


Students gather in the amphitheater for a pep rally. The cheerleaders led the pep rallies in an attempt to raise excitement for Tiger football games.

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# People



While Ouachita was a place that focused on creating difference-makers, that focus would not have been possible had it not been for the people on the campus. The freshman class stood out when three sets of twins enrolled. Junior Leigha Hill invested in the lives of the students in her dorm through Crafternoons. Showing how her Ouachita education made a difference in her life, junior Amanda Like signed a contract to have her first book published. Senior Nathan Lochala proved that Ouachita was more than just a place filled with students ranging from the ages of 18-22, when he returned to school as a husband, a dad and an employee.

Students learned

*The difference between everyday life*  
and living out your passion.



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 Brynn Alford • Rogers, AR  
 Emily Anderson • Siloam Springs, AR  
 Chelsea Ariola • Springdale, AR



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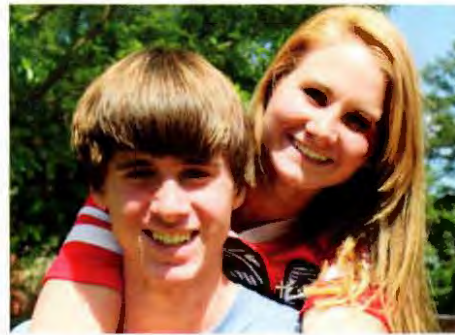
Twins

# Freshman Twins

By: Hannah Bishop

“There’s always a piece of home here with me,” said Kathleen Post, a freshman Christian studies major from Grand Prairie, Texas, about having her twin brother Jacob at the university. Jacob was a transfer student from Mountain View Community College but he realized early on that wasn’t where he was meant to be. “Kathleen being here wasn’t the only reason I decided to transfer, but that was a big part of it,” said Jacob.

Charles and Carrington Tillery, both freshman business administration management majors from Hot Springs, had a similar story. Charles was enrolled at National Park Community College



but changed his mind and enrolled at Ouachita before the fall semester. “Before he transferred, I was scared of coming by myself,” said Carrington. They both said they don’t have to hang out a lot to spend time together. “I just feel comfortable with him being here,” said Carrington. “We mainly see each other during cheerleading practice.”

The Carr sisters, Rachel and Sarah, moved from Utah to Cherokee Village shortly before starting college. When they found out they were moving, they began looking at colleges in Arkansas. “We’ve always been really close and did extracurricular activities together growing up,” said Rachel. “We are roommates and both pledged Chi Rho Phi so we are really close and spend a lot of time together,” said Sarah. “One of the first things we’ll do separately is have different majors. I’m a biology major and Rachel is an early education major.”

Finally, The Hartman’s, Kyle, a history major, and Garrett, a Christian studies major, from Bentonville, chose to transfer to Ouachita after going to community college for a year. They too pledged the same social club and have a lot of the same interests. “Being a part of Beta Beta will keep us close if we start getting busy with other things,” said Kyle. However, he also stated they are extremely different. “I’m more of the laidback go-with-the-flow one and Garrett is sometimes uptight. We enjoy some of the same things, but are two very different people.”

Although college was a time of growth and finding your individuality, there is something about the relationship with a sibling that will keep each twin grounded. Like Kathleen said, “I love having [Jacob] here because it’s one less person for me to miss.”





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 Hannah Bushey • Stuttgart, AR  
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 Ashleigh Canada • Rogers, AR  
 Cort Cantrell • Benton, LA  
 Rachel Carr • Roy, UT  
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 Matthew Cook • Harrison, AR  
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 Michaela Deen • Arlington, TX  
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 Rachel Gilmer • Princeton, TX  
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 Rachel Gregory • Malvern, AR  
 Bekah Hall • Port Elizabeth, South  
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 Drake Hardy • Royal, AR  
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# JT Goodrum

By CJ Santiago

Leading a team was the job of a captain. They were the ones who set the example and took responsibility for their teammates. They were the ones who the team looked to make things happen. A captain pushed his team to get better and work harder. The captain was usually one of the older members and usually one of the more experienced team members. For the Ouachita soccer team, this was not the case.

JT Goodrum was a transfer student from Nacogdoches, Texas, who transferred to Ouachita from Appalachian State in North Carolina in the fall to play soccer for the Tigers. He came and surprised everyone by becoming one of the captains for the Tiger's soccer team his first season. "It has been great to take a more of a leadership position," said Goodrum.

Goodrum played soccer for as long as he could remember. He said that soccer had always been a good outlet for stress. "I just love playing and the bond you make with your teammates, it is a good preparation for life," said Goodrum.

Goodrum transferred because "OBU is a great balance of what I want out of soccer. It is competitive and we have a great team, but it is not over the top," said Goodrum.

When it comes to college athletes, balancing time between sports and other priorities could be difficult. Goodrum was not only part of the soccer team, but a member of Beta Beta Beta's social club and a men's discipleship group under Dr. Scott Duvall. "During the season it is definitely not easy to balance everything," said Goodrum. Throwing in soccer to a long list of school, friends and sleep made it hard for Goodrum to divide his time.

Though it was difficult to balance his time, Goodrum was able to keep his school work first. The chemistry major boasts a 4.0 GPA "by the grace of God," said Goodrum. Most college athletes hope to play professionally, but this was not the case for Goodrum. He hopes to go to med school when he graduates. His dream isn't to play soccer professionally, but he said, "hey if it happens that would be great, but honestly that's a little bit of wishful thinking."

His advice to college athletes was "school is first. Sports will fade no matter how long you play. Your degree is most important." This was reflected in Goodrum's actions by maintaining his outstanding GPA.

Goodrum was a unique student because he excelled academically and athletically. Though it was his first year to play for the Tigers, Goodrum led a very talented Tiger soccer team through his character and leadership. "Play in such a way that you can hold your head up after the game is over. What happens on the field stays on the field," said Goodrum.



# A Leader



Meg Hart • Little Rock, AR  
Tyler Hartman • McKinney, TX  
C.J. Hays • Newport, MN  
Kayla Hedin • Grand Prairie, TX  
Lindsay Henderson • Euless, TX  
Annelise Henley • Arkadelphia, AR



Austin Henslee • Cleburne, TX  
 Ryan Hess • Deridder, LA  
 John Hewitt • Mesquite, TX  
 Hayley Hill • Lowell, AR  
 Hein Hillmer • Port Elizabeth,  
 South Africa  
 Kelsey Himes • Garland, TX



Christian Hjertquist • Stockholm,  
 Sweden  
 Maegan Hodge • Springdale, AR  
 Elise Holman • Berryville, AR  
 Rachel Hooker • Palestine, AR  
 Katie Hopmann • Cypress, TX  
 Kegan Houston • El Dorado, AR



Allyson Huffman • Denton, TX  
 Daniel Humbert • Hot Springs, AR  
 Mary Ellen Hunthorp • White Hall, AR  
 Jenna Hurst • Garland, AR  
 Joseph Hurst • Morrilton, AR  
 Austin Ingram • Little Rock, AR



Arthur Johnson • Rockwall, TX  
 Kristin Johnson • Benton, AR  
 Lacey Johnson • Rancho Mirage, CA  
 Elizabeth Jones • Grapevine, TX  
 Alexis Kamerman • Searcy, AR  
 Jonathan Kauffman • Houston, TX



Ana Kim • Little Rock, AR  
 Lorna Kirkpatrick • Little Rock, AR  
 Helge Knuth • Mandelbachtal,  
 Germany  
 Tayler Koller • Hot Springs, AR  
 Ernesto Laborda • Zaragoza, Spain  
 Kelsey Lamb • Little Rock, AR



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 Lauren Linton • Millington, TN  
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 Victoria Mantooth • *Sherwood, AR*  
 Meredith Martin • *Garland, TX*  
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 Anna McCulloch • *Little Rock, AR*  
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 Clay McKinney • *Hughes Springs, TX*

# Meg Hart

By: Jordan Campbell

Meg Hart, a freshman accounting major, did not spend her teen years in drivers ed, or reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Before Ouachita, Hart served in Russia with her family as missionaries.

"I say my family, not just my parents, because we were all called to do missions. I personally was involved in orphanage ministry, homeless ministry, addictions ministry and Backyard Bible Clubs while I lived in Russia," said Hart.

While most MKs attended international schools, Hart and her sisters attended Russian public schools. "[School in Russia] was so much harder than American school," Hart said. "In Russian school, you have college-level math and science classes by ninth grade, so coming to college was really easy academically."

The most notable difference for Hart was the driving age. "I was counting the days until my 16th birthday, so I could be free to drive myself everywhere," she said. "There was a problem, in Russia you have to be 18 to drive. Period."

According to Hart, the hardest adjustment was the climate difference. "I miss being able to snowboard whenever I want," she said. "I lived in the mountains, and the slopes were literally five minutes from my house, so I could always go snowboarding, skiing or tubing in my free time."

For Hart, growing up in Russia enriched and completely changed her life. Learning to care, help and witness to others was a part of her daily life for eight years. While she took a trip to Chile with Campus Ministries this past summer, her heart remains in Russia, and she plans on going back.

"I've learned so much about the world that I otherwise wouldn't have known (Contemporary World was a breeze!), and I've learned that I am just part of a bigger plan," she said. "What I do serves a greater purpose, so I need to be intentional in all I do. There were times when I had to depend on God for literally everything, so I know how important having that relationship with Him is. I don't take things, such as religious freedom or good friends, for granted."



# Missionary



# Liverpool Hope University

By: Erica Porter

Nineteen students enrolled in the international studies program at Liverpool Hope University (LHU) during the spring semester.

"Liverpool is quite a bit bigger than Arkadelphia and has an extremely deep history, as any English town does," said Joe Anderson, a junior music major from Hot Springs. "From the common college student's perspective, I would probably say there's much more to do and see, which is definitely a plus. However, everything is spread out like a typical bigger city and things can get expensive."



