

The People's Choice

# OUACHITONIAN LEADERSHIP AWARDS

**W**ho knows students better than other students? Probably no one does. So with that idea in mind, the procedure for selecting winners of Ouachitonian Leadership Awards was re-designed. Students were involved in the initial

nomination of candidates for this award.

The Ouachitonian Leadership Awards began as a supplement to Who's Who that would be open to all classifications of students. Its purpose was to recognize students for achievement and

participation in a Ouachita organization, club or cause.

The selection process began with departmental chairmen and campus clubs nominating students. The list of nominees was sent to a committee of students and faculty to be voted on by secret ballot. Each committee member selected 10 people. The top 50 per cent of the nominees completed information sheets, on which points had previously been assigned for the various activities.

Originally, there were to be 10 winners but, due to a tie, there were 12.

The winners were kept secret until distribution of the *Ouachitonian* in May

## Mike Carroll

**M**ike Carroll, a senior accounting major, was president of Blue Key (1975-76) and of the Ouachita Student Foundation. He was a member of the Student Senate, the Accounting Club, FCA, and Beta Beta social club.

Mike was senior class treasurer in 1976. He has made the President's List four times and the Dean's List once. He is a past winner of the Ouachitonian Leadership Award, and has been listed among Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.



## Charlie Cook

**C**harlie Cook is a senior accounting and business major. He was a three-year member of the Student Senate where he served as treasurer and as vice president for External Affairs.

He was Beta Beta social club president, and a member of the Accounting Club and FCA.



## David DeArmond

**D**avid DeArmond, a senior music major, was a member of Blue Key and Kappa Delta Pi honor clubs.

He was a Student Senate member and sophomore class president. As a member of the BSU, he served as chapel coordinator. He worked with the Contact Team for two summers, and was a member of Beta Beta social club.

David's music-related activities included participation in the OBU Choir, OBU Singers, JCP&L and Phi Mu Alpha national music fraternity. He was selected to Who's Who.



## Bonnie Dinkel



**B**onnie Dinkel, a senior English and physical education major, was this year's homecoming queen.

She was president of Gamma Phi social club, and a member of Kappa Delta Pi. She was also a member of the AWS, FCA, SELF coffeehouse committee and President's Forum.

Bonnie was a starter for the Tigresses basketball team. She was also a contestant in the Ouachitonian Beauty Pageant. This year, Bonnie was selected to Who's Who.

## Becky Huddleston

**R**ebecca Huddleston is a senior communications and speech and drama major. She was vice president of National Collegiate Players and a member of Pi Kappa Delta honorary speech fraternity.

She was a member of Verbatim, Carousel Players, the forensics team and the University Choir.

Becky was also a member of the BSU, a writer for the *Signal* and News Bureau, and Student Senate secretary. She was selected to Who's Who.



## Wesley Lites

**W**esley Lites, a senior religion and philosophy major, was vice president of the campus BSU, as well as president of the State Baptist Student Union.

He was a member of the Ministerial Alliance, and was chaplain of Beta Beta social club. Wes was also a member of Blue Key, Student Foundation, Student Senate and SELF.

He worked two summers as a Contact Team evangelist, participated in the honors program and was selected to Who's Who.



## Bob Peck

**B**ob Peck, a senior accounting major, was president of Blue Key. He was a member of Alpha Chi, the Accounting Club, and the BSU.

Bob was vice president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), and was business manager for the *Ouachitonian* and the *Signal*.

He participated in the honors program, made the President's List five times, and was selected to Who's Who.



## Randy Sandifer

**R**andy Sandifer, a senior communications major, edited the campus newspaper, the *Signal*, this year.

Randy was a member of Blue Key and Alpha Chi honor clubs. He made the Dean's List four times and the President's List twice. He performed with the OBU Band and Stage Band.

He was listed among Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.



### Shawn Shannon

**S**hawn Shannon, a senior sociology and psychology major, was president of the Association of Women Students (AWS), and founder of the Panhellenic Council for girls' social clubs.

She was a member of the Student Senate, BSU and the EEE social club, and sang with the University Choir, the OBU Singers and the Ouachitones. In addition, she was a member of Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha Chi and the honors program.

Selected Miss Congeniality in the Miss OBU and Ouachitonian Beauty Pageants, she was also selected to Who's Who.



### Martha Jane Smith

**M**artha Jane Smith, a junior music education major, was a member of several campus singing groups: the University Choir, the OBU Singers and the Ouachitones.

She was a member of the BSU, AWS and Chi Delta social club, and worked with the Contact team for one summer session. Martha Jane was in the homecoming court two years, and competed in the Ouachitonian Beauty Pageant.



### Kelvin Story

**K**elvin Story, a senior communication major, was director of photography for the *Ouachitonian* and the *Signal*.

He was a member of FCA, Rangers, Pershing Rifles and Young Democrats.

Kelvin's work won a first place photography award in state yearbook competition in 1975.



### Ronny Yowell

**R**onny Yowell, a senior biology major, was president of the Student Senate. He was member of Pershing Rifles, Rangers, the Rifle Team and the Drill Team. He was honored by the ROTC department with the American Legion Auxiliary Medal and the Academic Achievement Award.

Ronny was president and rush chairman of Rho Sigma social club, a member of SELF and was a cartoonist for the *Signal*.



# Outstanding Senior Woman

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## Shawn Shannon

Each year the Association of Women Students (AWS) elects an Outstanding Senior Woman. Every girl on campus is a member of the organization, so the selection is the choice of all female students.

Shawn Shannon, a sociology and psychology major from Little Rock, was elected Outstanding Senior Woman.

Shawn was president of the AWS. She was a member of the Ouachitones, the Student Senate, the BSU and the EEE social club.



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# Outstanding Senior Man

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## Wesley Kluck

Wesley Kluck, a chemistry and mathematics major from Arkadelphia, was elected Outstanding Senior Man by Blue Key.

Blue Key, of which Wes was a member, is a national honor fraternity for men with outstanding leadership ability and a 2.8 grade-point average.

Wesley was also a member of Beta Beta Beta, Alpha Chi and the Ouachita Student Foundation (OSF). He was chairman of the OSF fund-raising committee.

For Students, faculty and team members Christian Focus Week was . . .

# A Week of Reaching Out

**I**nvolvement and interest in Ouachita campus life? The Christian Focus Week team members were. All through the week of February 7-11, the different personalities were seen in chapel services, Noonday, classrooms and just getting to know the students.

"The Farther We Reach Out, the Closer We Become" was the theme for the week-full of activities. All types of people made up the team, such as the Imperials, the Grammy award-winning gospel singers; and Dr. Frank Roughton, who did a dramatization of Jesus.

The morning chapel speaker was the Rev. Larry Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Jefferson, Tennessee, and a graduate of OBU. Special music for chapel services was presented by Roger Copeland, minister of music and youth at Second Baptist Church in Little Rock. Roger also gave a concert on Tuesday night. Mary Ann Smith, who had lived in Germany during World War II, spoke during the concert of her involvement with hiding Jews.

Charlie and Debbie Cruce live in Tyler, Texas where he is pastor of Park Heights Baptist Church. Both spoke

*DORM DEVOTIONS gave students a chance to meet with team members and OBU faculty such as Jo Ann Beaty.*

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*SHARING HIMSELF: speaking, Charlie Cruce this week.*



*PERSONAL CONTACT WITH the students was a main concern for CFW team members. Roger Copeland talks with Nancy Ferguson and Randy Granderson at the Midnight Breakfast.*

*BESIDES SPEAKING IN Noonday, Ray McKis-  
sle also led afternoon discussions.*



*THE GRAMMY AWARD-  
WINNING Imperials entertained  
a full house on Monday night.*

# A Week of Reaching Out

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and sang during the week at Noonday services, discussion sessions and dorm devotionals.

Richard Kleinman, associate pastor at Wilshire Baptist Church in Dallas, served in several capacities during the week, preaching, leading discussions and singing. Ray McKissic, pastor of Union Baptist Church in Hot Springs, led a discussion group and spoke in Noonday as did Sheila Rodgers, who also sang. A graduate of OBU, she is working at Stephen F. Austin University.

The student reactions to all aspects of CFW were mostly complimentary. "The speakers this year were the best I've ever heard. They appealed to all types of people. It was very organized," said sophomore Pam Pollard.

"I enjoyed the Midnight Special," said Henry Goldmon. It was a Friday night combination of CFW team members, local talent and OBU students.

All the organization for the week was done by Coy Theobalt, chairman, and his committee. Vicki Lowery, a member of the CFW committee, said before the special week, "It is our hope that through the week we can learn new and fresh ways to reach out to other people and share the love of Christ."



*TALKING SINCERELY WITH a student, Dr. Frank Roughton entertained OBU all week by his preaching and dramatizations.*

*CHAPEL MUSIC WAS provided by Roger Copeland each day.*



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were the best  
I've ever heard."



*MIDNIGHT BREAKFAST WAS a time for John Walker and Rick Hill to entertain students.*



*EACH SONG SUNG by the Imperials was inspirationally given.*



*CFW NOONDAYS WERE attended by large crowds. Charlie Cruce sang one day and his wife, Debbie, played the piano.*



AT A PLANNING SESSION, puppet team members go over a script, which they have written. Sitting in the center is the director, Steve Phillips.

## Puppet team Making people happy

**BSU organizes puppet ministry; team performs in state churches, schools**

*by Donna Kirkpatrick*

**S**ore knees! Cramped arms! Happy hearts! A love for the Lord! The 15 students that had all these characteristics in common were members of the Baptist Student Union (BSU) puppet team.

The team was formed during the fall semester under the direction of Robert Turner, a sophomore from Blytheville, and Elmer Goble, BSU director. The team consisted of two smaller groups: "Sewn to Serve," which had six members, and "No Strings Attached," which had seven members.

The team traveled to schools and churches around the state. Even though they performed for all age groups, the puppet team specialized in children's Sunday schools and children's churches.

A puppet program consisted of skits in parable form, magic tricks with a religious emphasis, sing-along songs and pantomimes.

The team, which practiced 1½ hours each week, performed both secular and religious items but the main objective of the team was to introduce Jesus Christ to people of all ages through the puppet ministry.

"We tell a lot of stories in parable form with a moral or lesson," said Steve Phillips, a freshman from Pine Bluff and director of the group. "Puppets can make a difference. A person may be hardened toward a subject but the puppets can break the ice to the Christian concept."

Several of the members had participated in hometown puppet teams, but the majority of the group never had worked with a puppet before. The new members learned the techniques,

such as "walking" on stage, coordinating mouth movement with sound and keeping eye contact with the audience.

The puppet team did everything independently. The members made their own props, wrote and recorded scripts and sewed the puppet's clothes. As Phillips said, the members realized the value of the puppet equipment when they had to make it themselves.

In addition to performances, the team also conducted workshops for churches interested in beginning a puppet ministry.

