

photo by Jim Yates

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Armed with a handful of quarters and dressed for fun, students came from buildings all over campus. *REACHING* into their pockets, they retrieved a quarter for cotton candy or snow cones or for playing all sorts of games. The S.E.L.F. Spring Fling was a sea of faces – faces representing the people inside the wall of campus.

Tears rolled down her cheeks as she stepped BEYOND the 16th mile marker. Weary, yet confident, Shari Sukigara, also known as KLAZ deejay



Lane Taylor, finished the qualifying race for the Boston Marathon. The search for adventure and the challenge of the unknown invigorated her.

Adventure also encompassed the person of Nathan Xiques. Students uniquely identified him as the student who spent his leisure time rock climbing and repelling.

Stepping out of their comfort zones in search of life beyond was nothing new for Cynthia Blackmon, James Flint, Frank Paul, Bo Koralage, and numerous other faces on campus. Blackmon and Paul traveled outside THE wall to tour foreign countries while Koralage brought a taste of the unknown to the family inside. Somewhat of a foreigner to the South, Flint appeared on campus after simply seeing the University's sign at exit 78 on the interstate. Each face on campus had his or her own unique story.

Chase Goforth used the illusion of magic to captivate audiences and eventually share the Gospel with them. Dr. Charlie Fuller shared a message in song at Carnegie Hall.

The people sheltered by the wall possessed a unity. Yet, in this unity stood a collection of diversity - a collection of unique individuals. Several of these individuals made a difference whether inside the WALL or beyond its shelter.

Sophomore Justin Hardin slams into junior Hayden Hendrix with a blow from an oversized boxing glove. Boxing was just one of the many games provided by S.E.L.F. and other campus organizations at the Spring Fling. Creating a sea of faces, faculty and students gathered for dinner on the lawn in front of Daniel and for an evening of fun and games. They met new people and got reacquainted with those they had not seen in awhile.

Thomas Armstrong Arkadelphia **Stephanie Arnold** Dallas, TX

Vanessa Bain Arkadelphia **Ryan Baldi** Memphis, TN

Kelly Ballard Murfreesboro **Kim Baker** Hot Springs

Cindy Black Little Rock Pam Blackmon Lakenheath, England

Caroline Blount Phatthalung, Thailand **Robin Bratton** Gurdon

Misty Brewer Pine Bluff **Chad Brinkley** Springdale

Bart Brockway Arkadelphia **Holly Brogdon** Arkadelphia

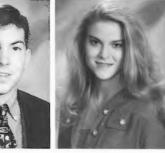












Profile...



Senior Shari Sukigara converses with the speaker after a Birkett Williams lecture. Sukigara led an unusually active life, engaging in hobbies such as running marathons and acting as a deejay for a local radio station. •photo by Jeff Root

leaving the mundane behind by Priscilla Shrader

Tears ran down her face, and her entire body ached. Putting one foot in front of the other was becoming more difficult with every stride. "I'm only on my 16th mile," she thought to herself. For some students, accepting the challenge would have been the hardest thing to do.

Senior communications major Shari Sukigara wasn't the average student. A 28year-old originally from Ft.Worth, Texas, Sukigara had several unique hobbies.

To many students, Sukigara was thought of as a "health nut." She sat in class munching on a power bar and gulping down a bottle of water.

Along with keeping a good diet program, Sukigara excelled in the area of exercise as well. "I run five to eight miles a day and a 12 to 20 mile run on the weekends," said Sukigara.

At the end of the fall semester, Sukigara decided to try to qualify for the Boston Marathon. She traveled to Tennessee and ran a marathon but didn't qualify. She did, however, find a place in a lottery of possible qualifiers

because of her good time.

"I do it because I like it, and it's addicting," said Sukigara. "It's like I'm accomplishing something, and I can see the results." She added that she enjoyed the challenge.

Along with keeping active, Sukigara was also known by many students on campus as "Lane Taylor," the disc jockey personality for 106 KLAZ in Hot Springs. She was a deejay for the station, and several students listened in regularly.

"I always got so excited when I heard her on the radio," said junior Livi Weaver. "I would tell everyone I knew her and she was in a class with me."

Despite being almost a decade older than the average student, Sukigara related well to others. "I have no difficulty in communicating with other students," said Sukigara. "It's probably because I'm a kid, and I'll probably never grow up."

As for the future, she was hopeful for one thingopportunities. "I have dreams just like everyone else," said Sukigara. "For now I'm just taking it one day at a time."



























MAY 15-30, 1995

- May 16th- Arkansas' first female firefighter killed on duty
- May 16th- 39 dead, 21 missing after a fire broke out aboard an overcrowded ferry in the Philippines
- May 26th- Gov. Jim Guy Tucker tried to block a request for him to appear before a Whitewater grand jury
- May 27th- Chinese Defense Minister Chi Haotian canceled a scheduled mid-June visit to Washington in protest of Taiwan President Lee Tenghui's visit to New York
- May 28th- Christopher Reeve was thrown from his steed during a horse-jumping competition
- May 29th- Earthquake flattened an island town in Russia's Far East leaving as many as 2,500 people trapped
- May 29th- Searchers uncovered the final three bodies from the Oklahoma City bombing
- May 29th- Margaret Chase Smith, the first woman to serve in both the U.S. House and Senate, died



Summer School- Chris Newberry introduces Kara Kohler as a pioneer woman at Old Washington. They attended "Folkways of the Red River Region," a University summer school course. •photo by Nashville News















Shaunna Brown Van Buren William Bumgardner Aviano, Italy **Chantal Bunn** Fayetteville

Rusty Bunn Arkadelphia Shanna Burris Malvern **Heather Callaway** Booneville

Chris Cameron Jacksonville Dana Campbell Paragould Kristi Cannon Benton

Brandy Capelle Van Buren **Steven Carr** Red Oak, TX Leslie Caubble Wynne

Wendy Chappell McKinney, TX **Brett Chumley** San Antonio, TX **Todd Chumley** San Antonio, TX

Marty Collier Ashdown **Christopher Colvin** Dermott **Shannon Cone** Germantown, TN

Lisa Cooper Brinkley **Sharon Cosh** Arkadelphia **Teresa** Cost Mena



Daniel Cox Marietta, GA Jamie Crenshaw Little Rock Bill Criswell North Little Rock

Erin Crumley Denver, CO Bruce Cullom Texarkana, TX Caroline Curry Gurdon

Staci Curtis Arkadelphia Mark Darr Mansfield Brian Davidson Lewisville

Steve Davis Bedford, VA Bryan DeBusk Heber Springs Sara Dudley Jonesboro

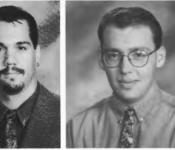
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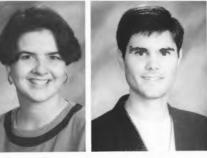












Outside these walls ...



- June 1st- Betty Tucker, wife of Gov. Jim Guy Tucker, refused to testify before the Whitewater grand jury
- June 2nd- American F-16C fighter pilot Capt. Scott O'Grady was shot down over Bosnia
- June 7th-Federal grand jury at Little Rock indicted Gov. Jim Guy Tucker on three felony counts
- June 8th- Capt. Scott O'Grady rescued from Bosnia
- June 9th- Six-year-old Morgan Nick from Ozark, Arkansas, was abducted from a Little League baseball field
- June 17th- Dozens dead and wounded after two Russian commando attacks on Chechen rebel gunmen who were holding about 2,000 hostages in a hospital
- June 22nd- House and Senate Republicans announced agreement on a compromise sevenyear budget-balancing plan
- June 25th-Warren E. Burger, chief justice of the United States during one of the Supreme Court's most socially turbulent eras, died



Summer Jobs- Keith Percefull and Kevin Holt entertain a lady during a show at Magic Springs. Several students earned college funds performing in various groups throughout the summer. • photo by Mac Sisson

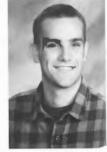














Seniors Jon Shirley and Zac Murtha entertain the crowd at a campus Christmas party. Shirley and Murtha, who began playing together at Praise and Worship and other events, decided to form a Christian duo called Nickel and Dime, hoping to sign a record deal after they cut their demo. •photo by Carol Price

playing for a change ickel & Dime by Janna Young

"Who is this guy?" he thought as he sat in class that day. "For weeks now I've been leading choruses before class, then this guy starts bringing his guitar to class and thinks he can do what I do." Who knew that one day they could be cutting an album together?

Jon Shirley and Zac Murtha worked together the summer following that sophomore year and eventually became friends. Their junior year they began playing together at Praise and Worship, a weekly worship meeting for students.

Shirley had long ago decided he was to have a solo career in music, but God had something else in mind. One night before his senior year Shirley had to play without Murtha, and he knew he never wanted to do that again. Shirley talked to Murtha about it, and they discovered they shared the same mission with their music.

"In our experience, most Christians make a science out of worship," said Shirley. "However, in a true encounter with the Lord, people can't help but be changed."

Shirley and Murtha continued working with the admissions office doing concerts to promote the University in Texas. Oklahoma, and surrounding areas. After graduation they wanted to go to college campuses and churches as the duet named Nickel and Dime.

They recorded two songs and planned to do more before their album was released on the first of April. However, record deals were not part of their main goal.

"We want to minister to people and help them experience God in a way they never have before, free and changed by the presence of God," said Murtha. "It doesn't take a record deal, posters, or fame to do that."

"Zac and Jon write songs that say exactly what they want to tell God," said freshman T.K. Zellers. "Their songs are very personal."

Perhaps they could continue to travel and play their music for the rest of their lives, or maybe it was just for a time. However, each knew God would continue to change lives with His truth, and they wanted to be involved in whatever way possible.









Patrick Faircloth Midwest City, OK **Stephanie Ferrill** Longview, TX

Amy Fisher Beebe **Mike Floyd** Prattville, AL

Wendy Forrest Mena **Marcy Franks** Malvem

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Broken Arrow, OK Daniel Funderburk

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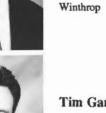
Chad Gallagher

Lake Charles, LA









Tim Gary Guadeloupe, French West Indies J. Chadwick Gay Stuttgart

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Stephen Gent Dallas, TX Natalie Gibbs Texarkana, TX Brandon Gill McGehee

Ashley Glover Little Rock Kerri Green Camden Angie Griffin Naples, TX

Monica Griffin Hermitage Tommy Goucher North Little Rock Kimberlyn Hannaman Greenwood

> Will Harris Forrest City Doug Hasley Fort Smith Jennifer Hauser Spring, TX

Jonathan Henderson Little Rock Hayden Hoyt Hendrix Little Rock Jason Heriford Round Rock, TX

> Chariny Herring Benton Erica Hitt Arkadelphia Jared Hodges Dakar, Senegal

Kendra Hodges Jonesboro Heather Holloway North Little Rock Kevin Holt Jonesboro

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Outside these walls ...



- July 1st- Paula Montgomery crowned Miss Arkansas 1995
- July 7th- Atlantis landed after having docked with the Russian space station
- July 9th- Police blockaded more than 3,000 Protestants in Northern Ireland from entering a Roman Catholic enclave
- July 14th- Judge barred TV cameras from Susan Smith's trial on charges that she drowned her two young sons
- July 18th- The death toll from Chicago's heat wave soared to 376
- July 22nd- Susan Smith found guilty of murder
- July 23rd- John Daly of Dardanelle won the British Open
- July 25th- Bomb hidden on subway exploded in Paris killing four and injuring 60 others
- July 28th- Croatian army joined Bosnian Croat forces against the Serbs in Bosnia's war
- July 28th- Susan Smith sentenced to life in prison



Summer Camps- Guy Lyons mixes developing chemicals in the photography lab for students at the University's publications workshop. High school students from across the state attended the event. •photo by Sandra Scucchi





Senior John Tolbert operates the sound board in Jones Performing Arts Center. Tolbert served as the production coordinator, and he was responsible for all technical aspects of performances in Jones. • photo by Jonathan Henderson

attending to technicalities

The stage was immaculate. The lights were positioned perfectly. The volume was just right, and the spotlights were ready. The actors, speakers, groups, or singers displayed their magnificent talent. Everyone offered rounds of applause to all the individuals who participated in the production. But behind all the glory and magnitude, back behind the soundboard, sat one tremendous individual.

Most people who stepped footinto Jones Performing Arts Center did not realize the labor that went on behind the scenes. But senior pastoral ministry major John Tolbert did. He was the one who was called on when there was equipment failure during a performance. He was the one who was called early in the morning or late at night when someone needed to prepare for an event in Jones. He was also the one whose name was recognized as being the Jones Performing Arts Center Production Coordinator.

When Tolbert transferred in the fall of 1993 from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, as well as from

the South Arkansas Community College in El Dorado, little did he know the responsibilities that awaited him. He worked under Eric Phillips, technical theatre instructor and set designer.

Tolbert supervised the coordination of workers in Jones for various events, such as Venture, Chapel, Tiger Tunes, concerts, and pageants. He was also responsible for the technical aspects of Jones, in addition to building and equipment upkeep. Even with all his responsibilities connected with Jones, Tolbert considered himself"just one of the workers with a little more responsibility."

Tolbert also managed to stay active in the Army Reserves for his fourth year. In the Reserves, he served as a communications security equipment repairer on cryptographic equipment.

Despite the responsibilities, Tolbert believed his work was rewarding. He said the satisfaction came from seeing a "production from its roughest point, its completion, and seeing the work pay off into a good performance."











Shelley Jackson Benton **Tang Jinwen** China

Allyce Johnson Arkadelphia **Theodocia Johnson** Wynne

Nickole Jolly McGehee Josh Jones Fouke

Kevin Jones Arkadelphia Noriko Kagaya Saitama, Japan







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Britt Howard Plano, TX **Brandy Hughes** Malvem

Mark Hurst Van Buren

Larry Don Hurta Marshall, TX

Larissa Kemp Glenwood Maradee Kern Little Rock

Karen Kolb-Spencer Little Rock Eri Kunitomo Fukuoka, Japan

Karla Lang Houston, TX Rebecca Leach Fort Smith

Andrea Leagans Bogota, Colombia April Lee Osaka, Japan

Beth Ann Lee Midwest City, OK Mary Gay Lewis Coming

Shannon Littmann Mineral Springs Ginny Loarie North Little Rock











Senior Steven Gent practices the guitar solo for one of his compositions. Gent began pursuing his life-long dream of becoming a musical performer even as a child. Gent and his band, Time of Silence, cut a demo in hopes of signing a recording contract with a major label. •photo by Richard Starkey



For some people, knowing what to do with life didn't come as easily as it did for Steven Gent. Who would think that as a small child he would begin playing on a keyboard and decide that was what he wanted to do with his future? Gent did, and his ambition directed him towards exciting new arenas of life.

Gent, a 27-year-old music major from Dallas, began his music career at an early age. He was a member of two bands during his high school years.

After attending Dallas Baptist University for three years, Genttransferred because he heard of Dr. McBeth. "I was very impressed with what I had heard about McBeth, and I really wanted to meet him, so I came here," Gent said.

During his career at the University, Gent has played the trumpet in the jazz band, the French horn in the wind ensemble, and the guitar and keyboard for Tiger Tunes.

Gent also had the experience of working with some of the "big wigs" in the music industry.

"I ran the sound at Magic Springs and was honored to be able to work with Diamond Rio, Marty Stuart, and Ronnie Milsap. It was a new experience," said Gent.

Gent was working towards a recording contract with some of the bigger Christian labels. "My group, 'Time of Silence,' composed of several students at the University, is working on a tape to be sent to 'pitch' or present the music to different, bigger labels, such as Word and is sold at concerts," Gent said.

Gent wrote 95 percent of the music his group sang, which "deals with topics most Christian artists don't," such as sexual temptation, insecurities about serving God, and relationships.

"When my group plays, it is usually a large scale production with lights and special effects and the whole thing," Gent said.

It appeared as though most of Gent's goals and dreams had been realized, but as far as longterm goals were concerned, Gent hoped to get signed on with Warner Brother Records and get a recording contract, start touring, and then eventually go solo.

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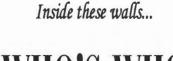












WHO'S WHO —recognized for excellence —

KIMBERLY BAKER,

was a Biblical studies/general major. She served as a BSU ministry team leader to international students. She received the O.W.

Yates Award and was named an Academic Achiever of Religion and Philosophy. Other honors include the president's and dean's lists and membership in Alpha Chi. She enjoyed playing the piano and



riding horses. She served as church organist, children's choir director, and was a teacher in the preschool department.

CINDY BLACK,

a general business major, was a dorm discipleship leader. She was a member of EEE Women's Social

Club, where she served as treasurer, an executive councilman, and was pledge class treasurer. She was social chairman for Phi Beta Lambda. She was a Maddox Dorm D e d i c a t i o n representative, a



college recruit representative, and a new student pannel discussion representative. She did volunteer work for Arkansas Children's Hospital, AWAC, and nursing homes. She enjoyed reading, writing, singing, aerobics, spending time with family, and being outdoors.













