



cademic clubs, whether major specific or across multiple disciplines, allowed students to engage on a academic level from a different perspective.

Al Lashley, a sophomore philosophy and psychology double major from Conway and president of the Philosophy Club, said he enjoyed meeting with friends from various departments to exchange ideas.

"It's a anti-stresser club because you can talk about what you think and believe, and you're not going to be judged," said Lashley.

The club also hosted movie nights between the biweekly meetings. This meeting setting offered platforms for debate.

"My reasoning behind the movie nights is they facilitate discussion, free thinking and people just like to watch movies," Lashley said.

The philosophers weren't the only ones who enjoyed film. The History Club, which received its charter this year, watched "Monty Python" in honor of the late Dr. Tom Auffenberg.

"We love having movie parties," said Hannah Diaz, a senior history and Christian studies double major and History Club president from Monroe, La. "Being able to have community with people who have the same interests is vital," Diaz said.

The History Club was a club that was open to anyone on campus.

"We have athletes, people in social clubs, people in the honors program, so there's a variety of people you can connect with," Diaz said.

Other clubs were intended for students in specific majors, like the Huckabee School of Education's chapter of Kappa Delta Pi. Dr. Kathy Collins, chair of the Department of Education, explained the value of join a structured academic club.

"It's a well established organization, it's good for networking. Being a member gets you access to resources you might have otherwise," Collins said.

Kaitlyn Clark, a junior elementary education major from Monroe, La., are president of Kappa Delta Pi, was glad joined.

"I love our education department; the great. I definitely feel very prepared for future," Clark said.

Whether major-specific or open all, academic clubs were worth the students invested in them. With so may ways to get plugged in on campus, dwere good for those who sought to bur relationships, but also learn more outs the classroom.

by Barrett



1/ Junior Sarah Roberson teaches children about nutrirtion. Members of the Dietetics Club worked with Head Start students in Arkadelphia.

2/ Sophomore Marissa Pilcher participates in a science experiment with the American Chemistry Society. Members provided activities for National Chemistry Week during the lunch hour in the amphitheatre.

3/ Sophomore Michael Holden leaps during a paint war. The Art Club hosted the paint war on March 14.





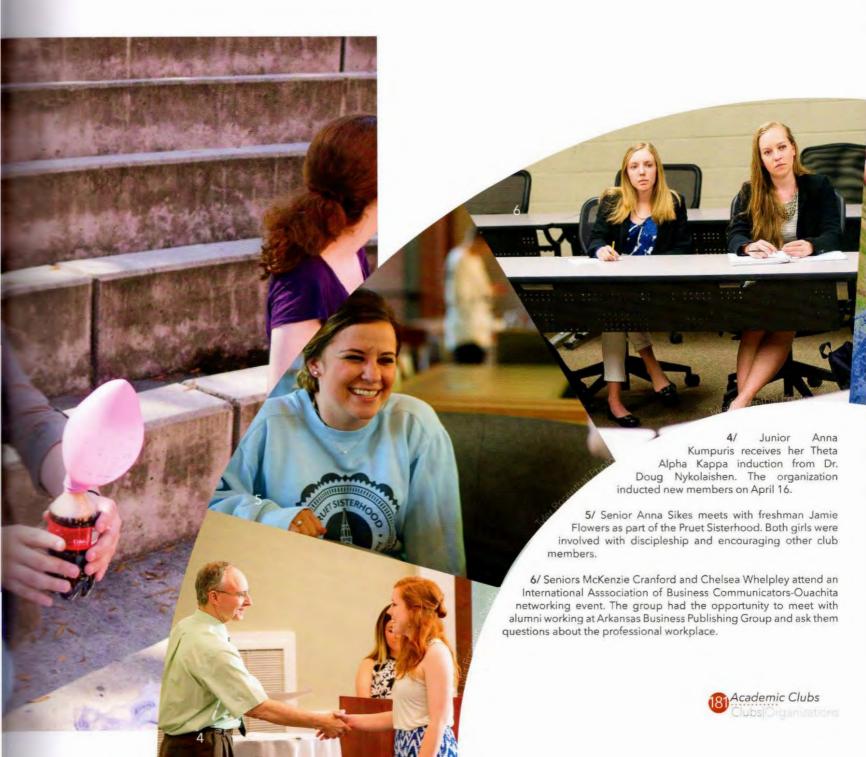
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onors clubs did not just make students look good on paper. They encouraged students to encourage one another while participating on campus and discovering their passions as they prepared for graduate school or the work force.

"Graduate schools all tell me all the time, 'There are a lot of straight A students out there. I want to know what else have they done, what initiative did they take?" said Dr. Barbara Pemberton, director of the Carl Goodson Honors Program.

Members of Ouachita's chapter of the Alpha Chi National Honor Society went above and beyond scholastically and philanthropically. This year, a student team of three won first place and \$5,000 at the Alpha Chi national convention in Chicago for their research project on science and the arts.

Other members participated in the group's annual book donation service project. Alpha Chi received a grant to purchase children's books, read them at a local day care and then sent them home with the kids.

The Carl Goodson Honors Program also challenged students to go the extra mile. To graduate with honors, extra coursework was required, including two seminars, a directed study and a research thesis.

While these tasks may sound daunting, they were opportunities for students to explore what piqued their interest. They worked closely with professors for these projects.

"The professors are thrilled to have a student who's excited about something and to be able to guide them," Dr. Pemberton said. "The honors program is the only place where you get to do something out of the catalog. It should be something you're having fun looking into."

"My favorite part is the relationships you foster with your directed study professor and thesis reader," said Kyle Hargis, a senior biology and philosophy double major from Camden and chair of the academic division of the honors club, Alpha Tau.

The program also sought to cultivate an environment of interdisciplinary encouragement and interaction. They wanted students to engage with other honors peers.

"I've been able to meet really cool people and get to know them better," said Madeline Martin, a senior biology major from Waco, Texas, and social chair of Alpha Tau.

Honors clubs desired to stimulate social interaction and holistic learning experiences for their students, in addition good grades.

by Barrett Gay

Honors program officers induct new member freshman Seth Daniell. The induction of new members took place at the Black and White Reception on February 18.



or many students, the sound of music was something they loved to enjoy. For the students involved in the music ensembles, however, it was something they loved to perform.

