



# TOP Class

A lot of things affected and influenced people. Some students and faculty were directly involved in these things; others just enjoyed from a distance. Regardless of the level of involvement, they found their place and contributed to the university in numbers and in quality.

New student orientation and Freshmen Follies introduced the newcomers to the real world of Ouachita and acquainted upperclassmen with their most recent fellow students.

Students who disagreed on political issues clashed in a Democrats vs. Republicans debate prior to the Presidential election. Also, the election spurred the advent of several polls in an effort to predict national and state political victors.

Whatever role they played in the big picture, from Clinton campaigners to brave, talented freshmen in Freshmen Follies, when people got themselves into something, they really went all out.



Students leave Jones Performing Arts Center after a ten o'clock chapel service.  
*photo by Roy Burroughs*

Lisa Ayers/Arkadelphia  
 Lori Abbott/McKinney, TX  
 Pattye Baker/Arkadelphia  
 Marnie Barrett/Arkadelphia  
 Jeremy Bell/Arkadelphia



Brian Bell/Ft. Smith  
 Kyle Blanton/Heber Springs  
 Bryan Bolton/Little Rock  
 Greg Bridges/Crossett  
 Michele Bryant/  
 Poplar Bluff, MO



Paula Buford/Okolona  
 Todd Buras/Prattsville  
 Brett Buren/Roswell, GA  
 Tamara Burns/Delta, CO  
 Roy Burroughs/Tuscaloosa, AL



Lee Busby/Monticello  
 Jody Bynum/Dermott  
 Dana Caldwell/Texarkana  
 Alesheia Calhoun/Little Rock  
 Cheryl Carter/Marion



Tony Christensen/  
 Ft. Worth, TX  
 Jeff Christian/Little Rock  
 Holly Clark/Carrollton, TX  
 Kipper Clarke/Rogers  
 Missy Collier/Arkadelphia



Robin Copeland/Romance  
 Millie Crawford/Texas City, TX  
 Dayna Crawley/Arkadelphia  
 Beth Davis/Heber Springs  
 Love Davis/Little Rock



Shelly Davis/Clinton  
 Marcus Devorak/Des Arc  
 Larry Dice/Pine Bluff  
 Alyson Dickerman/  
 Macau, E. Asia  
 Beverly Dickerson/Okolona



PICTURED TOP RIGHT:

**REBEKAH KIMBERLY KINNEY**, a mathematics major, served as vice president of the state and local BSU; president and secretary of SELF; first vice president of AWS; secretary of Student Senate; Resident Assistant; and secretary of the sophomore class. She was a member of OSEA, Alpha Chi, Kappa Delta Pi, the curriculum committee and talent search program. Her honors included the President's List, the Dean's List, the President's Scholarship, the O.W. Yates Award, the Ouachitonian Beauty Pageant, and the Rowland Scholarship.

**JEFFERY ALAN CHRISTIAN**, a communication/political science major, served as managing editor and editor-in-chief of the *Signal*; president and vice president of Kappa Chi Men's Social Club; and a BSU Ministry Leader. He received several awards for writing and in design for work on the *Signal* and the *Ouachitonian*.

**JOHN TATE SELF**, a chemistry major, was a member of the Honors program, Kappa Chi Men's Social Club, and Gamma Sigma Epsilon. He also participated in College Republicans, Blue Key, International Club, Model United Nations, BSU, OSF, and Student Senate. He served as a Japanese exchange student for a year. His honors included the Dean's List and the President's List.

**JONATHON M. GARY**, a music major, served as president of the Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia (Mu Omicron chapter), and a member of the Student-Faculty Council of Mabee Fine Arts Building. He participated in the Concert Choir, Ouachita Singing Men, Ouachita Sounds Show-choir, Ouachita Handbell Ringers, Piano Ensemble, Tiger Sharks Swim Team, International Club, and BSU Prison Ministries. He also served as first and second grade Sunday school teacher at Second Baptist Church, and was a member of Second Baptist's choir. His honors included third place in the Virginia Queen Piano Competition.

PICTURED BOTTOM RIGHT:  
**STEVEN THOMAS HARNESS**, a biblical language studies/English major, served as Beta Beta Men's Social Club chaplain and historian; Christian Ministry Fellowship vice-president; and Blue Key National Honor Fraternity vice-president. He was also a member of Alpha Chi Honor Fraternity. His honors included Second Century Scholarship, President's List, Dean's List, and National Dean's List.

**WILLIAM JEREMY BELL**, a math education major, served as OSF chairman of the Student Recruitment Committee; president and vice-president of OSEA; and secretary of Blue Key. He was also a member of SELF. He was on the Dean's List.

**LORRIE MICHELLE FRANKS**, an English/political science major, served as treasurer and president of the EEE Woman's Social Club and a BSU Big Sister. She also participated in AWS, SELF, Model United Nations, Tiger Tunes, Panhellenic Council, and intramural sports. Her honors included the Dean's List, President's List, and Homecoming Nominee.

**TRICIA L. KEHOE**, a biology major, was a member of Chi Delta Woman's Social Club, OBU Swimming and Diving team, OSF, Student Senate, Freshman Council, and AWS. Honors included Honorable Mention All-American in swimming and diving, President's List and Dean's List.

# Who's WHO

RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE



•Guy Lyons



•Roy Burroughs

NOT PICTURED:

**ASHLI TARA SPANN**, an elementary education major, served as Chi Delta Woman's Social Club Sargeant -at-Arms and spirit committee chairman. She was a member of OSF in which she served as Host/Hostess Chairman. She was also a member of OSEA. Her honors included Dean's List, Homecoming Contestant, and Honor Graduate.

**CHRISTOPHER J. RICE**, an accounting major, served as vice president of the Black American Student Society and treasurer of Democrats in Action. He was also a member of Blue Key Honor Fraternity and Phi Beta Lambda business club. He was the recipient of the Herbert Lehman Scholarship. His honors included the Dean's List, President's List, and AICPA Scholar.

**JILL ELIZABETH MANNING**, an English secondary education major, was on the Dean's List and the President's List. She was an active member of Park Hill Baptist Church in Arkadelphia.

PICTURED AT RIGHT:

**CHRIS JAMES MALOCH**, a history major, served as Student Senate vice president and Kappa Chi Men's Social Club treasurer. He was a member of the Tennis Team, OSF, and Phi Alpha Theta.

**DAVID KYLE MURPHY**, a chemistry major, served as president for Beta Beta Men's Social Club; junior class treasurer; senior class vice president; Blue Key vice president; and Miss OBU pageant director. His honors included the Academic Excellence Scholarship, Stiles Scholarship, Patterson Scholarship, Charles Queen Scholarship, OSF Scholarship, and Mundy-Provine Award.

**STEPHEN LAMAH DUMAS**, a Biblical studies language major, served as CMF publicity chairman and secretary/treasurer. He was also a member of Blue Key National Honor Fraternity. His honors included Presidential Scholarship and the Dean's List, and the Andrew and Harriet Grant Hall Sophomore Ministerial Award.



•Guy Lyons

**HEIDI BROOK FITE**, a history/philosophy major, served as alumni chairman, historian, and treasurer for Chi Delta Woman's Social Club; cheerleader captain; and Phi Alpha Theta treasurer. She was a member of Model United Nations, Carl Goodson Honors Program, student member of Carl Goodson Honors Council, and Alpha Chi. Her awards included Everett Slavens Sophomore History Major Award, Don B. Harbuck Excellence in Philosophy Award, and a Ben Elrod Scholar. She was also on the President's List.

Douglas Diggs/Little Rock  
Paul Dumas/El Dorado  
Stephen Dumas/White Hall  
Marcina Dunn/Waldo  
Lark Eads/Prairie Grove

Stephanie Edwards/Grady  
Alison Egelhoff/Cabot  
Michell Egner/St. Charles, MO  
Cassie Elmore/Fort Smith  
Jeff Elmore/Cleveland, TX



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**KATHERINE SIMMS BERRY**, a biology major, served as Pledge/Induction Mistress for Chi Delta Woman's Social Club. She was the founder and president of Project S.A.V.E.D, member of OSF, OSEA, and the Energy Conservation Committee. Her honors included Maude Wright Distinguished Educator's Award and the Dean's List.

**KYM ELAINE RUTHERFORD**, a political science/sociology major, served as Global Focus Week Chairperson and a BSU Executive Council Member. She was a member of the Honors Program, Tiger Tunes, SELF, and Monticello Children's Home team. She also traveled as a summer missionary to Kazakhstan. Her honors included the President's List and a Ben Elrod Scholar.

**MICHAEL PAUL OLIVER**, an accounting/business administration major, served as Praise Singers music director; Blue Key National Honor Fraternity Director of Ads; and Beta Beta Men's Social Club treasurer. He was also a participant of the College Republicans debate team. He was the recipient of the Leadership Scholarship.

PICTURED AT LEFT:

**MELANIE CICERO JENKINS**, a vocal performance major, served as Ouachita Sounds student director. She was a member of Sigma Alpha Iota and concert choir. Her awards included third place regional NATS winner, state NATS winner, President's List, Francis Scott Memorial Scholarship, Birkett Williams Scholarship, Presser Foundation Scholar, and Miss OBU.

**SARA LEIGH FISH**, an elementary education major, served as Tri Chi Woman's Social Club pledge class president and chaplain. She was also a BSU Ministry Leader. She participated in Ouachitonian Beauty Contest, intramurals, College Republicans, and Taiwan Summer Missions Team. She played "Truvy" in OBU's Steel Magnolias.

**DEENA J. WILLARD**, an early childhood education major, served as chaplain for Tri Chi Woman's Social Club. She was a member of OSEA, BSU, Kappa Delta Pi, and Alpha Chi. She was also a Tiger Tunes participant. Her honors included being on the President's List and the Dean's List.



Jeff Erwin/Jonesboro  
Christopher Esch/  
North Little Rock  
Russell Files/Chambersburg, PA  
Christa Finney/Little Rock  
Sara Fish/Eads, TN

Heidi Fite/Benton  
Sharon Francis/Arkadelphia  
Shawn Francis/Valliant, OK  
Michelle Franks/Greenwood  
Jeff Freeman/Benton

NOT PICTURED:

**PAM SUE WAYMACK**, an early childhood education major, served as Ouachita Student Foundation chairperson of Tiger Tunes and Tiger Tracks. She was also a member of Chi Delta Woman's Social Club in which she served as Alumni Chair. In addition, she participated in OSEA. Her honors included Kappa Delta Phi.

**PATTYE L. BAKER**, an early childhood education major, was a member of Panhellenic Council, Chi Delta Woman's Social Club, Ouachita Singers, Tiger Tunes, and OSEA. Her honors included Kappa Delta Pi outstanding sophomore, Alpha Chi, Homecoming Court, President's List, and Dean's List.

**SUSAN DENISE PREWITT**, an elementary education major, served as BSU ministry leader, OSEA president, and Francis Crawford Social Chairman. She was a member of Kappa Delta Pi, OSF, FCA, Teacher Education Council, and Project SAVED. She also participated in intramurals and Tiger Traks. She was a recipient of the Academic Excellence Scholarship and the Hugh McCarthy Scholarship. Her honors included being on the President's List and the Dean's List.

PICTURED TOP RIGHT:

**KAYLA JAN MILES**, a vocal music education major, served as Chi Delta Woman's Social Club song leader. She was a member of the University Choir and Ouachita Singers. She also participated in intramurals. Her honors included Homecoming nominee, Ouachitonian Beauty nominee, Who's Who nominee, Tiger Belle, and Drum Major.

**JANA MARIE HARP**, a psychology major, served as Chi Delta chaplain and BSU Noonday Coordinator. She was named to the Dean's List.

**LEIGH ANN WHITE**, a speech pathology major, served as chairman head and program chairman for Chi Delta Woman's Social Club; cheerleader co-captain; and vice president and president of NSSHLA. Her honors included the Dean's List and National Dean's List Nomination.

PICTURED BOTTOM RIGHT:

**BETH ANNE RANKIN**, a music/history major, was a member of Ouachita Sounds, Alpha Chi, Sigma Alpha Iota, and Phi Kappa Lambda. She served as a feature twirler and a Kappa Chi little sis. Her honors included Virginia Queen Award for Excellence in Piano Performance; Homecoming Queen; first runner-up to Miss OBU; second runner-up, and outstanding talent winner at the Miss Arkansas pageant.

**JAY M. HEFLIN**, a business administration major, served as Student Senate president; OBU Varsity Tennis Team co-captain; and Chi Delta Beau. He was a member of OSF, Blue Key, Alpha Chi, Phi Beta Lambda, and Beta Beta Men's Social Club. His honors included the President's List, Dean's List, All-AIC and All-District Tennis, Sigma Alpha Sigma Scholar Athlete Award, NAIA Academic All-American, and Volvo Academic All-American.

**BRYAN THOMAS MCKINNEY**, a psychology/history major, served as Student Senate vice president; general psychology lab instructor; and Kappa Chi pledgemaster. His honors included being named a Harry S. Truman nominee and serving as a summer intern for Senator Pryor in Washington.

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Holly Futrell/Cherry Valley  
Jonathan Gary/Lubbock, TX  
David Graham/  
Germantown, TN  
Denis Gueu/Ivory Coast, Africa



Duane Hall/Kijabe, Kenya  
Anissa Harbison/  
Farmers Branch, TX  
Carol Anne Hardister/  
Amman, Jordan  
David Hardister/Amman, Jordan



Kim Hare/Arkadelphia  
Steve Harness/  
New Port Richey, FL  
Jana Harp/Wynne  
Tammy Harper/  
North Little Rock



John Harris/Forrest City  
Lane Harrison/Norphlet  
Michael Hatley/Gurdon  
Jay Heflin/Little Rock



Diane Henry/North Little Rock  
Kevin Henry/Monticello  
Eric Herndon/North Little Rock  
Bobby Hicks/Eudora



Alex Himaya/Bossier City, LA  
Jay Hines/Camden  
Doug Hixson/Hampton  
Clayton Hodges/Jonesboro



Jennifer Hogg/DeQueen  
Kay Holleman/Cabot  
Tara Holmes/Belleville, IL  
Kathi Hopper/Arkadelphia



Tony Hutchins/Jacksonville  
Andy Jayroe/Carrollton, TX  
Pam Jayroe/Palestine



Paula Jayroe/Palestine  
Teena Jester/Ashdown  
Cristi Jone/Rogers



Adam Jones/Batesville  
Alicia Keaster/Nashville  
Johnny Kelley/Oklahoma City, OK



Krista Kelly/Conway  
Kristy Kennedy/Livingston, TX  
Rebekah Kinney/Fairfax, VA



Robert Lackie/Jacksonville  
Jeff Laman/North Little Rock  
Charles Langley/Arkadelphia



Julie Lawrence/North Little Rock  
Kristy Lindsey/Bearden  
Suzy Lloyd/Texarkana, TX



Michelle Lilly/North Little Rock  
Monica Lowrance/Hot Springs  
Gia Lyons/Texarkana





•Guy Lyons

PICTURED ABOVE:

**GRADY ALEXANDER HIMAYA,** a Biblical studies/language major, served as senior class president; junior class vice president; Christian Ministry Fellowship publicity chairman; and chaplain of Beta Beta Men's Social Club. He was a member of Blue Key National Honor Fraternity and Alpha Chi National Honor Fraternity. His honors included the Dean's List, President's List, National Dean's List, L.J. Dutch Funderburk Scholarship, Henderson Scholarship, and Scholastic Excellence Scholarship.

**JUDITH ANN (JODY) BYNUM,** a biology major, served as AWS international student coordinator and vice-president; OSF finance committee; and Tri Beta Biological Society treasurer. She was also a member of Tri Chi Woman's Social Club. Her honors included Arkansas Governor's Scholar, Dean's List, President's List, National Dean's List, and Trustee's Scholar.

**KIMBERLY DAWN HARE,** a communications major, served as president, vice president, and corresponding secretary of Gamma Phi Woman's Social Club; Ouachitonian co-editor; and student orientation leader. She was also a member of the BSU, Kappa Delta Pi, and OSEA. Her honors included various journalism awards and Homecoming candidate. She was also the recipient of a Presidential Scholarship.

**ADAM MILTON JONES,** a business administration/economics major, served as treasurer of Blue Key National Honor Fraternity; vice-president of Beta Beta Men's Social Club; and executive council and ministry leader for the BSU. He was also a member of OSF. His honors included the Dean's List and Leadership Scholarship Recipient.

NOT PICTURED:

**THEODOCIA RENEE JOHNSON,** an office administration major, was a member of the Association of Women Students, the Black American Student Society, and the Young Democrats. Her honors included Ouachitonian Beauty Contestant, Homecoming Queen Candidate, Dean's List, and Seinan Gakuin University Exchange Student.

# —Who's— WHO

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**TRAYE D. MCCOOL,** a history major, served as Rho Sigma Men's Social Club treasurer, social chairman, president, and chaplain. He was also a member of Phi Alpha Theta in which he served as vice president. In addition, he was a member of Blue Key. He was the recipient of the Second Century Scholarship.

**RUDOLPH ALVIN (TRE) CATES III,** a philosophy/Biblical studies language major, served as chaplain of Kappa Chi Men's Social Club; vice president of the BSU; and a Noonday leader. He was a member of both Spring Break and Summer Missions teams. He was the recipient of the Don B. Harbuck Award.