Patrick Lofvenberg Stockholm, Sweden Brandy Long Palestine David Lynch Berryville

Jennifer Madlock Hope Bryan Manley Grand Prairie, TX Melissa Marsh Gladewater, TX

Brandon Massey Hamburg Tiffany McBride Fairbanks, AK Dorothy McCarty Fort Smith

Kellee McCoy Benton Jason Merrick Benton Richard Meyer LaPlace, LA

Kara Mills Arkadelphia Megan Mims Little Rock David Montgomery Winthrop, NY

Sheri Montgomery Winthrop, NY Allen Morton Little Rock Teri Morton Arkadelphia

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Greg Moss Almyra Shane Mullens Van Buren Zac Murtha Little Rock

Monica Myers Brinkley Ashley Nall Batesville Chris Newberry Rogers

> Randy Odom Dallas, TX Jennifer Orr Marshall, TX Laura Owens Hatfield



Stacey Peoples Greenwood Keith Percefull Cabot Joanna Person Prescott

Tom Phelan Little Rock Danny Prescott Dallas, TX Paul Price Conway

Philip Price Jonesboro Matthew B. Pryor Searcy Jennifer Reece Mayflower

















Outside these walls...

AUGUST 1995

- Aug. 2nd- Hurricane Erin sank two ships and knocked out power to more than 1 million people
- Aug. 6th- Japan marked the apocalyptic advent of the nuclear age 50 years ago
- Aug. 9th- Jerry Garcia of the Grateful Dead died
- Aug. 9th- Police found decomposed body stuffed under vacant Little Rock house in condition like that of other women found slain
- Aug. 10th- Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols indicted in Oklahoma City bombing
- Aug. 10th- Clinton declared nicotine a drug and ordered it taken out of childrens' hands
- Aug. 13th- Mickey Mantle, the most powerful switch-hitter in baseball history, died
- Aug. 18th- Shannon Faulkner withdrew from the Citadel
- Aug. 19th-Mike Tyson defeated Peter McNeeley in just 89 seconds
- Aug. 29th- Mark Furhman tapes heard by Judge Ito unmasking Furhman as racially motivated, lying policeman



New Student Retreat- Freshmen Ashley Neill and Kelly Proctor enjoy lunch during the New Student Retreat. Many incoming students attended this weekend to get acquainted with others and with campus. •photo by Guy Lyons















Profile ...



Stoney Evans shuts himself into a practice room to enjoy his passion for music. While still practice teaching, Evans was offered a job as band director in Bismarck, where he attended school. Evans looked forward to expanding his love for music into a career. •photo by Diane Deaton

Sunexpected direction STONEY EVANS

Proverbs 3:5-6 said, "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct they paths." In a society where students were constantly bombarded with pessimistic predictions about the inavailability of jobs, trust took on an even deeper meaning than ever. Stoney Evans took that meaning seriously. He was a 1995 Bachelor of Music Education graduate with a unique situation. Evans was finishing up his degree by student teaching at Lakeside High School. However, before he finished the semester, **Bismarck High School offered** him a contract as a band director.

Evans said that it was a great feeling to know that he had a job, and that it was really special to be able to teach at the high school from which he graduated. He said, "I decided to teach because I felt that because Bismarck was a small school, I was somewhat short changed. We didn't have a junior high band then. The opportunity to enhance the program is exciting." Bismarck schools planned to have a junior high band in the fall of 1996, and they wanted Evans to take on the challenging position of director. "The chance to teach music is hard to describe; it's really neat," he said.

As far as the future was concerned, Evans said that he loved his job, and that any plans beyond that were unknown for the time being. He wanted to remain at Bismarck for as long as possible. "It takes time to see how good of a teacher you are," he said. "You can't get results in the first year. If the results are good, and the community is happy, I will keep doing what I'm doing."

According to Evans, the University prepared him well for his job. He said his education in all areas, especially spiritual ones, had better prepared him to be the leader he would have to be. "I'm not just a band director. I have to be a teacher, counselor, and friend," he said.

Evans' spiritual growth taught him the importance of putting all his trust in the Lord. He did just that, and he felt that his job offer was evidence of its effectiveness.













Callie Reynolds Arkadelphia Carey Richardson Nocodoches, TX

Marla Ritter Heber Springs Heather Roberts Blevins

Shannon Rogers Texarkana Rebecca Roe Benton

Kyle Rowe Pearcy Jovetta Saylors Lead Hill

Oliver Shipman North Little Rock Bryan Smith West Memphis

Karen Smith Foreman Sheila Smith Fort Worth, TX

Toinette Smith Saratoga Julie Snider Rose Bud

Jennifer Snowden Pine Bluff John Sowers Little Rock





GyElla Swanigan Pine Bluff Kevin Taylor Texarkana

Mark Taylor Hot Springs Village Shannon Taylor Arkadelphia

Shawn Thomas Texarkana Stephanie Thomas Pine Bluff

Latonya Tidwell Hope Lisa Todd Houston, TX

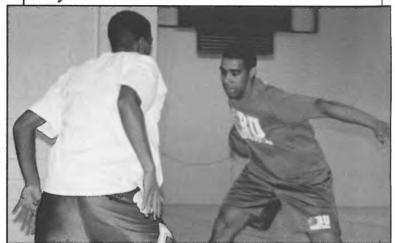
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Senior Frank Paul attempts to drive past his opponent in a practice game. In addition to playing college basketball, Paul seized the opportunity to travel to Europe with News Release Basketball. The group of athletes used sports as a vehicle for telling others about Christ. •photo by Jonathan Henderson



He wiped his sweaty palms on his shorts and quickly stepped to the line. Silence rang in his ears, and his eyes searched for the scoreboard. Frank Paul felt time stand still as his hands released the ball. He closed his eyes in prayer for another point.

This was no ordinary basketball game for Paul, who traveled to Europe for four weeks to play with a hidden mission. Paul joined a team with other college and high school players to reach European teenagers through time on a basketball floor. "I went over as a basketball player, not a missionary because they accept players better than missionaries," said Paul.

Paul's team was sponsored by News Release Basketball, which was a non-profit organization. Paul raised the amount of money required to travel to Belgium and Holland. Not only did Paul play for the organization, but he became part of the Board of Advisors. "As a member of the Board, I communicate my feelings of News Release about the future," said Paul.

Paul and the team set up

basketball camps for those who wanted to participate. Not only did Paul teach basketball skills, but he shared his testimony and led Bible study. "Ministering to kids over there is different than in the States because most kids have heard the gospel and know the Bible," said Paul, "They want you to prove it."

After the team worked the camps all day, they took the floor to play various European teams. It was not unusual for Paul to ride a train six or seven hours to play a game. The European teams that played were second or third division of their professional league.

Despite all the hard work, Paul was allowed time to travel the countries and meet other players. Among the people Paul met was David Thompson, a former NBA star. "He was Michael Jordan's hero, and I hung out with him every day," said Paul.

"I had fun, bonded with other players, and made new friends," said Paul. Whether he scored for the team, shared Christ, or helped a kid learn to dribble, Paul used his talents to impact people that most had no opportunity to reach.

























Inside these walls ...

WHO'S WHO —recognized for excellence —

CHRIS BOSEN,

a communications/theatre double major, served as editor, co-editor, and sports editor of the Signal. He

was president of Theta Alpha Phi theatre fraternity, and president, vice-president, corresponding secretary, and Tiger Tunes director for Sigma Alpha Sigma. He co-hosted Ouachita, the University's



television show and produced the Ken Wheaton Show. He was recognized by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association for his outstanding infographic portfolio.

MISTY L. BREWER,

a sociology major, served as a dorm Bible study leader, director of retreats and conferences, secretary, and was

an executive councilman for the BSU. She was also a part of the Panhellenic Council and served as chaplain of the EEE Wo-Social men's Club. She was a 1994 Homecoming nominee. She participated



in mission trips to Florida and Hilton Head, South Carolina. She enjoyed singing and writing short stories.















John David Tolbert El Dorado **Michael Treat** Sherwood **Stephanie Turnage** Little Rock

Angie Vance Cabot **Tyler Vance** Cabot Matt Weyenberg Bryant

Adrienne Whitfield Alvin, TX **David Whittington** Arkadelphia **Carla Whittington** Arkadelphia

Denise Wilhelm Bigelow **Chad Wilkerson** Jacksonville **Aprile Willett** Smackover

Chris Williams Lake Village Melinda Williams Springdale **Richard Williams** Hot Springs

Robert Wilson Springdale **Kim Wooley** Benton **Missy Wooley** Benton

Kyko Yarimizu Nagasaki, Japan Naomichi Yoneshima Fukuoka, Japan Lavinia Young Gurdon Paul \141





Julie C. Abbott Bismarck Jamie Alexander Arkadelphia Adrienne Allison Arlington, TX

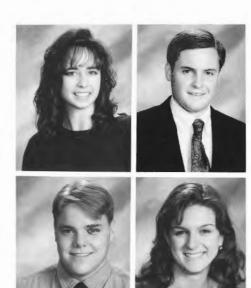
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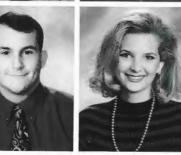
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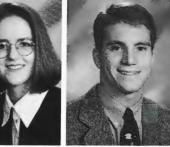
Joy Barber Orlando, FL Trey Barr Monroe, LA Jimmy Baugher Star City

Sarah Beal Caracas, Venezuela Jeanetta Bechdoldt Searcy Cari Bedford Springdale











Outside these walls ...

SEPTEMBER 1995

- Sept. 1st- NCAA said football players could kneel in prayer for a brief moment
- Sept. 1st- Fiftieth anniversary of the end of World War II
- Sept. 1st- Serbs, Croats, and Muslims announced possible peace talks
- Sept. 10th- United States ship fired cruise missiles at Serb targets
- Sept. 10th- Women in Beijing gained the right over reproduction at the United Nation's women's conference
- Sept. 11th- United Nations blamed the United States for a slowing economy
- Sept. 12th- NATO warplanes bombed Bosnian Serbs ammunition depot and other military targets
- Sept. 12th- Members of Montana's Crow tribe gathered at the Capitol to protest proposed cuts to Indian programs
- Sept. 12th- United States announced it suffered its worst trade performance in history



Serenades- Women across campus gather as the Men of Kappa Chi sing for them. Serenades by both men and women social clubs occurred frequently throughout the fall and spring semesters. •photo by Jim Yates

















Junior Chase Goforth swallows fire as one of his many magic tricks. Goforth used his magic to catch the attention of his audiences, and then he shared his personal testimony with the onlookers. • photo by Carol Price

Captivating the crowds by Janna Young

"I remember when I was about nine years old, watching TV and a guy was making a girl float in mid-air. I asked my mom how he did that. Rather than giving me the logical answer I wanted, she simply said 'Magic.'" The sense of mystery with which Chase Goforth's mom answered him inspired him to become a magician himself.

Chase Goforth, a junior Biblical Studies/Language major from Fayetteville, had been doing magic ever since. His first performance was in the second grade. He showed his class a trick he'd gotten in a magic set.

Goforth had since progressed in his magic skills. He performed tricks that involved people, such as the one he did with fellow student Misty Brewer.

"He cut me in half," said Brewer. "I got in a big box and he put blades through it, then pulled the boxes apart."

Goforth felt an obligation as a Christian to make disciples, but he did not call his magic a ministry. Rather, he called it Christian entertainment, which he defined as a form of entertainment which allowed him to get people's attention, and then share with them a personal testimony, or some spiritual insight. Goforth had made use of his talent on mission trips to Ohio, Arizona, Texas, and Arkansas.

Goforth was a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, the Society of American Magicians and the Psychic Entertainers Association.

As for the future, Goforth planned to continue doing magic. He aspired to be successful enough to incorporate other Christian art into his performances. Goforth explained that Christian art seemed to be a half step behind modern secular art. "I would like to see more risks taken and eventually catch up with the secular world," said Goforth.

The one problem Goforth had as a magician, was that he was no longer entertained by magic because he knew most of the tricks. "There is one trick called the zig-zag illusion, that I saw when I was nine or ten," said Goforth. "I still don't know how it works, and I don't want to. I like not knowing."













Milivoj Beleslin Kikinda, Yugoslavia **Jason Bennett** Little Rock

Melody Bigler Texarkana, TX **Bridget Birdsong** Searcy

Ben Blackwell Longview, TX **Amy Blackwood** San Angelo, TX

Michelle Blaine Dallas, TX **Becky Boyett** Rogers

Robin Breedlove Clinton **Elten Briggs** Lake Village

Jason Bright Arkadelphia **Cortney Brown** Van Buren

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Lannie Byrd West Memphis Amy Cannon Murfreesboro

Kerry Chandler White Hall Michael Cloud Fort Smith

Jeannie Cogbill Hope Kim Cole Bossier City, LA

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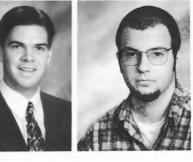
















Junior Carol Davis takes time out to play a game with her children, Sidney and Spencer. With a spirit of true determination, Davis managed to maintain the roles of employee, student, and mother, becoming an example of hard work for all to emulate. •photo by Guy Lyons



With toys strewn all about the room and the sound of innocent laughter filling the air, Carol Davis sat calmly on the couch and listened to the sound of normality. Being a single mother of two, holding between 18 and 20 hours of college classes, and earning a living seemed to be more than any one person could handle. Oddly enough, Davis found nothing bizarre about her situation and did not consider it a burden.

The sudden death of her husband in December of 1992 left her alone with her two children, Sidney and Spencer. With only a few hours of college credit to her name and a job with no potential for promotion, she found herself searching for a university willing to accept her. After attending a local community college and receiving as many hours as possible, she decided to pack up and move to Arkadelphia.

Although her family considered her insane for moving to a town of complete strangers, Davis' strong will and sense of peace carried her through her decision. When asked how she ever found the time to fit in all of her work, she said, "I never study for more than two hours for any one thing." She simply said that this strategy seemed to work and that was all the time she could give.

Although she lived alone, the memories of her husband and the father of her children would always remain. From looking around the house and viewing the family photos to studying his works of art, the evidence of a loving and devoted man was clear. While the children barely remembered their father, Davis took time to teach them about him and constantly reminded them "daddy" loved them. The children even placed gifts for him under the Christmas tree and always saved half of their candy to share with their father.

No matter if one considered Davis in the light of student, mom, or both, she was an incredible woman, abounding in devotion and determination. She always found the time to take care of the people around her, and she still found time for herself. In short, Davis was a remarkable person worth being noticed.



























Inside these walls...

WHO'S WH recognized for excellence –

SHAUNNA BROWN,

an early childhood education major, served on the executive council, as a ministry leader, and as a dorm Bible

study leader for the BSU. She was a Homecoming nominee and was named to the dean's list. She did volunteer work with the children's department and in the nursery at church and worked with the children at



Head Start. She went to Australia with the summer mission team.















Mandi Cozart Texarkana, TX **Jason Crain** Star City Zac Crow Conway

Gina Daulton Jacksonville John Davidson Nigeria **Courtney Davis** Clinton

Robin Davis Humble, TX Joey Dodson Star City **Sadie Dodson** Star City

Clay Dollar DeWitt **Stacy Dollar** Queen City, TX Jon Dudley Dallas, TX

Shannon Duke Sherwood **Ted Duncan** Pine Bluff **Mark Edds** Gurdon

Laura Edwards Sheridan Jeff Edwards Rogers **Anthony Effird** Ashdown

Misty Evers Texarkana, TX **Daniel Fore** Rison **Michael Franks** Greenwood

CHANTAL BUNN,

an English major, was a member of Sigma Tau Delta, Alpha Chi National Honor Fraternity, SELF, Student

Senate, and Tri Chi Women's Social Club. She was editor of the Tempus literary magazine. She was chosen as a Kappa Chi Little Sis. She was named to the National Honor Roll, the dean's list, and the

Church in Arkadelphia.

president's list. She was also an active member of Third Street Baptist





Yuka Fukuda Japan Jaime Fulton Garland, TX Joel Gaddis Malaysia

Jennifer Gay Stuttgart Corey Gilbert Temuco, Chile Aaron Gillespy Dallas, TX



Jason Greenwich Brazil Jason Greer Jackson, MS Phillip Greer Little Rock

Brandon Griffin McKinney, TX David Griffin Van Buren Laura Hardin Liule Rock

> Alicia Harman Fort Smith Kelley Harris Memphis, TN Amy Harville County Line











Outside these walls...



