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## ON THE COVER

World Mission Workshop participants are united by a desire to increase the number of people committed to full-time, long-term missions — both here and abroad. Photo by Jeff Montgomery.

## Learning for a lifetime

By DAVID B. BURKS



ANOTHER BUILDING PROJECT AT THE UNIVERSITY CAME TO A fitting end Sept. 28 with the dedication of the Wilma Stephens Thornton Center for Education (Page 20).

But only beginning is the learning that will happen within the walls of this grand, state-of-the-art structure.

Even as we rejoice in the completion of this monumental project, we realize that learning is a process that is never truly finished. It is a continual process.

One sterling example of lifelong learning is the woman for whom this structure is named, Wilma Stephens Thornton. While some of you may have sat at the feet of her daughter, retired English instructor Betty Thornton Ulrey, 96-year-old Wilma became an educator at the age of 16 and taught 41 years. She describes herself as someone who “wanted to reach out and go and do and learn” and who “was always eager for knowledge.”

We have Thornton to thank for selecting the verse, “‘Come now, let us reason together,’ says the Lord” (Isaiah 1:18) that is inscribed over the entry to this building.

They were words her father, A.J. Stephens, described to her as “the greatest compliment that had ever been given to mankind.”

Referring to the inscription, she told the large crowd assembled that day, “May we rise to the occasion by learning how to reason and then teaching the young people how to reason. May the teachers be seekers of goodness and truth and be eloquent in the inspiration and development of human souls. May these rooms be filled with an invigorating atmosphere of mental and moral development so that every person educated here will be more capable of wise and just, of useful and noble living.”

Another illustration of a lifelong learner is Dr. Joan Coleman ('34) who continues to expand her education at the age of 93. Her passion for preserving history and improving the quality of life for children, families and communities is found on Page 22.

These examples teach us that while we are never too young to start, we also are never too old to continue learning.

Luke said that Jesus “increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man” (2:52). That is the goal of the learning that continues at this University today as we seek to engage heart and mind — for a lifetime. **H**

*David B. Burks*



Brent Carter's ('90) 1-year-old daughter, Haleigh Brooke, enjoys a pony ride at the Family Picnic in front of the Ganus Athletic Center during Homecoming festivities in October. For more details about the weekend, turn to Page 28.

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# Around Campus



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## Retention rates on the rise

PROGRAMS SUCH AS HONORS Symposium and Student Impact bring students to the University. What keeps them here is multifaceted. The Advance Program helps struggling students learn study skills and how to succeed on the college level. International Programs entice students to attend one of six semester-abroad experiences. The Honors College pushes students to maximize their academic potential.

Others find reasons to stay on a more personal level: They love the small-town atmosphere, the spiritual encouragement, and the relationships they have made among other students, faculty and staff.

Nineteen years of consecutive enrollment growth indicate that the University is meeting goals of expansion and recruiting; however, retention rates provide a more specific method of measuring student contentment with the college experience.

This year's freshman-to-sophomore retention rate climbed to 83 percent. In other words, 83 percent of first-time-in-college freshmen from fall 2004 returned for fall 2005.

"Retention is the very best measure of a student's satisfaction with the Harding experience," said Executive Vice President Jim Carr. "We were pleased to see this year's rate increase from last year's 78 percent."

This rate is almost 10 percent higher than the national average of 73.6 percent. In September, when the University announced its record enrollment of 5,975 students, President David Burks attributed the growth at the undergraduate level to a strong freshman class and retention rate.

"We are extremely pleased with this figure," Burks said. "This is our first time above 80 percent, which has been a goal of our strategic planning for a long time. A number of factors entered into achieving this figure, which we hope can be repeated next year."

Dr. Larry Long, vice president for academic affairs, said the record retention rate is a result of the whole campus working together. "Since it more or less measures overall student satisfaction, all aspects of campus life, academics and spiritual opportunities combine to affect retention."

Among the specific factors Burks points to is the work done by the Academic Advis-

ing Center and the Office of Student Services.

Long, who oversees all academic areas, says the University worked hard over the past year to improve the Academic Advising Center. That office initiated an "Early Alert! System" to identify students who were at risk in their classes for various reasons, contacted those students, and offered support services and encouragement.

Student Services focused on improving residence hall life with training and support for resident assistants and increased activities with an emphasis on helping new students find a place to belong. Student Services also oversees Summer Experience and Student Impact, orientation programs that provide students with a positive "first taste" for Harding.

According to data provided by Dr. Marty Spears, director of institutional research, participation in one of the two orientation programs is a strong contributor to retention. "My numbers indicated that 85 percent of those involved in Summer Experience and Student Impact are retained, whereas only 67 percent of those not involved in either of those programs are retained," he said.

Incoming freshmen are encouraged to take part in these programs that help them make the transition to university life.

"Of course, we think Harding is a great place for students to have a positive environment in which to experience an excellent education," Long said. "When all of us work to make all of the pieces come together in the best way, then we think students will want to participate in that experience, return for their second year, and persist to graduation."

## Dean of nursing national board treasurer

FOR THE FIRST TIME, AN Arkansas resident has been elected to the National League for Nursing Board of Governors. Dr. Cathleen Shultz, dean of the College of Nursing, began serving her three-year term as treasurer in November.

Established in 1893, the NLN is the leading professional association for nursing education. Headquartered in New York City, the organization has more than 1,200 member schools and 17,000



Dr. Cathleen Shultz

members. Its purpose is to advance quality nursing education that prepares the nursing workforce to

meet the needs of diverse populations in an ever-changing health care environment. Members of the board assume significant responsibility for all aspects of the organization, including shaping the vision, developing policies, advancing the mission and goals, and ensuring growth.

Shultz also serves on the board of directors for the Southern Council of Collegiate Education in Nursing, headquartered in Atlanta. The organization works with university nursing programs in 16 states. Shultz reviews manuscripts for the *Southern Online Journal of Nursing Research* and the *Journal of Professional Nursing*. She is a past president of the Arkansas Nurses' Association and the Arkansas State Board of Nursing.

Under Shultz's leadership, the College of Nursing was the first in Arkansas to use

computers as part of learning, provide health services for Head Start and HIPPIY programs, and initiate screening clinics in public schools without nursing personnel on site.

She holds the bachelor of science in nursing degree from the University of South Carolina, the master of nursing degree from Emory University, and the Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University.

## Education advocate Stamatis takes award

KEN STAMATIS RECEIVED THE Advocate for Education Award Oct. 15 from the Arkansas Association for Professional Teaching, an organization composed of National Board Certified Teachers. Selection for this award was based upon his work with educators, administrators and students across Arkansas.

Stamatis, assistant professor of education and director



Ken Stamatis

of the graduate program in reading, currently serves as chair of the Arkansas National Board Advisory Council and is project consultant/trainer for the Smart Step Literacy Lab Classroom Project — a highly praised staff development for mid-level teachers offered by the Arkansas Department of Education.

According to Dr. Clara Carroll, chair of professional field services in the College of Education and president of the board for the National Board for Professional Teaching Standard's Arkansas affiliate, "Ken received this award because of his extensive work with middle school teachers,

administrators and students. He travels the state consulting and training middle school teachers, in addition to raising awareness of educational issues and the importance of teachers in the classroom in regard to student achievement."

Stamatis holds the bachelor of science and master of education degrees from the University. He received the Milken Family Foundation National Educator of the Year Award in 1995, the Arkansas Public School Hero Award in 1997, and the University's Distinguished Teacher Award in 2005.

## Cooke Foundation funds alumna for medical school

TEN YEARS AGO, RUSUDAN Kambarashvili ('05) left the Republic of Georgia for the United States, beginning emergency treatment for leukemia at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. The trip ended her father's two-year global search for a hospital that could pay for care of his daughter.

He stayed at her side for the crucial first six months, then returned to Georgia while she began eighth grade at Harding Academy in Mem-



Rusudan Kambarashvili

phis, where she flourished both academically and socially. In high school, working with the foundation that had linked her with St. Jude, she helped raise more than \$2,000 to bring in another young girl with cancer, this time from Kazakhstan.

Kambarashvili never

doubted that she would become a doctor. Preparing for that career, she earned a 4.0 grade point average at the University and worked summers as an orderly in a Memphis hospital and at a women's clinic in Telavi, Georgia. A University-sponsored mission trip to Zambia in 2001 intensified her commitment to work with the poor, here and abroad. "I met American physicians who have committed several years or months at a time to serving the people of Zambia," she remembers. "I plan to follow in their footsteps."

Kambarashvili, who received her bachelor of arts degree in May, was one of 76 students honored in July with one of America's largest graduate scholarships. The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation chose her after a nationwide selection process that drew 1,290 nominees from more than 600 colleges and universities across the country. Each scholarship is worth up to \$300,000, which is among the largest offered in the United States.

Dr. Pat Garner, an active member of the National Association of Fellowship Advisors, is one of the leaders of the University's Undergraduate Scholarship Program, which offers individual assistance for students pursuing prestigious scholarships. He worked closely with Kambarashvili throughout her application process. "Rusudan is one of the most motivated students with whom I have been privileged to work," he says. "I think she will make a substantial contribution to the medical community nationally and internationally."

Says Dr. Matthew J. Quinn, executive director of the foundation, "Support for exceptional students, particularly those with financial need and

a great drive to succeed, can have a profoundly positive effect on society. These students have overcome tremendous obstacles, and we are proud to help them continue their education and prepare to make valuable contributions to our world."

Laurie Kohn, a professor at the Georgetown University Law Center who served as a panelist on the selection committee, says, "The recipients of scholarships from the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, whose standards are exceptionally high, exemplify qualities we all admire, particularly that unique combination of ability and drive that sets some people apart. What the Rhodes Scholarship is to overseas study, the Jack Kent Cooke awards are rapidly becoming to the best students in America who have financial need."

Through the scholarships, the foundation aims to help highly motivated, highly driven individuals overcome one of the biggest challenges to their careers — the cost of advanced professional or graduate training. The value and duration of each scholarship, which can total as much as \$50,000 per year for up to six years, varies based on the cost of attendance or other grants each student receives. Kambarashvili attends University of Kentucky College of Medicine and will receive \$200,000 during the next four years.

"This scholarship is yet another testimony of God's providence in my life," she says. "Judging strictly by statistics, I knew that my chances of receiving the scholarship were very slim. However, with God's help, there is no end to what one can accomplish. I have been given this gift so that I can bless others through my future career. I plan to do just that."



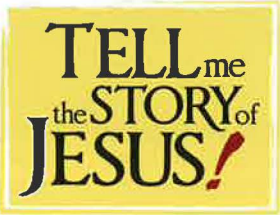
# Lectureship recognizes 25 servants

THE UNIVERSITY PRESENTED its Distinguished Christian Service Award to 25 individuals during the school's 82nd annual Lectureship held Sept. 25-28.

Awards were presented to the following: Tom and Phyllis Alexander of Searcy, for his service as former dean of the College of Bible and Religion and for her paintings that regularly appear on each cover of *Church & Family* magazine and her dedication as a teacher of female inmates in the White County Jail; Leon and Linda Barnes of Little Rock, Ark., for more than 30 years of ministry, currently at Central Church of Christ; Grover and Jenelle Beakley of Brownwood, Texas, for their leadership in Austin Avenue Church of Christ and emphasis on mission work; Lynn and Phyllis Huff, for their work as missionaries in São Paulo, Brazil, including the establishment of Camp Mount of Olives; and Park and Linda Linscomb, leaders of Gander Brook Christian Camp in Raymond, Maine, for 32 years of ministering in New England.

Honorees also included Curtis and Nell Manor, who recently retired to Searcy after 60 years of ministry and service to congregations in Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma and Tennessee; Stafford and JoAnne North, for 50 years of dedicated service to Oklahoma Christian University and 40 years of involvement in Memorial Road Church of Christ; Fred and Sybil Picker of Searcy, for their work with West Side Church of Christ and the development of the church's Golden Years Pro-

gram; Paul and Sherry Pollard of Searcy, for his service as former minister of Augusta Church of Christ and as a community spokesman for Mothers Against Drunk Driving and for her work as a counselor at the University and as one of the founders of the Women In God's Service conference; Floyd and Patty Rine of Searcy, for their efforts to strengthen and en-



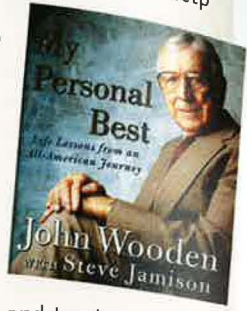
courage young people and for their active support of children's

homes and Christian camps; Duane Warden of Searcy, for his service as an administrator at Ohio Valley University and at Harding as former associate dean of the College of Bible and Religion; Don Williams, a retired youth and family minister from Cyril, Okla., for his influence as a leader among youth and family ministers throughout the United States and for his dedication to Christian education at Pepperdine and Abilene Christian universities; Flavil and Maydell Yeakley of Searcy, for their involvement in numerous ministries in Oklahoma prior to moving to Searcy, and for his roles as director of Harding's Center for Church Growth and author of many publications on trends and factors in congregational growth; and Nokomis Yeldell Sr. of Memphis, Tenn., for his 41 years of ministry in Vance/Norris Road Church of Christ, for more than 30 years of service on the Southwestern Christian College Board of Directors, and for his community leadership in Memphis.

Dr. Howard Norton, director of Lectureship, presented the awards. The theme of this year's program was "Tell Me the Story of Jesus."

EDITOR'S NOTE: An avid reader, President David Burks shares insights from books he read in 2005.

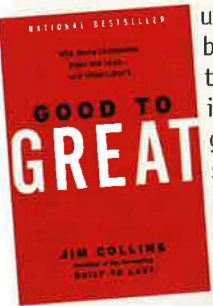
The most recent book that I have read is *My Personal Best* (McGraw-Hill, 2004, 192 pages) by John Wooden with the help of Steve Jamison. This is a marvelous book that is filled with wonderful advice relative to values, leadership and success. Wooden is a legendary coach, and perhaps no one will ever take his place in collegiate basketball circles. I particularly enjoyed the emphasis given to the role of values and character by Wooden as he discussed his career and what he thinks is really important for success. I would recommend the lessons in this book to everyone. My friend and trustee member, Paul Carter, recommended this book to me, and I have recommended it to members of my family. I think all of us would benefit from reading this book and applying its principles to our lives.



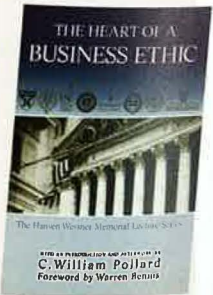
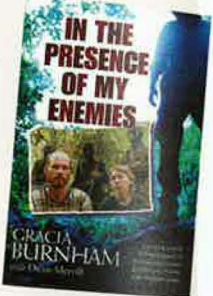
I finished *To Fly Again* (Tyndale House, 2005, 201 pages) by Gracia Burnham. It is the story of her struggle as she and her husband, Martin, were kidnapped by members of a terrorist group in the Philippines while they were doing mission work. After reading this book, I obtained a copy of her first book, *In the Presence of My Enemies* (Tyndale House, 2003, 336 pages), which detailed in more graphic ways the actual account of the kidnapping. Both books are a good read and will leave the reader with a stronger sensitivity to how people react at difficult times.



This year, I also reread *Good to Great* by Jim Collins (Collins, 2001, 320 pages). I continue to believe that the applications relative to leadership for the church, for the family, for the Kingdom, for the Christian university and for individuals are huge in this book. It is one of the best books I have read in the last five years. The applications are endless in terms of how we should deal with others, get the right people on the bus, and understand the importance of asking "who" questions as opposed to "what" questions. I loved his description of the hedgehog concept, which at the University refers to our basic mission of integrating faith, learning and living. He talks a lot about passion, and I believe he is right on target with his approach to leadership.