**SHARON LYNN FRANCIS,** a communications major, served as Tri Chi Woman's Social Club president and Tiger Tunes director; Student Senate treasurer; and BSU Bible Study leader. She participated in Spring Break Missions, and she was a student recruiter for OBU Admissions Counseling Office. Her honors included the Dean's List, Phi Mu Alpha Sweetheart, and Tiger Tunes Hostess. She was the student host for the Video Yearbook and the "Ouachita" ACTS program.

# IT'S ONE of those great stories

*Chris Rice received his degree in the spring, fulfilling his parents' dream. It was a dream that all eleven of their children would have a college education.*



•Guy Lyons

**NEWSWORTHY**—Chris Rice talks to a Channel 4 News reporter. The station did a feature on him and his family's accomplishments.

It's the kind of story so rich with values like family, faith, hard work and education that even Laura Ingalls Wilder and John Boy Walton might not believe it.

The Rice family of Wabbaseka, Arkansas, is an all-too-rare example of the power of strong family relationships. As one might expect, the story began with the parents.

Born to Arkansas sharecroppers, Tommy Rice and Dorothy Woolfolk grew up near Wabbaseka, where their families worked the same plantation. They attended high school together and were married in 1952. She was 18. He was 17.

"We married young and started our family right away, and then I realized that I really could have used more education," said Tommy Rice. "I was determined that if that wasn't possible for me, it would be for my children."

It wasn't a hollow cliché when Tommy Rice uttered those words. On May 8, 1993, the Rices saw their youngest child, Chris, receive his diploma from Ouachita Baptist University President Dr. Ben M. Elrod. Since Chris was their last, the moment was particularly touching. But in another sense, it was nothing new. It was their eleventh commencement.

From Randy, who graduated from Ouachita in 1973, through Chris, including eight sisters and one brother in between, the Rices raised 11 children. All 11 were college graduates, and nine were graduates of Ouachita.

"I don't know of a story more unique than that of the Rices," said Elrod. "Tommy, Dorothy and their children personify the kind of selfless love that a family is supposed to be all about.

"Knowing how the Rices feel about the importance of quality education, we feel honored that so many of the Rice children have chosen Ouachita for their undergraduate education," said Elrod. "It says something about their commitment to both academic quality and Christian principles."

While honoring his parents at a recent Ouachita Former Students Association luncheon held during commencement weekend, Chris said that God was the foundation of his family, and that coming to Ouachita was a natural extension of that commitment.

"Randy came when he was only 16 or 17 at the suggestion of one of his teachers," said Chris. "He was pleased with what he found at Ouachita, and my sisters followed his lead."

Soon a tradition had developed. There was long line of Rices at Ouachita, and influence spread by word of mouth, from one

**LOVE TIES**— The Rices pose for a family photo.



•Guy Lyons

sibling to another.

Eight of his brothers and sisters were able to return to Ouachita for commencement, and Chris spoke for the group by thanking his parents and announcing that the children had started the Tommy the Dorothy Rice Scholarship Fund at Ouachita.

"You have done so much for us, and now these scholarships will continue to help students in your names for as long as Ouachita exists," Chris said.

Chris will head to law school in the fall. His brother, Randy was also an attorney. In fact, all of the Rice children were active professionals.

•Randy Rice: A 1973 Ouachita graduate, Randy heads his own law firm in Little Rock.

•Dr. Jennifer Rice Mason: A 1975 Ouachita graduate, Jennifer has two master degrees from East Texas State University, and a Ph.D. degree from Southern Illinois University. She is the Assistant Dean of Students and Coordinator of Disability Services at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro.

•Linda Bell Rice: a 1976 graduate of Ouachita, Linda is an accountant with Arkansas Power and Light Company in Little Rock.

•Dr. Kathy Rice-Clayborn: A 1979 Ouachita graduate, Kathy has a masters degree from East Texas State University and a Ph.D. degree from Southern Illinois University. She is Assistant Director of Career Planning and Placement at the University of Central Arkansas at Conway.

•Gloria Rice Franklin: A 1980 graduate of Ouachita, Gloria became a Certified Public Accountant in 1982. She is an auditor for Kellogg's, Inc. in Battle Creek, Mich.

•Deborah Rice: A 1982 Ouachita graduate, Deborah is a Realtor in Little Rock.

•Tommy Rice, Jr.: A 1985 graduate of Arkansas State University, Tommy is currently a graduate student at Texas Southern University.

•Dr. Mollie Rice Dorrough: A 1986 Ouachita graduate, Mollie gained her M.D.

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**-Chris Rice-**

degree at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock. She is currently practicing medicine in Dallas.

•**Kim Rice:** A 1989 graduate of Ouachita, Kim received her M.D. degree in June of 1993 at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine.

•**Dawn Rice:** Dawn attended Ouachita before being graduated from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. A teacher, she is currently a graduate at East Texas State University.

•**Chris Rice:** A 1993 graduate of Ouachita, Chris is currently choosing which law school to attend. He also took the Certified Public Accountant examination for the three days previous to his graduation.

How did it happen? How did a rural farming family produce 11 college graduates? For Chris, there was no real mystery.

"My father believes in hard work, and he values education, while my mother is just a very positive person," Chris said. "It doesn't seem unusual to us, we grew up expecting to go to college."

Tommy Rice had set the pattern early. Not long after his marriage to Dorothy, he went to Chicago searching for a better way to make a living. He came back believing that his years of hard work would be best spent in farming, and, in particular, on his own farm.

From there, the children learned to work through the various chores always available on a farm, and their parents required them to work just as hard on their schoolwork.

"Once, when I was young, I was working alongside a tractor, putting up rows, and the work was very hard," said Chris. "I remember telling my father that I just couldn't do it. He walked over to me very animated and said, 'Don't ever say you can't do it, don't ever say that.'"

"I understand what hard work is. I thank my dad for that," he said.

So it is that Tommy and Dorothy Rice, the children of sharecroppers, are the prototypical example of how to solve the educational challenges of the 21st century. They are parents who care: Dorothy, the always-positive motivator, and Tommy, the taskmaster and constant example of the importance of hard work.

"All they ever asked is that we help each other and help our children as they helped us," said Kathy.

To that end, as each sibling finished college, he or she volunteered assistance to their younger brothers and sister. It was a lesson they learned well from their parents, and the Tommy and Dorothy Rice Scholarship Fund guaranteed the lesson would not be forgotten, and the Rice family would continue to grow.

*by Jeff Root*



Mollie Ma/China  
Chris Malcoch/  
Little Rock  
Heather Mann/  
Arkadelphia

Jill Manning/Arkadelphia  
Amy Martin/  
Heber Springs  
Dawn Martin/  
North Little Rock

Jack Martin/  
Lexington, KY  
Shawna Matlock/  
Bismarck  
Stephanie McBrayer/  
Arkadelphia

Mike McCauley/  
Bossie City, LA  
Laura McClanahan/  
Pine Bluff  
Rebecca McClenning/  
Camden

Traye McCool/  
Hot Springs  
Michelle McCoy/  
Pine Bluff  
Jason McCullough/  
Dekalb, TX

Andrea McKane/Searcy  
Scott McKane/  
Bastrop, LA  
Darren Michael/  
El Dorado

Kayla Miles/Wynne  
Brian Miller/Augusta  
Missy Monroe/Pine Bluff

David Murphy/Texarkana, TX  
Bonita Murray/El Dorado  
Rusty New/Arkadelphia



Chris Ocken/Ft. Wayne, IN  
Wendelyn Osborne/Ashdown  
Patrick Parish/Searcy



Todd Parr/Houston, TX  
Rita Pedigo/Hope  
Tracy Pennington/White Hall



Scott Pickle/Quito, Ecuador  
Denise Prewitt/Garland, TX  
Tony Ranchino/Arkadelphia



Beth Anne Rankin/Magnolia  
Chris Ratley/Heber Springs  
Christopher Rice/Wabbaseka



Robert Richards/Grand Prairie, TX  
Sara Richardson/Fort Smith  
Carrie Rinehart/Little Rock



Frank Roach/Monticello  
Michael Robbins/Booneville  
Jody Roberson/Moscow, ID



# FOR WHOM *the* wedding *bells* toll

*A wedding was a momentous occasion; some parents of the couples greeted the news with anticipation, others with trepidation, but, in either case, it was always a time for tremendous planning.*

Usually by April they would arrive. Not one or two, but about twenty of them all at once. Your mailbox would be filled to capacity. They were invitations to bridal showers.

Some students were jealous, and others were thankful it was an invitation to someone else's shower. And there were those who didn't even remember meeting some of the people they got invitations from!

But all this wedding planning usually made people wonder how these students got it past their parents. Were they willing to sit by and watch their children, who were still in school, get married? Just like that?

"My parents were thrilled about us getting engaged," said Sara Richardson, who had been engaged for a year, "But, they made us promise we wouldn't get married until after graduation."

Rebekah Kinney's parents did more than that to make sure she finished school before wedding bells tolled. "My parents bribed us. My dad told me that if I was single when I graduated, he would buy me a new car," she said. "I asked him how long I had to stay single and he told me I could get married the day after

graduation." And that is what they did.

How did these bride-to-be's manage to keep up with school and plan a wedding at the same time? Sara said that she went home every weekend and took care of her plans then so she could concentrate on school during the week.

Rebekah admitted her studies might have suffered some as she planned her wedding, because she really missed her fiance. "Sometimes he's gone often," she said. So when he was in town, they spent a lot of this limited time planning the wedding together.

Many students considered Sara and Rebekah very fortunate as they planned for that long-awaited day. However, as Rebekah noted, "Too many people get

married for the sake of getting married. They're in love with the idea of getting married." Planning a wedding may have seemed glamorous, but, by all means, it was only the beginning of a new and very different way of life.

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**-Rebekah Kinney-**

*Penny Thomas*



•Roy Burroughs



•J. P. Arnold

**ONE ON ONE-** Married students Donna and Robbie Richards shoot some hoops together.

**SWEPT AWAY-** Julie and Shad Wickstrom, also married students, share a beautiful afternoon and some spirited clowning.

Leah Robertson/Melbourne  
Kym Rutherford/Prairie Grove  
Cassandra Sample/Rose Bud



Scott Schrader/Ft. Smith  
Jason Seek/Memphis, TN  
Jon Self/Hope



Robby Sherman/Jacksonville  
Kris Shinn/Sedalia, MO  
Robert Sims/Pine Bluff



Deana Smith/Arlington, TX  
Michelle Smith/Jacksonville  
Suzanne Smith/Heber Springs



Mike Sossamon/Camden  
Ashli Spann/Arkadelphia  
Michael Spraggins/Russellville



Eric Stanton/Buenos Aires, Argentina  
Becky Stephens/Cabot  
Simon Storer/Columbus, MS



Wesley Sullivan/Arkadelphia  
Reggie Sumpter/Heber Springs  
Jennifer Tedder/Crossett



# THE KING is alive and singing

*Matt Neyman was Elvis...or at least he did a pretty good job of imitating him. Whether serenading women in his boxer shorts or performing on stage in front of throngs of admirers, when Matt ("Melvis") sang, you'd swear it was the King himself.*

They said imitation was the sincerest form of flattery, and according to all the Elvis hype still alive and well today, one might think the King is still alive, as well.

However, Matt Neyman, (AKA "Melvis"), Ouachita's very own Elvis impersonator, believed the King was dead, although Neyman said he reincarnated Elvis once or twice a year.

First performing as Elvis in a high school show, Neyman realized he had hit upon something that was special, which audiences seemed to adore. "Everybody freaked," Neyman recalled.

After coming to Ouachita, he was dared by Kristy Kennedy to go and serenade the girls dorm—in his boxer shorts! This started an unusual tradition which lasted until his final performance in late September 1992.

"I wore those same boxer shorts for four years. I finally put them to rest in my closet because they were falling apart," Neyman said. One might assume that he was an avid fan of Presley, and might even have owned a velvet wall-hanging or two.

Surprisingly, Neyman only bought one Elvis album for inspiration. He said that the song he liked best was "One Night." "It's really easy to rock hard to that



\*Roy Burroughs

**"I wore those same boxer shorts for four years. I finally put them to rest in my closet because they were falling apart."**

**-Matt Neyman-**

song without a band," Neyman stated. Melvis generally used only a guitar for accompaniment, although he added a sound system to his final performance.

With all of this talent, could we dare expect Melvis to go on to greater horizons?

"Well, my major is Youth Ministry; however, I might try my luck at Nashville." Everyone was in hopes that Nashville would work out for Melvis; however, if not, there was always Vegas.



\*Roy Burroughs

**LONESOME TONIGHT?**—Melvis entertains a group in Francis Crawford courtyard as his well-dressed associates look on.

*by Suzanne Taylor*



# AD FED: *the* new *college* revolution

*Ad Fed was a spring class that broke all the rules of traditional education. The students were the creators of an advertising campaign which was then entered in a regional competition.*

Students were offered several opportunities to gain valuable experience outside the classroom with courses which supplemented the various disciplines. One such course offered in the spring was a communications class focusing on the advertising profession. This class required students to develop a complete marketing program, including research, sales promotion ideas, creative executions and marketing surveys. Schools from around the area then entered regional competitions sponsored by the American Advertising Federation.

Ouachita competed in the 10th district competition which was held in Corpus Christi. This district was composed of teams from Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma. Each team was presented with a product which was to be marketed to a specific audience all within the parameters of a limited budget. Teams were required to create a comprehensive marketing strategy for Saturn Corporation and include this information in a 50-page plans book. These books were then sent to a panel of three judges to be critiqued. Finally, after a semester of preparation, each team met in Corpus Christi to participate in the final phase of the competition which required a group presentation in which each school used slides, other visual aids and sales

promotion ideas in order to convince judges of the virtues of their plans.

Dr. William Downs served as the faculty adviser for the group and junior Denver Peacock served as the student-director. Other team members included seniors Brian Bell, Sharon Francis, Sean Robertson, Holly Clark, Cassandra Sample, Robbie Parker, Jennifer

Hogg and Carrie Rinehart and juniors Rob Pepper, Amy Noble, Tonya Hicks and Dan Turner. The group finished fifth out of 14 teams including teams from Southwest Texas University, the University of Houston and Southern Methodist University.

"I think classes such as this one are especially beneficial because of the practical experience they provide," said junior Dan Turner of De Queen. "Ouachita was competitive with schools which had larger budgets and a bigger pool of

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**-Dan Turner-**

students from which to choose. I think our team this year gained our school some respect that will carry over into future competitions."

Only two other schools from Arkansas, the University of Arkansas and UALR, entered the competition. Ouachita placed in front of both of these schools. The AdFed chapter was another example of Ouachita's excellence in the academic world.

*by Jeff Laman*

Tracy Theriac/White Hall  
Janet Thomas/Stephens  
Penny Thomas/Arkadelphia  
Jennifer Thompson/Tyler, TX  
Scott Thornton/Grapevine, TX

Wade Tomlinson/Sikeston, MO  
Kim Tullos/Cabot  
Tony Vacha/Marshville, MO  
Dana Vernon/Norfolk, MA  
Nica Vernon/Norfolk, MA

Rodney Wade/Haynes  
Chris Walls/McKinney, TX  
Andrea Wang/China  
David Ward/Arkadelphia  
Traci Watson/West Monroe, LA





**RED, WHITE, AND BLUE-** Jennifer Hogg and the Saturn vehicle sport stars and stripes for a product photo. This look was in keeping with the marketing theme "Saturn: The New American Revolution".

**ALL HOURS-** Dan Turner, Denver Peacock, Sean Robertson, Holly Clark, and Cassandra Sample pose for a quick photograph. They were members of the production team who stayed up until the wee hours of the morning putting the presentation of the project together.



**TESTING THE WATERS-** Members of the Ad Fed team conduct a focus group to get opinions on their presentation plan from students who weren't involved with the project.



Trevia Watlington/Wynne  
 Pam Waymack/Arkadelphia  
 Lance West/Taichung, Taiwan  
 Tiffany West/Glenwood  
 Leigh Ann White/Benton

David Whited/Hot Springs  
 Marisa Whitfield/Alvin, TX  
 Dwayne Whitten/Palestine, TX  
 Gena Wilkerson/Hermitage  
 Deena Willard/Friona, TX

Robin Wood/Ft. Smith  
 Jennifer Woodfield/Pine Bluff  
 Glen Wynn/Houston, TX  
 Su Xin Yang/China  
 Kiki Young/Mt. Pleasant, TX

# A MESSAGE in a sports camp

*Camp Kannekuk gave children a unique opportunity to participate in athletic activities and learn what Christian life is all about. It was also an educational experience for many Ouachita students.*



#### **TIME TOGETHER-**

Laura Pennington and her father spend a moment together at Kannekuk. Quiet time was valuable with so many activities going on.

#### **HAPPY LANDINGS!**

Instead of dropping into the foam squares below, a camper hangs on tightly to her swing as her counselor helps her back on to the platform. Activities like the swing were enjoyable for both kids and counselors.

"Out of this World" was this year's theme for camp Kannekuk, held in Missouri. Many Ouachita students spent their summers as camp counselors and the experience was definitely worth it! Kannekuk was a Christian sports camp that provided exciting adventures in Christian athletics to lead kids to the Cross of Christ.

