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49 States, 30 Countries Represented Fifth Consecutive Record Enrollment Reached

Harding's enrollment has reached a record high for the fifth consecutive year with 3,463 enrolled for the fall semester at the Searcy campus, an increase of 77 students over fall 1991 figures. Included in that figure are 1,069 freshman and transfer students — also a record high.

Enrollment at the Harding University Graduate School of Religion in Memphis, Tenn., is 202, bringing Harding's total campus enrollment to 3,665.

Forty-nine states and 30 foreign countries are represented in this fall's student body. Foreign countries represented include Denmark, Japan, China, Greece, Norway, Romania, Scotland, Croatia, several nations of Central America, and others.

"It's very exciting to see how the interest in Harding University by high school students has skyrocketed during the last few years," said Mike Williams, director of admissions services. "More students are hearing about Harding every year through their friends who are going here or by satisfied alumni who are telling the



Coast to Coast

With students from 49 states and 30 foreign countries, license plates on campus demonstrate the diverse student body.

PHOTO BY JEFF MONTGOMERY

Harding story. This word-of-mouth advertising has collaborated well with the work of the admissions staff."

Williams said the number of applications received so far this year for the fall 1993

semester is running at the same rate as last year. By mid-September almost 300 applications had been received, an early sign of a capacity enrollment for 1993-94 as well.

"We had an unusually high

number of new-student positions available this year, so we were able to take more than a thousand," Williams said. "Next year we'll have about 750 positions available, so we are encouraging anyone in-

terested in enrolling next fall at Harding to send in his application early."

To promote early application, the Admissions Office is now offering students a housing fee reduction if they send in their applications by January 1, 1993. The application fee is \$25, and the housing fee, usually \$100, will be \$75 until that date.

Harding's enrollment has grown by 603 students, or 21 percent, during the five-year presidency of Dr. David Burks. Also during that time, more than \$25 million has been spent on building and renovation to make the campus more appealing and functional to students and staff.

"I am very pleased with the record capacity enrollment," Burks said. "I am particularly appreciative of our great admissions team. They do a great job in telling the story of Harding to high school students across the nation. In a day of decreasing college enrollments in America, we are indeed fortunate to have been blessed so abundantly with a growing student body."

First Stephens Scholarship Recipients Announced

Investment banker Jack Stephens, the Cities in Schools organization and Harding University have joined together to provide a special scholarship program for students from Arkansas' delta region.

Harding is the first private university to provide scholarships for students from under-prepared environments of the delta.

Stephens is chairman of the board of Stephens, Inc., of Little Rock. He is also chairman of Harding's American Studies Institute's National Advisory Board.

Cities in School, in operation for more than two decades, is a comprehensive non-profit organization in the nation devoted to dropout prevention.

Five students have been selected as the first recipients in the Stephens Scholarship Program. Receiving the scholarships were Don An-

thony and Patrick Gordon, both of Turrell and both are business majors; Lori Kirkwood of Forrest City, an oral communications major; Stacy Lewis of Forrest City, a nursing major; and Wilbert Walker of Eudora, a computer information systems major.

All five students are first-generation college students from low socio-economic backgrounds. Ten students are expected to be admitted to the scholarship program for the 1993 fall semester.

The scholarship program developed through Stephens' involvement with Cities in Schools in Arkansas and his desire to provide a college education for students in the Arkansas delta region.

Students in the scholarship program receive full federal and state financial assistance including Pell Grants, Supplemental Educational Oppor-

tunity Grants, Guaranteed Student Loans and on campus employment opportunities.

Educational expenses not covered by financial aid are paid by Stephens. Each student is receiving approximately \$4,500 from Stephens to complete the payment for his or her year at Harding.

Each student signs a statement indicating their agreement to return to a community in the delta region and to work there for a minimum of four years.

One of Stephens' primary goals in establishing the scholarship program is to increase the educational level and the quality of the labor force in the delta region.