The puppet personnel consisted of five people-puppets: Rudy, the ringleader and Ralph, a pink worm. The five puppets—three boys and two girls, didn't have definite names since they played a wide variety of characters. Rudy was slightly larger than his fellow puppets. He required two people to "work" him while the other puppets needed only one person. Rudy's hands were gloves into which a team member slipped his own hands. This allowed Rudy to scratch his head, "eat," or grip the stage. The only animal puppet on the team was Ralph, who, in his words, was the lowly worm. Ralph taught Bible verses and choruses to children in the children's churches.

Seeing a puppet performance from the view of the audience gave the impression of a smooth and ordered show; however, behind the curtain was an entirely different story.

The atmosphere was far from calm. Members were almost trampled in the shuffle to speak into one of the three microphones. Clothes were ripped off the puppets and new ones frantically slipped on for the following script. All of this bedlam went on simultaneously among the members and in complete (or near complete) silence.



*RUDY, PLAYING THE GUITAR, is the leader of the puppets, and requires two people to operate him. At a couple of Christian Focus Week chapels, Rudy and the other puppets read the announcements.*

*THE PUPPETS don't have specific names, playing a variety of characters. Although the puppets that the team now uses are manufactured ones, the team members hope to eventually make their own.*



Puppets can turn a disaster into an amusing and funny experience. Early in the year during a performance at an area church, the one disaster occurred that terrifies all puppet members - the stage fell. Luckily the director was nearby and caught the falling side before everything behind the stage was revealed. One puppet thought quickly and popped up and began to hold the stage together with his "mouth" as the show continued. The audience was so amused at the antics of the puppet that the tension of the moment was quickly forgotten.

Occasionally a team member emerged from behind the curtain to participate in a skit with the director. In one performance the director, Steve Phillips, chose a small boy named David to portray David in the Bible story of David and Goliath.

After Phillips explained to the boy that David was to fight the giant with only a sling shot, he asked the giant to come out. Goliath (Steve Buelow, a sophomore from Hot Springs) emerged dressed in a long black robe, a shield and sword — made out of aluminum foil and cardboard.

Apparently, the reenactment of the story was too realistic for little David. Instead of bravely slaying Goliath with his slingshot, he began to cry. "That was the first time anything like that had happened," Phillips stated. "We've learned to be more careful. We don't want to scare the kids."

Another pitfall occurred when a puppet's swinging arm hit team member Becca Danner in the eye. "I had to go through the last half of the performance with no contact," Becca exclaimed. "I couldn't even see the script we were doing." But even with all the people moving around behind the stage, she found the contact after the show.

Members of the team expressed their views of their involvement with the BSU activity.

Marla Ingram of Texarkana, TX, said, "I enjoy the team unity. We are all close and no one puts up any fronts. We are honest with our feelings."

Terri Edmonson of Harrison said, "I'm excited about being on the puppet team. It's a way to improve my Christian witness."

Becca, of Searcy, said, "I can express myself through puppets in a special way. Kids listen to puppets when they won't listen to older people."

Buelow said, "I enjoy it. It's my way of working for the Lord. It's a different type of ministry."

Perhaps the feelings of the entire team was expressed by Mike Thibodeau, a senior from Hallsville, TX, after his first performance: "My knees hurt and my arms are sore, But it's all worth it. I like to make people happy."

The other members of the team are: Mark King of San Diego, CA; Mike Buster of Texarkana; Stefan Eubanks of Harrison; Lou Barton of Gurdon; K. C. Rupe of Waldron; John Medford of Lincoln; Janis Knipmeyer of North Little Rock; and Donna Kirkpatrick of Van Buren.

# The Year's Plays:

"The Night  
Thoreau Spent  
in Jail"

"Godspell"

"Ah, Wilderness"

"Uncle Vanva"

"Reynard the Fox"



*FOLLOWING THE CRUCIFIXION scene in "Godspell," Mark Allison, Kenny Suggs, Kenny Yopp, and Randy Sandifer carry Jesus (Steve Cheyne) off the stage. The audience cheered when Cheyne returned to sing in the finale of the play.*

## "Godspell" sets attendance record; actors receive awards

The Theatre. People can love it, attend it, involve themselves in it for years, and never seem to be able to explain its magic.

The theatre is the place where people can experiment with dreams, where they can do things they never thought they could do; where if they're brave enough, in the process of finding other characters, they find themselves.

Meanwhile, back at Verser Theatre . . . the budget's been shot, we're losing Mr. Caldwell and Harry Pattison has the nerve to think that *he* can do "Godspell."

This was the scene for the end of the spring semester in 1976. Dennis Holt directed "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail" by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee to conclude the bicentennial season. The play's set was simple, but the message of individuality was strong. Senior Jon Grafton played the title role with the



ACCOUNTING TEACHER Jon Kelly's son T-Jon portrays Ralph Waldo Emerson's son in a scene with Henry David Thoreau (Jon Grafton).

passion and humor that the pace-setters the play was about - Thoreau and Emerson - must have had, to walk to "a different drum."

"Godspell;" based on the Book of Matthew, started out as an outlandish possibility in Harry Pattison's mind in a moment of boredom during his sophomore year. And two years later it was on Verser's stage. It was a mixture of Michael Tebelak's script, Stephen Schwartz' music, a lot of borrowed sound equipment, a very assorted cast of mainly non-music and non-drama majors, and a production just controversial enough to make some cast members hold their breaths during opening night.

The controversy concerned the portrayal of Jesus "not as God who died on a cross, but the man who loved with us," according to Pattison.

But the play was accepted by record breaking audiences. And, after the summer and fall performances of the play, the cast was invited to perform at the Arkansas Southern Baptist Convention in Pine Bluff.

Franc Tamboli, who joined the faculty in the fall, was initiated right off by directing the first major play of the season, Eugene O'Neill's "Ah, Wilderness."

O'Neill's only comedy, the play had all the gentle ingredients of the "Good ole days" - your papa's cigar, your bratty little sister, and (sigh) your first love.

Verser's entry in the American College Theatre Festival was Anton Chekov's "Uncle Vanya," directed by Dennis Holt. The play dealt with futility of men's lives—and how some can rise to exist with it in dignity.

Two of the cast members, Joe Burnett and Rebecca Huddleston were recognized for outstanding performances in "Uncle Vanya" at the state festival in Little Rock.

The Carousel Players performed "Reynard the Fox" in area elementary schools as Verser's 20th annual Children's Theatre production. "Reynard" was directed by Dwaine Clark, an elementary education major who had combined two loves in the Carousel Players: the theatre and children.

JOE BURNETT IN THE TITLE ROLE of "Uncle Vanya" and Rebecca Huddleston were recognized for outstanding acting at the state drama festival in Little Rock.



# The Year's Plays:



## Cast member is thrilled by audience response

**E**ven though I had participated in theatre in high school, until last summer I had always talked myself out of trying out for any of Ouachita's productions. Fortunately (for me at least) I had begun spending a lot of time with Harry Pattison, "Godspell's" student director, shortly before the summer began. As a result, I constantly heard every detail of the coming production and it was inevitable that I should give it a try.

An otherwise aimless summer suddenly took on a very definite direction as the nights were spent learning lines and movements and other people, while the afternoons were used to figure out where the heck you find a ten-foot tall, rather long chain-link fence that you don't have to pay for and how the heck you get it to stand strong on a stage.

When the work was completed, we played to packed houses with responsive audiences. That in itself was probably the biggest thrill. Because every performer

wants an audience that's big enough and responsive enough to show him that they appreciate what he is doing.

Even if the entire cast and crew does constantly torment you by singing "Pre-e-e-pare ye" horribly out of tune, you know that some of the applause is for you.

"Godspell" gave me new friends and the new experience of college theatre. And nowadays, whenever I hear a reading from the Gospel according to Matthew, I see the scenes that go with the words.

*A YOUNG MANS' FIRST LOVE is depicted in "Ah, Wilderness" by Carl Utley and his love Melody Wise.*

*THE MILLER'S MAID, Theresa McCorkle serves Dinner in "Ah, Wilderness" while a drunk Don Carter makes a fool of himself.*





**WHILE ANNETTE HARVILL GOES** out into the audience to sing "Turn Back Old Man," the rest of the cast moves back and forth on the stage in one unit. Everyone had to remain in step.



**THE ROAR OF THE GREASEPAINT**—Dwaine Clark applies make-up to Ronny Wasson for his part in "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail." IN "Godspell," there was no make-up applied before the performance. Instead, the castmembers put each others make-up on as part of the performance.

**ALTHOUGH "GODSPELL" IS BASED ON THE GOSPEL** according to Matthew, it does contain some modern facets such as Kenny Sugg's impression of Richard Nixon and the cast's parody of the movie "Jaws".

**DIRECTOR FRANC TAMBOLI** of "Ah, Wilderness" conducts some preliminary blocking with Dwaine Clark and Robin Murray. Carl Utley later received the part (Richard Miller) Clark is portraying. Miss Murray played a "painted lady" who tries to corrupt Richard Miller.



## the guys:

# "If it rains, they'll drown..."

by Janet Adams

**A**s the end of another semester approaches, once again the age-old question arises among the female enrollment . . . "Why don't Ouachita boys date Ouachita girls?"

As I look around the campus I see beautiful girls and wonder what it is that turns Ouachita guys off instead of on, so I just decided to ask a few and find out.

Girls that have a "pretty smile, are energetic, and have a broad field of interest," are what David Baxter likes. He feels that a lot of the girls are interested only in their main area of study and do not pursue other interests. David said he would rather have a girl "cute with personality" than one beautiful without it.

Appearance is a sticky point also. Guys like girls that try to keep their

weight down, make themselves as attractive as possible by using makeup (but not too much), and dress neatly. I hear through the grapevine that there are about 50 girls on campus who fit into this category.

Terry Barber, a ministerial student, thinks our girls are impressive in a positive way. They "are not conceited," are "sincere in their spirituality," and most of them are "easy to get a date with," he said.

Every fall there's a mad rush among upperclassmen to date freshman girls. One senior guy (who for obvious reasons will remain un-named) feels that this because freshman girls are more conscientious about their appearance and have not been "corrupted" by social clubs.

"After a girl gets into a social club, she's out to impress her sisters more than

the guys," the senior said.

Barber disagrees with this view. He thinks that a social club gives a girl confidence and a "feeling of belonging." Guys have more of a "tendency to date girls that belong to social clubs," he said.

Several guys stereotyped OBU girls as "stuck-up" and "plastic." Especially the female upperclassmen. They don't like the simple things in life such as dining at Walt's, a walk after dark. "They are satisfied with just a movie," said a junior. "They expect you to spend a lot of money, and the next day they don't even know you," blurted an irate senior.

It seems that the Ouachita girl's reputation is quite widespread, according to

*TWIRP WEEK gives the girls a chance to pick up the phone, call the guy of their choice, and participate in the Gamma Phi "Sadie Hawkins" twirp week kissing booth.*



to John Wiley, a transfer from Arkansas Tech. When he was making plans to transfer, he was "warned" by other Tech students to watch out for the OBU girls.

