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\$6.7 Million Given in 1991 Despite Uncertain Economy

Despite an uncertain national economy in 1991, alumni and friends continued their generous support of Harding at a near-record level during the year.

The \$6,700,724 in gifts in 1991 was the second highest total in the school's history. A record \$7.3 million was donated in 1990. During 1991 Harding received \$5.88 million in current gifts and \$811,465 in deferred gifts.

In 1991, 5,895 individuals, foundations, corporations, and churches made a contribution. During the year Harding received gifts from 874 individuals, foundations or corporations who were making their first donations to the school.

Gifts in 1991 came in the fourth year of the five-year *Beyond Excellence* campaign. During the first four years of the campaign Harding has raised 89 percent (\$22.4 million) of the \$25 million goal. Of that total, approximately \$15.6 million went to the general fund to balance the operating budget.

One of the highlights of 1991 was the continued growth in alumni donations. For the fourth consecutive year alumni gifts topped the \$1 million mark. The 1991 total reached \$1,623,628.

The percentage of alumni donors also increased to 37.6 percent from 36.7 percent in 1990. In the last three years the percentage of alumni donors has jumped from 28 percent to its present level.

"More than 80 percent of all donors were alumni."

-Floyd Daniel

"The success of Harding's 1991 fund-raising efforts was even more significant when viewed through the perspective of the national economy," said Floyd Daniel, vice president for university relations. Daniel directs the university's fund-raising efforts.

"Many schools and other

charitable organizations had a decrease in financial support in 1991 due in a large part to the recession," he said. "We are thankful to God and a host of very generous donors for our near-record year.

"For many individuals Harding has a major priority in their giving. I think this is evident in the sustained level of giving by alumni. Again in 1991 more than 80 percent of all donors were alumni. There are not many schools in this nation that can boast of that level of support from alumni."

Major increases in the number of donors came in the \$100 to \$500 categories with more than 1,900 individuals giving at these levels.

Daniel also pointed out increases in both corporate and foundation support. In corporate giving the total went to \$498,608 from \$387,902 in 1990. Foundation gifts soared to \$631,817 from \$299,802 in 1990.

A complete listing of 1991 donors can be found in the supplement to this issue of the *Bulletin*.

28th Annual Youth Forum, Spring Sing Weekend Planned April 16-18

Plans for the 28th annual Youth Forum and Spring Sing weekend scheduled for April 16-18 are progressing well. The hosts and hostesses began practicing in January, as did over 700 students. A total of eight club shows will be a part of the performance.

The addition of host David White, a senior music major from Searcy, was recently announced by Steve Holder, director of hosts and hostesses. White will fill the role with the previously announced hosts and hostesses Johnny Scott, Shannan Horner and Kim Scott.

By the middle of February, almost 2,000 tickets had been sold for the four Spring Sing performances. Good seating still remains for all performances.

A drama production has



Spring Sing Emcees

1992 Spring Sing hosts and hostesses are David White, Shannan Horner, Kim Scott and Johnny Scott.

been added to the schedule this year to provide an additional alternative for campus guests. "The Miracle Worker" was selected this year and will be performed in the Administration Auditorium April 16 and 17 at 7:00 p.m. Matinee performances are scheduled on

the 18th and 19th at 3:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. respectively.

Carrie Brown, a freshman English major from New York, N.Y. won the role of Helen Keller, and Jennifer Watrous, a senior art major from Bozeman, Mont., was cast in the role of Anne Sullivan.



Candle Lighting Ceremony

As part of the induction into Alpha Chi, junior Kristy Dawdy from Honey Grove, Texas, lights her individual candle.

Alpha Chi Inducts 71

Seventy-one new members were inducted into Harding University's chapter of Alpha Chi during a special chapel ceremony held February 19. Alpha Chi is a nationally affiliated society encouraging and recognizing superior scholarship.

Harding's chapter, the Arkansas Eta, is open to the upper 10 percent of the senior class with a minimum 3.55 grade point on 104 semester hours, and to the upper 10 percent of the junior class with a minimum 3.75 grade point on 80 semester hours. Harding's chapter currently includes 247 students.

Officers for 1991-92 are Anna Conley of Searcy, president; Diane Roof of White Bear Lake, Minn., vice president; Anissa Campbell of Texarkana, secretary; Mark Pruitt of Nichols, Iowa, treasurer, and Chantelle Bequette of Russellville, Ark., student representative.

The new inductees include Laura Ann Adams, Richard Edwin Bankhead, Stacy Dawn Beck, Ana Carolina Bonilla, Sandra Kay Bouchareb, Tracy Michelle Brothers, Amber

Anne Brown, Stephen Ashley Burks, Philip Andrew Chafin, Jill A. Cooper, Donald Jason Coriell, Ashley Ann Cosby, Dana Lynn Crane, Sonya Annette Curtis, and Tyler Lee Cutshall.

Additional inductees include Brenda Kay Davidson, Julian Scott Davis, Kristy Kay Dawdy, Leslie Denise Ferguson, Eric Bradley French, Arlene Michelle Gibson, Diana Lynn Goad, Diana Marie Gregor, Ellen Marie Gullick, Vicky K. Hobby, Kimberly Jean House, Nathan Dale Howard, Daniel David Jacobs II, Melanie Beth Johnson, Shawn Jackson Kell, Tracy Ellen Kibler, Jason Eric King, Jay Reginald King and Tammy Kay Kodatt.

Other new members are Chandra Lynn Latimer, Patrick Jay Massey, Andrew Bruce Mawdsley, Arden Jay Miller, Frankie C. Mitchell, Neil Eric Myers, John Edward Scott Nahigian, Jennifer Carmen Neal, Jacqueline Annette Nichols, Bill Wayne Oldham Jr., Marsha Beth Osborne, Timothy Wayne Page, Shanna DeAnn Phillips, Lonnie Allen Plunk, Nuria Isabel Portabella, See ALPHA CHI page 3

From The President



David Burks

Recently we completed the analysis of how Harding University operated in 1991. The facts from our printed report are impressive, relating the accomplishments in our dream quest to provide a very special kind of educational experience for the 3,564 students who registered for classes.

We noted with pleasure such data as our listing in three national directories, the awarding of the George Washington Honor Medal, the university's rank as one of the top six colleges noted for value-oriented instruction, the availability of expertise from the prominent national leaders serving on the newly-formed advisory board, the receiving of gifts and grants, and others.

With "educating for eternity" reiterated as our primary dream for Harding University, we reported an increase of more than 25 percent of the number of students majoring in Bible. We included reports of hundreds who devoted time to medical missions and campaigns for Christ. We reported many other avenues through which our students served.

The academic successes of talented and dedicated students reflected the faculty's strong commitment to providing an educational program as strong as our faith. We were able to report that 97 percent of Harding's graduates obtain a job within 90 days after graduation.

Our athletic achievements in what is recognized as one of the leading programs in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference resulted in Harding receiving the All-Sports trophy for the second time in as many years.

Because of diligent and careful control of monies available, Harding was able to finish the year in the black, functioning within the \$46 million budget approved by the Board.

One of the greatest pleasures afforded me by virtue of this office is the privilege of submitting to you, our alumni and friends, these facts. I only wish I had the ability to convey to you the sincere gratitude I feel for the assistance you have provided in the achievement of these reportings. All of us realize to the fullest extent that it is because of your trust, your willingness to assist in the dream, and your continued support for Harding that will cause Harding's dream to remain as a viable option.

The 3,564 students making up the record enrollment of 1991 are each deserving of the best Harding can hope to make available for them; the countless students who will come our way in future years must be provided with opportunity of no less challenge. Gifts of 1991 reached \$6.7 million, with 37 percent of our alumni making a contribution.

We have made a commitment to improving facilities; we remain committed to our mission; we continue to plead for your assistance and your prayers as we realize the dreams.

Harding has a special mission and a distinctive place in American higher education. I hope Harding's dreams will become your dreams, too.

Alma Mater, Hymn Writer Sanderson Dies in Memphis

L. O. Sanderson, 90, long time preacher, educator, author, and song writer, died Jan. 17 in Memphis. Funeral services were conducted Jan. 19.

A preacher of the gospel since 1923, he had also written hundreds of hymns and songs, including the Harding Alma Mater.