The students had to adjust to the differences in the classroom, too. "The education system is much different in terms of hours I spend on campus and how courses are laid out," Anderson said. "I don't have class on Tuesday or Thursday, and when I do have class, I don't spend more than two to four hours a day in class. There is no homework or tests, just essays and final examinations."

The ability to earn credits in multiple subjects was expected to make Liverpool a popular destination for students who wished to experience a semester abroad, but were not language majors, or desired classes taught in English.

The students spent their time outside of the classroom meeting people from all over the world and exploring the city's many historical and cultural attractions.

"International students kind of stick together," said Andrew Sweatman, a junior English major from Ft. Smith. "Most of my friends aren't from the UK, but are German, French, Finnish, Dutch and several Americans from other universities."

Liverpool had a wide variety of cultural excursions such as art galleries, museums, theaters and concert halls. There were also 24 soccer and rugby teams that students participated in.

"The docks are a beautiful place to go for a walk and there's a maritime museum nearby that focuses on Liverpool as one of the world's major ports," said Sweatman.

Some students took advantage of Liverpool's proximity to other European attractions and spent their three-week spring break exploring other European countries.

In January, seven administrators and faculty visited Liverpool to learn about the university and its programs.

"It was a very enlightening trip that afforded us the opportunity to look closely at the LHU curriculum and visit with the Ouachita students who were already there," said Dr. Jeff Root, dean of the school of humanities. "In its very first semester, a record number of students have already participated and I'm sure it will continue to be very popular with Ouachita students."

## A Traveler

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Meagan Moore • Waxahachie, TX







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 Sarah Moore • Garland, TX  
 Chelsea Morehead • Mabelvale, AR  
 Asaf Moreno • Little Rock, AR  
 Bailey Morris • Mesquite, TX  
 Dani Moses • Texarkana, AR



Savannah Motzko • Berryville, AR  
 Maddie Mueller • Colorado Springs, CO  
 Spencer Neblett • Little Rock, AR  
 Alex Nelson • Frisco, TX  
 Brent Nessler • Rowlett, TX  
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 Grant Novak • Haughton, LA  
 Adam Oakes • Campbell, TX  
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 LeeAnne Polk • Greenville, TX  
 Jacob Price • Magnolia, AR



Ben Prince • Tomball, TX  
 Dawson Pritchard • Denton, TX  
 Brittany Proffer • Grand Prairie, TX  
 Phebe Pruett • Summers, AR  
 Matt Ray • Plano, TX  
 Chris Redmon • Little Rock, AR



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 Crista Riggs • Edmond, OK  
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 Tyler Robinson • White Hall, AR  
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# A Crafter

## Leigha Hill

By: Callie Hamilton

Leigha Hill, a junior communication sciences and disorders major from Bolivar, Mo., with a sweet spirit and love for people, was the perfect mentor for freshman girls first encountering life away from home. Not being from Arkansas, the feeling of being in a brand new place while embarking on the next chapter of life was not unfamiliar to this Francis Crawford RA.

“Crafternoons” began when RAs were asked to come up with a weekly activity for people on their floor. While true that Hill had a love for crafts, it was Hill’s commitment to the girls on her floor and to creating a place of belonging for them that enabled “Crafternoons” to become a dorm-wide event.



“It’s great relationship bonding time and a chance to get to know people all the while engaging the brain with creative crafts,” said Hill.

For Hill, “Crafternoons” were all about the fellowship. “It’s providing a way for girls to get plugged in,” said Hill. “ResLife’s heart behind these acts is to give people a place where they feel welcomed and know that whatever’s going on in their lives, they can come and ‘Crafternoons’ will be going on.”

Hill gives credit to the “ResLife” team, a group of Residential Advisors on campus, for making these opportunities of outreach possible. “I’m very impressed by ResLife and how caring the staff is,” said Hill. “RAs are often overlooked, but I feel they are the heartbeat of life at Ouachita.”

Hill took her duties as an RA past organizing activities and often connected with girls on a personal level. “A home is where you’re able to see who people actually are,” Hill said. “It’s easy to seem fine on the surface, but I pop in someone’s room and see that they’re upset or stressed, and that’s real.”

Being an RA also provided Hill with opportunities to develop close relationships with girls. “I’m able to be a person that girls can come to in confidence and share problems and struggles with,” Hill said. “Recognizing that I didn’t get that reminds me of how important it is.”

Hill attributed her compassion for the girls and her desire to help them in all aspects of her heart to service. “Ultimately, my goal is to show Christ to them,” said Hill.





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 Emily Sanders • Conway, AR  
 Austin Sarabia • Houston, TX  
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# Amanda Like

by Jessica Wasmund

What started out as a high school English assignment brought Amanda Like, a junior English major from Sachse, Texas, to a new level in writing. Before this college student graduated, she had managed to contract to publish her first book "Defying Courage."

The project began as a short story assignment for Like's high school English class. "I received a letter on the assignment and my teacher told me she wanted to read more," said Like.

Like then took between three and four months to finish the novel and in June of 2009 sent the book to Publish America, a publishing company out of Dallas. Two weeks later she received a call from them that the manuscript was bumped up in the reviewing process. In August her book was ready to be published.

As easy as it sounds, Amanda's path to being a published author was not without its obstacles. "The whole process is very new. I kind of got gypped on a few things. I did not have an editor for my book, so if you ever read it there are quite a few typos that I'm kind of embarrassed about," said Like.

After "Defying Courage" was published, Amanda received a good bit of success. "There's a place in India you can buy it, and it's really popular there, strangely enough. I don't know anyone in India," Amanda said.

Like's interest in writing began with her love of reading. "My dad used to read to me when I was a little girl. I just loved reading, and one day I decided to write," said Like.

Creating the different characters, attributes, scenes and adventures was Like's favorite part of writing. "I'm hoping to go to graduate school to learn more about creative writing. I'm hoping to also continue to publish throughout graduate school," said Like.

Even after her success, Amanda still remained humbled by her family and friends. "Always have great friends. Write all the time," said Like. "And keep doing what you're doing and hopefully one day you will reach your goals."



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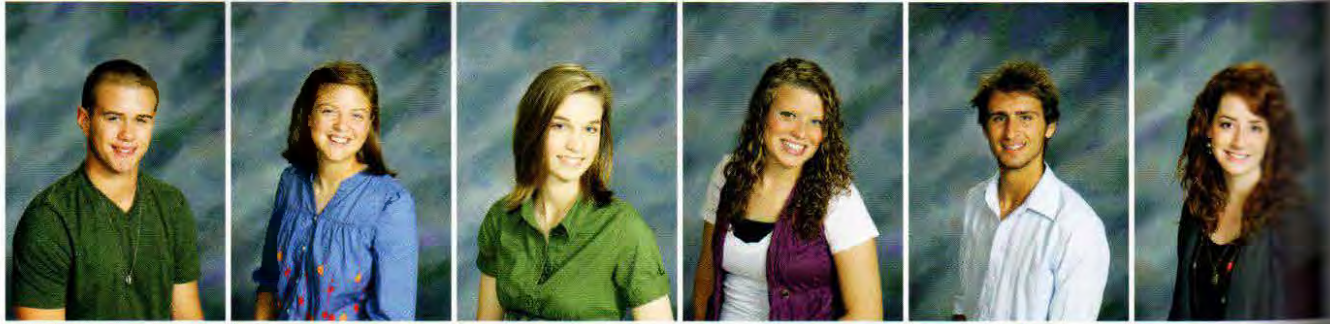
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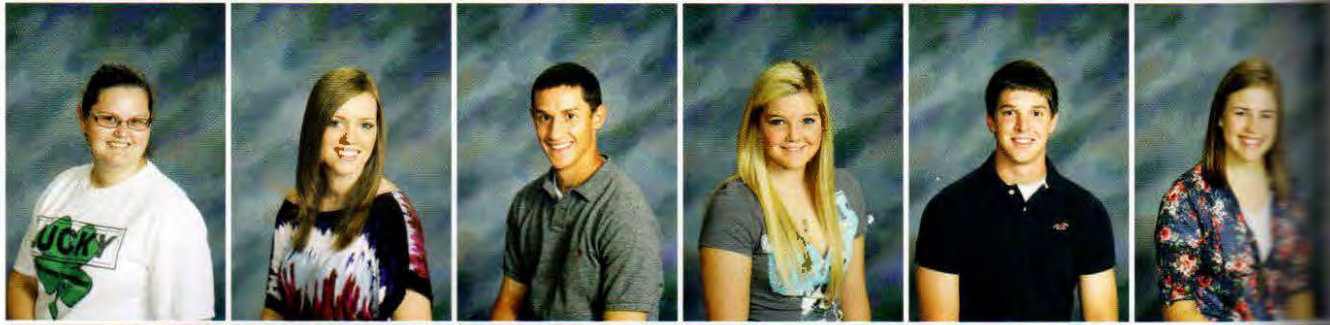
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# Tim & Marcus

By Annaliese Clark

Making it to the Olympic Games was every athlete's dream, but only a select few ever see that dream come true. Two sophomore swimmers, Tim Ferris, a business administration marketing major from Triangle, Zimbabwe, and Marcus Schlesinger, a biology major from Nuevo, Calif., were 2012 Olympic hopefuls for the summer games in London, England.

Both Ferris and Schlesinger grew up swimming and swam in high school for both school and club teams. After high school, Ferris and Schlesinger were both recruited to swim at OBU and found similarities and differences compared to their training back home.

"The training is somewhat more team orientated here and a lot more emphasis is put on keeping the team together," said Ferris. "I'd never heard of a dual meet until I got here. Dual meets are more fun!"

"Adjusting to OBU's practices was a little difficult. Although the swim practices were the same or a little easier than my club practices, the incorporation of the level of land and weights we do here combined with the swim practices made practice here harder," said Schlesinger.

Despite the difficult practices and schedule, both Ferris and Schlesinger adapted well to college swimming and made the 2010 NCAA national swim meet as freshmen.

Then Schlesinger and Ferris split ways to train for the summer. Schlesinger went back to his club team in California to train for the USA National swim meet and Ferris trained around the country for Pan Pacs.