Finally, I just finished reading several articles in *The Heart of a Business Ethic* (University Press of America, 2005, 224 pages), edited by Donald D. Holt. A number of authors contributed to this book dealing with moral authority and ethical behavior in business. While this is an area of great interest in my reading, I particularly enjoyed the treatment found on several different topics facing business today. The article by Elmer W. Johnson, "Corporate Soulcraft in the Age of Brutal Markets," was particularly enlightening.



— David B. Burks

LECTURESHIP LOGO BY JEFFREY HUNTER '05

## NEWSMAKERS

### COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

*Department of Art and Design*  
Faculty members **Beverly Austin, Dr. John Keller and Don Robinson**, along with students **Kyle Fagala, Christine Girouard, Jon Ross and Jay Paul Wade**, exhibited works at the North Central Arkansas Art Gallery in Fairfield Bay Oct. 3-Dec. 5. Subject matter was taken from their experiences at the University's international program in Florence, Italy.

**Dr. Faye Doran**, professor, received an award at the fall conference of the Arkansas Association of Marriage and Family Therapists held Oct. 13 in Fayetteville. The award reads: "In honor of Faye Doran, M.S., LPC, LMFT. Outstanding Contribution to Marriage and Family Therapy. For many years of dedication to ArAMFT by being active on our board of directors and producing and maintaining a high-quality Web page."

The PUSH Regional Design Conference and Student Competition hosted by the Memphis Advertising Federation in Tennessee Nov. 4-5 awarded three of five trophies to University students.

**Justin Ardrey**, a senior interactive media major from Newport, Ark.; **Mandy Brown**, a senior art major from Essexville, Mich.; and **Karla McDonald**, a junior graphic design major from Whitney, Texas, each received a trophy and gift certificate to an art supplies store in Memphis for their barbecue sauce package design.

### Department of Music

**Laura Eads**, adjunct voice instructor, performed a leading role in the Opera Memphis production of Gian Carlo Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors" Dec. 9-11. She played Amahl's mother.

### COLLEGE OF BIBLE AND RELIGION

The work of **Dr. Dale Manor**, associate professor, was printed in two publications released in the summer of 2005. He wrote a popular-level commentary titled *Joshua, Judges and Ruth* in the People's Old Testament Notes Series. He also wrote a section titled "The Books of History" and a chapter on "The Bible and Archaeology" for *Old Testament Introduction*, part of the College Press NIV Commentary Series. >>

## Students add muscle to Katrina relief efforts

AS HURRICANE KATRINA evacuees returned to New Orleans last October to salvage what they could from water-damaged homes, dozens of University students spent their weekends joining the relief efforts.

Last fall, more than 100 students, staff and faculty drove into the deserted suburbs of New Orleans to clear out debris, transport supplies, and offer support to victims of the storm. In addition to the weekend trips, one group spent the week of Thanksgiving break working in the area, and several groups are planning to help during spring break.

Many of the groups from the University have worked in conjunction with Tammany Oaks Church of Christ, which headquarters relief efforts at its building in Mandeville, La. The church continues to house groups from all over the country at its facility and direct relief efforts in the area.

Sara Foster, a senior business management major from Lone Jack, Mo., said that when her group went Oct. 21-23, they lived in close quarters with workers from all around the country, sleeping in the

classrooms and auditorium of the church.

"There were 14 of us in one classroom," she said. "There were girls in the hallway. Every room was packed full." She said workers bathed in makeshift showers made with plywood and tarp.

Foster said her experience working at the church building and distributing supplies showed her that even though there is still much to be done, the volunteers were able to make a difference and show victims of the storm that someone cares about them. She said she may decide to work for a nonprofit organization in disaster relief because of her experience.

"I just realized that there were bigger things out there than me."

According to Anessa Westbrook, director of Harding's hurricane relief office set up last fall, Tammany Oaks needed groups primarily to clean out damaged houses, load and unload trucks, and distribute supplies. Dr. Michael Claxton, assistant professor of English, was a sponsor along with Westbrook for the first University group that went Oct. 7-9.

"They sent us to de-muck a house," Claxton explained. He said students donned heavy leather gloves, rubber boots

and respirator masks to tear out four feet of insulation from a New Orleans area home damaged by floodwaters.

"What we did is cleaned out a house entirely. We ripped out the carpet, tore out the sheetrock, took out insulation and tile, and took out furniture to the street. ... All that is so the interior woodwork can dry out and the house can be redone."

Claxton said students helped the owner of the house to box up what items he could salvage. Talking with the man, René, they found that he had returned from Houston — where his family had relocated — to recover what he could from the house, including the "Star Wars" toys he had been collecting through the years with his son. Claxton said René was able to salvage the musty paraphernalia, but many of the family's belongings were ruined. The students helped carry those possessions to the curb.

Since the Hurricane Katrina floodwaters receded, residents have been hauling the moldy and water-damaged contents of their houses to piles in their front lawns. Foster said that when her group went, the streets were lined with mounds of torn-out sheet rock, couches and other trash.

"Every house had a pile of rubble probably about half the size of the house itself sitting out front," she said. "And we weren't even in the bad part."

Westbrook said the students who went have welcomed the hard physical labor involved in the preparations to rebuild, and many more are scheduled for work in the spring.

"I have been so impressed with them," she said. "It's like they just can't wait to work, and they want to work hard. If you haven't worn them out three times over, it's just not enough." — Sarah Brown



Sophomore Claire McLean from Bremerton, Wash., removes damaged sheetrock.





## Biggest losers gain better health

THE UNIVERSITY EMPLOYS A lot of losers — of excess weight, that is.

Last spring several kinesiology staff members organized a competition for the department after seeing the popular reality TV show “Biggest Loser,” which challenges and encourages contestants as they compete for a grand prize through comprehensive diet and exercise.

Everyone who took part in the contest lost weight, including Wellness Program coordinator and assistant professor of kinesiology Stephen Burks.

“It was a lot of fun,” says Burks. “It got me started. I needed to lose weight, and I lost some 14 pounds during the contest.”

The success of the competition inspired him to offer it to the whole campus. As he

After 169 faculty and staff members signed up, Burks set the campuswide goal at one ton, or 2,000 pounds. “I’m thrilled with the number of players,” he said. “It’s close to double what I expected.”

Each Monday players weighed in at designated spots around campus, and results were calculated by the total group percentage of weight loss as compared to initial weight.

Although this was a campuswide competition, there were a few group challenges — such as the Kinesiology Department vs. the College of Business Administration and Student Financial Services vs. the Business Office. At the end of the seven-week contest — just before Thanksgiving break — Burks announced the winners.

The team winner was Aramark, which lost an average of 8.11 pounds. In second place was Financial Aid, with

an average of 7.64 pounds lost. Third place went to the College of Sciences, with an average of 5.62 pounds lost. The individual winner lost 12.8 percent of his/her body weight.

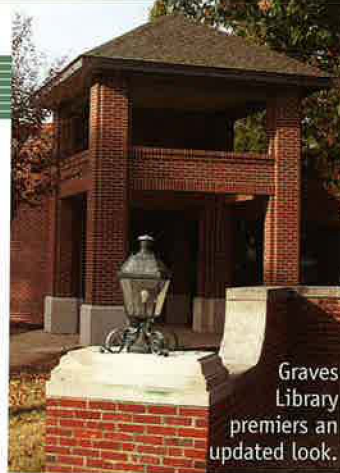
“The players did an outstanding job of sticking with the program,” said Burks, explaining that overall the group lost more than 1,300 pounds.

“We had a 97 percent retention rate, and 89 percent of us lost

weight with the program.”

Though initially Burks did not plan to conduct the contest every semester for fear that it might “lose its luster,” he now admits he has reconsidered. “I am thrilled with this program,” he said. “It has been very successful, so we might be crazy not to utilize such an effective tool.”

said when he announced the idea to faculty and staff, “We all have to get started somewhere. This contest last year got me started on my weight loss, and I hope it can do the same for some of you. I hope you are able to use this contest as a springboard to losing weight, feeling better, and improving your level of health.”



Graves Library premieres an updated look.

## Graduate School launches fresh tools for ministry

THE COMPLETION OF THE addition to the L.M. Graves Memorial Library at the Graduate School of Religion in Memphis, Tenn., is one tool that will enable the school to fulfill its mission of training the next generation of ministers.

The 6,000-square-foot expansion, named the Oliver and Norma Rogers Research Center, honors the endurance and commitment of a couple who spent 40 years in ministry.

Finished in November, the \$1.2 million research center houses a “smart” classroom, a reading area and periodicals. The classroom allows students to learn to utilize library and Internet research tools and frees space for the original structure’s more than 124,000 books and 600 journal subscriptions.

The project was made possible by 495 individuals who pledged or donated money and includes the refurbishing of the existing structure.

Also last fall, the Graduate School of Religion premiered a redesigned Web site to better communicate its personal-ity and mission.

The updated site is designed to help future students learn about opportunities for spiritual and professional growth. Current students find course schedules, syllabi, library research guides and other helpful resources. Oth-

ers can learn about service opportunities, prayer requests, and donations to the Graduate School of Religion.

The site also features the school’s revamped logo — a classic look reflective of its legacy as a leader in theological education for more than half a century. Yet, says Mark Parker, assistant executive director, “The new logo is also fresh, reminiscent of the spiritual and practical refreshment our students find here.”

Check out the new Web site and logo at [www.hugsr.edu](http://www.hugsr.edu).

## Spring Sing goes animated

NINETEEN SOCIAL CLUBS HAVE partnered up for seven acts to celebrate the music from the greatest cartoons of all time. Set in a cartoon and comic book storyboard, Spring Sing 2006, “Tune In,” will feature songs from soundtrack favorites by Disney, Warner Brothers, MGM, Dreamworks, Pixar and others. Clips from classic cartoons will be mixed with live performances, as well as several original animations.

Four students, chosen by audition in November, will host the multimedia spectacular April 13-15. Spring Sing veteran Shawn Frazier, a junior music education major from Searcy, will host for the third year. Sophomore Jillian Shackelford, a family and consumer sciences major from Bolivar, Tenn., will serve as a second-year hostess. Newcomers Lindsay Hoggatt, a junior music education major from Scottsdale, Ariz., and Travis Wisely, a junior middle-level math education major from O’Fallon, Ill., round out the leads.

You may order tickets for Spring Sing 2006 online at [www.hardingtickets.com](http://www.hardingtickets.com), by calling (501) 279-4255, or by using the card inserted in this magazine.



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## NEWSMAKERS

### COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

#### Department of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Sharen Crockett**, professor, received the national Family, Career and Community Leaders of America Alumni Achievement Award at the organization's national meeting held July 2-6 in San Diego. FCCLA is a student organization for men and women in family and consumer sciences education through grade 12. The award is given to an alumnus who has exemplified its mission and purposes.

#### Department of Kinesiology

At the regional conference held in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 20-21, Dr. **Ken Turley**, associate professor and director of the Human Performance Laboratory, was elected to a three-year term as president of the Central States Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine.

At the same conference, graduate student **Justin Bland** of Germantown, Tenn., presented a paper and received the master's-level research award for his study titled "The Effects of Low to Moderate Doses of Caffeine on Submaximal Exercise Responses in 7- to 9-year-old Children." Bland has conducted the research under Turley's supervision.

### OFFICE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

**David Crouch**, director, is serving as one of 19 members of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education's commission on communications and marketing. The term began July 1, 2005, and concludes June 30, 2008. Crouch attended his first meeting Oct. 24-25 in Washington, D.C.

### STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

**Jay Simpson**, assistant director, was honored with a plaque Oct. 20 in Fayetteville for his year of service in 2005 as president of the Arkansas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

### STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The *Bison* staff placed in the Best of Show nonweekly category at the National College Media Conference held Oct. 28-29 in Kansas City, Mo. **Rebecca King**, a senior print journalism major from Unionville, Tenn., is editor in chief.

## Internship brings lessons in medicine, life

TONI DiMARIA GRIFFIN'S preparations last winter for a summer 2005 internship in Nepal were thrust into limbo when the nation's king dissolved the government, shut down communication lines, and declared a state of emergency.

But Griffin, from Anchorage, Alaska, left for Nepal as planned, promising her fiancé she would be home safe for their wedding in August 2005. She spent a month at Kanti Children's Hospital for her internship in pediatric medicine and public health and returned discouraged and sick, but determined to make a difference in the medical profession.

A senior general studies major and Honors College president, she found out about the internship through Chhahari Group Nepal as she was searching for a summer opportunity that would give her experience in her two major areas of interest: pediatric medicine and public health. She says she found another internship in the United States that would have offered lots of clerical experience in those fields, but she opted for the more hands-on approach.

"There's a difference between number crunching in the United States and actually seeing what's going on ... and the challenges of medicine there [in Nepal]," she says.

She found the challenges to be great. In a travel journal she sent to friends and family, she described her frustrations with Nepali attitudes toward medicine, such as how often doctors had neither enough training nor supplies to adequately care for the children at the hospital. She wrote that even pain medications were in short supply, and the hospi-

tal did not have the same standards of cleanliness as U.S. hospitals.

"Basic cleanliness could prevent so many problems. ... I just want to take the children home and give them all a good bath and put socks and shoes on their feet."

Though Griffin had spent time overseas in the past, she says she was not entirely prepared for many of the cultural differences in Nepal. The gap between rich and poor in particular surprised her. Clean drinking water was often hard to find, and the burn unit at the hospital was full of children who had been scalded from overturned pots of boiling water, yet the ritzy tourist district catered to mountain climbers with such luxuries as cyber cafés and a North Face store.

As part of the internship, Griffin stayed with a hospital administrator's family, who welcomed her warmly and helped her adjust to her new environment. But she spent hours debating issues of health care management with the administrator. She says that while the hospital could not support a full-time anesthesiologist, it focused funding on an oncology unit because the specialized care unit added prestige to the hospital and attracted donations from benefactors.

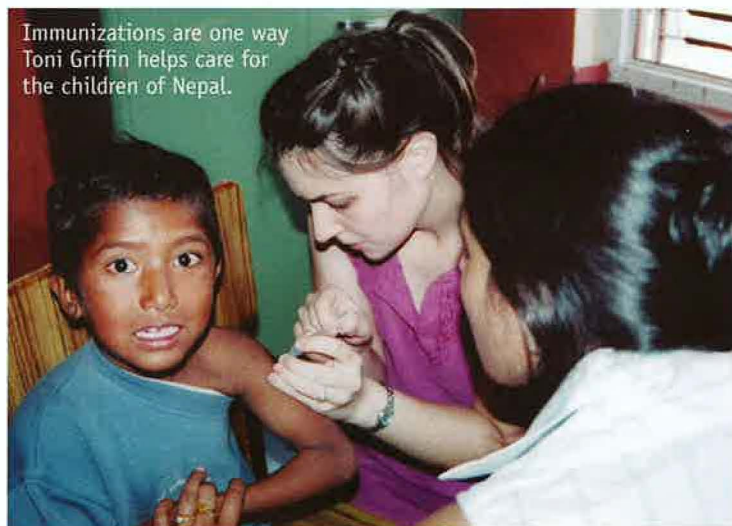
"Nepal is in crisis management, and they're really worried about image," she says.

Griffin cut her internship two weeks short because of an illness, but she says the month spent in Nepal taught her a lot about health care and policy. Nonetheless, she left wishing she could have helped the children more. She was able to give immunizations and care for the children in ways that were often overlooked by medical staff, such as simply holding crying babies, but she was powerless to help a screaming child who was not properly anesthetized because of inadequate resources.

Though Griffin does not yet know exactly what she will do after she graduates in May, she has applied to medical school and hopes someday to serve on an ethics committee and influence public policy. She wants to play a vocal role in addressing the problems of the health care industry, showing people that "it's not just the technology of medicine; it's the stewardship of medicine."

She says it takes a long-term commitment to improve significantly the health care patients receive.

"I just plan on being a patient advocate. I'll probably do that even if I don't become a doctor." — Sarah Brown



Immunizations are one way Toni Griffin helps care for the children of Nepal.