Their noses are so high in the air that if it rains they'll drown," he was told.

Then there's the girl who invites guys to "lust" after her yet turns "cold turkey" when the guys want to take her out.

Guys say they prefer to keep things on a friendship basis, but girls have a tendency to feel "glued to you" after several dates. And if the girl doesn't get serious, her friends get serious for her and ruin the whole relationship.

"Speaking from the black perspective," said Herb Hanks, a senior, "it's pretty dull for the blacks on campus." Black guys outnumber the girls so females feel they can pick and choose who they want to go out with. "But at Henderson, it's a different situation. The girls outnumber the guys and they're more friendly," Hanks said.

"If you're black and from Ouachita you can get a girl at Henderson," Hanks said. It seems that somehow the HSU girls have gotten the impression that OBU guys are sophisticated, according to Hanks.

The restricted hours seem to be

another problem with dating at OBU. The biggest part of a date is spent watching the clock to make sure the girl is in the dorm on time. Also there isn't any place to really be together and "just talk" since guys cannot go to girls' dorm rooms. At Henderson they have "pop ins" when the guys can visit the rooms.

Well there you have it. The majority of girls here are stuck up, unfriendly, possessive and plastic, according to the guys here. Girls sit in their dorms and wonder why the guys won't ask them out, and the guys say that the girls think they're too good to go out on a date simply for companionship.

It's a vicious circle. At OBU, girls are girls and boys are boys. And unless some changes are made, seldom shall the twain meet.

*ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN over a hotdog at Walt's cafeteria. Tish Burke and Mark Lowman are engaged in friendly conversation.*



*"WHY CAN'T GIRLS have friends that are guys?" Vicki Bell and Charles Barber are just that.*



## double take

the girls:

**"There are a lot of nice guys here—  
though I don't know where they stay..."**

by Janet Adams



**T**hey only like to date the prettiest girls on campus and if you're not Miss Superstar you don't get a date, and I don't like them," seethed one incensed sophomore. She was referring to the campus' male gender.

The guys here and their dating habits seem to be a topic of quite a few conversations among the girls on campus.

One of these girls is Beverly Collier, a sophomore from Brinkley. "Ouachita guys fall into three categories: the too hot, the too cold, and the just right," she said. Beverly feels that one of the hang-ups where dating is concerned is that students just can't afford it. "Guys fail to realize that an evening in the game room followed by a Coke from the grill, or even a movie at Mitchell, can be just as much fun as an evening at Casa Bonita."

Generally, most girls feel that OBU boasts some "outstanding guys and good leaders," but they should date more. They also feel that the guys here are "nicer than most," "reasonably polite," but "some are not very mature."

Terri Kuhn, a sophomore from Gordon, thinks the boys are easy to get to know and talk with. "This is a Southern Baptist school and most of them are not as wild as guys at other schools," Terri said.

Speaking of religion, one of the categories Mary Mann places OBU guys in is "religious fanatics." "They carry six Bibles in their pockets and think you're not saved if you don't carry six Bibles." Her other two categories are "nice guys," which are the best and "in between religious fanatics and football jocks. We have our dummies here just like everywhere else, but there are less of them here," Mary said.

From a freshman's point of view, Kim Holstead thinks "OBU guys are really great, most of them, but three-fourths do

*AN EVENING IN THE GAMEROOM equals a fun date for Mike Ferguson and his fiancée, Pam Shepherd. They have a choice of playing bumper pool, foosball, table tennis, air hockey, billiards or bowling.*



**UPPERCLASSMEN LIKE** meeting brand new faces. Here, freshman Suzanne Harris exercises her new freedom by visiting with Faron Rogers and Ronny Yowell in the lobby of a men's dorm.



**IT'S SIMPLE MEASURES** can be seen as they Davis and Johnny Johnson share a laugh over the latest issue of the SIGNAL.

not take people out. I have a lot of guy friends," said Kim, "and I'm glad. They will do anything for you."

She feels that most guys want to be brother-type friends rather than boy friends, and Lou Barton, another freshman, agrees with her.

Both Kim and Lou feel that social clubs influence a guy's decision as far as whom he dates and whom he doesn't date. "Social clubs give girls certain reputations, and guys date girls according to what social club they belong to," Lou said.

The guys here are "good to share your experiences with and they understand. They are not conceited and are out-going, but they don't seem to date all that much," Lou said.

"I think it's unfortunate that most people are either going steady or not

dating at all," said Dena Hall, a junior. "And if one guy from a group dates you, none of his friends will ask you out."

Dena said she is not suggesting that anyone should interfere with serious dating relationships among friends, but "don't put girls out of circulation" simply because one guy asks her for a date.

Comparing OBU guys with guys on other campuses, Cynthia Moore feels that they are not any different here than any other place. "There are a lot of nice guys around here," Cynthia said, "though I don't know where they stay. A lot of them are hypocrites. They say they're one thing and then you go out with them and they're something else.

"This is very disillusioning to me. Guys on campus say girls make them act the way they do; so therefore I feel like

they're weak and won't stand up for what they believe. They allow us as women to manipulate them if that is true," Cynthia said.

There you have it . . . true-from-the-heart opinions. Will the dating life here ever change? Will boys and girls begin to form more than brother-sister relationships? Your guess is as good as mine—but it is certainly an entertaining idea.

**It's not exactly  
home but . . .  
we're one  
big family!**

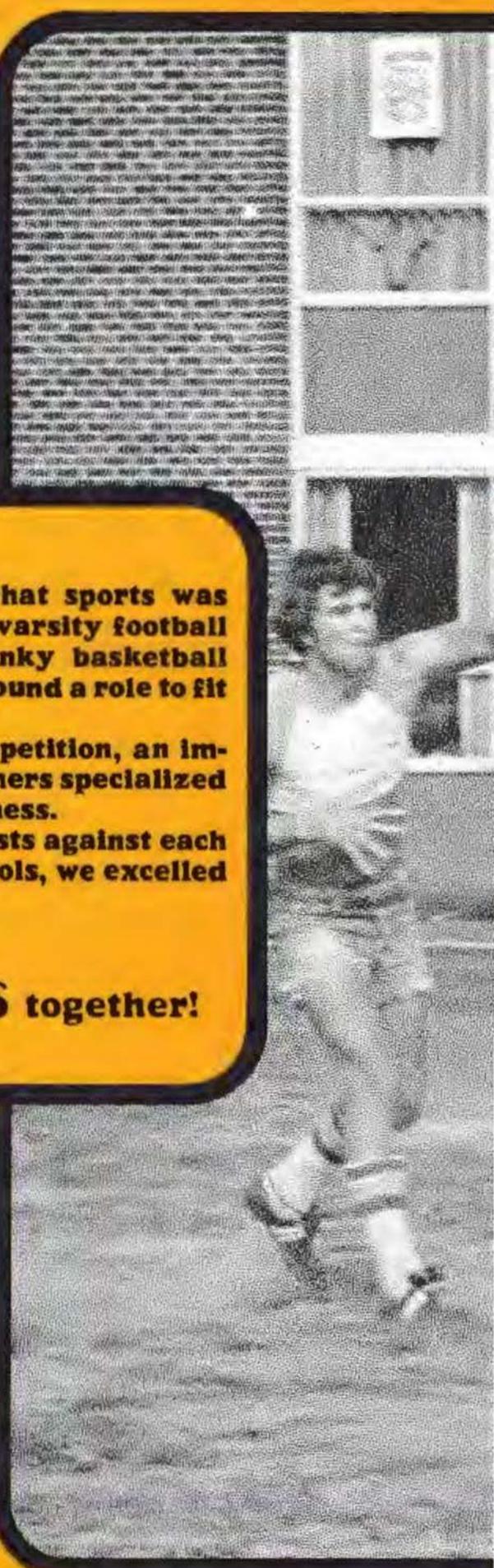
**S**omething for everybody. That's what sports was like for us. Whether we were a big varsity football letterman, an agile tennis buff, a lanky basketball player, or a lean pole vaulter, we each found a role to fit into.

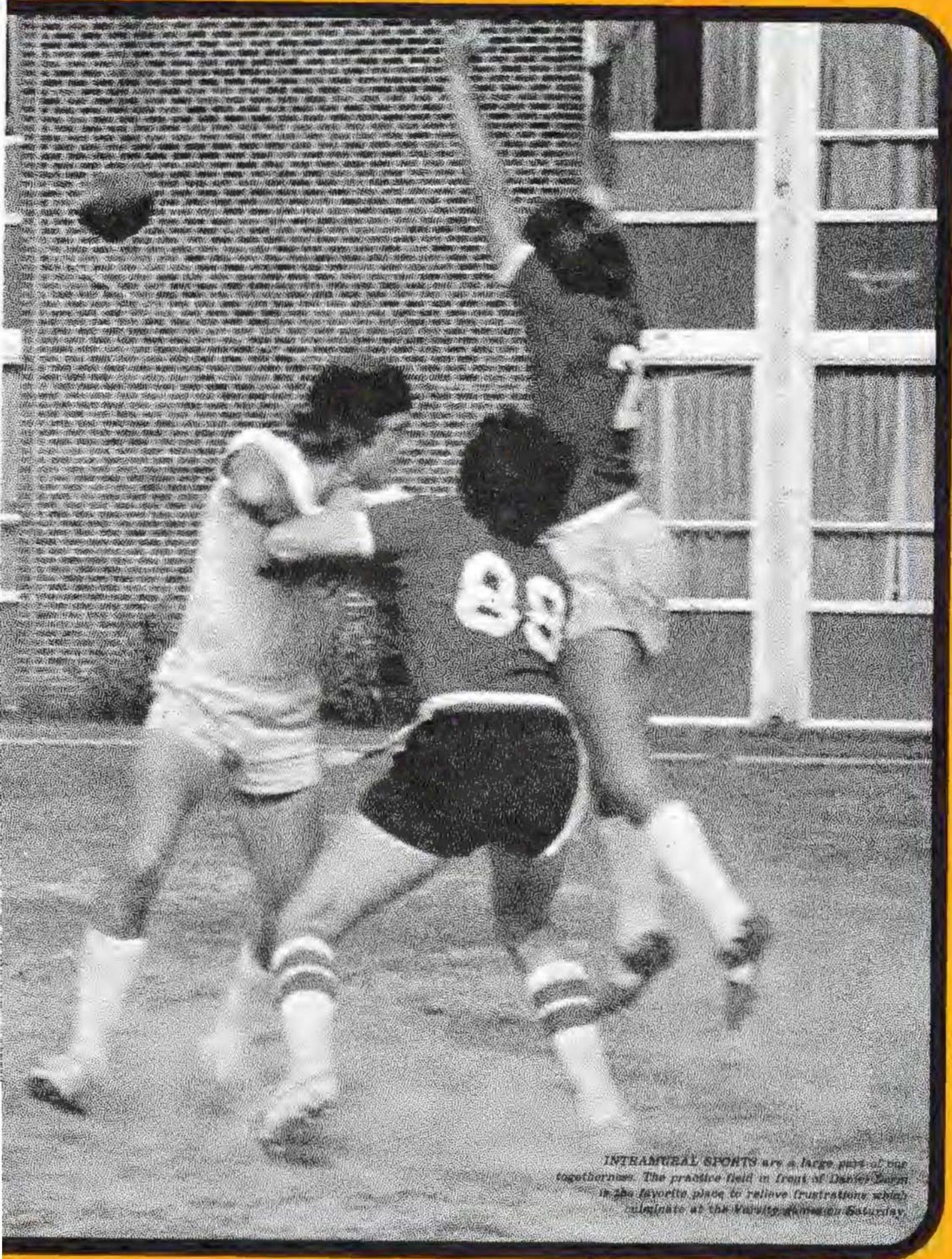
Some of us fit into intramural competition, an important phase of the sports program. Others specialized in things like air hockey, foosball or chess.