Sept. 25th- Ross Perot announced he was starting his own party

- Sept. 26th- Bald Knob student James Derrick Grubbs admitted killing classmate Kenyatta Haynes
- Sept. 26th- Bosnia agreed to guidelines for elections and a future government
- Sept. 26th- Sixteen POWs held by Bosnian Serbs exchanged for 17 Serb POWs
- Sept. 26th- Arkansas Black & White Cab Co. driver Luther Williams surrendered on Medicaid fraud charges
- Sept. 27th- Mount Ruapehu on New Zealand's North Island continued to erupt
- Sept. 27th- Israeli cabinet approved a plan to bring self rule to most of the Palestinians in the West Bank
- Sept. 27th- Hendrix student died after falling out of truck and being run over on I-40



I.W.I.R.P. Week. Tri Chi Beaus serenade junior Tri Chi member Cari Bedford as they entertain the audience at Planet Ouachita. Each of the social clubs hosted an evening activity ranging from barbecues to formal dinners during T.W.I.R.P. week. •photo by Jim Yates





Junior computer science major Bo Koralage sits down to speak with a friend between classes. Koralage came to the United States to attend high school in 1988 and has continued his education here. As a sort of cure for homesickness, Koralage used modern conveniences such as e-mail to keep in touch with his family in Sri Lanka. • photo by Jonathan Henderson



It all began in 1980, when Joe Parks from Texarkana went on a mission trip to Sri Lanka, a "little bitty country under India." Parks met Prabodha Koralage, or "Bo" as he was called, and asked the young man if he would like to go to the States to attend school.

"The only English I knew was English I had learned in school," said Koralage. So, without knowing much English, Koralage came to the United States in 1988 and adopted Texarkana as his new home, and Mr. Joe Parks as his foster parent. Bo attended Texas High School and graduated in 1993.

Bo applied to various colleges and found that Ouachita offered him the best scholarships. "It was convenient in that it was close to Texarkana, also," Koralage said.

Koralage decided to major in computer science and to go to graduate school. "It really all depends on whatever God wants me to do," he said.

Because Sri Lanka was a third world country, there were differences in the culture that were foreign to the U.S. "The education system is really different. The education and schooling there is more theory. Here it is practical," Koralage said. He went on to say that because the country did not have many resources there were not many ways to use the education as a means of producing. "Here you can put education to work; there you can't," he said.

Being many miles away from home, one would think Koralage would be homesick often. He said he didn't get that homesick very often, and he talked to his family two or three times a year on birthdays and holidays. "Being a computer science major, I can e-mail my friends and family and communicate with them that way. I keep up with the Sri Lankan news on the e-mail because it's not everyday that you see something in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette about Sri Lanka," he said.

Koralage anxiously waited to see what God wanted him to do after he graduated. With the vast and ever-improving communication technology, impacting two countries was a distinct possibility.

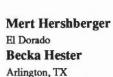












Emily Higgins Longview, TX **Audrey Hightower** Stuttgart

Josh Hildebrand Hurst, TX **Selena Holston** Dallas, TX

John Honey Arkadelphia **Shannon Howell** Texarkana, TX



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Dawn Hasley Fort Smith **Teresa Haynes** Wynne

Amy Head Sherwood **April Heintz** Lewisville

Bryan Hoy Katy, TX Abby Hughes Bismarck Joshua Hughes Bismarck

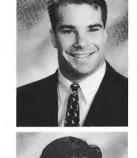
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Cory Hutchinson Cabot Bambi Jack Double Oak, TX Melanie Jacks Magnolia

Amber Jackson Hot Springs Jerusalem Jackson Juneau, AK Amanda Johnson Hot Springs

Jenni Johnson Fukuoka, Japan Kristen Johnson Mineral Springs Leigh Ann Johnson Crossett

> Christy Jones Sherwood Davy Jones Murfreesboro Julie Jones Camden













SHANNA BURRIS,

a chemistry and biology double major, served as president of Gamma Sigma Epsilon Chemistry Honor Society and senior

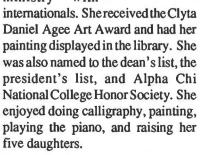
class secretary. She was a member of Alpha Chi and played intramural basketball and softball. She was an IBM Scholar and a 1995 Mondy-Provine Scholar. She was named to the president's list

and as outstanding freshman biology student. She enjoyed playing the piano, bicycling, hiking, and reading.

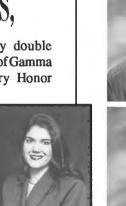
SHARON COSH,

participated in many BSU activities. She was co-leader of the young married's Sunday School class at First

Baptist Church. She is a part-time instructor of English as a Second Language and started an ESL school at First **Baptist Church** and was program director for two years. She also worked in ministry with



























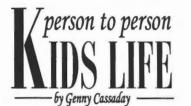




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Senior Carey Richardson and junior Angela Rodriguez talk with Jenny Fryman, a high school student at the K-Life House in Hot Springs. Several students taught Bible study and led various activities in order to help high school and junior high students strengthen their faith. •photo by Sandra Scucchi



Sacrifice was a major part of any ministry, but for a group of students it meant driving 90 miles or more a week to serve in Kids Life (K-Life), a nondenominational, Christian youth organization located in Hot Springs.

The organization was one of nine in the Mid West which were a branch of Kanakuk-Kanakomo Kamps centered in Branson, Missouri. Trent Ballard served as the area director of Hot Springs K-Life, which began three years ago.

The primacy of the personto-person contact was at the forefront of K-Life's message to teens.

"One person can't do mass discipleship," said Ballard. "These Ouachita student leaders help make the ministry more intimate because they can spend time with individual kids."

Junior high and high school K-Life clubs allowed kids time for food, fellowship, games, skits, singing, and learning more about how to grow in their relationship with Christ.

"Club is a great time for the kids to relax, and it provides an opportunity for some Christian fellowship," said sophomore Dawn Webb. "The environment is informal enough that non-Christian youth don't feel threatened like they might in a church setting."

Outside of the clubs, the youth had an opportunity to meet in small group Bible studies which were decided by grade and gender.

Senior Carey Richardson saw Bible study as a vital part of the K-Life ministry. "Bible study gives me a tremendous opportunity for one-on-one discipleship with my girls," she said.

In addition to regular club meetings and Bible studies, there were numerous retreats and special activities throughout the year held for both junior high and high school students.

The organization also had a way of ministering to the leaders, who met once a week for a time of singing, prayer, and Bible study.

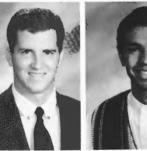
"The leaders create a real support system for each other," said junior Cortney Brown. "Our time together on Sunday nights gives us time when we can focus on our relationships with the Lord."















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Todd Jones Ashdown Kim Joplin Magnolia

Wendy King Jacksonville Kenneth Kinney Bossier City, LA

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Anthony Knighton Texarkana Bo Koralage Sri Lanka

Yukiko Kumagai Japan Krista Lapp Little Rock

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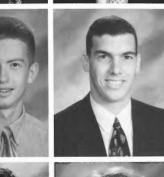
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Kristi Maxwell Monticello **Michael McClure** Gurdon

Tony McCreery Garland, TX Lance McSwain Memphis, TN

Chris Meseke Hot Springs Jennifer Middleton Mobile, AL











Profile ...



Junior Jeff Williams looks to the scoreboard and announces for a home basketball game. Williams devoted most of his time to his love of sports by writing stories for the Sports Information Office, commentating for local radio stations, and traveling to as many games as he could. • photo by Sandra Scucchi



He walked in his dorm room, kicked off his shoes and collapsed on his bed fully clothed, too tired to even change. After a long Saturday at the ball field, junior Jeff Williams was deserving of what little sleep he could fit in before the next day's duties began.

Growing up around it his whole life, Williams had a natural love for sports. Playing catch with his dad on a Sunday afternoon wasn't the only activity he enjoyed as a child. Glued to the television, memorizing every face. number and position, Williams enjoyed watching game after game learning the rules and players for each team.

When Williams came to college, he knew he didn't have the size or the talent to play on the college level, but he knew he wanted to do something involving sports. During his freshman year, Williams began keeping statistics for the basketball and football programs, helping out Mac Sisson, the University's Sports Information Director.

During his sophomore year, Williams wrote for all of the University's sports and began helping Sisson at all of the games and the activities involved. During his junior year, he began doing color commentating for local radio stations covering Arkadelphia football games. He wrote playby-play at the basketball games and stayed busy every afternoon working for Sports Information as his work study.

While most students enjoyed fun-filled, relaxing weekends, whether it was a date or an outing, Williams spent his so-called "time off" traveling from game to game and writing the stories.

Williams said that he didn't mind the busy weekends. "It's more fun than it is work for me," said Williams. "I wanted to go to college and find a job I enjoyed, and I did," he said.

After graduation, Williams planned to take the experience he gained from his hard work and use it to help him establish a career. "I want to go into sports information," said Williams. "I feel like I have the experience and the chance to do a lot of things. I just love sports and I love being surrounded by it."















Outside these walls...

OCTOBER 1995

- Oct. 1st- Tropical storm pounded the entire length of the Philippines, killing 29 people
- Oct. 2nd- O.J. Simpson jury reached a verdict in less than four hours
- Oct. 3nf- Minutes after 12 p.m. central time, O.J. Simpson found not guilty
- Oct. 8th- Israel released the first of 2,300 Palestinian prisoners after months of negotiations
- Oct. 9th- Jury selection began in the trial of the woman accused of killing Selena, the 23-year-old queen of Latin-flavored Tejano music
- Oct. 8th- Hurricane Opal changed the face of Florida's Gulf coast
- Oct. 11th- First Republican presidential candidate debate in New Hampshire
- Oct. 11th- The Lighthouse of Alexandria, one of the seven wonders of the world, found in Alexandria, Egypt
- Oct. 16th- Million Man March in Washington, D.C.



The Verdict- Students and professors gather around every available television to hear the noon announcement of the O. J. Simpson verdict. A hush came over campus as classes dismissed early to watch the not guilty verdict be announced. •photo by Joy Barber

















Allison Miles Paragould Amy Miles Paragould Charles Mosley North Little Rock

Michelle Nicholson Jos, Nigeria Denise Norwood Ashdown Tim Oosterhous Texarkana, TX

Cara Ooten North Little Rock Clayton Owen Fort Smith Julie Packwood Guayaquil, Ecuador

James Parker Texarkana, TX Ashley Patrick Fayetteville Lashun Peals Forrest City

Marci Phillips Berryville Donald Poe Little Rock Blake Pointer Pine Bluff

Shari Provence Texarkana, TX Dusti Raley Star City Brad Ray Lavaca



Amy Reaves Star City Rachel Reed Oskaloosa, KS

Clint Rickett Benton Shane Robertson Hot Springs

Stephanie Robins McCrory Angela Rodriguez Dallas, TX

Allyson Roy Springdale Will Rusher Jonesboro

Kevin Samples Mesquite, TX Licia Samuels Shreveport, LA

David Sanders Little Rock Amanda Seale Texarkana, TX





Junior Angela Rodriguez enjoys a praise song with friend Katie Colo at the K-Life House in Hot Springs. In addition to her time spent in work with K-Life, Rodriguez volunteered to do prison ministry. *•photo by Sandra Scucchi*

Ataking time to care ANGELA RODRIGUEZ by Amanda Seale

"It all started when I was a freshman and I prayed that God would give me a ministry to work in, but that he would just have to flat out show me," said junior Angela Rodriguez. She explained that one night in praise and worship Trent Ballard talked about Kids Life (K-Life).

"I knew that was what God was telling me He wanted me to do," she said.

Three years ago, Rodriguez got involved with K-Life, a n o n - d e n o m i n a t i o n a l organization for kids which allowed them to "be one-onone with their peers."

"K-Life offers kids a place to come and worship and share with one another thoughts and feelings that might pertain to someone else, kind of like a support group," Rodriguez said.

She said that K-Life wasn't just a big "Bible school." It was a place where kids could have fun and play games and fellowship.

While working in K-Life Rodriguez had a ninth grade girls' Bible study every Tuesday. "I have really had a chance to be an example to these kids through this ministry and make a difference in their lives so they can come to know Christ through this program," she said.

As if her schedule didn't sound busy enough with K-Life, Rodriguez worked with the prison ministry in the BSU.

"In high school something I wanted to do was be involved in a prison ministry and share God with the inmates," she said. "I have learned that their sin is no different from my sin. God still forgives them, even if they are in a jail cell."

The BSU prison ministry went four times a semester to different prisons throughout the region. The team shared their testimonies, and they led the inmates in songs. Rodriguez led the drama that the team performed, and also did sign language to songs they sang.

"Sign language really has helped to minister to the deaf inmates, and it lets them see that there are different ways to worship God," she said.

Rodriguez didn't know what she wanted to do with her future. She was just waiting to hear from God - something she was used to doing anyway.

















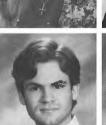


















Inside these walls...



SARA DUDLEY,

a psychology major, served as chaplain of Chi Delta Women's Social Club and president of the

Association of Women Students. She was a member of SELF. the Psychology Club, and the student interview panel. She participated in Tiger Tunes and was a tutor. She volunteered in a homeless shelter

while on a mission trip. She was named to the dean's list. She enjoyed reading and sewing.

DEREK ERWIN,

was a Biblical studies/general and sociology double major. He served as chaplain of Kappa Chi Men's

Social Club, BSU internationals ministry leader, associate and pastor of Caddo Valley Baptist Church. He was a member of Alpha Chinational honor fraternity and was named to the president's and dean's lists. He



taught English as a Second Language.















Shavna Sessler Mena **Todd Shaw** Duncanville, TX Luke Shepard Glenwood

Marcus Shepherd Van Buren **Priscilla Shrader** Cabot **David Smith** Edmond, OK

Holly Smith Texarkana John L. Smith Fordyce Lane Smith Germantown, TN

Matt Smith Memphis, TN **Shad Smith** Lisbon, Portugal Zine Smith Foreman

Beverly Smoke Hot Springs **David Snethen** Irving, TX **Brant Steffey** Arlington, TX

Bob Stevenson Fort Smith **Jamie Stewart** Little Rock **Tom Stickney** Plano, TX

Denise Stringfellow Garland, TX **Kristen Tache** Plano, TX **Karen Temple** Lonoke Rodriguez 153

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Jennifer Tolbert Wynne Wesley Tollett Nashville Eric Torrence Camden



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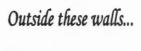












OCTOBER 1995

- Oct. 16th- The Supreme Court said picketers could not parade at abortion doctors' houses
- Oct. 17th- Jennings Osborne made a tentative agreement with Walt Disney World allowing them to use part of his lights diplay
- Oct. 20th- NATO Secretary General Willy Claes resigned
- Oct. 21st- Fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations celebrated in New York City creating the largest gathering of world leaders in history
- Oct. 21st- Seven Arkansans inducted into state's Black Hall of Fame
- Oct. 22nd- U.S. Representative Cleo Fields made history by becoming the first African American to make a Louisiana gubernatorial runoff
- Oct. 24th- Lawsuit filed against Arkansas state constitution revision process
- Oct. 30th- Quebec voted against secession from Canada



Midnight Madness- Students gather in SPEC for an evening of Midnight Madness on the basketball court. Everyone participated in contests and watched the basketball team practice as they helped the team kick off a new season. •photo by Jim Yates



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Profile ...



Junior communications major Christian Wassmer gets ready for another day's practice in the tennis center. Wassmer's athletic ability and fierce determination brought him from West Germany to play tennis and to pursue a career in journalism. •photo by A. Morton

unmatchable perseverance by Priscilla Shrader

He sat in front of his I don't know somebody, they television in West Germany, watching the latest Nike commercial and wondering what life was like in the United States. As a young student, he thought of creating a dream for himself in the land of opportunity.

Raised in West Germany, Christian Wassmer had been "Americanized" through television, news, food, and clothes. He had studied in his country for 20 years, but he was facing obstacles in reaching his goals.

Wassmer had played tennis since he was three years old, and he thought he could use his talent to get a chance at studying in America. His dream was to establish a career in communications, but his grade point was not high enough for the standard set by the German press. With the help of his athletic talent and his determination, Wassmer found himself in Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

The 23-year-old junior was one of a substantial number of international students on campus. Wassmer enjoyed the friendly atmosphere. "Even if introduce themselves to me," said Wassmer. "It's easy to make friends in class and on campus."

As far as tennis was concerned, Wassmer was a leader on the team and was competitive on the court. The University had a record of strong tennis players, and Wassmer added to the talent.

"Since I've been playing for 20 years, it's hard to think about life without tennis," said Wassmer, "There are times I wish I didn't have to practice, but I won't stop playing, not even after college."

Knee injuries proved to be a problem for Wassmer and his time on the court. He missed a few matches, but after four knee operations, the problem seemed to be remedied.

"Christian is a great friend and fellow player," said junior teammate Tim Oosterhous. "After rooming with him for two years, I've gotten to know a lot about him and his culture."

The time Wassmer spent in America would be wellremembered and cherished not only by him, but also by the friends he made.















Livi Weaver Dallas, TX Lisa White Columbia, MD

Jason Whitlock Gurdon Leslie Whitten Arkadelphia

Brent Williams Camden Jeff Williams Little Rock

Jerod Winemiller Hope **Richard Womack** Benton

Tauna Woodruff Conway **Justin Wooten** Bismarck

Winnie Wu Quingdao, China Masa Yamamoto Japan



Dane Abels Bauxite Leslie Abels Dallas, TX **Amy Adams** Mt. Ida

Melissa Adams North Little Rock Lisa Akins Hampton Mark Alexander Lenoir City, TN

Meredith Archer DeQueen **Gwen Bagwell** Mt. Ida **Kate Bailey** North Little Rock

Ray Baser Marion **Stephanie Baynes** Houston, TX **Julie Beckwith** Hot Springs

> **Richard Belue** Greenwood **Nicole Bender** Plano, TX **Brad Bettis** Arkadelphia

Heather Bird Little Rock **Andy Bonifant** Cabot **Aaron Black** Damascus

Patti Blackard Clarksville Laura Blakely Nashville **April Boring** Phoenix, AZ

















Inside these walls ...