The music ensembles offered to students were open to music majors and non-music majors alike. Unlike high school bands and chorales, the ensembles didn't meet every day, allowing non-music majors to commit to two or three rehearsals each week instead of a daily commitment.

This also allowed music majors to take more classes within their major as well as participate in multiple ensembles. The meeting schedule even allowed non-music majors to participate while still pursuing their fields of study.

Jason Potts, a sophomore music education major from Springdale, was a tenor trombone player involved in a variety of ensembles, including Marching Band and Trombone Choir. He praised the faculty for their talents and commitment to their groups.

"We have a lot of great faculty who are willing to do what needs to be done to help students grow," said Potts.

Potts also mentioned how his involvement with instrumental ensembles has helped him grow as a musician not just on his own, but with his peers.

"I get to make music with other people my age and learn how to better play with an ensemble, not just as a single trombonist," said Potts.

Seth Russell, a junior vocal performance major from Crossett, said he also enjoyed the camaraderie he experienced with his fellow choir members. Russell was a member of the Concert Choir, and enjoyed his experience.

"It gives a way for a solo singer myself to have more practice time with voice," said Russell. "I would say Condition of all singers with different goals, major in music or not."

Russell also emphasized how important the choral ensembles are to Ouachita them as a major draw for many prospectively.

Dr. Gary Gerber, chair of the division music, said regardless of whether stude join an instrumental or choral ensembles their performance in these ensembles a key part of student life.

"It helps with what we're doing at Ouachita," said Gerber. "It gives opportunity to show what we're with our division of music to the Ouac community."

by Matthew —



1/ Ouachita Singers use class time to practice for an upcoming performance. The Ouachita Singers sang for schools, churches and choral events.

2/ Senior Ben Stidham performs during Festival of Christmas. The Christmas celebrations featured singing, dancing and acting by various ensembles.

3/ Sophomore Kayla Walker and freshman Esther Atkinson sing at chapel with the Ouachita Sounds. The smaller ensemble incorporated singing and choreography into fun and energetic songs.





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- Jason Potts, sophomore music education major. Springdale





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usic and theatre clubs focused on promoting themselves on campus. They hosted dinners, headed workshops for children, sponsored festivals and assisted in the growth of their departments.

Erin Cheshire, a junior choral music education major from Colorado Springs, Colo., was a member of Sigma Alpha lota (SAI), a women's music fraternity. Cheshire said spring was a time for the rushees to go through rush and induction week to become a part of SAI. In an effort to bring awareness to SAI, they also hosted a new event this year.

"This year we have really focused on getting our name out there in the Ouachita community. In the fall we began planning for the Rose Ball which, is a new social event. We also hosted a Miscast Recital, which is a performance of pieces performed by unlikely performers," said Cheshire.

Amy Gwin Simon, a senior middle school education major from Naperville, III., spoke about the first annual Rose Ball.

"We had a Rose Ball for the first time this year. It was a formal dinner for you to dress up and have fun with your friends on campus. We had a jazz combo played by OBU students while we ate, then a dance afterwards," Simon said.

Not only did SAI reach out to the OBU community, but also to the Arkadelphia community.

"We are very focused on helping the community. A really big thing we do is singing at the nursing homes. We also team up with Collegiate National Association for Music Education to teach vocal lessons for mentally disabled students," said Simon.

For Tara Clem, a junior a musical theater major from Texarkana, Texas, and SAI president, her favorite part was what she could do for her fellow peers.

"My favorite part of our club is that we host receptions for senior music majors recitals. It takes a great stress off of the recitalist and it is a very special way for us to show we care," said Clem.

Jalin Wesley, a senior musical theater major from Little Rock, was a part of Alpha Psi Omega, a national theatre honor fraternity. The chapter, which replaced Theta Alpha Phi, inducted its first class in the fall semester. "We hosted workshops for children throughout our theatre season and hosted a banquet," Wesley said.

"We enjoyed showing the children various aspects of theatre including improv, make-up and costuming," said Abby Root, a sophomore speech/theatre education major from Arkadelphia.

by Gracie Lundstrum

Junior Kayla Kreger and senior Christina Moon perform at the Miscast Recital. SAI hosted the recital, which featured artists in a performance they would not normally be cast in.



uachita's International Club helped international students through the process of adjusting to American culture.

"When we have a common experience we are much more compassionate and empathetic. So the nice thing about the International Club is that they are bound together by a common experience at Ouachita," said lan Cosh, Vice President for Community and International Engagement.

Weekly meetings allowed club members to get to know more about each other and build relationships that improved their Ouachita experience.

"It's really hard to make friends. It's a process, and the club really helps being a part of the process," said Hanna Park, a freshman sociology major from Jakarta, Indonesia.

Ben Lange-Smith, a senior psychology

major from Harare, Zimbabwe, and the president of the club, saw students work through the process of adjusting to the American way of life.

"At first they are all like 'Hooray. America is wonderful. Sweet Tea and everything and the showers," said Lange-Smith. "Then they get into hostility stage like, 'I miss home, no one understands what home is, no one understands these words, no one understands me.' Then they go into the assimilation stage and they're like 'I'm an American, it's all going to be all right."

Members learned about life as an American, as well as other cultures. During their Monday night meetings, one member would talk about his or her culture.

The diversity of the club helped internationals feel more at home even if there were cultural differences. Many of those differences became a source of pride

and humor for them during their time = campus.

American students were also memorished in the club. They helped interpret conformational students. As peers had a different perspective to offer.

"We've always had a good number American students who have a particular interest in internationals," said Communitaries in internationals," said Communitaries in internationals, and communitaries in international international

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1/ Members of International Club take a take a trip during Fall Break to Bentonville. International Club took the trip in conjuction with Rec Life.

2/ Freshman Dalal Salah helps the Arkadelphia community during Tiger Serve Day. The student from Tangier, Morocco, was part of a TSD group with other International Club members.

3/ Junior Claudia Brizuela serves food from her native country, Honduras, during the International Food Festival. International Club hosted the festival on February 17.





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- Alex Holder, sophomore accounting major, Sour Lake, Texas



nactus, an entrepreneurial business club that was a part of the Hickingbotham School of Business, experienced a year of success. Enactus presented its business plan at Nationals this year in St. Louis. They competed against 180 other teams and placed in the top 12 in the nation.