Kannekuk was divided into the age groups K-1, ages 10-12; K-2, 15-18; K-3, 12-15; K-4, 7-11 and K-5, 11-18. K-5 were "Kids Across America," which were inner city kids. Wendy Foster, a sophomore from Little Rock was in charge of locker number 1, the 11 year old girls. "I got a letter from one of my girls the other day and she told me she wanted to make God her best friend. I got chill bumps because the whole time they were there they would just blow off what I said. I knew everything they learned when they were there would pay off eventually!" Foster commented excitedly.

The boys and girls spent the daytime apart. While they were separated, they attended fishing, gymnastics, diving, self-defense, soccer, and numerous other activities that involved any child of athletic ability. At night they had different kinds of programs. One night K-4 had a 50's night and a safari party. The K-5 group had gladiator night where all the counselors dressed up in red, white, and blue while the kids challenged them in a match. The kids did many

types of activities, but at the same time learned what being a Christian was all about.

Laura Pennington, a sophomore from Arkadelphia, was a K-4 from July 24 through August 20. She had 8 and 9 year old girls. Being a tennis coach, she taught different activities as well. Pennington found out about Kannekuk through a lady she babysat for. "As soon as I heard, I wanted to do it, because I love kids," she said. "I learned a lot of responsibilities, because I was like a

mom to these little girls. It's amazing how much they don't know, like making them brush their teeth." Both Foster and Pennington kept in touch with their campers. "I get a letter at least once a week. They talk to me like I'm a sister just letting me know what they've been up to," said Foster. All the students from Ouachita who participated in Kannekuk definitely felt it was the best experience of their

**"I got a letter from one of my girls the other day and she told me she wanted to make God her best friend."**

**-Wendy Foster-**

life; many wanted to attend next year. As they packed up their suitcases and left for the school year, they looked forward to the following summer, hoping for many special memories and having kids who were "Out of this World."

*by Carey Heiges*





Allison Allred/Cabot  
 Stephanie Anderson/  
 McKinney, TX  
 Sarah Armstrong/Garland, TX  
 Becca Arnold/Grapevine, TX  
 Jennifer Arnold/Arkadelphia

Johnpaul Arnold/DeValls Bluff  
 Ryan Baldi/Memphis, TN  
 Brian Bales/Hot Springs  
 Carrie Ballard/Collierville, TN  
 Jennifer Barker/Camden

Melanie Barr/Grand Prairie, TX  
 Jason Bates/Little Rock  
 Shauna Bauer/Gillett  
 Christopher Black/Little Rock  
 Stephanie Blackmon/  
 Shape, Belgium

Bart Bledsoe/Hope  
 Nicol Bodenstein/Springdale  
 David Bond/Ashdown  
 Eric Bonifant/Cabot  
 Kaye Boone/Smackover

Angela Borggren/Little Rock  
 Rachel Braden/Dardanelle  
 Heather Brandon/Crowley, LA  
 Chad Brinkley/Springdale  
 Jay Brooks/Batesville

Becca Brown/Waxahachie, TX  
 Chris Brune/Siloam Springs  
 Ryan Buffalo/Carlisle  
 John Bunch/Texarkana, TX  
 Cindy Burks/Bradley

Christopher Campbell/  
 Memphis, TN  
 Paul L. Capps/Singapore  
 Dale Carlton/Monticello  
 Adam P. Carson/Benton  
 Christine Carter/Ft. Smith

# PICKING UP

## where they left off

*The adjustment to a new campus is difficult enough when one is a freshman, but for transfer students it's a whole different ballgame.*

**CASUAL-** Transfer Zack Murtha browses through the latest edition of *The Signal*. Many new student found the student newspaper to be a handy source of information.



•Susan Kappus

A new campus, new professors, new friends, even new eating habits. Were these the thoughts of an incoming freshman? Not necessarily. They could very well have been those of a transfer student. Transfers sometimes had to start over when they enrolled at a different school. When making the decision where to go and what to take was made, students then had to see how many hours would transfer from one school to the other and what classes were going to have to be taken or even repeated.

Amy Buchanan, a sophomore communications major from Batesville, transferred from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. She seemed to have no trouble adjusting to the new surroundings at OBU. She did, however, seem to like the fact that OBU was "a smaller campus with a personal environment."

Corey Horton, a junior communications major from Michigan, came to OBU from a school in Mississippi. He had several comments concerning his move. "The administration was very helpful. I was impressed with how friendly everyone was," he said. Horton explained why he made the switch to OBU. First, OBU had a fine communications department, one of the best he reviewed. Secondly, he came to OBU to play basketball. He also noted that his previous school environment left very little to be desired. "We had a real problem with gangs and crime-related violence. I wanted to go somewhere that represented a safe atmosphere and OBU has accomplished that for me." Needless to say, he had no regrets about transferring.

Being a transfer student could have been as difficult as entering college for the first time, because everything had to be started from scratch, so to speak. A person had to be willing and able to find his or her niche and make school educational as well as fun. Transfers had the advantage in that they were fortunate enough to meet new people from all walks of life, more than once.

*by Libby Doss*



Mark Castle/Bolton, England  
 Kristian Cartwright/Arkadelphia  
 Daniel Clark/Greenwood  
 Billie Cloud/Arkadelphia  
 Heath Clower/  
 Sierra Leone, Africa

Jason Collins/Knoxville, TN  
 Doug Compton/Royal  
 Amanda Coon/Arkadelphia  
 Jerry Cound/North Little Rock  
 Christy Cowling/Arkadelphia






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**-Corey Horton-**

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**FREE TIME-**  
 Transfer student Jeremy Durrett takes time out on a nice day to do a sketch outdoors.

-J. P. Arnold



Donald Crawley/Arkadelphia  
 Nikki Daniel/Arkadelphia  
 Kelly Daniels/Ft. Worth, TX  
 Kristina Daniels/Ft. Worth, TX  
 Glen Davis/Texarkana

Hillmon Davis/Bentonville  
 Chandra Dawson/Ft. Smith  
 Laurie Delezen/Camden  
 Michelle Dixon/Pearcy  
 Angie Dodd/Texarkana, TX

Steve Dooly/Ft. Smith  
Holly Dorsey/North Little Rock  
Elizabeth Doss/McGehee



Meredith Dougan/Van Buren  
Stacey Dunavant/Wynne  
Karon Edge/Ferndale



Michele Edge/Hot Springs  
Bill Fisher/Germantown, TN  
Julie Garner/Rison



Kristin Garner/St. Louis, MO  
Marvin George/Texarkana, TX  
David Goodman/Prattsville



Kristal Graves/Killeen, TX  
Patti Green/Azle, TX  
Rebecca Griffin/Magnolia



Angie Grigsby/Lake Charles, LA  
Carmen Halifax/Pearcy  
Lois Hall/Nassau, Bahamas



Jay Ham/Arkadelphia  
Wes Hamilton/Dallas, TX  
Kevin Hamman/North Little Rock



# SUPPORT STAFF:

## *taking care of business*

*No one could have called the support staff idle. It took a lot of work to have everything run smoothly, and there were many people behind the scenes who always made sure it did just that.*



•Roy Burroughs

**FRIENDLY VOICE-** Ann Collier, secretary for admissions, answers a call. She was one of the helpful people on the other end of the line for many prospective students.

**OFFICE LANDSCAPE-** Nancy Rucker, assistant cashier in the business office, types out a form. She helped to keep the paperwork under control.

Have you ever been in a position where people depended on you for just about anything? Have you ever been expected to just do it? This seemed to apply to many people on campus. Everyone had a job to do. Students had their assignments and professors had lectures, but we sometimes forgot those who seemed to be the glue that held everything together. They could be called the very backbone of the University. They were the office employees.

These people worked diligently day in and day out, staying on their toes in order to keep Ouachita running smoothly. Most of them did much more than what a typical job description would have entailed. Many confessed they had never seen their actual job requirements on paper. They just did what was needed to be done.

Donna Sisson was a bookkeeper in the development office. She was originally hired as a secretary and bookkeeper. She explained that there were several projects outside of keeping books that she was a part of. Sisson helped coordinate decorations for banquets, contributed to the Second Century and Development Council functions, and organized memorials through the school. She admitted that there had been some occasions where her work followed her home in order to meet certain deadlines. She explained the highlights of her job in a unique way.

"It gives me an opportunity to help others who are going through tough times. The Lord gives us these added pleasures when they're most needed," she said. Sisson gave many unseen additions to her department and the University.

Another bonus to Ouachita was found in the business office. Sherri Phelps was in charge of all insurance and payroll for the entire university staff. People may have been under the impression that she dealt with

students because she was so helpful to them. Actually she and the other employees in the area crossed over their specified lines in order to help each other.

"It is like an integration of all five of our jobs, because we all try to lend a hand when we can," she said.

Phelps was yet another dedicated person who did not end her job at quitting time. She said that she liked to stay busy in her job. "September and January are the most hectic times for me due to registration and salary changes," she said.

Evans Student Center had a definite asset in office employee Evelyn Bettis. Mrs. Bettis was an extremely busy woman. When there was something, anything, going on at Ouachita she had something to do with it. Bettis' office was in charge of helping students, faculty, and people off campus with functions like luncheons and receptions. She reserved rooms and even ordered refreshments. Bettis admitted that she had no need for taking her work home because of her office/student

workers. She praised their efforts and efficiency. The Student Center office was not a dull place at any point in the year. There were many things, from Homecoming and Tiger Tunes in the fall, Tiger Traks in the spring, to Upward Bound in the summer to keep them busy. No one had time to be bored or empty-handed.

As one could see there was a lot more to Ouachita than what met the eye. Yes, there were the noticeable classes, lectures, tests, and socializing, but there was also a great deal being done behind the scenes. People like Donna Sisson, Sherri Phelps, and Evelyn Bettis, along with many others, helped keep things afloat.

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**-Donna Sisson-**

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*by Libby Doss*



•Roy Burroughs



**"I always  
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of there  
feeling  
good about  
myself."  
-Nikki  
Northern-**



**TOGETHER-**  
Students sing and clap  
their hands during a  
Noonday hymn. Many  
felt that Noonday was a  
great addition to their  
daily routine.

-Gay Lyon

J. Wesley Harville/Glenwood  
Tina L. Hawthorn/Hot Springs  
Tanya Hicks/Cabot  
Mark Hodge/Benton  
Erik Holley/Sherrand, IL

Andrea Holt/Marshfield, MO  
John Paul Holt/Sparkman  
Cindy Hood/Catlettsburg, KY  
Corey Horton/Okolona  
Sabrina Horton/Waco, TX

Amy Humphries/Hot Springs  
Tiffany Hurst/Houston, TX  
Andrea Jackson/Grambling, LA  
Kristi Jackson/Peoria, IL  
Stacy Jackson/Hope



# 15 MINUTES *can* make *a* difference

*Noonday wasn't long, but quite a few students discovered that just a few minutes of fellowship in the middle of a hectic day could turn some not-so-great feelings into true happiness.*

**HEART FELT-** Jason Holcomb sings for his Noonday presentation.



*\*Roy Burroughs*

Every day at noon the BSU had something special to offer--Noonday. This allowed students to take 15 minutes out of their busy schedules and devote it to growing closer to God. Students joined together at Berry Bible building for singing, praising, and listening to young adults' testimonies.

The services were led daily by students who volunteered; some shared testimonies about what God was doing in their life, others talked about the many doors that He had opened. Several others shared their uplifting messages in song. Frequently during the year, social clubs participated in Noonday. Members organized and directed that day's worship.

Many students felt Noonday was a short

worship service. "It gets you pumped for the rest of the day. I always come out of there feeling good about myself," said Nikki Northern. Noonday was also a good way to get your thoughts collected and help get your focus back after a test or a long morning.

Those who attended Noonday often felt some testimonies were basic, but students learned something new each time they stepped out of the chapel. "Noonday is uplifting, because it encourages you to have a good day. It keeps you centered on the whole reason why we're here," said Brian Bales.

*by Carey Heiges*



Melanie Jenkins/Camden  
Sandra Jernigan/Hot Springs  
Johnny Johnson/Mesquite, TX  
Ted Jolley/Arkadelphia  
Traci Rae Jones/Arkadelphia

Adam Jordan/Sherwood  
Dawn Karam/San Diego, CA  
Belynda Keller/Batesville  
Jennifer Kemp/Fouke  
Brian Kirby/Little Rock

Jennifer Kircher/Bald Knob  
Sarah Koch/Arkadelphia  
Timothy S. Krohn/Texarkana, TX  
Jay Lane/Little Rock  
Christie Lang/Norman, OK

# LIFE AFTER

*a*  
brush  
*with*  
destiny

*After enduring a very painful, near-death situation last summer, Kristi Langemeier, assistant director of the BSU, realized that her faith had carried her every step of the way.*

When she traveled to Indonesia last summer, little did Kristi Langemeier know that she was about to embark on a life-changing experience.

Before becoming Ouachita's assistant director of the BSU last fall, Langemeier participated in a year-long discipleship training program in Branson, Missouri, known as Doulas (a Greek term meaning *bond servant*). She and 12 of the other participants had the opportunity to go to Indonesia last June, where they planned to take part in an eight-week tour of the country. This trip, she said, gave them the chance to get to know the Indonesian people, learn their language, and study their culture. Experiencing their culture firsthand, she said, really "opened our eyes to the needs of others around the world."

During their first week in Indonesia, Langemeier said they focused on learning the language. Then, she said they traveled to the island of Sumatra, where they planned to conduct survey work and visit some of the tourist attractions. One of the more popular sites was a hiking tour up a huge volcanic mountain, Mount Merapi, which had not erupted since 1976. "Lots of tourists and locals hike up this mountain all of the time," she said.

Langemeier and three other people decided to venture up Mount Merapi. After a

three-hour trek, they reached the top. She said that they were stunned by the magnificent scenery. "It was an incredible view," she said. "You could see the ocean and a nearby mountain range, which also had lots of volcanoes."

Not long after they reached the top, this tranquil scene soon became terrifying when the volcano began to spew large amounts of hot rocks and ashes. "The rocks were like the red-hot coals of a fire," Langemeier said. "They burned straight through our clothes."

**"The rocks were like the red-hot coals of a fire. They burned straight through our clothes."**

**-Kristy Langemeier-**

All four of the members in the tour group were burned. Langemeier and another member also sustained broken bones. "We literally feared for our lives," she said. "We thought that we were going to be buried alive."

With the help of some of the Indonesian people, Langemeier and the others made it safely down the mountain. "It took us eight hours to get to the bottom of the mountain," she said. "So, it was a long, hard day. We were very fortunate to be alive."

They spent the night in a small hospital in the nearby town of Padang. The next day, she and another group member were transported to Singapore, where they spent three days until their condition stabilized, and then they went back to the United States. Langemeier, who had severe burns on about 20 percent of her

Wade Lewis/Hot Springs  
Leah Liberator/Houston, TX  
Alex Lima/Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
Jonathan Mansell/Heber Springs  
Angel Martin/Monticello

Aya Matsumoto/Fukuoka, Japan  
Jason McCord/Pine Bluff  
Travis McCormick/  
Hobbs, New Mexico  
De Dee McDonald/Hope  
Shannon McGill/Little Rock

Jeff McKay/Little Rock  
Buffy Meador/Port Arthur, TX  
Mark Meador/Fordyce  
Renee Meharg/Cabot  
Billy Melton/Wichita Falls, TX



body, spent about three weeks in a Kansas City hospital. She underwent very painful debreeding treatments, which removed the burned skin from her body. "There were times in the hospital when things were really tough," she said. "They say that burns are one of the most painful things you can go through."

One day in the hospital, Langemeier remembered feeling like giving up hope when one of the hospital workers who took her to her daily treatments gave a very encouraging word. "He told me that 'the Lord hasn't brought you this far to leave you'" she said. "I was reminded once again that God's hand was in the situation."

Langemeier also underwent successful skin graft operations and currently wears elastic pressure garments on her arms and legs, which help in the healing process.

Reflecting on how this ordeal changed her perspective of life, Langemeier said that she felt "much more sensitive to people and their pain." She said that Romans 8:38-39 was a tremendous inspiration, because "it assures us that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ."

Langemeier said that while experiences like hers often times make people bitter, they can also help you realize the magnitude of God's grace. "God doesn't promise that our lives will be easy or that we won't have difficult circumstances," she said. "But he does promise to be with us."

*by Margaret Reed*

**INCREDIBLE!**- Assistant Dir. of BSU Kristi Langemeier holds up a jacket she was wearing during a volcano eruption in Indonesia.