The Arkansas delta region includes 17 counties in the eastern portion of the state. Its economy is far behind the national average, and its educa-



Special Services

During Student Impact, Harold Alexander works with Lori Kirkwood, one of the first recipients of the Stephens Scholarships.

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From the President



David Burks

We are grateful to work with 4,062 students this year at Harding with 3,463 in Searcy, 210 in Memphis, and 389 at our Academy. We are filled to overflowing on our Searcy campus and up in all three locations.

As we begin our 68th year, our purpose is clear — we are building for the future. We are emphasizing that which is personal and intrinsic, not the impersonal and extrinsic. We seek to elevate that which will last forever. We are in the faith-building and ministry business.

Our strategic plan for the next five-year period, 1992-1997, is coming together nicely. Input has been given by the faculty, staff, President's Council members, selected alumni, and students. The final recommendations will be considered by the Board of Trustees in late October at their regular meeting. It is exciting to dream about the future.

The first project of the new plan, already approved by our board, is the construction of a new Bible and World Mission Center. It will be located across the street from the Benson Auditorium and will be about 70,000 square feet in size, utilizing three floors. We need the space now to adequately take care of our current enrollment. It will certainly be a blessing for our Bible and missions program.

I invite you to come visit the Harding campus whenever you can. Thank you so much for your prayers, encouragement, and support.



Kevin Kee



Tracey Johnson

Kee, Johnson Head Publications

Two seniors have been chosen to direct Harding's student publications for the 1992-93 school year.

Public relations and print journalism major Kevin Kee from Jackson, Tenn., edits the weekly *Bison* newspaper. He has worked on the paper for three years as a reporter and, last year, as assistant editor.

Permanent *Bison* staff members include Julie Carey, copy editor; David Boozer, business manager; and Laura Lynn Gary, sports editor.

Advertising major Tracey Johnson of Searcy is editor of the 1993 *Petit Jean* yearbook. This is her first year on the *Petit Jean* staff, although she served as editor and assistant editor of her high school yearbook. Including her permanent staff, yearbook practicum students and volunteers, Tracey has a 35-member staff.

The 1992-93 permanent *Petit Jean* staff includes David Hickman, head photographer; Scott Baine, student life editor; Darren Irby, academics editor; Rachel Blankenship, organizations editor; Juanita Campbell, classes editor; Vicki Jackson, sports editor; Jeff Goodson, social clubs editor; and Renee Sproles, index editor.

With the renovation of the student center, new technology came to the newspaper and yearbook offices. The two offices are now joined with a central Macintosh computer production lab and a darkroom/printing room. With this eight-unit desktop publishing system, the *Bison* now produces camera-ready pages, and the *Petit Jean* now sends final pages on disk to the yearbook company rather than the company's doing the paste-up for them.

Kay Gowen, assistant professor of communication, serves as faculty adviser for both publications.

Six Faculty Members Receive Appointments

Six new faculty members have recently assumed new appointments and additional responsibilities.

Dr. Tom Alexander, an associate professor of Bible, has been named associate dean of the College of Bible and Religion. In this new position Alexander will be responsible for assisting Dean Carl Mitchell in all operations of the department and will also be responsible for overseeing the management of the school's Bible curriculum.

Dr. Lew Moore, director of counseling, will assume the duties as chairman of the new marriage and family therapy degree program. The program is to begin in the fall of 1993, and Moore will be responsible for the implementation and operation of the program. The

new degree program and its offices will be housed on the third floor of the new Bible and World Missions Center.

Dr. Lina Owens, assistant professor in the School of Education since 1991, has assumed duties as chair of the Department of Elementary and Special Education. She received her Ph.D. in elementary education from the University of Mississippi. Also from the School of Education, Dr. Gordon Sutherlin is serving as chair of the Department of Secondary Education and has also been appointed Director of Undergraduate Teacher Education. He received his Ed.D. from Memphis State University. He has been an associate professor at Harding since 1990.