In December, 2010, while their classmates were taking final exams, Ferris and Schlesinger competed against the best in the world. Ferris represented his country at the World Championship swim meet in Dubai.

Even though the World Championship meet in Dubai was full of well known athletes, Ferris swam well and came away with all personal best times, which was quite the accomplishment.

During Christmas break, Schlesinger took part in the Maccabi games in Sydney, Australia. "It felt pretty sweet to represent the USA in Australia. "It feels way cooler than swimming in USA Nationals because you are just swimming against Americans. At the Maccabi Games, you meet a bunch of cool people from all over the world," said Schlesinger. Schlesinger represented the United States well, earning gold medals in the events in which he competed.

Since his strong performances in Dubai, Ferris looked forward to 2012 to representing Zimbabwe at the 2012 summer Olympics. "I just have to have one of the top two times in my events. I'm trying my best to get there. I think I got a pretty good shot."

Schlesinger also had Olympic hopes. "My goals for this summer are to drop a lot of time in my events so I can swim better than I did last year at Nationals. Next summer, I want to get my Olympic Trial cuts and place as high as I can," said Schlesinger.

OBU swim coach Ryan Killackey explained that the level of competition in these meets boosts Ferris and Schlesinger's confidence. "The main thing is Tim and Marcus have the opportunity to be at these meets and compete against a level above them which in turn gives them the confidence to enhance their swim ability," said Killackey



# Olympic Hopefuls



# A Beauty

# Kristen Glover

By: Korrie Browning

The 2011 Miss Ouachita Baptist University crown went to an energetic and passionate dancer that exuded poise and grace both on and off the stage. Kristen Glover, a senior chemistry major from Stuttgart captured the hearts of the judges and crown in order to win the title and represent the university in the summer of 2011 at the Miss Arkansas Pageant in Hot Springs.

“Preparing for Miss OBU required interview preparation, paperwork, P90X workouts, talent practice and wardrobe decisions,” said Glover. Her level of dedication paid off in the end, but there was still more hard work to be done before the summer’s competition.

The past three Miss OBU’s have made top ten at Miss Arkansas and Glover hoped to continue the winning tradition with the help of her support system.



“My dance teacher, Micki Konecny and former Miss Arkansas, has inspired me to chase this dream and remain true to myself,” said Glover. “Mac and Donna Sisson have always been supportive of my efforts as well, offering help along the way.”

Glover not only represented Miss OBU in competition, but was also able to impact the community.

“Since February, I have spoken in schools in Arkadelphia, Hot Springs, Bismarck and Magnet Cove,” said Glover. “I also attended a Ouachita board meeting and the annual Drug Free Walk at Perritt Primary School.”

Despite her demanding new schedule, Glover managed to keep herself busy with school. She was accepted to the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Pharmacy to pursue a career in clinical pharmacy. Although she graduated in May, Ouachita will always serve as her foundation for her life to come.

“Ouachita has helped form me into the woman I am today,” said Glover. “The students, professors and faculty have shown incredible support and interest in my personal and spiritual development. It has been a complete joy to share this Miss Arkansas journey with my Ouachita family!” Glover was crowned Miss Arkansas 2011 in July. See feature in index.

Katelyn Helton • Grand Prairie, TX  
 Tim Horton • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Raley Howard • El Dorado, AR  
 Hannah Hunter • Bryant, AR  
 Lauren Jackson • Arkadelphia, AR



Kristen James • Missouri City, TX  
 Ryan James • Benton, AR  
 Abbey Jamieson • Sachse, TX  
 Alison Johnson • Shreveport, LA  
 Cameron Johnson • Rancho Mirage, CA  
 Alyssa Jones • Redfield, AR



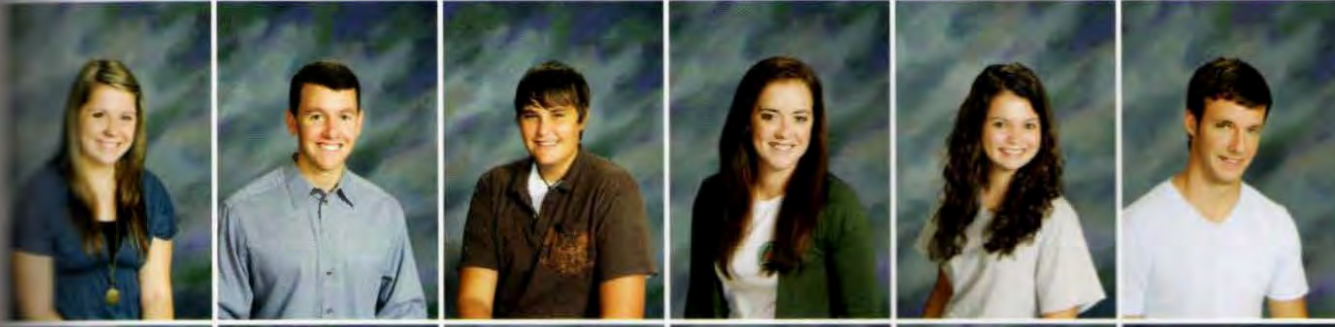




Brittney Jones • Texarkana, AR  
 Caitlin Jones • Benton, AR  
 Nikki Kambanis • Jonesboro, AR  
 Sunhye Kim • Little Rock, AR  
 Travis King • Dallas, TX  
 Caleb Knight • Arkadelphia, AR



Casey Knight • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Simon Knighten • Texarkana, AR  
 Kelly Knobloch • Monticello, AR  
 Tobias Kuhlmann • Hassel, Germany  
 Michelle Lackey • Decatur, TX  
 Carissa Landrum • Indio, CA



Michelle Lanza • Allen, TX  
 Greg Lawrence • Saginaw, TX  
 Daniel Lee • Atlanta, TX  
 Jenna Lindsey • Van Buren, AR  
 Devan Malone • Benton, AR  
 Tyler McCarley • Little Rock, AR



Jena McCarty • Pottsville, AR  
 Nicole McPhate • Conway, AR  
 Audrey Melson • Batesville, AR  
 Jill Mitchell • Texarkana, TX  
 Stephanie Morse • Benton, AR  
 Sean Nance • Dallas, TX



Valerie Nickel • Richardson, TX  
 Elliot O'Connor • Montrose, CO  
 Tiffany Ohman • Fort Worth, TX  
 Alexis Pace • Sugar Land, TX  
 Emily Parker • Shreveport, LA  
 David Pennington • Bearden, AR



Hannah Pfeiffer • Benton, AR  
 Hannah Pilcher • Maumelle, AR  
 Whitley Poole • Batesville, AR  
 Rebekah Poynor • Aubrey, TX  
 Courtney Puddephatt • Little Rock, AR  
 Krystal Qualls • Texarkana, AR



Hannah Ramsey • Naperville, IL  
 Kayleigh Ratliff • Conway, AR  
 Brittney Reynold • Benton, AR  
 Cody Riggs • Nederland, TX  
 Andrew Robert • Plano, TX  
 Brian Sain • Hurst, TX



# A Voice

## Allison Cornell

By: Katie Osment

"Mom, don't you think I'm a good singer? I could be a really good singer someday, huh?" the fifth-grader asked as she paraded around the house screaming an \*NSYNC song. "I'm sorry, honey, but you just don't have a good voice," her mother replied. Ten years and an Extended Play later, the girl who was told she could not sing proved a lot of people wrong.

Allison Cornell, a senior mass communications major from Allen, Texas, had an EP for sale on iTunes and frequently plays small shows in local coffee shops.



Cornell recorded her EP during the Christmas break of 2009 with the collaboration of close friends. The opportunity to record more or less just fell into her lap.

"I knew that God was doing something in and through my music and that I wanted to share it with people, but I had no idea how to go about doing that," Cornell said. "There was one night I prayed, 'God, it's okay if that's not what you have for me.'"

The next day Cornell received a call from a fellow Ouachita student who had a friend who wanted to help Cornell record her album for free.

"I'd been writing a whole lot the summer of '09, and it had been a while since I'd written that much music, so I was eager to get into some sort of studio and record at least an EP," Cornell said. "When the opportunity came about, I grabbed it and ran with it."

Cornell and her friends recorded all the songs in one day. She titled the EP, "Mustard Seed."

"Mustard Seed is about not having as much faith as you would like to, and crying out to God for more of that faith so that He can change things and do things in your life," Cornell said. "I actually wrote Mustard Seed in tears in a time of not a lot of faith and a lot of uncertainty. To see it come from that all the way to the recording, which is really musically victorious and full and strong, has been a really big blessing."

While faith was a big theme of "Mustard Seed," so were brokenness and healing. "A lot of the songs on the EP are about romantic relationships, and a lot of the songs deal with me coming from a place of a broken relationship," Cornell said. "They really highlight God's love and healing and show the contrast of what God's love looks like and what earthly love looks like. It really pays tribute to how good God's love is."

Since recording the EP, Cornell's music was well received and became available on iTunes. She also had several opportunities to showcase her music, especially in Arkadelphia.

Despite her success and even being voted Homecoming Queen in the fall of 2011, Cornell was far from prideful about her musical ability and realizes that her talent is a God-given gift.

"It's not just for me, to say look at this song I wrote, it's for my brothers and sisters to be able to sing this song with me to God," Cornell said. "That's the biggest blessing-realizing it's not about me, it's just about giving us the opportunity to sing together and be unified in our singing. The more I'm involved in music, the more I realize there's just something in all of us that sings the same song."