\*Roy Burroughs



Homer Meyer/Pine Bluff  
 Leigh Ann Miller/Barbados,  
 West Indies  
 Laura Moore/Fayetteville  
 Tara Morley/Conway  
 Allison Morgan/Alexandria, LA

Sean Morrell/Dallas, TX  
 Wendy Moye/Bridge City, TX  
 Ulugbek Muhitdinov/Uzbekistan  
 Bradley Myers/Brinkley  
 Michael Nelson/Pensacola, FL

Sandra Nelson/Crystal Lake, IL  
 Michael Nichols/Rockwall, TX  
 Melanie Odell/Jacksonville  
 Lidia Oliveira/Sao Paulo, Brazil  
 Sheryl Pack/North Little Rock

Jim Parker/Pine Bluff  
Rebecca Parsons/Little Rock  
Jeremi Payne/Booneville



Denver Peacock/McCrary  
Jennifer Pennell/Cabot  
Brent Peoples/Greenwood



Rob Pepper/Memphis, TN  
Darin Peterson/McHenry, IL  
Kristi Pettit/Heber Springs



Alysia Petty/Dallas, TX  
Jason Petty/Nacogdoches, TX  
John Pike/Little Rock



Carrie Plummer/Ft. Smith  
Lesley Poteet/Mt. Pine  
Dana Presley/Batesville



Paul Price/Jonesboro  
Bakhrom Radjapov/Uzbekistan  
Miche' Rainey/Garland, TX



Ricky Reynolds/Fordyce  
Susan Rhoads/Walnut Ridge  
Allie Riley/Spring, TX



# THE CHANCE to meet a president

*While attending a press conference, eleven exchange students studying at Ouachita were given the opportunity to meet the new leader of the United States, President Bill Clinton.*



•Guy Lyons

**HAPPY TOGETHER-**  
The Clinton family waves before departing for Washington from Little Rock airport.

Excitement and enthusiasm roared across the state as one of Arkansas' own men stepped up to the challenge of serving as the President of the United States. Several of Ouachita's family frequented the state capitol building in hopes of catching a glimpse of the man of the hour, and for eleven of Ouachita's newest members these hopes turned into reality as they met President Bill Clinton.

Eleven exchange students to Ouachita decided to experience the heart of the excitement surrounding the election of President Clinton by attending a press conference in Little Rock. Clinton was exiting the platform after announcing his resignation as governor when he discovered that six Uzbek students were in the crowd. Odil Djuraev, Saidrasul Bakiev, Sergey Lee, Shakhruh Abdurashidov, Timour Rakhimi, and Bashorat Ibragimova jumped on the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet President Clinton and share what was going on in their country while they studied here in the United States. President Clinton encouraged the students in their studies and expressed to them that he

wished to invite Uzbekistan President Islam Abuganiyevich to America in the near future. British exchange students Jonathan Cochrane and Mark Castle joined in on the discussion, while Masami Moriguchi, Mie Takano, and Waka Hirakawa, Japanese exchange students, eagerly awaited their introductions. "We are pleased the students had this unique opportunity," said Dr. Ben Elrod, president of Ouachita. "The exchange program has been beneficial to all institutions involved, and we were especially pleased that the exchange students could culminate their semester by meeting the President of the United States."

Many American students anxiously desired to meet the man who held the most powerful position in the world. For several students this remained a dream, but eleven exchange students traveled back to their home countries able to share an experience of a lifetime.

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-Dr. Ben Elrod-**

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*by Beth Ann Lee*



**ACTIVE MEMBERS**-International students participate in "Fun Flicks", a video lip-synching contest held on campus. These students were involved in many areas of the university and were contributors to cultural influences as well as recipients.

# HELP WANTED: *when grades start falling*

*Many times when students felt like they were beyond helping themselves in a challenging class, they sought the services of a professional: a tutor.*

**STUDY-**  
Todd Parr assists a fellow student. Tutors were a valuable commodity when mid-term grades looked less-than-good.



•Roy Burroughs

Help! Students opened their mailboxes only to be greeted with mid-term grades. Hearts jumped. Suddenly they were panic-stricken. Old Testament Survey, good. Speech, good. Math, not so good. Chemistry, oh no definitely not good! It was time for plan B, because plan A, that was hanging on by a thread, just flew out the window. A tutor was the only answer.

How was this accomplished? A student could simply ask their professors for help and then be directed toward a department tutor. Different departments had qualified students on hand for those in trouble. The professor recommended a student from a list. Most of these students were majors in that particular field, and they were always proficient in the classes being taught.

Tutoring did not come free, but the prices could hardly be beat. Seeing that hard-earned A or B on their report cards definitely made it well worth the money. In order to secure a tutor, students contacted the prospective tutor recommended by the professor. Tutors usually charged anywhere between \$5 and \$10 per session. Time was another factor that the students had to work out. Students and their tutors negotiated a time schedule and went from there.

According to freshman Heather May, her math tutor was a lifesaver. "I took too many classes for my first year in college and a couple of my grades suffered because of it, so my professor told me I should get a tutor. It was the best thing I could have done," she said. Her tutor was senior math major Reggie Sumpter, who helped her with her math class.

Tutors were available to any OBU student. Because they were so qualified in their areas, students in need frequented them often for academic help. Usually, there was no problem a tutor couldn't help solve.

*by Libby Doss*



Alan Roark/Fordyce  
Cindy Rook/Malvern  
Jon Rushing/Woodlawn  
Reiko Sakamura/Fukuoka, Japan  
Jennifer Sanders/Spring, TX

Rebecca Stunders/Kentwood, MI  
Greg Schanfish/Texas  
Kathleen Schmidt/Pine Bluff  
Heather Schwartz/Wynne  
John Selph/Gurdon





•Roy Burroughs

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"... my professor told me I should get a tutor. It was the best thing I could have done."  
 -Heather May-

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**NOT FOR THE MONEY-** OBU student Jeff Elmore tutors 13-year-old Jerry at Jerry's Dugout, a baseball card shop that the youngster owns and operates. Sometimes Elmore would take baseball cards from the store as payment for services.



Julie Shambarger/Texarkana, TX  
 Rhonda Shemwell/  
 Togo, West Africa  
 Oliver Shipman/North Little Rock  
 Jake Shoemake/Lowell  
 Shiori Shuto/Fukuoka, Japan

Stacey Slaten/Ashdown  
 Christin Smith/Germantown, TN  
 Laura Kay Smith/Springfield, OH  
 Jennifer Smith/Prescott  
 Raphael Smith/Prescott



# ROLE MODELS

## leading kids to learning

*Several students chose to spend their time being role models for high school kids. Part of a Talent Search program, these high-schoolers were able to gain insight into what college was all about.*



•Roy Burroughs

**THOUGHTFUL-** Tonya Breavert listens intently at the last mentors meeting of the year while members discuss continuing the program.

**ADDED INSIGHT-** Mentor Adam Jordan discusses a project with Kyle Wiggins in the Mac Lab.

They were the only connection some high school students had to the world of college education. On a routine basis of at least once a month, several students traveled to schools in the surrounding area involved in the federal Talent Search program. These students served as "mentors" to high school students who met certain requirements set forth in federal educational programs. At the time of selection, the taxable family income of students could not exceed a level established by the U.S. Department of Education. In addition, their parents could not be college graduates.

"Our focus is to provide a comprehensive counseling and enrichment program for the purpose of developing creative thinking, effective expression and positive attitudes toward learning," said Judy Jones, associate director of the Talent Search program. Lewis A. Shepherd, Jr. served as director of the program.

The unique aspect of this program was the utilization of Ouachita students who served as the mentors to the students. Those involved were paid for one trip a month to a school in addition to money for transportation to and from their schools.

Adam Jordan assisted the program at the schools of Bearden and Stephens. Jordan said, "I really enjoyed working with the students. I was required to plan activities and perform additional functions, and overall it was an

enjoyable experience. I think it was beneficial to me, in that the planning and activities required dedication and responsibility."

The Ouachita students served as valuable tools in providing these high school students with positive role models. "The high school students will open up to college students before they will to adults. Kids love them and can identify with them," Jones said. "It is really neat for them to be brought to an official college campus."

Jones said that in the long run, the program helped Ouachita, even though it didn't promote Ouachita. The Talent Search participants were often brought to campus for a library day, special entertainment functions, arranged workshops and for college athletic events.

"The Talent Search not only helps the high school students, but since I'm

planning on education, it has given me a good feel of the duties of a teacher along with excellent job experience," said Jeremy Bell. "It has also given me ideas of the needs of special students and also a hint of the programs available for these students."

**"The high school students will open up to college students before they will to adults."**

**-Judy Jones-**

*by Dan Turner*



•Guy Lyons



Jeff Smithpeters/Hope  
 Jay Srygley/Rockwall, TX  
 Marcia Starks/Bigelow  
 Cindy Staton/Ft. Smith  
 David Steeger/Arkadelphia



Melanie Stephan/Monticello  
 Tim Story/Germantown, TN  
 Mica Strother/Mountain Home  
 John David Sykes/Paragould  
 Kiri Tan/Singapore



Emily Terrell/Germantown, IL  
 Allison Thomas/Gurdon  
 Michelle Thomas/Nash, TX  
 Shawn Thomas/Texarkana  
 Scott Thornhill/Redwater, TX



Adam Tipton/Louisville, KY  
 Magaret Trost/Little Rock  
 Kim Turner/Stuttgart  
 David Wang/Arkadelphia  
 Rachael Ward/Texarkana



Aimee Watson/Glen Rose, TX  
 Eddie Weathers/Gaza Strip  
 Ryan Welch/Monroe, LA  
 Kyle Wiggins/Forrest City  
 Kerri Whitlock/Gurdon



Lauralee Wilcox/Greenbrier  
 Amy Williams/Shreveport, LA  
 Sara Williams/Texarkana  
 Michele Woodall/North Little  
 Rock  
 April Works/White Hall



Debra Worrell/Pine Bluff  
 Melinda Wynn/Houston, TX  
 Mariko Yamaoka/Fukuoka,  
 Japan  
 Doug Young/Van Buren  
 Stuart Young/Texarkana

# IT TAKES *real* heart *to* nanny

*Moving to the east coast for the summer to take care of someone else's children is a big commitment, but one which has real rewards. Two students from Ouachita spent their summers this way.*



For juniors Allison Hill and Heather Brandon a nannying job was just what they needed. These two spent 14 weeks of their summer in Brookline, a suburb of Boston, Massachusetts, a strictly Jewish community, taking care of two separate families.

Hill and Brandon heard about the jobs from Kathy Simms, who went the summer of 1991 and was unable to go back the following year. Simms announced in chapel that her family, the Starr's, needed a nanny and their cousins the Kotzens, needed one. The two jumped on the idea! "I was a little hesitant at first, being gone for the whole summer, but I soon found out it was worth it," Brandon stated.

A "playmate" was basically how they described their job. The children went to camp from nine o'clock to four every day. "When they came home we would play kickball, dolls, and ride bikes. I did do the laundry, which was not bad at all." Hill confessed. "It was the best job, more of a vacation."

Both Hill and Brandon had Sundays and Mondays off. They toured New England,

shopped, saw a lot of movies, and attended a few ballgames. Larry Bird was Hill's next door neighbor. "I saw him once. I drove by a million times. That's my claim to fame!"

The Jewish community was a unique experience because neither one of them had ever really been around Jewish people for a long period of time. "I was a little shocked at the rituals/prayer we had to go through before the meal on Sabbot (day before Sabbath) which was Friday. It was a bit odd but it just became a way of life," Brandon said.

Hill summed it up by saying, "You tend to remember the good in all this, but kids will be kids, so sometimes you wanted to pull your hair out. But I loved it. I hope to go back next summer. I have a second family in Boston now!"

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**"...sometimes you wanted to pull your hair out. But I loved it. I hope to go back next summer."**

**-Allison Hill-**

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*by Carey Heiges*



**A HANDFUL-** Heather Brandon plays with the Starr family's children. She watched two kids on a regular basis and a third child only occasionally.



**TV LANDMARK-** Hampshire House in Boston appears during the opening credits on the TV show Cheers.

**CAROUSEL-** Allison Hill and Heather ride the carousel horses with Julie Kotzen. This amusement park was a favorite place to visit.



Julie Ahart/Wynne  
Melody Allred/Cabot  
Julie Bachman/Peoria, IL  
Marcus Badger/Dallas, TX



Mark Badger/Dallas, TX  
Brandon Barnard/Booneville  
Jana Barnard/Dekalb, TX  
Lori Barnes/Sherwood



Karen Beaver/Fort Smith  
Doug Beeman/Vivian, LA  
Amy Bell/Fordyce  
Donnita Bell/Sheridan



Elizabeth Blackmon/  
Greensboro, NC  
Alana Boles/North Little Rock  
Tanya Bowlby/  
Grand Prairie, TX  
Teresa Boyd/Vivian, LA



Aimee Broadwell/Hot Springs  
Brandon Brown/Hamburg  
Renee Brown/Benton  
Wayne Brown/Hot Springs



Matt Buie/Rison  
Dawn Burger/Strong  
Melissa Burgess/Garland, TX  
Amy Burt/Houston, TX



Brandi Byrd/Rison  
Perry Carpenter/Jacksonville  
Laura Cartwright/  
Manila, Philippines  
Jack Cates/Hot Springs

# ELECTION 1992: *a* chance *to get* involved

*The experience of participating in the '92 political process was an involving one for many students.*

Every four years, the presidential election attracted more attention than other general elections. For students at Ouachita, this focus was no different. On top of academics, athletics and social life, a number of students found time to become either directly or indirectly involved in the campaigns of the candidates as well as in the political process in general. It was also apparent that this interest was not restricted to students of political science only. One factor that contributed to widespread concern over this particular election was the candidacy of a native Arkansan, Bill Clinton. This created an atmosphere in which students felt compelled to display their support or disdain for specific candidates. However, despite these differences that existed, individuals feelings and ideas concerning the election were evident in a number of ways.

Many students were involved in some capacity in both local and national campaigns. From joining one of the campus organizations such as the College Republicans or the Young Democrats to volunteering to work at local and state headquarters, students were involved in campaigns from the lowest levels to some very important positions.

Allison Allred, a junior political science major, was a volunteer for the Clinton Campaign in Clark County. Allred performed various duties for the campaign including answering telephone calls, selling campaign paraphernalia and helping local citizens register to vote.

**SIGN OF SUPPORT-** A student shows agreement with speaker Beth Ann Rankin at the debate between the College Republicans and the Democrats in Action.



•Roy Burroughs

"The whole experience made me more aware of the effort involved in a political campaign," Allred said. "It's a huge operation which requires a great deal of time and effort from so many people who are never recognized."

Allred spent her Tuesday and Thursday afternoons working in the Clark County Headquarters. She worked about 6 or 7 times a month.

*The Signal* was important to students interested in the elections as well. By publishing opinion columns and printing students' letters, the campus newspaper provided an avenue for student and faculty involvement. Letters regarding each candidate, and sometimes other students, were submitted by many students wishing to voice their opinions.

There were many other events that also allowed students to get involved. One example

of such an event was a campus debate sponsored by the Student Senate. The debate was formatted in a way so, that students could address important

issues and argue the validity of each candidate's viewpoints. This debate also allowed audience participation through questions and comments directed at either side. Although the debate became heated at various times, it was beneficial to students in that it provided a way for students to express their opinions and it allowed everyone the opportunity to explore and consider serious issues while creating a better understanding of different points of view.

Throughout the election, most students retained their initial views of most subjects and candidates. However, as a result of each of these activities, students were supplied with a better comprehension of the problems and questions facing our nation.

*by Dan Turner*



•Guy Lyons

**GLAD HANDING-** Following the final election results, enthusiastic crowds greet Clinton hoping for a handshake or autograph before his departure for Washington.



Greg Cathey/Mena  
 Becky Caudle/Fort Smith  
 Misty Clark/North Little Rock  
 Jonathan Cochrane/  
 Birmingham, England



Carol Cofer/Searcy  
 Christopher Colvin/Dermott  
 Krisann Conder/Dallas, TX  
 Michelle Warren-Cook/  
 Burkson, TX



Andrew Clark/St. Louis, MO  
 Stacy Coats/Nashville, TN  
 Amy Cobb/Texarkana, TX  
 Ashley Crocker/Brookland



Laddie Crouch/Cabot  
 Lee Crouse/Magnolia  
 Jason Cunningham/Bryant  
 Staci Curtis/Malvern



Dena Dalmut/Prairie Grove  
 Rennie Davenport/  
 North Little Rock  
 Gina Denton/Sparkman  
 Susanne DeRossite/White Hall



Jennifer DeVorak/Little Rock  
 Jason Doom/DeValls Bluff  
 Siobhan Dougan/Sheridan  
 Nicole Duncan/Kensett



James Dumont/Norman  
 Jeremy Durrett/Desoto, TX  
 Ashley Eagan/Black Rock  
 Gindi Eckel/Houston, TX

Terry Engstrom/Sheridan  
Penny Erion/Conway  
Jeremy Erwin/Bamako, Mali



Brian Eskridge/Little Rock  
William C. Evans/Bismarck  
Maurice Fields/  
North Little Rock



Wendy Foster/Little Rock  
Jessica Franks/Batesville  
Ryan Fray/Broken Arrow, OK



Holly Freeman/Murfreesboro  
Rocky Freeman/  
Oklahoma City, OK  
Shane Freeman/Sunnyvale, TX



Rebecca Ganaway/Pine Bluff  
Paul Gault/Des Arc  
K. Danor Gerald/Dallas, TX



Brandon Gibson/Hot Springs  
Ashley Glover/Little Rock  
Joy Good/Stuttgart



Kristi Gober/Conway  
Brad Green/Bee Branch  
Sara Green/Nashville



# ANGELIC VOICE

## *that sang of Christ*

*Through the diligent efforts of Dr. Wesley Kluck, one of the leaders in contemporary Christian music shared her beautiful voice with students in a full Jones Performing Arts Center.*



•Roy Burroughs

When the world of contemporary Christian music was discussed, one name immediately came to most people's minds. Sandi Patti.