Don Yates is assuming the

position of assistant director of the Walton Scholarship Program. Harding currently has more than 60 students enrolled from Central and South American countries. Yates first came to Harding in 1988 as a visiting lecturer of computer science, and he now serves as an instructor of professional sales.

Dr. Flavil Yeakley has been appointed director of outcomes assessment. In this role, he will be responsible for reviewing various programs and assessing whether Harding is achieving her goal statements. He will continue to serve as director of Harding's Center for Church Growth Studies. Yeakley, a professor of religion, came to Harding in 1990 from Abilene Christian University.

Russian Ambassador October Speaker

Vladimir Lukin, the Russian Ambassador to the United States, spoke at Harding on October 20 as part of this year's American Studies Institute Distinguished Lecture Series.

Lukin has broken away from the traditional confines of the old Soviet system and is approaching relations with the United States in anything but a traditional manner. He secured his position in Russian government when he joined Boris Yeltsin behind the barricades of the Russian Parliament rejecting the August 1991 coup attempt.

Lukin knows there are still people who hold the view that Russia is the eternal enemy of the United States, and he feels that is the one major obstacle to Russia's evolving into a democratic society. He has



Vladimir Lukin

worked to persuade both American and Russian bureaucrats that with the cold war over a cordial relationship can be fostered between the two countries.

Before 1968, Lukin worked as a journalist in Prague, Czechoslovakia, for three years. He was recalled from Prague by the Soviet authorities for

protesting against the military action of the Soviet troops there.

From 1987 to 1989, Lukin was Deputy Head of the Department of Planning and Assessment at the USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In 1990 he was head of the Panel of Forecasting and Analysis of the USSR Supreme Soviet. Lukin was also a member of the drafting group which prepared the declaration on the Sovereignty of Russia.

Lukin has a well-established reputation in the international community in political, business and scientific forums, and he has vast experiences in governmental policy. His lecture offered a glimpse into the future of Russian and American relations. It was held in the Benson Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

147 Receive Diplomas in August Ceremonies

The August 14 commencement ceremonies held in Benson Auditorium culminated the college careers of 147 graduating seniors.

The ceremonies were held with Dr. Gregg Hood, minister of the South MacArthur Church of Christ in Irving, Texas, as commencement speaker. Hood is a member of Harding's President's Council and an alumnus of Harding. He received a bachelor of arts from Harding in Bible, Biblical languages and mathematics. Additionally, he has two master's degrees from Abilene Christian University in missions and religious communication. Hood also serves as circulation manager for *21st Century Christian* magazine.

Trent Arnold, a Bible major from Lindale, Texas, led his fellow graduates in two hymns before Hood gave an upbeat, inspirational message encouraging the graduates to achieve their goals with their sights always focused on Christ. President David Burks presented diplomas to the

graduates.

In the College of Bible and Religion, seven received bachelor of arts degree.

In the College of Arts and Sciences, nine received the bachelor of social work, 17 the bachelor of science, 42 the bachelor of arts, and one student received the bachelor of science in medical technology.

From the School of Business, 21 received the bachelor of

business administration, two received the bachelor of arts, and two were awarded the master of science in accounting.

Nine students completed the bachelor of arts from the School of Education, 27 achieved the master of education, and seven the master of science in education.

Seven were awarded the bachelor of science in nursing.

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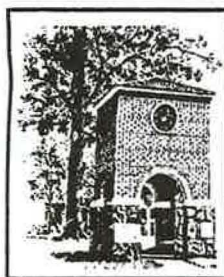
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Five Added to Faculty

Five additional new faces have been added to the Harding faculty. They join the nine individuals that were reported in the last issue who are new to the faculty for the 1992-93 school year.

Joining the College of Bible and Religion, Joe S. Brumfield will serve as an assistant professor. He is a candidate for the doctor of education with an emphasis in marriage and family studies from Oklahoma State University.