## Bound and determined

By SCOTT GOODE, sports information director

SOPHOMORE TENNIS PLAYER KARINA Gomes has never been one to shy away from a challenge, so it comes as no surprise that Lady Bison head coach David Elliott describes her as “an aggressive player who always has a smile on her face.” Gomes’ attitude and determination were also on display during her journey to Harding.

Gomes, a native of São Paulo, Brazil, began playing tennis at age 4. Her father, Sergio, taught her and her brother, Eric, the game at the Guapira tennis club. Eric, 11 months older than Karina, is now a professional tennis player, ranked just out of the top 1,000 players in the world in both singles and doubles.

“I really decided to play tennis because of Eric,” Gomes says. “I was more like a fan. I just loved tennis because I loved to be with my brother.”

At age 13, Gomes began practicing daily and started tournament play at 14. By the time she was 16, she was ranked

third in São Paulo in her age group and 16th in Brazil. Two years later she decided to use her tennis career to further her education in the United States. The only drawback was that she spoke very limited English.

“I could understand about 65 percent [in English], but I could not talk back.”

But Gomes did not let the language barrier keep her from reaching her dream. She tackled the problem aggressively — she taught herself English by watching DVDs with English subtitles. Sometimes she watched movies for an entire day to improve her skills.

Despite dramatic improvements in her language skills, Gomes fell just short of the SAT score needed to be eligible to play her first season in the United States. She would have to sit out her freshman year as a partial qualifier. Gomes decided she was coming anyway.

She sent videos to six North American universities. All six schools offered her

full-tuition scholarships, and Gomes was set to go to Missouri State University in Springfield. That decision changed one month before she was due to leave when she ran into a former rival on the Brazilian juniors tennis circuit, Catherine Carui, who had just completed her first year at Harding after transferring from Arkansas State University.

“I saw Catherine, and she told me that Harding needed another player,” says Gomes. “We knew each other from [playing] tournaments. It was just really nice to have another girl from Brazil on the team.”

For about a month, Carui served as Gomes’ translator, and the two have been roommates the last two years. But Gomes mastered the language soon enough.


“It was my dream to come to the United States and learn to speak English because it was also my mom’s dream. But she never got a chance to come,” Gomes says. “Also, I had to learn it quickly because I talk a lot, and I wanted to talk to everyone.”

In the 2004-05 season Gomes proved that sitting out her first year was worth the wait. She compiled an 18-8 singles record, playing as the team’s No. 1, No. 2 or No. 3 singles player in every match. That success combined with 13 No. 1 doubles wins earned her Gulf South Conference West Division Freshman of the Year honors.

“I was really excited when I got to practice and found out that I had won the award,” Gomes says. “It is good when you play well and people notice it.”

Elliott feels very fortunate to have Gomes on the squad.

“Karina always comes to practice ready to play,” he says. “She has a great attitude with her teammates and treats every player, regardless of ability, as if that player is the best on the team.”

A kinesiology major, Gomes has three seasons of tennis eligibility remaining. Upon graduation, she plans to become a tennis coach. Based on personal experience, Gomes will let her players know — with that winning smile — the keys to success are attitude and determination. 



Karina Gomes

PHOTO BY CHELSEA ROBERSON



## [ ROUNDUP ]

### Women runners sixth at Nationals

The women's cross country team placed sixth at the NCAA II National Meet in Chino, Calif., Nov. 19.

The Lady Bisons totaled 204 points, paced by freshman Janee Jones, who placed 13th in the 6K race in 21 minutes, 54 seconds. Jones earned All-America honors for her effort, as did sophomore Savita Chelimo, who placed 29th.

The team qualified for the national meet by winning its second NCAA II South Region title. Chelimo was the Lady Bisons' top finisher, placing sixth and earning all-region honors. Sophomore Kalina Sztayn and junior Vicky Echeverria were also all-region.

The Lady Bisons won their fourth Gulf South Conference championship, with Jones placing second and earning GSC Freshman of the Year honors.

### Cheruiyot named Runner of Year

The men's cross country team scored its third-straight top-10 national finish, placing ninth in the meet hosted by California State Polytechnic University-Pomona.

Sophomore Julius Kosgei was the team's top finisher in the 10K race, placing fourth in 31 minutes, 26 seconds and earning his first All-America honor. Sophomore Artur Kern (25th) and freshman James Cheruiyot (26th) also were All-America.

The Bisons qualified for nationals by winning their sixth-straight NCAA II South Region title, with Cheruiyot taking the individual championship.

The men also won their sixth-straight GSC title, with Cheruiyot winning the individual championship and GSC Freshman of the Year honors. Cheruiyot was also honored as NCAA II South Region Cross Country Runner of the Year.

Head coach Steve Guymon was named Gulf South Conference Coach of the Year and U.S. Track and Field/Cross Country Coaches Association South Region Coach of the Year.

### Football posts 6-5 campaign

The football squad wrapped up its 2005 campaign 6-5 overall and 4-5 in the Gulf South Conference.

Starting out 2-1, the Bisons then upset No. 1-ranked Valdosta State University 16-13 at home on a game-winning field goal by Ben Davis as time

expired. It was the University's first win over a No. 1-ranked team since joining the NCAA in 1997.

The team could not continue its momentum, however, dropping the next three games. The Bisons regrouped to win three of their last four, including a defeat of ninth-ranked Arkansas Tech University 27-10 on Homecoming.

The team's strength was its defense, highlighted by senior defensive back Torrance Daniels. He earned All-GSC honors and Daktronics All-Southeast Region honors for the third consecutive year. Daniels had 74 tackles, including 10.0 tackles for loss.

Also earning all-conference and all-region were senior linebacker Scott Dutille (84 tackles) and senior cornerback Jeremy Fairrow (35 tackles, 5 interceptions). Junior kicker Ben Davis and senior defensive back Travis DeSisso were also all-conference honorees.

### Women's soccer sixth in league play

Playing six teams ranked in the nation's top 25 in NCAA II soccer, the women's program completed the 2005 season 8-9-1 overall and 5-5-0 in the Gulf South Conference.

The Lady Bisons upset third-ranked University of Tampa 3-2 on Sept. 23. It was redemption for the team, which was knocked out of the 2004 NCAA Tournament by Tampa.

Sophomore Kendyl Washburn led the team in scoring for the second-straight season, netting 11 of the Lady Bisons' 33 goals. She became only the second team player with 10 or more goals in consecutive seasons and earned First Team All-GSC honors along with sophomore goalkeeper Cheryl Dovichak. Dovichak set the University's single-game saves record with 23 against Texas A&M-Commerce and season-season saves record with 148 stops.

Second team All-GSC honors went to senior Hilary Rosenbaum and junior Laura Bullington.

### Faris top scorer for men's soccer

A pair of senior forwards led the Bison soccer squad in 2005.

Ben Faris recorded team highs with seven goals and six assists to pace the 3-12-1 Bisons. The Bisons' career scoring leader, his 41 goals rank fourth in Gulf South Conference history.

Jonathan Edwards scored six goals and added two assists before missing the final four games of the year with an injury.

Freshman goalkeeper Ryan Hamilton broke the school saves record with 121 stops, the third-best total in GSC history.

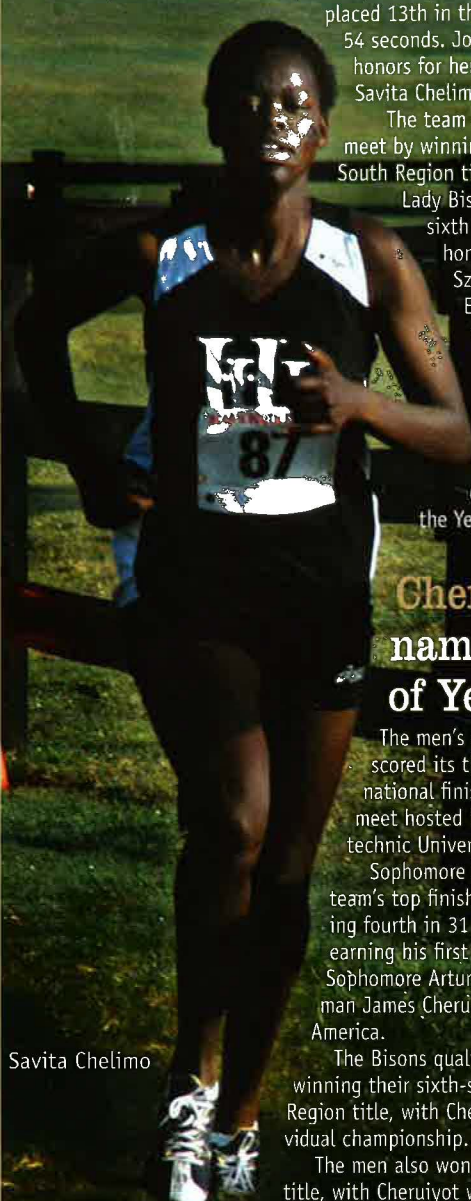
### Volleyball takes GSC West

The women's volleyball team made its fourth-straight NCAA II tournament appearance after winning the Gulf South Conference West Division Championship. The Lady Bisons posted the second-best record in school history at 33-5. The team also set the GSC record with 35 consecutive home wins, a streak that ended when it fell to University of North Alabama 3-2 in the finals of the GSC Tournament.

Three players received all-region honors. Synda Veitenheimer, the team's lone senior, and junior Katie Westmoreland were both Daktronics Second Team All-Region. Setter Leah Tepe was both GSC and AVCA Southeast Region Freshman of the Year. All three, along with junior Tiffany Morrison and sophomore Meredith Rosenbaum, earned All-GSC honors. Head coach Keith Giboney was the GSC West Division Coach of the Year for the third time.

Three players set Harding single-season records. Veitenheimer broke her own school record for kills; Tepe set a new assists record; and Rosenbaum set a new digs mark.

For the latest sports information, visit [www.hardingsports.com](http://www.hardingsports.com).



Savita Chelimo



# *The* GLOBAL CHALLENGE



By JENNIFER LASHLEY  
and SARAH BROWN

Photos by JEFF MONTGOMERY  
and CHELSEA ROBERSON

*is on*

**T**WENTY-FIVE DISPLAYS FEATURING FOOD FROM DIFFERENT cultures worldwide. African songs in perfect rhythm. Latin American folk dances accessorized by traditional costumes. The sounds of joy in numerous languages.

No, it wasn't Walt Disney World's Epcot, but the convergence of countries from around the world at the 45th World Mission Workshop held at the University Oct. 14-16. >>



They came, 1,700 in fact, from all across the globe. While many call our campus home, some traveled from as far as Beijing and Geneva. Not only did they come, but they also shared, encouraged and strengthened one another.

The conference, which takes place each year at a school associated with churches of Christ, is designed to prepare students for service and evangelism at home and abroad. In the three-day event, 75 speakers representing more than 600 years of missions and six continents addressed the challenges and logistics of this work under the theme, "If You Say Go."

Attendees chose from classes on topics specific to their interests — from forming effective missions teams, garnering support from churches, raising children on the mission field, and re-acclimating after returning home. Dr.

Monte Cox, director of the University's Center for World Missions, said, "There are all kinds of perceptual barriers that keep people from becoming missionaries." The weekend focused on breaking down many of these misconceptions.

One distinct characteristic of this year's event was the international presence among the speakers. Of the six keynote speakers, half were from outside the United States. This global viewpoint allowed a new perspective on missions. Junior Julie Keller of Sidney, Mont., who served as secretary of the workshop committee, said, "I think [the global presence] stretches people. It stretches you and makes you realize that God is the God of the whole world."

Cox explained that the choice of many foreign speakers reflects a trend toward a more humble view of missions. "Missions is changing from an American en-

terprise — where Americans go and save the world — to an enterprise where American Christians partner with Christians in other places.

"We want to send missionaries who will plant churches, ... churches that will get to the point where they themselves will plant churches," Cox said.

This sentiment was made clear through such presenters as Paul Mator Manyok of Sudan and keynote speaker Samuel Twumasi of Ghana. Twumasi is a leader in the largest church of Christ in Accra, Ghana, planted by missionaries, and the director of a Bible college there. The congregation in Accra now sends its own missionaries to northern Ghana.

Manyok was orphaned at an early age and forced to travel from his war-torn home in Sudan to Ethiopia with tens of thousands of other young boys, known as the "Lost Boys." Now a sophomore at Lip-



# Formula for life

Countries suffering from poverty and lack of nutritional education are mission fields. Just ask associate professor of nursing Janice Bingham, who is also a family nurse practitioner and medical missionary to Zambia and Tanzania.

The statistics are staggering. "About 5 million children a year will die of diarrhea," Bingham says. What is even more astounding is how easily the majority of these children could be saved with a simple electrolyte solution:

- 10 ounces water
- 3 finger pinches salt
- a bit of sugar

This formula for oral rehydration could save 4 million of the 5 million lives. "Imagine if all you did was go out and teach mothers how to do this, all the lives you would save," says Bingham.

"We have to see the whole picture. Part of it is physical care. Certainly, the whole reason we go is to represent Christ. We need to be helping people help themselves.

"We do health care missions because it's what Jesus did. Jesus ministered holistically. He took care of physical needs and gave himself on the cross for our spiritual needs."

Ten ounces of water, three finger pinches of salt, a little bit of sugar — it's a recipe we must pass on.



scomb University, he shares his journey to encourage others and tell of the wide interest in his home country to learn about God. He sums up his story with these words, "We were a bunch of nobodies going nowhere, but because of Jesus Christ, we are a bunch of somebodies going somewhere."

To aid in the conscientious attempt to internationalize the event, prayers were offered in other languages and translated, and a "Taste of Culture" exhibit was set up, featuring food, songs and dances from countries across the globe.

Part of the weekend highlighted missionary "hotspots" — areas that have been closed as mission fields until recently, including Turkey, Cambodia and Sudan. Participants also watched the related film "Beyond the Gates of Splendor," about five missionaries killed in Ecuador in 1956.

Several attended a tour of the missions

training village at Harding University Tahkodah, glimpsing the conditions of many of the world's most impoverished nations. Tour guide Bobby Garner, a student at the Graduate School of Religion, put into perspective for the visitors just how dire the circumstances are in these areas. "This is as low as it gets," he said. "But the victims of the earthquake in Pakistan and the mudslide in Guatemala ... they're not here yet."

Jeff Fincher, director of student missions at Lipscomb University, was impressed by the hands-on nature and practical application the global village offers. "I like the experiential aspect of it," he said. "Monte talked about poverty in the world. This is putting flesh to the bones of what he talked about. It would be great to send people [to Tahkodah] to experience that before we send them out into the world." **H**



# core beliefs

By DAVID B. BURKS

**A** ABOUT FIVE YEARS AGO, I WROTE AN ARTICLE IN THIS MAGAZINE summarizing my goals for the coming year. At that time, I shared my conviction that the most enduring aspects about the University will not be our buildings or our endowment. Rather, they will be the spiritual truths we hold and the spiritual legacy we leave behind.

An alumnus who recently returned after a 30-year absence noted that there remain two recognizable features on campus: The Harding College archway and the spirit and philosophy of faculty and students. His observation reminds us that at the foundation of all we do here must be our faithful obedience to God. In the spirit of that realization, I want to share with you again eight core beliefs to which I am committed and on which Harding University stands.

► **God is sovereign.** Kingdoms rise and fall, but God remains constant, unchanging and the ruler of all. As the Apostle Paul exclaimed in his letter to the Romans, “For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever!” (11:36). We can make our boldest plans and work with all our might to accomplish goals, but in the end, God alone is in control. Everything we do and say is to be framed by the reality that God reigns.