Through the efforts of physician and alumnus Dr. Wesley Kluck, the much acclaimed singer came to make one special appearance during a chapel service.

"It started two years ago when Ouachita was beginning to build the Jones Performing Arts Center," said Kluck. "I thought that it would be a great place for Sandi Patti to perform. I talked to her agents and they essentially told me that she doesn't do small concerts."

Kluck was relentless in his efforts to have Patti come. At one point, one of her agents told Kluck she had suddenly cancelled, for personal reasons, all of her then on-going tour.

Finally, six months later, Kluck was given a ray of hope when an agent said there might be a possibility of her making the trip.

Shortly after, an agent told him that she was desiring to perform again on Christian college and university campuses. She planned

to start in the spring on April 13 with Ouachita.

Dr. Kluck's dream had come true, and by ten o'clock on April 13, Jones

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**"I could have sat there all day listening to her sing. It was a very inspiring and uplifting experience."**

**-Jeff Laman-**

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Performing Arts Center was packed with students, faculty, and staff. After singing a couple of songs, Patti spoke of her ride from the airport with "President Cosh."

Then she began to share some of her own deep, personal hurts. She read from a book she had written titled *La Voyage*, which, she said, paralleled her own life.

To wrap up the performance, she sang a song from her newest album also called *La*

*Voyage*. When it was over, most students left wishing the concert could have lasted a little longer.

"I could have sat there all day listening to her sing," said senior Jeff Laman. "It was a very inspiring and uplifting experience."

*by Amy Noble*



•Gay Lyons

### **SIGN HERE, PLEASE-**

Sandi Patti signs autographs for students after her performance in Jones.

### **SINGING A STORY-**

Sandi Patti sings soon after she gave her testimony to the student body.



# THE REVERSE

*of what is expected*



**PUMP YOU UP-**  
Stuart Clark charms audiences with a dramatic interpretation of Hans (or is it Franz?) at Sigma Alpha Sigma's S-Night Live.

•Chris Ocken

*During TWIRP week, all gender roles were tossed out the window and students made some new discoveries about dating.*

Steve Greenwood/Garland, TX  
Jeff Greer/Conway  
Angie Griffin/Naples, TX  
Jonathon Gulbrandsen/  
Kenosha, WI  
Becky Hardy/Stuttgart

Aaron Harvie/Temecula, CA  
Jane Hatley/Jonesboro  
Keith Hazelwood/Little Rock  
Sarah Heard/North Little Rock  
Marc Heflin/Little Rock

Carey Heiges/Little Rock  
Leigh Ann Henderson/  
North Little Rock  
Hayden Hendrix/Little Rock  
Brice Hester/Little Rock  
Kim Hill/Germantown, TN



245-?????. Click. I can't do this. Yes, I can. 245-?????. What if he says no. I'll ask him at Walt's.

This situation happened every year right before TWIRP (The Woman Is Required to Pay) week. The week when the roles were reversed and the women called and asked the guys out. During this week the guys got to sit by the phone and wait until the girls called to ask them out. While most guys thought that they had the hard time waiting to be asked, the girls worried about asking a guy out who already had a date.

The week began with a movie on Sunday night in Mitchell Auditorium, "Beauty and the Beast". Monday night cowgirls and their dates went to Drs. Ed and Fran Coulter's farm for the BSU Barn Bash. The couples were treated to barbecue sandwiches on blankets by the barn. Tuesday night, EEE women's social club put on their annual 50's night in Evans Student Center. Wednesday night, Tri-Chi women's social club put on their show Tri-Chi Cafe where the couples watched the show and the finale was Jon Rushing singing "When a Man loves a Woman". Thursday night the Gamma Phi's had to move their annual Sadie Hawkins to downtown Arkadelphia because of a lecture in Mabee Recital Hall. Highlighting the week was the Harvest Moon formal presented by Chi Delta women's social club. Couples had dinner and watched the show, and afterwards some decided to finish off the night by going to the Arlington Hotel in Hot Springs.

Stephanie Turnage said, "It is fun because you know what you are going to do, so

### HOME ON THE RANGE-

Students, some of whom were decked out in their finest cowboy attire, listen to a performance at the BSU Barn Bash.



-Roy Burroughs

**"It is fun because you know what you are going to do, so the girls don't have to plan out the night"**  
-Stephanie Turnage-

the girls don't have to plan out the night."

This gave people the opportunity to meet that special guy they had been eyeing in class. Not only could they ask out their dream dates, but girls also got a chance to really get to know them better.

Some clubs offered "ice-breakers" at their shows: couples were asked (sometimes persuaded) to come up on the stage and demonstrate their dancing abilities or perform in

Elvis look-alike contests.

Despite some initial embarrassment girls may have experienced at asking the guys out, they usually discovered that it wasn't so bad after all. They also got a taste of the emotional ordeals members of the opposite sex experienced each time they picked up the phone to ask a girl out.

**by Nikki Northern**



Naomi So Mei Hing/Hong Kong  
Anna Holt/Bismark  
Kari Horton/Houston, TX  
Jennifer Hauser/Spring, TX  
Britt Howard/Memphis, TN

Billy Hubbard/Bismark  
Bashorat Ibragimova/  
Uzbekistan  
Cheryl Johnson/Little Rock  
Jennifer Johnson/Little Rock  
Carrie Joyce/Little Rock

Ricky Justice/Cedar Hill, TX  
Sarah Keller/Brinkley  
Briana Kelley/Woodlawn  
Chandra Kelley/  
Germantown, TN  
Shawn Kemp/Nashville

# THE METHOD of bringing in people

*With the departure of graduating students, new arrivals must also be gleaned, a task reserved for the team at the admissions counseling office.*

The admissions counseling office, with a growing staff of student workers and an expanding region from which to recruit students, looked to the 92-93 year to be one of the most successful. "Our office is charged with the responsibility of recruiting students—to identify, to cultivate, and eventually enroll students," said Randy Garner, director of admissions counseling.

The challenge in getting students interested in Ouachita was presenting its unique qualities as a private institution. "There are a lot of good academic programs in this state...where we feel like we're different is the fact that students in this school can get more than just a good academic education. They can get a good healthy social life; they can get an atmosphere where they're nurtured spiritually. That's an important part of the enrollment process," said Garner.

The admissions office employed an attitude of positive energy and teamwork in completing its task, making it one of the more attractive jobs for work-study students. When asked how he began working in admissions, freshman Steven Carr replied, "Prayer," and smiled, "because I really wanted to work in here....I was stuck in maintenance and I was praying, 'God, I really want to work in

admissions'...and there opened up a position in here, and things just fell together and I got it."

Carr mentioned his phone conversations as being the most rewarding of his tasks in the office. "People call, and I may not have all the

answers but I can find out just as quick as I possibly can....I try to encourage them when I'm talking to them....I'll be sitting there on the phone trying to express the joy that I've had while here at Ouachita—because it's great; I love being here—and hopefully that will encourage them to look into it more. I've talked to some people and they've said, 'Man, I sure am glad I met you guys, because now I know at least I have somebody I can talk to...it means a lot to me.'"

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**"We're really the backbone because we recruit students. We know that if we don't do our job, the students won't get here."  
-Sonja Boone-**

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"We're really the backbone because we recruit students," said senior Sonja Boone. "We know that if we don't do our job, the students won't get here." When asked about giving tours, a responsibility usually reserved for the student workers, she replied, laughing, "I love it...not just because you get to leave the office for an hour, but it just gives you a chance to get to know that student, so when they get here they'll be able to say, 'Well, I know somebody.' ....That's the beginning of a friendship right there. I really enjoy tours. That's my specialty, I believe."

This was a year of branching out into new areas, and sending mail-outs to high school students that may be from a state without a Baptist university. The admissions office had set a goal of recruiting 725 new students this year; up from 644 the year previous. "It's busier this year," said Boone, "and that's a good sign, you know, because the busier we are, the more students we'll have coming in."

When asked how she felt working in the admissions office had affected her future career, Boone replied, "I'm a business administration major, and, being a senior, I'm looking at the jobs right now, and it's great to have on your resume that you've worked in admissions counseling—that's people skills and selling, because we definitely sell the university as an admissions counselor or student worker. I think employers really look at that, especially on the people-dealing-with-people basis."

Carr agreed that working in admissions had been an asset. "I'm majoring in youth ministry and secondary education, so working in here—just meeting people and talking to them, and working with them on what they want to major in—just gives you that extra edge....Helping others has really helped me."



•Roy Burroughs

**HELLO?**—Dory Nelson, a member of the admissions counseling staff, takes a phone call. When the phone rang, one never knew if it was a potential student on the other end.

**COMMUNICATING—**  
Randy Garner speaks to a student. Spreading the word about the opportunities at Ouachita was a never-ending process for the director.



•Roy Burroughs

*by Sarah Koch*



Bahodir Khitov/Uzbekistan  
Curtis Kilgore/Pompano, FL  
William Kitchingham/Mt. Ida  
Darrel Kline/Cabot



Kandi Knod/DeQueen  
April Lee/Tokyo, Japan  
Sergey Lee/Uzbekistan  
Catasha Linwood/Linden, TX



Danna Lovett/Little Rock  
Tiffany McBride/Fairbanks, AK  
Susan McCartney/Conway  
Natalie McDaniel/Mena



Tammy McGhee/Maumelle  
David McClain/Batesville  
Melissa McMillon/DeKalb, TX  
James McMurry/Sherwood



Tawnya McPeak/Alma  
Jennifer Madlock/Hope  
Mark Madison/Baytown, TX  
Mark Maier/Kansas City, KS



John Marchioni/Cabot  
Kelly Martin/Flippin  
Brandon Massey/Hamburg  
Alicia Massey/Irving, TX



Jay Mayfield/Mt. Calm, TX  
Bryan Merrell/  
Ramstein, Germany  
Trey Mitchell/Arkadelphia  
Jennifer Mobley/Morrilton

**CHRISTMAS VAN GOGH-** Using the end of his brush to stir paint, Travis McCormick prepares to fill in the outlines of the Kappa Chi window painting. Their design asked students to remember the real meaning of Christmas.



•Roy Burroughs

# A GLOW *that* comes *from* within

*The windows of Evans Student Center were brightly decorated with painted scenes for Christmas as clubs participated in the yearly SELF Christmas Party.*

Dixie Morris/Cabot  
Hayden Newman/Arkadelphia  
Paige Nix/Mt. Home  
Matt Normand/Benton, LA  
Suzanne Norris/Middletown, IN

Tammy Northcutt/Blythville  
Nikki Northern/Little Rock  
Jennifer Norwood/Ashdown  
Jennifer Orr/Marshall, TX  
David Ortiz/Pine Bluff

Jason Otwell/Hope  
Jeff Pennington/Crowley, TX  
Laura Pennington/Arkadelphia  
Keith Percefull/Cabot  
Melodie Pike/North Little Rock





•Roy Burroughs

"Some students didn't understand 'Stanta', but they took a liking to it."  
-Stan Hart-



•Roy Burroughs

What do Santa Claus, a Christmas tree, and lots of paint have in common? Believe it or not they all played a part in Christmas—that is, a Christmas party, complete with cocoa and cookies and more people than you could shake a candy cane at. It was the yearly SELF Christmas Party/window painting contest.

Clubs that wanted to participate supplied their own paint and brushes, grabbed the nearest window in Evans Student Center, and set out for an evening of painting Christmas murals onto glass for money. Money prizes ranged from \$150 for first place to \$75 for third place. Cash was a good incentive to get involved, but it was only one aspect of the big event.

"I enjoyed the social environment of the whole night. Everybody just had a good time. And besides that, we won," said EEE spring president Teena Jester.

The EEE Women's Social Club placed first. The International Club took second and the Gamma's third. Honorable mentions were

given to Chi Delta Women's Social Club and the Student Senate.

SELF took donations of canned goods as admission. These proceeds went to the Arkadelphia Christmas Store for underprivileged people.

Since no Christmas event was complete without Santa, "Stanta" (otherwise known as Stan Hart) offered his knee on which students could sit and pose for pictures.

"I had a blast doing it. Some students didn't understand 'Stanta', but they took a liking to it," said Hart.

The party got students into the spirit of giving while the window painting got Evans Student Center into the look of Christmas. Not only were the beautiful windows a means of decor for the campus, but they also conveyed messages of good will to the world inside and outside the university.

**FINAL TOUCHES-** Cory Shiller and Michael Robbins work on the Sigma Alpha Sigma window painting.

**HO HO HO!**- Ralph Smith, Stan "Stanta" Hart, and Lark Eads (elf) have fun with their Santa duties. Christmas wouldn't have been complete without their help.

*by Rachael Ward*



Daniel Pinkston/Abidjah, Ivory Coast  
Shelly Porter/White Hall  
Jeff Price/DeValls Bluff  
Missy Procop/Benton  
Robyn Ragsdale/Dallas, TX

Timour Bakhimi/Uzbekistan  
Bill Ramsey/Benton  
Alexandro Rangel/Bahia, Brazil  
Karen Raye/ Duncanville, TX  
Jason Reed/Rison

Dan Reeves/Jonesboro  
John Reid/Pine Bluff  
Ann Ritchey/Ravenden  
Tammy Robbins/Sparkman  
Allison Robert/Hot Springs

# THE SPARK

*that kindled the fire*

*A small handful of students at Ouachita decided to try their skill at producing a Christian video program. After success, they hoped to keep it going.*

Behind the scenes of a new music video program were four students who produced, anchored and directed the program themselves. Roy Burroughs, Jeff Elmore, Kristy Kennedy and Chris Walls were responsible for coming up with the show. They called it "Fire Escape," and it featured the latest Christian music videos.

The whole idea began from watching other Christian video programs. The students believed that they could do a comparable job and decided to give it a try. They contacted a company in Tennessee that could provide the videos. Then they talked to Dave Ozmun about using cameras and editing equipment in the communications department to do the intros for each video. The rest was just a matter of putting it all together.

Appearing on the billboard channel, "Fire Escape" was a hit with students.

"If it doesn't go on air one week, people ask where it is," said Roy Burroughs.

Burroughs was the director and producer of the program. He thought the part he played would give him practical experience for the future. Although he wasn't sure where he would end up after graduation, he thought it wise to leave his options open. Doing this program definitely gave him good experience in the field of television production.

The other three students involved were responsible for introducing videos, which gave them valuable information in broadcasting. Senior Jeff Elmore said, "I'm not really interested in broadcasting, but as a religion major, I think that working on a Christian

video program gives me good experience in religious communication."

The group liked what they were able to accomplish. The best part was seeing the results, said Kristy Kennedy. One concern they had with doing it was to keep it going after they all left.

"We would really like to see a lot more people get involved," said Burroughs. "The idea has been a success so far and there is certainly a demand for this type of program."

*by Rebecca Briggs*



Danny Roberts/Shreveport, LA  
 Robbie Robinette/Clinton  
 Daytra Rogers/Pine Bluff  
 Mylissa Rogers/Blytheville  
 Sam Rogers/Cabot

Janise Ross/Conway  
 Rusty Ross/Gurdon  
 Holly Rusher/Jonesboro  
 Bakiev Saidrasul/Uzbekistan  
 Heather Sanders/Spring, TX

Chris Schee/Prattville, AL  
 Abburashidov Shahruh/  
 Uzbekistan  
 Charity Sheffer/Brinkley  
 Shawn Shelton/Alma  
 April Sheilds/Jonesboro





**"If it doesn't go on air one week, people ask where it is."  
-Roy Burroughs-**

**EDITING-**  
Roy Burroughs operates video equipment for "Fire Escape". Roy was responsible for directing and producing the show.

**TIME TO TAPE-**  
Jeff Elmore, Kristy Kennedy, and Chris Walls talk to the camera person before he starts taping.



Chad Simpson/Biscoe  
Elena Skyladneva/Uzbekistan  
Bruce Smith/Little Rock  
Drew Smith/Arkadelphia  
Tiffany Smith/North Little Rock

Brant Shell/Little Rock  
Julie Snider/Rose Bud  
Leigh Ann Spivey/Hobbs,  
New Mexico  
Tami Stewart/Texarkana, TX  
Sandi Sutphin/Little Rock

Stacey Swilling/Sheridan  
Jacynda Taylor/Glenwood  
Mark Taylor/Hot Springs Village  
Suzanne Taylor/Conway  
Tally Thornton/Hot Springs



# HE'S GOOD, *and* Ouachita *had* him

*Through the diligent efforts of the members of SELF, the Stephen Curtis Chapman Great Adventure tour made its way to Ouachita's Jones Performing Arts Center.*

The biggest concert event in OBU's history turned out to be a "Great Adventure" in more ways than one. Many fans were ecstatic when word reached them that the Stephen Curtis Chapman Great Adventure Tour was headed for Ouachita on October 29th. The tickets sold as quickly as the news spread, and it wasn't long until the concert held in the 1500-seat Jones Performing Arts Center was completely sold out.

"I bought my tickets the day they went on sale. I couldn't believe that big of a tour was actually coming here. The concert was excellent," Daniel Funderburk said.

