ouachita, where Mrs. Chapel chaired the department of library media, and Dr. Chapel was dean of the graduate school.

MARRIAGES

1962

Patsy S. Burrow to Paul Bray, December, 1995, Malvern, AR.

1981

Amy Elizabeth Pryor to Bill R. Roussel, September 23, 1995.

Jamie (Wofford) Scott to Chester Merritt, August 23, 1995, North Little Rock.

1983

Rick Johnson to Tandra Cromer, November 11, 1995, Dallas, TX.

1984

Karen Spencer to Bruce D. Gilmore, July 29, 1995, in El Dorado, AR.

1986

Elizabeth Ann Pack to Mark Thomas Robinson, November 11, 1995, Little Rock, AR.

C. Delaine Houston (fs) to Stan Bennett, March 11, 1989.

Vicki Lynne Gill to Thomas Richard Johnson, October 14, 1995, Yuma, Arizona.

1988

Lannie Emfinger to **Dina Teague ('89)**, November 16, 1995.

Marc Spencer to Donata Zak, August 3, 1990, Mannheim, Germany.

Jason L. Johnson (fs) to Angie Rashea Staton, February 3, 1996, North Little Rock, AR.

1989

Shannon Woodfield to Charles "Chuck" Wipf, July 1, 1995.

1990

Gary Dale Johnson to **Javonna Lynn Cogbill ('88)**, December 30, 1995, Hope, AR.

Gary Raymond McCartney to Kellye Jo Sindle, 1995, in Heber Springs, AR.

Cheryl Renee Kelley to Aaron Wayne Reason, December 15, 1995, Little Rock, AR.

Robin Felts to Owen Garretson, November 24, 1995.

1991

Michael House to Jennifer Johnson, June 17, 1995, Dallas, TX.

1992

Jana Michelle Crain to Carter Elliott, January 27, 1996, Star City, AR.

Mitchell Griffin to Tammy Martin, November 4, 1995, Springdale, AR.

Curtis Arnold to Jackie Hughes, 1995, Dallas, TX.

Chet Dycus (fs) to Mandy Sutton, December 16, 1995, Amity United Methodist Church.

1993

Christopher Maloch to Dayna Sharon Henry, December 9, 1995, Little Rock, AR.

Faith Ann Kennedy to Phillip Eugene Forsythe, December 9, 1995, Arkadelphia, AR

1994

James Richard Maxwell Jr. to **Janna Leigh Southerland (fs)**, December 30, 1995, Conway, AR.

G. Frank Roach to **Stacy Michelle Higginbotham**, January 13, 1996, Memphis, TN.

Travis McCormick to **Teresa Boyd** January 13, 1996, Vivian, LA.

1995

Brant Eugene Snell to Melissa Suzanne Brain, December 22, 1995, Little Rock, AR.

Holly Denise Freeman and Joel Kelly McElyea, December 2, 1995, Murfreesboro, AR.

Current Students

Rhonda Lynn Shemwell to

Bryan Lee Berry Williams, December 30, 1995, Arkadelphia.

Michael Lee Treat to Christina Lee McKamy, December 16, 1995, Little Rock.

Christine Danette Brown to Gregory Lynn Jones, November 18, 1995, Heber Springs.

Stacey Peoples to T. Ray Grandstaff, December 16, 1995, Greenwood, AR.

BIRTHS

1979

Jeff and **Dr. Sher (Lunningham) Craig**, daughter Laura Elizabeth, September 28, 1995.

Gary and **Cathy Stallings**, son Joshua Michael, October 23, 1995.

1981

Michael and **Kendra Wagnon**, daughter Madeline Marie, August 11, 1995.

1982

Larry and **Melissa (Greenway) Chance**, daughter, Susanna Leigh, November 25, 1994.

Hal and **Sharon Hall**, son, Michael Aaron, September, 23, 1995.

Randy and Nadine (Marshall) Fontaine, son, James Ryan, February 6, 1995.

Charlie and **Jan (Harvill) Fletchinger**, daughter, Clare, December 13, 1995.

Rev. Kirk and Dr. Karen Bullington, daughter, Emily Mae, February 10, 1996.

1983

Alan and Tammy (Wilson 86) Brown, daughter Madison Marie, October 25, 1995.

Steven and Diane (Mackey) Lovell, daughter Carmen Raylene, July 11, 1995.

Matt and **Hideko Ueno (fs) Howell**, daughter, Rachel Moriah, Jan. 8, 1996.