Bro. Sanderson was a 1928 graduate of Harding, receiving the B.A. in English. He had attended Harper College in Kansas, Southwest Missouri State in Springfield, and Oklahoma University. For many years he preached for the South National Church of Christ in Springfield, Mo., and had also

preached and taught singing schools throughout the United States.

In 1927 he married another Harding graduate, Rena Raye Woodring. They had two children, Lloydene and Leon. Both Mrs. Sanderson and Lloydene (Mrs. Glenn) Wall, died in 1984.

Survivors include his wife, Vesta, and Leon, both of Memphis. The family has requested memorials be made to the L. O. Sanderson Scholarship Fund, with awards having been established at both Harding University in Searcy and the Harding Graduate School of Religion in Memphis.

Church Leadership, Expository Preaching Seminars Announced

The College of Bible and Religion has scheduled its Church Leadership Seminar for May 1-2 on the theme of "Serving the Church in a Time of Challenge, Change, and Conflict." The seminar is designed as a follow-up to a 1991 program which addressed the circumstance of leaders in the church today.

Dr. Randy Lowry, director of the nationally acclaimed Institute for Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine University School of Law, will be the featured speaker. He is known as the church's leading expert in conflict prevention, management, and resolution.

Lowry's most rewarding work is with hurting churches where he regularly mediates acute conflict and assists congregations in working through

differences in an efficient and respectful way. Lowry's wife, Rhonda, will also participate in the program particularly working with women on their special use of reconciliation tools.

Dr. Lowry will focus the seminar on service and leadership in communities of Christ's people that are facing new challenges, undergoing unprecedented change and, at times, needing to manage divisive conflict. The challenge faced by church leaders of maintaining congregational unity in the context of growing diversity will also be addressed.

The seminar will be offered in a unique, interactive format and will involve presentations, interactive exercises, and discussions. It will offer prac-

tical assistance for real problems within a Biblical context. More information may be obtained on the seminar by contacting Will Ed Warren, coordinator of the seminar.

An expository preaching seminar is scheduled to be held later in the summer on July 13 and 14. John York of Temple, Texas, will be the featured speaker. The seminar will discuss the theme of "Preaching the Parables of Jesus." Other topics on the seminar's agenda are "The Preacher and his Family" and "The Preacher and his Personal Spiritual Growth".

Further information can be obtained from Tom Alexander or by contacting the Office of Church Relations, Harding University, Box 754, 900 East Center, Searcy, Ark. 72149.

Economics Team Working Toward Seventh National Enterprise Title

Harding's economics team will attempt to win its seventh first place trophy at the national Students in Free Enterprise Competition this summer. However, the team must first win regional competition this spring in Fort Worth, Texas.

Harding's team has won first place six times and has been runner-up six times since national competition first started in 1978. Those placings have made it the winningest economics team in the country.

To capture another victory, team members have been working since the beginning of the school year formulating and planning the strategies they hope will lead to yet another win. It's a task that becomes more difficult each year because other teams look to Harding's winning method and style of presentation as a model.

But Harding continues to come up with new ideas that give them the competitive edge. The most impressive characteristic of the team is the members' ability to work together toward a common goal of increasing public awareness of the free enterprise system. To spread their message, team members have been speaking to area schools and various civic organizations in the White County area.

Clint Blair, a junior from West Liberty, Ky., and the logistics supervisor for the team, explained why he feels Harding's team will look favorably different in the eyes of the judges.

"Other teams expand their efforts to include a global perspective which means they get limited feedback of their results. By focusing our efforts strictly on White County, we get our results and feedback firsthand. We can then convince the judges that our team

did the best job increasing public awareness," Blair said.

Other members of the 1991-92 economic team are Bill Oldham, a senior from Searcy; Tom Duncan, a senior from South Lion, Mich.; Jason Pace, a senior from Searcy serving the team as president; Tracy Crouch, a junior from Judsonia, Ark.; Jill Creighton, a

senior from Melbourne, Ark., serving as the team's vice-president; Anna Conley, a senior from Searcy; and Anessa Hobby, a freshman also from Searcy. Dr. Don Diffine, professor of economics and director of the Belden Center for Private Enterprise Education, serves the team as faculty sponsor.

Student Lectureship Successful

The third annual student lectureships, January 19-22, proved to be the most successful such event to date at Harding. The lectureship series is organized by and for the students.

The forums are designed to allow students a chance to express their own views and insights and to give them the opportunity of teaching not only their peers, but their elders as well.

To provide a unique break from regular Bible classes and chapel, students spoke at daily chapel services, special luncheons, afternoon classes, and evening services at College Church of Christ. They centered their addresses on the lectureship's theme of "This Means War."

Jason King, a junior from Ft. Worth, Texas, helped organize the four-day lectureship. He

said the theme was chosen because "our struggle is against Satan, and it's important to remember who we're fighting for and why."

Rich Little, a sophomore Bible major from Capalaba, Australia, was impressed to see people his age conducting a lectureship. "I've never experienced anything like it in my life because I come from a country where there are only 2,000 Christians. I think the lectureship is a fantastic opportunity for the preachers of tomorrow and for the church of tomorrow," he said.

The goal of the lectureship's organizers was to promote spiritual growth among the student body both as a whole and individually. By the end of the series, the feedback they received from faculty and students made them realize they had achieved that goal.

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CAMPUS NOTES

Jan Morgan (assistant professor, education) has been added to the Arkansas Special Education Personnel Development Council (SEPDC). The group includes individuals committed to the provision of quality educational service for students with disabilities. SEPDC personnel advise the Department of Education regarding statewide personnel development needs and make recommendations to the Arkansas Department of Special Education.

Morgan holds the master of education from Ouachita Baptist University and is currently pursuing a doctorate at Memphis State University. She joined the faculty in 1988.

Elizabeth (Beth) Wilson (professor, home economics department chairman) has qualified as a Certified Home Economist. The announcement was made by the Council for Certification of the American Home Economics Association. Wilson is one of 8,500 CHE's across the United States. The recognition demonstrates a continuing commitment to maintaining a current level of knowledge in the field of home economics.

A member of the faculty since 1971, Wilson holds the Doctorate of Education from Memphis State University. To remain certified she will be required to complete 75 Profes-

sional Development Units of the organization every three years.

She is the wife of Dr. Edmond Wilson, a professor of chemistry. They have a daughter, Joy, who is currently a Harding junior.

John E. Keller (art) was among the artists whose works were included in "Arkansas Art 1992," the 13th annual statewide competition and exhibition. Sixty works were selected for exhibition at Henderson State and Ouachita Baptist galleries. The works were eligible for cash prizes totaling \$3,700.

Robert Cottingham, nationally-known photorealist, served as juror for the exhibit, selecting 12 award winners from the 60 finalists.

"Arkansas Art 1992" is sponsored by Ouachita Baptist University and Henderson State University through the Joint Educational Consortium of Arkadelphia and funded through grants from the Ross Foundation, the Arkansas Arts Council and agency of the Department of Arkansas Heritage, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Paul Pollard, Will Ed Warren and Dan Stockstill (Bible) attended the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature in Kansas City in November.

In January, Pollard also at-

tended a course at Andover Newton Theological School in Boston on "The Role of Scripture in Christian Theology."

Betty Watson, Kim McLarty and Jeanine Peck (education) made presentations at the 1991 Arkansas State Reading conference in Little Rock. Watson and McLarty presented "Cinderella's Shoe and Charlie's Ticket: The Magic Path Between Folktale and Fantasy." Peck's was "State Standards and Reading Instruction as Perceived by Arkansas Elementary Teachers."

This spring, **Lina Owens** and McLarty will present



Harding Graduate School Of Religion

Birthday Party Held For West's 85th

Dr. W. B. West, Jr., founding dean of the Harding Graduate School of Religion, celebrated his 85th birthday recently as the school hosted a party on his behalf.

Over 125 elders, deacons, students, fellow workers, and friends attended the event in which long-time friends and co-workers reflected on West's years of service to Christian education.

"Brother West built the graduate program in Memphis by his faith. There was no other program to compare or imitate when he started. He was truly a pioneer," said Lott Tucker, vice president of Harding University and executive director of Harding Graduate School. "He's one of the best friends I've ever had, and at 85 he still remains young," Tucker added.