The concert was sponsored and coordinated by members of SELF, the Student Entertainment and Lecture Fund. Many people worked diligently behind the scenes for months prior to the actual concert.

"We were amazed at how quickly the concert sold out. We sold out two days after we opened to the public. SELF members, who go without the recognition they deserve many times, worked very hard at making this a success," SELF president Rebekah Kinney said. "This very well may have been a once-in-a-lifetime event for Ouachita."

SELF Concert chairman Wes Hamilton spent months, after initially contacting the tour, working out the countless details. "It was a window of opportunity. We were the smallest town on the tour. I don't understand it any better than everyone else. Everything just seemed to work out somehow," Wes said.

A lot of the concert's success could be



attributed to the efficiency of the new Jones Performing Arts Center. The lighting manager for the tour complimented the building, noting that technically it was the best facility on the tour. "Hopefully, with the new auditorium, we'll be able to host more tours like 'Great Adventure'," Wes Hamilton said.

The most amazing part of the event for those in attendance was probably just being there to see a wonderful concert. For members of SELF, who saw the progression of planning for the concert from beginning to end, the incredibility of it all was much more obvious.

"We were a bunch of college students dealing with professionals who are used to dealing with professionals. These people go city to city performing for seven or eight thousand people on average," Hamilton explained. "I learned a lot and I think they were actually a little impressed themselves."

*Rebecca Briggs*

Aaron Tisdale/Joaquin, TX  
Shane Nix/Mena  
Melanie Trull/Magnolia  
Julie Tuggle/Malvern  
Ginny Vaught/Irving, TX

Doug Waller/Cabot  
Allison Walsh/Malvern  
Gabe Ward/Texarkana  
Liza Weathers/Gaza Strip  
Audrey Weaver/Dallas, TX

Melissa Wheeler/Fordyce  
Sharolyn Wheeler/Paragould  
Missy Whitehead/  
North Little Rock  
David E. Whittington/  
North Little Rock  
Mark White/Arkadelphia





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-Wes Hamilton-

**JUST STEVE-** Chapman thrills the students of OBU with an electrifying performance at JPAC. A full house was proof that this was no ordinary concert.

•Roy Burroughs



Judy Whittington/  
Alexandria, LA  
Julie Wickstrom/Loveland, CO  
Shad Wickstrom/Loveland, CO  
Stasia Wier/Spring, TX  
Karissa Wiley/Benton

Angela Williamson/  
Texarkana, TX  
Amy Wilson/Hope  
Roger Wingfield/Arkadelphia  
Lori Williams/White Hall  
Patricia Wortham/Cabot

Trena Wright/Glenwood  
Bill Wright/Booneville  
Ulugbek Yahyayev/  
Tashkent, Uzbekistan  
Grant Yaney/Pine Bluff  
Jolene Zook/Alamo, TX

# A SIMPLE *way to* acquaint *the* freshmen

*New freshmen planning on attending Ouachita harbored many fears about the unknown. At the New Student Retreat these fears were eased.*

As the days of summer came to an end, it was a time for everyone to enjoy their last few weeks with friends and family before returning to school. For most, this was merely routine, but for the incoming freshman class, it was nothing short of complete terror.

Instead of returning to high school as a confident senior as they had the previous year, they had to face the inevitable reality of the unknown, and for some, the transition from senior to freshman was not going to be an easy one. Luckily, they were able to get some sort of an idea of what they were getting themselves into by attending the New Student Retreat two weeks prior to actually arriving on campus to stay.

"I'll admit I had reservations about going away to college with people I didn't know and away from the familiarities I was so accustomed to. Actually, I almost didn't even go to the retreat. It was a 'spur of the moment' decision. I'm so glad I ended up going because a lot of the fear was taken away and I got a head start on developing lasting friendships," Aprilie Willett said.

While the main focus of the retreat was to give students an opportunity to meet each other, they were also able to meet faculty on a personal basis.

"We divided into family groups that were headed by a faculty member. This was an excellent way to really get to know people. Tim and Tracy Knight were my family group leaders and they were absolutely great. After I got home from the retreat, they even sent me

a letter. That really let me know how much the staff was genuinely willing to put aside their own cares to care for us," Steven Carr said.

Aside from getting acquainted with each other, the students were also able to take advantage of the soon to end summer weather by spending one day of the retreat at Lake Degray swimming, skiing, and playing volleyball. Many students found that the more they were able to relax and have fun with each other, the better they felt about the idea

of entering college life.

"Going to the lake was a lot of fun. It gave us a chance to be ourselves and meet people outside of our family groups. It made me feel a lot better about the decision I had made to go to school here because everyone was so friendly," Jason Gilbert said.

Even if all their fears weren't completely resolved, new students who attended the retreat had already established a foundation from which to build by the time they arrived on campus to begin orientation. When they felt a little uneasy about something, a friendly smile from the face of a new friend from the retreat was usually enough to remind them that they were not alone.

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**It was a 'spur of the moment' decision."**

**-Aprilie Willett-**

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*by Rebecca Briggs*



**FOUR DOORS-** Members of this skit pantomime an automobile using signs to represent the various parts.

**FOUR SINGERS-** Members of the group "Say So", former Ouachita students who have gone on to pursue successful musical careers, entertain the crowd with a song.



Vance Ables/Hot Springs  
Eric Akin/Texarkana, TX  
Matt Allen/Malvern  
Jason Anawaty/  
Nacogdoches, TX



Thomas Armstrong/  
Houston, TX  
Stephanie Arnold/  
Flower Mound, TX  
Vanessa Bain/Arkadelphia  
Kim Baker/Hot Springs



Kelly Ballard/Murfreesboro  
Charles Barber/Bald Knob  
Deric Barber/Maumelle  
Todd Bearden/Richardson, TX



Keith Bennett/Shreveport, LA  
Angela Berry/Pine Bluff  
Erin Berry/Carlisle  
Darla Best/Benton



Cindy Black/Little Rock  
Brittany Blackburn/Fort Smith  
Pamela Blackmon/  
Shape, Belgium  
Angie Bond/Cabot



Christopher Bosen/  
Collinsville, IL  
Tim Bourne/Tusla, OK  
Courtney Braziel/Burleson, TX  
Misty Brewer/Pine Bluff



Rebecca Briggs/Texarkana, TX  
Michele Brown/Hot Springs  
Shaunna Brown/Van Buren  
William Bumgardner/  
Aviano, Italy

"IT'S GONE!" - Erin Crumbly feels her forehead for the dime that she thought was stuck to it.



•Roy Burroughs

# ONE SKIT *is* never *quite* enough

*Freshman orientation was a time to find out what OBU was really going to be like. The day was spent meeting folks...and watching skits.*

Wow! Another skit and only five hundred more to go! Freshman orientation was packed into a single day of listening to administration and faculty speeches, getting acquainted with each other via small family groups, and watching skits...and *more* skits...and *more* skits. But it could have been worse - *much* worse. Most freshmen were

Rusty Bunn/Arkadelphia  
Shanna Burris/Donaldson  
Elizabeth Bushmiaer/Stuttgart  
Dana Campbell/Paragould  
Kristi Cannon/Benton

Brandy Capelle/Van Buren  
Steven Carr/ Red Oak, TX  
Angie Cartwright/  
Makati, Philippines  
Ellen Cerna/  
Prague, Czechoslovakia  
Wendy Chappell/McKinney, TX



relieved that they, unlike freshmen classes before, were not subjected to the terribly burdensome tradition of going through freshman orientation once a week, every week for six entire weeks.

"I'm really glad it wasn't six weeks. Just the word "orientation" itself is pretty boring to me. It wasn't exciting, but at least I got to meet a lot of people who were interested in the same things I am," Marty Collier said.

Even after orientation had been significantly shortened from previous years, there were those who thought it was still too long.

"Freshman orientation was long and drawn out. I think we got the message after about ten or fifteen minutes, but I still didn't know where half the buildings were. I could have used a lot more practical information which would have made it worth it," Jason Brown said.

Getting to know a lot of people seemed to be the one aspect of orientation most appreciated.

"Freshman Orientation was a great way to meet people. It made me feel more secure about what I was doing and it made me look forward to starting school," Amy Fisher said.

Having an opportunity to meet with staff members in their homes was another part of orientation that students found helpful.

"It was unique because we actually got to meet the professors at their houses. It just kind of let me know what I could expect. The thing that got me were the skits. Some of them were good, but after awhile they really got old. Even though orientation was dull, it was good to go ahead and get it out of the way before school started," Stephanie Arnold said.

After all the long speeches, all the meetings, and yes, even all of the skits were over, the newly oriented freshmen were able to get out of their hard wooden chair in Mitchell Auditorium and leave ready to face the world of college life. They may have had to sit a little



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•Roy Burroughs

longer than they liked and they may have been required to participate in a few things they would have rather skipped, but all in all, most of them probably learned a few things they needed to know and met a few people they wanted to know.

**FULL HOUSE-** Freshmen listen attentively to speakers at the Retreat.

**OUR SCHOOL IS-** Group leader Chris Walls speaks to students about campus life at Ouachita.

*by Rebecca Briggs*



Chantal Chaudoin/Fayetteville  
Brett Chumley/San Antonio, TX  
Todd Chumley/San Antonio, TX  
Phillip Clark/Irving, TX  
Beth Cofield/Texarkana

Colleen Coleman/  
Daytona Beach, FL  
Marty Collier/Ashdown  
Shannon Cone/Germantown, TN  
Lisa Cooper/Brinkley  
Amy Costanzo/Fort Worth, TX

**WHO'LL START THE BIDDING?-** Brian Bell acts as auctioneer as he takes offers for "a meal with one of these students" in an effort to raise funds for Kate's mission trip.

**PERCHED-** Kate Jones "sits it out" on the tiger to raise money for her mission trip to Papa New Guinea. A tent had to be put up when it started raining.



•Guy Lyons



•Guy Lyons

Jeremy Cox/Paragould  
 Jamie Crenshaw/Little Rock  
 Sonny Crews/McCrory  
 Erin Crumley/Denver, CO  
 Caroline Curry/Gurdon

Mark Darr/Mansfield  
 Odil Djuraev/Uzbekistan  
 Sara Dudley/Jonesboro  
 Charles Ryan D. Duncan/Searcy  
 Cory Edwards/Dekalb, TX

Roderick Edwards/N. Little Rock  
 Ron Edwards/Monticello  
 Christina Egelhoff/Jacksonville  
 Missy Eubanks/Smackover  
 Patrick Faircloth/  
 Midwest City, OK



# NO SLEEP *sitting* on *a* tiger

*Kate Jones, in her dedicated efforts to raise money for her summer mission trip to Papa New Guinea, utilized many creative tactics in gaining students' interests, and their support.*

Kate Jones came up with two very interesting ideas as she prepared to raise money for her summer mission trip to Papa New Guinea.

The first idea began on April 7 at 5:15 in Walt's Cafeteria. Approximately 30 students showed support for Kate by allowing themselves to be auctioned off to the highest bidder. When asked why she held the auction, Kate said she needed the money, and then quoted her favorite Bible verse, Colossians 3:23, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart and not for men." Scottie Johnson and Grant Yaney agreed that, in being auctioned off, they were "just glad to be doing the Lord's work."

Mixed emotions were evident among both those being auctioned and the crowd of about 250 onlookers. Carla Martin said she was glad to support Kate by being auctioned because, "If you aren't directly involved in mission work abroad, it's important to give support to those who are." Everyone seemed to be showing that they supported Kate as person after person was auctioned off. However, Marcy Franks, although a good friend who wanted to support Kate, stated "this is the most humiliating thing I've ever done in my life," as she reluctantly stood to be auctioned off.

Trent Ogle gave a pretty good summary

of the auction as an observer when he said, "It's good free entertainment." Things went well, and Kate did manage to make a good amount of money on the auction. However, one could see the wheels turning in Brian Tuggle's head as he thought aloud, "I wonder how much they're really worth?"

The second of the two fundraising ideas also took place on April 7, but in the cold wet rain under a Murry-Ruggles Funeral Home tent. Kate had signed on a number of people to sponsor her as she performed the ever-famous fundraising idea of sitting on the tiger. Supported by her friends, Kate sat on the tiger from 3 p.m. on April 7 to 2 p.m. on April 8.

While Kate was sitting on the tiger in the pouring rain she said, "When I told God I'd be a missionary, He never said it would be a bed of roses. Sure, I could have delayed it and

waited for sunshine, but when I go to Papa New Guinea everything won't be exactly like I want it, so whatever it takes to build Christ's kingdom I'll do."

The tent she was sitting under ironically was held up by poles uncannily similar to lightning rods. When someone asked if she was afraid to die, she simply stated, "To die is to gain, but I sure hope it doesn't lightning!"

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missionary,  
He never said it  
would  
be a bed of  
roses."  
-Kate Jones-**

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*by Allison Springer*

Stephanie Fallis/Hot Springs  
Morgan Farnell/Hope  
Stephanie Ferrill/Longview, TX  
Amy Fisher/Beebe  
Julie Floyd/Fort Worth, TX

Marcy Franks/Malvern  
Marla French/Heber Springs  
Kana Fujiyama/Sapporo, Japan  
Daniel Funderburk/Red Oak, TX  
Jarod Gaither/Lake Charles, LA

Elizabeth Garner/Arkadelphia  
Tim Gary/Lubbock, TX  
Jennifer Gibson/Brinkley  
Nicole Gober/Conway  
Tommy Goucher/N. Little Rock





# A LITTLE bit of freshman talent

*The main goal of the freshman follies was to raise funds for the summer missions. In return, audiences were treated to entertaining performances by some of OBU's finest freshmen.*

It was the first taste of what freshmen had to offer Ouachita—"Freshman Follies." This was a talent show put on by freshman students within a week after their arrival on campus. From country singing to magic tricks to stand up comedy, the newcomers entertained the audience with twelve acts. For some, it took a lot of guts to get up in front of a jeering audience (upperclassmen) and put on a good performance. For others it wasn't that big of a deal.

Mary Lewis, a biology major from Corning, played the piano in her act. She said she wasn't nervous at all. "Other freshmen told me that people in the audience were cracking jokes during the show, but I'm oblivious to anything. I just tune everything out when I'm in front of an audience," she said. "Being in 'Freshmen Follies' was a good way to let people know I enjoyed playing the piano." Lewis felt that being in the show also enabled her to meet other freshmen she might not have gotten the chance to know otherwise. She shared this feeling with all the participants.

Leslie Tapson said, "I got to know eleven other freshmen—quick. I was pretty nervous, but the other freshmen involved gave me a lot of support." Tapson said her reasoning for being in "Freshmen Follies" was to inspire other people. She sang "Feel

the Nails."

The whole purpose of the BSU sponsored "Freshman Follies" was to raise money for the BSU summer missions program. The summer missions goal for 1992 was \$7,000. "Freshmen Follies" met \$475 of that goal.

Participants in the talent show were:

Jennifer Trafford of Morrilton; Ron "Peanut" Edwards of Monticello; Mary Lewis of Corning; Scott Grimm of Sioux Falls, SD; Chris Bosen of Collinsville, IL; Dana Campbell of Paragould; Brad Sheppard of Fayetteville; Denny

Redden of Houston, TX; Shanna Burris of Donaldson; Jason Merrick of Benton; Leslie Tapson of Cabot; and Collin Coleman of Daytona Beach, FL.

Students attending were welcomed by Robby Richards, president of BSU. The masters of ceremony for the evening were Michelle Thompson and Brandon Barnard, members of the BSU. Tre Cates, a summer missions participant, presented a brief informative talk on summer missions.

It served as a kind of ice-breaker for those new students that were involved and it also gave them a sense of accomplishment. All in all, "Freshmen Follies" was a success.

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**-Leslie Tapson-**

*Carey Heiges*

Angela Green/Arkadelphia  
Kerri Green/Camden  
Chad Griffin/Arkadelphia  
Monica Griffin/Hermitage  
Scott Grimm/Sioux Falls, SD

Jenna Hagler/Skandia, MI  
Heather Harris/Boonesville  
Will Harris/Forrest City  
Anne Harvie/Temecula, CA  
Doug Hasley/Fort Smith

Ginger Haydon/Bryant  
Ashley Hays/Lowell  
Jason Heriford/Round Rock, TX  
Chariny Herring/Benton  
Holly Hibbs/Hot Springs



**LIMELIGHT**- Scott Grimm, a freshman music major and talented singer, entertains the audience with a tune.



•Roy Burroughs



Eli Hicks/Tokyo, Japan  
 Brushard Higgins/Brazoria, TX  
 Deborah Hillman/Almyra  
 Waka Hirakawa/Saporo, Japan  
 Jared Hodges/Lenoir City, TX

Kendra Hodges/Jonesboro  
 Dennis Hogaboom/Hot Springs  
 Jason Holcomb/Pine Bluff  
 Heather Holloway/  
 North Little Rock  
 Joshua Holmes/Bellville, IL

Kevin Holt/Jonesboro  
 Gina Hosto/Stuttgart  
 Yu Huan/Zhengzhou, China  
 William Huddleston/  
 Texarkana, TX  
 Michael David Hudson/  
 Arkadelphia

# BSU DANCED *and* calories *melted* away

*The possibilities of renewed energy, more strength and flexibility, and a toned, physically fit body led many students straight to the BSU aerobics.*

Music pounding. Hearts racing. Feet stomping. This may sound like what goes on at an off-campus "function"; however, all this happened right underneath SPEC's roof at Ouachita. If we added "calories burning," we had the aerobics classes every week that were part of the BSU ministry.