Ryleigh Salmon • Henderson, TX  
 Audra Sargent • Fort Smith, AR  
 Meghan Savag • Frisco, TX  
 Jessica Scoggins • Bedford, TX  
 Madison Scott • Little Rock, AR  
 Ken See • Mesquite, TX



Elyse Senteney • Plano, TX  
 Courtney Sharp • Cherokee Village, AR  
 Jillian Sharp • Little Rock, AR  
 Lauren Shawver • Grapevine, TX  
 Rachel Shrader • Litchfield, IL  
 Abbey Smith • Gurdon, AR



Tyler Smith • Shreveport, LA  
 Jordan Snook • Little Rock, AR  
 Will Sparks • Dripping Springs, TX  
 MyLisa Speer • Ashdown, AR  
 Taylor Stanford • White Hall, AR  
 Jacob Stephens • New Boston, TX



Katy Stone • Little Rock, AR  
 Samantha Street • Rogers, AR  
 Alex Taylor • El Dorado, AR  
 Lauren Telford • Texarkana, TX  
 Emily Treadway • New Boston, TX  
 Justin Trewitt • Plano, TX



Emily Tucker • Hot Springs, AR  
 Lindsey Upshaw • Sheridan, AR  
 Johnathon Valdez • Garland, TX  
 Katie Varner • Vilonia, AR  
 Tanner Ward • Bryant, AR  
 Anastasia Waymire • Wynne, AR



Danielle Wilson • Simla, CO  
 Tristan Wooster • Mansfield, TX  
 Kiley Wright • Glenwood, AR



Sarah Anderson • Denton, TX  
 Rod Arnold • Wake Village, TX  
 Nikki Bain • Texarkana, TX  
 Dusty Barnette • Dermott, AR  
 Sarah Barteaux • Jones, OK  
 Taylor Bartel • Lucas, TX



Kyle Bartlett • Conroe, TX  
 Brooke Basinger • Carrollton, TX  
 Kelsey Bates • Marion, AR  
 Stephanie Batsel • Mansfield, TX  
 Stacy Beck • Sheridan, AR  
 Vikki Kay Bennett • Jonesboro, AR



Jessica Bowling • Santiago, Chile  
 Elizabeth Burke • Hot Springs, AR  
 Meredith Butler • Hope, AR  
 Melissa Butters • Denison, TX  
 Kendall Calvert • Mansfield, TX  
 Jordan Campbell • Houston, TX



Kimberly Carlton • Lafayette, LA  
 Kinsey Ann Carpenter • Memphis, TN  
 Rennetta Carter • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Matt Caudle • Parker, TX  
 Rachel Chapman • Rowlett, TX  
 Meg Coffman • Tyrone, AR



Audrey Craven • Rockwall, TX  
 Aaren Crews • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Emily Davis • Little Rock, AR  
 Abigail Dekle • Sachse, TX  
 Britney Dickerson • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Kelsi Ferguson • Louisville, KY



Nicole Fillinger • Morrilton, AR  
 Lydia Fincher • Hot Springs, AR  
 Mikki Gaines • Hope, AR  
 Leah Garavelli • Olive Branch, MS  
 Taylor Geurin • Little Rock, AR  
 Brittany Green • Frisco, TX





# Evan Park

By: Katie Osment

The shivering 21-year-old laced up his Chuck Taylors, set his iPod to Coldplay and headed to the windy rooftop of the Union Rescue Mission in downtown Los Angeles, where he spent the summer after his sophomore year. As he stood near the ledge of the building, he observed the typical scene unfold on the street below. It was in this moment that Evan Park, now a senior theology major from Mesquite, Texas, realized his purpose in coming to that city and to skid row.

Park and his teammate lived in a cleared-out office in the Union Rescue Mission, a homeless shelter that sits between the two biggest drug streets in Los Angeles. Each afternoon, the two worked off their rent at the mission by doing whatever needed. But their mornings were spent ministering to the homeless at the Ford Hotel.

"During those four hours we would give away free cookies and coffee," Park said. "We sat around a table and they would hang out with us. They would tell us their stories and we would talk about the gospel."

Park experienced a lot of difficulty trying to get people on skid row to know he truly cared about them. Often times, things would get worse before they got better.

In the midst of hard times, Park saw God work in incredible ways. At times people came to the hotel asking for prayer. Other times, a needy person would take several water bottles and immediately hand them out to his friends on the street.

In a room next door, the two college students helped lead a Bible study, and they were able to see real growth in some of their friends. It was times like these that moved Park to write in his blog that "love overcomes evil every day in the Ford Hotel."

For Park, the hardest part of that summer was leaving Los Angeles. "I remember driving away back to Texas, and tears coming to my eyes not wanting to leave," Park said. "We could do that for the rest of our lives and always have ground to break through."

But Park remembered, "God was around before we met these people, and He will be there after. I know they're in God's hands. I told God, 'I trust You with these people,' and I do."

Park's experience in Los Angeles impacted him so much that he and a friend started a ministry of their own when he returned to Arkadelphia.

"This [homeless] ministry led into the Manna ministry. I couldn't come out of something like that and just keep to myself," Park said. "It was really contagious, that feeling of giving."

Park plans to continue this lifestyle of giving, but isn't sure what his future holds after graduation. He just knows he wants to continue ministering to the needy.

"It's so cheesy, but it's true. People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care," said Park.



## A Giver



Elisee Habimana • Rwanda  
Lindsey Hackett • Texarkana, TX  
Adam Hansen • Glenwood, AR  
Andrea Hare • Hope, AR  
Amy Harrington • Prattville, AR  
Brent Harris • Aubrey, TX



Steven Harvell • Landstuhl, Germany  
 Mason Hayes • Cabot, AR  
 Hannah Hilburn • Harrison, AR  
 Hillary Hill • Forrest City, AR  
 Jessica Hill • Ponder, TX  
 Leigha Hill • Bolivar, MO



Natalie Holmes • Richardson, TX  
 Chelsea Holsted • Morrilton, AR  
 Paul Huenefeld • Heber Springs, AR  
 Tanner Huffman • Wynne, AR  
 Shannon Hunt • Longview, TX  
 Trevor Huxham • Plano, TX



James Ingrahm • St George, Barbados  
 Bereket Isayas • Tyler, TX  
 Grace Janzen • Tulsa, OK  
 David Jeon • South Korea  
 Kayla Kagel • Royal, AR  
 Brian Keen • Montgomery Village, MD



Townsend Keller • Celina, TX  
 Kathryn Kellogg • Sherwood, AR  
 Kathryn Kelly • Hot Springs, AR  
 Brittney Kiefer • Little Rock, AR  
 Austin King • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Katy Krikorian • Rockwall, TX



Dayton Lavender • Grapetvine, TX  
 Steven Lawrence • Sunset, TX  
 Madison Lewis • Conway, AR  
 Hollyn McCarty • Texarkana, AR  
 Addison McCarver • Texarkana, AR  
 Cara McKinney • Hughes Springs, TX



Nikki McNair • Minot, ND  
 Ruth Megli • Enid, OK  
 Devon Melear • Houston, TX  
 Libby Merritt • Conway, AR  
 Corey Morrow • Conway, AR  
 Katelyn Mustain • Lewisville, TX







Jordan Neal • Gilbert, AZ  
Natalie Polston • Searcy, AR  
Marshall Pope • Texarkana, TX  
Haley Prowell • Rogers, AR

# Nathan Lochala

By Ben Harrington

Imagine spending two years working with a company, climbing the corporate ladder and training others. Next, imagine taking time off and coming back to find yourself on the bottom rung of the ladder. Well, this is similar to what happened to Nathan Lochala.

Lochala, a 27 year old senior from Mena, was a student at OBU in 2006. However, an unexpected pregnancy with his wife made him stop and rethink some things. In order to provide for his family, Nathan put school off for a while to get a job. Instead of moving his family, he was able to get a job with IT services.

Lochala, a hardware specialist, has worked for IT services since 2008. He works with 10 other people in the department.

Lochala had a busy workday, especially during the semester. He responded to everyday calls from professors as well as students. From slow computers to viruses, all the way down to broken printers, Lochala responded to almost any request. "The key word here is almost," said Lochala. "People think that we have a magic Internet button in the IT department. They call us asking if we can fix the Internet going down, and sometimes I like to respond with, 'oh yeah I forgot to flip the Internet button under my desk.'"

Lochala, and his sarcasm, worked with IT services for two years in order to get a handle on all of the bills that raising a baby entails. Finally, in 2008, Lochala went back to school and finished his Christian studies degree in May.

"What do I plan on doing after I'm finished with college?" said Lochala. "That's really the question of the year. I've looked at everything. I do know that I definitely want to be involved in the ministry somehow, I just don't know how yet." Nathan took a class that gave him an idea of what the future might hold for him. The class was Crisis Counseling taught by OBU's counselor Mr. Dan Jarboe. "Dan has been through a lot of things," shared Lochala. "He has experience out the wazoo. He was at Columbine and many other disastrous events in history. His passion for crisis counseling has really gotten through to me." Inspired by this class, Nathan might seek a career in crisis counseling, maybe even work overseas as a missionary.

For now, Lochala will remain working in the IT department, balancing school, work and a family. He stands to remind students that Ouachita is a place that embraces all different students, stories and lives.



Am IT Guy



# A Musician

# Russell Hodges

By: Becca Watts

Thirty-five years of service marked the end of an era in the division of music when Mr. Russell Hodges retired at the end of the spring semester.

"Mr. Hodges is an outstanding organist, and one of the things many of us will miss is his powerful organ accompaniment of the Christmas carols each year during the Service of Lessons and Carols," said Dr. Stan Poole, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the school of interdisciplinary studies.



Hodges was one of the first to introduce the idea of Lessons and Carols through a concert of scripture and organ music. Hodges included popular carols such as "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," "Silent Night," "What Child Is This?" and "Joy to the World." When Lessons and Carols became a tradition on campus that included various ensembles, Hodges continued to play for the service.

Known best for his organ playing during the Lessons and Carols service at Christmas, Hodges was also an associate professor of music and music librarian who taught organ, harpsichord, church music and liberal arts.

Dr. Deborah Root, professor of mass communication and chair of the Rogers Department of Communications, had known Hodges as both a professor and a colleague. "I first knew Russell Hodges when I was in the OBC hand bell choir in 1977 and it has been a privilege to be a colleague of his the last 25 years," said Root. "I've always

respected his gift as a musician and his dedication and intellectual contributions to our liberal arts program."