Representing the student body, student John Ogren presented West an engraved plaque commemorating his lifelong service to students. Dr. Phillip Slate, dean of the Graduate School, also presented a plaque to West heralding him as the father of graduate education among the churches of Christ.

"Brother West continues to carry on his godly way of encouraging people, and the longer he lives, the longer his legacy becomes," said Slate.

Dr. David Burks, president of Harding University, presented a book to West entitled *Before Any Were Willing*, the story of George S. Benson. "When I think of a gentleman, I think of W. B. West. He possesses an attitude of the heart that makes for greatness," Burks said.

In addition to West's years of service at the Graduate School in Memphis, he has also

"Opening Doors Through Literature" at the Southeast Regional Social Studies Conference in New Orleans.

McLarty also had an article published in the December issue of *The Reading Teacher* entitled "A bridge formed by a book: The story of Justin and *Bridge to Terabithia*."

Harding's Epsilon Omicron chapter of Sigma Theta Tau international honor society of nursing received a national award at the group's convention in Tampa, Fla. The accountability award for excellence in reporting was given for a feature article in the

chapter's newsletter *News in View* by **Tawna Pounders**, president-elect of the local chapter. Two other members of the nursing faculty presented papers: **Cathleen M. Shultz**, School of Nursing Dean, presented "Development of Self-Transcendence Scale for Older Adults," and **Helen Lambert** presented "Factors Influencing Retention and Attrition of Nurse Educators in Institutions of Higher Education in Arkansas." **Jamie Goslin**, STT chapter president, also attended the convention. Dr. Shultz has concluded a two-year term as a member of the nominating committee.

Scholarship Fund Honors Dean Cathleen Shultz

A scholarship fund has been established honoring Dr. Cathleen Shultz, dean of the School of Nursing, according to President David B. Burks.

The fund was established by Dr. Sam L. Shultz, her husband. He is an adjunct professor in the School of Nursing and a faculty pediatrician at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock. He has been a member of Harding's faculty since 1981.

The Dr. Cathleen M. Shultz Scholarship Fund will annually provide financial aid to students majoring in nursing. The first scholarships from the fund will be awarded in the spring of 1992.

Recipients of the scholarships must be full-time students in the professional nursing program, maintain a

satisfactory grade point average, and demonstrate a potential for service to the nursing profession.

Dean Shultz has been a member of the Harding faculty since 1976, serving as director of the program since 1977. She was appointed Dean in 1980. She has received numerous professional awards and honors, including being named Woman of the Year in 1989 by the Searcy Business and Professional Women's Club.

In August, 1990, she was appointed to the Arkansas State Board of Nursing by Governor Bill Clinton. In 1991 she was elected president of the Board.

Harding's School of Nursing, accredited by the National League for Nursing, currently has 225 students in the program, including 63 seniors and 40 juniors.

Alpha Chi Continued from Page 1

Laura Jean Pronia, Lara Darlene Qualls, and Chris Ann Quigley.

The remaining new inductees are Tracy Anne Ramseyer, Leigh Angela Reaves, Veronica Reulbach, Christopher Eric Robinson, Christopher Cordell Rone, Davilyn LeAnn Samuel, Amy

Ruth Showen, Kristi Martin Sibert, David Prentice Smith, Jennifer Cochran Swinea, Amy L. Tess, Matthew Dale Thompson, DeLayna Arlene Throckmorton, Johnny Paul Tollett, Christy Anna Tucker, Brent Alan Vaughn, Shayla Leigh Walters, and Lori Ann Woodson.



Plaque Presentation

Dr. Phil Slate, dean of the graduate school in Memphis, presents Dr. W. B. West with a plaque on the occasion of his 85th birthday.

Grace, Works, and Faith Preachers Forum Theme

"Grace, Works, and Faith — How Do They Relate?" is the theme for Harding Graduate School's annual Preacher's Forum to be held April 14. Five speakers selected by the Alumni Association will be discussing the relationship between God's grace and human faith and works.

The forum is designed to give perspective and promote understanding on this vital relationship issue which is a current focus of concern in both our brotherhood and conservative Protestantism. The format of the program will in-

clude group discussion and question periods.

Scheduled to speak at the forum are John Mark Hicks and Richard Oster, both of the Graduate School in Memphis; William Woodson of David Lipscomb University; Rubel Shelly of Nashville; and Keith Mosher of the Memphis School of Preaching.

A special noon luncheon will also be held in which the school will present its Alumnus of the Year Award. Those desiring more information on the forum may call (901) 761-1352.

Three New Clubs Start on Campus

During the fall semester, three new clubs with interests ranging from academic to extracurricular activities formed.

The Human Resources Management Club was created as a result of the human resources major begun four years ago. The new club provides majors with contacts in the business world for job opportunities as well as knowledge of the professional world through state and national conventions.

The North Central Arkansas Society for Human Resources Management recently awarded one of the club's members a \$300 scholarship. Emily Snowden, a senior from Lawton, Okla., was the recipient.

The club was officially chartered in November and with 35 members, it boasts the largest membership of any chapter in the state of Arkansas. Officers for the club are Marsha Vaughn, president; Jim McFarland, vice-president; John Morgan, secretary; and

Glen Knight, treasurer. George Oliver, dean of the School of Business, and Jack Thomas, chairman of the Behavioral Sciences Department, are sponsors for the club.

"This club will provide students with opportunities for employment, training and research as well as providing a transition from the collegiate world into the business world," said Oliver.

Another academic-oriented club has been formed and named the Tentmakers Club. Members derived the club name from the apostle Paul's profession. The purpose of the club is to take one's chosen major or vocation and combine it with the work of spreading the gospel of Christ, just as Paul did.

The club was initially created by Dr. Flavil Yeakley, and was tailored toward women who were vocational ministry majors. It is now open to all students who, while not necessarily Bible majors, are interested in discovering the

best correlation between their talents and their service for God.

President of the 25-member club is Leslie McDowell, a junior physical education major from Evansville, Ind. "Our objective is to encourage everyone to grow toward their own personal identity concerning their service for God," she said.

The Tentmakers Club is a great start for a student, whether an art, business, nursing or any other major, to begin searching the issue of service based on one's own individual talents.

A third club recently organized involves a core group of about six students interested in some good old-fashioned "horse play." The Rodeo Club, headed by Paul Douglas, a freshman from Swifton, Ark., is for anyone interested in supporting or competing in rodeo.

Since the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference (AIC) does not recognize rodeo as a sport, the club members will

not be competing on a collegiate level. They will instead compete individually on a professional level in the Ozark region of the International Professional Rodeo Association.

Dave Oser, a club member from Dallas, Texas, is joining Douglas in organizing the club. They realize that the stereotypical cowboy image is not one that is usually associated with Harding, but they hope the faculty and student body will remain open-minded.

"We just wanted to start something that people can have fun with as an alternative to sports," Oser said.

The club will initially concentrate on organization and observation. Rodeo season runs from April through September, but the club will probably not compete until summer. Instruction will be given by experienced members like Douglas, who held the European Rodeo Cowboy Association Bull Riding Title in 1987 and 1988.

American Studies Travels to Nashville, Visit Includes Six Different Companies

Nashville, Tenn., will always be best known as a town of guitars and country crooners. But it is also the home of many established and successful businesses.

For that reason, 46 students journeyed to Nashville last month as participants in 1992's American Studies Tour. The tour included six different companies that offered a cross-section of American business, including health care, agriculture, communications, manufacturing and hotel/restaurant management.

The tour, designed to broaden the students' knowledge of America and its free enterprise system, is offered each year as part of the American Studies Institute honors program. Students are admitted to the program after earning a 3.5 GPA and having recommendations from two faculty members.

After the bus ride to Nashville on Wednesday evening, the students began the tour's activities the following morning with a continental breakfast meeting with Mark McInteer of *20th Century Christian* magazine. Thursday's agenda included a tour to Shoney's Corporate Headquarters and Conference Center and to the Hospital Corporation of America, which owns almost 400 hospitals throughout the nation.

