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# HARDING *Alumni* NEWS



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## ALUMNI EXPRESS THEIR GRATITUDE FOR HARDING



### Ordis D. Copeland Says Giving is a Privilege

I consider it a privilege to contribute to the Alumni Association of Harding College, thus I have contributed regularly since graduation in 1946.

Christian education is an asset to the wholesome learning situation on the college level. Every alumnus, having tasted of the Christ-like spirit that prevails on Harding's campus, should want to contribute to the school, even though a sacrifice is necessary in making a contribution.

I am encouraging every alumnus that I see to make a gift, even though it may be small, that people who are able and want to make a gift to a good cause, may see how the Alumni of Harding believe in the school. I hope that everyone will make a contribution. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could have 100% participation!

Ordis D. Copeland (BA'46)

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**We would like to have  
letters and pictures  
from YOU, too.**

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### The Richard Ramseys Praise Harding's Spiritual Climate

Appreciation — that's the word that tells why I contribute to Harding College. I'm thankful for what the faculty and the school did for me, and tho' I could never give enough even to pay what it cost the school to provide education for me, I want to give at least something to show my appreciation.

After attending two state colleges I found the spiritual environment at Harding as refreshing as a life-giving shower upon desert soil. **Now I wonder how any Christian young person could ever choose a state college in preference to a Christian college.**

Where Harding really touched me deeply was in helping me to re-adjust to civilian life after three years in the Army. The patience and guidance which the faculty gave me in those days has borne fruit in my life, not only for this present life, but for that which is to come. It cannot be expressed in words nor measured in money, but it is real and abiding.

Some people go to Harding to get a wife. I took mine there. We recommend Harding as an excellent place to honeymoon.

The student clubs and social life at Harding gave me good experience for my work now as Bible Chair director, so that I am the better able to plan with these young people in my classes today and to counsel them.

May the Lord bless you all in your growing areas of service.

An alumnus who appreciates,

Richard Ramsey ('49)



## Guest Column

By Jimmy Allen  
BA'53

### WHY I TEACH AT HARDING COLLEGE

I teach at Harding out of a sense of gratitude for what it has done for me.

When I enrolled at Harding in December 1948, I knew little or nothing about the Bible and Christian people. Here, I came in contact with both.

In January 1949, after having been in the college for thirty two days, I obeyed the gospel of Jesus Christ. The association with Christian young people and teachers plus the effective Bible teaching of Brother Jack Sears led me to see the light of Christ's glory.

Not only did I learn the truth, but I also found my dedicated Christian companion on our campus. She is a constant source of strength and comfort to me.

I shall always owe a tremendous debt to this school and the people who have had a part in its support and direction over the years. I hope to be able to pass on to others, at least in a small degree, some of the blessings which Harding has brought to me.

I also teach at Harding because of a firm confidence in the school and the principles for which it stands.

Harding is dedicated to a restoration of first century Christianity in its purity and simplicity.

Its faculty is sincerely attempting to speak where the Bible speaks and to remain silent where the Bible is silent. These principles are safe, sound, and secure.

I am happy to work in a school where there is unity of agreement on these fundamental and basic ideas.

The only requisite necessary for my teaching the Bible here is that I wholeheartedly accept God's revelation as it is set forth in this good book which has stood through the ages. The creed of Christians at Harding is Christ and His word.

## ★ Chapter News ★

### DALLAS, TEXAS

The Dallas Chapter met on April 9 at the home of Jwill ('51) and Elizabeth Russell ('51) Sims for a potluck supper. At the business meeting the group discussed a program of work that will support the ideals of Harding. Alumni in the area are asked to contact president Rex Westerfield (BA'49), 3627 Jubilee Trail, Dallas. Your interest and participation are needed.

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### NORTHEAST

Alumnus Ed Baker ('57) of Park Ridge, N. J. recently wrote the Alumni Office asking for a chapter organization handbook. In talking to several other alumni in that area, he found definite interest in organizing a chapter. Congratulations Ed, and to other alumni in the northeast for expressing interest in chapter work and in planning to get things moving.

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### LUBBOCK, TEXAS

The Great Plains chapter met at Lubbock on Friday, April 22. About 60 alumni and prospective students heard Dr. George Benson speak on the advantages of Christian education. The Great Plains Chapter is now helping to support a student at Harding College. Wide participation by the alumni in that area is reported in behalf of this activity.