AMY FISHER,

an elementary education major, served as Noonday coordinator, Tiger Tunes director, executive council-

man, dorm discipleship leader, and Australia mission trip team leader for the BSU. She also played intramural sports for the BSU. She was a ministry team leader at Second **Baptist** Church and a Disciple Now group leader.



She was a member of Alpha Chi, was a nominee for Miss Ouachitonian Beauty, and was the 1995 Homecoming Queen. She was a part of the Super Summer staff. She was a Governor's Scholar and was named to the dean's and president's lists. She enjoyed running, basketball, flag football, and softball.

MARCY FRANKS,

a biology major, was a member of Beta Beta Beta, SELF, and Alpha Chi. She served as senior class trea-

surer and played intramural sports. She was named to the dean's and president's lists and was a Tiger Belle and Homecoming nominee. She was a Trustee's Scholar. She was a mentor for freshman students. She enjoyed



sports, playing the piano, and singing.

















Sophomore Emily Stanley talks with a couple of friends in Grant Plaza. During her freshman year, Stanley was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma, a form of cancer. Although it was a struggle, Stanley relied on God and didn't let the disease overcome her. *•photo by Amy Morton*

Ecoming out unharmed EMILY STANLEY by Jennifer Hillman

"I'd like for you to pray for my daughter," Emily Stanley overheard her father tell his friend. "She's got cancer."

At that moment, reality began to hit Stanley. In June, she was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma, a form of cancer.

The last couple of weeks of her freshman year, Stanley had a swelling in her neck. After seeing the school nurse and visiting an ear, nose, and throat doctor, she was told she had cat scratch fever. When she didn't respond to antibiotics, she went for a needle biopsy. The cells weren't cancerous. The last week in June, they removed the spots and knew that there was a serious problem.

Fear was Stanley's initial response. "All during the time, after the first initial thoughts, I had a peace—that peace that passes all understanding," Stanley said. "I wasn't scared anymore."

Stanley's oncologist, or cancerdoctor, told Stanley they were looking for a cure, not a treatment. She went for chemotherapy in four-week cycles from June until November. Weeks one and two, she'd go once a week for chemo. Week three, she'd have her blood checked. Week four, she'd be free. Although nobody could tell by looking at her that she was sick, the chemotherapy had a great effect. "A lot of times I wouldn't have the umph to do things, but there was always a week every month that I felt good."

Since treatments extended until November, Stanley couldn't return in the fall. During that semester, she was lonely but learned to appreciate school more. She saw her return to school as "a neat opportunity to share what God had done" in her life.

Stanley said her outlook on life had changed somewhat. She tried not to take things for granted. Also, her relationship with Christ changed. She said, "Your parents can be support and help, but God wants you to have faith—to know Him, not just about Him."

Looking back, Stanley knew that her relationship with Christ brough ther through this. "You can't go through something like that and come out not harmed by it without that relationship with Him."











Stacy Brewer Monticello Erin Brigance DeQueen

Holly Brooks Monroe, LA Michelle Brown North Little Rock

Ryan Brown Glen Rose Ann Browning Judsonia

Shelley Buck Arkadelphia Julie Burks Hallsville, TX

Bonny Burnett Arkadelphia Carmen Byrd North Little Rock

Amy Campbell Conway Angel Cannell Fulton, MO

Danielle Carey Hope Jason Carmichael Judsonia

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Nathan Cartwright Dallas, TX Rachel Casburn Arlington, TX Kimberly Cash Arkadelphia

Genevieve Cassaday Springfield, MO Latoya Chauncey Malvem Nate Chrastina Dallas, TX

> John Churchwell Booneville Traci Clark Arkadelphia Warren Clingan Camden

Susan Cofer Searcy Jennifer Coleman Cabot Bryan Collins Jonesboro

> Trisha Collins Denton, TX Clay Conly Gurdon Lee Coon Arkadelphia

Angela Craig Bossier City, LA Blain Craig Sherwood Brandon Creel Iron Mountain, MI





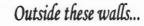














- Nov. 1st-Joergen Roslund of Denmark won the first World Santa Games
- Nov. 2nd- Police shot to death a Miami school bus hijacker
- Nov. 2nd- 144 people filed to run as Arkansas constitutional convention candidates for the state's 35 Senate districts
- Nov. 3rd- Decade's most powerful typhoon killed at least 35 people in the Philippines
- Nov. 4th- Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin killed after a peace rally
- Nov. 7th-U.S. postal stamp honoring Senator J. William Fulbright released
- Nov. 8th- Colin Powell announced he would not run for president
- Nov. 8th- Hubbell telescope discovered a black hole or an equal rarity
- Nov. 11th- Hot Springs woman killed when boulders fell through store during a rock slide
- Nov. 9th-Former Secretary of State Bill McCuen pled guilty to felony political corruption and tax evasion charges



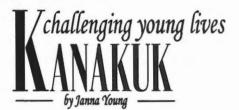
Tiger Times- Tri Chi hillbillies entertain the crowd during the 17th annual Tiger Tunes production. Six social clubs, the international club, the hosts and hostesses, and the combo participated in the event sponsored by the Ouachita Student Foundation. • *photo by Jim Yates*







Students work at an information booth to acquaint others with facts about Kanakuk. Several students spent their summers living at the camps with kids of various ages. They played sports with the kids and acted as a support group for the kids to lean on. *•photo by Sandra Scucchi*



After a long day in the summer sun, she couldn't wait to get to sleep. But to her surprise, her mind would not rest. She kept thinking about all "herkids" that were leaving tomorrow. She had actually learned to love the kids that she had met only a few days ago. She wondered how she would say goodbye and what would happen to each of them as they returned to the real world.

This experience became real for hundreds of college students who worked at Kanakuk Kamps during the summer. Kanakuk was a Christian athletic camp for kids ages 7-17 located deep in the Ozarks of Missouri. Each camp was tailored for specific age groups and types of kids. Depending on the camp, kids stayed for 1-3 weeks. They spent their days playing sports and studying the Bible.

College students from across the nation came to work at the camps every summer. Students filled various positions, from counselors for the kids, to office, kitchen, and maintenance workers. More than 20 students from the University made this a major part of their summer. They gained valuable experience in discipleship and servanthood while enjoying the outdoors and their favorite sports.

Sophomore Justin Hardin said, "It was a blessing to see kids look up to you and want to be like you because they saw Jesus in you."

Students were surprised to find that as they were busy giving of themselves, they were also growing in their own spiritual lives. Some students felt that they learned more from the kids than the kids did from them.

"Ilearned the true meaning of having a servant's heart by working in the kitchen," said junior Sarah Beal. "The experience gave me a greater respect for people in those types of service positions."

Students returned to school in the fall excited about their relationship with Christ and ready to share the blessings they had received from following Jesus' example of letting the children come unto Him. They had learned through their hard work during those summer months that truly "of such is the kingdom of heaven."









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West Memphis Peter Cunningham

Becca Cunningham

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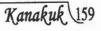






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Michelle Crim McKinney, TX Donna Crochet Lake Charles, LA

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Bryan Dykes Peachtree City, GA Lara Ellis North Little Rock



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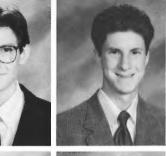
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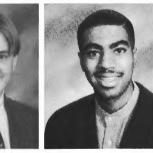
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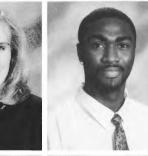
















Sophomores Matt Shepherd and Susan Harrell and junior Julie Jones spend a few moments catching up on family news. The three were first brought together as infants and then were reunited 20 years later at college, where they represented the fifth generation of their family at the University. • photo by Sandra Scucchi



As the family gathered at their great-grandparents' home, three children first met. The year was 1976. Twenty years later, the three were together again as they continued a family tradition.

Susan Harrell, a sophomore psychology major; Julie Jones, a junior elementary education major; and Matt Shepherd, a sophomore political science major, were fifth generation Ouachita students.

The family's tradition began around the turn of the century. Their great-great grandfather, George S. Smith. attended the University during the time Dr. John Conger was president. His son, Rev. Ray M. Smith, saw 19 children and grandchildren also attend the University.

Harrell and Jones' grandparents, Rex and Rose Jane Smith Jones, were former students in 1947. Shepherd's grandfather, the late Travis N. Beeson, was a student in 1947 and his grandmother, Doris Smith Beeson graduated in 1948. Jones' parents, Richard (1969) and Sandra (1968) Jones, and Shepherd's parents, Bobby E. (1973) and Bobbi Beeson Shepherd (1972) were also alumni.

For Harrell, Jones, and Shepherd following this family tradition brought them closer to one another. "Matt's my second cousin and we always lived in different towns. I never really knew him," said Susan Harrell. "Since we have been here, we have become much closer, like best friends."

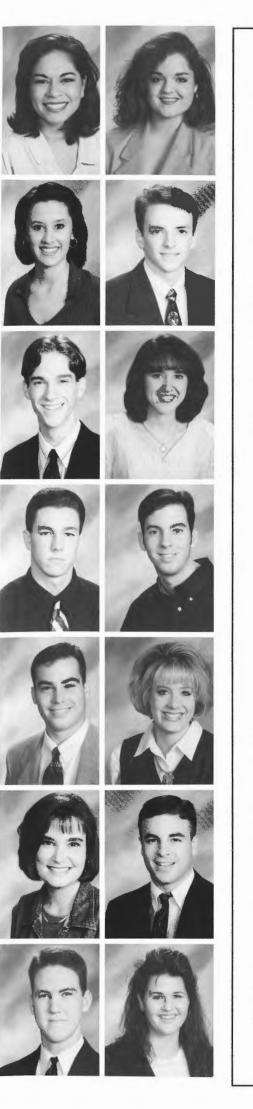
Being family didn't stop Harrell, Jones, and Shepherd from claiming their own identities. Between them, they represented three different areas of studies and various organizations on campus, including the different social clubs.

The three agreed that their family was proud and excited to have them continue the tradition. "My grandparents have always supported Ouachita," said Shepherd. "My grandfather has since passed away, but I know he was proud I'm here."

Harrell said. "My grandmother and great-aunt love us all being here because it's easy to keep up with all of us." The three enjoyed keeping up the family tradition.







Inside these walls ...



KEVIN G. JONES,

a biology major, played varsity football and golf. He served as social chairman and vice-president of Rho

Sigma Men's Social Club. He assistant was director of Miss **OBU** for Blue Key and an EEE beau. He was named to the dean's list. He was a volunteer coach for Arkadelphia Parks and Recreation peewee basketball

program. He enjoyed playing sports as well as teaching them to children.









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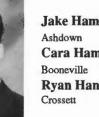
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Scott Hafley

Fort Worth, TX **Ramzy Halaby** Arkadelphia

Maumelle

Susan Harrell Camden Matt Harrison Camden **Becky Hatcher** Shreveport, LA

Brannan Hester Little Rock **Toni Hicks** North Little Rock Lisa Hight Garland, TX

ANDREA LEAGANS,

a music education major, was a member of the Praise Singers, Ouachita Singers, Sigma Alpha Iota,

and the MENC student chapter. She was a member of the college ensemble at church and helped with extended session. She was chosen as a Harris Scholar, a Pressor Scholar, and was a member of Pi Kappa Lambda



and Alpha Chi. She was a Spanish lab assistant and an RA. She enjoyed reading, singing, and playing racquetball and tennis.

Holly Higle Marietta, OK Melissa Hildebrand Hurst, TX Jennifer Hillman Almyra

Jonathan Hillman Almyra Katie Hines Junction City Shannon Hodges Flippin



Neil Ingram Camden Jeremy Irby Hope Mark Jansen Linden, TX



Layne Johnston Rose Bud Christine Jones Heber Springs Jennifer Jones Texarkana

Russell Jones Cabot Meredith Kelley Benton Sarah Kelly Rockwall, TX

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NOVEMBER 1995

- Nov. 20th-Olympic pairs figure skating medalist Sergei Grinkov died
- Nov. 21st- Walt Disney World turned on the newly received Osborne lights
- Nov. 21st- Balkans agreed to end war and divided Bosnia
- Nov. 23rd- Leaders of Bosnia-Serbia reportedly accepted the U.S. backed peace plan
- Nov. 25th- Ireland voted to legalize divorce
- Nov. 26th-Former Arkansas Lt. Governor Maurice "Footsie" Britt died
- Nov. 28th- Clinton signed a bill ending 55- MPH speed limit
- Nov. 28th- Tucker kicked off his highway campaign
- Nov. 29th- Guard killed at Arkansas' Tucker prison
- Nov. 29th- U.S. GI arrived in northern Bosnia to scout the countryside for places to bring U.S. peacekeepers



Homecoming- Junior fullback Brent Black dives for the endzone in the Homecoming football game against Harding University. After a tough struggle, the Harding Bison came out on top with a score of 16-13. •photo by Jim Yates





Profile ...



Sophomore Brooke Sorters cheers on the basketball team. Last summer Sorters took on two jobs, one as a waitress at Disney World, and one as a missionary to children. Sorters used both jobs as opportunities to set a Christian example for those around her. • photo by Jim Yates

tackling two roles DOOKE, SORTERS by Danielle Carey

Mickey Mouse, worldwide tourists, and children making crafts-Brooke Sorters, a sophomore dietetics major, met them all last summer. Through the Baptist Home Mission Board, she worked as a innovator in Orlando, Florida. This meant she had a secular job as well as did missionary work. She worked at Plaza Restaurant, a restaurant in the Magic Kingdom of Walt Disney World, part of the time and also worked with a missions team.

Sorters alternated between her two jobs. Her missionary work in the morning consisted of"kid's camp." The team was split up into groups, each going to a different hotel's pool. There the group entertained children, gave them a light snack, and read a Bible story. "We played games like Marco Polo, and sometimes we did an arts and craft activity after the Bible story, "Sorters said.

At night the group, called King's Company, went to different tourist areas. They did puppet shows and interpretative movement to both sacred and secular songs. "We used a lot of Disney songs

because of the area we were in," Sorters explained.

Her main priority was her job at Plaza Restaurant where she worked as a waitress. "A thing that really surprised me was that people from Walt Disney World are from everywhere. I worked with people from Jamaica, India, Africa, and Germany. At first everyone was stand-offish, but eventually they started opening up. One girl just started telling me her problems and telling me about her church life, and I hadn't even asked," she said. Her purpose at her secular job was to build relationships while being a good Christian example. One thing Sorters did was put Biblical literature in their "reading stash." Employees often read when the restaurant wasn't busy. "I saw some people reading the things that I brought," she said.

Through her experiences last summer, Sorters learned to rely on God and saw how much people cared about her. "I was getting care packages from people at church that I didn't even think knew I was gone. People were writing to me saying they were praying for me."









Jari Kirkland Cheney, WA

Lesha Kirkham Longview, TX

Marsha Khersonskaya

Ryan Killackey Edmond, OK

Russia

Jennifer Kisner Longview, TX **Clint Kolb** Arkadelphia





Brian Lane Paragould **Mike Launius** Nashville













Monica Leagans Bogota, Columbia Noah Lee Colcord, OK

Dionne Lemons Hot Springs **Tracey Lewis** Garland, TX

Steven Lieby Mt. Pleasant, TX Will Lippott Hensley

Matt Litton Norman, OK Brian Maddox Harrisburg

Jenny Makepeace El Dorado Sara Manley Irving, TX

Angi Martin Nonth Little Rock Courtney Martin Little Rock

Josh Martin Katy, TX Sherri Martin DeQueen

Christine Masar Kennewick, WA Jodie Matthews Sparkman

Chris McAllister Lafayette, IN Jaime McAtee Lonsdale

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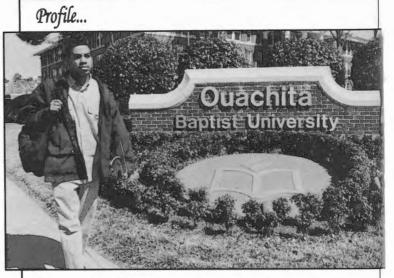












Sophomore James Flint saunters past a university market on a campus that was nothing more than a street sign to him a year ago. Flint visited the University as a result of his parents seeing a sign while on their way home from a summer vacation. Flint decided to leave Chicago for Arkadelphia, turning coincidence into career preparation. •photo by Jim Yates



Every student had their own story of how they came to the Universty. For sophomore James Flint, his story began with a simple road sign that brought him all the way from Chicago, Illinois, to Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

Returning from a vacation in Texarkana, the green and white highway sign signaling the next exit for the University caught the eye of Flint's parents. The prospective student had shown interest in other schools in the South, so his parents decided to take the exit and stop off for a look.