"The experience at Nationals was tremendous. We've competed at Nationals for seven consecutive years now, and for seven consecutive years we've made steady improvement. This year, we advanced to the National Semi-Final Round, which consists of the top 16 teams in the nation," said Brian McKinney, dean of the Hickingbotham School of Business and associate professor of business law.

Enactus was also busy with the growth and expansion of Dr. Jack's. Dr. Jack's,

which started out as a simple coffee shop on campus, now sells Dr. Jack's brand coffee by the bag to people outside of the Ouachita Bubble. A percentage of their revenue now goes to the Arkansas Baptist Children's Home.

"One of our most significant partnerships was created with the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. Now, for every dollar of profit made through the sale of coffee to an Arkansas Baptist affiliated church, Dr. Jack's will give 33 cents to the Arkansas Baptist Children's Home," McKinney said.

The group not only helped children locally, but in Nicaragua and Honduras as well. Griffin Peeples, a junior business administration major from Little Rock, was the project leader for the mobile pack.

"In one year, we were able to raise \$44,000 and packed close to 210,000

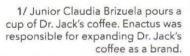
meals, which fed 575 children for an engage year in Nicaragua and Honduras," Peepsaid.

Enactus has not only benefited the at the Arkansas Baptist Children's How Nicaragua and Honduras, but also students that work on those project Meredith Ellis, a sophomore account major from Southlake, Texas, was presentation team leader for Nationals

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by Gracie Lunos





2/ Sophomore Chris Chang and senior Jayson Harris sip coffee during an Enactus meeting. Upcoming presentations, brand expansion and sponsorship of coffee manufacturers abroad were the subjects of regular Thursday meetings.

3/ Junior Lindsay Johnson and senior Josh Reaper fill bags during the mobile pack. Enactus partnered with Rosas Mexican Kitchen to pack meals to send to starving children abroad.





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which a motto of "Students Helping Students," members of the Ouachita Student Foundation continuously promoted the university and raised scholarship money for fellow students. Through the group's four committees, members worked year round to accomplish their motto.

"Being able to help a peer that sits next to me in class is something you don't find at every university," said Co- Chair of Special Events Lauren Snow, a junior mass communications major from Wylie, Texas.

During the fall semester, OSF was busier than normal. Members worked in the concession stands at all home football games, helped usher at music and theatre events, gave student tours and worked Tiger Days to help with prospective students. They also organized one of the biggest events on campus, Tiger Tunes, to bring in funds for student scholarships. A new award, The Spirit of Tunes, was given in honor of the late Shelby Seabaugh to her friend and co-director for the 2013 shEEEp show, Aaryn Elliot.

"My favorite event put on by OSF is Tiger Tunes. It's a fun way to promote OBU. It also allows students to work together in healthy competition and provides so much money for student scholarships," said OSF President Gracie Lundstrum, a senior mass communications and speech communication double major from Springdale.

During the spring semester OSF awarded scholarships, chose new members and hosted Tiger Traks. Throughout spring break, members who had signed up to be on the scholarship selection committee read through every application sent in by juniors and seniors. Once back to school, they met again to select the recipients.

New members were chosen by new executive members of OSF through an interview process and information sheets provided by the applicants.

Tiger Traks incorporated the usual relay games, mud volleyball and tug-of-war. New to Traks this year was a bonus points activity with Relay for Life that benefitted the American Cancer Society in addition to the scholarship fund.

"My favorite part of OSF is hearing the stories from the students who received scholarships, sometimes with tears in their eyes because of the things they are up against trying to pay for school," said OSF sponsor Jon Merryman. "This year we raised a record breaking amount of \$105,000 because of Tunes, Traks and other events, providing significant scholarships to 70 students."

Juniors Sydney Heslep and Lauren Snow help host Tiger Traks with OSF. They were responsible for recording times during the trike races at the Village circle.



ike any other year, Student Senate was busy with Homecoming, Miss OBU and Battle of the Ravine. However, this year the group also faced a new fundraising initiative and constitutional changes.

"In the past, Student Senate really hasn't made money for itself," said Bradley Hunter Heird, a senior dietetics and nutrition major from Pine Bluff and the executive secretary of Senate. "This year we got the opportunity to sell Ouachita themed phone cases and participate in other fundraising activities that ultimately helped Student Senate prosper."

Along with developing ideas for fund raising, the organization also worked together to create a better system in regard to parking tickets on campus.

"Senate has changed the parking ticket

system and allowed for one 'warning' ticket before a fine is issued," said Bethany Arredondo, a junior speech communication major from Prosper, Texas, and Junior Class treasure.

Josh Rubin, a junior biology from Dallas, Texas, and president of Student Senate knew he wanted the group to expand its outreach and make an effort to connect with campus athletes.

"This year, Senate began showing appreciation to some of Ouachita's student athletes by encouraging students to go to sporting events and also by bringing drinks or snacks to some of the teams before their games," Rubin said.

Student Senate not only represents the entirety of the student body, but they also serve and communicate on its behalf.

"I really enjoy the being able to actual make a difference at OBU. When students have a situation, Student Seworks hard to alleviate problems," He said

Arredondo reiterated the idea of a broad impact Student Senate has campus and how sometimes that gunnoticed.

"My favorite part about serving Senate is helping to make decisions will have a positive impact on stude said Arredondo. "Senate plays a huge in the function of OBU and most don't even realize it. I think that getting serve in an organization with the to benefit all students, opposed to a group of students, is special."

by Gracie Luncs



1/ Members of the 2014 Homecoming Court meet for the crowning of Homecoming Queen. Student Senate was responsible for coordinating Homecoming activities.

2/ Junior Josh Rubin shows freshman Jacob Frears how to write a thank you note. Student Senate supplied thank you note writing tips for students during Operation Thank You, a campaign to thank donors for their support.

3/ Sophomore Jodie Webb serves cake at the Tiger Tunes after party. Members of Student Senate provided customized cakes for each organization that participated in Tiger Tunes.





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etting involved, having an organization to call your own and meeting new people were desires of many college students who had lots of spare time on a weekly basis. While social clubs, sports and fine arts all offered ways to team up with a group full of people with similar interests, one organization that often got overlooked was CAB, or the Campus Activities Board. With students from all classes as members, it was a club that was welcoming and eager for student participation. Freshman Alex Holder, a freshman accounting major from Sour Lake, Texas enjoyed getting to serve as a member of CAB.