Whether we were involved in contests against each other, or were pitted against other schools, we excelled in being . . .

**The family that COMPETES together!**

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*INTRAMURAL SPORTS are a large part of our togetherness. The practice field in front of Danley Gym is the favorite place to relieve frustrations which originate at the Varsity games on Saturday.*

# MEMORIES



*THAT INFAMOUS LOOK of discontentment from coach Benson became all-too-familiar to Tiger fans during the past season.*

...  
**what use  
to be.**



*TIGER TAILBACK Ricky Segely's eludes a horde of defenders during an early season game at J. V. Williams field.*



OUACHITA TAILBACK William Miller eludes Bison defenders on a sweep around left end.

## A Taste Of Glory

The Tigers earned a taste of glory last season by rolling to a 9-2 season record, defeating Henderson State University 21-20 in the process. The effort was rewarded by a berth in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics playoff tournament.

An invitation to the Bicentennial Bowl was offered to the Tigers, but that would have meant foregoing the chance to play in the NAIA tournament. A team vote said, "We'll go with the NAIA." The gamble paid off.

Competing in the playoffs added a special meaning to the semi-final game. It was a first in Ouachita's history.

Actually, the game was a first for everybody: Ouachita's Tigers, Salem's Tigers and Arkansas. It was the first time Ouachita or Salem had been in the NAIA playoff tourney, and the first time Arkansas had played host to an NAIA playoff game.

But Ouachita's hopes of an NAIA championship were smeared on a muddy field under the pressure of an effective Salem offense led by their own Tony Dorsett, small college All-American, Jack Deloplaine.

The Tigers surprised Salem on the first play from scrimmage by throwing long to then freshman split end William Miller for an 80-yard scoring pass. That touchdown was the only spark the Tigers from Arkadelphia could muster on that cloudy day, and they finally succumbed to the Tigers-from-the-north, 16-7.

OBU's defensive tackle Jim Cox made eight unassisted tackles and four assists in the game to be voted the outstanding defensive player. Deloplaine was named the outstanding offensive player of the game.

Alas, the cup of glory passed over Ouachita's fieldhouse this season. Finishing with a season record of 5-4, the Tigers were not allowed to taste the victory that had been theirs a year before. That honor was saved for UCA.



## sidelines

Cheerleading is definitely an experience in itself. It is a lot of hard work and practice but the fun outweighs both."

—Nancy Whitten

I don't think I can pick up one memorable experience as a cheerleader at Onachita because just being a cheerleader in itself is one big experience. It's just not the same sitting in the stands."

—Brice Wagner

# ...of what could have been...

## Tigers slowed by injuries in early season play

**E**ven before the season started, Buddy Benson was faced with the problem of deciding on a starting offensive line, one that, before injuries, was a host of returning starters from the AIC Championship squad of last season.

Pre-season injuries sidelined three sure starters, Thomas Stivers, Ted Cook, and George Hern, meaning that Coach Benson had to find able personnel to replace three experienced linemen.

Both Cook and Stivers strained a knee, Cook his right and Stivers his left. Cook, a junior regarded as an excellent pulling-guard by Benson, missed one-fifth of the season; Stivers, the only Tiger with college experience at tight end, missed half of the season. For Hern, a starter last fall, a wrenched knee sustained in the first week of practice prematurely ended his junior year.

"We just don't have the depth the other teams have," said Head Coach Benson, "We've got to keep our people healthy if we want to win."

*A HOST OF TIGER DEFENSIVE LINEMEN stretch for the sky in attempting to block a field goal at one of Ouachita's four home games.*

Last season, that's exactly what the Tigers did. Luther Guinn and Jim Askew fell victim to the injury bug the Tigers rolled to a 9-2 season. Once the season got rolling the Tigers made it through the first game without major injuries to key players, but in the game against Bishop, quarterback Ronnie Bruton separated his right shoulder. Benson was obliged to put Neal Turner, junior varsity quarterback, in the driver's seat for the Tigers.

After falling to 3-2 for the season, Ouachita sought to start anew against Mississippi College, but the going was tough on key players like Rickey Rerick, Ronnie Bruton, and Ray S. still on the injured list.

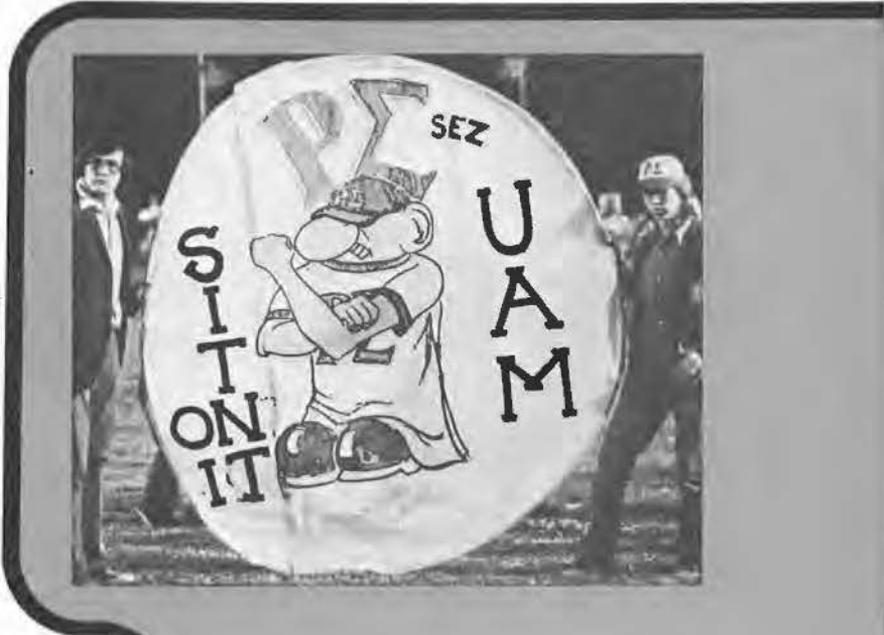
Coach Benson disallows injuries as an excuse, though he has no excuses except that when you start getting your team on offense knocked out due to injuries and substitute something's going to go wrong."

The Tigers did start off anew against Mississippi College by winning 6-0, but managed to win only one more the rest of the season. Most coaches will deny that injuries affect a team plays, most Ouachitonians won't.





Midline runs over the extra bit of grass.



## sidelines

**S**ocial Clubs provide an important part of football games . . . spirit. Members are sometimes required to attend all home games as called meetings. Usually the club will sit in a block in the stands and compete with the cheerleaders for the yells.

Rho Sigma sponsors the Victory Hoop at all home games in which the team makes their entry onto the field. The Red Shirts are also known as the men with the cow bells . . . a sure spark for school spirit.

Sigma Alpha Sigma completes the social club activity at games with its cannon located at the east end of the field. The "S's" fire the cannon upon a touchdown by the Tigers or sometimes just for fun after the game.

## Tigers attain a 5-4 win-loss record in regular season play

Starting the season with a shut-out victory over McMurry College in Abilene, Texas, turned the lights on for the team that one year before went to the NAIA playoffs.

Both offenses were sluggish until late in the first half when Tiger cornerback Steve Halpin intercepted a misplayed aerial by Devin Abel on the McMurry 35-yard line. Three downs later, Bruton hit slotback Ken Stuckey in the end zone with 15 seconds remaining in the half. The point after the attempt showed the score to be 14-0.

Bruton demonstrated his expertise at punting by forcing the Indians to start five possessions inside their own 10 yardline, in the second half. In the first quarter, with a 20-mile-per-hour wind at his back, Bruton had punts of 66 and 71 yards.

Defensive coordinator Frank Spainhour was especially pleased with the initial college performances of Ezekiel Vaughn of Little Rock, Rickey Davenport of Texarkana, and James Dingle of Manning, South Carolina.

Noseguard Joey Zinamon, a junior from Little Rock, recovered three fumbles, made five tackles, and assisted in three others to help lead the Tigers to a 31-22 victory over Bishop College at A.U. Williams field.

Bishop scored with five seconds left in the game when Ina

hit Whitted in the end zone on a five-yard pass, running final point total to 31-22 and making the game seem closer it really was.

"It was the worst offensive effort we've had in a time," said Coach Benson, "although we outscored Bishop 1 points."

Ouachita suffered its first loss at the hands of South Oklahoma, 23-19. Dominating play in the first half with total yards, the Tigers could find little of that sting late

Wlodarczyk connected with Burris in the fourth quarter put the team from Oklahoma on top with 23 points.

Two fourth-quarter touchdowns lifted the Tigers UAM in Ouachita's first AIC encounter, by the score, Ouachita's William Miller was the leading ground gainer in game with 155 yards rushing.

The Weevils scored first on a one-yard run by tail Terry Alexander with 8:20 left in the second quarter.

Ouachita was denied any scoring opportunity until in the fourth quarter when Miller broke loose on a 41-yard to cap a two-play, 55-yard scoring drive. The winning touchdown was scored on a three-yard run by Turner with left in the fourth quarter.

The Harding Bison in their first two conference games defeated last year's co-champions, HSU and Ouachita, all with them less than 200 yards total offense.

...of what  
really was



THE TIGER bench gets involved in the action, and indicates a Ouachita touchdown.





**R FULLBACK** Ray Smith slips through hole provided by the offensive line.

**LOWERING HIS HEAD** and driving up through the chest, "Zeke" Vaughn sticks it to an opposing player.



## sidelines

**M**aking alternate after last year's tryouts was thrilling, but when the fall term began and I was told I was to become a cheerleader, I was stunned."

—Dee Ann Glover

**I**would not take anything for the fun and experience of being a cheerleader . . . It will be something never to be forgotten, the good and the bad."

—Terry Glover



*A BISON DEFENDER stretches to block the pass of Ouachita quarterback Ronnie Bruton.*

*THE OFFENSIVE LINE opens a hole big enough to drive a freight train through for Ken Stuckey.*



*THE ABILITY to cut quickly helps back William Miller evade a host of Bison defense.*

Ouachita was never able to generate an effective offense and aided Harding's AIC top-ranked offensive attack by fumbling twice and giving up three interceptions, one for a touchdown. Coach Benson pointed to a lack of blocking as the Tigers' undoing.