### ALUMNI OFFICERS

EVAN ULREY, President  
JIMMY ALLEN, 1st Vice Pres.  
WYATT SAWYER, 2nd Vice Pres.  
NORMAN HUGHES, 3rd Vice Pres.  
BUFORD TUCKER, Executive Sec.  
LANELLE WATERS, Office Sec.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Clifton L. Ganus, Jr., Joseph E. Pryor, Lott R. Tucker, Jr., Evan Ulrey, Jimmy Allen, Wyatt Sawyer, Norman Hughes, T. A. Formby, Thednel Garner and Buford Tucker.

## FROM HERE AND THERE . . .

Glenn Wall ('53) has begun work in Knoxville, Tenn., as a civil engineer for TVA. Mrs. Wall is the former Lloydene Sanderson (BA'53).

J. C. Huddleston (BA'36) will retire from the U. S. Navy on June 30 after 23 years' service as a Naval Aviator. He and his wife, the former Evelyn Williams ('39), will then move to Nashville, Tenn.

Albert J. Neuhaus ('61) is a PFC in the Army, stationed in Germany.

Malcolm Caskey ('61) is a police officer in Winnetka, Ill.

Thelma Harmon (BA'54) is now the assistant librarian at the high school in Hinsdale, Ill.

Ruth Elizabeth Williams (BS'50) has moved from New Orleans and is now teaching in Tulsa.

John E. Welch ('53) is a salesman for Continental Distributors in Junction City, Kansas.

Sandra Cox ('61) is a telephone operator in Indianapolis.

Rct/Vaughan Kelso Waters (BA'59) has completed his Army basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and has been transferred to the Army Security Agency school at Ft. Devins, Mass.

On April 3, Dona Persley Cornutt (BA'36) was honored as the Woman of the Year in Pampa, Texas. The Pampa Daily News titled her "Pampa's First Lady for 1960" and carried a full-page pictorial about Dona and her family. The Beta Sigma Phi Sorority makes this annual award to the woman of the community who contributed the most time, service and effort throughout the year to community progress and betterment.

Emmett Smith (BA'46), president of Crowley's Ridge Academy in Paragould, visited the campus early this month and spoke to the students in chapel. He gave some fine thoughts on being grateful for God's gift to us.

Freda Gibson (BA'51) is now in Japan, where she is teaching grades 1-7 in the school for American missionaries' children on the campus of Ibaraki Christian College. As Freda joined the work at Ibaraki, Joe Betts (BA'52, MA'53) and his wife (Ruth Majors, BA'52) and family returned to the United States after several years at I.C.C. The Betts', whose stay in Japan was supported by the church in Paragould, Ark., sailed from Yokohama on March 21.

Ernestine Phillips ('52) wrote us from England, where she is a junior high school teacher at the American Dependent School on Wethersfield Air Base, near Braintree, Essex. Since being overseas, Ernestine has built up quite a travel-log, visiting about 20 countries in Europe, Scandinavia, North Africa, and the Near East. She reports that she and her mother, who is visiting her now, have visited several congregations of the Lord's church in Europe, and have seen wonderful faith and enthusiasm there, in spite of the great need for missionary help.

Jerry M. Colglazier (MA'57) has been awarded a National Science Foundation stipend for study at Purdue University. He will begin participation this summer in the newly-organized four-summer program leading to a MAT degree in physics.

Juanita Clift ('59), now a senior at Washington State University, has received a year's dietetic internship appointment at the University of Oklahoma Medical Center. She will receive her degree in Institution Economics in May, and with the completion of this fifth year of study in Oklahoma, she will be eligible for membership in the American Dietetic Association as an accredited dietitian. Juanita was one of only two students in the WSU Home Economics College to win such an award.

C. L. Cox ('56) is enrolled in the University of Arkansas as a junior in Industrial Engineering, after serving 4 years in the Air Force at San Antonio, Texas. He is also the song director at the North and Leverett Church of Christ in Fayetteville.

Sam Roach (BA'53) and his family have moved from Royal Oak, Mich., to Memphis, Tenn., where he plans to begin working with the deaf while he studies for his Master's degree.