"I like planning the events for students to come to. It's really cool having input into the activities that are offered on campus," Holder said.

CAB members had bimonthly meetings to discuss ideas for new events, encourage members to volunteer for those events and vote on how to improve those annual traditions such as the Christmas party held every winter, the movie night hosted during TWIRP week, Spring Fling and the GLOW run, which benefits PATH

One unique attribute CAB offered was the constant change in pace of organizing new and entertaining events for students. In the spring, CAB held a retirement themed party where students had the chance to dress up, play board games and eat Fig Newtons. In an effort to reach out to the community, CAB paired with the Backyard Bible Club and the Big Brother/Big Sister program to host an Easter egg hunt. With many students going home on weekends, it was CAB's goal to create reasons for students to want to stay and engage with each other. For members of CAB, it's all about that engagement.

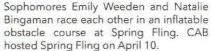
"If I weren't in CAB I wouldn't know a lot of other students, and I definitely don't think I would have branched out as much. You make so many friendships through CAB," said Gracen Kelley, a junior communications sciences and disorders major from Lee's Summit, Mo., and the head chair of CAB.

CAB was a place where students looking to find their place on campus could go to give their ideas, and grow the club.

"We can't have CAB without student participation," said Jimmy Phillips, CAB's advisor.

CAB did a lot on campus and was constantly looking for new ideas and new faces, ideal for those looking to come out of their shell.

by Taryn Bailey





ampus Ministries was the main vessel through which students at Ouachita were able to get involved in serving a variety of needs both on and off campus. Every year, student leaders and volunteers participated in a variety of ministry programs, from Big Brother/Big Sister and the Monticello Children's Home ministry to Freshman Family Groups.

James Taylor, director of Campus Ministries, said the main impact for students involved in CM was on campus and within the community of Arkadelphia, but mission trips outside of Arkadelphia are also a major draw. Taylor also emphasized the need for Campus Ministries even though Ouachita itself is a Baptist university.

"The university has a number of programs aimed at the spiritual health and development of students," Taylor said. "We help to coordinate religious life on campus." Taylor said many needs within Arkadelphia's younger generations were met because of CM's coordination.

"Most of our Arkadelphia-aimed ministries are connected with kids in the community, like working with children through Backyard Bible Club and Big Brother/Big Sister," Taylor said.

Student leadership was the main reason Campus Ministries was able to operate. Senior Hannah Shull, a psychology major from Little Rock, was in charge of the ministry for Arkansas Baptist Children's Home in Monticello. Shull said the main impact on the children in Monticello is a stable relationship with Ouachita students, even if it seems otherwise.

"I find that if you make the effort to show up and listen, the kids will respond in a way that melts your heart," Shull said. "Sometimes it seems like our work doesn't impact them much, but I know for a fact it does."

Rachel Gaddis, a junior communications major from Cabo involved in Freshman Family Groups Christian Focus Week. She says the of her involvement with CFW has studied her since her freshman year.

"I still have notes from several meand journal entries about what God to me during those weeks," said God "Really as long as you have an open and are intentional about going sessions, God speaks because He sthere."

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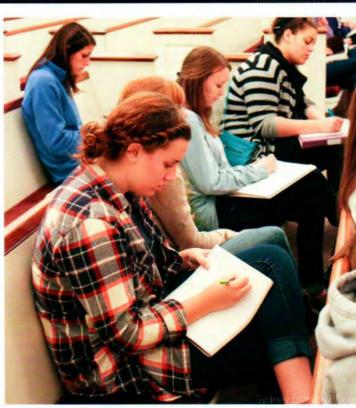
by Matthew -



1/ The Campus Ministries Sandwiches leap in the air during their Tiger Tunes performance. Their show highlighted the individual ingredients of a sandwich, such as bread, lettuce and cheese, and their struggle to come together.

2/ Seniors Coleson Lechner and Beau Daggett worship together at Noonday. Noonday was one of dozens of student-led programs provided by Campus Ministries.

3/ Sophomore Emma Riley takes notes during Veritas. Campus Ministries provided the women's Bible study on Monday nights.





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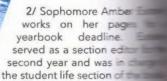
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- Rachel Gaddis, junior mass communications major, Cabot





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3/ Senior photo lab
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4/ Junior Laken Livingston signals the of a recording session in the teles. Shows like the "Ouachita" show and Eldridge Show" were shot in the studio.

5/ Freshman Kevin Barnard operates a switched between came a live recording.







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Within each area of campus came a story, someone's particular point-of-view or a personal narrative. Through student publications, these stories were able to gain a voice and be shared. Members of publications staffs had opportunities to tell these stories and have their own voices heard as well.

The student publications consisted of The Ouachitonian yearbook, The Signal newspaper, the photo lab and video production. The purpose of the publications staffs is to not only capture and share the year, but also to give students as much real world experience as possible.

"We learn about our craft in our courses, but working on a publication staff gives us the chance to put those skills to use," said Emily Terry, Signal editorin-chief. "The time you spend on a publication staff is invaluable. It teaches you to be deadline oriented and keeps you on your toes."

The Signal was a weekly printed paper published by Terry and her staff of section editors and staff writers. The Signal staff also produced the Online Signal which published original content, including videos and podcasts, as well as content from the printed version.

Being a part of the different student publication staffs and helping produce media for internal and external publications also gave students the opportunity to learn more skills and develop their talents.

"Being on the photo lab has helped me gain a lot of skills just from shooting different types of events," Maddie Brodell, a freshman mass communications and graphic design double major from Little Rock, said.

On April 17, the Arkansas Collegiate Media Association named Ouachitonian Editor Aly Smith, a senior mass communications and graphic design double major from Sherwood, Yearbook Editor of the Year. The student publications won a total of 32 awards at ACMA, and the Ouachitonian yearbook won seven individual Gold Circle Awards from Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

"So much hard work went into producing that book. It's affirming to know that all of those late nights and over a year's worth of work paid off," Smith said. "It also shows the level of quality work all of our staffs are producing that you can see the results of the work in such a tangible way."

Video production students gained practical experience through major projects including the "Ouachita" show and the live stream of Tiger Tunes. They also produced "The J.R. Eldridge Show" for the Arkadelphia Badger football program.