Brumfield has received degrees from Harding's Graduate School of Religion, including a triple degree in counseling, church history and homiletics that he received in 1982. He received his master of arts from the school in 1985 with an emphasis in marriage and family counseling. He received his B.A. degree from Lubbock Christian University. He has also served as an adjunct professor at Oklahoma Christian University.

Three faculty members join the Home Economics Department. Dr. Ellen Daniel will serve as an assistant professor, and Terri Rine and Lisa Ritchie will both assume full-time responsibilities as lecturers.

Daniel received her doctor of education degree from the University of Georgia in 1976. She comes to Harding from the University of Southwestern Louisiana where she has been an associate professor of home economics since 1976. Daniel also holds a master of education degree from Auburn University and the bachelor of science degree from the University of Montevallo.

Rine will serve as an instructor of clothing and textiles. She received the master of education from Harding in 1986 and the bachelor of science from Harding in 1982. She is also a 1977 graduate of Ohio Valley College. Prior to her full-time responsibilities, Rine was assistant director of the university's

Child Development Center for two years.

Ritchie, a lecturer for dietetics courses, received her master of education from Harding in 1985. She received her bachelor of science in dietetics from Harding in 1983 and then spent a year with the University of Kansas' College of Health Sciences in a dietetics internship. She has served as clinical dietitian for Central Arkansas Hospital in Searcy, Doctor's Hospital in Little Rock and Family Practice Associates in Searcy.

Lela Hurd will join the School of Nursing. For nine years, she served as staff nurse in labor and delivery at Central Arkansas Hospital in Searcy. More recently, she was nurse manager and patient care coordinator for the hospital. She is a 1983 graduate of Harding's School of Nursing and a 1977 graduate of Baptist Medical Center's School of Nursing.

High School Weekend Slated for November

Cope, Acappella Features of Insight

High school students will have a chance to see the Harding campus firsthand during Insight '92 November 13 and 14.

Insight, formerly known as Open House and held in conjunction with Parents' Weekend, is exclusively for high school students and is expected to attract hundreds of guests. During the weekend, students may tour the campus, visit classes and attend several planned activities.

Scheduled events include two performances by the music

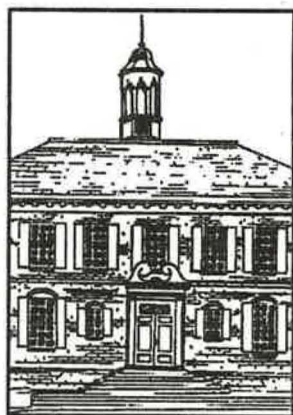
group Acappella; a performance by Harding's musical troupe, the Belles and Beaux; a devotional by the lily pool, and one featuring the dramatic group Conquerors; and a Bison football game with Southern Arkansas University.

Featured guest speaker for the event is Mike Cope, minister for the Highland Church of Christ in Abilene, Texas. Cope previously preached for the College Church of Christ in Searcy for seven years.

Housing in campus dor-

mitories will be provided at no expense. Guests may register upon arrival, and housing will be assigned at that time.

For a complete schedule of events and times, contact the Admissions Office at Box 2255, 900 E. Center St., Searcy, AR 72149-0001, or call toll free 1-800-447-4407.



Berryhill, Brady Join Graduate School

Dr. Carisse Berryhill has joined the Graduate School of Religion faculty in Memphis as assistant librarian. She received her Ph.D. in English from Florida State University in 1982 and her M.S. in library science with emphasis in reference librarianship and academic libraries in 1990 from the University of North Texas.

Berryhill comes to the Graduate School from Lubbock Christian University where she has worked since 1975. She was the coordinator of that school's library renovation and construction project in 1990.

New to the staff is Robert Brady who will serve as director of admissions. Brady received his master of divinity degree from the Graduate

School in 1991. He has most recently served as minister for the Macon Church of Christ in Macon, Tenn. Prior to that, he

served as youth and family minister for the Sylvan Hills Church of Christ in North Little Rock, Ark.