Ashley Crocker, a certified aerobics instructor, taught the class every week for the BSU. "I became an instructor after acquiring certification from the Aerobics and Fitness Association of America (AFAA). I took a test that included both written and practical sections," Crocker said.

Although some people might have thought that aerobics was too difficult or strenuous, it was possible to work at one's own pace rather than to over-work and cause possible complications. "The cardiovascular portion consists of a combination of low-impact and high-impact moves," Crocker said.

The most important aspect of aerobics was if participation was consistent, there would be results, as with any other exercise regimen. However, what might set this particular class apart from others is that guys and girls worked out together. This created not only a healthy, active atmosphere, but also a fun and social one.

*Suzanne Taylor*

**HIGH STEPPIN'**- Amy Bell, who taught the BSU Aerobics with Ashley Crocker, leads a vigorous workout.



•Gimmy Vaught

**"I became an instructor after acquiring certification from the Aerobics and Fitness Association of America (AFAA)."**

**-Ashley Crocker-**



•Gimmy Vaught

**FEELING THE BURN**-Exercisers, their minds focused on the crusade for trim thighs and slim waists, follow the instructor's lead and the beat of the music.



Mark Hurst/Van Buren  
Zafarbek Ibadbecov/Uzbekistan  
Shelley Jackson/Benton  
Shannon Jester/Mt. View, MO



Scottie Johnson/Little Rock  
Kate E. Jones/Cove  
Kevin Jones/Arkadelphia  
Nickole Jolly/McGehee



Sachiko Kamiki/Sapporo, Japan  
Susan Kappus/Bossier City, LA  
Maradee Kern/Little Rock  
Brian Kirk/Richardson, TX



Karen Kolb-Spencer/Bauxite  
Stephanie Lane/Fairfield Bay  
Jamie Lansdell/Van Buren  
Holly Lansford/  
Jacksonville, TX



Gibson Largent/Norman, OK  
La'shun Latham/Forrest City  
Brian Lawson/Springdale  
Andrea Leagans/  
Bogota, Colombia



Becca Leach/Fort Smith  
Beth Ann Lee/Tinker AFB, OK  
Mary Lewis/Corning  
Gina Lilly/North Little Rock



Shannon Littman/  
Mineral Springs  
Ginny Loarie/North Little Rock  
Brandy Long/Palestine  
Tonya Love/Jefferson, TX

# A CURE for the freshman cold

*When a student got sick for the first time away from home, it could be a very scary experience.*

•Roy Burroughs



Some freshmen probably thought they were dying, or at least convinced everyone else within earshot that they were, when they first encountered the reality of illness away from home. Somehow, being out from under Mom's protection seemed to intensify their pain. A poor freshman, who was probably suffering from something as minor as being a little under the weather, convinced everyone, including themselves, that death was in store.

A common method of treatment for many sick freshmen was the "phone treatment," which entailed several calls home everyday. "I don't exactly remember the first time I got sick here or even what was wrong with me. All I can remember is that I had the biggest phone bill of my life because of all my sympathy calls home to Mom and Dad," said Kendra Hodges.

For Missy Eubanks, nothing short of a trip home to the family doctor could do the trick. "I got strep throat and had a really high fever. I went home so that I could go to my own doctor. Getting sick at school was a lot worse because I didn't have Mom there to wait on me," Eubanks said.

For those who lived too far away to dash

**"Since I'm from Las Vegas, I was pretty much on my own when I got sick."**

**-J. Nantz-**

**THE LOOKOUT-** Head nurse Charlotte Hunter, ever available, peers from the Health Services doorway.

•Roy Burroughs



home for a doctor's visit, sickness may have been a little more difficult to deal with. "Since I'm from Las Vegas, I was pretty much on my own when I got sick. I didn't know a doctor to call or anything. I guess I'm lucky because it didn't last too long," J. Nantz said.

Regardless of whether or not recovery was easily attained, freshmen certainly learned something by surviving bad health. They learned to depend on themselves when things weren't going so great and began to appreciate Mom for all of those years she endured the moans of life-threatening stomach aches.

*by Rebecca Briggs*



Christine Lunsford/  
Carol Stream, IL  
David Lynch/Berryville  
Dorothy McCarty/Puyallup, WA  
Kellee McCoy/Benton



Kortnee McDonald/Hope  
Amy McKinney/Berryville  
Joanna McNeil/  
Germantown, TN  
Carla Martin/Greenwood



Heather May/McGehee  
Joe May/Arkadelphia  
Kristin Mayfield/  
Richardson, TX  
Jason Merrick/Benton



Julie Merrick/Benton  
Richard Meyer/Kenner, LA  
Kara Mills/Arkadelphia  
Megan Mims/Little Rock



Masami Moriguchi/  
Tomakomai, Japan  
Allen Morton/Little Rock  
Gregg Moss/Almyra  
Hannah Murphy/Denver, CO



Monica Myers/Brinkley  
Ashley Nall/Batesville  
John Nantz/Las Vegas, NV  
Joelle Nealy/Greensboro, NC



Chris Newberry/Rogers  
Heather Newman/Arkadelphia  
Jeni Obermeyer/Allen, TX  
Marico Ono/Sapporo, Japan

# THIS ROOM just needs some life

*Moving day was a hectic experience for many freshmen--especially when faced with their new humble abode. The search was on to find a creative way of turning a nondescript room into one with a little personality.*

"I can't believe this. It's so dull and drab! I don't think I can handle this place for a whole year."

"This will be so much fun! We can fix up our rooms however we want. Let's get started."

Either one of these comments could have been heard from both freshmen and upperclassmen alike on moving day. The first sight of that bare apartment or dorm room that they would spend the next year of their life in was enough to depress anyone. No curtains highlighted the windows. No pictures hung on the wall. For freshmen, no carpet covered the floor. There was nothing but a few pieces of furniture.

Ouachita students quickly realized that the situation was not about to get better until they put forth a little effort. The job of making drab, dull rooms into something nice and homey began as students tried their hand at decorating.

Shortly after arriving on campus, groups of students loaded themselves into cars and headed for Wal-Mart. Some of the women returned with matching bedspreads, curtains, posters and other things that might be needed to make their rooms look as good as they possibly could, while others came back with milk crates and shelves in order to store all of their belongings. Some of the more creative students went so far as to put up wallpaper or border or lay carpet. Meanwhile, some of the guys went to work constructing lofts for their rooms. The first day, like those in the past, was spent unpacking and decorating rooms.

The first step in decorating was

selecting some kind of theme or color for the room. Once this was decided, the rest was easy. However, it was even easier for those who had no central theme. Their rooms were simply a potpourri of this and that.

Ouachita's creative decorators worked hard to make their rooms as unique as possible. They had to do something to make their rooms different from all the others.

Shannon Cone and Heather Newman, freshman roommates, realized that something had to be done about the appearance of their room. They decided to use the "Save the Earth" theme in decorating their room. Heather said that they used a lot of things that could be recycled in decorating. These Earth conscious freshmen also placed boxes in their room where they encouraged others to put their empty aluminum cans and glass bottles for recycling.

One common sight in dorm rooms was Mickey Mouse. His face was plastered on everything in several rooms. From Mickey Mouse pillows to shower curtains to wallpaper, they had it all. Most of these Mickey fans grew to love this Walt Disney character as a child and had collected Mickey memorabilia since their early childhood years. With all of these things, it only made sense to use the Mickey Mouse design in their rooms.

Other students used a plain but practical design in their room. But no matter what Ouachita decorators did to their rooms, their living quarters ended up being a place that they could call home.

*by Rebecca Briggs*



•Beth Turner



•Beth Turner

**LOOKS GOOD-** Christie Terral, R.A. for Perrin 3, straightens a poster she has just hung.

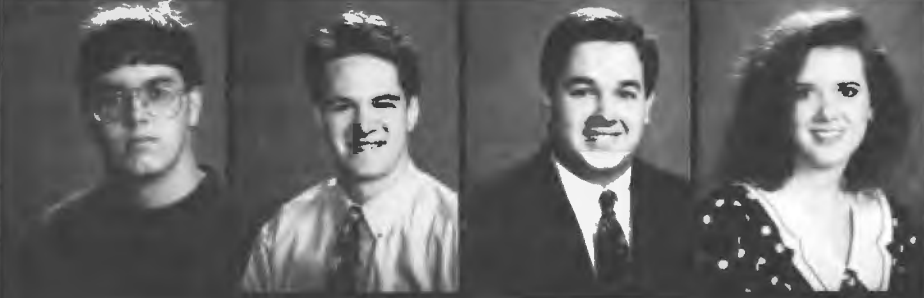
**REALLY STICKY-** Beth Cofield attaches adhesive to the back of her posters to make them stay put.



Jeff Ozment/Shreveport, LA  
Jennifer Pannell/Jonesboro  
Clay Partridge/  
North Little Rock  
Eric Pennington/Texarkana, TX



Brad Phillips/Rison  
Allyce Plummer/Fort Smith  
Amy Pope/Arkadelphia  
Heather Poteet/Lawrence, KS



Phillip Price/Jonesboro  
Tommy Pyron/  
North Little Rock  
Matthew Pryor/Searcy  
Sherrie Ragsdale/Wheatley



Chad Rawls/Rison  
Denny Redden/Hooks, TX  
Stephanie Redman/Nashville  
Jennifer Reece/Mayflower



Robby Reynolds/Blytheville  
Callie Rochelle/Sheridan  
Rebecca Roe/Benton  
Shannon Rogers/Texarkana



Christy Rogers/Arkadelphia  
Jennifer Rohm/Richardson, TX  
Andy Russell/Hot Springs  
David Sager/Berryville



Mandy Sawyers/Red Oak, TX  
Joveta Saylor/Lead Hill  
Shawn Schoppe/Porter, TX  
Wendy D. Sharp/Mena



Teri Sherman/Jacksonville  
Brad Sheppard/Fayetteville  
Jon Shirley/Plano, TX



Toinette Smith/Mineral Springs  
Shelia Smith/Ft. Worth, TX  
Stephanie Smith/North Little Rock



Jennifer Snowden/Pine Bluff  
John Sowers/Little Rock  
Allison Springer/Memphis, TN



James Staley/Malvern  
GyElla Swanigan/Pine Bluff  
Mie Takano/Sapporo, Japan



Leslie Tapson/Cabot  
Melissa Taylor/Gladewater, TX  
Latonya Tidwell/Hope



Sara Titsworth/Wichita Falls, TX  
Michael Treat/Sherwood  
Stephanie Turnage/Little Rock



Tiffany Tarver/Dallas, TX  
Lisa Todd/Bryant  
Jennifer Trafford/Morrilton



# ALL NIGHT waiting for a room

*Is the location of one's dorm room that important? Several freshman women thought so, and in order to have their pick they camped outside Dean Turner's office all night.*

The race began at 5:00 p.m. sharp. There wasn't really a definite starting point or even a ribbon to run through at the finish line. Perhaps that was because this wasn't a typical race—it was a race for a room.

Even though rooms could not be reserved until Wednesday, March 30, most freshman women found themselves with their desired roommate "camping out" outside Dean Turner's office the evening of the 29th. The "campout" as it came to be known was somewhat of a tradition for freshman women.

Some girls, of course, took it much more seriously than others.

"I was one of the very first ones in line," said Monica Myers. "I knew that if we were going to get to live on the same hall with all our friends, we'd have to be there early. We started hanging around the student center about 4:30 because you couldn't officially line up until 5:00. Getting there early really paid off because we all got the rooms we wanted."

The "camp out" which was a hassle in some ways for people who had a considerable amount of other things they needed to do other than wait in line all night, sparked envy for freshmen men who were spared the inconvenience.

"We would love to stay in the room that we have right now like the guys have the

option of doing. Waiting in line overnight is bad enough, but somehow waiting in line for smaller rooms and bathrooms makes it worse," said Jamie Crenshaw.

In order to make the night pass more quickly many engaged in card games, studying, eating, and being obnoxious. For those who may have wanted to actually sleep, it was a rude awakening.

"I was all for staying up late and having fun and all, but it gets old after a while, especially when someone steps on your head, spills something on your sleeping bag, or screams a little too close to your ear," said April Willett.

By eight o'clock the next morning the "camp out" was over and rooms were all signed for. The wait turned out to be worth it for some.

"The way our new hall is arranged, we've discovered that we all have seven new wardrobes to choose from," said Myers. "Although I was ready to hit the person in my ear at five-thirty in the morning, I soon got over it because of the realization that I would be living with all my best friends. It was definitely worth the experience."

**"Getting there early really paid off because we all got the rooms we wanted."**

**-Monica Meyers-**

*by Rebecca Briggs*



•Roy Burroughs

**DEAL-** Brandy Capelle & Tiffany Tarver play cards to pass time.



•Roy Burroughs

**COMFY?-** Freshmen girls are well equipped for their camp-out in Evans Student Center as they wait for the Dean's Office to open.

Beth Turner/Nairobi, Kenya  
Brandie Wagner/DeQueen  
Rodney Walker/Fayetteville



Joey Walter/Pine Bluff  
Larissa Warren/Texarkana, TX  
Jeff Weaver/Dumas



Emily Weikal/Benton  
Brent West/Taichung, Taiwan  
Michelle Westerfield/Mesquite, TX



Heather White/Murfreesboro  
Donald Whitworth/Arkadelphia  
Denise Wilhelm/Jacksonville



Aprile Willett/Smackover  
Melinda Williams/Springdale  
Edi Willman/Lonoke



Bob Wilson/Springdale  
Randy Winters/Midlothian, TX  
Michelle Witherspoon/Dallas, TX



John Woodworth/Vacaville, CA  
Wakako Yamauchi/Sapporo, Japan  
Lavina Young/Gurdon



# A GLIMPSE of Ouachita for parents

*"How's my kid doing?" This was a question that many parents of students at Ouachita were asking this year. After visiting at Parents' Day, they wondered no longer.*

Mandy woke up 20 minutes late and her parents were going to be here at 10:30 a.m. The room was a mess and she still had to iron her clothes. Between trying to get dressed and cramming all the clothes into the closet, she noticed that the two inches of mildew around the bathtub had not miraculously disappeared.

October 14 was Parent's Day at Ouachita. This was the day that parents got to see how their children lived, where they went to class, meet their friends, and sample the food that they ate every day.

Parents began the day with viewing the academic and organization booths to see what activities their children were involved in. This also gave Mom and Dad a chance to meet some of the professors in their child's major. Parents were given the chance to go through some of the buildings and many parents took this opportunity to get their first glance at the new Jones Performing Arts Center.

The real fun started with a picnic, complete with Walt's chili. After the picnic, the Ouachita Music department offered a little entertainment. Then the cheerleaders led a pep rally in front of Mabee Fine Arts building. During this time clubs competed for the spirit prize by performing their own cheers they had gotten together just for this special occasion. Those parents that had traveled many miles were rewarded for their efforts by Jay Heflin, Student Senate President, who presented prizes to those who came the longest distance to see their children.

"My parents really enjoyed the pep rally," said Kim Tullos. "They got to see what it was like to be a student at

Ouachita. They liked what they saw."

Parents' Day served the double purpose of also being named Preview Day, catering to the parents of current students and also to parents of possible future students. Upward Bound participants and their parents were also present.

Students and parents went to A.U. Williams Football Field to see the Tigers play the Harding University Bisons. Unfortunately, the Tigers did not come out victorious, but the families there did enjoy the game.

"I enjoyed having my parents down. They enjoyed coming, seeing my dorm room, and meeting my friends," said sophomore Jennifer Johnson.

After all the fun and games were over, cars were loaded up to go home. Mom got one last look at that room, and parents and their children said goodbyes. Many students sighed a sigh of relief. It wasn't as bad as they had thought it would be. And most actually looked forward to the next family visit.

**"They got to see what it was like to be a student at Ouachita. They liked what they saw."  
-Kim Tullos-**

**LOVE FROM DAD-** A Ouachita dad enjoys a meal from Walt's. Students really enjoyed having their parents visit.



•Susan Kappas

**LOVE FROM MOM-** Ginny Vaught and her mom share some quality time during the Parent's Day activities.

by Nikki Northern



•Susan Kappas

# TO RECALL *the* many *lives* touched

*At the young age of 35, Dr. David DeArmond died of a heart ailment. A talented music teacher and loyal friend, Dr. DeArmond was fondly remembered by all who knew him.*



Dr. David DeArmond  
died on August 28, 1992.

"If there was one word I would use to describe him, it would be 'encourager'... because he always knew the right thing to say." That was how Kayla Miles, a senior music education major, described Dr. David DeArmond. Many of his other students and fellow faculty members shared those same feelings about him.

His death on August 28 came just a few weeks after he received his doctorate and just two days into the fall semester.

Dr. DeArmond received his bachelor of music education degree from Ouachita in 1977. He received his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Colorado. He joined the School of Music faculty in 1988.