Student publications were vital in sharing stories through internal and external publications, as well as showcasing student achievements and promoting learning.

by Robert DeSoto

Seniors Blaine Surber and Ouachitonian Editor-in-Chief Aly Smith discuss yearbook advertisements during a meeting. Yearbook section editors and practicum workers received story assignments and page deadlines at weekly meetings.





















A Place To Call Home

ollege administrators, parents and even students were completely divided over the value of Greek life on college campuses. Many said it promoted friendship and charity while others argued it led to hazing, underage drinking and other dangerous activities. The Ouachita view on Greek life, or as we all called it "social clubs," was a little different than what state schools experienced with national fraternities and sororities.

"I feel that sororities, especially at big colleges, require a lot out of you," said Alexis Morgan, a sophomore music education major from Frisco, Texas. "A sorority is their life, where here, a social club is good outlet for everyone, but does not make you have to make it your life. I like social clubs better just because I don't have as much pressure on me."

Social clubs on campus created a different vibe than that of a sorority or fraternity. Clubs are tight knit and are a part of the campus community.

"I like getting close to girls who are different than me and building friendships with them. Without a social club, I probably wouldn't have met people who are different majors than me," Morgan said. "I love doing things like Tunes with my club. It's a great way to come together and work for something. I love social events because it's a way to get away from studying and just be with your friends. I also love the Christian foundation of each social club here on campus. It is so unique and something not every school has."

Students also saw the flip side to social clubs and recognized the importance of a national fraternity or sorority. Sophomore Titus Brooks, an accounting major from Houston, Texas, believed there was more recognition for a national fraternity.

"A social club is just here on campus. We don't have houses and we don't have as much money coming into our clubs as a fraternity," Brooks said. "I feel like frats are much closer and I think we miss that bond having social clubs. I have uncles and cousins who are Alpha Phi Alphas and it would be nice to have a chance to be brothers with them. A fraternity like that also lets you move into an alumni type group so that you can still be involved and be a part of the fraternity once you graduate from college."

One major difference in a social club and national sorority was the cost. Social clubs on campus had small dues each semester with fees here and there, while fraternities and sororities paid thousands of dollars each semester in school.

"After being a leader in a social club, I do think I would appreciate the support of a national organization," said Erin Wilson, a senior business administration and marketing major from Hot Springs Village. "Because we are the only chapter, we have less guidance. We can only rely on past experiences and the help of current school leaders to help us figure out where to take the club versus having a strong national support system who could help us set and achieve goals."

But there was something special about being on a campus like Ouachita that proved the importance of a social club rather than a larger, national organization.

"Social clubs are engrained in the history of OBU and that's what makes them so special to be a part of. You don't really get that in a national sorority. Because they are national organizations, they aren't as entwined with the university, or at least that's my impression," Wilson said. "Even though we don't have sisters in colleges across the country, all of the women that have been through social clubs have experienced Quachita and that connects us even more than just being part of the same social club. We share social club traditions as well as college traditions."

by Amber Easterly



to the tradition



s students returned to campus from Christmas break, the long awaited anticipation of Rush week began January 13. Rush was a chance for students to attend parties for the various social clubs on campus and to get a glimpse of what it would be like to join a club.

"On Tuesday of that week we had 106 girls and 61 guys begin the Rush process," said Hillary Hill, assistant director of Campus Activities. "It was exciting to begin the week with so many students interested in rushing."

Each night Rush groups rotated throughout the social club parties. Afterward, members of the clubs met and sent back invites to their party for the next night.

"At first I was super nervous about the whole Rush process," said Taylor Draper, a freshman biology major from Bryant. "After the first night of figuring out what it would be like, I was totally relaxed and just ready to learn more about the clubs so that I could make the best decision at the end of the week."

One of the main goals throughout the process for clubs was to create a fun and comfortable environment for all of the students going through Rush.

"I feel like good food and fellowship are the best way to make someone feel at home," said Brad Hunter Heird, a senior dietetics and nutrition major from Pine Bluff and vice president of Kappa Chi. "As VP, I am in charge of Rush week. It was exciting to plan each event for Rush."

Friday night arrived and rushees signed preference cards in hopes of a bid to the club of their choice on Saturday morning.

"It was such a great feeling to have the stress of Rush behind me," Draper said. "Waking up Saturday morning was like Christmas all over again, and I was so excited to meet my pledge class and start the craziness of induction week."

Induction week was a full seven days. It was a time for members and new members to get to know one another. By the end of the week, new members built relationships with their new pledge class and learned the traditions of their new social club.

"Juggling classes, homework and induction week duties were quite a job. I was frustrated and emotional, but I honestly would not have had it any other way," Draper said. "I felt like I was constantly running around and getting nothing accomplished, but the rewarding feeling at the end of induction week was the best."

by Amber Easterly

Senior Abby Emmanuel talks with rushees during the Women of EEE's Patriotic Night Jan. 13. Club members performed a dance and song routine to classic patriotic songs for the girls during the party.



he Men of Beta Beta rocked the stage as the Beta Builders during Tiger Tunes 2014. For many students, this was one of the only impressions they got of the club. What they didn't see was the club's effort toward brotherhood and tradition.

According to history, the Betas were founded the day after the attack at Pearl Harbor. A group of friends got together to pray and decided to form a club.

"To be honest, it's been so long ago that nobody really knows for sure," said Curt Tucker, senior business major from Benton and Beta president.

Dr. Scott Jackson, associate professor of Christian studies, pledged Beta in the 80s and served as the club's sponsor. He said he appreciated the diversity that the club adopted over the years.

"It's neat for me to see the parts that I lead

during their pledge week. It's very spiritual. They are on the right track," Jackson said. "I really do believe there is a bond that comes with social clubs. If I had a need, I know my Beta brothers would be there."

The club's initial purpose was to bring together ministry students and students from other majors. Changes were made in order to try to keep that balance.

"It's really cool to see how much is the same," said Tucker. "We've had to change a lot, for the better. We decided to diversify the kind of guys we want because of the change in culture and the change in times."

Brady Thompson, a business administration major from Hensley, pledged Beta in the spring. He was impressed by the brotherhood that he found within the club.

The strong friendships that he made within his own pledge class and with older members in the club were the main reason

he enjoyed being a Beta.