After visiting the University, Flint's parents brought home a top-rate report of a small university in a nice community in southern Arkansas.

"What made up my mind was when I came to see it for myself," said Flint. "I talked with Kathy Berry, toured the campus, and decided that this is where I wanted to go."

"Sometimes it's easy to please parents, but students have to decide for themselves," said Adminssions Counselor Kathy Berry. "For James, Ouachita was easy to sell because of the outstanding religion department and the type of atmosphere he was looking for,"

Flint thought the University had more to offer than the other schools in which he had shown interest. After weighing the pros and cons of his selections, he decided to head to Arkadelphia in the fall.

Flint, a sophomore biblical studies/language major, was involved in various campus activities. He was a memberof the Black American Student Society (BASS), played intramurals, and worked in the library. He was pleased with the choice he had made and was making the best of being so far from home.

"I really like the family atmosphere," said Flint. "Everybody knows each other, and everyone helps each other out."

For Flint, a summer vacation brought about an important decision. Whetherit was through an alumni family member or "a sign," every student had a story to tell on how they came to exit 78 off of Interstate 30 into a small southern Arkansas community.





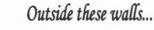












DECEMBER 1995

- Dec. 2nd-Clinton traveled to Germany to talk to U.S. troops stationed there
- Dec. 3rd- Clinton ended five-day European trip by sending 700 troops to Bosnia
- Dec. 4th- Little Rock Air Force Base called to join Bosnia mission
- Dec. 6th- White House unveiled its new seven-year balanced budget proposal
- Dec. 8th- UCA approved new stadium
- Dec. 8th- Congress restored states' authority to set their own speed limits
- Dec. 10th-First group of U.S. Marines arrived in Sarajevo
- Dec. 12th- Arkansas residents voted against a consitutional convention
- Dec. 14th- Three Balkan leaders signed peace pact
- Dec. 14th- House voted to restrict Clinton administration's ability to borrow during the fiscal crisis



Christmas Party-Junior Jason Bennett and sophomores Kevin Morgan and Meredith Kelley play games with the children at the University's Christmas party. Dr. Elrod portrayed Santa Claus, passing out gifts given by each of the social clubs. • photo by Carol Price



















Robert McCraw Mt. Pleasant, TX **Rhonda** McLaurin Zachary, LA **Jarrett McLelland** Rogers

Heather McNutt West Memphis **Davy Mears** Amity **Debra** Medlin Denison, TX

Matt Melcher Dallas, TX **Holley Michael** Little Rock Jason Miller Tyler, TX

Shane Miller Ashdown Veronica Miller Smackover **Heather Mills** Monroe, MI

Jenny Mills Arkadelphia **Brett Moore** Bastrop, LA **Cynthia Moore** Newport

Kevin Morgan Duncan, OK Shea Morgan El Dorado **Kim Mundy** Benton

Charrolee Murphy Little Rock **Brenda** Nalley Alexander Kerri Newborn San Antonio, TX









Jennifer Newton Sheridan Joanna Newton Taegu, South Korea Nikki Nix Wynne

Heidi Nunn Lingle, WY Katrina Owen Birmingham, AL Amber Palmer Mt. Pleasant, TX

Jeremy Palmer Managua, Nicaragua Josh Payne Booneville Shea Pearce Hayti, MO

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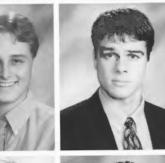
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Mason Pickens Batesville Julie Pierce Longview, TX Joy Ploszay North Little Rock

Robert Poole Prescott Chad Pratt Clarksville Carol Price Booneville



















Beth Ann Lee,

a communications major, served as editor, assistant editor, and people editor of the *Ouachitonian*. She was

vice-president and assistant chairperson of publicity for OSF. She participated in concert band, marching band, and the Praise Players. She was a member of Alpha Chiand was a Homecoming nominee. At

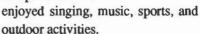


church, she was a ministry team leader, children's choir director, and a part of the singing ensemble and orchestra. She received an OSF endowed scholarship, a Scholastic Excellence scholarship, a band scholarship, an Acteens' scholarship, and was named to the dean's and president's lists. She received first place for anewspaper ad by the CSPA. She enjoyed hiking and singing.

JASON MERRICK,

a biology major, was a member of Blue Key, Beta Beta Beta, Alpha Chi, and Gamma Sigma Epsilon. He was

student director of the Praise Singers and the concert committee chairman for SELF. He was a member of Promised, a contemporary Christian music group. He received third place in the regional NATS competition. He









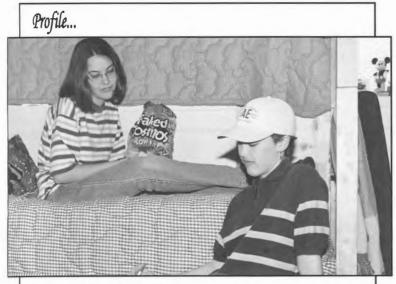












Freshman twins Jennifer and Julie McClain spend a late night studying in the dorm room they share. The majority of same-sex twins chose to continue living together after they came to college. They were available as a familiar support for each other. • photo by Amy Morton



Every day people looked in the mirror to see their reflections gazing back at them. For several students, the reflection was an everlasting one-a constant glimpse at themselves walking to class or staring back at them from across the table. Twins held the privilege and the burden of practically living a double life. They took care of their own responsibilities and acted as their brother's or sister's keepers as well.

One of the numerous sets of twins did not mind the responsibility. Juniors Amy and Allison Miles were quite accustomed to spending all of their time together and enjoyed being so much alike.

"When we were growing up we dressed alike, but in differentcolors," said Allison. "We didn't know any different."

The similarities extended beyond clothing. The Miles twins confessed that they even thought alike. "Most of our friends hear the same story twice," said Amy.

Like the Miles twins, Aimee and Amanda Dinwiddie enjoyed being around to support one another, but they

also wanted to appreciate their differences.

"We are different from each other," said Aimee. "One of us is quiet, while the other is outgoing, not to mention our majors are completely different. One is biology/ chemistry, while the other is elementary education."

Despite differences, the Dinwiddie twins couldn't imagine being without one another. "We didn't have plans to come to the same school, but it just worked out that way," said Amanda.

Sophomores Jennifer and Jonathan Hillman had their whole lives to adapt to finding themselves in the same schools and involved in many of the same activities. Jennifer said, "It's bad in a way because we've never had the opportunity to do things on our own, but it's good because every time we face a new situation, we have each other's support."

Ironically, the twins' similarities set them apart from other students, but they still faced a dilemma common to all students-a simultaneous struggle for individuality and an appreciation for familiarity.









Stuart Ray Jackson, TN **Caroline Reddin**

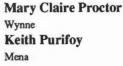












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Camden

Lara Reis Brazil **Matthew Rhoads** Walnut Ridge

Beth Ann Richardson Crossett **Melissa Rogers** North Little Rock

Bobby Rollins Little Rock Lisa Rose Paragould

Rachel Smith Richmond, TX **Jeremy Smith** Stuttgart

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Melode Rose Benton Kimberly Roth Little Rock

Salinda Russell Zwolle, LA Leigh Russom Paragould





Jennifer Salazar Denton, TX Allisher Salyamov Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Amy Sanders Mt. Pleasant, TX Neal Satterfield Fort Smith

Kevin Schutte Arlington, TX Sandra Scucchi Crossett

Lendy Seaberry Azle, TX Justin Seale Sparkman

Ginny Seamans McGehee Matthew Shepherd El Dorado

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Sophomore Holley Michael displays her typical enthusiasm with a cheerleading jump. After being told by doctors that she would not be able to engage in physical activity again, Michael mustered the determination to fully recover. She used her abilities to teach at a Christian cheerleading camp. *•photo by Fred Michael*

Holley Michael by Rachel DeBusk

Doctors told her that she would probably never be able to participate in any type of physical activity again cheering included. It was Holley Michael's ninth grade year. She fell and injured her neck and back. To the doctors things looked bleak, but one year later Michael regained movement. It was then that she decided to use cheerleading as a witness, for she could then do what seemed hopeless just a few months before.

For several years, Michael worked for SCORE, Sharing Christ Our Redeemer Everywhere, a Christian-based cheerleading camp. She led camps in California, Florida, and Colorado, and in one summer, covered about 22 cities. As an instructor, Michael's day began at 7 a.m. and ended at 1 a.m. Michael said, "It was very stressful, but it was worth it." Beginning in the middle of May and ending in the middle of August, Michael traveled, cheered, taught, and developed friendships that would last a lifetime.

SCORE, the nondenominational camp, had squads from Christian, private, and a few public schools. With fellow instructors, Michael helped lead devotions three times a day. Devotions included praise choruses, instructors' testimonies, and squad share time. Michael was privileged to see between one and 50 people saved each week. She said, "It was awesome seeing so many girls develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ."

Michael used her Godgiven ability of cheering to share the Word of Jesus with girls in an enjoyable environment. Her devotion to God and to her sport was a model for girls to use in not only their cheering days but for the rest of their lives. Michael was proud of the SCORE program. She said, "The best thing about SCORE is that it stretches you to your maximum potential in both your cheering and spiritual walk. There are times when you are so tired and run down, but this program teaches you to develop a brand new dependence on God." Michael happily served as an example of Christian stability and strength during trials.



Outside these walls ...



- Dec. 15th-Leader of Bosnia's Serbs declared an end to war in all areas except Serb sections of Sarajevo
- Dec. 16th- Second government shutdown in a month
- Dec. 16th- Israel and Syria set peace talks
- Dec. 19th- Clinton and GOP leaders agreed to try to strike a budget deal by the end of the year
- Dec. 20th- Senate voted to take Clinton to court
- Dec. 23rd- French officials found 16 burned bodies; cult suspected
- Dec. 24th- Fire in Babwali, India killed more than 400 at a school party
- Dec. 26th- Mansfield teens stole and crashed a truck after fleeing a camp
- Dec. 27th- Israelis withdrew from Ramallan; left to Palestinian rule
- Dec. 30th- First war injuries in Bosnia; land mine injured 61 people



Festival of Christmas-Members of the Ouachita Singers, Ouachita Sounds, Praise Singers, University choir, and Wind Ensemble perform during one evening of the Festival of Christmas. The groups combined their talents to entertain the community. •photo by Carol Price





Michelle Sherman West Helena Nikole Shinn Melbourne Jim Simmons San Antonio, TX

Mark Simmons San Antonio, TX Elizabeth Smith Corpus Christi, TX Meredith Snow Junction City



Brooke Sorters Glenwood Karen Southerland Lonoke Bert Spann Benton



Carrie Spradlin Little Rock Lukasz Staniczek Tychy, Poland Sarah Stanley Warren



Angie Stephens West Memphis Mendi Stiles Arlington, TX Dana Stone Murfreesboro





Sarah Strain Eads, TX Stephen Strawn College Station, TX Shelley Stricker Arlington, TX

Nathan Strickland Dimmitt, TX Chad Strike Colorado Springs, CO Stacy Stuart Carlisle

Allen Sutton Rison Amy Swearingen Duncanville, TX

DeAnna Swilling Sheridan Yurika Tamura Sapporo, Japan

Rebecca Tate Melboume Jay Thompson Star City

Jessica Thompson Taylor Jason Tolbert Wynne

Laurie Trull Magnolia Eva Umholtz Little Rock

Tarra Verkler Black Rock Sara Vester Stuttgart

Ryan Viser Arkadelphia Toni Walker Selma, AL

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Sophomore Nathan Xiques reaches for his next handhold as he climbs the face of a rock in Heber Springs. Xiques started repelling when he was 12, and later branched out and included rock climbing as another hobby. **photo by Jason Bird*



They drove around the countryside looking for the right spot. When they found the perfect place they unloaded all their equipment and started the exhausting trek up the mountain. It was just another day of repelling and mountain climbing for Nathan Xiques, a sophomore pre-engineering major. He started repelling at age 12 when an older friend taught him. He grew up in Heber Springs, a northwest Arkansas resort town, where repelling was a popular sport. Everyone in his family but his mom had participated in the sport.

After coming to the University, he started mountain climbing. "Repelling is the tool to do other sports," he explained, "like mountain climbing and spelunking." It was a relatively expensive sport. Two hundred dollars bought the basics to repel. For \$500, one used equipment that "offered a variety."

Repelling could be a dangerous sport, especially when safety equipment was not used. "This weekend I was freeclimbing [climbing with no equipment] on a 20-foot

boulder," said Xiques. "I had just reached the top and was starting down when the rock that I had my weight on completely came loose. I fell, and halfway down I bounced off a rock. The rock didn't fall off; if it had, I probably would have been killed." After some quick prayers, Xiques proceeded back up the boulder and flung off the 20-pound rock that almost killed him. The irony of the situation was that right before Xiques fell, he looked down and thought, "that would be a nasty fall."

Xiques explained one misconception thought by people that don't climb," he said. "The equipment does not help you climb. You're doing all the work yourself. It's there only for safety purposes. You can make it help you, but that takes all the sport out of it."

He enjoyed teaching others and often invited other students to repel with him. "People usually hear me talking with my friends about it and ask to come along," he said. Asked when he usually went out, he replied quite honestly "any sunny day."



















an elementary education major, was a member of Alpha Chinational honor fraternity, Kappa Delta Pi, Ouachita

Ed-Student ucators Association, and the Carl Goodson Honors Program. She had been a preschool teacher and day camp director. She helped in her church's infant and child care program. She



enjoyed traveling, crafts, sewing, and reading.









Lonoke Etta Waller Paragould Scott Walsh Malvern

Jennifer Wallace

Aaron Ward Texarkana **Barbara** Warner Martinsville, IL **Brandon Warner** Ashdown

Amanda Watson Arkadelphia Jessica West Beaumont, TX Kathy Westbrook Benton

Roy Whitfill Bryant Ferris Williams Little Rock Jennifer Williams Fordyce

Kristi Williams Mena Jada Wilson Arkadelphia **Julie Wilson** Springdale

Cari Winemiller Hope Karen Wood Floyd Knobs, IN Kelli Wood Camden

Alice Wooten Hamburg **Nathan Xiques** Heber Springs **Janna Young** Lepanto

KARA MILLS,

a history major, was a member of Phi Alpha Theta and Sigma Tau Delta. She was first vice-president, Tiger

Tunes director, and played intramurals for EEE Women's Social Club. She was a Homecoming and Miss Ouachitonian Beauty nominee. She was named to the dean's list. She was a gymnastics and cheerleading



coach. She helped in the nursery at church. She enjoyed snow skiing, reading, and gymnastics.





















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Latafet Alieva Baku, Azerbaijan Kara Allison Conway Stephanie Allison Cabot

Jennifer Anderson Liule Rock Meredith Anderson Conway Tyler Anthony Fayetteville

Mark Archer DeQueen Mouhtar Ashrafi Tashkent, Uzbekistan Chris Babb Cabot

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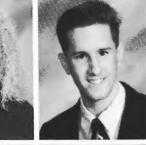
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- Jan. 2nd- AT&T cut 40,000 jobs across the corporation
- Jan. 3rd- Winter storm dumped from one to 12 inches of snow in northern parts of Arkansas
- Jan. 5th-Former Secretary of State Bill McCuen pled guilty to felony charges
- Jan. 7th- Blizzard of historic proportions shut down the East; at least 40 deaths
- Jan. 9th- Gov. Jim Guy Tucker's highway construction proposal rejected
- Jan. 9th-Federal appeals court panel said Paula Corloin Jones' civil lawsuit against Clinton could go to trial while he was in the White House
- Jan. 10th- Arkansas Court of Appeals grew from six to nine members including its first black judges
- Jan. 13th- Nine Republican presidential hopefuls staged debate
- Jan. 14th- Last victim found from American Airlines crash
- Jan. 15th-Fifth anniversary of Desert Storm



Rush- Members of the EEE Women's Social Club perform skits and choreography to music from the '50s during their "Greeese" rush party. Each club had a different theme for each night of rush in an effort to spark interest in its social club. •photo by Jim Yates















Profile ...



Freshman Chris Cox uses his motorized wheelchair as transportation to and from classes across campus. Chris did not allow his handicap to hold him back or prevent him from participating in activities. Instead, he used his circumstance to show others the difference God made in his life. •photo by Melissa Tidwell



Byron Eubanks was concerned as he and his family group approached the lake. He was concerned about the young man in his group that was in a wheelchair. When they reached their destination, Eubanks realized that Chris was quite able to handle it on his own. He joined in the fun just like the rest of the group.

Chris Cox was born with FSH Muscular Distrophy, a hereditary, genetic disorder which causes the muscles in the body to become weaker and weaker as time goes by. However, the disease was not fatal. Chris noticed a poster on the wall that had the poem "Footprints" on it at the same time that the doctor diagnosed him. His mother read it to him that day and that had become one of his favorite poems. "It just helps me remember that Christ carries you through the hard times," Chris said.