A second full day of appointments gave students the opportunity to visit the headquarters of World Christian Broadcasting Corporation; Purity Dairies, a 66-year old firm that processes and distributes a full line of dairy products; Opryland USA, Inc.; and APCOM, Inc., a facility that manufactures water heater components. The day began, though, with another

continental breakfast at which Kent Dobbs, an entrepreneur and motivational speaker, addressed the students. Dobbs is also a member of David Lipscomb University's Business Advisory Board.

Time was also allotted to see some of Nashville's tourist in-

terests. Students visited The Hermitage, home of President Andrew Jackson; the Parthenon, a replica of the original temple in Athens, Greece; and Vanderbilt University. Other entertainment included a dinner cruise on the Belle Carol Riverboat and at-

tending the taping of a "Nashville Now" performance.

Dr. Bob Reely, associate executive director of the American Studies Institute, and Dr. Randy McLeod, associate dean of the School of Business, served as faculty sponsors for the tour.

Admissions Applications Continue to Climb for Fourth Straight Year

As the new year progresses, more high school seniors are faced with the decision of which college to attend. Increasingly, students are choosing Harding.

"The interest among high school seniors considering Harding is skyrocketing," said Mike Williams, director of admissions services.

Applications for Harding's

new student class are up again this year for the fourth year in a row. Dr. Jim Carr, executive vice president, said, "The Harding admissions team has to be among the nation's best."

Arkansas, Texas, and Tennessee continue to be the states with the largest number of applicants. Other areas that have shown significant increases are the Far West and

Southeast, although all regions are up.

Harding University is a high demand institution that has more interested applicants than space available. All students interested in a Harding education are encouraged to seek admission as soon as possible. Applications are already being considered for the 1993 class as well as this fall's class.

Searcy Summer Dinner Theatre Plans Three Plays, Offering Practicum Credit

Searcy Summer Dinner Theater began in 1983 in the Hammon Student Center with an attendance of approximately 50 people at each performance. In 1989 Dr. Morris Ellis' "labor of love" moved to the American Heritage Cafeteria, and in the summer of 1991 had an average audience of 150. Ellis, professor of communication, has directed the program since its inception.

Each summer the dinner theater performs three plays — usually comedies or mysteries and an occasional small cast musical. In the past, cast size has ranged from 2 to 16; and shows have included favorites like *Arsenic and Old Lace*, *The Rainmaker*, and *Breath of*

Spring.

SSDT involves not only Harding faculty and students but others from the community as well. Those involved can earn course credit, further their education, and even help maintain their teaching certificates while taking part in the program.

For the first time this summer, the University will offer "Dinner Theater Practicum" to those who wish to participate for credit. Dr. Ellis believes the new class will "increase the validity of the theater program at Harding."

According to Ellis, the dinner theater is one of the few theater programs that still seems to be making a profit besides big commercial proj-

ects. Since dinner theaters are likely prospects for future employment, SSDT can provide students with an excellent opportunity to gain experience in the medium.

The plays are performed Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights. The evening begins at 6:30 when meals are served to the accompaniment of dinner music. Guests are given the double treat of being served by the actors who will soon be entertaining them. At 7:30 p.m. the play begins.

The run for the plays this summer will be June 25-27, July 9-11, and August 30-September 1. Season tickets are available for \$35, and a ticket to a single show costs \$15.

WALTON

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A Dream

A Walton scholar from Leon, Nicaragua, is coming to the United States to study, but it would ever become a reality. And, in fact, she has.

Alfaro learned about Harding from a friend's advertisement for the University's Walton program. Her family, Leonel Valle, served as the first Nicaraguan student to study at Harding from the school.

Although Valle sent her grades and transcripts to the faculty members involved in the Walton Scholarship Program, traveling students, they were unaware that she had applied for the program. They were required about her application, her story, and her family.

At the time, Alfaro was visiting relatives in the United States. He interviewed her over the phone. He inquired about her application, her story, and her family.

April came, but a letter did not. Finally, in June, she had been accepted into the program. A



Maria Alfaro

The biggest lessons she has learned are about hard work and perseverance.

"We had communist government in Nicaragua," she explained. "I was 11 years old when they took over. You know how it was before they took over. You had to work hard."

Alfaro continued, "We would go to the market every day. The economy was terrible, and there was no money."

"At Harding I have learned a complete new way to believe in free enterprise. If you don't work, no one is going to be more interested in you than the owner."

Alfaro is involved in the American Student Marketing Association. She has participated in several competitions and received the outstanding junior marketing award in Business in 1990.

The Walton Program, which brought her to the United States and taught her English, is a unique opportunity. They then return to help their country and to Nicaragua after receiving her graduation.

She has been accepted to graduate school. She secured a Walton scholarship similar to the one she received at graduate school, she hopes to get a job in her field.

"After that I would like to work for a company. Alfaro hopes to work as a marketing manager. She wants to make a difference in her country in this area."

"I believe there is a potential market in my country. I want to do research and sell my ideas to other people."

Alfaro is very thankful for the chance she has had of coming here to the United States. She never imagined it was going to happen.

"I would just like to thank God for the opportunity and the Christian principles that have helped me. Thanks to Mr. Walton."

Harding has influenced her life in many ways. She came to Harding I never imagined I would be here. In Central America, Indonesia, and Japan, she has been before I came. The information I had about the world and I think that is true."

The opportunity to attend Harding University was a dream put it, "When God has something for you. We should realize we have a purpose and go ahead. This is our chance."

Nicaragua's Maria Alfaro in the United States Harding was Come True

Nicaragua, Maria Alfaro exemplifies the success of Harding University. Alfaro always dreamed of coming to the United States, but she was not sure that her dream would come true, it almost did not.

A friend who happened upon an advertisement for Harding University. Alfaro later learned that a friend of the director of the program in Nicaragua, and then waited to hear from the director.

When she applied to Harding, they never heard from her. When Dr. Ed Higginbotham, director of career planning and placement, called to Nicaragua to interview prospective students, Alfaro had applied. If Valle had not interviewed her, the interview would be very different.

Interviews in Miami, so Dr. Ganus called and informed her that she would receive a letter whether or not she had been selected.

Finally in May, she was notified that she had been accepted. Afterward, according to Alfaro,

"Everything was so quick."

She got her papers together and nervously boarded a plane bound for Arkansas. Stepping off the airplane in Little Rock, she didn't know anyone and was unsure what to expect. Dr. Ganus met her and brought her to Harding, where her American education began.

The lessons she has learned go beyond mere academics. First, she had to adjust to living in a foreign country away from family and friends. Not only was homesickness a problem, but adapting to American food also took time.

While at Harding have been about free

in Nicaragua, the Sandinistas," she explained. "I took office, so I could remember you cannot imagine what it was like."

At the supermarket and see empty shelves. There was no freedom of religion."

A completely different aspect on economics. I don't have private property, society doesn't seem interested in making their business work

Studies Institute and the American Studies Institute participated in marketing competitions and won the award from the Harding School of Business.

When Alfaro came to Harding, she was created to bring them about the free market economy. Her studies develop. Alfaro will therefore return to her native country with a graduate degree.

Alfaro, who studied in Guatemala, and she has returned to the one she received at Harding. After working with the government to gain

for a multinational company," she said. "I am a marketing researcher. She feels she could make a difference in Nicaragua."

"I would like to bring in investors."

Alfaro came to study at Harding. "I always dreamed of coming to the United States to learn. Look where I am. I never thought it would come to me," she said.

When she had this opportunity, my family for their part that they taught me. And, of course,

in other areas besides academics. "When I would meet people from other countries in Japan. I remember reading about Harding University and talked about making everlasting friends,

reinforced her belief in life that, as she said, "nothing can take it away from me. My purpose for being here and take advantage of our opportunity — this is our future."

MOVE Seeks to Promote Church Growth

MOVE is a mission outreach of Harding University that focuses on placing graduates in areas where a need exists for church workers. Dr. Van Tate, director of mission preparation and professor of Bible, serves as the main coordinator.

MOVE (Mission Opportunities for Vocational Evangelism) was created to encourage students to consider how they can actively promote the growth of the church in needy areas. Students are encouraged to plan and prepare for jobs in areas of the United States where local congregations need strengthening.

"Harding attracts many students from western and northern states where congregations are small and in need of assistance. These students often end up settling in the South where the church is strong instead of returning to their home states," said Tate.