► **Jesus Christ must be at the heart of our curriculum.** The Hebrew writer declared that Jesus is “the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being,” the clear and ultimate revelation of God to us (1:3). At Harding University, our conviction is that Christian education is not simply secular education with chapel and a Bible class added to the experience — it is much more. We believe that Christian education involves placing Jesus Christ at the heart of every discipline. As our students walk from the second floor of the McInteer Bible Building into the Pryor-England Center for Science and Engineering, they are greeted by the following words from Colossians: “In Christ are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge” (2:3). From psychology to physical science, from kinesiology to accounting, Jesus Christ must be at the core of every discipline.

► **The Bible is the inspired, inerrant word of God.** The Lord has not left us to wander aimlessly through the human experience, uncertain of his will for us and unclear about the nature of this

world. Thankfully, God has spoken, and we now have his revelation to us in the form of the Bible. These 66 books, written over many centuries in various contexts and styles, unite to declare who God is and what he wills for us to be and do. Each December we challenge University students to read through the Bible in the coming year, and each year hundreds of students and faculty members reach this life-changing goal. "The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever" (1 Peter 1:24-25).

► **Christ's church is distinctive and un-denominational.** Much is said these days about the identity crisis in churches of Christ. Now, more than ever, we must speak boldly and clearly about our Scripture-shaped convictions regarding the church. We continually seek to be the church we read about in the New Testament. While no single congregation today will ever reach perfection — just as no congregation in the New Testament did — we strive toward the ideal that the early church pursued. In the face of pressures to become simply one more denomination among the rest, we must continue to proclaim that "there is one body and one Spirit — just as you were called to one hope when you were called — one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all" (Ephesians 4:4-6). Our commitment to the New Testament church compels us to teach, with a humble and gracious spirit, such neglected concepts as congregational autonomy, a cappella music in worship, the weekly observance of the Lord's Supper, and the distinctive roles of men and women in the Christian assembly.

► **Baptism is essential.** Baptism, as an essential part of our faith-response to Jesus, is a subject about which there is growing confusion today. While almost everyone among us takes "a high view of baptism," some teach that it is merely an outward expression of an inner salvation already granted. In contrast to that, we believe that baptism is a participation in the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus (Romans 6:4) and is, consequently, the place where and the time when God declares our sins forgiven (Acts 2:38;

22:16; Galatians 3:27). We do not presume to be the judge of anyone's salvation, but we humbly seek to "speak where the Bible speaks." Though our teaching about baptism has often set us at odds with the religious world around us, we must proclaim it faithfully.

► **Servant-leaders will change the world.** On the night before the crucifixion, Jesus "got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him" (John 13:4-5). During the intense discussion that followed with his disciples, Jesus said, "I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you" (John 13:15). The way of the world will always center on looking out for no. 1 and seeking to be served. However, the way of the kingdom of God will always be the way of the towel — a living imitation of the one who left the glory of heaven to empty himself, to serve, and to die for us on the cross (Philippians 2:4-11). This is why our motto continues to be developing Christian servants.

► **The family must be nurtured and defended.** In my childhood, I never imagined how much change I would live to see in American home life. Today, even the definition of the word family is up for grabs. No-fault divorce, cloning and gay marriage — things unimaginable 50 years ago — have joined the host of forces intent on tearing down the foundation of society, the home. Properly understood, the home provides care for the elderly, protection and training for children, respect for both men and women, sanctity for sex, and love for all. It is such a remarkable institution that when the Apostle Paul wanted to describe the mar-

velous relationship between Christ and the church, he turned to the home (Ephesians 5:22-33). If you look in our current catalogue on Page 5, you will find that our mission statement includes "stressing a lifelong commitment to marriage and the Christian family."

► **The Gospel is meant to be shared.**

One of the highlights of the fall semester was the World Mission Workshop. This brotherhood-wide event is held on a Christian college campus each year, and it is our privilege to host it about every 10 years. Almost 1,700 people registered for the event on our campus. I wish you could have been here on the final night when a special invitation was extended for people to make a commitment to foreign or domestic missions. A total of 314 people made that commitment, and 159 of them were Harding students! Jesus' call to "go and make disciples" (Matthew

28:19) still compels us to share the Gospel. The world without Christ is lost, and at Harding we encourage all students, regardless of their major, to spend their lives sharing the good news of Jesus Christ.

This list is not exhaustive, but it does address many of the key questions people frequently ask me about the future direction of Harding University. As I look to the future, there are many dreams I have for this institution and for the students who come to study here. And while buildings, programs and endowments certainly figure into these dreams, all of these mean nothing if the spiritual foundation of Harding is compromised and our direction is lost. With God as our strength, such will not happen, and we will continue our quest at Harding University to humbly and faithfully "stand firm" for the truth of the Gospel (Ephesians 6:10-18). **H**







# LIFE UNDER THE ANTARCTIC SUN

*Text and photos by STEVEN PROFAIZER ('05)*

**T**HE EDITOR'S NOTE: RATHER THAN RETURN TO HIS HOMETOWN OF BELLINGHAM, MASS., OR pursue a position at one of several interested and well-regarded public relations firms, Steven Profaizer elected to head south upon graduation in May 2005. Traveling beyond even the South Pole, Profaizer is spending five months at McMurdo Station, Antarctica. He is working as an editor for the *Antarctic Sun*, a newspaper published during the austral summer for the U.S. Antarctic Program. McMurdo, the continent's largest station, serves as a gateway to Antarctica for U.S. scientific field teams, as well as the hub for most of the U.S. scientific activity on the continent. The following excerpts come from Profaizer's Web log ([profaizer.blogspot.com](http://profaizer.blogspot.com)), which documents his experience. >>

Wednesday, Oct. 12

## Learning how to not die

THE FIRST FEW DAYS of life on the ice have been filled with safety lectures that could all easily be titled "Ways to Die and Leave a Mangled, Frozen Corpse Behind in Antarctica." Next Tuesday, I will have sea ice training to learn how to get around safely on the frozen ocean in front of station.

It was minus 50 with the wind chill this morning during our walking tour of station. I was amazed by how hungry you get as your body quickly burns through your food supply trying to keep warm.

Saturday, Oct. 15

## Happy Camper

WHEN YOUR SURVIVAL BAG contains a medical kit named "The Optimist," you know it's probably better to not put yourself in the position of needing to rely on it. But for the last two days, that's exactly what 19 of us here in McMurdo did. Anyone whose job may require them to go into the field is required to complete the Happy Camper course. It is designed around the survival bag that is required to be on all vehicles and aircrafts leaving station. The bag contains the bare essentials for the survival of the unfortunate people stranded in the Antarctic to die a slower death or be rescued, whichever comes first.

The first piece of the course was classroom lectures on the contents of the bag (sleeping bag, insulation pad, dehydrated food, camp stove, fuel mountain tent, a

few extra clothing items, a shovel, a saw, and a novel to pass the long, cold days).

We also discussed frostbite, hypothermia, and other banes of freezing to death before loading up in the delta (a very cool snow vehicle with

huge, airy tires) and heading out to spend a night in the field.

First, we set up Scott tents (a tent designed by early Antarctic explorers and still the only tent able to be used on the continent without additional protection from the high winds). Next, we started building a Quincy (essentially a snow-mound igloo) by making a huge pile of snow with the shovels. This was exceedingly difficult as the snow is incredibly hard in most places here.

After we made the pile and compacted it as much as possible, we gave it a few minutes to freeze together and started a quarry from which we cut snow blocks with saws. We then used the blocks to build snow walls for protection from high winds and to allow us to use the provided mountain tents. (Even if staked to the ground, they would blow away without the wall to block the wind.)

Overall I slept pretty well, waking up only a handful of times. Despite being relatively comfortable, it was really cold in there. My water bottle was frozen when I woke up, despite the fact it spent the night with me in the sleeping bag.

Happy Camper was two full days with a lot of learning and a lot of work, but it will definitely be a highlight of my trip. I will, however, spend the rest of my time here hoping I don't find myself injured in the field where I am forced to turn to "The Optimist" to save my life.

Monday, Oct. 17

## Time to earn my keep

TODAY WAS MY FIRST DAY of what I will call "real work." I got to go out and do some interviews for my first story. It is on a French science project studying ozone depletion through the use of LDBs (long duration balloons).

This was my first crack at an interview of something as technical as studying the stratosphere. I actually rather enjoyed it.

Tomorrow I am off to Sea Ice School, where I will learn how to test the seasonal ice for thickness, how to navigate it safely, and how to prevent myself from turning into one of those prehistoric men who didn't pass Sea Ice School that scientists thaw out 10,000 years in the future and put on display for third-graders to make fun of while on their field trip to the science museum.

Sunday, Oct. 30

## The Sun has risen

OUR FIRST ISSUE of the newspaper is in McMurdo Station's hands.

Copies are currently making their way to the South Pole Station, Palmer Station, Scott Base (New Zealand owned), and the many American field camps on the continent. A text-only version has been sent by satellite to the two large ships that belong to the program. And the rest of the world will be able to read the paper via the Internet sometime Monday. (Personnel in Denver upload it to the Web site.) Most of our readers are actually not in the program and read the

paper online. The *Antarctic Sun* is downloaded about 18,000 times each week.

I have one story in there this week; it's on the group of French scientists studying ozone depletion over Antarctica.

Today is my one day off, and it is a beautiful Antarctic day. To top it off, we are in a bit of a heat wave; today's temperatures got up to near 10 degrees (with a wind chill of minus 30) — that's about 30 degrees warmer than when I first stepped off the plane. You wouldn't believe how warm 10 degrees feels these days.

Tuesday, Nov. 1

## What an amazing place

TODAY WAS ONE OF THE COOLEST days of my life.

I spent the entire day snowmobiling around and studying seals with a scientist for a story. The scientist is currently in charge of a 30-year-old project studying Weddell seals. His team keeps detailed records of every seal born in Erebus Bay in order to study the population as a whole.

I got back right before dinner and am absolutely exhausted. Being in the cold for so long really takes a toll on your body as it tears through any energy reserves it can find to keep you warm. The good news is that one way to help keep warm is by eating chocolate. High-fat and high-calorie foods are some of the best fuels for your inner furnace.

Friday, Nov. 4

## We've got the place to ourselves

I'VE SETTLED in to my new home now. Most days I just busily shuffle from my dorm to my office and back again. But every couple of days I have an I'm-actually-in-Antarctica moment. My most recent reminder was brought about by a lone skua, one of the very few birds (besides penguins later in the season) that you will ever see this far south. Birds aren't something you think you'd miss too much. And skuas are just about the worst birds on earth.

Imagine a seagull at the shore. Got it? OK, keep the brazen demeanor and annoying desire to eat whatever you have. Now make it double in size. And finally, make it mean ... real mean. That's a skua.

But it was the first nonhuman, alive thing I had seen around station, and just having it fly overhead for a second made me realize how alone we are here. Suddenly birds were conspicuously absent from my life. As were bugs and dogs and





The gateway to Antarctica for U.S. scientific field teams, McMurdo is the continent's largest station.

squirrels and every other living thing on earth.

With so many people immediately around me in McMurdo, it can be easy to forget that we are all there is. We live where the birds, bugs, dogs and squirrels do not, where they cannot. We are the only land-based creatures in Antarctica.

And as I watched the skua disappear out of sight, I realized it was nice to have company.

*Tuesday, Nov. 8*

### It's waste time

WELL, THE TIME HAS COME. There's no way I can put it off any longer.

Today I empty my trash can.

It sounds easy enough, but the process is much more complicated here than back in the States. After a month in McMurdo, however, I think I'm ready for it.

McMurdo operates on the backpackers' principle: Pack it in; pack it out. All of the solid waste generated here gets shipped out in huge containers at the end of the season.

This means that all that waste has to be sorted so it can be properly stored and handled. Residents are required to deal with the initial general sorting, during which we have many options available. There's food waste, burnables, mixed paper, light metal, nonrecyclables, non-regulated bio waste and glass to name just a few.

Basically, you fill up your trash can and then go sort it into these different bins. Some things are easy, i.e. glass, while many things are not easily categorized, i.e. rubber bands and Saran wrap. If you mess up, some poor waste em-

ployee will have to go dumpster diving to sort all your bubble wrap out of the plastics bin.

Even clearing off your plate after dinner becomes much more interesting down here: Scrape all your food and heavily used napkins into food waste bins and toss your lightly used napkins and paper products into the burnables bin. (All of the food waste leaves after we do, so they have to separate our food waste and keep it cold; otherwise, we would have thousands of pounds of rotten food scraps sitting around by the end of the summer.)

Tonight's trash can sort is a kind of waste final exam. I'm sure all the waste technicians are rooting for me.

*Wednesday, Nov. 23*

### Holidays and heroes

TOMORROW IS THANKSGIVING according to our calendar, but just like Saturdays (which we have to work on), it doesn't mean much here. We do, however, have a two-day weekend in honor of the holiday. This is great news, except for the fact that it gives us one less day to do a full week's worth of work. The paper is no respecter of holidays after all.

This accelerated schedule of deadlines is keeping me at the office later than I'd like, but I'm happy to do it to have one weekend where my first day off is not also my last day off.

The toughest decision is about how to spend the free time. After almost two months of six-day, 60-hour workweeks, movies and just relaxing sound unbelievably wonderful. However, you have to find a place to enjoy them where you

can't see the amazing views out your bedroom window luring you out into the cold and captivating outdoors.

I'm not ashamed to say I pulled the blinds shut and parked myself in my room. I did, however, get one really cool opportunity. Within sight of McMurdo Station, and about a 15-minute walk away, sits a time capsule left behind by some of the earliest explorers of the continent in the early 1900s. This is not your traditional time capsule; it is instead a small hut used to shelter brave men from a deadly continent.

Antarctica is the equivalent of the Fountain of Youth for buildings (and anything else not living). As long as the structure is strong enough to handle the continent's extreme and nearly constant winds, they are essentially immortal here. The combination of cold and bone-dry air makes for the perfect preservative. The building looks like it could have been constructed yesterday, and the explorers' belongings that fill the building look fairly usable, if not very outdated.

Different than most time capsules, you do not open it to find a random selection of items displaced from their time. When you walk through the doors, you are what does not belong. Preserved seal carcasses lie where the explorers gutted them. Cans of long-expired food line the shelves. Crates stacked to the ceiling still hold the cargo that left England over 100 years ago. And on the walls, you can see the signatures of some of the men who were the first to set foot on this alien continent — a land that cannot be tamed, a land that would claim many of their lives. **H**



Wilma Stephens Thornton Center for Education

Addressing the crowd gathered for the dedication of the center named in her honor, Wilma Stephens Thornton describes the influence of one teacher — her late husband, Raymond.

# Education center dedicated, appropriately, to teacher

By APRIL M. FATULA, Photos by JEFF MONTGOMERY

**W**ILMA STEPHENS THORNTON DECIDED IN 1914, AT THE AGE OF 5, THAT SHE wanted to be a teacher. The characteristics she admired in her first teacher — “the gentle way she disciplined the children, her happy outlook on life, and her

enthusiasm for living” — sold Thornton on this life-changing career.

Now students with similar goals have the opportunity to develop their skills in a 27,408-square-foot, state-of-the-art educational facility. The \$5.2 million Wilma Stephens Thornton Center for Education was dedicated Sept. 28.

The first floor of the building includes a dual-purpose conference room/smart classroom, faculty workroom, faculty breakroom, and graduate assistant workroom. Office areas are organized into suites — dean’s office, teacher education and graduate education — making this building student centered.

Features of the second floor include two multipurpose classrooms, two distance-learning classrooms, an educational technology classroom and office, and a student lounge. The distance-learning classrooms allow instructors to uplink or downlink to multiple locations at one time through compressed video. An assistive-technology lab allows faculty members to help students with learning disabilities of all kinds.

Hallway displays on the third floor allow students to showcase items they have created for classroom use. The Center for Math and

Science Education houses a physical classroom as well as 31 multimedia classrooms in suitcases, available for checkout by K-12 teachers at schools throughout Lonoke, Prairie, White and Woodruff counties. The 2,300-square-foot education resource center — more than double the previous size — provides materials and space for students

to design teaching aids.