The Tiger defense shut out a non-conference foe by defeating Mississippi College by the score of 6-0. Both the teams slugged it out defensively most of the game, playing in a steady drizzle.

The University of Central Arkansas Bears unleashed the



*THE TIGER defense led by Gary Benson, cracks down on the SAU Colt's offensive line.*

number-one defense in the NAIA on Ouachita, holding the Tigers to 58 yards total offense and winning 10-0.

The Tigers threatened midway in the third period after moving the ball to the UCA 26-yard line. Robin Hooks attempted a 38-yard field goal, but the kick sailed off to the left.

A late TD pass from quarterback Neal Turner lifted the Tigers past Arkansas Tech by posting a score of 14-8. Indecision on Tech's part may have cost them the game; they tried four quarterbacks before settling on veteran Randy Roller late in the third quarter.

The Tigers gave HSU a fight to the finish in the season's final game. Continual fumbling, due to terrible field conditions, and a key pass interception for the Reddies smothered most of Ouachita's scoring efforts, which resulted in a 13-3 final season loss.



## sidelines

**K**elvin Story, director of photo lab, spends many long hours taking and developing pictures for OBU publications and meeting the university's needs.

One important part of any football game is pictures. Photographers continuously roam the sidelines looking for that picture that will bring them fame and glory. As in any event on campus, pictures tell the story after the event has come and gone.

Kelvin, a senior communications major, is planning a career in television filming in Little Rock after graduation in May.

Tiger roundballer Donnie Williams takes a jump-shot from seven feet in a game against Arkansas College.



## The Tigers start AIC play with a victory over Hardin

● Ouachita's Tigers withstood a late comeback threat to defeat Hardin College, 71-68, in both teams' Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference basketball opener.

Donald Williams was the Tiger leading scorer and rebounder with 19 points and six rebounds. Edwards was next for the Tigers in scoring with 14, and Johnny Jenkins followed with 10 points.

"It was a great team effort. We changed our offense two days before the game and the players reacted real well," said coach Bill Vining.

The Tigers used Randy Terry's 19-point performance effort and Donnie Williams' 13-points, and 15 rebounds to push the Tigers past East Texas Baptist College, 75-72, in a game played at Rockefeller Field House.

Vining's roundballers coasted to a 10-point advantage at halftime, 49-39, and increased their lead to 18 points with 10:57 to play in the game.

A second half, 13-point performance unanswered by the College of the Ozarks Mountaineers led the Tigers to another AIC victory, 93-76.

The Tigers shot a blazing 52 per cent from the floor and hit 63.3 per cent of the charity shots, but it was the double-figured shooting trio of Mike Reynolds, Johnny Jenkins and Charles Gilbert that paced the Tigers to the win. Reynolds was high-point man with 18 points.

"We played with more enthusiasm and worked the ball much better and we played well," Vining said. "I was pleased that we passed and moved the ball rather than standing around."

The Tigers finished its regular season schedule on a winning note with a big 61-47 win over the highly rated Mountaineers of SAU.

Ouachita wound up with a 10-2 record in conference play and 15-10 on the season.

# STRETCH FOR



**TOP BALLHANDLER** Dan Taylor, a freshman from Little Rock Catholic, dribbles around his Arkansas Tech defender for a lay-up.



Sidelines



**SEEK OUT FOR** a lecture? Coach [unclear] has a few pointers to his [unclear].

If I'm never remembered for anything else, I'll always be one of the cheerleaders that fell in front of over 1,000 choir kids!

—Pam Hall

Cheerleading has had its ups and downs. Sometimes you never know what to expect from the crowd. Going to camps and working like the devil in 100-degree temperature to be really good, to make your school proud is very discouraging when at sports events everyone just sits there on their cans.

—John Evans

THE NETS

The UCA Bears knocked the Tigers out of the AIC Tournament in Conway with a resounding 80-59 victory. The win broke a seven-game Ouachita winning streak over the Bears, that dated back to the '73-'74 season.

Hopes of a berth in the NAIA District 17 playoffs did not elude the Tiger roundballers due to the ranking given the team in the Dunkel Rating System.

The top rated team in the district draws an automatic berth into the District 17 playoffs, with the winner of the playoffs representing the district in the national tournament in Kansas City.

Should the first-rated team win the AIC tournament, the second ranked team will go to the two-team district playoffs. That team was Ouachita, since HSU won the AIC tourney.



*ONE-HANDED JUMP SHOT. Mike Reynolds goes over a UCA defender to score two points.*



*USING THE ARM IS one of the best ways to keep a Reddie from reaching for the basket.*

# VINING'S TIGERS

**they've been in  
the playoffs for  
23 straight years!**



## sidelines

**T**he most important thing to me is the free expression and excitement you can experience as a cheerleader. You feel as if you have a direct relationship with the people in the crowd and the people are really what make it."

—Brenda Batchelor

**C**heerleading to me has meant many long hours of practice, long tiring trips, more practice and lots of studying missed; but given the chance to do it all over, I would do it the same way."

—Rusty Simmons



*OST TIM RIGHT goes Johnny Jenkins to  
in a game against the Reddies*





*DRIVING THE BASELINE, Randy Terry looks for the "middle man" and the high-percentage shot.*

*CHALK UP ANOTHER DUNK for Donnie Williams as he hangs from the rim.*

Tiger head coach Bill Vining said he was "pleasantly surprised" with the ratings. SAU coach W. T. Watson, whose team had been ranked second in AIC play, said he thought, "It's ridiculous when you can rate a team that has a 15-10 record ahead of a team that has a 21-4 record.

Thanks to the Dunkel Ratings, the Tigers took on HSU in a best-of-three series played in Arkadelphia. Henderson swept the series winning first on the Tigers home court, 85-70, and following up with a 78-68 win at Wells Field House at Henderson.

Donnie Williams, 6'7" center for the Tigers was named to the 1976-77 All-AIC Basketball Team. Williams was the leading rebounder this season, pulling down 170 from the boards.





*IT'S TWO POINTS as Randy Terry goes up for a jump shot against Henderson State University.*



## sidelines

**J**ust because I was tall caused no problems on double-stunts. With a tall partner like Terry (Glover) and a little coordination we could do any stunt as well as anyone else."

—Sandra Hughes

**A**ching muscles, lots of pressure and barrels of fun is what the squad found at the cheerleader clinic at SMU at Dallas this past summer. We left very tired, very sore, but we also left winners!"

—Randy Thomas



# Tigerettes Rebuilding In AWISA

## Tigerettes switch from AAU to AWISA league

● Ouachita's women's basketball team, the Tigerettes, had difficulties in rebuilding as they began their first season as a member of the Arkansas Women's Intercollegiate Sports Association (AWISA).

Formerly a traditional Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) power in women's basketball, The Tigerettes had only two returning starters on this year's team composed primarily of freshmen. According to Carolyn Moffatt, coach of the Tigerettes, only Marilyn Stanley, a six foot sophomore, and Rhonda Sealy, a five foot, ten inch junior, are returning starters. Nina White, a sophomore guard and sixth player for the Tigerettes last season, also returned as a starter.

"Adjusting to the AWISA schedule which begins half a month earlier than our schedules of previous years was difficult," Moffatt said.

In what should have been a rather average season-opener for both the Tigerettes and Henderson State University's women Reddies turned into a thrilling 84-61 victory for Ouachita.

*SIX-FOOT Marilyn Stanley takes a jump shot in the OBU-HSU game at Rockefeller Field House.*

*KNOWN TO HER teammates as Theresa Schaefer goes for two point the UALR Trojans.*



The Tigerettes jumped to a 4-0 lead behind the hot inside shooting of Marilyn Stanley, who tossed in 29 points altogether for the winning Ouachita effort.

The score, from a 55-55 tie, exchanged hands seven times in the final four minutes as the Tigerettes, on two final inside baskets by Stanley, made the four point difference and won 64-61.

Marilyn Stanley was hot again against Tech as she poured in 26 points and grabbed 15 rebounds to lead the Tigerettes to a convincing 53-33 victory over Tech.

The Tigerettes built a 26-15 lead at halftime, but could not increase it any until the final ten minutes of the game. From the ten-minute mark on, they increased the lead and won going away.

The Tigerettes, led by Marilyn Stanley's 30 points, upped their season record to 3-1 with a 65-60 win over Arkansas College.

Arkansas College jumped to a quick ten point lead in the first half, but behind Stanley's shooting, Ouachita rallied to take a 31-30 lead at the half.

Led by Marilyn Stanley's 17 points and nine rebounds and Nina White's 14 points, the Tigerettes posted an easy 60-38 victory over the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Trojans.

Ouachita streaked to a 27-16 lead at halftime behind Stanley's inside shooting and White's medium range jump shots. The Tigerettes' biggest lead during the first half was a 20-6 advantage with 5:55 to play.

In the Tigerettes' first year of participating in AWISA they continued to play some old AAU rivals including Seminole College of Oklahoma and Louisiana Tech University.



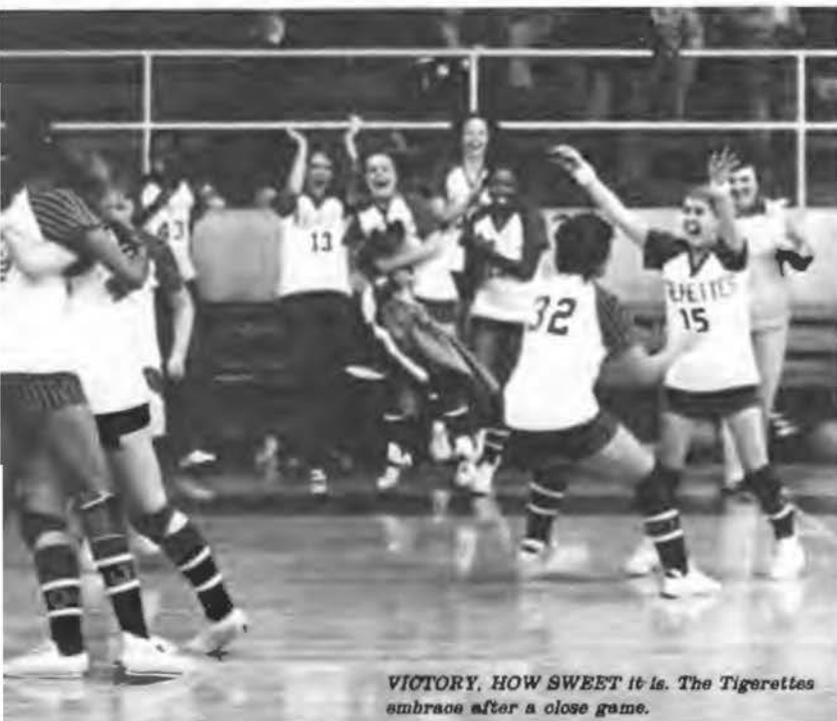
## sidelines

**B**eing a cheerleader has been a very exhilarating experience. May I also say that this year at OBU has been the very best. I would hope that every person entering this university should gain the feeling and thoughtfulness of the student body as I have as a cheerleader.