## ALUMNI BOOST SENIOR DAY

Among the 569 visitors who swarmed upon the Harding campus for Senior Day, April 23, were several alumni who brought a carload of students from their town. This expression of interest in Harding and young people is very much appreciated.

Students came from eleven states and one hundred six towns and cities. The states represented were Illinois, Florida, Colorado, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee, Alabama, Kentucky, and Arkansas.

Special events for the day included a program by the Harding College a cappella chorus, directed by Dr. Erle Moore; the "Sky Rockets" quartet from the steps of the administration building; and Harding's first invitational track meet. All visitors were guests of the college for lunch, and many stayed over night.

Included in the invitational meet were twelve high schools and twelve colleges. In addition to the AIC teams, Freed-Hardeman, Oklahoma Christian, Arkansas State, and John Brown University were participants. Events started in the afternoon and continued till late that evening.

## SPEAK UP FOR HARDING

A number of you have taken the time to write in, giving your reasons for contributing to the Alumni Fund. We are grateful to you for doing this. If you help to encourage just one young person to obtain his education under Christian influence, you will be well repaid.

No one is better prepared to explain the advantages of Christian education than are those who have benefited by it. Do you feel a Christian education is a 'must' for Christians? Do you feel that such an education is within the reach of anyone who wants it? Can you point out some of the social advantages of a Christian education?

You may be able to say just the right thing in the right way that would influence someone to make the right decision. Certainly college years are the most important years in one's life, and where one goes to school does make a big difference.

The alumni of a Christian school can have a tremendous influence on the thinking of others about Christian training.

The help you give to Harding College, by word or deed, can bless thousands in the future.



## Hobart Ashby Remembers He Freely Received

I contribute to the Alumni Fund for numerous reasons and it is rather difficult to select the most important because they all blend together.

There is a passage of scripture that always comes to mind when I think of the good things that are ours. It is Matthew 10:8. Jesus is sending his apostles to preach, heal, raise the dead and so forth. Then he charged: "Freely ye have received, freely give."

My few years at Harding College meant much to me. My days there were days of struggle and hardship by almost everyone connected with the school; both faculty and student body. The school had just moved to Searcy from Morrilton. The buildings were few and in poor condition. Money was scarce. But many gave freely and the school prospered.

Because of the sacrifice of Godfearing men and women I received untold blessings from Harding. Since I freely received, I must freely give.

I desire that my three daughters attend Harding and, the Lord willing, my oldest child will enroll this fall. When I visit the campus I thank God for such schools.

Hobart E. Ashby  
Aberdeen, Mississippi

## ALUMNI DAY IS FOR YOU

If you are one of those who have not returned to the campus for several years, you have a real surprise waiting for you when you join your classmates on June 1 for that great reunion occasion.

The classes of '25, '30, '35, '40, '45, '50, and '55 will have a reunion luncheon on June 1 and you must not miss it! A good meal, entertainment, and seeing former classmates makes the return trip one you will enjoy and long remember.

Alumni Day activities are for all alumni, with special recognition being given the class of '35 on their 25th anniversary. Consult your March or April Alumni bulletin for a schedule of events.

## VOTE DEADLINE JUNE 2

### HAVE YOU VOTED?

The election of Alumni Association officers is the privilege and opportunity that each alumnus has to express his choice in electing officers to serve the association.

In the January issue of the bulletin a sample ballot was printed. On April 15 a ballot and letter was mailed to each of you. In case you have not received either of the other communications, the ballot below will be accepted. If you have not already voted, do so now and return it at once. Your ballot must be in the Alumni office by noon on June 2 to be valid.

### NOTE

The Baccalaureate service scheduled for Sunday evening, May 29 at 8:00 p.m., will be held in the College Auditorium. Dr. Donald Sime, now teaching at the Harding graduate school of Bible in Memphis, will be the speaker.

## Permanent Pay-For-A-Day

One alumnus has suggested the following as a means by which one could pay-for-a-day forever. It would be like this: an \$8,000 life insurance policy with Harding College as beneficiary on an "interest only" option would provide \$180 forever. One could leave an everlasting memorial to his name. Such a contribution by 365 alumni would mean a tremendous boost to assure Harding of needed income.

# BALLOT

## Election of Officers for Harding College Alumni Association

### INSTRUCTIONS:

To vote for any person, mark a cross (X) in the square to the right of the name. Ballots must be returned by noon of Commencement Day, June 2, 1960

### FOR PRESIDENT (Vote for one)

Note: One additional nomination was submitted for president, but he asked that his name be withdrawn.