This process depletes the number of Christians in those regions. MOVE will help reverse this cycle by sending teams to needy areas. Efforts will be made to match up students with their home states if possible, as well as sending interested students from other states into these areas.

The Placement Office plans to help implement the program. Dr. Ed Higginbotham, director of career planning and placement, has received requests from people in various parts of the country asking for assistance in placing Christians in their area. Coordinating efforts between the Placement Office and MOVE will help the program work more effectively.

"Now that the idea has taken root," said Higginbotham, "the main emphasis will be on following through with the ideas. Establishing contacts in the targeted areas is one of the first things to be done."

The Placement Office hopes to use alumni to help in deciding on target areas and in placing students in those areas. The contact person will play an important role in the program. In order for students to learn of work opportunities, prepare, and apply in time, someone will have to persistently visit and check about jobs.

"It would be helpful if we had some key people in these areas where the church is weak, who would help us and let the Placement Office know of available jobs — a minister or elder, for example, in these areas that would take special interest in this project," said Higginbotham.

Tentmakers, a new student organization which focuses on encouraging vocational ministries, is planning to create a source book this semester. The book will list needy areas and provide research on job opportunities in those places.

Other Christian colleges have similar organizations and

similar interests as well. In February, placement directors from all four-year institutions affiliated with the churches of Christ met at Harding to share ideas. A major topic of discussion was the best way for placement offices — independently and collectively — to serve the church.

"We are looking at working together," said Higginbotham.

One of the biggest challenges to participants who

will move to unfamiliar regions will be adjusting to cultural changes. Tate said that feedback he received from questionnaires sent out to congregations indicated that the idea was good but that "cultural training" must be given to prepare the students.

Tate is very excited about the possibilities the program presents and plans on working with students concerning these issues. In the future, he hopes

that courses can be offered to prepare and train students culturally.

Higginbotham also sees many opportunities. "With Tentmakers, our domestic missions organization and MOVE, we should be able to do something that is lasting. The work is worth the time and effort that it will take to bring it to fruition; and with all areas working together, we can do that."

Internships Provide Practical Experience

When interviewing for a job, there are many questions that must be answered.

Perhaps the most common one, according to Ed Higginbotham, director of career planning and placement, is: "What kind of work experience do you have?"

This question can strike fear into the heart of many who plan to get experience after they leave college, not realizing that employers are interested in finding students who already have some background in the career of their choice.

To help give students an edge over competition and a better idea of what their future job will be like, Harding requires internships of many of its students in order for them to graduate.

Various departments handle the internships in different ways. The school of nursing and the school of education both include work experience in their curriculums in the forms of clinical courses and student teaching.

Other departments require that a traditional internship take place. In this case, the student must acquire a position related to his major and work a specified number of hours. The internship also usually includes evaluations by the employer of the student's performance as well as a paper by the student describing his experience.

Denise Miller, director of cooperative education, said of the intern and co-op programs, "We always hope it will make it easier for a student to get a job with the company and be more marketable."

Miko Fujisawa, a senior interior design major from Japan, secured an internship this semester with Pinnacle Designs of Little Rock and quickly discovered the advan-

tages it provided.

"I have learned so much. I learned how things work in real life in a real job. It has helped me decide on an area of specialization, and has also given me a future job opportunity with the company," Fujisawa said.

One of the main ideas behind the internship program is to provide students with experience in actual job situations, allowing them to discover the challenges they will face.

Glen Knight, a senior human resources major, completed an internship during the summer at Com-Pac International in Carbondale, Illinois.

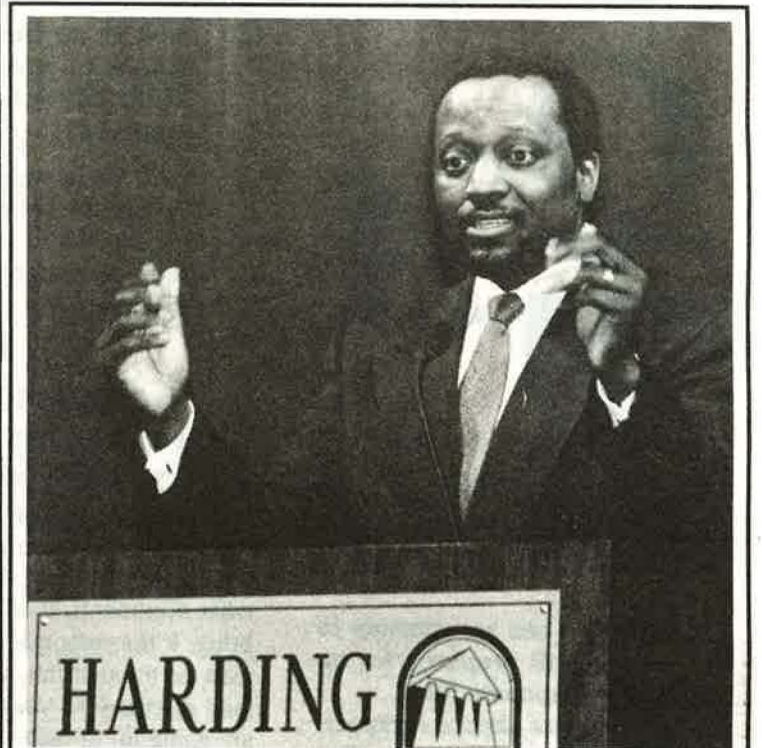
Describing his experience, Knight said, "The internship gave me a more accurate idea of what the business world is like. I feel more qualified to go into an actual business setting, and it increased my understanding of the skills and knowledge of what's done in

personnel departments."

Students are not the only ones that benefit from the internship programs. Dr. John Ryan, chairman of the communication department and head of its internship program, stated that in the paper required of communication majors analyzing their experience, a critique of the school's program is required.

"Course requirements have been changed based upon students' comments," said Ryan. "For example, interviewing was not required before, but now it is. We had interns come back and say they had been told to go out and interview people, and they hadn't had any interview experience."

The program works positively for all involved. As Miller, co-op director, stated, "We do our best to benefit both employers and students. That way Harding benefits because we have satisfied customers on both sides."



American Studies Speaker

Dr. Alan Keyes, former assistant secretary of state for international relations, launched the spring American Studies lectureship series.

Youth Citizenship Seminar Set for June

The annual Youth Citizenship Seminar, which attracts several hundred teen-agers to explore current issues and crises in government, has been set for June 14-19 in the American Heritage Center.

Dr. Bob Reely, YCS director, has outlined a forum that includes informative addresses, entertainment, films and brainstorming sessions for the group.

Guest speakers for the 1992 series will include Dr. Eric Brodin, director of the Foundation for International Studies; Redona Rose, a Tennessee lobbyist for Farm Bureau; Ben Tamburello of the Philadelphia Eagles football team; Kay Antley Reibolt, chairman of the Eagle Forum of Louisiana; Author/Lecturer Gene Antonio; Professors C. L. Ganus, Ray Muncy and Don Diffine of the

Harding faculty; and Dr. Jim Carr, ASI Executive Director.

A special presentation will be made by Dith Pran, photo-correspondent of the *New York Times* whose experiences in Cambodia resulted in the filming of *The Killing Fields* award-winning movie of the 1970's.

Teen-agers interested in registering for the week-long seminar may contact Reely at 279-4497 for further details

Men's Basketball Up and Down During AIC Conference Action

The 1991-92 basketball season has been a roller coaster ride for the Bison men's team.

Finishing the non-conference schedule with a respectable 7-4 mark, coach Nicky Boyd's team was up and down in AIC action.

The Bisons defeated both the second and third place teams, but dropped several close games that could have given them a winning season. (At press time three games remained on the AIC schedule.)

A trio of juniors are averaging in double figures and carrying the rebounding lead for the Bisons. Morris Williams,

with a 17.4 average, is ranked sixth in AIC scoring and is the team leader with 6.2 rebounds per game. Williams is a 6-3 forward from North Little Rock. Thomas Nesbitt, a 6-5 post man from Memphis, is scoring 14.3 points and is pulling down 6 rebounds per game.

Point guard Ronnie Brothers from West Monroe, La., is quickly becoming one of the feared three-point shooters in the conference. After a slow start the 6-0 Brothers is scoring well and is also among the league leaders in assists.