"I would have to agree brotherhood is definitely the best of the Betas," he said. "Our say Tradition Continues,' and so we that tradition going."

The Beta's pledge class experienced pledging with a few Tucker knew from experience something about the pledging protochange. Those changes had to with the club's long standing reputation in mind.

And as for their Tiger Tunes per "We want to go out, and we want to go out, and we want fun. We don't want to win. We have fun and put on a good so Tucker.

Other activities included talked football games and mixers with other

by Mane Lin



1/ Members of Beta Beta and EEE sing Christmas carols together. The men and women's club had a mixer on December 9.

2/ Senior Connor Goad performs with the Men of Beta Beta during Tiger Tunes. Goad served as director of the builders-themed show.

3/ Senior Jayson Harris talks to prospective members during Rush week. The club hosted parties each night for the guys going through Rush to learn about the club and for members to get to know the guys.





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Brotherhood is definitely the best aspect of the Betas.

- Brady Thompson, freshman business administration major, Hensley





in the name of sisterhood



rom frogs in a swamp to tropical-themed water sports, Chi Delta members grew together not just as a club, but also as a group of friends. Chi Delta's various projects, such as Tiger Tunes, Relay for Life and other philanthropic tasks, combined with the girls' often impromptu times of fellowship to shape the club and each member in a unique way.

"Even though we didn't win at Tiger Tunes, we were all super competitive the whole time," MK Freeman, a kinesiology major from Conway, said. "We had several conflicts while preparing for our show. After that happened, it was really a push to be better united and rely more on your sisters when times get hard."

Freeman, who co-directed and choreographed most of their Tiger Tunes show, the Chi Delta frogs, described the efforts after Tiger Tunes to spend more time together. Owl-Ins and Owl-Outs were the club's opportunities to spend time together and get to know each other better.

"Sometimes we would go bowling or go see a movie," Katharine Kirby, a sophomore business administration and marketing major from Tampa, Fla., said. "Or we would just do something simple, like order pizza and watch a movie in someone's apartment."

Owl-Ins were an activity that Chi Delta did years earlier. But members tried to bring them back this year as a way to spend more time together.

"It seems like every time we had an Owl-In, I would always learn something new about someone in the club," Kirby said.

In addition to fellowship with one another, Chi Delta's philanthropy engaged club members with community members. Chi Delta participated in three nursing home visits to play games with and sing to the elderly. On visits close to Christmas, Chi Delta members sang Christmas carols for those living and working in the nursing home.

"In those projects, you get to know people's hearts," Dalaney Thomas, a mass communications major from Paron, said. "People's personalities come out, and we're able to grow together as sisters."

While using club meetings to delegate business, Chi Delta members united in personal growth through fellowship and the carrying out of philanthropic projects.

"It's very natural, everything in Chi Delta," Thomas said. "They're my friends. You can't replace that."

by Robert DeSoto

Chi Delta frogs perform together during Tiger Tunes. Their show featured trampolines and frog princes and princesses.



Some said that bigger is better, but the women of Chi Rho Phi believe that was not the case. They believed that the small size of their club was part of that special x-factor that made them what they were.

"Because Chi Rho Phi is a small club, each member makes a very big difference in the milieu of the group," said Marissa Thornberry, a senior English major from Mabelvale. "This means that each year has the potential to be very different from the previous one. I'm always amazed to see how much the girls grow in their confidence, their leadership abilities and their faith throughout the years."

One of the big changes that the members of Chi Rho Phi claimed to see among their club in the 2014-2015 year was greater

integration with the rest of campus.

"This year, we've been trying to be more active on campus than we have been in the past," said Kenzie Lionberger, a junior history major from Temple, Texas. "We've been to more sporting events, supported our friends at their recitals and have been to all the plays. Also, I'm sure you've seen us in the Commons at least once a month with some sort of fundraiser."

Among their fundraisers was Chi Rho Phi's biggest event of the year, Screen on the Green. Screen on the Green was an outdoor movie screening for OBU and Henderson students, as well as anyone else in Arkadelphia.

"A ton of work went into pulling this event off," said Hannah Sweeden, a senior history major from Richardson, Texas. "From

getting the rights to the movie to the word out around Arkadelph a really had their hands full."

This year, the Chi Rho Phis statement movie "It Happened One Night."

Through achieving their improved campus involvement as scale fundraiser success, the Chi Rho Phi created a close environment for themselves that made their fellow members family to them.

"Chi Rho Phi is a unique different personalities that makes special," Lionberger said. "We are I personally see each of these grassisters and I do not know if a lot of can say that."

by Noah +



1/ Members of Chi Rho Phi and Tri Chi draw with sidewalk chalk and fellowship together during a mixer. Mixers allowed members of different clubs to interact and get to know each other.

2/ Chi Rho Phi members perform during Tiger Tunes as nuns. They wore habits and sang original lyrics about the struggles of being a nun.

3/ Sophomore Linda Copeland assists with a tailgating game consisting of darts, balloons and paint. Chi Rho Phi and other clubs provided games during tailgating events.





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The Women of EEE definitely had something to celebrate as they marked their 90th anniversary. As the oldest club on campus, the girls knew they belonged to a long lasting sisterhood they were able to share with not just current members, but with alumnae as well.

"Since 1925, the EEEs have always been committed to the legacies and traditions that began with our eight founding members," said Ouachita's Annual Fund Coordinator and EEE alumna MaryLacey Thomson.

"We try to maintain as many traditions as possible to keep our generational bonds and continuity strong. We are a large club and our sisterhood spans all pledge classes and all generations," said EEE President Gracie Lundstrum, a senior mass communications and speech communication double major from Springdale. "It is able to do this

because these traditions have been similar with all those who have pledged EEE."

On Bid Day in January, 43 new members were welcomed into The Women of EEE as the 90th pledge class.

"It is so comforting to know that I am now a part of something much bigger than myself. Knowing the EEEs have been making a difference for 90 years is one of the main reasons I wanted to become an EEE and be a part of that legacy," said pledge class 2015 President Haley Wesson, a freshman communication science and disorders major from Hot Springs.

In celebration of the anniversary, The Women of EEE hosted an event called "90K for 90 Years." The purpose of the event was for current members and alumnae from all generations to come together to kick start a campaign to raise \$90,000 for OBU's Annual Fund.