Ulrey, Evan

### FOR VICE-PRESIDENT (Vote for three)

Allen, Jimmy

Barton, Bruce A.

Clark, Robert T.

Hawkins, Robert B.

Lynn, William B.

Signed .....

## Harold McRays Plan for Their Children's Future



We feel that Harding is an answer to our prayers. We want our children, above all else, to become genuine Christians and from our own experiences we believe that Harding College can help our children become genuine, well-rounded Christians.

It has taken children of our own to awaken us to the real values of Christian education. For them, and for others who shall need a Christian education we contribute to the Alumni Fund.

May our contribution serve as a payment on our debt to Harding College and may it help to keep her doors open to our children and to our children's children.

**Harold McRay** (Grad. 53-54)

Since leaving Harding, we have been blessed with two wonderful children. We love our children very much and their future is of extreme importance to us. Quite often we discuss their training and it always includes a Christian education.

## ALUMNUS PLEADS FOR HELP IN HELPING BLIND

999 Pelham Parkway  
Bronx, New York  
April 26, 1960

Alumni Association  
Harding College  
Searcy, Arkansas

Gentlemen:

I am in a unique position to do some original research in rehabilitation of the blind. I believe the research which I plan to do will have a far-reaching influence on the employment possibilities for the blind now and in the future.

I am a graduate of the Arkansas School for the Blind and have my Bachelor's Degree (1953) from Harding College. I finished the work for my Master's Degree at Mississippi State College in June, 1956. Since that time I have been working in the rehabilitation of the blind.

In September, 1959 I received a scholarship from the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation in Washington for further graduate study at Hunter College in New York City. I am presently working at the New York Institute for the Education of the Blind, and preaching for the East Side Church of Christ in Manhattan.

I want to make three distinct contributions.

1. I would like to write an autobiography with the hope of educating many parents of blind children and their sighted friends as to both the capabilities and problems of the congenitally blind.
2. I wish to do research in the area of the influence of maternal deprivation upon the later personality of the blind child. Our aim would be to write a book

which would explain both the causes and effects of maternal deprivations. This book would further offer suggestions as to how these personality problems could be avoided altogether.

3. I plan to do research to determine what services blind people feel they should be given in order to be more readily accepted by society in employment and social life. There is a need for research which will determine what services society feels should be offered to blind clients for the purpose of making them more acceptable. A book will be written to describe the findings of each of the two phases of research and to set forth a plan for meeting such needs. Efforts should be made to find sponsorship for a pilot program within the auspices of some school for the blind, college or university.

I am personally financially secure and expect a substantial increase in my salary in the coming year. However, in order to employ the services of a full-time assistant and secretary, I will need six thousand dollars a year for a period of three years. Since there should be no further expense involved, eighteen thousand dollars will cover adequately the initial cost of these projects. My research will be done under the auspices and supervision of the Special Education Department at Hunter College, New York, New York.

I sincerely hope that you can find an interest in helping me to do this long overdue research and compilation.

Sincerely yours

**Breland Collier**  
(BA'53)



## Sidney Roper Praises Harding

I am happy to be an alumnus of Harding College. I am also a graduate of a State University. As such, I feel that I am in better position than some to appreciate the worth of Christian education. I never knew how to appreciate the 'Stars and Stripes' until after I moved to Canada. Upon my first return visit to the States 'Old Glory' flying proudly above the U. S. Customs Building in Sweet Grass, Montana, looked more beautiful than ever before. The contrast in the two types of schools mentioned above, likewise gives one an appreciation of Christian education.

At Harding my faith in God was deepened; at the University it could have been wrecked except for the previous influence of Harding. I thank God that I attended Harding first.

I have four children and I certainly want to do everything within my power to give them the benefit of my own experiences.

But schools like Harding must have the support of their Alumni if they are to continue to provide the benefits we desire for our children. This is sufficient reason, it seems to me, for every alumnus of Harding College to be a regular contributor and an ardent supporter.

**Sidney G. Roper** (BA'47)

## IN SYMPATHY

**William H. Bragg** ('51) passed away on April 16 at Dallas, Tex., after a long illness. He is survived by his wife, two children, his parents and four sisters.