Others seeing considerable playing time and/or starting include David Collins, Jason

Atkins, Sigmond Donelson, Allen Bishop, Keith Nelson, Jason Parker, and Chuck Carter.

Collins, the lone senior on the team, is scoring 9 points and averaging 4.5 rebounds a game. The 6-6 forward is a four year letterman for the Bisons and is from Valley Springs, Ark. Atkins, a 6-1 junior, and Donelson, a 6-6 freshman, are both guards from Memphis. Atkins and Donelson are contributing 4.7 and 7.6 points per game respectively.

Nelson from Minden, La., and Bishop from Searcy, are juniors and junior college transfers.

Men's Tennis Team in Rebuilding Year, Ranked 19th in NAIA Preseason Poll

The 1992 season will be a rebuilding year for the Harding men's tennis team, according to Head Coach David Elliott.

The Bisons lost six of the top seven players from last year's AIC championship team. The top returning player, Leonardo Bravo, was injured and didn't participate in the Bison's 11th place NAIA national tournament finish last year.

Despite having an inexperienced team, the Bisons are ranked 19th nationally in the preseason NAIA poll. Elliott said the national respect is a

compliment to the history of Harding's tennis program. He said the ranking is probably too high, but predicted the team would finish the year in the top 25 nationally.

Harding should be competitive in defending the conference championship, according to Elliott. "We are very young and very inexperienced but will not give up the title easily," he said. He described Ouachita Baptist University as "an overwhelming favorite to win this year." He also expects strong competition from Arkansas Tech and Southern Arkan-

sas University.

This year's Bison team is made up mostly of underclassmen. Elliott will look to seniors Bravo and Terry Childress to contribute leadership and experience. Octavio Rivers is the team's only junior. Sophomores include Duane Barron, Rick Chitty and Tim Temtemie. Freshmen Jaun Carlos Dominquez, Martin Doyle, Zack Rader, Kevin Warren, Jose-Luis Machaen, Reuben Gonzalez, Alex Ascobereta, Oscar Andrade and Jim Massie round out the team.

Lady Bisons Set Milestone, First Ever 20 Win Season

Harding's Lady Bison Basketball team reached a new milestone under third-year coach Greg Harnden by posting its first ever 20 game win season.

Win number 20 came at the expense of the University of Central Arkansas in Conway, 74-73, on a thrilling last second shot by Kymm Hudson. It was not only the first 20-win season for the Lady Bisons, but it was also the first win ever over the Sugar Bears, a perennial AIC power.

Hudson, a 6-0 sophomore from Flippin, Ark., is leading the team in scoring at 16.5 points per game. Senior Karyl Hartsfield, a Pangburn, Ark., native and junior Nancee Wilson, who played at Searcy High School, are next in scoring. The 6-0 Hartsfield, the only senior on the squad, is hitting 13 points and the 6-2 Wilson records 12 points and 10 rebounds a game.

Two outstanding freshmen are going through the adjustment pains of collegiate play and doing it as starters. Point guard Jama Holman is from Lamar, Ark., and guard/forward Cindy Camp hails from Paragould, Ark. The 5-5 Holman is proving to be a clutch performer, scoring 10 points a game, while Camp at 5-10 is scoring 11 an outing.

Junior Marla Lewis (Shreveport), Jennifer Neuhart (Senecaville, Ohio), freshman Angie Hudson (Flippin, Ark.), Kristi Wood (Searcy), and Sissy Reaper (Pangburn, Ark.) are also contributing. Reaper, a 5-10 forward, is the leading scorer off the bench with over seven points and three rebounds a game.



Victory Number 20

A banner proclaiming the record achievement for the Lady Bisons is shown by the team after defeating UCA in Conway.

Focus on the Future

Q&A



Donald Kee, Director
Financial and
Estate Planning

Q. Is there anything that I should do prior to the appointment to have a will prepared?

A. Yes, I would suggest you go through the mental checklist at the end of this article so you will be better prepared for the appointment.

A Mental Checklist Before You Meet With An Attorney To Prepare Your Will

When you make an appointment with your attorney to discuss making or revising your will, ask him or her what documents, if any, you should bring. If the response is "none", then at least go through this mental checklist (and discuss with your spouse if both are going in) to better prepare yourself for the appointment.

- ___ Your name, Social Security number, birthdate and birthplace.
- ___ Spouse's name, Social Security number, birthdate, and birthplace.
- ___ Names, birthdates and birthplaces of children.
- ___ Residential address. If more than one, list each. Which is your "voting address"? "Income tax address"?
- ___ Date and place of marriage.
- ___ Where can marriage license be found? Copy of prenuptial agree-

Q. I plan to see an attorney to have a will prepared for me and my spouse. What documents should I expect the attorney to prepare for a general estate plan?

- A.** You would want the following documents prepared — one for you and your spouse:
- 1) Last Will and Testament.
 - 2) Durable Power of Attorney.
 - 3) Living Will (May be called "Directive to Physician, Declaration or Advance Directive").
 - 4) Correct Life Insurance and Retirement Plan Beneficiary Designations

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Additional information about one of these or other matters is available through the Office of Financial and Estate Planning at (501) 279-4210.

ment (if any)?

- ___ Names of former spouses now deceased. Have there been divorces? Where? Contested? By whom? Have there been separations? By court action? Agreement? Copy of separation agreement (if any).
- ___ Names, ages, addresses of closest relatives — and nature of relationships.
- ___ Names, ages, addresses of persons or charitable organizations you wish to make beneficiaries.
- ___ Where are copies of your income tax and (if any) gift tax returns? Who prepared or helped prepare them? Name? Address? Do you have an accountant? Name? Address?
- ___ Real estate owned. Individually or jointly? Estimated value? Cost basis? Mortgage?
- ___ Total assets. Nature and estimated value of each? Cost basis?
- ___ Total debts. To whom? Addresses? Nature of liabilities? When incurred?
- ___ Your employer's name and address. Name and address of your spouse's employer.
- ___ Do you or your spouse have stock-purchase plans? Stock options? Buy-sell agreements? Employment contracts? Pension or profit-sharing rights? Other employment benefits? How payable at death?
- ___ Life insurance policies on your life? Spouse's life? Which owned by you? By others? Annuity policies? Owned by you? Each policy number, principal amount, beneficiary, loan against, insurance company name and address, etc.

___ Have you established a trust? Are you the beneficiary of a trust? Have copy of trust instrument? Power of appointment under any will or trust? Have copy of document?

You may wish to use this "mental checklist" to actually record the information, updating (placing a date on the written checklist). Make copies for you, your spouse, your executor and trustee (if any). Of course, the best method of compiling and maintaining your information is to utilize a Personal Records Book (which will be discussed in a later issue of *Focus on the Future*).

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Indoor Track Season Begins

The indoor track season is already in full swing, and Coach Bryan Phillips' teams are preparing for competition that will conclude with the NAIA Outdoor Championship Meet scheduled for May 23-26 in Abbotsford, British Columbia. Simon Fraser University—just outside Vancouver is the host school.

Sandwiched in between will be the District 17 indoor meet at Harding's Ganus Athletic Center, the NAIA indoor championship in Kansas City, and the AIC outdoor meet at Harding.

The Bisons and Lady Bisons were runners-up and champions respectively in last year's AIC championships and both

cross country teams won in AIC and District 17 competition this year.

Expectations are high for good individual performances and strong team finishes this spring. Three returning All-Americans should add a degree of incentive.

Shauna Queen, a sophomore from Ogallala, Neb., Kelsie Hutchinson, a senior from Joplin, Mo., and Jon Newby, a junior from Canton, Texas, all placed in national competition. Queen and Hutchison hold most of Harding's middle distance records and Newby is an outstanding hurdler.

In addition to the All-Americans, other talented athletes return from the '91

team. Nathan Mills, Dave Hutson, and Damon Work all came off good cross country seasons and should give the Bisons strong middle distance capabilities. Mills has especially looked good in early indoor meets with a best time of 8:49.4 at the Oklahoma University meet in the 3,000 meter run.

Jason Koch (400m), Scott Field (high jump), Bobby Crews (pole vault), Tquan Moore (triple jump), Matt Bier (weights), and Shaun Humphrey (hurdles) are all returning lettermen. Humphrey has had personal bests in the 60-yard hurdles in indoor meets this season.