1984

Tim and **Elizabeth Hubby**, daughter, Vivian Hewes, January 18, 1996.

1985

Larry and Karen (Purtle) Bennett, daughter Ashley Nicole, March 30, 1995.

James and **Leslie White**, twin daughters Rachel and Mary Beth, October, 1995.

1986

Jeff and Wendy (Wade) Stotts son William Kizziar, November 12, 1995.

Odas and Jan (Orr) Parsons

Class Notes

daughter Taylor, fall of 1995.
Julie (Hartsfield 87)
 daughter, son Jacob Austin, December, 1995.

Felicia Ajayi, daughter
 of **Ayodeji Oluwayomi Adunigba**, October 20, 1995.

Steve and Mandy (Jones '90)
Pascoe, son Byron James, August 27, 1995.

Steven and Sherri (Watson 85) Roberts, daughter Abby Lynn, June 6, 1995.

Don and Dana (Duke fs) Spackes, twin sons Jeremy and Daniel, November 2, 1995.

Gary and Norma (Spencer '89) Powell, daughter Bethany Joy, January 6, 1996.

Stan and Sharyla (Cooper) Thompson, son Brady Marshall, December 13, 1995.

Richard and Rachel (Bostian) Egebrecht, daughter Sarah Anne, October 27, 1995.

Blake and Carol (Reeder fs) Mitchell, son Hogan, February 9, 1996.

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

Kent and Karen (Crouch) Coulter, daughter Ellen Elizabeth, January 5, 1996.

Damon and Natalie (Allen fs) Butcher, son Bryce Allen, April 21, 1995.

Gary and Janet Mitchell, son Alton Craig, summer 1995.

Brett and Michelle Rogers, son William Carson, December 13, 1995.

Charlie and Linda (Snider) Archer, son Braden Alan, January 26, 1996.

Chris and Krista Rinehart, son Noah Benjamin, November 27, 1995.

Greg and Jamie (Frazier) Rucker, daughter Riley Brook, February 19, 1996.

Brett and Stephanie Williamson, daughter Morgan Lane, February 6, 1996.

Joey and Jennifer (Lowery) Woodfield, son Landon Joel, November 24, 1995.

Frankie and Cassandra (Sample) Feltrop, daughter Jordan

Alexandra, October 23, 1995.

DEATHS

1920
Vega (Stovall) Hendrix (fs), February 9, 1996, Fort Smith, AR.

1922
Hazel (Jones) Scudder, June 6, 1995, Yorktown, PA.

1924
Hattie Mae (Whatley) Caplinger (fs), December 21, 1995, Little Rock.

1926
Essie (Graves) Galigher, early 1994, Tucson, AZ.

1927
Elizabeth Sloan Housley, January 4, 1996, Hot Springs, AR.

1928
Marian (King) Jarrett, February 11, 1996, Little Rock.

1929
Berlin B. Millsapps, deceased 1988, San Antonio, TX. Notified February, 1996.

1931
Irma Harper, January 23, 1996, Arkadelphia, AR.

1934
Roger Dollarhide, 1995 (exact date unknown), Pensacola, FL. Notified February 1996.

1935
David DeFir, December 14, 1995, El Dorado, AR.

1936
Clell H. McClure, January 6, 1996, Nashville, AR.
Lucille Goldsmith, December 29, 1989, Gaithersburg, MD. Notified February, 1996.
Harry J. Hall, March 5, 1996, Hot Springs Village, AR.

1937
Eloise Virginia (Preddy) Bellue, November 6, 1995, Little Rock.

1938
Thomas Lynch, October 15, 1995, Laguna Beach, CA.

1940
Olive (Denney) Scott, February 19, 1996, Hot Springs, AR.

1942
John Marvin Basinger, November, 8, 1995, Jonesboro.

Betty Frame (Davidson) Mowrey, October 25, 1995, Tillar, AR.

Henry D. Jones, deceased 1991, Georgetown, LA. Notified February 1996.

1943
I. M. Kibbe (fs), November 1995, Mabelvale, AR.

1945
Elise (Pitts) Robertson, deceased 1982, Mesquite, TX. Notified February, 1996.

Bob Wells, November 4, 1995, Newhall, CA.

1947
John N. McKinney (fs), February 5, 1996, Rison, AR.

1948
Thelma Louise (Robertson) Upchurch (fs), January 4, 1996, Pine Bluff.

Evelyn (Poimboeuf) Thompson, May 25, 1994, Beaumont, TX.