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Our sincere sympathy is extended to **Louise White** (BA'53) Lucas on the death of her husband, Glen, who was killed in a tractor accident near Levelland, Tex, on May 2. He leaves two children, Jeffrey Boyd, 2½, who was the only witness to the accident, and Rebecca Lynn, 11 months.



**Audrey Derryberry** ('60) to Lt. Marvin Howard Massey, Jr., on Aug. 28, 1959, at Columbia, Tenn.

**Sylvia Sweet** (60') to James K. Alfred on April 2 at Austin, Tex.

Wilma Evans to **Charles H. Collins** ('59) on April 23 at Detroit, Mich.

**Darlene Lowder** ('61) to Joe T. Montgomery of the U. S. Navy on Dec. 15, 1959, at Albany, Ga.

**Mary Anne Powell** (BA') to Jack Williams on Nov. 26, 1959, at St. Louis, Mo.

**Peggy Simon** ('54) to Bobby Tefertiller on Nov. 1, 1959, at Wewoka, Okla.

**Adalene Spence** ('61) to William Green on April 17 at Little Rock.



Daughter, Melissa, to Mr. and Mrs. **Carmelo Casella** (MA'53) on Feb. 27 at Holland Park, Victoria, Australia.

Son, Timothy Glen, to **Raymond** ('53) and **Helen Sanner** ('53) **Hogins** on April 18 at Kearney, Neb.

Son, Marion L., to Mr. and Mrs. **Malcolm Caskey** ('61) on Feb. 6 at Winnetka, Ill.

Daughter, Nancy Ann, to Roger G. and **Virginia Stotts** ('44) Williams on Feb. 26 at Searcy.

Son, James Robert, to **Jim** ('61) and **Frances Cherry** ('60) **Smith** on Feb. 21 at Springfield, Mo.

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## BIRTHS, Continued

Son, Timothy Scott, to **Paul** ('60) and **Jeanne Bankston** (BA'56) **Huff** on April 22 at Searcy.

Daughter, Cynthia Iona, to **Wiliam** and **Wanda Adair** ('59) **Clements** on Feb. 15 at Phoenix, Ariz.

Daughter, Alice Melissa, to **Frank** and **Glenda Moore** ('58) **Sealy** on April 21 at Corpus Christi, Tex.

Daughter, Sherry Lynn, to **Mr.** and **Mrs. Jack Gray** (BA'51) on March 8 at Flint, Mich.

Son, Timothy Kyle, to **Joe Eddie** and **Lottie West** ('61) **McCormack** on Feb. 3 at Frederick, Okla.

Son, Elmo J. III (Jeffrey), to **Elmo** (**Buddy**) ('59) and **Marilyn Dodd** (BA'59) **Robinson** on April 7 at St. Louis, Mo.

Daughter, Shirley Claire, to **Ernest** (BS'57) and **Martha Woody** ('53) **Bush** on July 29, 1959, at Baton Rouge, La.

Son, Rick Alan, to **Robert M.** (BS'55) and **Betty Elkins** ('57) **Brown** on April 20 at San Angelo, Tex.

Daughter, Bonnie Jean, to **Joe** (BA-56) and **Mary Ruth Herren** ('57) **Lewis** on April 29 at York, Neb.

Son, Wesley Jay, to **Mr.** and **Mrs. Johnny Figgins** (BS'55) on April 20 at Houston, Tex.

Daughter, Katherine Joann, to **Mr.** and **Mrs. John E. Carlon** ('60) on Sept. 9, 1959, at Camden, Ark.

Daughter, Susan Elizabeth, to **Mr.** and **Mrs. Clarence Depew** (BA'57) on April 16 at Davis, Calif.

Adopted daughter, Charla Ann, to **Charles** (BA'52) and **Lena Ruth Story** (BA'49) **Pearson** on April 14 at Cumrod, Ark. Charla was born Sept. 16, 1959.

Twin daughters, Pamela Renee and Kimberly Suzanne, to **John** ('63) and **Maxine McGee** ('62) **Adams** on May 6 at Searcy.

# BULLETIN --

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## ALUMNI NEWS



Richard ('49) and Virginia Ramsey join with others in relating the blessings of attending Harding, with praise for wholesome extra-curricular activities as well as class work. (Letter on page 1)

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