Talented newcomers include sprinter Tim Lewis, a transfer from Valdosta State, and long jumper, quarter-miler James Flint, a transfer from Dakota Wesleyan.

The Lady Bisons will rely heavily on All-AIC performers Lori Wright (sprints and hurdles) and Carrie Blodgett, last year's champion in the shot and discus.

Freshmen Penny Mayberry and Andrea Robertson should add points. Mayberry placed high in the ASU meet with a 5'4" high jump and Robertson is an All-AIC cross country runner who will run the 800 meters and relays in track.



Power Serve

During the first meet of the season against defending AIC champion Henderson State, Chantelle Bequette serves the ball to her opponent.

Baseball Team Optimistic

After two consecutive disappointing seasons, including an 18-25 overall record in 1991, Coach Steve Smith looks to 1992 with optimism. Although the Bisons lost three All-AIC performers in Robert Cooper, Brandon Harrell, and Larry Chesier, they still have the nucleus of a contending ball club.

Three AIC All-Star team performers should pace Harding this year. Senior Chris Byrd, a defensive outfielder from Newport, will play center field and lead off for the Bisons. Byrd can steal bases and has the ability to hit for a high average. He hit for a .310 average in 1991.

Nick Fouts, a sophomore pitcher from Searcy, should be the top pitcher for Harding. He will build on an impressive 4-1 record and 3.06 ERA, which led the team. He could become one of the top pitchers in the AIC in 1992.

Shane Fullerton, a junior from Kennett, Mo., is an excellent defensive catcher who threw out 50 percent of the runners trying to steal in 1991. He must hit well out of the number two or three spot for the Bisons to shine offensively this year. He will also play for the Red Oak, Iowa, Red Sox of the prestigious Kansas Jayhawk League this summer.

However, the Bisons must look to several other players to have a successful year. Senior Jeff Phillips is very versatile and will provide much needed leadership. First baseman Bart Jones will provide power in the line-up in addition to being very good defensively. Trevor Black will be the key pitcher out of the bullpen and hard throwing Eric Dodson will be counted on to have a good year as the second starter in the pitching rotation.

The Bisons also have quality freshmen. "Scott Waite, a pitcher-outfielder from Huntsville, Ala.; Kevin Burton, a pitcher-infielder from Garland, Texas; and Todd Brown, an infielder from Searcy, should come in and make an immediate impact," said Smith.

Smith is very pleased with the addition of Assistant Coach

Phil Brown. "He brings knowledge, enthusiasm and discipline to the team," says Smith. Brown was a standout coach in the Ohio American Legion system and played one year of rookie ball in Akron.

With a lot of parity in the AIC this year, Smith believes his squad has an excellent chance to qualify for the District 17 playoffs in 1992, something they have failed to do the last two seasons.

1992 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

September 5	Lane College Jackson, TN	7:00
September 12	Northeastern Oklahoma	7:00
September 19	Open	
September 26	Southeastern Oklahoma Durant, OK	7:00
October 3	*Arkansas Tech Russellville, AR	7:00
October 10	*U. of Central Arkansas	7:00
	PARENTS NIGHT	
October 17	*Ouachita Baptist Arkadelphia, AR	2:00
October 24	Iowa Wesleyan College	7:00
October 31	*U. of Arkansas-Monticello	2:00
	HOMECOMING	
November 7	*Henderson State	2:00
November 14	*Southern Arkansas	2:00
	*Conference Games	
	HOME GAMES IN BOLD	

Veteran Golfers Open Links Schedule with First Year Coach Scott Ragsdale

First year Coach Scott Ragsdale enters the 1992 season with a veteran team that recorded third place finishes in both the AIC and District 17 competition. Ragsdale, who doubles as an assistant football coach, enters the season with excitement and high expectations for the team.

"Our emphasis will be direct and to the point," Ragsdale said. "I believe that hard work, attention to detail, and mental toughness will take us a long way toward realizing our team goals. It will be difficult to improve on last year's finish, but our goal is to move up," Ragsdale explained.

Defending champion Henderson State returns most of its championship team including the AIC's top player, Ken

Duke. The Reddies are on a string of six straight championships. Arkansas Tech, the number two team in 1991, will again be a good team. The Bisons have their work cut out if they are to move up in the standings.

Four of last year's top five players return for 1992 play. Mark Burt, a junior from Sherwood, Ark., led the Bisons with a per round average of 76.2. Mark was named to the GTE Academic All-American team and was ranked seventh in the AIC. Junior Bart McFarland from Searcy was ranked 11th in the AIC with his 77.4 per round average.

Seniors Todd Rhinehart from Silver Springs, Md., and Darrell Welch from Searcy were regulars last year and should prove valuable leaders in the

First Ladies Tennis Team Striving for AIC Crown

The spring semester brings an addition to Harding's already strong women's sports program.

The 1992 season is the first year for the Lady Bison tennis team as a women's tennis team was approved at the spring 1991 board meeting. This didn't leave much time for recruiting but the team will be competitive, according to Head Coach David Elliott.

"I think we'll do well," Elliott said. "We don't know what to expect, but we're going out to win the conference. I don't know if that is realistic, but they will have to prove we can't do it before we'll believe we can't."

Elliott said he expects the team to finish in the top three in AIC play. Elliott predicted that by next year the Lady Bisons will dominate tennis in the league.

This year's Lady Bison team is made up both of freshmen recruited to play for Harding and upperclassmen who were already students at the university. All of the players have experience in high school tennis, according to Assistant Coach Bobby Nix.

The lone senior of the team, Chantelle Bequette, said she is

glad to be getting a chance to compete in organized tennis again and represent Harding in the AIC at the same time. "It's great because a lot of my teammates from high school are playing in the conference," the Russellville, Ark., native said. "My doubles partner and I went to state in high school and now she is playing at the University of the Ozarks."

The juniors on the team are Tammy Callahan of Moses Lake, Wash., and Tracy Crouch of Searcy. Callahan was a four year letterman in high school. Crouch was district doubles champion two years in high school and twice finished third in the state doubles competition in her classification.

Sophomore Farah Mackey and Crouch were teammates on the Harding Academy team that won Arkansas state runner-up honors. Mackey was a state quarterfinalist one year and a district champion three years.

Freshmen Erica Degraw, who went undefeated her junior year of high school in Kennett, Mo., Brooke Manasco of Huntsville, Ala., Sheila Walker of Desoto, Texas, and Amy Whittle of Marble Falls, Texas, complete the team.

Elliott said Whittle is the team's top player and most likely candidate to compete at the national level. Whittle's high school team was consistently among the best in the state of Texas, winning fifth in their state tournament classification in 1989. Whittle contributed with a third place finish in the state tournament doubles competition.

The Lady Bison tennis team joins one of the strongest women's collegiate sports programs in the state of Arkansas. Harding's volleyball team has won three consecutive conference championships, and the women's track and cross country teams are consistently at the top of the conference. The Lady Bison basketball team is enjoying its best season ever and is developing into a conference power. Elliott predicted that the women's tennis team will develop quickly into an equally strong program.

The conference schedule includes six 18-hole matches played against all the other AIC teams. The final two rounds are also the district championship and will be played in Hot Springs. The conference standings are determined by the comparative finish in all six rounds. The team with the highest average finish is the winner.



She's Got Our Number

Postmistress Kathleen Crouch displays the new postal designation for Harding University.

72149-0001 is Harding

The 200-acre tract in Searcy, Ark., commonly known as Harding University received a new designation March 1.

The U.S. Postal Service mail processing centers now recognize Harding as 72149-0001. The zip + 4 designation for the Harding campus came after a year-long wait.

Searcy Postmaster Tommy Treadway and Harding Postmistress Kathleen Crouch applied for the new zip code in February, 1991.

The volume of mail coming into the campus was at such a level that the separate zip code was justified. Approximately 2,700 pieces of mail per day arrive on the campus.

For Searcy's main post office the unique zip code for Harding means less work and faster delivery. The 72149-0001 designation will allow campus

mail to by-pass the manual sort system at the downtown post office.

When Harding mail with the new zip code comes into the downtown facility, it will be loaded from one truck directly to another and delivered to the campus.