—Karen Gentry

**M**y last year as captain, and what an accomplishment. It was just one more little thing that showed me that even though our school is small compared to others, if we work together we can accomplish all things.

—Ronnie Moore



*VICTORY, HOW SWEET it is. The Tigerettes embrace after a close game.*

# Baseball



*NO, IT'S NOT an Easter egg hunt! Somewhere between the Ouachita baserunner and the Harding shortstop lies the elusive baseball.*

*SENDING HIS protective hat flying from his head, baserunner Kenny Yopp scrambles back to first base to avoid being tagged by the Bison' firstbaseman.*



Improvement was the name of the tune the OBU baseball team sang during last spring's season.

Completing season play with a 16-14 record, which beat last year's win column by eight games, the Tigers finished in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference (AIC) with a conference record of 8-6.

Bill Foster led Ouachita's slugging department with a .316 batting average, which encompassed four homeruns and 10 RBI's.

Following Foster were David Cortell and Randy Lam with .323 and .316 batting averages respectively.



## Successful recruiting season helps improve slugging Tigers' mark

Mike Downs led all OBU pitchers by amassing a 6-3 win-loss record. Carl Swindell followed Downs by pitching his way to a 3-2 record.

Terry Viala placed Ouachita's AIC All-Conference team members by being selected to play for his third consecutive year. Also making the all-conference team were Bo Castleberry and Johnny Canada.

*TIGER PITCHER CARL SWINDELL stretches out his inner Kenny Yopp scrambles back to first base follow-through, which is necessary to send the ball past the plate at over sixty miles per hour.*



*TIGER SLUGGING CREW watches from dugout as a teammate misses a solid swing by fractions of an inch and foul tips ball into the dirt.*

### BASEBALL SCOREBOARD

OBU		OPP
7	Centenary	2
2	Centenary	11
7	SAU	0
3	SAU	6
8	Southern Ill. Univ.	2
2	Luther College	6
0	Luther College	2
2	Buena Vista	1
1	Buena Vista	3
4	UAM	3
8	UAM	5
2	UALR	1
8	UALR	5
1	UAPB	4
4	UAPB	1
8	Harding	4
2	Harding	0
0	SAU	6
1	Ozarks	2
10	Ozarks	7
4	Centenary	1
1	Centenary	3
5	Arkansas Tech	2
6	Arkansas Tech	7
3	UALR	1
3	UALR	4
9	Henderson	5
1	Henderson	2
6	UCA	8
3	UCA	8

the set up...

...the spike

### **Volleyball team ties for third in AWISA during regular season**

**A**fter falling to Southern Arkansas University and the University of Central Arkansas, OBU placed a disappointing fifth in the Arkansas Women's Intercollegiate Sports Association (AWISA) tournament in Jonesboro.

The team did tie for third in the AWISA during the regular season, but tournament jitters and lack of togetherness, according to Coach Tona Wright, led to the pair of defeats on the first night of the double-elimination meet.

Arkansas State University, undefeated in regular season play, won the tournament, while HSU finished second.

Carolyn Conley of Ouachita was named to the all-state squad and Patricia Calhoun was named an honorable mention to the 12-girl team.

The volleyball team made a clean sweep in taking three match victories at Arkansas Tech during the regular season.

The girls defeated Arkansas College 15-4, 16-14, in the first match; handed Arkansas Tech two losses; and claimed wins of 15-10 and 16-14 against SAU.

After finishing the season with a 15-6 record and a 12-6 mark in the Arkansas AWISA, the volleyball team tied for third with the University of Central Arkansas in regular season conference standings.

*UP ON HER TOES, Carol Roper uses just the right touch to follow through on a shot.*





*A PERFECT SHOT — an HSU player prepares to defend a spike by a Ouasohita front liner.*

*DOWN TO HER KNEES goes Candy Harvey to try to defend an almost perfect spike by the opposing team.*



*WATCHING THE BALL all the way is essential to making a respectable shot and keeping up with the pace of the game, as Trish Calhoun and Carolyn Conley do.*

**it's all part of volleyball**

# ...AND THEY JUST

## Tiger harriers finish second in AIC race

**H**arding College, the defending Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference cross-country champion, finished in first place by carding a one-two finish in a cross-country meet held in early September on Ouachita's north campus.

Ouachita's Randy McFarlin, who finished in sixth place, put Ouachita in third place in the overall team standings behind Harding and Arkansas College. Finishing behind the Tigers were Henderson, UAM, and Arkansas Tech.

Randy McFarlin and Jeff Holt finished ninth and tenth to lead Ouachita to a second place finish in the AIC-NAIA District 17 cross-country meet in Magnolia at SAU.

McFarlin clocked a time of 19:24 while Holt was half a stride back, carding a 19:25. Gerald Masterson, James "Spider" Williams, and James Merritt finished 13th, 20th and 23rd respectively.



*CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNERS  
Jerry McFarlin and Tim  
Eshelman pace the field  
during a cross-country meet  
held at Ouachita's north  
campus.*

# ...AND RUN, AND RUN, AND RUN

# RUN



LOW THE ARROW.  
Eshelman and Jerry  
run head-to-head on  
cross-country course.

## sidelines

**P**ep rallies conducted by the cheerleaders on Thursday nights before a home football game sometimes brought the unexpected as well as the expected. Social clubs took turns sponsoring the rallies. Remember the torchlight parade sponsored by the Shirts? What about the Sadie Hawkins skit by the Gammas? Then there was the time the "S's" grossed everybody out with their skit.

Pep rallies supposedly helped the team get-up for the coming game. Maybe they do and maybe they don't, but pep rallies served a more important cause: getting the students excited about a football game.



IT'S DOWN HILL all the way as three Ouachita runners pace the field at a cross-country meet at Henderson's Haystack Stadium.



# AND RUN, AND RUN, AND RUN

# FLEET

## Tiger harriers make good showings in meets

**T**he Ouachita Baptist University track team captured six first-place finishes as it won the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference Indoor Track and Field meet at Harding College. The Tigers tallied 65 points to outdistance their nearest competitor, Harding, which scored 48½ points.

First place finishers for OBU were Jim Rankin with a 14 foot-6 inch effort in the pole vault; David Curry, who won the 440-yard dash with a time of 52.8 seconds; Elton Kenner, with a 6.3 second showing in the 60-yard dash; Randy McFarlin, with a 4:36.0 in the mile run; and two Tiger relay teams.

The two-mile relay team of James Williams, Mark Mosley, Tim Eshelman, and McFarlin won its event with an 8:16.7 clocking, while Curry, Kenner, Gayland Thomas, and Robert Beith won the mile relay with a time of 3:36.7.

Gerald Masterson, an OBU junior from Biloxi, MS, won the 1,000-yard run in the 14th annual Albuquerque Jaycees Track and Field Meet. Masterson's winning time for the event was a 2:11.4.

Masterson also won the University Division of the 880-yard run of the United States Track and Field Federation with a time of 1:52.2, after much discussion about the time from officials.

After a poor timing start, the officials ruled that the official time was a 1:52.2, but on the spectator clock, Masterson registered a 1:48.9. The spectator clock is not necessarily the official time, and Masterson's prelim time was 1:52.2.

It was Masterson's fourth win indoors in as many outings, adding the Jackson Mississippi Southern USTFF championship and the NLU Invitational at Monroe, LA.

# FEET



*IT TAKES concentration, long legs and a good stretch to make it over the hurdles. Two of these runners didn't quite make it.*

*THE MOST IMPORTANT the race are the first couple Ouachita and UCA runners position after*





*GETTING HIGH in the air is a specialty of Jim Rankin as he vaults over the stripped bar, clearing it with apparent ease.*



*OUACHITA RUNNER Gerald Masterson takes a breather with the tape from a first-place finish wrapped around his waist.*



*IN A MEET with UCA, the runners string out in the length of the race begins to take its toll on some of the runners.*

# AND TONED PHYSIQUES

# TENNIS

## Tiger tennis team pounces on AIC and NAIA

● Ouachita's Tiger tennis team, under coach Larry Payton, finished second in the AIC (Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference); but more importantly, was the district 17 NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) Champions with a 15-7 team record.

In the NAIA's 25th Annual Tennis Tournament played in Kansas City, Kansas, on June 1st-5th, Ouachita's tennis team finished in 28th place among 57 participating schools. Victor Almaral, freshman from Guadalajara, Mexico, was named to the Honorable Mention All-American Team during the tourney.

Almaral added to his string of victories as he won the division I singles crown by defeating Charles Lane of Southwest Baptist College at Hendrix College Invitation in Conway.

OBU was third in the overall team competition with 8 points; but led all AIC teams in the meet. Finishing ahead of OBU were Southwest Baptist with 13 points, and ASU with 9.

A good recruiting season has helped to strengthen the team's overall power; and again, the Tigers should prove to be a powerhouse in the AIC, the NAIA, and the 16th Annual NAIA Tennis Tournament.



*WATCHING THE BALL* all the way to the racket helps ensure a good shot. Victor Almaral watches the ball all the way.

*SOMETIMES*, almost ballet-like moves are used to approach the shot. Ross Grant stretches for contact.



MEN'S TENNIS		
OBU	SAU	OPP
4	Centenary	6
9	College of the Ozarks	0
4	Harding	6
5	East Texas Baptist	4
2	Texarkana C.C.	7
4	UALR	5
9	UCA	0
1	Hendrix	8
3	HSU	6
0	Hendrix	9
2	Harding	7
8	Arkansas College	3
0	HSU	9
0	Centenary	9
8	UCA	1
2	SAU	7
2	College of the Ozarks	7
9	UALR	0
8	Southwest Baptist	1
0	UMO Rolla	9
8	Principia	1
0	Mo. Western	9

# FORTY LUV



*A BACKHAND SHOT appears easy for Olga Palafox, at matches played at Henderson.*

*THE SERVE is an important part of every tennis match. Jerry Coston adds a little lift to his serve.*



*KILL THE MAN with the ball, as every man keys on the pigskin, and the man carrying it.*



*IT'S NOT QUITE a jump ball, but ruggers don't mind acting like basketball players when the ball is involved.*

# GIVE BLOOD, PLAY RUGBY

*by Randy Sandifer*

**T**o the first-time observer, the game of rugby football looks a lot like "kill the man with the ball." In fact, to many beginning ruggers it looks and feels like it.

But even though the body count may be rather high, the game does have its set of rules and is played under the strict supervision of a referee.

Actually, the basic rules of the game are simple. The ball is advanced by running or kicking with no forward passing. You score by touching the ball down in the end zone. And if someone bigger than you moves in for the tackle, get rid of the ball!