At Ouachita, DeArmond was an assistant professor of music and director of the Ouachita Singers and Praise Singers. He was a member of the American Choral Directors Association, U.S. Hang Gliding Association, and Central Arkansas Radio Emergency Network.

He is survived by his wife Linda (Stalaker) DeArmond; his mother Gladys DeArmond; and two sisters Linda Brucks and Mary Winters.

A funeral service was held at Geyer Springs First Baptist Church in Little Rock. The following day, the Ouachita family held a memorial service in Mabee Fine Arts Center Recital Hall.

The services were a time for remembering the ways in which he touched many lives. Some told stories of his hang gliding escapades; some told of the crazy faces he would make while directing, just to get his singers to sing with expression; and others shared of his abundant energy and unique way of making people believe in themselves. As the memorial service program stated, Dr. David DeArmond's life was an unfinished melody.

In his memory, the DeArmond family established the David O'Neill DeArmond Endowed Scholarship Fund to provide scholarships for deserving music students.

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-Kayla Miles-**

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*by Penny Thomas*



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Dr. Charles Chambliss/Prof. of Education  
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John Cloud/Sr. Dev. Officer &  
Dir. of Planned Giving  
Yvonne Cloud/Bookstore Mgr.

# FOREVER HELPING

## at home and abroad

*Dr. Danny Hays, who served as an engineer/missionary in Ethiopia for six years, has now opened his heart to teaching, and has inspired many to share the joy of God's ministry.*

The faces of starving Somalian children flooding the airways may have been the only way in which most Americans could envision the plight of Somalia, but for one professor, the pictures brought back vivid memories.

From first semester to second, the classes grew from nearly empty to full, and the students matured from newborn to adult Christians. Who encouraged all this growth, and what possessed him to leave the Ethiopian mission field to teach in Arkadelphia, Arkansas at Ouachita Baptist University? The chance to open doors to mission fields all over the world encouraged Dr. Danny Hays to become Ouachita's newest religion professor.

After serving for six years as engineer/missionary in Ethiopia, Dr. Hays felt led by the Lord to travel to seminary, so he could teach in the United States. Upon graduation from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, he decided to teach at Ouachita.

Dr. Hays chose Ouachita because of President Elrod's motto, "We're developing Christian leaders." So, in the summer of 1992, Dr. Danny Hays and his family moved to Arkadelphia, Arkansas to become part of the Ouachita family.

Serving in Ethiopia brought joy and excitement to Dr. Hays and his wife as they shared the Gospel with many Ethiopian

friends, yet they felt that they could open doors to mission fields across the world by encouraging students to share their love for Christ. "You've got students at an exciting time. They're out of high school. They've got a clean slate. They're making some critical decisions. Are they going to be serious with the Lord or not? How serious are they going to be? All this takes place in college. It's fun! It's

**"I'm trying to show some students, too, that the Bible is not boring. It can be exciting to study the Scriptures."**

**-Dr. Danny Hays-**

challenging, too! But, it's exciting to be involved and have some input in these decisions," said Dr. Hays. "I'm trying to show some students, too, that the Bible is not boring. It can be exciting to study the Scriptures." His students continually saw his love and excitement for God and the Bible and were inspired to grow in faith. "We really get in-depth into the Scriptures in his classes. It's evident that he's a real man of God," said Jeff Weaver.

Dr. Hays brought more to Ouachita than his incredible

knowledge of the Bible. He showed a sincere love for his students and their daily walk with Christ. As people passed his office, they commonly saw Dr. Hays counseling with a student or simply listening to what was currently taking place in a student's life. "I feel I can talk to him. When he's out of the classroom, he's not a teacher, but he's a friend you can talk to. I knew I could depend on him for prayer," said

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Bettie Duke/Research Coordinator  
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**PURPOSE-** Hays lectures to students in one of his classes. He felt he was called to Ouachita to encourage students entering the mission field.

**PAST & PRESENT-**

Dr. Danny Hays, once a missionary in Somalia, came to Ouachita as a religion professor.



•Guy Lyons

Monica Griffin. Always an encourager, Dr. Hays sincerely desired to help each student reach for his dreams and attain his goals. Through his classroom instruction and genuine friendship, Dr. Hays truly opened students eyes to opportunities across the world to minister and share their love for Christ.



•Guy Lyons

by *Beth Ann Lee*



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**David Massey/Prof. of Psychology**



# THERE'S NO *place* quite *like* China

*Drs. John and Susan Wink spent their summer in China teaching English at a university and visiting with unique people.*

Suddenly, with almost no warning, they found themselves on the Great Wall of China. They looked around and saw, of all things, a man selling T-shirts. What?

That's not quite the story. But it's close.

During the summer of 1992, Drs. John and Susan Wink, Ouachita's English-teaching team, spent six weeks in China teaching at Yantai University. The Cooperative Services International Educational Consortium, a Southern Baptist Convention agency, organized the trip. "Everything was pretty much arranged for us," John Wink said. "All we had to do was get ready for the courses, and we were very gratified for that."

The Winks took as many Chinese language lessons as they could before July 8, the date of their departure. "I was very anxiety-ridden before we left," Susan Wink said. "I didn't know what I was getting into. But once I got on the plane out of Little Rock...the pressure and anxiety were gone."

The Winks had to travel on four planes to make this long journey. Naturally, they were glad when they finally landed at Beijing airport. They were greeted there by Li Yong Shu, the guide Yantai University provided for the visiting professors. "He became one of our best friends," John Wink said.

Li and a driver furnished by Beijing University then proceeded to show them around China's capital city. The Winks saw the Ming emperors' summer palace and visited the famous Forbidden City. The size of these places were astonishing, John Wink said, compared to the tourbook photos.

The Great Wall was for John Wink "as spectacular as one expects it to be, if one is lucky enough to get to see it." But he added that, once there, one no longer needed that sort of luck to find refreshments or apparel. "We saw T-shirts, soda pop, beer—you name it—being sold at the Great Wall. The Great Wall is a great shop."

The one letdown John Wink could name was the Ming Tombs, which one of the guidebooks likened to a bank vault. Still, he was impressed with the beauty of the surrounding scenery.

After these excursions, the Winks flew to Yantai University, which is on a peninsula that extends into the central part of the Pacific Ocean. People from all over the country flocked to Yantai to participate in the summer school. Most of the participants were English instructors, and according to the Winks, were extremely disciplined. "I was expecting to teach good students," Susan Wink said. "I was not, however, prepared for just how good they were."

Susan Wink taught courses in modern British poetry and advanced English grammar. John Wink taught etymology and composition. Both became friends with many of their pupils, often visiting them outside of the classroom. Such fraternizing, they said, would have been frowned on four years ago by Chinese authorities.

Both noticed a pervading unhappiness with the current government and an anxiety about China's future. "I worry about China now more, because some of those teeming hordes for me have faces and personalities," said John Wink.

Among those personalities was Zhong Ming, one of John Wink's composition students. Zhong, an English tutor, wrote about the two years he spent working in Kuwait as a carpenter. Zhong and his countrymen found themselves stuck in a land far from home during the time of the Spring Festival, a major holiday of the Chinese year. One way to celebrate this occasion is to drink wine, which is prohibited by Kuwaiti law. So, to improvise they "attempted to make wine with white sugar," said John Wink. "And, of course it was a disaster."

This sense of displacement, John Wink said, was a primary element in many of the students' papers. "Almost every student had a tale of woe regarding the cultural revolution," he said.

In one class, John Wink recited Robert Bly's translation of a poem by Spanish writer Antonio Vacallo.

When the class was over, one of the students, Mr. Wong, asked him to give him a copy of the poem. While walking across the campus the next day, John Wink saw Mr. Wong and they discussed the poem.

"There among the willow trees, Mr. Wong stopped me and said he learned the poem, and I asked him to say it. He delivered this absolutely, beautiful recitation of the Vacallo poem. Suddenly, it hit me," Wink said. "A Spaniard had written a poem that a Minnesotan had translated into English and that had won the heart of a Mississippian who had taken the poem into China where a man there had fallen in love with the English version of it and recited it."

Wink said he intends to write a letter to Robert Bly, the translator of the poem, telling him the story and giving him Mr. Wong's address.

Another infusion of American culture into China were dancing parties that happened periodically on Yantai dormitory roofs. "I'd obviously come a long way in space," John Wink said. "I felt like I was going a long way back in time when I'd go [to the dancing parties], because they'd put on an occasional disco record." The Chinese students even enjoyed waltzes and fox trots. "Those are imprints of America that are no longer imprinting America," John Wink said. Though Susan Wink said that at one of these get-togethers, her husband performed "a sort of modified tusk dance."

The Winks returned to America on August 27. Each kept journals during their sojourn, which they hope will yield much writing in the future. Another piece of China John Wink brought back was chopsticks. He still uses them with every meal.

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-John Wink-**

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**THE WALL**-The Great Wall, mobbed with tourists, is a familiar landmark even to those who haven't visited China.

*Jeff Smithpeters*

# THE BENEFITS *of* staying *at* home

*Though respected composer Dr. Francis McBeth probably had many options open in his career, he chose to devote his energy to teaching in his hometown and sharing his love of music with students.*



-Guy Lyons

When musical celebrities come to mind, Arkansans are usually not included. However, Arkadelphia is privileged to hear the honored Dr. Francis McBeth, who is the Lena Goodwin Trimble Professor of Music and Resident Composer.

McBeth has resided in Arkadelphia as a composer and chairman of the Theory of the Composition Department of OBU since 1957. He is a member of such musical associations as the American Bandmasters Association, Phi Beta Mu, Kappa Kappa Psi, and Phi Mu Alpha. He has also been given a special award by the American Society of Composers and Performers (ASCAP) each consecutive year since 1965. McBeth was also appointed the composer laureate by the governor in 1975.

McBeth was born in 1933, and received his musical training from Hardin-Simmons University, University of Texas, and Eastman School of Music. He went on to conduct the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra for many years until his retirement in 1973, and was elected conductor emeritus.

With these, as well as several other

honors, many people might wonder why McBeth has stayed in Arkadelphia, when he is recognized around the world. The truth is, Arkadelphia is his home and where it all started. "I've lived in Arkadelphia since I was

24 years old, so I was here before the honors came. I chose to stay because it is an excellent environment to compose in," McBeth said. He also said that living in Arkadelphia has brought students to Ouachita to learn from him.

"I chose to come to Ouachita because Dr. McBeth teaches here. He is the greatest teacher I've ever had," sophomore Brad Greene said.

With all of his influence, as well as affluence, many wonder what it is about

Arkadelphia that would make a world-famous composer want to live there. However, geography makes no difference to McBeth; rather it is love and dedication to music which makes his residence at Ouachita so special.

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**-Dr. McBeth-**

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*by Suzanne Taylor*



-Guy Lyons

**CREATIVE PROCESS-** Dr. McBeth works in his office on completing a musical composition.

**EDUCATOR-** Music major Andy Clark listens attentively as Dr. McBeth points out a specific section needing attention.



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# HE TAUGHT *more than just football*

*Players called him "Sir", and he deserved their respect. Buddy Bob Benson was an accomplished football coach, but more importantly, he was a man who set high standards in all areas of life.*



•Roy Burroughs

**GROUNDS TOUR-** Coach Benson gives journalist Paul Eels a tour around the university's facilities during "Media Day."

**INTENSITY-** Coach Benson watches, completely absorbed in the action, at a Ouachita home game.

Students were offered a top notch education in a Christian environment, which constantly excelled and improved its academic program. However, this was simply one facet of an education at Ouachita. In addition to the academic side, students had a chance to display their athletic abilities. In this context, Ouachita had yet another bragging right.

Every football team since 1965 had one thing in common: each was led by Buddy Bob Benson. As both a player and a coach, Benson achieved virtually every honor imaginable. From being named an All-American performer at a small high school in De Queen, to being elected into the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame, as well as the Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame, Benson was always successful. This success was carried over to his teams and had an impact on those students who once served under him.

Benson always demanded the respect of his players—players who went on to be successful in a number of various fields and professions. Benson also coached nine NAIA First Team All-Americans, including former starting safety for the Dallas Cowboys, Cliff Harris. No matter how great these players became, they still showed Benson respect. Those who returned for homecoming games were even heard addressing him as "Sir" and "Coach Benson."

Benson also earned the respect of other students, faculty and coaches around the state. Many sports writers began giving Ouachita more credit as being a team to watch.

Frank Broyles, director of athletics at the University of Arkansas, once commented, "Whatever praise and high regard he has been given for his accomplishments on the field, Buddy has earned much more credit for what he has stood for and for his personal integrity. His anxious regard for the high standards of our profession has always been his trademark. His principles, attitudes and values were never compromised."

Perhaps this competitive spirit was a product of being forced to overcome many obstacles. As a high school player in De Queen, Benson led a much smaller team to an upset victory over Texarkana and an eventual conference championship and undefeated season. After high school, he traveled to

Norman, Oklahoma to play for the highly regarded Oklahoma Sooners, but an unfortunate accident sidelined him and ultimately led to his decision to transfer to the University of Arkansas. At Arkansas, Benson received All-American honors and helped the Razorbacks win a share of the Southwest Conference championship in 1954. He also threw the touchdown pass that defeated a powerful and nationally-

ranked Mississippi team. That delivery was described by longtime Arkansas sports columnist Orville Henry as the most famous single play in school history.

After his career as a Razorback, he was offered a professional contract by the Pittsburgh Steelers, but he turned this offer down in order to pursue a career in coaching and was committed to this profession since that day.

His commitment to

Ouachita football was evident. He led one of the smallest schools in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference to the conference title on four separate occasions. Assistant coach Tom Murphree pointed out that he always managed to bring out the best in every player.

But for those who visited Coach Benson's office in Eddie Blackmon Field House, there came the understanding that he was more concerned with the future of his players than anything else. Behind his desk was his "Wall of Fame." On this wall, there were pictures of players from 1965 to the present. But these were special players. In order to receive this honor, a player must have graduated with a degree.

"I think Ouachita is the spot for me," Benson said. "I like the caliber of students and the Christian environment. I think Ouachita has done more for me than I could ever do for it."

In any event, Benson has done a lot for Ouachita as well as for those individuals he influenced either as coach or player. Benson has always been a winner and because of his accomplishments, he has become a legend in his own time.

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**-Frank Broyles-**

*by Dan Turner*



•Roy Burroughs



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Anne Selph/Inst. in Math & Computer Science  
Dr. Jake Shambarger/Professor of Education  
Mary Shambarger/Assoc. Prof. of Music



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Lewis Sheperd/Director of TRIO Program  
Donna Sisson/Development Office  
Mac Sisson/Asst. Dir. of Public Relations &  
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Stephanie Smith/Admissions Counselor  
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Dr. Robert Stagg/J.C. and Mae Fuller Professor  
of Bible  
Dr. Bill Steeger/W.O. Vaught Prof. of Bible  
Ruth Suggs/Head Resident, Conger Hall



Edwina Thedford/Asst. Prof. of Music  
Sherry Thomason/Maintenance Secretary  
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Professor of Music  
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**FASCINATING** Kim Baker takes a moment to look at the new camera collection. R.C. Whorton, donor of the collection and Ouachita Alumnus, graduated in 1947.



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# A GIFT *of* a *beautiful* collection

*R.C. Whorton's fascination with cameras has been a blessing for Ouachita. He and his wife Wanda donated their huge camera collection, consisting of over 800 unique cameras, to the school so that all might share their charm.*

A picture is worth a thousand words. Ouachita was fortunate enough to see what that was like by receiving a generous camera collection from Mr. R.C. Whorton of Riverside, California, who graduated from Ouachita in 1947 and visited the campus during the 1992 Homecoming. It seemed that Mr. Whorton was on the lookout for a recipient for his collection. He began his hobby after both he and his mother showed a passion for taking pictures.

Whorton's collection contained over 800 cameras of all shapes and sizes. He admitted to traveling all around the country in search of a more unique piece than the last. His journeys took him everywhere from Oregon down to Texas and Arkansas. His wife, Wanda, stopped unexpectedly to "camera hunt" during family trips on more than one occasion.

One of Whorton's first collectibles was an Eastman Kodak Brownie. These were the old box cameras made during the early 1900's. "I have found myself at antique shops, yard sales, and camera shows." He added that many a friend donated their own to him. He said that a camera could range in price. One may cost ten dollars and another may be "in the thousands." Whorton explained that value depended on when the camera was manufactured, how long the production lasted and the number made, "Value is in the eye of the beholder, or so they say."

As far as unique went, one of Whorton's favorites was a foreign-made camera called the Richards Stereo. It originated in Paris, France around the turn of the nineteenth century. It had two lenses instead of the

standard one. When pictures were taken and developed, a three-dimensional photograph appeared. It worked along the same level as the human eye. He felt that, "God must have created the first camera, because our eyes work as double lenses and give the world depth."

Mr. Whorton wanted others to bear witness to his enormous collection and appreciate the twenty-five years that were behind it. Ouachita seemed the most logical place. "My wife and I met here, and the cameras

have been a part of our life together." He was, in a way, thanking Ouachita.

The Communications department, along with the rest of the school, considered this to be a tremendous learning tool. By examining the figures, many things in the world of photography could be explored. Mr. and Mrs. Whorton sincerely hoped that Ouachita gained as much from his picture boxes as they had. It was definitely one thing no one wanted to miss out on.

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