Said President David Burks at the dedication ceremony, “Wilma, I think, is the perfect individual to have her name on this building because of what we’re about and because of what she has done.”

Her teaching career began in the fall of 1926 when, at age 16, she was hired as a full-time substitute. She started

college on a part-time basis in 1927, taking classes as her full-time teaching schedule allowed. In 1949 she proudly received the bachelor of science in education degree from Arkansas State Teachers College in Conway.

In her 41 years of teaching, Thornton changed many lives. When she retired in 1970, the Sheridan High School yearbook staff dedicated the annual to Thornton, describing her as “A devoted teacher ... A loyal friend ... Students throughout the years have witnessed the wisdom and enthusiasm that she has brought into our halls.”

Her teacher’s creed was as relevant 70 years ago as it is today and will be 70 years from now. “With encouragement, patience and a little time, one’s mind can surely be put to use,” she has said. “Enthusiasm and motivation should be the key words for teachers.” **H**



## College of Education named in honor of supporters

In response to the generosity and continuous support of Steve (74) and Cindy Cannon (74) Clary of Little Rock, Ark., the University has announced the naming of the Cannon-Clary College of Education in honor of their parents, Russell and Louise Cannon (above left) and Joe and Elaine Clary (above right).

Steve, a trustee, represented both families at the Thornton Center dedication as he detailed their mutual appreciation of the importance of education.

Russell and Louise Cannon were raised in Texas during the Great Depression in families with modest means. They both completed high school and attended Texas Tech University and Tarleton State College, respectively. Throughout his 36-year career with National Cash Register Co., Russell knew firsthand the importance of continuing his education to keep up with the constant changes occurring in computer technology and point-of-sale equipment.

Joe and Elaine Clary were also raised during the difficult times of the Great Depression on west Tennessee farms in families with few material possessions. Joe was forced to leave high school after his sophomore year in order to work on the family farm, while older brothers and sisters worked in Detroit factories. Elaine also left high school after completing her sophomore year — shortly after the end of World War II — to marry Joe. Elaine ultimately received her GED certificate later in her adult years. Joe went on to receive a bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree and completed significant work toward a doctoral degree.

After describing both couples and their love for learning, Steve also challenged the students to prepare themselves with a heart of service to receive and disburse knowledge. “Education is a lifelong pursuit,” he said.



# 'I applied, I was accepted, and I went'

*Joan Coleman's  
philosophy for  
adventure and  
accomplishment*

By JENNIFER LASHLEY

Photos by JEFF MONTGOMERY

The Panhandle-Plains Historic Museum in Canyon, Texas, contains the farm records of Coleman Agrienterprises Inc. since its inception more than 40 years ago.



HER. JOAN COLEMAN'S STORY COULD FILL two lifetimes. ■ At 93, she has lived under 17 American presidents and witnessed two world wars, advances of the automobile, the development of television, the advent of the airline industry, man's first space flight, personal computers, the World Wide Web, and — yes — cell phones.

A petite wisp of a woman, she defies stereotype.

An expert marksman, former U.S. Navy officer, and astute businesswoman, she embodies strength and purpose. But on a gentler side, she has dedicated her life to helping improve the quality of life for children, families and communities, spending the last 40 plus years in Dumas, Texas, working toward this end.

## **Born to learn**

SHE WAS BORN JOAN JONES on Oct. 4, 1912, in Collingsworth County, Texas, in a time when lanterns, such as the one poised on her living room shelf, were used once the sun set. She grew up the curious and independent youngest child in a family full of boys. "When I was 6 years old, my father bought four Indian ponies," she remembers, explaining how one was for each child. "He just treated

me like I was one of the boys."

When her oldest brother was in high school, the family moved to a farm outside of Wellington, Texas. Joan began her formal education in 1920 and, one decade later, graduated from Wellington High School — a member of its largest class ever. 2005 marked her 75th high school reunion.

She thrived in school, a disciplined and hard-working student. "I was born to [learn]," she says. "I'm a student, always a student. I always went my own way and did it, was always self-motivated to learn." She attended Amarillo College, completing her associate's degree in 1932. Next, she entered Harding — then located in Morrilton, Ark., and led by President J.N. Armstrong — graduating in 1934 with a bachelor's degree in home economics.

## Breaking barriers

EARNING EVEN ONE undergraduate degree would have more than satisfied many women during this era. However, Joan's love of learning was merely simmering. Returning to Texas, she enrolled at West Texas State Teachers College in Canyon and earned a bachelor's degree in vocational home economics. During her time there, she joined in a cross-country tour of national parks, preparing meals for participants. She credits this experience for awakening an interest in business, which ultimately would lead her to earn a doctorate.

But first, she spent a year teaching high school home economics in Cody, Wyo., before proceeding to Kansas State

University to attain a master's degree in administration in 1938. Jobs followed at Penn State University, where she directed the home economics cafeteria, and Colorado State University, as director of food service at the student union.

"We catered to everything on campus," she says, noting that many of the Colorado State students worked there to pay for their own meals. "Employees worked 13 hours for 13 meals." But the United States' entrance into World War II brought changes to the university as the newly formed Army Air Forces slowly began taking over the school. So Joan adopted a philosophy that she has used her life over: If you can't beat 'em, join 'em.

"The dean of women came to me, knowing my job would soon be eliminated," she says. "She told me, 'The Army wants you for your brawn; the Navy wants you for your brain — go Navy.'"

"So I took the bus from Fort Collins to Denver and presented myself to apply for an officer. I applied, I was accepted, and I went. I was sent to Smith College in Northampton, Mass., short term for indoctrination, then sworn in as an ensign."

Eventually she was assigned to the Naval Aviation Supply Depot in Philadelphia and was made head of food service. Not content with the expectations of women during this time, she broke another barrier: weapon proficiency.

"I'm an expert pistol shot," she says, >>



Dr. Joan Coleman

## ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY ...

The following are excerpts from Joan's personal journals — dating back more than five decades. The journals are now housed in the archives collection at the Panhandle-Plains Historic Museum in Canyon, Texas. With painstaking deliberateness and attention to detail, she chronicled the day-to-day events of her life — the humorous, the mundane, the joyful and sometimes, the tragic — which include several references to the University and her close friends Cliff and Louise Ganus.

### Friday, Nov. 22, 1963

High 48, Low 20

The President was killed. 12:30 p.m.

### Friday, Nov. 2, 1984

To Harding for Homecoming, by plane to Little Rock, then new Lincoln Town Car to Searcy. Golden class introduced at Gold & Black Banquet, from there to "Hello Dolly" — quite good. On way from Little Rock to Searcy took a foliage tour.

### Saturday, Nov. 3, 1984

Big day — continental breakfast in student center, alumni chapel, Belles & Beaux concert. Beautiful 50th class luncheon ... then to alumni concert, couldn't take the loud sound!

### Sunday, Nov. 4, 1984

High 65, Low 30

Back to Little Rock — took a few side trips! Home by 5 p.m. Spent four hours telling Dale about it.

### Sunday, Oct. 27, 1991

High 67, Low 46

In Dallas. Went to American Dietetics Association House of Delegates at Hyatt, then to convention center, etc. Visited a dear dietitian (at 11th International Congress table) that I met in Paris.

### Tuesday, July 14, 1992

High 86, Low 68

Cliff and Louise Ganus met us at K Bob's for lunch. Dale and men [rode] on mowers.

### Monday, Nov. 4, 1996

High 71, Low 34

Cliff Ganus came to deliver Outstanding [Alumna] Award.

### Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001

High 90, Low 57

World Trade Center hit by two planes. Pentagon hit by one plane. Fourth plane crashed in Pennsylvania ... watered Pat's flowers.

- ▶1930 high school diploma, Wellington, Texas
- ▶1932 A.A., Amarillo Junior College
- ▶1934 B.A., Harding College, Morrilton, Ark.
- ▶1935 B.S., West Texas State Teachers College, Canyon, Texas
- ▶1938 M.S., Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kan.
- ▶1947 M.B.A., University of Chicago
- ▶1954 Ph.D., University of Chicago

and has the medal to prove it. "I got into shooting because of a naval officer who loved to compete." To use the range, he had to have 20 members, so the officer invited women to join. "We used Navy guns and full-load ammunition." She joined to meet the quota, but found she was actually quite good.

"When I got to be real good, I thought, 'I should get a target pistol.' At one time, I belonged to three gun clubs in Philadelphia because I liked to compete." And she adds proudly, "None of [the competition] was against women."

The pistol, along with her medal, is now housed in the Collingsworth County Museum.

After completing her Navy duties, Joan moved to Chicago to further her education at the University of Chicago. This led to a master of business administration in 1947 and a Ph.D. in 1954. She was often questioned how a small-town Texas girl wound up in a doctoral program in Chicago — not the typical avenue for a woman in the '40s. Her response: "I applied, I was accepted, and I went."

### Shifting ambitions

MEANWHILE, A YOUNG BUSINESSMAN WAS headed down a path that would soon collide with Joan's. Dale Coleman graduated from Indiana University, earning both a bachelor's and master's degree. A member of ROTC, he then entered the Army and served almost six years. Following his tour, he began working for Sears as a control buyer, as providence would have it, based in Chicago.

Although living in different parts of the city, Joan and Dale met at a Sunday lunch in a private room reserved by members of Joan's congregation. "We happened to sit across the table one Sunday," she says. They were married June 18, 1948, and remained committed to each other until Dale's death 51 years later.

During the early days of their marriage, the Colemans lived in post-war housing, tiny flats created from larger apartments because of the housing shortage. Nonetheless, this allowed Joan to continue her university studies and Dale to commute to work, all in a metropolitan and intellectually stimulating environment.

Yet, when they visited Joan's home in Texas, Dale often said, "I would like to farm where you wouldn't fall off your plow because of a stump in the field." These dreams soon became his reality.

"We came to Dumas in 1957," Joan

says. "Dale spent six months looking over the Panhandle for a place to move. Early on, we were one of the first irrigators in the area." While many farmers rented from landowners, Dale knew they would be reluctant to rent to a businessman from the city. Instead, the Colemans used their savings to buy 160 acres from one of the town's first settlers. "We were pioneers," she says of their arrival.

In 1961, they established Coleman Agrienterprises Inc., which for more than 40 years has produced wheat, corn and milo. The farm now encompasses 5,000 acres and is managed by Harold Grall, who came to the Colemans fresh out of college. "He's a good manager," Joan says. "Dale used to say, 'He's the best crop I ever grew.'"

### Supporting education

ONCE SETTLED, the Colemans wasted no time becoming productive citizens in Dumas, with a special interest in education.

They believed in helping advance the institutions they attended. Dale funded and established a professorship at Indiana University. Joan helped establish the Dumas branch of Amarillo College, serving on the board for many years. She also helped establish a library for the local hospital and continues to serve on the YMCA board.

Together they supported Christian education at Harding for more than 30 years, which Joan continues today. She has also been dedicated to promoting family and consumer sciences and funds the Coleman Distinguished Family and Consumer Sciences Lecture Series.

Dr. Beth Wilson, chair of the Family and Consumer Sciences Department, has worked with Coleman for more than 20 years. "She gives so we can go beyond minimum standards and have a department of excellence," says Wilson, explaining how Coleman bought the department its first computer back in 1985. "She is one of the best examples of Christian stewardship and generosity that I have ever met."

Evidence of her giving nature is clearly seen upon entering the department in the Olen Hendrix Building. The student resource room contains not only journals and newsletters easily accessible for students, but also many items donated by Coleman that represent different periods of her life. These include

kitchen utensils, jewelry, textiles, books, art and collectibles, crystal, sterling silver, and china. These gifts represent another of her passions: preserving history.

"The preservation of the history of this country and documenting the history of people and places, not just names, is a passion of hers," says Wilson.

In addition to items given to Harding, Coleman has contributed to two historical museums, including the Collingsworth County Museum, where one can find her award-winning pistol, and the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon, Texas, the largest history museum in the state.

Panhandle-Plains Director Guy C. Vanderpool calls Joan "a fascinating lady." The museum's research center also contains the Coleman's farm records since its beginning in the '60s — a gap in farming history that these documents are helping to fill, explains archivist Betty Boustos.

### Motivated still

IN HER 10TH DECADE, Joan is still making history. She has been honored with the Distinguished Alumna Award from Kansas State University and has received the American Dietetics Association Outstanding Service Award for more than 60 years of dedication to the field. The University presented her with the College of Arts and Sciences Outstanding Alumni Award in 1996.

Her education continues, as she still enrolls in classes including such courses as literature. "I'm the perpetual student; I'm always taking something. I think it would be terrible if I couldn't drive and just sat at home all the time."

She took yoga for five years, but she says, "It got boring." She prefers her exercise classes at the YMCA where so far, she boasts, "They haven't thrown anything at me I can't do."

She actively participates in the American Dietetics Association and the Panhandle Dietetics Association and next year plans to attend the ADA conference in Hawaii.

"For my longevity, I credit that to my grandfather, who lived to be 96."

Aloha. **H**



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## 1946

### Platinum Circle

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

**Albert Stroop** retired after 26 years of school bus driving. He also served 31 years in the classroom, 10 years in the pulpit, and 25 years as an elder. He sings in a small church group and occasionally leads singing and preaches. (2165 Hilltop Road, Xenia, OH 45385)

## 1948

**Joe and Jane Zazzi Mitchen** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a Mediterranean cruise in June 2005. Dean Sears performed their marriage ceremony on the Harding campus Nov. 2, 1945. They have six children. (822 Carnforth Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70810)

## 1956

### Golden Circle

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

## 1958

**Will R. Parker** teaches art classes at Pat Hays Senior Citizen Center and North Heights Recreation Center. He is a retired classroom art teacher. (2008 W. 22nd St., Little Rock, AR 72202)

## 1959

**Charles Bryant** and his wife, Elizabeth, recently moved to be close to their daughter's family. They attend Maryville Church of Christ. (1005 Windridge Drive, Maryville, TN 37803)

## 1961

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

## 1966

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

## 1970

**Richard H. Manlove** spoke at the 51st International Respiratory Congress in San Antonio Dec. 3-6, 2005. A respiratory therapist for 36 years, he is employed at Texas Specialty Hospital in Wichita Falls. His wife, **Janice**

**Bachman**, received her master's degree and mid-level management in education certificate from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls and is principal of Central Elementary. They have three children. (10627 FM, 433 W., Vernon, TX 76384)

## 1971

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

**Mitch Murphy** retired in 2001 as principal at Bernard Elementary School in St. Louis. As a tribute to his 15 years of service, a decorative entry sign with the wording "Dr. Murphy Drive" was dedicated at Bernard Middle School May 14, 2005. The middle school was built on the same site as the former elementary. He is an elder in the church at Arnold, Mo. He and his wife, **Susan Fowler**, have two daughters. (5907 Bristlecone Court, St. Louis, MO 63129)

## 1973

**Houston Bynum** is pulpit minister at LaVergne Church of Christ. He and his wife, Beverly, have three children. (246 Old Nashville Highway, LaVergne, TN 37086)

## 1974

**Andy Harwood** is working as an intensive care registered nurse at Jackson Madison County General Hospital. His wife, **Patricia Bass**, works for Tennessee Department of Human Services as a child welfare social worker. They have a son. (2715 Vine St., Humboldt, TN 38343)

**Ken and Judy Scammerhorn** ('73) **Kendall-Ball** are involved in inner-city ministry in the heart of Cape Town, South Africa, working with street people and seekers from nearby churches. They are also involved in World Bible School. They have three children. (P.O. Box 894, Durbanville 7551, South Africa)

## 1975

**Cam Henderson** recently joined Portland General Electric as chief information officer. He and his wife, **Andrea Mannen** ('77), have two children. (16360 S.W. Nighthawk Drive, Beaverton, OR 97007)