Roland Robertson (fs), November 14, 1995, North Little Rock.

Yvonne "Evie" (Holt) Goudy (fs), January 31, 1996, El Dorado.

1949
Robert H. McAlister, deceased 1976, Mineral Springs, AR. Notified February 1996.

1950
Olga (Stephens) Corder (fs), November 1, 1995, Bald Knob, AR.
Margaret Atchison, December 22, 1995, Baton Rouge, LA.
Joe D. Gault (fs), May 11, 1993, Colorado Springs, CO. Notified February 1996.

1951
Sidney Smith, Jr. (fs), February

6, 1996, Wynne, AR.

John Fry (fs), September 3, 1991, Fort Worth, TX, Notified in February 1996.

1954
Frankie Pickard, March, 1995, Doraville, GA.

1958
C. R. (Creighton) Middlebrooks, December 1, 1995, Hope.

1967
James Fowler, January 10, 1996, Sanford, FL.

1972
Terry Romine (fs), January 18, 1996, Sherwood, AR.

1975
Bill Adcock (fs), deceased 1994, Little Rock. Notified February, 1996.

Dearl G. Durham, deceased date unknown, Little Rock. Notified February, 1996.

Haskell M. Orrick, January 15, 1994.

1976
Rusty K. Wyatt, February 12, 1996, Alexander, AR

1982
Calvin Joe "C.J." Hall, January 6, 1996, Little Rock.

1983
Jeffrey Looney (fs), December 24, 1995, Little Rock.

1984
Ugulo Kuza "U. K." Madugu, January 3, 1996, Nigeria, Africa.
Linnie (Green) Henton (MSE), February 1, 1996, Little Rock.



RUSH PARTIES • The members of Chi Delta Women's Social Club perform their clown party during rush. Men's and women's rush was followed by a week of induction activities.

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John Cloud
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ESTATE AND
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To borrow a phrase from yesteryear (revised), "there's gold in them thar words." The information in the following articles can teach you how to give more to your loved ones, save taxes, avoid probate, and possibly provide for a stronger Ouachita to benefit future generations of young people. You can't beat that, folks.

For example, a revocable living trust is usually a quicker and more economical way to transfer your estate vis-a-vis a will. The revocable living trust has additional benefits that are outlined in the adjacent article.

Please pay particular attention to the article on retirement account planning. Uncle Sam has his eye on a fortune currently stashed in retirement funds that someday will be subject to income, estate, and excise taxes to the tune of 75% or more of the principal. In case that last sentence didn't sink in, this means that loved ones often will receive less than 25% of the retirement fund value.

The article should whet your appetite for additional information, which we conveniently have. Our booklet is chock full of nuggets about retirement fund planning that will help you make the best decisions for all concerned. Return the enclosed card, or call us at 501-245-5169, and we will send the booklet to you immediately. You may never make a better investment of your time.

The remarkable living trust

Have you ever thought about setting up a trust for yourself, now? That's what a "living" trust is about. It's a trust you set up now, rather than one created by your will. A living trust may be the best idea around for managing your investments during your lifetime.

How a living trust works

A trust is a legal arrangement under which you, as grantor, transfer money or other assets to a trustee of your choosing. The trustee holds the trust assets, manages them productively, and distributes the income and principal to or for the benefit of the persons and charitable organizations you name, as you direct.

In most states you can be your own trustee. (Naming a successor trustee is wise.) In some states you may need a co-trustee.

Many varieties of trusts can be living trusts, offering tax-saving advantages and unique ways to provide support for yourself or loved ones.

Revocable or irrevocable trust

With a revocable trust, you can change the trust terms, withdraw assets, or terminate the trust during your lifetime. With an irrevocable trust, you give up these powers, generally in order to save income or estate taxes. A living trust can be either type.

A living trust whose remainder will eventually come to Ouachita can be revocable. You simply direct in the trust agreement that part or all of the remainder be paid to us after your lifetime.

How does this arrangement differ from

an irrevocable charitable remainder trust, as defined in the tax code? You reserve the right to change your mind, so you can't take the substantial income tax deduction as you can with an irrevocable trust.

Personal benefits

You can secure numerous personal benefits from a revocable living trust: receiving income, supporting someone close to you, relinquishing the responsibilities of asset management to a professional trustee, arranging for the distribution of trust assets after your lifetime as you see fit, and avoiding

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probate for the trust assets.