Chris was never treated like he had a handicap. He was always very active, but when he reached the ninth grade, he began to need a wheelchair. "I don't give up easily, and going into the wheelchair was like losing a battle." Chris did not let that slow his life down whatsoever. He used his handicap to enhance his testimony for Christ. He gave his testimony to different groups all over the state.

About two years ago, Chris began a treatment at the Self Therapy Foundation in Memphis, Tennessee. This organization was searching for new treatments for Muscular Distrophy. Chris was the first patient who tried one of their treatments. He had the muscles around his lungs treated. The treatment was successful and increased his pulmonary functions by about 30 percent.

Through that ordeal Chris learned to put his trust in God. He displayed that trust when he chose what university to attend. He knew that he wanted a school with a good religion department. Chrisfelt that God was calling him into some sort of ministry. He wanted to use his life to touch the lives of others. Ryan Hillman, who was in Chris' family group at the New Student Retreat, described Chris as "a great guy who loves the Lord and gives him the glory for all his accomplishments."











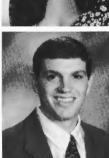
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Mitchell Bolding Benton Josh Bowen Huntsville

Chris Boza Bossier City, LA Kelly Box Quitman, TX

Suzy Brannan Prescott Chasity Brewer Van Buren











Jennifer Beasley Malvem Aaron Bell North Little Rock

Luke Brewer Pine Bluff **Melody Brey** Monticello **Knaudia Bridges** Little Rock





Ross Brown De Soto, TX **Greg Brownderville** McCrory **Joanna Bruce** Guatemala

> **Robert Brumsey** New Boston, TX Jennie Bryan Camden **Amber Bryant** Poplar Bluff, MO

> Chris Bullock Beebe Laura Burns Cabot **Kitty Burroughs** Bismarck

Maegan Burroughs Hot Springs **James Campbell** Winchester, KS **David Carrouth** Hot Springs

> Andrea Carter North Little Rock **Chris Carter** College Station, TX **Dain Carver** Bryant















ASHLEY NALL,

an English major, served as historian and secretary of EEE Women's Social Club. She was a member of OSF,

SELF, Phi Beta Lambda. and Sigma Tau Delta. Atchurch, she was children's worship music leader and partricipated in the handbell and vocal choirs. She was a member of Alpha Chi National Honor Society and was

named to the president's, dean's and national dean's lists. She was a Trustee's and Governor's Scholar, a Harry Truman scholarship nominee, and received the USAA National Collegiate Business Award.

STACEY PEOPLES,

a speech pathology major, was a member of Chi Delta Women's Social Club and the Panhellenic Council.

treasurer of NSSLHA. Her honors included being named to the dean's, president's. and national dean's lists. She was chosen as both a Homecoming delegate and a Miss Ouachi-

tonian Beauty contestant. She enjoyed walking, reading, and intramural sports.































She also served as

Profile ...



Freshmen Brad Pierce and Cory Goode do some last-minute editing before their footage is shown to the youth at Siloam Springs. Pierce and Goode were hired as staffers for the new video ministry, providing campers with exciting glances at the day's events and fun-filled memories. .photo by Jonathan Henderson

1 pause and take a look **OODE & PIERCE** by Jennifer Hillman

Videos-a ministry? This was many people's initial thought when they heard that Arkansas Baptist Assembly had purchased \$13,000 worth of video equipment and hired two full-time staffers to begin a video ministry. Those two staffers were freshmen Cory Goode and Brad Pierce. They definitely worked full time.

Each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoon, the guys took footage of services, classes, lunch, and recreation. Late in the afternoon, they sifted through the footage and came up with an eight to 10- minute video played with lively contemporary Christian music at the beginning of the evening worship service. "We were able to pick out songs with lyrics that drove home specific messages that we thought were important," Pierce said. Pat Batchelor, director of the Assembly, was primarily responsible for the beginning of this ministry. He said that "It's (the video ministry) the best way to communicate what goes on at camp everyday." The videos served as a great memoir to the campers too. "Seeing it again helps to

experience camp again. Plus, everybody likes to see themselves on the screen," Batchelor said.

A real treat each week was the top 10 video: Top 10 Reasons to Come to Siloam. It took a light-hearted look at the fun things Siloam offeredsuch as sophomore lifeguard Scott Walsh and the wonderful food.

The final video of the week was an emotional one for many. It featured Phillips, Craig, and Dean's Will You Love Jesus More? It served as a time of reflection by encouraging campers to look back on the ways God had worked in their lives over the week. "The closing video challenged kids to take what they learned home with them, not just forget about them," Goode said.

Goode benefited from this ministry through relationships. "It was a good chance to interact with the kids and make some new friends," he said.

Whether it was for the church member who stayed home or a camper's souvenir, Goode and Pierce's videos had an effect on all who saw their work.









Beth Ellen Cloud Arkadelphia **Allison Coates** Little Rock

Kayla Coats Hughes Jennifer Collier Vitoria, Brazil

Chad Collins Springhill Joy Conrad Kwangju, Korea

Andrea Cox Waldenberg **Chris** Cox Hot Springs

Kelley Crews Atkins **Carrie Cullipher** DeWitt





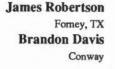




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Clayton Cunningham Yellville Debra Dalton Coppell, TX





Stephanie Davis

Russellville Rachel DeBusk Pine Bluff

Jake Defee Strong Meredith DeGeorge Grapevine, TX

Allyson Denton Garland, TX Kimberly Dickerson Hot Springs Village

Amanda Dinwiddie Dallas, TX John Dribus Slidell, LA

Jennifer Dunn Hampton Danielle Dyer Benton













Profile ...



Freshman communications major Lori Reed enjoys one of the simple pleasures of life—talking to a friend on the phone. After being diagnosed with leukemia, Reed became keenly aware of life's finite quality, and she determined not to let disease rip her away from the life she loved. •photo by Carol Price



She moved toward the microphone and scanned the audience of students who were sitting in silent expectation. With a voice that had been sweetened by grace and steadied by patience, she began to tell her story. Without hesitation, she uttered the words that had forever altered her life. She said: "They told me I had cancer." Cancer, incurable and life-threatening, had preyed upon this unsuspecting young person, leaving her with two choices: give up or fight. Beneath the soft, gentle exterior of freshman Lori Reed pumped the heart of a fighter.

When Reed was 14, she was diagnosed with acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL) after finding a lump in her breast. On May 22, 1992, Reed was admitted to St. Jude's Children Research Hospital. Throughout the whole process of physically weakening testing and treatment, Reed was positive and persistent, determined not to let the cancer get the best of her.

"The most difficult thing about treatment is probably not knowing what is going to happen from week to week," said Reed. And even though cancer was usually fatal, Reed said, "I never thought about my leukemia being terminal."

Even in March of 1993 when she developed a fungal infection and had to be hospitalized for 30 days, Reed saw the positive. "When it comes to the real bad parts, I tend to block them out," she said.

One thing Reed did not block out was her desire to participate in the activities she enjoyed. She had been in pageants since the age of 10, and she did not allow her illness to prevent her from competing and winning. Perhaps "tough" was not a word that most people would have used to describe a beauty queen, but Reed was much more than a pretty face. She harbored a trust in God which helped her remain determined and hopeful in the midst of tragedy.

She did not remain silent in anger or helplessness. She shared her experience with others and exuded the strength of a person who did not know what it meant to throw in the towel, no matter how deadly the opponent.



Outside these walls ...



- Jan. 16th- First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton kicked off a publicity tour for her new book
- Jan. 16th- UN official announced that data on human rights violations in Croatia had been stolen
- Jan 17th- Astronomers discovered two new planets around two nearby stars
- Jan. 18th- Presidential aide Carolyn Huber recounted finding Hillary Clinton's billing records
- Jan. 20th- George Burns celebrated 100th birthday
- Jan. 21st- Fire gutted historic Ice House Center in Little Rock
- Jan. 26th- First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton testified before federal grand jury
- Jan. 28th- Dallas Cowboys beat Pittsburg Steelers 27-17 in Superbowl XXX
- Jan. 28th- Du Pont heir John E. du Pont captured by SWAT team ending 48-hour stand off
- Jan. 31st- Truck bomb killed over 75 in Sri Lanka capital



Pledging-Members of Kappa Chi Men's Social Club decked out in pledge week attire enthusiastically cheer at a University basketball game. Nametags, notebooks, and unique clothing signified pledge week activities and the beginning of second semester. . photo by Jim Yates





Nesli Eastwood Fort Smith **Carrie Edwards** West Helena **Stephanie Edwards** Lonoke



Sevil Eminova El Dorado **Matt Erion** Conway **Joseph Fanguy** Thibodaux, LA



Jenny Farrar Little Rock **Michael Fav** Irving, TX **Charity Feemster** Carrollton, TX







Kelli Garner St. Louis, MO Kristi Garvin Garland, TX **Cindy George** Elaine











Liv Gray Hot Springs Chad Green Bismarck

Joshua Grissom Crowley, TX Ashley Guillbert Texarkana

Jaimé Hancock Stuttgart, Germany Tad Hardin Arkadelphia

Sarah Harmeyer Houston, TX Holly Harp Linden, TX

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Tim Harrell Minden, LA Brooks Harrington Little Rock

Preston Harris Garland, TX Janice Hart Plano, TX

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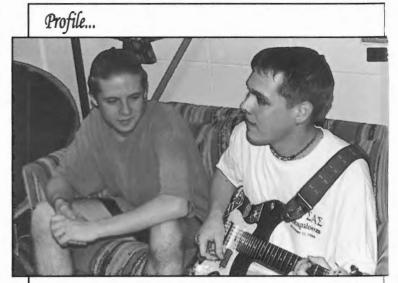




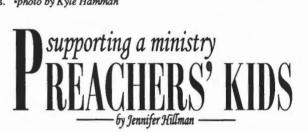








Freshman John Lincavage listens as junior Doug Dickens plays the guitar during some free time in the dorm. The population of 99 preachers' kids on campus struggled to break stereotypes while continuing to support their fathers' ministries. •photo by Kyle Hamman



"Please don't tell them," she thought to herself as she stood in front of her new class. She could already hear their various responses: "You know what they say about them; they're the wild ones." But she knew her teacher would say it; they always did, and so she simply smiled as the teacher said, "Janna is a preacher's kid."

Being on a Christian campus, it wasn't uncommon to come in contact with students whose fathers were ministers. These kids were nicknamed PKs—preachers' kids.

While some may have thought that the life of a PK was no different, PKs had pressures that many didn't. "People expect you to be good," said freshman Chris McAlister, "not just because you're a Christian, but because you're a preacher's kid."

In order to get rid of the stereotypes that came along with being a PK, McAlister would try to shock people in high school. "Here (at Ouachita) it is no big deal being a PK. It's a Christian environment, so it's kind of assumed for you to live up to

those expectations."

Junior Jennifer Tolbert said people always expected her to be "good" growing up. According to Tolbert, this helped her be good. "I knew that what I did would reflect on my dad, so I tried to stay out of trouble." Tolbert said that although everybody referred to her as a PK, she was treated as an "ordinary" person.

Tolbert saw benefits of being a PK. Her dad got to perform her wedding ceremony. "It was special but hard on my dad because he had to play the role of my dad and preacher," she said. "He really had to hold back the tears."

Freshman Karlyn Hughes said she helped her father out a lot. "He gained experience of how to help other parents with their children through my sisters and me."

Some felt that their families were closer because of their father's position. Senior Risha Young said, "External conflict brought us together."

It took a special person to be a PK. The 99 who were on campus had the opportunity to support and were an essential part of their fathers' ministries.















MATTHEW PRYOR,

an elementary education major, served as dorm Bible study ministry leader and executive councilman for the BSU. He was

a member of SELF, OSEA, and was president of CMF. He served as a youth and music minister and a Disciple Now leader. He participated in mission trips with the BSU to Hilton Head. South



Carolina, and Australia. He received the Presidential Leadership Scholarship and the McCain Scholarship. He enjoyed computers, traveling, and playing frisbee golf.

REBECCA ROE,

a history major, served as president of OSF, president of Phi Alpha Theta, and vice-president of the senior class.

She was a member of the Carl Goodson Honors Program and took a trip to China with the International Studies program. She was a Model UN delegate. She received the Ben Elrod Scholarship, Everett the Slavens Out-



standing Sophomore History Major Award, and was a nominee for the Harry S. Truman Scholarship. She volunteered with the Big Sisters/Little Sisters program. She enjoyed water skiing, snow skiing, reading, and aerobics.











Amy Hartman

Joey Head Dallas, TX Natasha Henderson Ashdown **Doug Hibbard** Jacksonville

Bryan Highfill Uberlandia, Brazil **Monica Hile** Cabot **Alison Hill** Houston,TX

Ryan Hillman Almyra **Kathy Hollis** Hot Springs Jason Holsclaw Arkadelphia

Jamie Hopper Flippen **Tiffany Horton** Fordyce **Cindy Hose** Windham, OH

Pete Houpt Dallas, TX **Karlyn Hughes** Forrest City Jessica Humphrey Garland,TX

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Tanya Humphrey Saline, LA Shanna Hunnicutt Lavaca Laura Inman Cabot

> Yoko Ishikawa Sapporo, Japan Jimmy Ivy Malvem Billy Jacks Magnolia

Kimberly James Tatum, TX Brad Johnson Little Rock Jill Johnston Clarksville

Sarah Jones DeQueen Sammy Karuri Narobi Kaela Kenley Lufkin, TX

Elizabeth Kennedy North Little Rock Kenny King Duncanville, TX Aaron Kirchhefer Benbrook, TX

Roman Klykov Almaty, Kazakhstan Irima Komarova Benton Valentin Korolev Moscow, Russia













- Feb. 2nd- Snow and ice up to two inches covered the state
- Feb. 3rd- First member of U.S. forces in Bosnia died
- Feb.5th- President Clinton subpoenaed by Whitewater grand jury
- Feb. 7th- Chartered jet with German tourists crashed leaving 105 bodies in the Atlantic
- Feb. 9th- Whitewater grand jury subpoenaed ADFA records
- Feb. 9th- Irish Republican Army blasted a bomb in East London just one hour after the one-anda-half year truce ended
- Feb. 11th- Two car bombs in Algiers, Algeria killed 17 people and wounded 93 others
- Feb. 12th- Dole led in the Iowa caucuses followed by Buchanan and Alexander
- Feb. 12th- Hundreds injured and 11 killed when 300 cars crashed in fog on Italian highway
- Feb. 14th- Gary Dockery awoke after seven-and-a-half years in coma



Winter Storm- Students engage in a snowball fight between Berry Bible Building and Berry Chapel. Freezing temperatures, snow, sleet, and ice plagued the campus for the first half of February. Many enjoyed the leisure games that the weather brought. *sphoto by Guy Lyons*



180 Freshmen





Freshman theology/organ double major Matt Lyles works on the computer. With the assistance of special devices and a spirit of determination, Lyles lived the college life as almost any other student. . photo by Diane Deaton

a different perspective

Every sock, every shoe, and every piece of clothing was in its proper place. Nothing was mismatched or in disarray. This was not the room of an obsessive-compulsive, but of a student who depended on order so he could function in a world of darkness.

Because of a cancerous tumor that destroyed his eyes, freshman Matt Lyles had been blind since he was four. He only remembered what life was like then, and because he was so young, those memories were few. But that didn't stop Lyles from continuing with life's incredible journeys, one such journey being his education.

Before coming to school, he visited a few times with his "director of orientation" to "get the feel" of the campus. After examining and actually feeling his way around on a model, Matt formed a mental picture of what the campus looked like. He said,"It's kind of like learning a map. You just get the feel for it, and no, I don't count my steps! I don't know of any blind person who does."

While most people took their notebooks and pens to class, Matt took his personal

"Braille 'n' Speak. This devise enabled him to type his notes using the Braille alphabet. When it came time for him to review his notes, he hooked his machine to his computer which read the words back to him. "The school has been very helpful in providing readers that are on tape for me to study by," he said.

Lyles also kept devices in his room to make life a little easier. "Everything in my room either talks to me or makes a coo-coo noise, that's why I don't have a roomate. He would probably get very annoyed at everything talking to me," he said.

When Matt wasn't busy with daily tasks, his favorite thing to do was to check his Email. His computer had a speech synthesizer which read the screen to him.

Matt said that when people see a blind person they tend to feel uncomfortable and ask, "Are you lost," or "Do you know where you are?" "People assume that blind people are 'special.' We are just very much like the usual person," he said. "I'm not a genius, I just use what I've got."



















Christina Lance Shreveport, LA Wayne Landers Conway

Stephanie Latiolais Lake Charles, LA **Kristin Lavender** Little Rock

Ryan Lavender Little Rock Jonathan Lee North Little Rock

Eli Lemonier Evening Shade Angela Lindsey DeQueen

Nick Livers Little Rock **Rebecca Lofton** Heth

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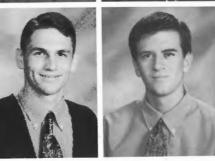
Sandy Mason Mansfield, TX Emily Matthews North Little Rock











Profile ...