Hodges held a bachelor of music degree with an emphasis in organ performance from Oklahoma Baptist University and a master's degree from the University of Oklahoma with the same emphasis. In 1994, Hodges returned to school and received his master's degree in library and media sciences from the University of North Texas.

In addition to his teaching, Hodges was active in the community. He worked in churches in Oklahoma and Arkansas as an organist, choir director and hand bell director. During his time at Ouachita, Hodges served for 20 years as the director of music and the organist for the First Presbyterian Church of Arkadelphia.

"We appreciate the many years of dedicated service Russell Hodges gave to Ouachita during his time as a faculty member and wish him the best during his retirement," said Poole.

Elizabeth Quick • Colonia, Uruguay

Hanna Rose • Baytown, TX

Ashlee Sharp • Arkadelphia, AR

Dielle Short • Boerne, TX

Andrew Simmons • Tescarkana, AR

Tanner Simon • Denton, TX







Tyler Simon • Denton, TX  
 James Simpson • Rogers, AR  
 Katelyn Smith • Longview, TX  
 Kyle Smith • Fredericksburg, VA  
 Rachel Spencer • Rockwall, TX  
 Samantha Spradling • Italy, TX



T.C. Squires • Sherwood, AR  
 Bradley Stark • Heber Springs, AR  
 Ashton Stewart • Curdon, AR  
 Josh Stewart • Floresville, TX  
 Brandon Stokes • Fort Smith, AR  
 Sara Strassmeyer • Flower Mound, TX



David Street • Cherokee Village, AR  
 Chris Sumner • Needville, TX  
 Michael Sutton • Hot Springs, AR  
 Morgan Thornton • Bismarck, AR  
 Jamerson Tolbert • Bastrop, LA  
 Kirstie Tollett • De Queen, AR



Amy Vaughan • Grapevine, TX  
 Kristen Vaughan • Little Rock, AR  
 Emily Vinson • Corning, AR  
 Neil Wacaster • Hot Springs, AR  
 Nathan Wade • Big Sandy, TX  
 Joseph Watson • Azle, TX



Nolan West • Bolivar, MO  
 David White • Crossett, AR  
 Holly Williams • Rowlett, TX  
 Melanie Williams • West Monroe, LA  
 Kelli Wilson • Edna, TX  
 Jessica Winston • Sheridan, AR



Christina Wood • Longview, TX  
 Erin Woodfin • Marshall, TX  
 Rebecca Wright • Cordova, TN  
 Alyssa Wylie • Henderson, TX  
 Callie Yeager • Tyler, TX



Christina Albee • Hannibal, MO  
 Claire Anderson • Shreveport, LA  
 Daniel Anderson • Spring, TX  
 Joe Anderson • Hot Spring, AR  
 Radu Badalac • Sibiu, Romania  
 Allie Baldwin • Arkadelphia, AR



Travis Ball • Fort Worth, TX  
 Stephanie Beck • Sheridan, AR  
 Amy Berry • Little Rock, AR  
 Ananda Boardman • Ciceronimo, TX  
 Anne Bradford • Edmond, OK  
 Jeremy Briggs • Alexander, AR



Karen Brown • Greenville, TX  
 Molly Brown • Rowlett, TX  
 Ruth Bryan • Wimberly, TX  
 Rob Carney • Van Buren, AR  
 Natalie Carroll • Harare, Zimbabwe  
 Reuben Cash • Springfield, TN



# Who's Who

39 students were selected for inclusion in the 2010 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. The students were chosen for Who's Who by the faculty, staff and senior class based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.



## Allison Cornell

Mass communications major • Signal newspaper staff writer • Worship leader at Fellowship Church • Homecoming Queen • ElderServe • Plans to attend seminary and pursue a career in leading church worship



## Allie Baldwin

Dietetics major • EEE women's social club • Dietetics club (treasurer and president) • Freshman Family Group leader • South Africa mission team • President's List • Dean's List • Tiger Serve Day • Relay for Life • Nutrition fairs (OBU, Scroll and Head Start) • Spotlight on Arkadelphia (with Southern Bancorp) • Plans to continue education with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing

## Caitlin Chapman

Biblical Studies major • Youth ministry at Fellowship Church • President's List • Office aid at Arkadelphia Clinic for Children and Young Adults • Plans to pursue a career in foreign missions/ministry



## Stephen Chapman

Biblical Studies major • Tiger Serve Day leadership team • Kappa Chi men's social club • Pruet Brotherhood • Youth minister at Fellowship Church • Dean's List • Theta Alpha Kappa • Resident Assistant • Apartment Manager • Big Brother Program • Plans to pursue a career in foreign missions/ministry





Colbe Christopher • Prescott, AR  
 Emily Coffman • Hattiesville, AR  
 Graham Cole • Garland, TX  
 Tami Collins • Murfreesboro, AR  
 T.J. Connell • Hope, AR  
 Nathan Courtright • Rowlett, TX

Matt Cox • Hot Springs, AR  
 Eli Cranor • Russellville, AR  
 Katie Cresswell • Shreveport, LA  
 Whitney Crews • Jonesboro, AR  
 Leanne Cushman • Springdale, AR  
 Elizabeth Davis • Ashdown, AR

Sarah Davis • Newark, TX  
 Ian Deetz • Houston, TX  
 Sean Dickard • Kijabe, South Africa  
 John Dicus • Clarksville, AR  
 Hannah Dreyer • Siloam Springs, AR  
 Heather Ederington • El Dorado, AR



## Cortnie DeVore

Musical theater major • 2-time Tiger Tunes Hostess • Miss OBU Court of Honor • Theta Alpha Phi (children's theater workshop director) • OBU theatre productions • OBU theatre productions student representative • OBU Donor's Banquet entertainment • Women's Chorus • Festival of Christmas • NATS semi-finalist • Tiger Serve Day • Plans to pursue a career in vocal performance and educate young musicians through vocal lessons



## Emmanuel Engulu

Theology, Biblical studies and kinesiology triple major • FCA • Noonday leader • Men's basketball • Resident Assistant • International Club • University Scholars Club • Dean's List • President's List • Tiger Serve Day • Plans to pursue a career in ministry, teaching and coaching



## Kristen Glover

Chemistry major • Tri Chi women's social club (Tiger Tunes director) • OSF (student recruitment co-chair) • Intramurals • American Chemical Society • Fellowship Church K-group member • Ouachita Scholars • President's List • Dean's List • Promise House mentor • Courage House volunteer • Miss OBU • Big Sister program • Plans to obtain a PharmD degree and pursue a career in community pharmacy



Aubrey Elliott • Bentonville, AR  
 Ryan Ellis • Allen, TX  
 Sharon Emerson • Pine Bluff, AR  
 Emmanuel Engulu • Fort Worth, TX  
 Clay Fitzhugh • Stamps, AR  
 Cheyenne Flemister • Monticello, AR



Max Ford • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Anna Fruchey • Little Rock, AR  
 Holly Garland • Searcy, AR  
 Renee Garza Adams • Chiang Mai, Thailand  
 Richard Garza Adams • Benton, AR  
 Kristen Glover • Stuttgart, AR



Rachel Glover • Cabot, AR  
 John Gomez • Bluefield, VA  
 Emilie Gorman • Shreveport, LA  
 Ryan Gorman • Plano, TX  
 Christa Gorz • El Dorado, AR  
 Meg Gosser • Coppell, TX



## Meg Gosser

Mass communications and speech communication double major • Panhellenic (vice president) • IABC (president) • EEE women's social club • OSF • AHS Coach's Show reporter • Ouachita Show co-host • Intramurals • Crossroads college ministry • Dean's List • Tiger Network Leadership • Homecoming court nominee • News Bureau • Fox Sports Southwest intern • Relay for Life • Tiger Serve Day • Big Sister program • Volunteer for Clark County Humane Society • Plans to pursue a career in broadcast journalism



## Sarah Greeson

English and Russian double major • OSF (secretary) • Honors program • Freshman Family Group leader • Sigma Tau Delta • Wind Ensemble • Marching Band • Fellowship Church K-groups • President's List • Dean's List • Outstanding Sophomore English Major • Creative writing published in "Scope" and "Assayers" • America Reads • TranServe • D-Now leader • Plans to pursue a career in Christian publishing



## Natalie Gregory

Early childhood education major • EEE women's social club (vice president) • College Republicans • Kappa Delta Pi • Alpha Chi • Big Sister program • Student Senate • Second Baptist Church youth ministry volunteer • Crossroads college ministry • Alice Searcy Education Award • Resident Assistant • America Reads • Camp War Eagle • Tiger Serve Day • Relay for Life • United Way • Plans to pursue a career as an elementary school teacher





Aspen Grams • Elkins, AR  
 Sarah Greeson • Hot Springs, AR  
 Natalie Gregory • Jonesboro, AR  
 Rachel Griffith • Greenwood, AR  
 Josh Groves • Bryant, AR  
 Amy Guiomard • DeSoto, TX

Julie Hagar • Mansfield, TX  
 Sara Hanson • Tyler, TX  
 Jessica Hardy • Ozark, AR  
 Drew Harper • North Little Rock, AR  
 Cassie Harrell • Ruston, LA  
 Amy Harrington • Benton, AR

Rachel Harris • Springdale, AR  
 Lindsay Hay • Blytheville, AR  
 Amy Hazelrigg • Batesville, AR  
 Till Heilshorn • Osterholz-Scharmbeck, Germany  
 Sarah Henley-Richardson • El Dorado, AR  
 Jordan Henry • Greenbrier, AR



## Rachel Griffith

Engineering major • Student Leadership Conference • EEE Women's social club (president, vice president, treasurer) • Ouachita College Republicans • Inter-Social Club Council • Student Organization and Social Club Council • Arkansas Women's Foundation • Girls of Promise • Second Baptist Church youth ministry volunteer • Online Design Chair • Clark County Cancer Society Committee • Plans to pursue a career working for a non-profit organization