"Maintaining the Vision" Preacher's Workshop Theme

A Preacher's Workshop at the Graduate School of Religion in Memphis will be held November 2-4 with the theme of "Maintaining the Vision." Guest speakers will include Bill Pratt of Memphis; Billy Watson of Jackson, Tenn. and James Jones of Atlanta. John Mark Hicks, Evertt Hufard, Phillip McMillion and Philip Slate, all professors at the Graduate School, will also be part of the workshop.

Participants will be provided insights into the nature of the preacher's work and will be encouraged to carry on the noble task of the preacher. Current problems in ministry, both personal and among the brotherhood, will also be addressed during the workshop.

For cost, housing or other information, contact Philip Slate at the Graduate School by calling 1-901-761-1356.

FACULTY NEWS

The Arkansas Theatre Association has elected **Morris Ellis** (professor, department of communication) as its president for this year. The association encourages the appreciation, presentation and development of the theatrical arts in Arkansas.

Six faculty members have recently obtained their doctorate degrees: **Deborah Duke** (assistant professor, math) obtained the Ed.D. from Memphis State University; **Kathy Howard** (assistant professor, behavioral sciences) received the Ed.D. from Memphis State University; **Mike James** (assistant professor, communication) received his Ph.D. from Florida State University; **Jan Morgan** (assistant professor, education) received the Ed.D. from Memphis State University; **Richard Peck** (associate professor, education) received the Ed.D. from Mississippi State University; and **Betty Watson** (professor, education) received the Ed.D. from Memphis State University.

Evan Ulrey (professor, communication), a member of the faculty since 1950, and his wife, **Betty Ulrey** (associate professor, English and public relations), have both retired from teaching duties. When Evan joined the faculty, he served as the chairman of the speech

department. The department was reorganized in 1983 and he became chairman of the department of communication. Betty joined the faculty in 1967. In 1986, she became an accredited member of The Public Relations Society of America. Both are graduates of Harding, and they now hold emeritus status with the university.

Jack McKinney (professor, Bible) has also retired. He plans to return to the mission field where he has spent almost a third of his life. He joined the faculty in 1974 and quickly became involved in International Campaigns, a project for which he sponsored many campaign trips.

Several faculty members have received promotions. **Warren Casey** (music), **Jeff Hopper** (music), **Bill Lambert** (Bible), **Jeanine Peck** (education), and **David Tucker** (business) have all been promoted to the rank of professor.

Robin Miller (communication), **Jerry Myhan** (nursing) and **George Oliver** (business) have each been promoted to the rank of associate professor. **Richard Smith** (nursing) has been promoted to assistant professor, and **Susan Knight** (art) has been promoted from associate instructor to instructor.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

October 29-31	Homecoming '92
November 13-14	High School Days
November 19	Sales Seminar with Jim Cathcart
November 21-29	Thanksgiving Recess
December 19	Graduation Ceremonies
December 19-January 11	Christmas Recess
February 2	ASI Distinguished Lecture Series — Sidney Moncrief
February 4	ASI Distinguished Lecture Series — Paul Craig Roberts
February 25	ASI Distinguished Lecture Series — Gerald W. Ebker
February 26-27	Religious Education Seminar
March 13-21	Spring Recess
March 25	ASI Distinguished Lecture Series — Cal Thomas
March 26-27	Church Growth Seminar
April 9-10	Youth Forum/Spring Sing
April 29	ASI Distinguished Lecture Series — Jim Burnett
May 7-8	Church Leadership Seminar
May 15	Graduation Ceremonies

Florence, Italy, Tour Planned for May

Harding is sponsoring a tour of Florence, Italy, for alumni and friends 55 and older in May. The Fabulous Florence package tour includes guided excursions to museums, historical sights and musical events.

Participants will have opportunities to learn conversational Italian, enjoy distinctive dining and shop in the Renaissance city. Tours and presentations will aid the group in getting the most out of their experience.