"Ouachita has impacted each an one of us in such an incred be only did this university produce an education, but it gave us a grow in our faith as well as creative friendships through this sister. Thomson. "The Women of EEE together to support Ouachita no other social club has support outpersity before and I think remarkable."

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"The EEEs produce extraordinary and successful am so honored to share a sister said Thomson.

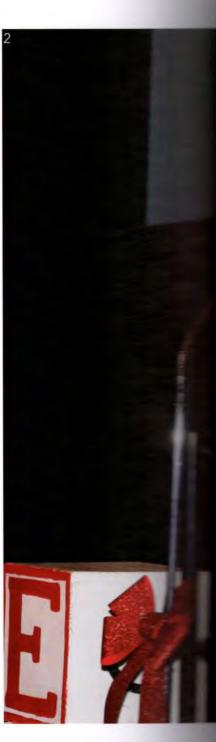




2/ EEE alumna MaryLacey Thomson speaks at the kick-off event for the "90K for 90 Years" campaign. Thomson, coordinator of the Annual Fund, spoke about the club's goal of raising \$90,000 for the Annual Fund.

3/ Junior and Tiger Tunes co-director Jessica Compton performs with the Women of EEE during their Tiger Tunes show. The BEEEs took second place overall and won awards for best costumes and best choreography.





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Comes with character



he men of Eta Alpha Omega made their year count with their entertaining Tiger Tunes show, on and off-campus service projects and fellowship with like-minded brothers in Christ.

"There are many different kinds of people in Eta. There hasn't been any situation where somebody has come in and not fit in, because what makes us work is our unity through Christ," said Will Hanna, a sophomore biology major from Russellville.

Alex Becerra, a freshman accounting major from Allen, Texas, knew early on where he wanted to be.

"While I was rushing, I noticed that a lot of them were really genuine when they spoke. It was a good crowd to be a part of," Becerra said. "I can get along with any of the upperclassmen Etas. They're always there for you, so that's the coolest part."

For Tiger Tunes, their theme was Janitors. They hoped to wipe the floor with the competition.

"I really enjoy all of the goofing around and good times because we don't take it too seriously, so it's a lot of fun and fellowship with all the guys I love hanging out with," Hanna said.

After Tiger Tunes, the Etas hosted their annual Muggin' event. The purpose behind Muggin' was to make sure students had a safe, fun place to go after Tunes to hang out and celebrate. Club members handed out hundreds of glass bottles of root beer to students in the middle of campus, where everyone gathered to have a good time.

The Etas also emphasized service as a central part to their brotherhood. In addition to participating in Tiger Serve Day, members gave up a few Saturdays each semester to offer similar house and yard-work services for Arkadelphia residents. Years ago the club adopted a highway, and twice a semester they worked to keep their goal of keeping it clean.

The Etas kept up with other traditions too, including the Eta Date Auction fundraiser and the second annual Etas in a Barrel, where students paid to throw water balloons at new members.

Jacob Moreno, a junior dietetics and nutrition major from Mexico City, Mexico, and Eta president, said he gained solid friendships by being a part of the club.

"The meetings are fun cause you just get to know the guys better and pray for each other and grow spiritually together," Moreno said.

For an Eta, service and friendship wrapped up in a fun college experience was what being a member was all about.

by Barrett Gay

Sophomores Will Hanna and Mitchell Richards participate in Eta Alpha Omega Who's Line. The club hosted the event where they played improvised comedy games complete with scenes pulled from a hat and using props.



The Men of Kappa Chi had quite a year to remember. As 2014 Tiger Tunes winners, intramural football and basketball champions and with a new pledge class joining the club, the guys grew closer together and strived to keep traditions alive.

"I can't describe how awesome it felt to win Tiger Tunes," said Brad-Hunter Heird, a senior dietetics and nutrition major from Pine Bluff. "Being a co-director for the show was the highlight of my senior year. I gave everything I had to the show."

Energy drinks, sleepless nights and endless rehearsals proved strenuous during the two-month battle to be crowned Tiger Tunes champions. The club persevered and all of its hard work proved worth-while when they were announced for the 10th time in Kappa history as Tiger Tunes winners.

The Kappas came in fighting for the first

place title.

"My favorite part of the show was definitely the camel costumes," said Jackson Carter, a history and mass communications major from Hot Springs. "It brought the comedic factor to the show and definitely became the funniest part to me."

After Tiger Tunes, the guys started planning for upcoming events. Kappa Car Bash was the next event of the semester.

"It's all about getting pumped up for the football game at the end of Battle of the Ravine week," said Drake Puryear, a sophomore biology major from Jonesboro. "It's a great workout for those who take a few shots at the old car."

One of the last events of the year hosted by the Men of Kappa Chi was Kappa Glow. This year the party went off with a bang, literally.

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got too hot and actually exposes made the dance even better

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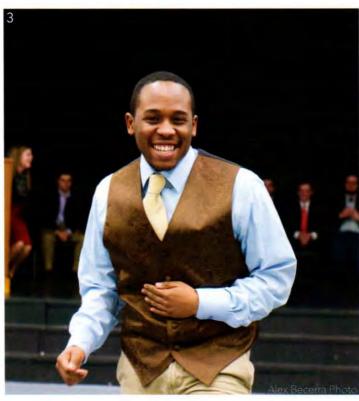
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1/ Kappa Chi Egyptians perform during Tiger Tunes. Their show featured full Egyptian costumes, camels and mummies.

2/ Kappa Chi Egyptians incorporate Tina Turner into their show as Lauren Hutcheson sings "Rolling on the Nile." The song was performed by the Kappa Chi "little sisters."

3/ Freshman Montray Wyatt tries to sell himself at the Kappa Chi date auction. Members were auctioned off for other students to bid on them for a date. The event was used a fundraiser for the club.





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and rowdy spirit



When it comes to school spirit, the Men of Rho Sigma have separated themselves as the leaders on campus since their founding in 1935. This year they once again hosted the annual guarding of the Tiger, torch walk and bonfire during Battle of the Ravine week.

During the week leading up to the football game against Henderson State, the dedicated members of Rho Sigma set up a tent and spent all day and night protecting the Tiger statue from vandals.