## Drew Harper

Biology major • Beta Beta men's social club (vice president and president) • WOW Steering Committee • Tiger Serve Day Leadership Team • Homecoming Committee • Intramurals • Campus Ministries • FBC College Home Group • Dean's List • Tiger Network Leadership Award • New Orleans mission trips • Elrod Center • Plans to attend medical school and pursue a career as a physician



## Keaton Harper

Church music major • Kappa Chi men's social club (president and Tiger Tunes director) • Student Senate • Ouachita Singers • Music minister at Walnut Road Baptist Church in Springhill, La. • Theta Alpha Kappa • Dean's List • Press Operator at OBU Printshop • Tiger Serve Day • Elrod Center • Plans to pursue a career in music and youth ministry



Jessica Hensarling • *Allen, TX*  
 Anna Leigh Herrin • *BonWier, TX*  
 Lori Hilburn • *Monticello, AR*  
 Alissa Hill Bella • *Vista, AR*  
 Sarah Beth Hill • *El Dorado, AR*  
 Theo Hone • *Harare, Zimbabwe*



Whitley Hoppe • *Montgomery, TX*  
 Sky Howard • *Nacogdoches, TX*  
 Brandi Hughes • *Malvern, AR*  
 Hannah Hurn • *Fensley, AR*  
 Wes Hymer • *El Dorado, AR*  
 Leslyn Ichter • *Conway, AR*



## Lori Hilburn

Business and mass communications double major • Student Senate (sophomore class representative, junior class secretary, external vice president and chair of the Tiger for Life committee) • Tri Chi women's social club (pledge mistress and social chair) • IABC • CAB • OSF • Tiger Tunes • OBU Wrestling Mat Maid • Freshman Family Group leader • Choir • Women's Chorus • News Bureau writer • Intramurals • D-Now leader • Crossroads college ministry • Dean's List • America Counts tutor • Tiger Serve Day • Easter baskets for ABCH • Thanksgiving Baskets • Plans to receive a master's in business and pursue a career in event planning



## Elisabeth Hipp

Music-vocal performance major • OBU Musical and Opera • Ouachita Singers (vice president) • Ouachita Sounds • Concert Choir • Fine Arts Student Advisory Board • Fellowship Church K-groups • Friends of Fine Arts Scholar • Scholars Day • 2-time First Place Winner--Mary Shambarger Competition for Singers • Dean's List • President's List • Robert Edwin Masterclass participant • Trinity Presents Collegiate Competition Finalist • Regional and Arkansas State National Association of Teachers of Singing Competition Finalist • Pine Cove Christian Camps • International Opera Theater • Changchun, China mission • Soprano Section Leader for Association of Christian School's International • Big Sister program • Plans to receive a master's in voice performance and pursue a career in opera nationally and internationally



## Hannah Hurn

Spanish and secondary education major • Freshman Family Group Leader • Resident Assistant • Dean's List • CAB • Backyard Bible Club • Camp Wamp • Tiger Serve Day • Fellowship Church K-groups • America Reads tutor • Pine Cove • Plans to pursue a career in middle school counseling

## Wes Hymer

Business administration marketing management major • WOW Steering Committee • Refuge Band • Intramural Sports (Team Fear) • Tiger Tunes director for Men of Fourth Floor • Worship team at Fellowship Bible Church in Little Rock • Dean's List • Tiger Serve Day • Plans to pursue a career in music





Bethany Ivie • Red Oak, TX  
 D.J. Jacks • Fountain Hill, AR  
 Greta James • Little Rock, AR  
 Molly Johnson • Gillett, AR  
 Andrea Jones • Texarkana, AR  
 Leah Jones • Burkburnett, TX

Daniel Karkoska • Bryan, TX  
 Joy Kelly • Waxahachie, TX  
 Tyler King • Judsonia, AR  
 Jason Kirk • Harare, Zimbabwe  
 Ashley Knight • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Brandon Knight • Searcy, AR



## Leslyn Ichter

Choral music education major •  
 Campus Ministries Tiger Tunes •  
 Tiger Tunes hostess • OSF (Special  
 Events) • CAB • Refuge Band  
 Ouachita Singers • Ouachita Sounds  
 Band Singer • Student-Faculty  
 Council for the School of Fine  
 Arts • Intramurals • Kappa Delta Pi  
 Recognition honor society • Crossroads  
 College ministry • Worship leader at  
 Fellowship Church in Little Rock and  
 Fellowship Church in Arkadelphia  
 • Dean's List • President's List •  
 Academic Enrichment Center tutor •  
 OSF and WOW Leader • Tiger Serve  
 Day • Plans to pursue a doctorate in  
 music and teach at the collegiate level



## Greta James

Studio art major • Tiger Serve Day  
 Leadership Team • Fellowship Church  
 K-groups • 2-time Best of Show  
 annual art competition • President's  
 List • Elderserve • Plans to pursue a  
 career in illustrating children's books



## Ashley Knight

Psychology and biology double major  
 • Tri Chi women's social club (pledge  
 mistress) • Member First Baptist  
 Church • Dean's List • Zeitgeist  
 Award • Rockin' C Ranch • WOW  
 leader • Tiger Serve Day • Campus  
 Ministries (Dixonville tutoring) •  
 TranServe • Plans to pursue a career  
 in psychiatric nursing



K.C. Knobloch • Monticello, AR  
 Logan Kucginski • Mountain Home, AR  
 Jody Lee • Arlington, TX  
 Lauren Lefler • Conway, AR  
 Jordan Lentz • Waterproof, LA  
 Jacob Lively • Texarkana, TX



Nathan Lochala • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Katie Luff • Colorado Springs, CO  
 Kelly Magee • Conway, AR  
 Justin Magness • Texarkana, AR  
 Matt Marsh • Benton, AR  
 Keeson Martin • Plano, TX



Wade Matheny • Denton, TX  
 Kimberly Mathews • Universal City, TX  
 Leasha May • Spring, TX  
 Cassie McKinley • Missouri City, TX  
 Callie Miller • DeQueen, AR  
 Steven Miller • Arlington, TX



## Beau Landers

Biblical studies and speech communication double major • Student Senate (sophomore class president, internal vice president and senior class president) • Kappa Chi men's social club (intramural director, chaplain and Tiger Tunes director) • Tri Chi Beau • Christian Focus Week coordinator • Tiger Serve Day • Backyard Bible Club • Camp Wamp director • Refuge speaker • Children's K-Group Leader • Youth Intern • Intern at Iglesia Biblica- Guatemala City • Mission trips (Honduras; Ethiopia; New York City; Long Island, NY; Peru and Arlington, Texas) • Sunday School teacher • Small Group leader • Guy's Retreat leader • D-Now leader • Dean's List • Little Rock Compassion Center • FCA Arkadelphia • Disaster Relief • Fisica Director at Atlantida Pacifico Guatemala City, Guatemala • Plans to attend Southeastern Seminary



## Jordan Lentz

Communication sciences and disorders major • Tri Chi women's social club (chaplain and pledge class secretary) • National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (secretary) • Freshman Family Group leader • Tiger Tunes • Intramurals • Tiger Traks • Transerve • Tiger Serve Day • Study trip to Chile • Served with NAMB as a summer missionary for Nome Community Baptist Church in Nome, Alaska • Dean's List • President's List • Habitat for Humanity • Operation Christmas Child • Tri Chi mission trips • Plans to pursue a master's degree in communication disorders



## Jacob Lively

Biology major • Student Senate (president, secretary and freshman class president) • OSF (Co-Chair student recruitment and ambassadorship committee and scholarship selection committee) • College Republicans • Tri-Beta Biology Honors Society • Alpha Tau Honors Society (founding member) • Carl Goodson Honors Program • Homecoming Steering Committee • FBC College Home Group • President's List • Dean's List • Tiger Serve Day • Big Brother Program • Plans to attend medical school and pursue a career in medicine





Whitney Moore • Sheridan, AR  
 Emily Morgan • Mountain Home, AR  
 Bethany Moss • Mesquite, TX  
 Casie Neal • Gilbert, AZ  
 Desarae Nelson • Arkadelphia, AR  
 Scott Nelson • Dallas, TX

Nico Nguimbi • Angola  
 Chris Nissen • Frisco, TX  
 Madison O'Connor • Boulder, CO  
 Katie Osment • Jonesboro, AR  
 Sarah Partida • Whitehouse, TX  
 Ashley Partridge • Baton Rouge, LA

Moriah Patterson • Sheridan, AR  
 Nate Peace • Bedford, TX  
 Lindsey Pearson • Conway, AR  
 Kristin Penn • Hensley, AR  
 Gray Prichard • Dixon, TN  
 Jeremy Prine • DeWitt, AR



*Katie Luff*

Early childhood education major • Tri Chi women's social club (social chair) • Panhellenic (president) • OSF (Student Recruitment and Ambassadorship Committee) • America Reads • CAB • Tiger Tunes • Kappa Chi little sis • Tiger Serve Day • Tiger Traks • Costa Rica • Dean's List • President's List • Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes • D-Now leader • Camp Elim • Plans to pursue a career as an elementary school teacher



*Kelly Magee*

Communication sciences and disorders major • Tri Chi women's social club (social chair) • Student Senate (senior class position 1), OSF • Freshman Family Group leader • National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (president) • Wrestling Team Mat Maid • Intramurals (Francie's Fav) • Crossroads college ministry • President's List • 2-time intramural flag football champion • TransServe • Tiger Serve Day • Plans to pursue a master's degree in speech-language pathology



*Keelson Martin*

Business management and finance major • Student Senate (internal vice-president, sophomore class vice president and junior class president) • Kappa Chi men's social club • Tri Chi Beau • ESL tutor at Gurdon Middle School • America Reads • Plans to pursue a career in business



Jesse Pruett • Harrison, AR  
 Aime'e Ragan • Paris, TX  
 Juliana Ragsdale • Cabot, AR  
 Alex Ray • North Little Rock, AR  
 Ramsi Richey • Benton, AR  
 Anthony Ridgeway • Sofia, Bulgaria