The travellers will leave the United States on May 6 flying to Italy, where they will spend fourteen days. Excursions will be made throughout Florence and to nearby Siena, San Geminiano, and Pisa, as well.

The tourists will stay in the authentic 16th-century villa that is also used to house students attending Harding University in Florence (HUF). Professors of music Dr. Jeff Hopper and Dr. Warren Casey and their wives will be the tour directors.

Because of their association with the Department of Music, efforts are being made to provide exceptional musical experiences. These experiences will include live performances at the villa as well as other events associated with "Maggio



Fabulous Florence

The Duomo, the centerpiece of old Florence, is a landmark participants in the Fabulous Florence program will be able to see in person. The trip, scheduled for May, is for alumni and friends 55 and older and will be under tour directors Dr. Jeff Hopper and Dr. Warren Casey and their wives.

Musicale," a musical festival occurring in Florence only during the month of May.

Care has been taken to ensure that the program's cost will be all-inclusive. Transportation, meals, and tickets to museums are all covered in the price. Hopper explained, "We have tried to arrange it so that — barring souvenirs and

the like — a person could get on the plane in Little Rock and get off two weeks later having spent no money."

Both Hopper and Casey, veteran HUF professors, along with their wives have spent time traveling in Europe and in particular Florence. They are knowledgeable and excited about the May tour.

Some applications have already been received, but space is still available. Brochures can be obtained by writing FABULOUS FLORENCE, c/o Don Shackelford, Director of Florence Programs, 754 Harding University, Searcy, AR 72149-0001 or calling Mary Lou Daughety at 1-501-279-4529.

New Master's Degree Program Offered in 1993

Applications are being accepted for Harding's new master's degree program in marriage and family therapy. The program will be offered beginning in the fall of 1993.

Harding will prepare its MFT graduates to serve as counseling ministers in congregations, as counselors in community mental health agencies, as counselors in private mental health practices and in various other capacities in psycho/therapeutic settings.

The graduate degree program will be interdisciplinary in nature drawing its faculty teachers from psychology, sociology, education and religion. Only full-time students will be admitted to the 24-month program.

Each fall fifteen students will be admitted, so that after the first year, the program would have a maximum of 30 students participating. Two full-time professors have been added to the faculty to bolster instruction in the program.

The MFT program will consist of 60 semester hours with subject matter following the guidelines of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists (AAMFT). The program will be initiated with candidate status, and after a two-year waiting period application will be made for AAMFT accreditation. The semester hours will include a minimum of 500 hours of supervised clinical work, including 100 hours of one-on-one supervision. Clinical experience will come from the University Counseling Center and local, state and county

agencies.

Already one year before the MFT program begins, more than fifty inquiries have been received from prospective students in addition to more than 20 current Harding

students who have expressed a desire to stay and enter the master's program.

Dr. Lew Moore, clinical director and chairman of the Department of Marriage and Family Therapy, will direct the

MFT program. For more information or for an application, Moore may be contacted by writing Box 2262, Harding University, Searcy, AR 72149-0001 or calling 1-501-279-4347.

Honors Symposium Scheduled in July

Harding's Honors Symposium, a new program for high school students, will be held July 11-28 according to a schedule announced by Dr. Jeffrey Hopper, professor of music and director of the program.

The 1993 symposium, "The

Age of Reason," is for high school students who have completed their junior year. Participants will earn three hours of university credit in Harding's honors program.

The interdisciplinary study has been designed to stimulate a wide range of interests in

students from all potential college majors. Intended for academically gifted students, participants must have a minimum of a 3.25 grade point average on their high school transcript and score a minimum of 27 on the ACT test or 1,100 on the SAT.

Following the colloquium format, the symposium will be led by four Harding faculty members. Students will engage in original research and share their results with other participants. They will have full access to the Brackett Library and to the university's computer facilities.

All students will receive an \$800 scholarship for tuition, room and activities. The total cost for each student will be \$195 for food and registration fees.