Christina Kartsonakis, a freshman communications major, steals a quiet moment to study. Having performed with her family's show in Branson for years, Kartsonakis was familiar with the fast-paced excitement of entertaining a large crowd. •photo by Amy Morton

from the shadow to the spotlight HRISTINA KARTSONAKIS

All eyes in the 2200 seat theatre turned their attention to the green Austrian curtain as a young performer stepped out on stage. Dressed in blue sequins, she would begin the show. Smiling she announced, "Hi everyone! Welcome to the Dino Christmas Extravaganza!" For Christina Kartsonakis, pleasing the crowds was a way of life.

For the past several years, in October through December, Kartsonakis performed with The Dino Show in Branson, Missouri. During the first 15 to 20 minutes of the show, Kartsonakis told jokes and visited with the crowd to make them comfortable. As the show began, Kartsonakis joined her father, older sister, and their cast of pianists, singers, and dancers on stage to entertain.

At the age of three, Kartsonakis followed in her mother's footsteps and began singing on stage. Growing up in Los Angeles and around her family's performances, she never felt the need to learn to play the piano. "Growing up with everyone else playing, I felt like I was already close to it," she said. "Instead, I went with the vocal part of music."

After high school, Kartsonakis spent two yearson the road with The Dino Show. It was through Beth Anne Rankin, a 1994 graduate and member of the show's cast, that Kartsonakis heard about Ouachita. "Beth Anne was always wearing OBU sweatshirts," Kartsonakis said. "I asked her about Ouachita, and she always told me how much she loved the school."

Rankin decided to show Kartsonakis the campus. "We visited the campus, and I loved it," Kartsonakis. "I enrolled the same day."

Kartsonakis, a freshman communications major, continued her performing. In addition, she and Rankin worked on a television project, a morality talk show for youth.

Growing up in a show business family provided Kartsonakis with many opportunities. Realizing that the biggest of these chances came through her father's show, she took the chance not only to share a part of herself, but also to brag about her father. "I'm really proud of my father," she said, "but he's just my dad."

Travis Matthews North Little Rock Chris McAlister Hot Springs

Jennie McClain Batesville Julie McClain Batesville

Heather McCoy Atlanta, TX Matthew McCray Arkadelphia

Craig McDuffie Linden, TX Corey McGaha Conway

















recognized for excellence -

JON SHIRLEY,

a Biblical studies major, was a Tri Chi Women's Social Club beau. He served as a worship leader for BSU-

sponsored praise and worship. He was a member of the Praise Singers and was involved in music evangelism. He performed in the contemporary Christian music group Nickle and Dime. Heenjoyed singing and playing the guitar.



















Kristy McKillips Minden, LA Jennifer McKissack Tupelo, MS Yu Meng Zheng Zhou, China

Trevlyn Merritt DeSoto, TX **Bobby Midkiff** Little Rock Sarah Milam Shreveport, LA

Kimberly Miller San Antonio, TX **Bryce Mitchell** Bryant **Holly Montgomery** Searcy

Karen Moore Shreveport, LA Alex Morozov Little Rock **Amy Morton** Little Rock

Justin Moseley Sherwood Ayumi Nakano Shizuoka, Japan **Heather Nance** Chambersburg, PA

Ashley Neill Little Rock Sean Newcomb North Little Rock **Carl Newman** Fredrick, MD

Rebecca Nicholas Texarkana **Misty Nichols** Gillett **Karen** Nix Fort Smith

ZINE SMITH,

a physics and math double major, was a member of the BSU, OSF, and Blue Key. He also particpated in the

Carl Goodson Honors Program. He was named outstanding freshman and junior physics major. He was a member of the sanctuary choir and worked with the youth at church. He was a math tutor and



worked for campus maintenance. He enjoyed reading and golf.





Carmen Norris Beebe Kristy Norris Monticello

Shannon Norwood Ashdown Jessica Osborne Shreveport, LA

Rachel Osborne Little Rock Jenny Othold Bossier City, LA

Jason Owens Jacksonville Matt Owens Woodlands, TX

Sarah Parrish Pine Bluff Marilyn Patrick North Little Rock

April Petty Nashville Brad Pierce Benton

Kim Pitts Little Rock Meredith Pope Crossett









Junior Trey Barr spends a few moments one afternoon recounting events of the trip to Washington, D.C., with Dr. Hal Bass. Acting as a sponsor, Bass accompanied a group of students to the nation's capital, where they were forced to stay an extra day due to the Blizzard of '96. •photo by Sandra Scucchi

the house in winter white ASHINGTON TEAM by Aaron Black

In the busy city of Washington D.C., nothing could be taken for granted. Whether trying to get an appointment with a congressman or just wanting to take in the sites, one risked the chance of the strange and bizarre occurring.

For the group of students that went on the annual trek to the capital, they certainly were not expecting the surprise they received. Afraid that the government shutdown would keep them from seeing the sites, they were relieved that a temporary spending measure was passed to open up federal monuments and sites. They were less relieved, though, when the snow started falling, and falling, and kept falling. The Blizzard of '96 had finally rolled across the Midwest and had hit the capital, crippling it by closing down airports and tourist attractions.

"It was exciting," said Dr. Hal Bass, who annually headed up the trip to D.C. "Being stranded was the big event of the trip." Though many of the traditional spots and attractions were closed, the students made up for the loss, taking as much sightseeing in as possible. "I had a great time even with all the snow," said senior Chad Gallagher.

The group went to several seminars and visited offices of Arkansas's congressmen, Democratic Senator Dale Bumpers and Republican Representative Tim Hutchinson. Other places that the students had a chance to visit were the Supreme Court, the White House, and many area restaurants.

Trying to get back to Arkansas at the end of the trip was a difficult process with area airports shut. The group was stranded in the capital an extra day and had to spend one night waiting in the airport itself before rigging up a flight plan.

Though the students certainly weren't expecting one of the largest blizzards of the century to visit the capital at the same time they were, they made the most of it and enjoyed the trip anyway. "All you could see was white—everywhere, everything just white," said senior Rebecca Briggs. "I have never seen so much snow in my life, but it is definitely an experience I won't forget."



Outside these walls ...



- Feb. 15th- Gennady Zyuganov accepted the Russian Communist Party's presidential nomination
- Feb. 18th- Balkan leaders promised to stick by the peace plan that halted the Bosnian war
- Feb. 21st- Jeanne Calment celebrated 121st birthday by releasing a rap CD of her memories
- Feb. 22nd- First day of integration at primary school in Potgietersrus, South Africa
- Feb. 23rd- Wildfires raged out of control over Texas and Oklahoma
- Feb. 24th- Cuba downed two U.S. civilian aircraft; U.S. called on UN to discuss punitive actions against Cuba
- Feb. 25th- Two Israeli bomb attacks by Islamic militants killed 26 and wounded 77
- Feb. 26th- Governor Jim Guy Tucker enrolled Jim Pledger as a special assistant during Tucker's trial
- Feb. 28th- Princess Diana agreed to a divorce from Prince Charles
- Feb. 29th- Television industry leaders promised a plan to rate shows



Phonathon- Jennifer Tolbert and 154 other students call alumni, former students, and friends of the University in the annual phonathon. Every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights of February, students congregated in Perrin West to call. • photo by Jonathan Henderson





Conway **Kelly Proctor** Wynne

Jill Presley Batesville

David Price

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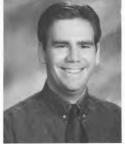
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Lori Reed

West Memphis

Shawn Reed Texarkana









Nina Reis Brazil **Ronda Rice** Bryant Sarah Robbins Farmington

Nikki Rogers Blytheville Kerri Ross Tulsa, OK **Jamie Rowe** Mt. Pleasant, TX

Melissa Rutherford Malvern Andy Scott **Mineral Springs Farrel Selzer** Dallas, TX



Traci Sharp Bryant **Michael Shepherd** Arkadelphia **Celeste Sherrod** North Little Rock



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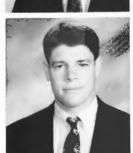
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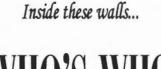














JOHN SOWERS,

a communicaitons major, was a member of SELF, Blue Key, the Ouachitonian staff, and played baseball for the

Tigers. He was president of FCA. He participated in Tiger Tunes and played intramural sports. He received an OSF Scholarship, the Victoria Martic Scholarship, and the Robert McBrayer Scho-

larship. He was named to the dean's and president's lists. He was involved with K-Life and worked at Kanakuk. He enjoyed hunting, playing the guitar, and doing karate.

LESLIE SRYCLEY,

a vocal performance major, was a member of Sigma Alpha Iota and Pi Kappa Lambda. She was student

assistant for the **Ouachita** Sounds. student director of the Tiger Tunes hosts and hostesses, a Kappa Chi Lil Sis, and played leading rolls in Music Man and Fiddler on the Roof. She was a Homecoming nominee. She was

a Friends of the School of Music scholar, a Presidential scholar, and was named to the president's list. She was a performer at Magic Springs. She enjoyed singing, playing the piano, dancing, old musicals, and movies.





























Profile ...



Freshman John Mark Huckabee works on the equipment in a television production room. Although he was the son of a well-known political figure, Huckabee did not allow that relation to dictate his identity or his choices. He reserved an interest for politics, but he also pursued other interests. •photo by John Barber

John MARK HUCKABEE

For most students, when elections rolled around they weren't all that interested. Going to Lincoln Day Dinners and walking in parades weren't on their list of important things to do. But for one student, the political races decided his family's future for the next few years.

John Mark Huckabee, the son of Lieutenant Governor Mike Huckabee, entered school in the fall after his father's successful run in 1994 for the Lieutenant Governor's office.

When his father first wet his feet in politics, Huckabee wasn't his biggest supporter. "I used to hate it," said Huckabee. "I had absolutely no interest in it for a while." After a time, though, Huckabee discovered being the son of an elected official wasn't so bad. "It really didn't change my life that much," said Huckabee "You have to walk in some parades and go to a lot of Lincoln Day Dinners, which I really don't like, but it isn't that bad."

Huckabee, who was majoring in communications and English, seemed just a normal student to most people on and off campus. He was never a person that touted the fact that his father was in politics. "I don't bring that up right away," said Huckabee. "That way there is no prejudging me on what they know about my dad." Another problem he faced was dealing with what people thought of him after they found out his family ties to government. "There is one really big misconception out there, and that is that all politicians have a lot of money. Well, that's not true for the honest ones."

Huckabee said he personally had no political aspirations for the future. "No, I don't want to be in politics," said Huckabee. "I would like to work behind the scenes though, in creating strategy and the inside work." He also had thoughts of writing about the political environment in which he was raised.

In addition, Huckabee spent time working in the area of television production. He remained supportive of his father's choice to enter the world of politics, but he pursued his own interests and followed his own path.









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Kelly Tonti Kingwood, TX

James Taylor Little Rock

Jordan Thomas Crawfordsville

Krista Thomas

Brinkley Holly Tidball Little Rock

Tu Tran Little Rock Shawn Trimboli Sheridan

Allison Trumble Batesville Eric Tuitjer Zimbabwe

Kimberly Twigg Arkadelphia Robert Ungh Stockholm, Sweden

Mark VanDekieft Hurst, TX Elizabeth Vaughn El Dorado















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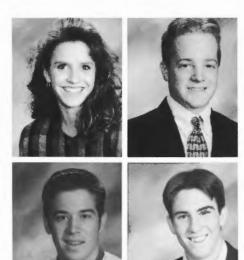
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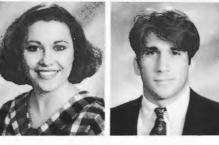












Outside these walls...

MARCH 1996

- Mar. 3rd-Israel declared war on the militant Islamic group Hamas
- Mar. 4th- Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and James and Susan McDougal went on trial in U.S. District Court
- Mar. 5th- Dole swept all eight primaries
- Mar. 5th- Russia backed down on ban of U.S. chicken imports
- Mar. 6th- Richard Lugar and Lamar Alexander quit presidential race
- Mar. 7th- Jury selection for Tucker's trial finalized
- Mar. 7th- GIs in Japan received six to seven years for girl's rape
- Mar. 8th- Jack Kevorkian freed again
- Mar. 9th- George Burns died at the age of 100
- Mar. 10th- Four historic downtown shops in Hot Springs burned
- Mar. 13th- Teacher and 16 kindergarteners in Dunblane, Scotland killed at Dunblane **Primary School**
- Mar. 13th- Arabs joined Israelis at a summit of world leaders



Mr. Tiger-Matt Bailey performs "Smelly Cat," a song from "Friends" as his talent during Mr. Tiger. Bailey represented Kappa Chi Men's Social Club. Every March, Gamma Phi Women's Social Clubhosted Mr. Tiger. •photo by Carol Price



















Freshman Cynthia Blackmon spends some quiet reading time in her room. Blackmon crossed the threshold of the campus and brought with her the experiences of living in six different countries-an example of one more dimension to the multi-faceted face of the student body. •photo by Carol Price

worldwide perspective by Rachel DeBusk

Most students came to college leaving behind a familiar city where they had lived all their lives. They went to one school and one church, and their biggest change came when they left their comfortable surroundings and came to campus.

This was not the case with freshman Cynthia Blackmon. In 18 years, Blackmon moved to six different countries, living no less than two and no more than four years in each place. Being born in Japan and graduating in England, Blackmon experienced language barriers, cultural differences, and the joys and heartaches of moving from place to place.

No, her parents were not missionaries. Her dad was a high school assistant principal on several military bases. Blackmon attended the American section of military schools, so she spoke English both at school and at home. "I never had to depend on an international language to make it, although I did have trouble shopping sometimes," she said. "Sometimes I would know how to talk to a sales person in his

language, but when I got there I would get blocked and start mumbling in English."

Each move became harder for Blackmon. She moved from Holland to Scotland, where she attended first through fourth grades. It was the move from Scotland to Cuba when she began to understand the concept of leaving friends behind.

Then Blackmon moved from Cuba to Belgium, but it was the move from Belgium to England that was the hardest for her. Her family got surprising news that they had about one month to move to England. Blackmon had to move in the middle of the summer when half of her friends were on vacation, so she did not even have a chance to say goodbye.

Before coming to college, Blackmon had only visited the States. She saw Disney World and the Grand Canyon and hoped to be able to tour.

Blackmon planned to remain on campus for summer school and to tour the United States after graduation. "I plan to live in the States after I graduate," she said. "College does not say it all."









Shilin Yin China

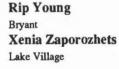
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Erin Young Golden, TX Jennifer Young McGehee





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Meredith Worrell North Little Rock Lisa Wortham Cabot

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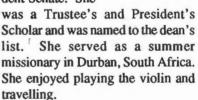
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WHO'S WHO — recognized for excellence —

GYELLA SWANIGAN,

a math major, was a member of Tri Chi Women's Social Club and was chosen vice-president and pledge class secretary. In

the BSU, she served as dorm Bible study and Noonday leader and was a member of the executive council. She was elected state BSU vice-president. She was also involved in Student Senate. She



STEPHANIE TURNAGE,

a general business major, served as social chairman and president for EEE Women's Social Club, publicity

chairman for Association of Women Students, historian and vice-president of Phi Beta Lambda, and was a member of the Student Business Advisory Council. She was a national and local winner for Impromptu



Speaking PBL Award. She was a Tiger Belle, a Homecoming nominee, runner-up in Miss OBU, and was named to the dean's list. She enjoyed playing the piano, singing, and shopping.















Profile ...



Walt Keboe volunteers his time to be a target for food instead of a provider of meals. Walt served as the Director of Food Services for 21 years. Not only did he bring more variety to Birkett Williams Dining Hall, his sense of humor made it an entertaining social hangout. •photo by Lesha Kirkham



"Did you see who he was with last night?" she said. Four girls were gathered around a table gossiping over dinner, only to be interrupted by a screaming shrill of a bell. A look of fear appeared on the face of one, while a strange nostalgic feeling of grade school overcame the other girls. Their eyes searched the room to find the source of the noise, as Walt Kehoe rounded the corner with a bell in his hand.

Walt, the food service director, entertained students at breakfast, lunch, and dinner for 21 years. Many things had changed since Walt began at Birkett Williams Dining Hall.

Shortly after Walt arrived, an art student designed a Tshirt which read "Eat at Walt's." The slogan caught on, and "Walt's" became the place to eat. "It's a great honor," said Walt.

With the introduction of "Walt's" came the increase in avariety of food. In addition to the early changes, Walt added a fast food line which included a deli, hamburgers, and pizza. Walt believed his success came because his taste buds were the same as students', and he led a hard-working staff, some of whom had worked for him the full 21 years.

Walt enjoyed his job. "I don't really know my age," he said. One member of Walt's staff that was well-known by students was Minnie, who worked with Walt from the beginning. Students were always surprised as he pulled out a new costume, decoration, or toy. "Just as I begin to think dinner is boring, Walt does something crazy or funny," said junior Cortney Brown.

One thing that did not change about Walt's was the social atmosphere. "My freshman year I went to Walt's at 4:30 p.m. and left at 6:00 p.m.," said junior Alicia Harman. Lunch and dinner became the time to meet friends or new people. "Ouachita is so unique because students actually wait for friends before eating a meal; it is the social place," said Walt.