Perhaps most importantly, in the event of your absence or disability, the trustee can pay your bills and provide for your financial support.

How to make the right choice

A living trust is a remarkable financial and estate planning tool. To secure the plan best suited to your needs, be sure to consult an attorney who knows the features and benefits of various living trust provisions. Ask our representative to help you and your attorney design a trust plan for your immediate requirements and our long-term goals.

Don't lose your retirement money to taxes!

Funds in a **qualified retirement plan usually represent deferred compensation that has yet to be included in taxable income.** Having these **undistributed assets** to individual heirs at your death will **subject** them to both **income and estate taxes**, triggering a **total effective marginal tax rate** that is **incredibly steep** — even **exceeding 75%** in some cases!

Yet **there** is no need to **have income and estate taxes eat up money** to which you were **entitled**.

Here's how to preserve those assets

After your lifetime, the **undistributed balance** in a **retirement plan account** will **have to be distributed and taxed** to someone else, either **to your estate or to an heir.** Because a **charitable organization** such as Ouachita is **tax-exempt**, when you name us as beneficiary the **deferred income** in your **qualified retirement plan account** may never be **taxed**.

Professional estate planners know that the best

assets to transfer to a charitable organization are normally those items that generate "income in respect of a decedent" (IRD), a term denoting assets subject to income tax in addition to estate tax. The largest source of IRD will usually be one's retirement plan.

By your request to Ouachita, you can make sure that 100% of your retirement plan assets will support your specific philanthropic objectives — at a relatively small cost to your individual heirs.

Which plans to choose?

Qualified retirement plans are one of two types: annuity plans or individual account plans. Annuity plans, which are generally referred to as defined benefit plans, pay regular retirement income to a participant. Since these payments often terminate upon the death of the participant or the surviving spouse, there is usually nothing available to give to a charitable organization or to any other beneficiary.

In comparison, individual account plans are frequently described as defined contribution plans, and they resemble tax-sheltered savings accounts. Some examples are money purchase plans, profit-sharing plans, 401(k) plans, stock bonus plans, Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), and Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOPs). If a participant dies before the entire account has been distributed, the remaining balance can be transferred to a charitable organization or an heir.

How to donate a retirement account

To leave the balance of a retirement account to Ouachita after your lifetime, simply advise the plan administrator of your wish and sign whatever form is required. For an IRA or Keogh plan you administer personally, notify the custodian in writing and keep a copy with your valuable papers.

If you are married, your surviving spouse is usually entitled by the plan

requirements to receive the entire amount in certain qualified plans, such as those mentioned above, except IRAs. Assuming other resources are available, your spouse may be willing to execute a written waiver; if this is not done while you are living, a qualified disclaimer must also be signed. Then your bequest of a retirement account is allowable. If you prefer to make your spouse the primary beneficiary of the account, name us as the secondary beneficiary.

Perhaps you want your children to benefit from your retirement account, too. In that case, designate a specific amount to be paid to us, before the division of the rest among your children; or use your account to establish a charitable remainder trust that will provide income to your children for a period of years before coming to Ouachita.

Our new booklet gives you real-life illustrations of the benefits of gifting retirement plan assets along with some cautions on what not to do. To receive your free copy of Retirement Plan Assets as a Charitable Gift, complete and return the enclosed reply form.

UPDATE YOUR AGING WILL

Wills can quickly become outdated as circumstances change. A work of art or collectible may become more valuable over time, but an outdated will may cause more harm than good.

Your will is a snapshot of your life and property at a given moment. Even though it may provide for some contingencies, an old will can't cover every

possible change that may have occurred since it was first drawn.

Marriage, divorce, or death can have a profound bearing on your estate plan. Your assets — or their values — may have changed. New federal or state tax laws may impact your estate. You may have moved to another state with different probate statutes.

Make your will more valuable

By addressing changes your old will doesn't cover, a new will (or a codicil which modifies your old will) can deal with your family's current needs and circumstances and express your present wishes. Updating your will may even

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GIVE *without* GUILT

You can make a generous gift to Ouachita without feeling you are shortchanging yourself or your family. Many charitable gifts can be structured to enhance your financial security. Should your personal circumstances require it, you can even change your mind about the gift opportunities described here.

Bequest by will

In your will you can state a dollar amount or specific property to be given to Ouachita. Generally, a bequest is distributed from the estate before the residue is figured and distributed. As an alternative, you might give OBU a share of the residue.

Your will can designate certain amounts, property, or shares of your estate for specific individuals, provided they survive you. If not, you designate that those assets be given to us. This is known as a contingent gift.