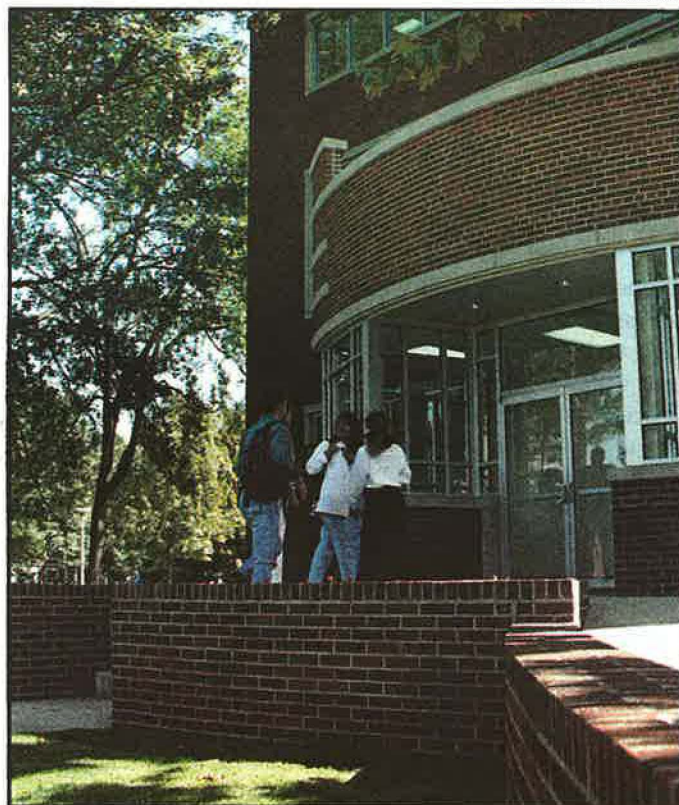
Housing will be provided in the university's dormitories and a full slate of recreational activities has been planned for the symposium.

Enrollment in the symposium will be limited to 30 students and the deadline for applying is April 15.

Interested students may contact Hopper by writing Box 838, 900 East Center Street, Harding University, Searcy, AR 72149-0001.

New Addition

PHOTO BY JEFF MONTGOMERY



Along with interior renovation, the American Studies building took on a new look on Center Street with the addition of a new entrance and walkways.

Woodruff

BY PHILLIP

February 3, 1993
Freddie Woodruff

forget. The 1969 graduate found his history doing some thought he would raise the Stars and American embassy Soviet Union.

Woodruff is a political foreign service officer for the U.S. State Department, where he has worked for 14 years. This year alone, his job has taken him to Sudan, Ethiopia, Thailand, Singapore, Pakistan, India, Egypt, Jordan, Turkey, Kazakhstan, Germany, Netherlands and France. On vacation in the United States, visiting his parents in Searcy, Woodruff talked about his fascinating career, including that special day in February.

Despite all his world travels this year, Woodruff says the most interesting and rewarding experiences came in his four months of work in the newly independent nation of Kazakhstan, one of the once-communist republics on the Chinese border in the former Soviet Union. The United States now recognizes those republics as independent nations and is setting up 11 American embassies in the new commonwealth of Independent States. Woodruff's job was to help establish the first American embassy in Kazakhstan in the capital city of Alma Ata.

As an independent nation, Kazakhstan promises to be important to the world as a regional business capital



Under the American Flag
Freddie Woodruff, far right, is shown in front of the former Soviet Union embassy.

Woodruff Makes History

PHOTO BY PHILIP TUCKER

1992, was a day Woodruff won't soon forget. He helped make Harding University history by himself making something he never thought possible: He helped open the American Stripes at an embassy in the former

USSR because of its vast oil fields and deposits of uranium, gold, coal and manganese. It also is one of four former Soviet republics with strategic nuclear weapons stationed within its borders, which makes it important to the United States. While in Kazakhstan, Woodruff became the first American diplomat ever taken to the old Soviet space center, the Soviet Cosmonauts Museum, in Alma Ata. There he saw the site of the first sputnik satellite launch Oct. 4, 1957.