"Guarding the Tiger is what being a Red Shirt is all about. There's no better feeling than knowing the rest of campus is counting on you to protect them from Reddies," said Nathan Lowman, a junior history major from Little Rock.

The torch walk leading to a bonfire was a way for the Red Shirts to bring everyone together to build excitement before the big rivalry game. Dr. Wesley Kluck, an honorary member of Rho Sigma, provided fireworks for the big spectacle. All of this combined with a rally speech from Dr. Casey Motl led to an immense amount of hype for the Battle of the Ravine.

School spirit was a season long commitment for the Men of Rho Sigma as they also had tailgates and set up the inflatable tiger head at every home game. Building enthusiasm for football games was only part of what the club provided this year.

The men also had a mixer with the Women of EEE and competed in the annual Bible Bowl against the Women of Chi Rho Phi.

"As an EEE and a Rho Sigma sweetheart, the mixer was a special moment for me. I loved being able to spend some time together with both of my clubs at the same time," said Reagan Rucker, a sophomore elementary education major from Maumelle.

Like many other social clubs, the Red Shirts also joined together to give back to the community. They had a team for Tiger Serve Day, sang Christmas carols at the nursing home, and supported the MS Walk in Little Rock.

"Even though people know us as the rowdy Red Shirts, we never forget how important it is to get involved in community service," said Robert Lewis, a junior history major from Bentonville.

The Men of Rho Sigma continued to add to their rich history this year. Much like they have since 1935, they brought the campus together to support the Tigers and the city of Arkadelphia as a whole.

by Zach Parker

Members of Rho Sigma set up a speaker for a tailgating event. Rho Sigma joined with other social clubs to give students a place to tailgate and celebrate before every home football game.



or 80 years, tradition and brotherhood held members together in the Sigma Alpha Sigma men's social club. This group of men, who made a recent comeback on campus, was here to stay. With their first participation in Tiger Tunes in over three years, their presence at campus events and their letters displayed proudly every Wednesday, it was clear that these men were proud to be Sigma Alpha Sigmas. For Chase Brooks, a senior graphic design major from Houston, Texas, it was all about the brotherly bond.

"We're able to take a diverse group of men and form a bond that supersedes letters. The bond that I have with a brother from the 90s is stronger than I have with some friends from back home," Brooks said.

The Men of Sigma Alpha Sigma were a group small in numbers but rich in love and full of encouragement.

"If I had never pledged and met my brothers, I doubt I would be at Ouachita today. They have helped me when I need help academically, spiritually and physically," said Scott Bohning, a senior Christian studies and Christian ministries major from Florissant, Mo.

Not only did the men uphold traditions of tailgating, painting themselves in club colors at the annual Homecoming game and participating in Tiger Tunes, but they also got together on a regular basis to grow their friendship through eating meals together and taking spontaneous camping trips.

Because of the smaller number in membership, these men really had a chance to have close knit environment among their club and knew what was going on in each other's lives on a daily basis. These men supported each other through every struggle whether to be so a whole of the club as a whole of whether or not they could be so at but just when and where to be to do so.

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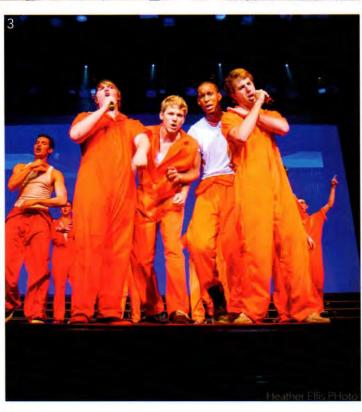
"Instead of choosing a called already been established.
Alpha Sigma so I can leave my mark and leave my called the future," said Troy Daniel a biology major from Benton



1/ Sophomore Nate Shrader arranges refreshments for students helping to guard the Tiger. Sigma Alpha Sigma members provided soda and doughnuts one evening while students helped them guard the Tiger during Battle of the Ravine week.

2/ Sophomore Hannah Pearce prepares a s'more over one of the Sigma Akpha Sigma fire barrels. Club members kept fires lit in metal bins to give students somewhere to stay warm while guarding the Tiger that cold November week.

3/ The Sigma Alpha Sigma Prisoners perform during Tiger Tunes. The show portrayed the comical life of a convict and featured a stomp.





BROTHERS

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A Lot of our encouragement doesn't just come from words, it comes from actions.

- Nate Shrader, sophomore psychology major, Litchfield, Ill.





kids at heart



nother year for Tri Chi meant another pledge class reminiscing in the memories of the past three and a half years. As the pledge class of 2012 experienced its season of lasts, the club welcomed 37 new members in the pledge class of 2015.

"Rush was special to me this year. It's fun getting to see them starting out and getting excited about it," said Allison Smith, a senior psychology major from Jonesboro.

During Rush, Lori Motl, director of Admissions Counseling, shared her story about being in Tri Chi's very first pledge class and how her sisters have been supportive even after graduation.

"Every time I get to be around Tri Chi I think about, if my pledge sisters were here they would be so proud," Motl said. "I'm so impressed with the girls that are in Tri Chi."

In the fall, Tri Chi hosted its traditional '80s Night event for TWIRP. The club then took the JPAC stage as a kindergarten class for Tiger Tunes, winning People's Choice for the fifth year in a row. They also hosted a Boots and Bowties function at the Caddo Event Center and participated in tailgating events.

The fall semester marked Tri Chi's 25th year of being a club. "We are a quarter of a century old. I think that's a big milestone for our club," said Erin Wilson, a business administration and marketing major from Hot Springs Village, and Tri Chi president. "We are not a young club, but we aren't the oldest club either. Being in the middle leaves us a lot of room to change."

Angie Schleiff established Tri Chi in 1989. Freshman Emily Schleiff, Angie's daughter, was among the 37 girls who were a part of the new pledge class. Like many pledge classes have done before, PC'15 hosted a dessert auction as a fund raising event, which helped the club put together the annual Crush Dance.

"When you come to campus as freshmen you make a lot of friends in the beginning, but they are not very intentional friendships," said Tori Golden, a freshman secondary education major from Rogers and PC '15 president. "When I became a Tri Chi and met people through that, I gained some of my most treasured friendships. Growing close to the girls I pledged with and getting to know older members has helped shape the first year of my Ouachita experience."

by Marie Lindhal