## 1976

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

**Michele Holt O'Brien** has been promoted to director of human resources at Glass America Inc. She and her husband, Jack, have a daughter. (1982 N. Fork Circle, Elgin, IL 60123)

## 1977

**M. Monte Tatom** retired from Mobile County Public School System with 25 years of service. He is an assistant professor in the College of Education at Freed-Hardeman University, teaching educational administration courses in the graduate department. He and his wife, **Mary Beth Brittain** ('80), have two children. (318 Crook Ave., Henderson, TN 38340)

## 1978

**Charlotte Wolfe** was elected to the Mississippi Press Association Board of Directors. She serves as vice president of Northeast Mississippi Community Newspaper group. She was selected for the *Mississippi Business Journal's* Top 50 Business Women in Mississippi, Class of 2003, and has served as president of the board of directors for Associated Press Managing Editors for Mississippi and Louisiana. She has served as a Society of Professional Journalists National Ethics Committee member and president and vice president/Freedom of Information officer for the Northeast Mississippi chapter. (33 Johnson Heights Drive, Fulton, MS 38843)

## 1981

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

**Joe Alexander** has been elected to the board of directors of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Foundation. He was also elected 2005-06 president of AACSB Midwest Business Deans Association. He is dean of University of Northern Colorado's Monfort College of Business. His wife, **Tammy Gattis** ('83), is an author with Bethany House Publishers. They have two children. (2108 62nd Ave., Greeley, CO 80634)

## 1982

**Julia Teters Zeigler** has authored a quilting book, *Quilting Through Life*. Her quilts have won awards throughout the state of Washington. She teaches quilting and writes patterns. Her husband, **Jack**, is policy and protest manager with Washington State Office of Procurement. They have two children. (5205 Boulevard Extension Road S.E., Olympia, WA 98501)

## 1983

**Vance Sims** is a counselor with Advantage Behavioral Health Systems. His wife, **Joy Denney**, is a

teacher/behavior specialist with Clarke County School District. They have three children. (200 Hancock Lane, Athens, GA, 30605)

## 1984

**Kevin McKisson** moved to Texas from Arizona. He is the registrar at University of Houston-Clear Lake. He and his wife, Janice, have three children. (204 Calypso Lane, League City, TX 77573)

## 1985

**Keith Brazile** has been promoted to director/internal audit with Belo Corp. He and his wife, **Lisa Carlisle** ('83), have two sons. (3725 Pinetree Drive, McKinney, TX 75070)

## 1986

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

**Alina Linscott Stitt** is working as a self-employed massage therapist. Her husband, Gerald, works for Texas Guaranteed Student Loan. (P.O. Box 6, Manor, TX 78653)

## 1988

**Kevin White** is a special agent with the FBI in Knoxville, Tenn. He and his wife, Chana, have four daughters. (1412 Lincolnshire Drive, Maryville, TN 37803)

## 1991

#### Reunion at Homecoming 2006

**Jeffrey Felzien** is senior systems engineer at National Nuclear Security Administration. He and his wife, **Karen Miller** ('94), have three children. (7249 Pisa Hills Road N.E., Rio Rancho, New Mexico 87144)

**Rick Trujillo** won the 2005 "Best of the West" award for news photography. He has been nominated for a 2005 NATAS Heartland Region Emmy Award for news photography. (6350 S. Havana, #836, Englewood, CO 80111)

**Errica Walker Rivera** is a franchise owner with Cruise Planners. Her husband, Ruben, is a minister. They have a son. (5560 Waterford Circle, Sheffield Village, OH 44035)

## 1993

**Angie Bain Tucker** recently received her master's degree in professional counseling from Argosy University and is working as a dual-diagnosis case management coordinator for Park Center in Nashville, Tenn. Her husband is Nate. (1532 Mount Mitchell Court, Antioch, TN 37013)



## 1994

**Peter Epton** has been promoted to major in the U.S. Marine Corps. He returned from Iraq and attends the Air Force Command and Staff College in Montgomery, Ala. (28 E. Jefferson St., Montgomery, AL 36104)

**Andrea Shelley** received her doctorate in clinical psychology with an emphasis in forensic psychology from California School of Professional Psychology in 2004. She works for Sharper Future, a private agency focusing on assessment and treatment of sex offenders. (1183 Green St., San Francisco, CA 94109)

## 1996

**Reunion at Homecoming 2005**

**Ray Carter** is media division director for Oklahoma House of Representatives. His wife, **Rachel Brewer**, completed a master of arts in drama at University of Oklahoma in 2005. (1623 Andover Court, Oklahoma City, OK 73120)

## 1997

**Robert Austin** joined the U.S. Air Force. He is a cardiac intensive care nurse at Wilford Hall Medical Center at Lackland Air Force Base. He and his wife, Kari, have two children. (203 Lackell Ave. J, San Antonio, TX 78226)

**John Cannon** is working with Katy Church of Christ as associate minister. He and his wife, **Fernanda Ugalde** ('96), have three daughters. (1530 Dan Cox Ave., Katy, TX 77493)

**Rhonda Raper Gilbert** is director at First Baptist Day Care. She and her husband, Wesley, have two daughters. (2325 FM 2738 S., Alvarado, TX 76009)

## 1998

**Molly Luten Williams** obtained her professional licensure and is working as a child and adolescent therapist at Coastal Harbor Treatment Center. (2 Raven Wood Way, Pooler, GA 31322)

## 1999

**Neil Chilson** completed his master's degree in computer science at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in summer 2005. He is in his second year of law school at George Washington University Law School. (408 S. Capitol, Washington, D.C. 20003)

## 2000

**Jacqueline Shock Anderson** owns 360 Degrees, a graphic design business for print and Web. Her

## ALUMNI IN ACTION

### Driven by compassion

Virtually everyone hurt for the victims of Hurricane Katrina, but the emotions of three alumni in Vero Beach, Fla., went beyond sympathy.

Explains Greg Reeves ('92), "It was on our hearts based on being hit by Frances and Jeanne a year earlier. We were struck by knowing the kind of devastation the Gulf Coast was going through. We thought our storms were bad last year with no power for weeks on end and homes being damaged, but we felt so blessed not to have the loss of life and utter destruction they had."

So Reeves, together with co-workers Mark Brackett ('90) and A'Lana Dean Cutshall ('91) of Brackett and Co., put their empathy into action. They organized a local effort to raise money, purchase relief supplies, and transport them to the Gulf Coast.

"We set a lofty goal of raising \$250,000," Reeves told a local reporter. But the effort went well beyond that. One week after the idea was hatched among the three at a Sunday evening church service, a convoy of 26 vehicles filled with supplies was on its way to Jackson, Miss.

"We have estimated the goods delivered to be well over 1 million dollars," Reeves says. They established a trust fund at a local bank to accept cash donations and two drop-off points for donated supplies. "Numerous individuals would go and fill their cars and trucks up with relief supplies two and three times to bring us goods to load," Reeves recalls. "One of the locations stayed 10-12 cars deep in line for two days while we were loading between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m."

Cutshall says she was not surprised that people were called to give; what touched her was the fact that so many participated. "Many people in this town know what it's like to have



Mark Brackett, A'Lana Cutshall and Greg Reeves

to live without power or a home and stand in line for ice, gas, food, etc.," she says. "These people felt compelled to help and did so as a community, knowing that every donated item and every check given will help the families in those areas that were affected."

They ultimately delivered the goods directly to a warehouse in Gulfport, Miss. Says Reeves, "The day we unloaded, several of the first responders' families who had lost everything and other families with critical needs were being supplied with basic necessities."

"We have been personally affected by this type of natural disaster, several times over," Cutshall says. "We know what it's like to deal with the aftereffects, although not on the level that the victims of Hurricane Katrina are going through. That is exactly why this has been so important to us — because at least we've been able to recover and get on with life. The Katrina victims are still trying to figure out where life is going to lead them on a daily basis.

"If we've been able to help some victims get through each day, then we've accomplished something." **H** — April M. Fatula

husband, Todd, is a teacher at Oklahoma State University. (301 E. Madison, #2, Morris, OK 74445)

**Michelle Ford Morris** is a first-grade teacher with Dublin City Schools. Her husband, **Tad** ('89), works for the FBI. (5117 Reddington Court, Dublin, OH 43017)

## 2001

**Reunion at Homecoming 2006**

## 2002

**Jill McDonald Kirby** received her doctorate in physical therapy from Belmont University in Au-

gust 2005 and works for Robin Irwin Physical Therapy. Her husband, Chris, is youth minister at Central Church of Christ. (609 E. Pryor St., Athens, AL 35611)

**Godmund Schick** is operations NCO/cavalry scout in the U.S. Army. (A Troop, 4-7 Cavalry, Unit # 15140, APO AP 96224-5140)

## 2003

**Jarod Varner**, Denton County Transportation Authority management analyst and University of North Texas graduate student, has been selected as the Dan M.

Reichard Jr. Scholarship recipient for the 2005-06 academic year by the American Public Transportation Foundation. His wife, **Paige Tenery** ('03), is a first-grade teacher with Carrollton-Farmer's Branch School District. (300 E. Round Grove Road, #1412, Lewisville, TX 75067)

**Douglas Wood** has been awarded navigator wings as a combat systems officer by the U.S. Air Force. He is training to become a navigator on special operations HC-130 aircraft. (580 A St. E., #226, Randolph AFB, TX 78148)

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## Marriages

**Micah Walker** ('02) to **Maggie Nowlin** ('04), July 12, 2003. Micah works for the federal government, and Maggie works as a graphic designer for a real estate company. (1550 Spring Gate Drive, #8115, McLean, VA 22102)

**Mark Adams** ('03) to **Carolina Banuelos** ('03), July 17, 2004. Mark is minister at Rose Bud Church of Christ. (605 Chesapeake, Searcy, AR 72143)

**Contessa Cockrell** ('92) to **Eric Scism**, Dec. 4, 2004. Contessa is a speech-language pathologist at Calera Schools, and Eric is an accountant at Griffin and Hanney CPAs Inc. (1114 Mimosa St., Ada, OK 74820)

**Shannon Grodin** ('04) to **Jeremy Poynot**, Jan. 8, 2005. Shannon is the public relations secretary at Harding, and Jeremy is a Harding student. (Harding University, Box 14624, Searcy, AR 72143)

**Josh Reinstein** ('03) to **Erin Selby** ('04), May 21, 2005. Josh received a master's degree in actuarial science at Georgia State University in May 2005 and is employed by Mercer Human Resource Consulting in Atlanta. Erin is pursuing a master's degree in speech-language pathology at University of Georgia. (13247 Autumn Village Court, Duluth, GA 30096)

**Alexander Martinez** ('04) to **Emily Harless** ('05), May 30, 2005. (2002 E. Park Ave., #30, Searcy, AR 72143)

**Sue Hart** ('55) to **Harold McMahon**, June 11, 2005. Sue is a retired educator with Whitfield County Schools in Dalton, Ga., and Harold is a retired cost accountant. (104 Forrest Park Road, Dalton, GA 30720)

**Jason Terry** ('04) to **Jamie Willbanks**, June 11, 2005. Jason is youth minister at New York Avenue Church of Christ, and Jamie is a first-grade teacher. (5915 Wind Drift Trail, Arlington, TX 76017)

**Amy Osborne** ('01) to **Jerry Cathey**, June 25, 2005. Amy is a certified pharmacy tech at Arkansas Children's Hospital, and Jerry is communications team chief with the Arkansas Army National Guard. (152 Michigan Circle, Jacksonville, AR 72076)

**Donald Dugger Jr.** ('95) to **Ashley Sheffer**, July 23, 2005. Donald is a sixth-grade math teacher at Blackman Middle School, and Ashley

is a history teacher. (542 Brinkley Road, Murfreesboro, TN 37128)

**Robert Meyer** ('04) to **Teague Houseman**, July 30, 2005. (2400 McCain Blvd., #2042, North Little Rock, AR 72116)

**James Henley** ('02) to **Ashlee Hampton**, Aug. 6, 2005. James is youth minister at Getty Street Church of Christ. (500 E. Nopal, #10, Uvalde, TX 78801)

**Jamie Lockwood** ('01) to **Ashley Sides**, Oct. 1, 2005. They are missionaries in the Czech Republic. (Hrdlickova 2173/10, 148 00 Praha 4, Czech Republic)

**Ryan Fowler** ('05) to **Emily Lloyd** ('05), Oct. 15, 2005. Ryan works in administration with Memphis Urban Ministry, and Emily teaches spanish at Harding Academy in Memphis, Tenn. (6825 Watergrove Drive, Memphis, TN 38119)

**Mandy Burket** ('99) to **Kit Starr**, Oct. 22, 2005. (4015 W. 74th Terrace, Prairie Village, KS 66208)

**Kimberly Garner** ('93) to **Kevin Parker**, Oct. 22, 2005. Kimberly is a senior sales representative with GlaxoSmithKline, and Kevin is a professor at Harvard University. (14 Mellen Street, #2, Cambridge, MA 02138)

## Births

To **Jerrod** and **Ana Kulild** ('96) **Crawford**, a son, Kole William, June 25, 2004. Ana is a clinical professor at University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry, and Jerrod is a student at the dental school. (15328 W. 81st Terrace, Lenexa, KS 66219)

To **Michael** ('99) and **Christy Pittman** ('98) **Neal**, a daughter, Avery Rose, July 9, 2004. Michael is an accountant at Mullins, Clemmons and Mayes, PLLC, and Christy is a Mary Kay consultant. (121 Aloha Court, Hermitage, TN 37076)

To **Jim** ('97) and **Sara Looney** ('97) **Miller**, a daughter, Laura Anne, July 22, 2004. Jim is pursuing a doctorate in communication at the University of Tennessee, and Sara is a homemaker. (1600 Bexhill Drive, Knoxville, TN 37922)

To **Ben** ('97) and **Ellen Fowler** ('97) **Jones**, a daughter, Stella Alison, Aug. 10, 2004. They have another daughter, Aubrey. Ben is a drama teacher at Page High School, and Ellen is an advice columnist on the Internet. (1011 Murfreesboro Road, E2, Franklin,

TN 37064)

To **Nathan** ('01) and **Tiffany Hunnicutt**, a daughter, Briley, Aug. 22, 2004. Nathan is director of enrollment services at Heritage Christian University. (228 Woodcastle Drive, Florence, AL 35630)

To **George** ('98) and **Donna McDaniel** ('99) **Strachan**, a daughter, Abby Rose, Sept. 3, 2004. They also have a son, Andrew. George is operations manager with Aramark, and Donna is residence life coordinator in Kendall Hall. (Harding University, Box 10803, Searcy, AR 72149)

To **Jackie "Dizzy"** ('00) and **Heather Wilkey** ('00) **Dean**, a son, Eli Ross, Oct. 14, 2004. (1100 Walleye, Nixa, MO 65714)

To **Stacy** and **Carrie Bowden** ('96) **Kirk**, a son, Thomas Allen, Oct. 19, 2004. They also have a daughter, Hannah. Carrie is working on a master's degree at Tarleton State University in curriculum and instruction. (793 County Road 205, Lampasas, TX 76550)

To **Christian** and **Janet Clark** ('93) **Perry**, a daughter, Caroline Cabell, Oct. 22, 2004. They have another daughter, Lauren. (2815 Mossy Creek Drive, Little Rock, AR 72211)

To **Jeff** ('99) and **Jamie Murphy** ('99) **Hernandez**, a daughter, Murphy Elizabeth, Nov. 22, 2004. Jeff received his doctorate from University of Arkansas at Little Rock in educational leadership. He is an assistant principal at Cabot Junior High South. (23 Willow Drive, Cabot, AR 72023)

To **Shawn** ('97) and **Cindy Cheatham** ('97) **Cutts**, a daughter, Hannah Caroline, Dec. 6, 2004. (84 Oakshade Road, Tabernacle, NJ 08088)