What makes rugby seem so rough is the fact that no protective equipment, other than a soft strap-type helmet, is allowed. Therefore the blows seem to be harder and since the players wear gym shorts, the bloody knees are more visible.

It takes a special kind of person to play rugby. They must be in good physical shape, they must be able to think quickly and they must be incredibly lucky in order to survive.



*BALL, BALL, who's got the ball? Everyone wants a piece of action.*



### Soccer team finishes season with 7-1 record

**A**fter handily defeating the University of Central Arkansas and Hendrix College in Conway, Ouachita's soccer team finished the season with a 7-1 record.

Ouachita soccer, which is not school-supported, has done well in forming and organizing a team.

"A powerful Ouachita team piled up a solid 7-1 season," said Hugh Redmon, sophomore team coach.

Soccer, the world's most popular sport, is now stepping out of the shadows across the U.S. onto college campuses, and becoming more than just a kick in the grass.

*MANEUVERING THE BALL between opposing players is a skillful art. Jim Spann uses his fancy footwork to move the ball around an opposing player.*

a kick  
in the  
grass



*HE'S NOT a field-goal kicker for the Miami Dolphins, but an OBU soccer player at practice.*



*ADVANCING THE BALL is an effort for freshman Neil Turner.*

## Golfers most inexperienced group Taylor's ever had

**C**oach Frank Taylor says that this year's golfers are the most inexperienced group he's ever had, but added that it is also the hardest working bunch he's ever had.

Only five men are allowed to participate in each match, and according to Taylor the competition is really keen.

Only one member returned from the 1975 team, senior Bob Peck of Camden. Last year's mainstay Mike Smith decided to skip the fall season in order to concentrate on his studies, but rejoined the squad in the spring.

Other members of this year's team included Tom Anderson, a freshman from Pine Bluff; Mike Branson, a sophomore from DeQueen; Mandel Brockington, a freshman from North Little Rock; Mike Fowler, a junior from Brinkley; Kirk Jones, a junior from Bonham, Texas; Phillip Rickles, a freshman from Pine Bluff; Rickey Self, a freshman from DeQueen, and Steve Wernecke, a junior from Sweetwater Union, California.

Ouachita's golfers, behind medalist Mike Branson's 74, won the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference Fall Invitational Golf Tournament for the second straight year at Degray State Park in the fall. Ouachita finished with a 315 total.



*BENT KNEES, wrist action and a good shoulder position are important to a tee-shot.*

*A CLOUD OF DUST and a flying golf ball take leave of the earth under the swing of golfer Ross Rickles.*

Golfers: they know how to swing



*FOLLOWING THROUGH on a putt, Bob Peck displays his good form.*





TEAM MEMBER Jerrold Bradley prepares to make the release

## New head coach for Tiger kegglers

● uachita's bowling team got off to a good start this year under a new Head Coach Bill Harkrider.

In their first match of the season, the Tigers slipped by the Arkansas College Scots by a total of 20 points, 2915 to 2895. Larry Root, a freshman from Arkadelphia, led the OBU bowlers with a three-game total of 545. Ken Humphries, a junior from Arkadelphia, rolled a 498 to capture runner-up honors for the Tigers.

The Tigers dropped their second match of the year to perennial power Harding College by a margin of 2585-2470. At the Harding match, Charlie Martin, a junior from Jonesboro, led OBU with a total score of 543 for the three-game series. Bob Morrow, a senior from Mena, who was the Tigers' top bowler a year ago, finished second with a 525 total.

Besides Root, Morrow, Martin, and Humphries, Harkrider also expects senior Jerrold Bradley from El Dorado, sophomore Hardy Reynolds from Little Rock, and junior Bubba Nashville to add depth to this year's Tiger squad.

# strike zone



AN ALMOST PERFECT shot enters the pins dead on the number one pin. The ideal pocket is just to the right of the one pin.



EVERYONE IS interested in the outcome of this shot by an OBU bowler.

### As few as four men swim for Tiger Sharks in swim meets

**T**he Ouachita swimming team defeated Henderson State University in the Tiger Shark's season opening at Ruth Lamb pool on Ouachita's campus by a score of 59-36.

Ronnie Yowell of OBU took two first places as he captured the 200 yard breaststroke and the 50 yard freestyle. Other first places for OBU were Mike Steinberg in the 200-yard freestyle, Robert Cawthorne in the 200-yard intermediate medley and Richard Edds in the 500-yard freestyle, and the Ouachita medley team of Cawthorne, Yowell, Steinberg, and Edds.

According to Tiger Shark Coach Jim Miller, the team has struggled this year because of a lack of swimmers. "Lately we have been swimming with as few as four men in our meets, and it is just hard to compete with this number."

*TIGER SHARK swimmer, Bob Cawthorne, stretches out in the 200 yard breast stroke.*



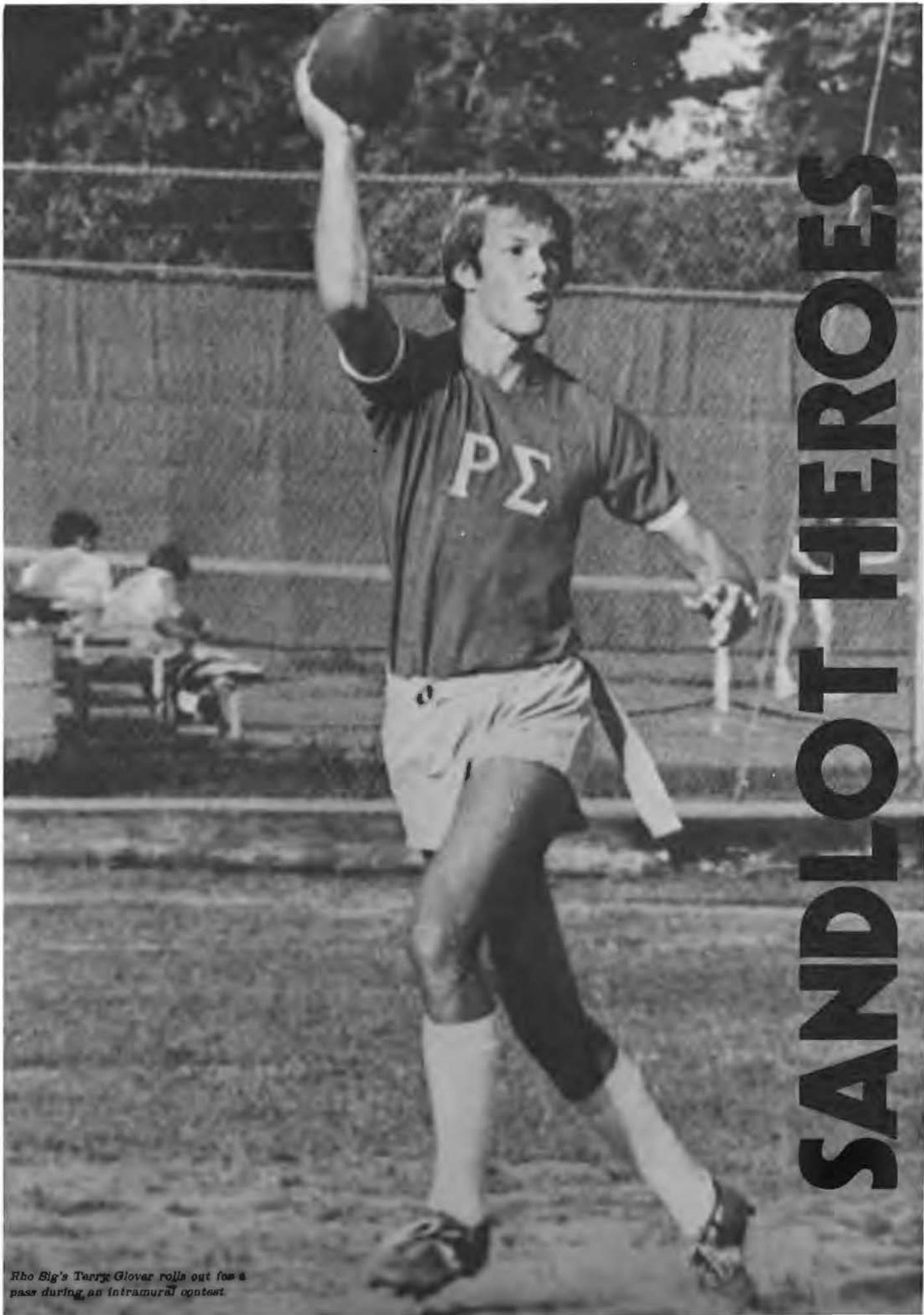
# TO YOUR MARK

*TAKING A QUICK breath, Andy Vining prepares to pull through his next stroke in a free style swimming event.*



*THE PARALLEL EXTENSION. Swimmer Ronny Yowell is seen for the water at an HSD swim meet.*





# SANDLOT HEROES

*Rho Sig's Terry Glover rolls out for a pass during an intramural contest.*

# INTRAMURAL ACTION IN ACTION



*DURING AN intramural football contest, Mike Carroll tries to hit his receiver on a Hail-Mary.*

*by Stan Allen*

**A**lthough the crowds usually consist of only a dozen or so fans, the enthusiasm of the participants can rarely be matched anywhere including the fourth quarter of a Ouachita-Henderson football showdown.

Intramural football has traditionally been a college-style backyard football romp for men who get bored of classes and homework. A decade ago the feminine sex began proving that getting in on the backyard type football did not lessen their womanhood.

And now just about everybody wants to get into some kind of recreational activity of the backyard nature.

Jim Miller, swim coach and director of intramural sports at Ouachita, has led an expansion of the intramurals program at the University, which now includes nine sports for both men and women.

"Our intramural program has had good participation. That's what we are looking for, maximum participation. I like to see as many students as possible participate, just for the fun," Miller said.

He said more students are showing interest this year in intramurals.

"Through organization and administration we are attempting to make our program more inclusive," Miller added.

Ouachita had five intramural sports



*AROUND LEFT END goes Nina White during an intramural contest between the Wainians and the Phis.*

open to students this fall. Flag football was held in early fall and lasted nearly two months. It was followed by volleyball.

A turkey trot was scheduled just before Thanksgiving break as was a

racquetball tournament. This year's intramural swimming meet was which took place in January.

Spring sports consisted of basketball, bowling, softball, and this year



*U RUNNINGBACK tries to elude Glover during the intramural match in the two schools.*

*DEAD EVEN as they cross the fourth set of hurdles are Candy Harvey and Shirley Harris during the women's intramural track meet.*



*UP AND OVER—Pi Kappa Zeta Leeann Shadd uses a unique style to high jump during the women's intramural track meet.*

first time, track. Basketball began near the end of January. A bowling tournament was held in March, softball began late that month, and a track meet was held in April.

Swimming and track are the two new intramural sports and replaced tennis and handball, which did not generate enough interest last year to be continued.

All the sports were open to both men and women but were sexually exclusive. For most sports, both men's and women's categories are divided into two-team divisions - social clubs and independents. Tournaments were held for the more popular team sports and an All-Sports trophy was awarded at the conclusion of the spring sports for the academic year.