Treadway was quick to point out that to take advantage of the faster service, the new zip code must be used. If the old 72143 zip code is used, mail will still reach the campus, but it will be manually sorted before being sent to the Harding station.

Crouch has outlined the proper way to address mail to the campus. Mail should be addressed as follows:

Name
Harding University
Box
900 East Center Ave.
Searcy, AR 72149-0001

Thrasher Addresses December Graduates

Dr. Billy Joe Thrasher of Tulsa addressed the 185 graduating seniors that included his daughter, Christy, in the winter commencement ceremonies Dec. 21 at Benson Auditorium. President David Burks presented the diplomas to the seniors, one of the largest number of graduates for a December graduation since the mid-year awardings have been held. The event closed the fall semester activities for the University.

In the College of Bible and Religion, six received degrees, with Samuel O. Clark of Ft. Wingate, N. M., graduating summa cum laude. Clark also led singing during the service.

Sixty-one received degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences. Graduating summa cum laude were Sharon Louise Anderson of Idaho Falls, Idaho; Laura Ellen Hill of Holly Grove, Ark.; and Brett David Watson of Monroe, La.

From the School of Business, 45 degrees were awarded, with Timothy Jay Gerber of Danville, Ind.; Dwight Lowell Hulse of Maskall Village, Belize; and Ian Hong Ng of Hong Kong achieving summa cum laude honors.

Thirty-four students completed degrees from the School of Education with Brenda Kay Wilson Davidson of Beebe, Ark.; and Gwen J. Wells of Bradford, Ark., receiving highest honors.

Ten were awarded the Bachelor of Science in Nursing with Kristine Valeria Witzeling of Orland Park, Ill., as the honor graduate.

Five were awarded masters

Relive Your College Years, Attend Fall Alumni College

Alumni and friends of Harding will soon be able to "relive their college years by spending a week on campus," according to Dr. Jimmy Carr, assistant to the president. During the fall semester Harding will sponsor a new program, "Alumni College."

The college is similar to the nation-wide Elderhostel program in which Harding has successfully participated for the past ten years. Elderhostel attracts students from all over the United States to attend week-long sessions in which they take courses on various college campuses. Alumni College will enable former students to return to the University and once again experience a collegiate lifestyle.

The program begins Sunday afternoon, October 18 and ends Saturday morning, October 24. Alumni 55 years and older are invited to attend special classes designed especially for them. The courses require no background or preparation, and they are

taught by university professors. The "returning students" will be housed in the Heritage Inn, and all meals and classes will be held in the Heritage Conference Center.

The program fee is \$250, and will include meals, housing, instruction, and activities. Participants may attend chapel with the students and will also have other planned activities such as tours of the city and other nearby attractions. Two classes are scheduled for the morning, and the third class is set in the afternoon. Although those attending will be given time for outside activities, various events are planned for the evening at least three nights.

During the week students, faculty, and other local talent will perform for the group. On Friday night the participants will have a graduation ceremony and provide their own entertainment.

"Those attending will also get a chance to meet with faculty and administrators they

might have known while enrolled at Harding. They will have ample time for fellowship and visiting," said Carr. He added that Alumni College offers participants a chance to be with other alumni. "It's a new program, however those enrolled can be assured that it will be an enjoyable and profitable experience."

The courses offered are "Government by the Minority; the American Oligarchy?"; Dr. Tom Howard; "Filling the Ancient Measure," Dr. Ray Muncy; and "How to Live 365 Days a Year!"; Dr. Carl Mitchell.

The size of the group will be limited to 48. Applicants will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. Plans are underway for three Alumni Colleges to be held each year. Tentatively they are scheduled for October, April and June. Those interested in attending can write Alumni College, Box 1224, 900 East Center Ave., Harding University, Searcy, Ark. 72149-0001 or call (501) 279-4276.

"Vision of Victory" 1992 Lectureship Theme

John Gipson, minister of the Sixth & Izard Church of Christ in Little Rock, will open the 69th annual Bible Lectureship Sept. 27 with an address entitled "God On His Throne." The "Vision of Victory" series, with lessons from the book of Revelation, will continue through Sept. 30. Gipson will speak at 7:30 in Benson Auditorium following an hour-long Old Time Songfest under the direction of Dr. Arthur Shearin of Har-

ding's music faculty.

Theme speakers for the remainder of the series include Wendell Winkler, "Worthy is the Lamb," Mon., Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m.; Jimmy Allen, "The Judgment," Tues, Sept. 29, 7:30 p.m.; and A. W. Chism, "Heaven," to close the series Wed., Sept. 30, at 7:30 p.m. A special musical presentation will begin each night at 6:30 with the Harding Academy Chorus on Monday, the University Chorus on Tuesday and the Concert Choir on Wednesday.

A full schedule of classes will be offered Monday through Wednesday with sessions beginning at 8 a.m. and ending at 4:30 p.m. Panel discussions focused on women will be held each day, with special luncheon presentations for the ladies at 11:45 in the Heritage dining hall. Bruce McLarty, minister of the College Church of Christ in Searcy, has been chosen to speak at the university's annual din-

ner for preachers, elders, and their wives at 4:30 p.m. Monday.

James Walters and Kenneth Chadwell will conduct Scholars Forums on Monday and Tuesday nights beginning at 9 o'clock in the American Heritage Auditorium. Walters' lecture will be "Ephesus and the Emperor Cult" on Monday and Chadwell will speak Tuesday on "The Prostitute and the Red Dragon."

"We believe we have secured a most outstanding staff of speakers and teachers for this 1992 series, both for the theme lectures and for the classes," said Dr. Don Shackelford, lectureship coordinator. "We feel that the 'Vision of Victory' theme is especially relevant to all Christians and we feel the series will be beneficial to attendants in spreading and sharing the Gospel of Christ."

Lectureship brochures with complete details are available from the College of Bible and Religion offices.

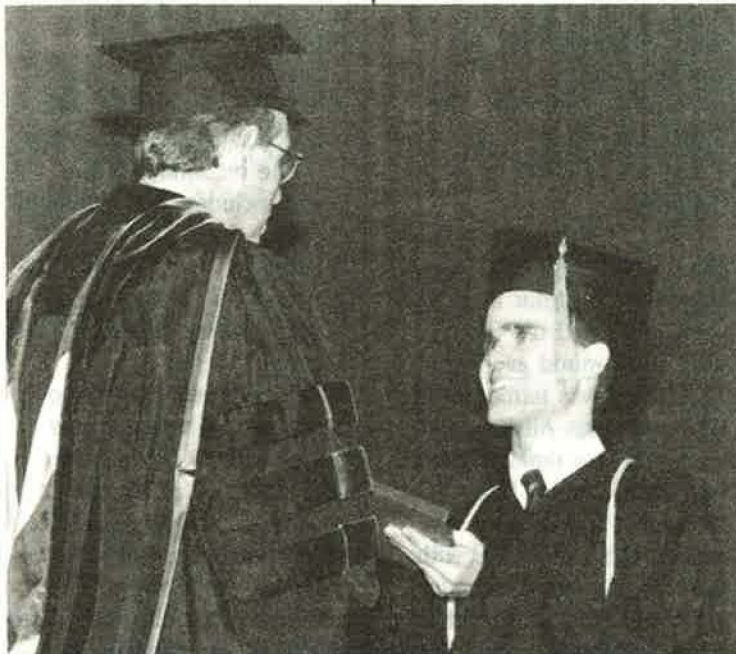
Spring Enrollment Reaches 3,342

Registration for the spring semester reached 3,342 by the deadline on January 20 with 3,304 enrolling in baccalaureate and graduate degree programs and 38 in the School of Biblical Studies. The number includes approximately 150 who enrolled in college for the first time.

Represented in the enrollment are 48 states, with only Hawaii and Rhode Island not

included. A total of 120 students list foreign nations as their residence with 35 nations represented. Honduras, with 15, and Guatemala, with 10, have the most students registered.

The spring number is a drop of 222 from the fall's record count of 3,564, but about 185 completed their degrees and received diplomas in December graduation.



Proudly Receiving the Sheepskin

President David Burks awards summa cum laude graduate Tim Gerber from Danville, Indiana, his diploma.

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