To **Bret** ('97) and **Alison Dyer** ('98) **Jones**, a daughter, Anniston Lea, Dec. 14, 2004. (525 Wisdom St., Jackson, TN 38301)

To **Darrell** and **Sharon Messersmith** ('96) **Whitledge**, a son, James Matthew, Dec. 14, 2004. They have another son, Joey. Sharon is a registered nurse in the endoscopy lab at Rebsamen Medical Center. (615 Chaucer Court, Jacksonville, AR 72076)

To **Russ** and **Melissa Caudle** ('00) **Baxley**, a son, Jaggar Allen, Jan. 3, 2005. Melissa is care coordinator at Baptist Health Rehab Institute. (2314 W. Lakeview, Benton, AR 72015)

To **Danny** and **Amy Atkinson** ('93) **Naramore**, a daughter, Sarah Nell, Jan. 7, 2005. They have an-

other daughter, Savannah. They are missionaries in Uganda. (P.O. Box 860, Mbarara, Uganda, East Africa)

To **Carlton** and **Callie Ward** ('00) **Jackson**, a daughter, Emily Elizabeth, Jan. 17, 2005. (24323 Jackson Ave., #1314, Murrieta, CA 92562)

To **Justin** ('02) and **Amanda Smith** ('02) **Dyniewski**, a daughter, Emma Grace, Feb. 10, 2005. Justin is a medical student at University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, and Amanda is a registered nurse at Arkansas Children's Hospital. (4403 Loretta Lane, Benton, AR 72015)

To **Bryan** ('99) and **Chandra Harrell** ('99) **Runions**, a son, Houston Harrell, Feb. 12, 2005. Bryan is manager at KPMG-LLP, and Chandra is a homemaker. (2400 Spring Rain Drive, Spring, TX 77379)

To **Keith** ('04) and **Lindsey Norris** ('94) **Harris**, a son, Kade Allen, Feb. 25, 2005. Keith is youth minister at North Heights Church of Christ. (380 College Heights Drive, Batesville, AR 72501)

To **Wyatt** ('95) and **Rachel Dye** ('93) **Doyle**, a son, Aaron, Feb. 28, 2005. They have two other sons, Coulton and Jacob. Wyatt is a fishery biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Rachel is a homemaker. (307 W. El Cortez Drive, Columbia, MO 65203)

To **Michael** ('97) and **Lauri English** ('96) **Morris**, a daughter, Katelyn Grace, Feb. 28, 2005. They also have a son, Andrew. Michael is an art director with Alloy Red, and Lauri is a homemaker. (17622 Wapato St., Sherwood, OR 97140)

To **Eric** ('99) and **Melanie Ward** ('96) **Gardner**, a daughter, Ayden Ruby Elisabeth, March 3, 2005. They also have two sons, Ethan and Landon. (31 Robin Lane, Cabot, AR 72023)

To **David** and **Mary Maxwell** ('88) **Bensen**, a daughter, Sara Jane, March 10, 2005. (43609 Forestdale, Belleville, MI 48111)

To **Keith** and **Emily Cole** ('96) **Monahan**, a son, Thomas Cole, March 13, 2005. (1635 Jess Lyons Road, Columbus, MS 39705)

To **Kirk** ('93) and **Kim High** ('94) **Hollis**, a son, Luke Michael, March 29, 2005. They also have two daughters, Kaylie and Lindsay. (3000 Larchmont, Ponca City, OK 74604)

To **Jay** ('92) and **Jennifer Willis** ('94) **Johnson**, a daughter, Lily Beth, April 27, 2005. They have

two other children, Luke and Emma. Jay is an audiologist for Buffalo Trace ENT, and Jennifer is a homemaker. (923 Charleston Place, Maysville, KY 41056)

To **Michael** ('05) and **Naomi Gill** ('02) **Wyant**, a daughter, Avery Mackinley, April 29, 2005. They also have a son, Logan. (100 Sugarmill, Troy, IL 62294)

To **Brad** ('00) and **Gretchen Simmons** ('00) **Fortson**, a son, Dayton Hoyle, May 5, 2005. They have another son, Drew. (916 Post Oak Trail, Anna, TX 75409)

To Kirk and **Louisa Bartolotta** ('96) **Maddox**, a daughter, Anna Karoline, May 9, 2005. They also have a son, Kamden. (241 Avon Road, Memphis, TN 38117)

To Chad and **Elizabeth Root** ('00) **Milom**, a daughter, Ashlyn Grace, May 10, 2005. They also have a son, Carter. (1029 Colo Trail, Antioch, TN 37013)

To Andy and **Valerie McCammon** ('94) **Bailey**, a son, Aidan Andrew, May 13, 2005. They also have a daughter, Whitney. (3036 Collier Lane, Burlington, KY 41005)

To Tommy and **Jennie Simmons** ('95) **Coy**, a daughter, Alexis, May 16, 2005. They have another daughter, Anne Marie. (1910 Cherrybend Drive, Little Rock, AR 72211)

To **Lance** ('98) and **Amber Wade** ('01) **Wigington**, a daughter, Aria Tuscany, May 16, 2005. Lance is a sales representative with Verizon Wireless, and Amber is a teacher at Gymboree Play & Music. (5508 Pappas Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46237)

To **Brian** ('01) and **Alecia Lee** ('02) **Brophy**, a daughter, Ashton Lee, May 27, 2005. (115 Brown Badgett Loop, Madison, KY 42431)

To Mark and **Heather Dmytrowitz** ('98) **Massey**, a son, Cole Andrew, May 31, 2005. They have another son, Owen. Mark is a parole officer with Georgia State Board of Pardons and Paroles, and Heather is a teacher with Cherokee County Schools. (814 Hampton Way, Canton, GA 30115)

To **Nolan** ('96) and Jennifer Baer **Atkins**, a son, Harrison Vaughan, June 2, 2005. (2505 Ensenada Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76133)

To **Thomas** ('94) and **Terri Lehmann** ('94) **Yates**, a son, Samuel Mason, June 13, 2005. (1601 Lake Eden Drive, Euleless, TX 76039)

To Press and **Jodie Walters** ('00) **Sekeres**, a daughter, Nora Mae, June 15, 2005. (1782 W. County



Carolyn and Dean Priest

## Record crowd drawn to Homecoming 2005

Sold-out performances of Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" and a large turnout at the Black & Gold Banquet Oct. 28 were among the memorable events at Homecoming 2005.

**Dean** ('61) and **Carolyn Pogue** ('58) **Priest** of Searcy received the Distinguished Alumni Award in recognition of their lifetimes of service to the University.

After completing his bachelor of science degree, Dean earned the master of science degree and Ph.D. from the University of Mississippi before returning to Harding in 1962 to begin teaching mathematics. He has filled many roles at the University, including serving as vice president for academic affairs, chair of the Mathematics Department, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and dean of the College of Sciences after the former divided. In 2004, he resigned from his administrative duties to return to the classroom full time. He is a distinguished professor of mathematics, having received the Distinguished Teacher Award in 1969, 1974 and 1984. He is a member of the Council of Teachers of Mathematics at the national and state levels, and he was a member of the steering committee for the math crusade for the Arkansas State Department of Education.

Carolyn earned the bachelor of arts and master of education degrees from the University. She has served as assistant professor of reading in the College of Education since 1987. Before joining the University faculty, she taught third grade at Searcy McRae Ele-

mentary School and fifth and sixth grades at Judsonia Elementary School. She has written a study book, *Her Reflection of His Image*. The couple has five children: Theresa Long ('83), Cheryl Camp ('83), Matilda Baker ('85), Laura Susan Walker ('87) and Dean Priest Jr. ('92); and 22 grandchildren.

The Outstanding Young Alumni award went to **Jody** ('96) and **Louise Fry** ('86) **Venkatesan** of Silver Spring, Md.

Jody, a finance and international business graduate, is a partner and director of information systems audit for Holloway & Co., PLLC. He sits on the board for Information Systems Audit and Control Association.

Louise, a computer science graduate, added a master of science in marriage and family therapy degree in 1996. She worked for ACS (now Lockheed Martin) as a senior systems analyst before leaving in 2000 to stay at home with the couple's children, Bethanne, Emily and Philip.



Louise and Jody Venkatesan

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Jody, who is active in benevolence and in teaching adults and teenagers, has served as a deacon at Silver Spring Church of Christ since 2000. Louise works with elementary-age children and has directed Vacation Bible School for five years. She recently began a Wednesday evening Bible club. The couple also coordinates the preparation and distribution of annual Thanksgiving baskets with one of the local schools and has worked with the school to provide Christmas presents for the same families. Jody works directly with the College of Business Administration when looking for interns and has hired several graduates.

**Mark Woodward** ('69), retired English professor from Oklahoma Christian University, was recognized as Outstanding Alumnus by the College of Arts and Humanities. After receiving a master of arts degree in English from the University of Mississippi, he and his wife, Sherrylee, went to Germany as missionaries. They returned to the United States in 1979, and Mark began teaching in the English Department at OCU. He went on to receive the Ph.D. in humanities from the University of Texas at Dallas and served as chair of the English Department at OCU. Since 1980 Mark and Sherrylee have worked with and directed the Let's Start Talking Ministry, a missions program that uses materials and a strategy that the couple developed. He has also served as elder, chair of mission committees, and teacher in churches of Christ where his family has worshiped.

Receiving an honorary alumni award from the College of Bible and Religion was **Frank Mills** ('80), a graduate from the College of Sciences. Mills spent 13 years as a teacher and coach at Calhoun High School in Georgia, during which he began preaching for Resaca Church of Christ. He later became the minister for Calhoun

Church of Christ, serving in that capacity until 2003. Through the Calhoun church he participated in mission work in Zimbabwe and Jamaica. In 2003 he began serving as pulpit minister at Cloverdale Church of Christ in Searcy, where he supported the congregation's emphasis on mission work, evangelistic spirit and benevolent programs. In October he returned to his home in Florence, Ala., to serve as pulpit minister for Darby Drive Church of Christ.

**Jeffrey Hearn** ('82) was the College of Business Administration's selection for the Outstanding Alumnus Award. He is chairman of the board of The North Star Companies, a diversified holding company of 19 different franchises and businesses. He opened his first H&R Block office in 1985 in Harrison, Ark., and has now purchased or opened 14 additional offices in Arkansas, Colorado and Missouri. He has developed a diverse tax and accounting practice specializing in corporations and difficult individual returns. He was the first franchise owner in the nation to open an executive tax service (Block Premium) office. In 2001, H&R Block World Headquarters designated him master tax adviser. He serves Northside Church of Christ in Harrison as deacon in charge of foreign missions, benevolence, building projects and treasury.

**Lauren Lawyer Jennings** ('72) was named Outstanding Alumna by the College of Education. She is now in her 21st year as principal of Dallas Christian School's Early Childhood Learning Center, which serves students in K4 through second grade and was recently named a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the U.S. Department of Education. Jennings began her career as a teacher in Little Rock, Ark., public schools before moving to Texas for 10 years of work in the Garland

Independent School District. She holds a master's degree in education from Stephen F. Austin University and is currently a doctoral candidate at Texas A&M University-Commerce.

**Sonya Curtis** ('93) received the College of Nursing's Outstanding Alumna Award. She is a clinical information specialist with WebMD Research and Development, where she has worked since 1999. She began as clinical implementation specialist for the Midwest region, training both clients and staff in use and enhancement of WebMD Electronic Health Record. From 2002 to 2004, she served on the national products group as clinical implementation manager for the Midwest and West regions. Prior to her employment with WebMD, she was an oncology/chemotherapy RN at Oncology Hematology Associates in Springfield, Mo., administering outpatient chemotherapy. As an oncology care coordinator for Oxford Home Health-Care, she built a care team specializing in treatment of the cancer patient at home.

**Dr. Joe Clements** ('70), a urologist in Dothan, Ala., was honored with the Outstanding Alumnus Award from the College of Sciences. After finishing medical school at University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, he completed an internship at the Naval Regional Medical Center in Portsmouth, Va., and residencies at the Naval Regional Medical Center in Philadelphia and Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. He joined Urological Associates of Dothan in 1983. He has served as chief of surgery and chief of staff at Flowers Hospital in Dothan. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Urology and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons. Clements is an elder at Westgate Church of Christ in Dothan, where he is also active as a Bible class teacher and song leader and participates in mission work. **H**



Mark Woodward

Frank Mills

Jeffrey Hearn

Lauren Jennings

Sonya Curtis

Joe Clements

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Road 70, Dothan, AL 36305)

To Derrick and **Rachel Heineke** ('95) **Jones**, a daughter, Anna Rachel, June 21, 2005. They also have two sons, Alex and Andy. They recently moved to a farm near Nashville, Tenn. (7785 Shoals Branch Road, Primm Springs, TN 38476)

To **Jonathan** ('97) and **Amy Knight** ('98) **Griffin**, a son, Jude Wilson, June 30, 2005. They also have a daughter, Georgia. Jonathan is a self-employed dentist. (211 S. Aztec Drive, White

House, TN 37188)

To **Josh** ('96) and Jennifer **Culbertson**, a daughter, Kathleen Virginia, July 14, 2005. They also have a son, Sam. Josh is a financial and business analyst at EBSCO Industries Inc. (1362 Anglewood Drive, Vestavia Hills, AL 35216)

To **Joseph** ('95) and **Kelly Hudson** ('95) **McClary**, a son, Joshua Robert, July 14, 2005. They also have two daughters, Madison and Ashlyn. Joseph is the owner of MCS Information Technology,

and Kelly is a homemaker. (8858 Oak Meadow Court, Montgomery, AL 36116)

To **Paul** ('04) and **Feydra Sammons** ('04) **Gorsline**, a son, Fisher Nolan, July 16, 2005. (3945 Dale Road, C, Modesto, CA 95356)

To **Micah** ('00) and **Lucy Wonders** ('00) **Hahn**, a son, Luke Otho, July 20, 2005. (305 Canyon Springs, Allen, TX 75002)

To **Matthew** ('01) and **Jennifer Neal** ('02) **Ensor**, a daughter, Vail Blue, July 25, 2005. (103 Walnut Grove Ave., Springdale, AR 72764)

To **Dean** ('02) and **Morgan Kimbrough** ('03) **Holt**, a daughter, Emmersen Rae, July 28, 2005. (50 Willow Crest Cove, Somerville, TN 38068)

To **Richard** ('99) and **Melanie Fester** ('00) **Wiginton**, a son, Braden Ford, July 28, 2005. They have two other children, Ashlyn and Carter. Richard is a police officer with the City of Creve Coeur. (P.O. Box 2695, Florissant, MO 63033)

To **Adam** ('94) and **Maria Endert** ('96) **Brooks**, a son, Jasper Adam, July 31, 2005. They also have a daughter, Manassah Grace. Adam received his doctorate and is a clinical psychologist at New York State Psychiatric Institute. Maria is a self-employed labor support doula and childbirth educator. (162 85th St., Brooklyn, New York 11209)

To Franklin and **Tracy Sewell** ('99) **Wood**, a son, Fischer William, Aug. 10, 2005. (521 N. 13th, Ponca City, OK 74601)

To Michael and **Hannah Rhodes** ('01) **Rogers**, a son, Wesley Michael, Aug. 16, 2005. Michael is professor of entomology at University of Florida Citrus Research Center, and Hannah is public relations consultant for Mitchell Communications Group Inc. (5714 Buck Run Drive, Lakeland, FL 33811)

To **Brett** ('99) and **Stacy Glover** ('99) **Davies**, a daughter, Sidney Joy, Aug. 19, 2005. (11531 Aberstraw Way, Germantown, MD 20876)

To **Curtis** ('02) and **Rachel Willis** ('01) **Grubb**, a daughter, Keira Faith, Aug. 23, 2005. They also have a son, Caden. Curtis is a licensing analyst with Wal-Mart, and Rachel is a labor and delivery nurse at St. Mary's Hospital. (104 Skinner St., Centerton, AR 72719)

To Kelly and **Karie Stewart** ('99) **Green**, a son, Daniel Wesley, Aug. 24, 2005. They also have a daughter, Annie. Kelly is a third-year medical student at University of Tennessee College of Medicine, and Karie is a part-time labor and delivery nurse. (425 Garland St., Memphis, TN 38104)

To **Lafe** ('03) and **Lauren Hougey** ('04) **Ray**, a daughter, Sunny, Aug. 26, 2005. Lafe is chief financial officer at Cornerstone Capital Partners, LLC, and Lauren is a nurse at John Muir Medical Center. (5004 Hames Drive., Concord, CA 94521)

To **Daniel** ('95) and **Scarlett Bowen** ('94) **Mullins**, a son, Kellen

ALMA MATTERS

Options abound with CareerNet

By LIZ HOWELL, director of alumni relations

Throughout the nation a new trend is sweeping alumni and career planning offices, with services now including older alumni as well as recent graduates. As job markets change or as individuals evaluate their original career path, alumni are returning to their alma maters for counseling and networking.