Kristen Rigsbee • Frisco, TX  
 Katie Roam • Hermitage, MO  
 Andrew Roberson • Conway, AR  
 Jessie Sanders • Booneville, AR  
 Jessica Schleiff • Beijing, China  
 Haley Scott • Hot Springs, AR



Elyse Setiawan • Jakarta, Indonesia  
 Beth Anne Shrader • Litchfield, IL  
 Laura Sikes • Greenbrier, AR  
 Heidi Siner • Grandville, MI  
 J.K. Slyby • Hot Springs, AR  
 Kayla Smith • Hot Springs, AR



## Casie Neal

Early childhood education major  
 • Backyard Bible Club • Freshman Family Group leader • OSF • Ouachita-Henderson Swing Dance Club instructor • Tiger Tunes • Intramurals • Resident Assistant • Tiger Serve Day • Student-directed One-Act plays • Fellowship Church K-group member • Alpha Chi Honor Society • President's List • Honors Program • America Counts • Plans to pursue a career as an elementary school teacher



## Chris Norcross

Business administration-finance and accounting double major • WOW steering committee • CAB • OSF (History and tradition committee) • Campus Ministries (Freshman Family Groups and Backyard Bible Club) • Hickingbotham School of Business Student Advisory Board • 4th Floor • Fellowship Church drummer and K-group participant • President's List • Internal Business Plan Competition (2nd place) • Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honors Society • Tiger Serve Day • Camp Wamp • Member of worship band for various Arkansas Disciple Nows • Refuge musician rotation • Plans to pursue a career with a financial or CPA firm and overseas missions



## Alex Ray

Political science major • Student Senate (freshman president, secretary and senior class representative) • OSF (ambassadorship and recruitment committee, raising and finance committee and scholarship committee) • Tiger Network Leadership Scholarship Selection Committee • Ouachita Singers (president) • Marching Band • Symphonic Band • Tiger Band • OBU Experience • Debate Society (Intercollegiate IPDA Debate) • SIFE • College Republicans • Young Republicans • Associate Worship Pastor - Second Baptist Church • Tiger Network Leadership Award • Arkansas Student Leadership Forum • Tiger Leadership Host • National Honor Roll • Tiger Serve Day • Mission trips to Ecuador • Hearts and Hooves equestrian therapeutic riding for the disabled • Plans to pursue a career in Arkansas political elected office





Lauren Smith • Kennett, MO  
 Mike South • Little Rock, AR  
 Sarah Sparks • Texarkana, TX  
 Zach Sparks • Mt. Holly, AR  
 Britta Stamps • Fort Smith, AR  
 Robert Steed • Dumfries, VA

Callie Stephens • Conway, AR  
 Hillary Stillwell • Desoto, TX  
 Mark Sumrall • Tomball, TX  
 Lauren Tallakson • Keller, TX  
 Maggie Taylor • Russellville, AR  
 Oliver Thomas • Seary, AR

John Mark Tohlen • Grapevine, TX  
 Callie Travis • El Dorado, AR  
 Julie Tucker • Hot Springs, AR  
 Abby Turner • Sherwood, AR  
 Ashley Turner • White Hall, AR  
 Lauren Uhrich • Cabot, AR



## Maggie Taylor

Choral music education major •  
 Tri Chi women's social club (vice  
 president) • Ouachita Singers  
 (assistant conductor) • Concert Choir  
 • Marching Band • Wind Ensemble  
 • Tiger Tunes hostess • Covenant  
 • Youth intern FBC Arkadelphia •  
 Mission Arlington trip • Fall Retreat  
 • Music Ministry • Tiger Serve  
 Day • Tri Chi philanthropy • Plans  
 to pursue a career in high school  
 education, collegiate choir and foreign  
 missions



## Mark Sumrall

Christian studies major • Refuge  
 speaker • Kappa Chi men's social  
 club (historian, vice president and  
 secretary) • Theta Alpha Kappa  
 Honor Society • Student Senate •  
 OSF • CAB • Dean's List • Member  
 of Fellowship Church • Telecounselor  
 for the Admissions Office • Student  
 grader for Hebrew • Tiger Serve Day  
 • Kappa Chi service projects • Plans  
 to pursue a career as a professor of  
 Christian studies while serving as an  
 interim pastor for various churches



## Pessica Schleitf

English major • International Club • Campus  
 Ministries (Christian Focus Week) • Resident  
 Assistant • Member of Park Hill Baptist  
 Church • Sigma Tau Delta • President's List •  
 Plans to study Mandarin and pursue a career  
 involving translation and teaching

## Pulielle Vaught

Studio art major • Campus Ministries (Prayer  
 ministry leader, special events leader and office  
 assistant) • Eta Alpha Omega sweetheart •  
 CAB • Resident Assistant • Fellowship Church  
 worship leadership team • Homecoming court  
 • Camp counselor • Give A Kid A Chance •  
 plans to pursue a career in studio art



Katie Uttley • Heber Springs, AR  
 Jillian Vire • Burlison, TX  
 Lynley Vire • Searcy, AR  
 Alyson Walker • Benton, AR  
 Austin Walker • Benton, AR  
 Caitlyn Wamble • Pine Bluff, AR



Stephanie Warren • Spring, TX  
 Eddy Watson • Poyen, AR  
 Jacob Watson • Wynne, AR  
 Becca Watts • Smackover, AR  
 Lauren Whaley • Tyler, TX  
 Josiah Wheeler • Jacksonville, AR



Grace Whitaker • Victoria, TX  
 Jennifer White • Stuttgart, AR  
 Bethany Whitfield • Bryant, AR  
 Katie Willhite • Rowlett, TX  
 Rachel Willhoite • Reelsville, IN  
 Amy Wood • Carrollton, TX



## Jillian Vire

Early childhood education major •  
 EEE women's social club • Kappa  
 Chi little sis • OSF • Second Baptist  
 Church youth ministry volunteer  
 • Kappa Delta Pi Honors Society  
 • Alpha Chi Honors Society •  
 President's List • Homecoming court  
 nominee • America Reads • South  
 Africa Missions • New Orleans  
 missions • Tiger Serve Day • WOW  
 leader • D-Now leader • Plans to  
 pursue a career in early childhood  
 education



## Jacob Watson

Musical theatre major • Multiple leads and  
 supporting roles in over 10 OBU Theatre,  
 Musical Theatre and Opera Theatre productions  
 • Ouachita Singers • Concert Choir • Festival  
 of Christmas • Tiger Tunes host • Occasional  
 Refuge band member • WOW Leader • 11-time  
 NATS Finalist (Regional and State) (7 time  
 First Place) • 2-time Mary Shambarger Voice  
 Competition Finalist (3rd Place and 2nd Place) •  
 Honorable Mention-Trinity Presents Collegiate  
 Showcase • Summer youth intern at Green  
 Acres Baptist Church in Tyler, Texas • Equity  
 Performer • Tent Theatre of Missouri State  
 University in Springfield, Mo. • Plans to pursue  
 a career in performance and eventually obtain a  
 Masters of Fine Arts in acting



## Grace Whitaker

Biology major • OSF (Special Events  
 committee) • Beta Beta (Biology Honor  
 Society) • American Chemical Society •  
 Choreographer (Tiger Tunes host and  
 hostesses, Festival of Christmas, Ouachita  
 Sounds, Miss OBU Court of Honor, "Seuss  
 the Musical" and "Bye Bye Birdie") • Member  
 of Fellowship Church • Harvey Outstanding  
 Research Student Award • 2nd Place in  
 the INBRE AR Chemistry/Biochemistry  
 Undergraduate Poster competition • Presenting  
 cancer research in Fayetteville; San Francisco,  
 Calif. and Washington, D.C. • ShowTime  
 International Staff Member • Plans to obtain  
 a Ph.D. in Cell Biology, doing biomedical  
 research and teach at the collegiate level





Will Wood • Magnolia, AR  
 Andrew Yates • Mesquite, TX



## Bethany Whitfield

History major • EEE women's social club • College Republicans • Student Senate (student committee, freshman and sophomore class treasurer and junior class vice president) • Tiger Tunes hostess • EEE Tiger Tunes Show Director • Homecoming Planning Committee Member • Entertainer at OBU Donors Banquet • Ouachita Sounds • Crossroads college ministry • Breakaway College Ministry • Miss OBU • Homecoming court • Phi Alpha Theta • Alpha Chi Honor Society • Clark County Relay for Life Committee Member • Miss Arkansas Organization • Miss Spirit of Arkansas • Miss OBU • Children's Miracle Network • Plans to attend law school and work for a non-profit organization



## Katie Whillhite

Christian Studies and Theater Arts double major • Rough Draft (Campus Ministry student leader) • Theta Alpha Phi (chaplain and treasurer) • Chi Iota Sigma little sis • Student Judicial Council • Ouachita's motion picture productions and Theater department • Student Producer of "All Night Theater: 10 minute play festival" • Student/faculty Fine Arts Council (theater representative) • Pruet Sisterhood • Fellowship Church (K-group and childcare volunteer) • Outstanding Freshman Theater Award • Friends of the Fine Arts Award for Theater Arts • Best Actress in a Leading Role from Theta Alpha Phi • Best Assistant Stage Manager from Theta Alpha Phi • Box office manager • Courage House tutor • Theta Alpha Phi Children's Theater Workshop • Plans to pursue a career in the theater and film industry



## Rachel Willhite

Communication Sciences and Disorders major • CAB (president) • OSF (fundraising group) • Church small group • Daycare at church • Dean's List • Resident Assistant • America Reads • D-Now/youth retreats leader • Camp Wamp • rummage sale for the Courage House • Tiger Serve Day • Backyard Bible Clubs • Plans to pursue a career in speech pathology with kids and adults



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# A Ball of Energy

## Mallory Moddelmog

By: Lacy Brooks

Her energy was impossible to escape. Her smile was contagious. And she could tell you anything you need to know about resumes. Mallory Moddelmog brought the Career Services office to a whole new level in just two short years.