Often a charitable bequest is given in memory of the donor or a loved one. We are pleased to honor these wishes and have many suitable ways to recognize a memorial gift.

Because you can amend your will whenever you wish, bequests can be changed during your lifetime.

Remainder of revocable trust

The simplest "trust" gift is a bank account, which you open in your name "in trust for" Ouachita Baptist University. During your lifetime you continue to receive any interest on the

account, and you can add or withdraw funds at any time. After your lifetime, the balance becomes our property.

You can also receive income for life from a revocable living trust. If that is insufficient for your needs and wants, you can withdraw assets anytime. In the trust agreement you can specify that whatever is left in the trust after your lifetime will go to us. In the meantime, you can add to the trust, amend it, even revoke it.

Retirement plan beneficiary

It is possible that in certain retirement plans, a large part of the principal will remain after your lifetime. This asset makes a welcome charitable gift.

- If you have no relatives you want to make the beneficiaries of the plan, you might name OBU as your primary beneficiary.
- If you are married, name OBU as the beneficiary of part or all of the balance remaining after your spouse's lifetime.
- Designate a specific amount for Ouachita, before the division of the remainder among children or other family beneficiaries.

To arrange one of these options, simply advise the plan administrator of your wish and sign whatever form is required. (If your gift will reduce the benefits to which your spouse may be entitled, he or she should sign a spousal waiver.)

For an IRA or Keogh plan you administer personally, notify the custodian; then keep a copy of that notification with your valuable papers.

Life insurance beneficiary

Many donors are discovering creative ways of using life insurance to fulfill their charitable goals. A gift of life insurance is especially appealing as it can make a larger gift possible without reducing your income. Here are attractive strategies.

- Make Ouachita the beneficiary of an existing policy. This way you still own the policy and control all its options. You can name us as the primary or contingent beneficiary of part or all of the death benefits.
- If you are receiving payments under an annuity contract, arrange a contribution of any residuary benefits after your lifetime.
- Donate an old insurance policy whose coverage you no longer need. Generally, by assigning ownership of the policy to a charitable organization, you'll receive an income tax charitable deduction for approximately its cash surrender value or replacement cost, depending on whether or not premiums remain to be paid.*

Ask us for more ideas

If you would like to give more to a good cause without giving up your own financial security, talk with us about the many options available for making a meaningful charitable gift.

The information in this publication is not intended as legal advice. For legal advice, please consult an attorney.

*The deduction cannot be greater than your net investment in the policy and must be reduced by any policy loan.

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save your estate thousands of tax dollars. Some examples:

- **Your family status.** Because of births, deaths, marriages, divorces, or other reasons, you may want to add or delete beneficiaries, or increase or decrease the shares of your estate going to certain beneficiaries.
- **Your property.** The growth (or shrinkage) of your estate, a recent business restructuring, the acquisition of a new home or other significant assets, the sale or gift of important personal effects — events like these may necessitate changes to bequests or to provisions that have tax implications.
- **Your trust plan.** Maybe a beneficiary is unable to manage money responsibly but you nevertheless want to provide something from your estate for that person. A trust arrangement can ensure professional management of assets and reduce estate taxes.

Will your good works continue after your lifetime?

Your interest in our work witnesses your desire to help meet our financial needs. But maybe you have said to yourself, "I'll do more after I no longer need the money myself."

When you review your will, consider adding or enlarging a bequest to Ouachita, to perpetuate your philanthropy after your lifetime. There is no better way to achieve a special kind of immortality.

For peace of mind, ask your attorney to update your will. To discover ways to include Ouachita in your will, either through a bequest or as a beneficiary in other ways, call our representative.

From the Archives



Baseball Team • Members of the 1960 baseball team were: (front row) Tommy Murphree, Bob Harris, Bill Dawson, Ken Davenport, Dee Webb, J. V. McKinney, D.B. Allen, Coach Rab Rodgers, (second row) Coach Joe Young, Tom Niemeyer, Don Rosa, Winston Bryant, Wendell Bryant, Harris Flanagan, Bill Norwood, Richard McCuistion, Wayne Davenport, Jim Perry.

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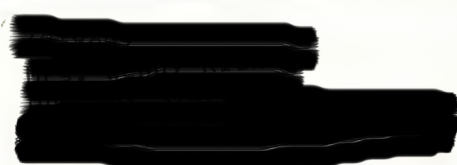
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