Liz Howell

A recent article in *USA Today* said that colleges and universities have launched initiatives to address a range of issues alumni face as they move through different life stages. The demand for career counseling is a reflection of the way the world has changed. "We know our alumni will never again have linear career paths," said Carter Hopkins, director of the Alumni Career Services Center at the University of Virginia. "It is nice for them to be able to go back to a place they can trust and get advice geared for their success."

Deb Bashaw, director of career planning and placement at the University, has implemented more options for alumni on the CareerNet link. Students and alumni can post resumes and search for jobs, while employers can post jobs and search resumes. The many links range from preparing for an interview to evaluating which career best suits your personality.

"We need the entire Harding family to be involved in helping both students and alumni as they begin or change careers," said Bashaw. "Together we can do incredible things."

Networking has always been a strong advantage within the Harding family. President's Council members and other alumni help new graduates throughout the world meet potential employers by arranging meetings or making in-

troductory phone calls. Accountant Kevin Penick ('77) of Charleston, S.C., is just one member of the President's Council who looks to his alma mater when filling positions.

The reputation of our graduates is also a plus. When Jason Kirksey ('04) went to work with a large company in Texas, his employer was impressed and wanted to hire more people like him, so he sent recruiters to campus to interview. Aaron Ogle ('02), who lives in Seattle, introduced his company to our students. After interviewing on campus this fall, these candidates were flown to Seattle for second interviews, which will hopefully lead to positions.

The value of a Harding education grows as each graduate succeeds. You can become involved in helping seniors and alumni in their job search by becoming a mentor — providing expertise, contacts and insights.

- Identify leads. Your contacts can help uncover the hidden job market and give our graduates a distinct advantage.
- Network. By helping other University graduates get involved in your workplace, church or community, you are strengthening the worth of a Harding education.
- Interview on campus.
- Set up a spring break trip to your area for graduating seniors (provide housing, help arrange interviews, introduce students to churches in area).
- Post employment opportunities on Career Center Web site.

If you need help with career development or would like to be a part of our network by posting a job, register at [www.harding.edu/career](http://www.harding.edu/career). You may contact the Career Center at (501) 279-4454 or e-mail [careercenter@harding.edu](mailto:careercenter@harding.edu). **H**

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[www.harding.edu/calendar](http://www.harding.edu/calendar).

Bowen, Sept. 7, 2005. They also have a daughter, Peyton. (1305 Branchwood Lane, Jonesboro, AR 72404)

To **Rob** ('01) and **Rachael Parsons** ('03) **O'Lynn**, a daughter, Kyla Celeste, Sept. 8, 2005. They also have a son, Caleb. Rob is associate minister for Bertram Church of Christ and is being included in the 2006 edition of *Who's Who in America*. (215 W. North St., Bertram, TX 78605)

To **Rick** ('96) and **Teresa Amy** ('96) **Castleman**, a son, Micah Todd, Sept. 9, 2005. They also have a daughter, Katie. Rick is music minister for Lexington Church of Christ. (777 Bentley Drive, Lexington, SC 29072)

To **John** and **Mandi Cowart** ('00) **Gold**, a daughter, Brittan Riley, Sept. 14, 2005. (830 Glens Farm Way, Grayson, GA 30017)

To **Christopher** ('93) and **Marsha Osborne** ('92) **Robinson**, a son, Nathan Eric, Sept. 14, 2005. They also have a daughter, Amanda. Christopher is senior network administrator for Smith Seckman Reid Inc. in Nashville, Tenn., and Marsha is a part-time nutrition educator for Lawrence County Health Department. (112 Dorman Drive, Columbia, TN 38401)

To **Bill** ('95) and **Amelia Jamison** ('94) **Moorer**, a daughter, Adelaide, Sept. 22, 2005. They also have two sons, Gabriel and Jacob. Bill is a world-class facilitator with BPB Gypsum, and Amelia is a homemaker. (231 Jamison Road, Nashville, AR 71852)

To **Brandon** and **Leah Pauley** ('98) **Durant**, a son, Philip Christian, Sept. 23, 2005. (PSC 7 Box 965, APO, AE 09104)

To **Ryan** ('97) and **Jennifer Paul** ('97) **Mallory**, a daughter, Kendall Marie, Sept. 24, 2005. They also have a son, Mason. (2976 N. Sagefire Ave., Meridian, ID 83642)

To **Trent** and **Kathy Keller** ('99) **Burnett**, a son, Brodie Owen, Sept. 25, 2005. Trent is a painter for Delta Airlines, and Kathy is a fourth-grade teacher at Arlington Christian School. (175 Prescott Court, Newnan, GA 30265)

To **Peyton** and **Jennifer McCarty** ('99) **Iman**, a daughter, Brooklyn Joyce, Oct. 17, 2005. Jennifer is a fifth-grade teacher at South Eulless Elementary. (6852 Hickory Hollow Lane, North Richland Hills, TX 76180)

To **Chad** ('98) and **Melia Byrd** ('98) **McNatt**, a daughter, Michal Grace, Oct. 17, 2005. They also have a son, Afton. (14720

Olympic Drive S.E., Port Orchard, WA 98367)

To **Tony** ('98) and **Melissa Harlan** ('96) **Woodruff**, a son, Littleton Young, Oct. 26, 2005. (603 Henry Clay Ave., New Orleans, LA 70118)

To **Shad** and **Robyn Bowers** ('97) **Fincher**, a son, Joseph Jerald, Oct. 27, 2005. They also have two daughters, Mary and Laura. (363 County Road 4799, Bloomburg, TX 75556)

Passages

**Bernice Curtis Weaver** ('43), 84, died July 2, 2005. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Thomas** ('41). She is survived by a daughter, **Celia Richardson** ('71); four grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

**Marian Songer Nunnally** ('48), 80, died Sept. 27, 2005. While living in Jonesboro, Ark., in the early years of her marriage, she served two years as president of the Arkansas Chapter of



Home Demonstration Clubs. She and her husband lived 41 years in Memphis, Tenn., where she worked in the business office at the Graduate School of Religion from 1963-1992. She was a member of White Station Church of Christ where she taught the sixth-grade girls Bible class. She was survived by her husband of 57 years, **Warren** ('49) (see next entry); two sons, **John Jr.** ('73) and **Bruce** ('79); a sister, **Mae Ann Tucker** ('52); and four grandchildren.

**John Warren Nunnally Sr.** ('49), 84, died Nov. 25, 2005. He was a veteran of the Army Air Corps and worked for New York Life Insurance Co. for more than 40 years. He was a member of



White Station Church of Christ in Memphis, Tenn. He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, **Marian Songer** ('48). He is survived by two sons, **John Jr.** ('73) and **Bruce** ('79); a sister, Helen Davis; and four grandchildren.

**Leon Gleason** ('54), 94, died April 3, 2005. He worked at Harding Press while earning his bachelor's degree in journalism. For 32 years, he edited and published

the *Ringling Eagle* newspaper in Ringling, Okla., where he donated the building for the public library, the Gleason Memorial Library, established in 1994. He did extensive volunteer work for the Genealogy Library of the Greater Southwest Historical Museum in Ardmore, Okla., and was named Volunteer of the Year in 2002. He was a lifelong member of the church of Christ, leading singing in many congregations where he worshipped. He is survived by his wife, Grace; and two daughters, **Barbara Rhodes** ('62) and **Charlotte Stewart**. (P.O. Box 526, Ringling, OK 73456)

**Jose Cuellar** ('57), 74, died Oct. 29, 2005. He spent more than 20 years working as a missionary in Puerto Rico, planting more than 30 churches and training ministers. After retiring from his work in Puerto Rico, he moved to San Antonio where he coordinated medical missionary trips into the poorest areas of Mexico, setting up clinics to provide medical care. He is survived by his wife, **Velma Davis** ('57); two sons, Benito and Rodney; and three grandchildren. (23450 Trumbo Road, San Antonio, TX 78264)

**Karen Giddens Tindall** ('73), 54, died Sept. 28, 2005. She compiled, illustrated and edited the book *Construction Math Made Easy*. She taught GED classes to women getting off welfare, taught Sunday school, and took care of six foster children long term. She is survived by her husband, George; a son, Kevin Tanksley; two daughters, Susan Shelton and Jenni Brooks; a brother, Larry Giddens; and three sisters, Evelyn Skelton, **Judy Howard** ('70) and Sara Rogers. (3359 DeSota Caverns Parkway, Childersburg, AL 35044)

**Brandt H. McCorkle** ('75), 51, died July 5, 2005. He was a physician and a member of the President's Council at Harding. He is survived by his wife, **Janell Simpson** ('74); his parents, **Jack** ('47) and **Madalon Herren** ('49) **McCorkle**; a son, Ryan; and two daughters, Megan and Sarah. (4073 Stillwood Drive, Memphis, TN 38128)

**Suzanne Wilburn** ('77), 50, died Oct. 10, 2005, from cancer. She held dear her family and friends and the game of tennis. She is survived by her parents, Charles and Margaret Wilburn; two brothers, Doug and Steve; and a sister, **Margaret** ('79). (562 Beech Creek Road S., Brentwood, TN 37027)

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# I choose to teach

By KYLE THOMPSON ('05)

## DECIDING WHAT YOU WANT TO DO FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE IS NOT

an easy decision to make. Four years ago I had to make that decision. I am from a family who believes that service to others comes before everything else in life. I knew I wanted a career that would give me the opportunity to change lives.

Jesus often discussed the importance of being a servant. As he served, he called us to serve others. He asked us to be a light to the world. Choosing to teach seemed to me to be the best way to serve others.

Carol Ann Thompson ('74) was a wonderful teacher who exemplified Christ to her students and colleagues each day. Knowing that she could help me with the decision whether or not to teach, I went to her one day for guidance. With pen and paper in hand, I asked her why she had been teaching all these years. "We, as Christians, are all called to be servants," she said. "Through teaching I am able to serve God's children. I have been able to touch hundreds and hundreds of lives through teaching. And guess what — they pay me for it!"

After four years at Harding, I am now student teaching and have enjoyed every minute of my training and teaching. My only regret is that I cannot work under Carol, and I cannot go to her for advice. Her passion and love for her students was shown through her service to them until the day she died two years ago after a battle with cancer.

I have chosen to teach. I choose to teach not because it is easy, but because it is hard. I choose to teach because I know that every child is important and needs someone to motivate and inspire him or her to reach goals. I choose to teach because I have a desire to use my life to touch someone else's in a way that can only be done through teaching. I choose to make a difference.

Teachers' goals are to equip their students with valuable information and skills that are necessary for them to become productive citizens in the community. The University has equipped me to enter a profession that has an amazing responsibility for the future. The professors at the University, with their passion and enthusiasm, shine as living examples of Christ's love for his children. Through their concern and encouragement for each student, faculty members exemplify qualities of the ultimate servant, Jesus Christ.

Relationships with others play a vital role in the development of any

person. As educators, teachers have the ability to foster healthy relationships with students and their parents. Forging a positive relationship between teacher and student makes it possible to connect the gaps and enhance the learning process. One of the most difficult challenges we face in teaching is sharing love and concern to all children. Every student comes to class with personal baggage. A teacher's position allows him or her to rummage through a student's gifts and provide support for the student — a vital role in any child's education.

What a wonderful opportunity we have each day to touch the lives of those who surround us! As a teacher, I hope to capitalize on each opportunity that presents itself to me inside or outside the classroom. I want to be the light that we as Christians are called to be.

Issues that were not as prevalent with previous generations confront today's youth. Sex, drugs and a lack of parental support are some of the obstacles that they face. As a teacher, my responsibility is to provide support so that my students succeed. These avenues of assistance may come in many ways; my challenge is to find those avenues and change lives.

So, thanks Carol. I hope that I can serve God's children as well as you did. Maybe they'll pay me too! **H**

KYLE THOMPSON, a middle-level education major from Mount Pleasant, Texas, represented the student body at the dedication ceremonies for the Thornton Center Sept. 28. Thompson graduated in December.

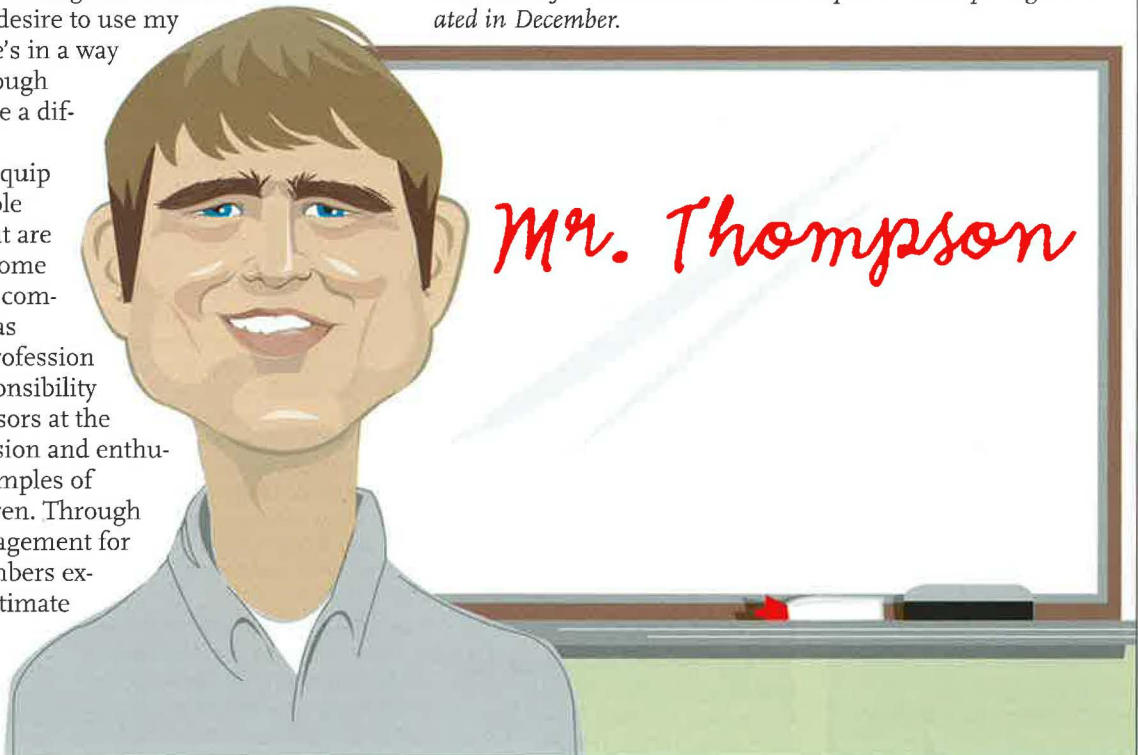


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Belle (Lindsay Hoggatt) is constantly fighting off the misplaced affections of conceited Gaston (Caleb Keese) in the Homecoming musical production of Disney's "Beauty and the Beast."

# WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU?

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