Moddelmog accepted the job as head of Career Services after her husband, Chris Moddelmog, accepted the job as head coach for Ouachita's baseball team. "Ouachita has been a blessing in not only in my life, but my entire family's lives. Our daughters [Mia, 10, and Emma Grace, 5] take advantage of several opportunities on campus, and we feel so lucky to have the benefit of an amazing university in our own backyard," she said.



At times the job can get chaotic and stressful, but Moddelmog had a desire driving her. "My desire is to help both our students and alumni meet their desired career goals. By nature, I want to help people and somehow help individuals realize that embarking on a job search isn't as intimidating as they might think," said Moddelmog.

Moddelmog helped countless students find their passion and learn how to get there. She is there to assist students on creating a resume, learning interview skills and connecting with the right people.

Moddelmog saw a bright future for Career Services. With events getting larger and more students coming in, this service had never been more vital. "We have developed a program called Alumni Helping Tigers. Several of our alumni have offered to help students by

sharing knowledge about their own profession. Career Services is trying to embrace our alumni and involve them with placement opportunities for our students," said Moddelmog.

Moddelmog continued to look for ways to help students network with events such as the Spring Career Fair. This type of event "can provide insight, tips and training that will allow a student to be more successful as they begin their job/internship search," Moddelmog said.

Moddelmog's impact on campus cannot be denied. She's provided students with valuable information that will aid them outside of their time on campus. "I thoroughly enjoy what I do and I am excited to come to work every day! I am passionate about helping each student and impacting their life in a positive way," said Moddelmog.





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# Dr. George Keck

By Jordan Campbell

For a man of music, Dr George Keck, the Addie Mae Maddox Professor of Music, had a big enough audience and sense of humor to put any comedian to shame. With his unique teaching style and great sense of humor, Dr. Keck influenced many students' lives during his time on campus.

"The great thing about Keck is he loves what he teaches," said Nikki Anderson, a junior music education major from Heber Springs. "I'm sure he is responsible for the variety of playlists on every music major's iPod. And I love how he can say something completely hysterical and keep a straight face."

"I like for the classroom to be non-threatening, disciplined, with humor, and a sense of joy about learning," Keck said. "I expect students to work hard and to be prepared for class. I am best at lecture because I have been doing that for 46 years now."

After teaching at Ouachita for 42 years, Keck picked up on a few changes in students' style, behavior and musical preference.

"The students' tastes these days are much more eclectic but they know a much wider variety of music," Keck said. "[They] know many more different kinds of music now than in the past. They hear music almost all day--in the artist's office, on their ipods, etc." said Keck. In addition, students today grow up with contemporary worship and don't know much about the great music of the church. All of these things require a renewed effort on the part of students and teachers to really listen, to study the styles of classical music, to discover the best in each musical style."

For the past 42 years Dr. Keck had walked across campus at least four times a day. Ouachita had been close to his heart and his home, considering he lived directly behind Jones Performing Arts Center. But in the fall of 2011 Dr. Keck's walks across campus will decrease to only a few times a week as he enjoys retirement after four decades of service to the university.



# A Comedian



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# Mrs. Mary Worthen

By: Annalease Clark

"How ya doin' kiddo!" was a phrase that greeted students when they entered the office or classroom of Mrs. Mary Worthen, professor of music. For the over 20 years, Worthen spent her time building on OBU's Division of Music and investing in the lives of her students.

"She is such a kind person, but she knew how to make you work for your grade. She would feed you the right amount of questions and guide you in the right direction to the answer that we needed, in a way that made you actually think about what you were trying to do rather than just answer it and move on," said junior music major Kelli Caldwell. "She challenged each of her students to push through the hard spots to find a solution. Some days she knew that we were having a rough day and would show up with treats for us, whether it be donuts or ordering a pizza in the middle of class."

Her positive energy alone would be enough to encourage anyone. "There are so many students, especially in Women's Chorus, that cling to her as a motivator and a mentor. She has such a kind spirit and upbeat personality. She always has a smile on her face and it's hard not to smile back when she asks 'how ya doin' kiddo?' which is quite the common phrase for Mary Worthen," said Caldwell.

Worthen first came to Arkadelphia in 1982 when her husband was pastor at First Baptist Church in Arkadelphia. She began work on her master's and became a graduate assistant. This job soon became a full-time position teaching Ear Training and Aural Skills. After a move to Missouri in the early 90s, she and her husband returned to Arkansas and Worthen returned to teaching.

OBU has been one of my loves. To be able to be here has been one of God's gifts to me. I feel the gifts He has given me, I have been able to give back to my students, and vice versa. They inspire me too! The comradery of the faculty is also important. The value of the relationships I have developed here is immeasurable," said Worthen.

Not only has Worthen greatly changed the lives of OBU students, but her "kiddos" have kept her at OBU. "Oh my students! That has been the hardest part about this decision. The energy and creativity and talent and openness that my students share is going to be hard to leave," said Worthen about her retirement. "I'm going to miss that. Seeing them grow, and remembering where they started as freshmen and watching them become vital, producing human beings is exciting. You kiddos keep us young!"



Kiddo



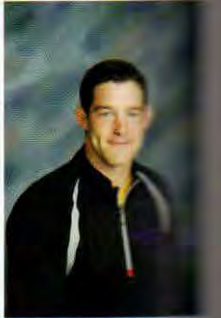
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# Dr. Randall Wight

by Hayley Scott

Dr. Randall Wight, one of the most easily recognizable professors on campus in his worn-down shirt and black Carhartt overalls, glanced around his dimly lit office at the many items that adorn the walls and shelves—each with its own significance. “Some of the most treasured items in my office are a replica of the telescope Galileo used to verify that the heavens aren’t perfect, a copy of a *Homo heidelbergensis* skull found near a famous rose quartz hand known as ‘Excaliber,’ a photograph of William Faulkner and Eudora Welty, and marble reproductions of the stone lions (‘Patience’ and ‘Fortitude’) that guard the entrance to the New York Public Library,” he recalls. Only a small green lamp and the sunlight streaming through the wide window offered any light to the room, which he said is because the bright overhead lights give him a headache. Now that he has been appointed as the new dean of the W.H. Sutton School of Social Sciences, he has a new office to call home, and sadly one without a window. “I’m moving down the hall, but I’m keeping this office,” Dr. Wight said. He added, “I’ll make it look like an intellectual space, but I don’t know what that means yet. I hope to have one of my artist friends create some new pieces for the new office.”

Dr. Wight said that the former dean of the Sutton School, Dr. Hal Bass, has done great work for the school, and he plans to expand on that work. “I’d like to bring people to campus. I’d like, when people come to OBU, for the Sutton School to be one of the first to come to mind. I’d like to find ways to continue making a difference,” said Wight, who joined Ouachita’s faculty in 1986.

Always full of quotes from history’s more influential men and women, Dr. Wight described his leadership style: “There are two perspectives to keep in mind. One is a quote from Lao Tzu—his observation is that you lead a great nation the way you cook a small fish: you don’t touch it. On one level, you have to let people do their jobs and not meddle. On the other hand, there is a quote from Voltaire. The closing words of Voltaire’s *Candide* are, ‘Let us cultivate our garden.’ So on the one hand, you have to let things cook and leave them alone, but on the other hand you have to cultivate the way you would cultivate a terrace.”

To his dismay, Dr. Wight will not be spending as much time in the classroom. He still teaches History of Psychology, Neuroscience, General Psychology and Senior Seminar, and he hopes to teach Western Civ as well, but this is a surprisingly large cut in his time as a teacher. He described his love for being in the classroom and a deep passion for teaching, but looks forward to his new role and the things to unfold in years to come. “I’d like to see us keep advancing our students and faculty, continue reaching out to friends and alumni,” he said of the future of the Sutton School. He feels as if he is ready for the job at hand. Dr. Wight said, “As with every challenge there are unknowns that you can’t predict, but I’m looking forward to the adventure.”

Dr. Wight was also appointed self-study coordinator in summer 2008. It was his responsibility to prepare for Ouachita’s reaffirmation of accreditation, which was a three-year-long process to prepare for a visit from the Higher Learning Commission. “My job was to pull together people across the entire campus, all to the benefit of Ouachita,” he said, adding, “I do love this place.”

If he were to have a fantasy dinner party, Leonardo DaVinci would be the first guest on the list, adding, “I think he is one of the most interesting minds of all time.” Also at this party would be Benjamin Franklin, Jimmy Buffet, William James, Louis Armstrong, Bernini and Hillary Clinton—an interesting cast of characters. It is clear that Wight has a very wide range of interests, and he joked that it would certainly be a very interesting dinner conversation. He is a complex individual, always full of surprises. He added on a more serious note: “There’s always work to do. Every time you finish building a road, you always have another road to build. We always need to keep building roads, keep making opportunities for students, faculty and alumni.”



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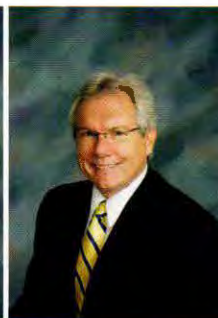
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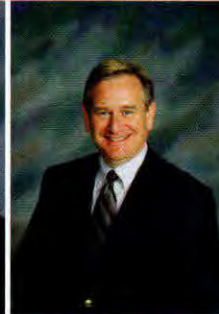
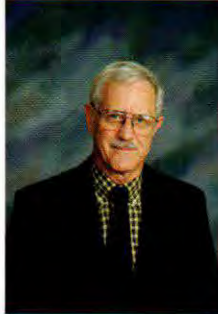
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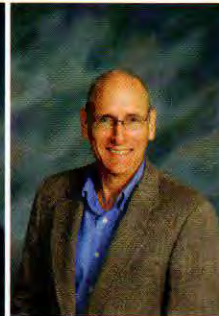
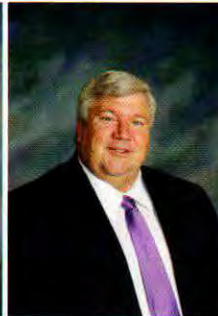
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