Whether they just ate a meal or visited with friends, the students enjoyed the atmosphere Walt created. "My job is great because of the kids," said Walt. "We've come a long way from being boring."









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Wendy Richter helps some students locate information in the archives. In addition to various other projects, Richter conducted the research for "Land and People of a President: An Arkansas Scrapbook," a display of life in Southwest Arkansas during the early life of Bill Clinton. •photo by Diane Deaton



A scrapbook of over 1,400 photographs-captured moments of the environment and the people that shaped a young boy who would one day become the leader of a nation. "Land and People of a President: An Arkansas Scrapbook" was a collection of essays and old pictures of life in Southwest Arkansas during the early life of Bill Clinton. Wendy Richter, instructor and archivist, conducted the research for the project and cowrote two essays with Dr. Tom Greer and Lavell Cole. Richter also bore the time-consuming task of sifting through over 20,000 photographs, most from private collections not accessible to the public. "We wanted to show the environment in which Clinton grew up. He was just one of the people," Richter said.

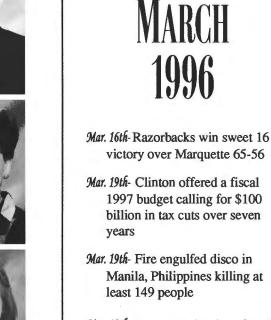
The display opened in the summer of 1993 at Mid-America Museum and was moved to the University from June until August. It was then transported to the Oil and Brian Museum at Smackover.

Richter's love for history was sparked long before her work as an archivist began. "A professor had me look at some primary source material, and from then on I was hooked," she said. In order to continue working "hands-on with historical materials," Richter decided to acquire a masters degree in public history.

She recently completed her work as co-editor of a book on Clark County residents in World War II called We Were There. In addition to that endeavor, Richter had the opportunity to write the text for the historical markers located in the sidewalks of Hot Springs. Richter kept herself and the student workers in the archives busy throughout the year. Stacey Eley, a junior social studies major who worked in the archives said, "As soon as we finish a project, there are three more waiting. It's unbelievable what she gets done in a semester."

Amid the shelves of books, documents, and old photos, one could usually find the dedicated archivist, busy with the endless task of recording and reporting history. "You see so much change," she said. "It makes you wonder where we're going from here."





Mar. 20th- Menendez brothers found guilty of first-degree murder for slaying parents

Outside these walls ...

- Mar. 21st- Razorbacks lose to Massachusetts in East Regional Semifinal 79-63
- Mar. 22nd- House voted to repeal 1994 federal ban on assaulttype weapons
- Mar. 25th- David Hale received 28month prison sentence for association with Whitewater
- Mar. 27th- American astronauts worked outside a space station for first time in 22 years
- Mar. 31st- Yeltsin ordered cease firewithdrawal from Chechnya
- Mar. 31st- New York group sought approval for abortion pill



Spring Break Missions- Brandi Byrd, BSU assistant director, summarizes the Spring Break mission trip to San Antonio, Tex. Students participated in revivals and worship services, Backyard Bible Clubs, and visitation while emphasizing missions outreach. • photo by Guy Lyons















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Inside these walls...



APRILE WILLETT,

an English major, was Tiger Tunes director and vice-president of Chi Delta Women's Social Club. She was also a Rho

Sigma Sweetheart and secretary of Sigma Tau Delta. She was a Homecoming representative and was named to the dean's and president's lists. She worked for admissions counseling. She was an active

member of First Baptist Church of Smackover, and she enjoyed jogging, reading, and playing basketball.

LAVINIA YOUNG,

a professional accountancy major, was a member of Phi Beta Lambda, Black American Student Society, and

played basketball for the Lady Tigers. She was named as an all-AIC player. She worked as a secretary at Pioneer Abstract, and she hoped to become a certified public accountant. She enjoyed reading poetry.



















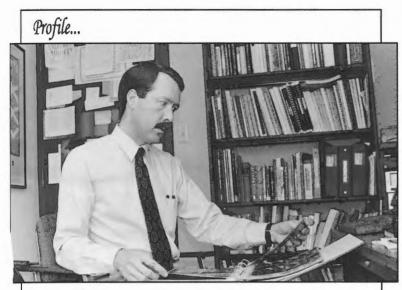








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Dr. Charles Fuller, associate professor of music and coordinator of music studies, glances through his scrapbook. Fuller had the opportunity to perform in the Robert Shaw Festival Singers and the Robert Shaw Choral Workshop at Carnegie Hall in New York City. *•photo by John Barber*

Dependence of a lifetime **DR.CHARLES FULLER**

Marching down the busy streets, surrounded by a host of people, he made hiś way across the city winding up on the steps of Carnegie Hall. Bright lights and big city were not what was on his mind, it was being a part of a one-of-a-kind concert.

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

Five days prior to the concert, Fuller was in a schedule of rehearsals and workshops in New York. The singers practiced and perfected the material they would sing and perform for the Big Apple audience. It was a time to meet new people and share music with those in Fuller's field.

The concert featured three significant choral works of Giuseppe Verdi: "Requiem," "Ava Maria," and "Stabat Mater." These works were performed and accounted for the majority of the concert. The chorus was accompanied by the Orchestra of St. Luke's.

Fuller was pleased with his involvement in the production of the workshop and the concert. The trip to New York was a dream come true for Fuller.

For any musician, the chance to perform in New York City would be an event of a lifetime. The surroundings of the big city and the high paced life added to the excitement. Being around professionals and their unique talents made Fuller's trip worth while.

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

Life offered Dr. Fuller this special opportunity to perform with his peers and travel to New York City. Fuller accepted the challenge and carried it out to perfection.









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Writer-in-residence Mary Medearis gives freshman Lori Reed a piano lesson. Medearis attended The Julliard School of Music to study her first love and taught music for 45 years before falling in love for a second time. After moving to Arkansas, she turned to writing full time. •photo by Jonathan Henderson



"Every day is a new adventure; the key is finding the 'nugget." These simple, yet profound words became the philosophy of writer-inresidence Mary Medearis. From studying at The Julliard School of Music to stumbling upon an American classic, this woman of great magnitude overcame numerous obstacles and offered society a new perspective.

Starting at the tender age of 21, Medearis traveled to The Julliard School of Music to study and perfect her first love. It was then that this love was expanded, and writing entered the picture. While taking a writing course at Columbia University, Medearis won a national short story contest for her partially autobiographical piece, which later became "Big Doc's Girl."

While having a husband, six children, and an occasional live-in student, Medearis traveled all over the United States teaching music for 45 years. It was not until she retired to Washington, Arkansas, that writing became her sole occupation. While in Washington, she founded the Southwest Arkansas Regional Archives, which she directed and used for various works for 13 years.

Even with a best seller, a completed family, a remarkable reputation, and various occupations behind her, Medearis never lost sight of her purpose. This God-fearing woman accomplished many tasks and made an infinite number of friends along the way. The idea of everything imaginable being a possible writing topic enabled her to see new ideas each and every day. When asked where she came up with her topics, Medearis said, "You must be willing to look beyond everyday normality and see the lesson to be learned or the problem to be solved waiting in front of you."

Making the most out of every situation helped Medearis reach her goals and allowed her to enjoy an active, purposeful life. She overcame all expectations and made each day an adventure by always remembering her mom's saying: "If something exciting has not happened in your life by five o'clock, get out and make it happen."



















- Apr. 1st-Taco Bell fooled the nation with a new public relations campaign
- Apr. 2nd- Russia and Belanis agreed to form new union
- Apr. 2nd- Dan Harmon, prosecuting attorney arrested for alleged kidnapping of his wife, hospitalized for not eating
- Apr. 3rd- Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and 32 others killed in Air Force jet crash outside Dubrovnik, Croatia
- Apr. 4th- Theodore J. Kaczynski charged with possessing bomb components in cabin; believed to be the "unabomber"
- Apr. 5th- Second day of talks with Montana Freeman
- Apr. 6th- Two North Carolina youth committed suicide as part of a suicide pact
- Apr. 8th-Yugoslavia and Macedonia tied diplomatic knots
- Apr. 11th- Jessica Dubroff, sevenyear-old who attempted to set record as youngest person to fly across America, died along with father and flight instructor



Spring Fling- Students race to grab a bar while tied to bunji ropes during the S.E.L.F. Spring Fling. From four to nine on the afternoon of April 16th, students congregated on the lawn in front of Daniel for a picnic, games, and a concert. •photo by Sandra Scucchi















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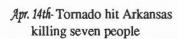








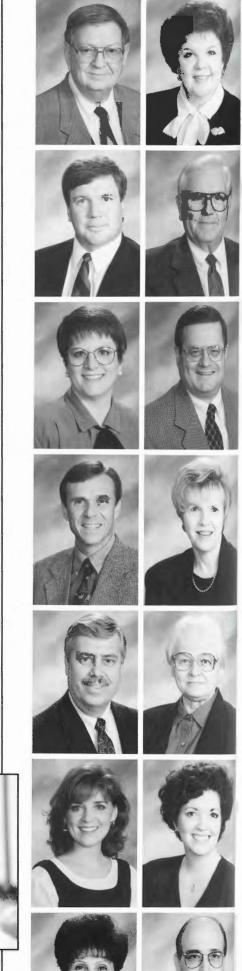
Outside these walls...



- Apr. 15th- Governor declared Izard and Stone counties a state of disaster
- Apr. 17th- Jury recommended life term for Menendez
- Apr. 19th- At 9:02 a.m. Oklahoma City recognized 168 seconds of silence remembering the one year anniversary of the Federal **Building bombing**
- Apr. 20th- Leaders of world's seven richest democracies agreed to end nuclear tests by fall
- Apr. 21st- Tornado hit Van Buren and Fort Smith killing two children
- Apr. 23rd- Subway gunman Bernard Goetz ordered to pay \$43 million
- Apr. 23rd- Fire raced through Chernobyl nuclear plant in Ukraine
- Apr. 28th- Clinton took stand for Whitewater trial
- Apr. 29th- Former Secretary of State Bill McCuen sentenced to 17 years in prison



Tiger Traks-Senior Mary Lewis carefully removes a Jenga block from the shaking tower. Jenga was one of 10 events put on by OSF on April 19-20. The annual event brought the student body together for a weekend of sloppy, messy fun. •photo by Jim Yates



Profile ...



Dr. Steve Phillips helps his son Austin off of a game at the Spring Fling sponsored by S.E.L.F. Phillips wholeheartedly tried to make every event that he was a part of a fun one, for his students as well as his loved ones. *•photo by Sandra Scucchi*

DR.STEVE PHILLIPS

On a given day, Dr. Steve Phillips could be seen playing instructional games like capture the flag with students, tearing up the outdoors on his bike, or serving the community through service projects.

Phillips started his teaching career as a graduate assistant at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, and it had been a wide roller coaster ride for the journeyman ever since. He taught at the University in 1983-1985, and then moved to the University of Southern California and earned his Ph.D. while he taught. From Southern California he went to the University of Montana for five years. In that span he won five teaching awards for his labor. Phillips believed that teachers have the responsibility to "bring something of substance in an interesting manner, and show compassion to the students as individuals," he said.

Phillips required his students to do community service projects such as Group Living, Courage House, and Carpenter Hill Projects. At Group Living, a center for the mentally disadvantaged, students held a St. Patrick's Day function. At the Courage House, students totally refurnished two rooms. They also provided treat bags for children. "Basically we try to plug in with people who are disadvantaged in some way. We give back and try to spread a little light. It's a sort of reality check; it helps keep me and students plugged into the real world," Phillips said. Senior Rebecca Roe said, "It makes me realize how much I've been given, and it makes me appreciate it."

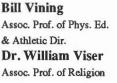
Phillips had always been a lover of the outdoors, and his interests heightened in Montana. His outdoor activities included hiking, mountain biking, white water rafting, kayaking, and canoeing. Phillips described himself as a connoisseur of American National Parks. He planned to hike all of them, and he had already conquered over 30.

Phillips hoped to continue a recreational ministry. He believed that the outdoors helps humans to "be still before God." It also reminded him who is in charge. "It's hard to see the miracles and still not believe in God," he said.









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retiring professors leave 118 years of service NCBETH, SHAMBARGER, & VINING

The spring semester marked a new season for the University, not only in a literal sense, but in a figurative one as well. Three faculty members announced their retirement from fulltime teaching. The three reflected a total of 118 years of employment at the University. After the announcements, Dr. W. Francis McBeth was named as Distinguished University Professor; Dr. Jake Shambarger as Professor Emeritus of Education; and Bill Vining as Professor **Emeritus of Physical** Education.

McBeth joined the faculty in 1957 and completed a distinguished 39-year career as the Lena Goodwin Trimble Professor of Music, Resident Composer, and Chair of the Department of Music Theory/ Composition. In 1975, the Lubbock, Texas native was

Athletic Director, Men's Baskethall Coach, and Associate Professor of Physical **Education Bill Vining** concentrates on the birdie as he instructs his students in the game of badmitton. Coach Vining retired, concluding a 42-year career at the University. His service along with the service of two other retiring professors, McBeth and Shambarger, totaled 118 years of employment at the University. •photo by Guy Lyons

named by the Governor as Composer Laureate of Arkansas.

McBeth was a leading figure in American music and had just completed a term as President of the American Bandmasters Association. McBeth's works had been performed all over the world. He was the recipient of numerous awards, including the prestigious ASCAP award for 30 consecutive vears.

McBeth was conductor of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra for many years until his retirement from the organization in 1973, whereupon he was elected Conductor Emeritus.

Shambarger joined the faculty in 1966. He served as Professor of Education and completed a productive 37 years of teaching, which included a highly successful stint as baseball coach from

1965 to 1973. In that coaching tenure, Shambarger had three Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference championships.

Vining began in 1954 and completed a distinguished 42-year career as Athletic Director, Men's Basketball Coach, and Associate Professor of Physical Education.

His coaching record was unequaled in University history, as his basketball teams won over 500 games during his tenure. His teams claimed six AIC championships.

The Eudora native toured the world, serving as coach for various Pan America, AAU, World University, and Olympic trials competitions. He was a member of the Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame and the NAIA Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame.



Outside these walls...

MAY 1-15, 1996

May 1st- Boeing 727 failed take off and landed in street in Quito, Ecuador

May 2nd- Senate voted 97-3 to crack down on illegal imigration

May 3rd- Identical twins Lt. Mark Kelly and Lt. Scott Kelly were the first siblings named to the NASA space program in Cape Canaveral

May 4th- Rosie Gries, Avon company's eldest sales representative, made first sale in 1938 and still selling in her North Dakota community at age 100

May 5th- Two fishing boats collided on DeGray Lake near Bismark killing two people

May 7th- Federal Judge dismissed four indictments against Governor Tucker and Susan McDougal leaving Tucker with seven indictments

May 11th- First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton spoke at the University of Arkansas' commencement



Senior Picnic- Professor of Accounting Dr. Bob Webster discusses with Tyler and Angie Vance what their plans are after graduation. Several graduates met at Dr. Elrod's house on May 10 for the senior picnic. • photo by Dr. Jeff Root

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Artist-in-Residence David Allen Wehr performs an evening of concertos for the campus and community. After performing at the University and meeting several professors during a piano tour in 1983, Wehr found new goals in life by joining the faculty in 1994. •photo by Guy Lyons

talent molding talent by Salinda Russell

"I have been given a great I am on the road three weeks body of music," David Allen Wehr said. "My goal is to achieve the level of greatness that the material possesses. It's just like an actor trying to be as great as the part he is playing or a dancer wanting to be as great as the part she is dancing. It's something I can never achieve, but something I want to achieve everytime I sit down to play."

Wehr began playing the piano at the age of four. His studies led him to the Cleveland Institute of Music and the University of Kansas, but only after several years under his parents' instruction. Wehr knew he would be a pianist early in life. "Since both of my parents were professional musicians, I was just going into the family business," he said.

During 15 years of professional performances, Wehr played in over 30 countries. He decided his most nerveracking experience was his performance with the London Symphony and one of his most exciting was on the 1989 tour in Seville, Spain where he was called back for five encores.

"I travel a lot," Wehr said, "but playing concerts is a freelancing business. Sometimes straight. Other times, I am at Ouachita a week and then on the road a week."

Wehr first came to the University on a tour in 1983. His schedule allowed him to spend several days in the community, and he had the opportunity to meet many faculty members. It was through these meetings that Wehr was called to become Artist-in-Residence.

Teaching at a university is something Wehrnever planned as a goal. However, his years of professional performing and experiences led him to the classroom. "There comes a point where a person in any field wants to start giving back to the next generation part of the small wisdom they have gained from the real world," Wehr said. "I'm at that point."

Wehr spent his afternoons teaching piano students. "I find that students are like sponges," he said. "There is a lot of talent here, not only in the pianists, but also in the choir, the band, art, and the theatre. That's what makes my job interesting because I have to shape and mold and especially challenge that talent."

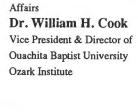


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