According to Miller, over 550 women participated in at least one of nine sports last year. He said that a majority of men students were involved and in basketball alone there were 25 teams.



*THE FASTEST WOMEN on campus jump to a start in a relay race.*



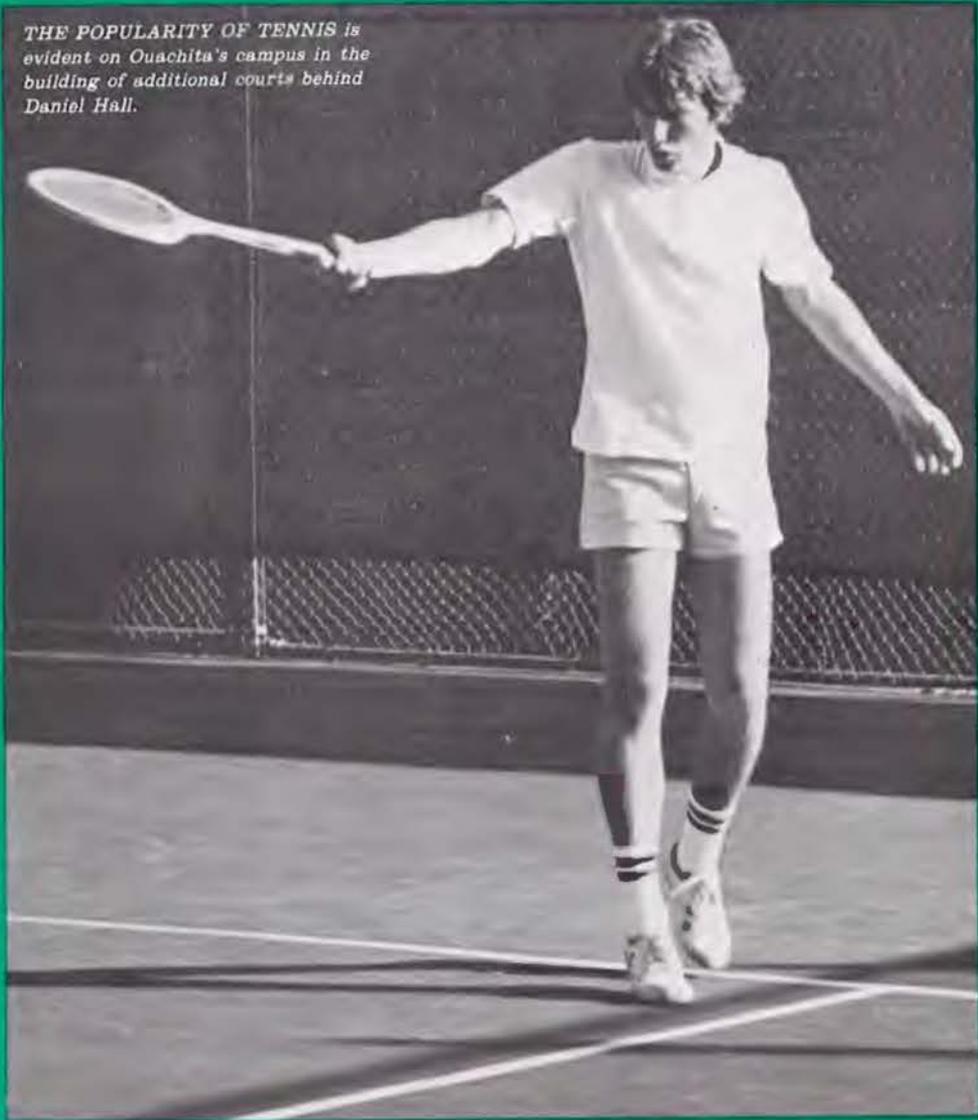
*DEFENSIVE BACK stretches for the flag of ball carrier in one of last fall's flag football games.*

*BALL CARRIER Sue Powers has one of her flags lifted by a Gamma Phi player.*



# KINGS AT THEIR OWN THINGS

*THE POPULARITY OF TENNIS is evident on Ouachita's campus in the building of additional courts behind Daniel Hall.*



*WHEN THE WEATHER warmed up, the skateboarders went into full swing on the campus streets.*

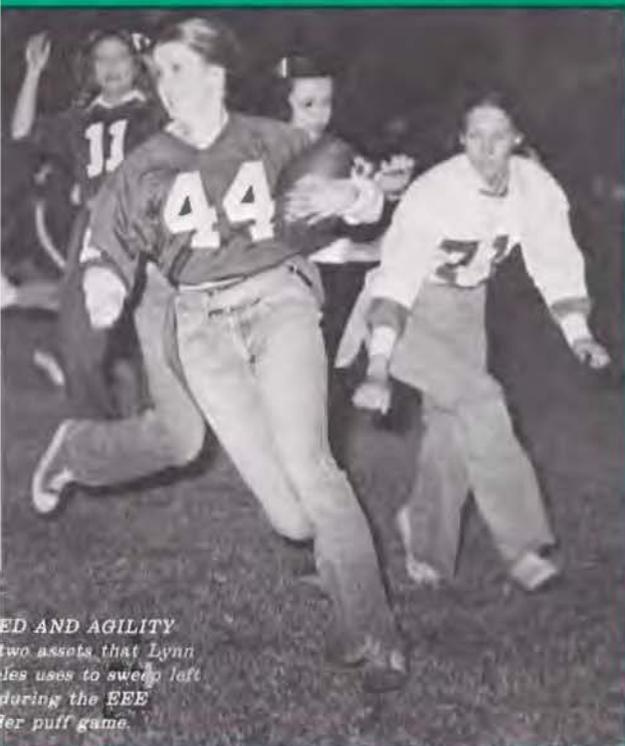


## Spring-time sports: a little fun in the sun

*by Steve Nicholson*

**T**he first time the winter winds stop blowing and the sun raises the temperature into the 70's, many students put their studies aside and their textbooks behind them and head for their favorite sport.

They are all kings at their own in the magical kingdom. What is the magical kingdom? It's those little kingdoms that the athletic-minded Ouachita student does in his spare time. Whether "their thing" is skiing on the water at Lake DeGray, riding a four-wheeled skateboard down glass sidewalks, or playing tennis on green courts, the strong-hearted can be the best in his field, or a king in his own thing.



**ED AND AGILITY**  
Two assets that Lynn  
uses to sweep left  
during the EEE  
per puff game.

The realm of wheels offered its enthusiast every type of practical transportation and recreation. Many motorcycle enthusiasts enjoyed the new park area that has been cleared on the banks of the Ouachita River behind Daniel Hall.

The eight-lane super sidewalk that runs from behind Grant Memorial to the Sub provided a place for skateboard dragsters to burn their wheels in head-to-head competition.

The way that bicycles appeared on the scene was almost like magic, or maybe like they were all training for the Olympics. Well, in a way they were. Sprinting two miles during the Tiger Traks race required extra stamina and a will to win.

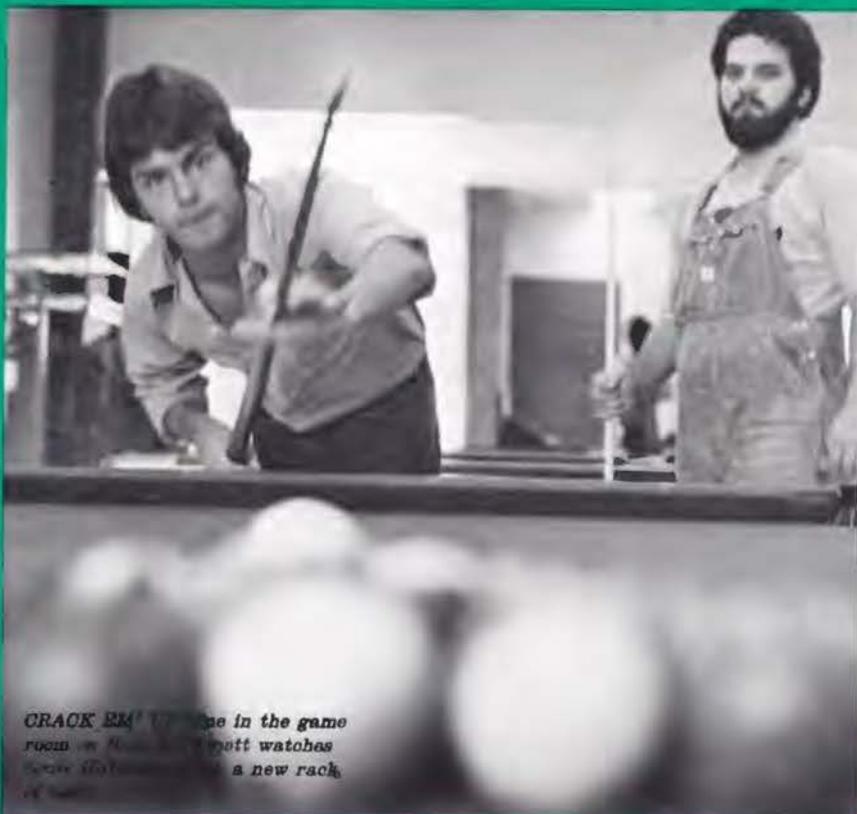
**THE GAME ROOM**, Larry  
and David Ragsdale  
re-off on the foosball table.



Watching students head for the lake after classes was like seeing the Moslem pilgrimage to Mecca. It's no secret that almost everyone spent the sun-shiny afternoons swimming, skiing and sailing in the waters of Lake DeGray. For those who liked the underwater realm, there was always an opportunity to scuba dive in the mostly-clear water, or to fish in the protected coves.

The realm of balls, some perfectly round and others just a little oblong, got the attention of anyone walking across our campus. If there was not a football game being contested on the green turf between the Sub and Grant Memorial, it meant that every football on campus had been stolen or misplaced.

On the north campus inside Rockefeller Gym, the ball used was perfectly round and usually white, although the colors did vary from luminous green to bright orange.



*CRACK EM!* The balls in the game roared as Mosch... Scott watches... a new rack...

*IT'S A PERFECT CATCH*, but Mosch... will definitely suffer after being sp... by Faron Rogers.





## KINGS AT THEIR OWN THINGS

*FRISBEE FLIER* Kenny Burt sends another UFO flying across campus.

The Freeman-Dunklin Tennis Center experienced the rate of growth that the fire kingdom of Ouachita had felt through increases in enrollment and activities.

Two more courts were added to cope with the overcrowdedness of the original four courts.

Inside the walls of Rockerfeller gymnasium, a thunderous thud-thud reverberated from the handball room. Inside the small rooms the noise increased, as did the temperature, to a point that relief sometimes over-rode the concentration on the game.

But it was all part of the game. The game of racquetball and handball were popular for the physically fit and devoted player.

*BOWLING IS* just another one of the sports that students can take advantage of in the game room. Mark Harris takes advantage of the opportunity.