Woodruff said he wanted to go to Kazakhstan for the assignment "because I wanted to be a part of a moment in history. It was a great moment of pride when I saw the American flag raised in a formerly communistic Russian republic. It was terribly exciting!"

Setting up the embassy presented its problems, however, Woodruff said, mainly with logistics and communication. Most of their supplies, such as typewriters, ribbons and soap, were flown in because it was difficult to find many things in stores, especially personal hygiene items. Communication was a problem because of the primitive Russian telephone system. Often a

call to the United States would take more than an hour to make, with the operator sometimes responding "America is out of order."

A challenge in opening embassies, regardless of where they are located, is the language barrier. Woodruff, who speaks Russian and Turkish, said, "In our case, when you got away from Moscow in the remote republics, you didn't find much English spoken. If I were to stress anything to college students who are interested in this kind of work, it would be the importance of learning foreign languages. For example, we needed to find seven diplomats for each of the 11 new embassies, preferably who were well-versed in the language of that region. That's not always easy to find. The more the world opens up, the more we need people who can speak different languages."

"The Russian people are a lot like us... They are concerned about change and facing difficult times, but I found them to be very upbeat. They're wonderful people."

As a graduate student at Oklahoma State University in the '70s, Woodruff participated in a Soviet foreign study program and was able to travel in much of the then-Soviet Union. During this return trip, the new openness ("glasnost") was evident. Previously, the media were state controlled; while there this time he saw on television MTV, CNN, Pepsi commercials and NBA basketball games.

And what do the Russian people think about all this

change?" "They are a lot like us — mostly concerned about how to pay the bills this month and making a living from day to day. They are concerned about change and facing difficult times, but I found them to be very upbeat. They're wonderful people."

Woodruff explained that his job as a foreign diplomat involves "working abroad in political affairs, talking to other governments about their problems and reporting what's going on." His wife, Meredith, is also a diplomat, serving the State Department as an economic foreign service officer. They have three children, who often travel with them — daughters Allyson, 16; and Charter, 12; and son MacKinzie ("Mac"), 6.

It was also exciting to see free-market buying and selling activity, Woodruff said. However, the stores continue to be empty, and most of the

buying and selling takes place on the streets in front of the stores. The empty stores were one thing Woodruff said had remained the same since his last visit to the Soviet Union.

For five years Woodruff and his family have lived in Africa, the last two in Khartoum, Sudan, in North Africa. Because the Sudanese backed Saddam Hussein during the Gulf War, the threat of terrorism against Americans caused him to send his children to Searcy for a while to live with his parents. (His father, George, is a semi-retired professor of biology at Harding, and his mother, Dorothy, is a former employee of the Harding Development Office.) It was the first time Charter and Mac had been to the United States.

The family is now moving back to the States, where Woodruff will continue working for the State Department in Washington, D.C., in the division responsible for Central Asia. He said his family is looking forward to settling down in America again, although Mac says he misses seeing the monkeys playing in the front yard of their home in Sudan.

For Freddie Woodruff and his family, they'll endure the good and bad as they adjust to living back in the United States: There won't be any monkeys in the yard, but perhaps they'll be able to make phone calls a little faster.



Woodruff stands in front of the new American embassy in Alma, Ata, Kazakhstan, in the

"Fiddler on the Roof" Returns to HU Stage

Twenty-one years ago Harding presented its first Homecoming musical, Joseph Stein's "Fiddler on the Roof."

On Oct. 30 and 31 the stage once again will come alive for two nights in Anatevka, a small peasant town in Czarist Russia, as "Fiddler" revisits the Benson Auditorium stage for 1992's Homecoming Weekend.

"Fiddler on the Roof" is an unforgettable, classic musical comedy that has won three Tony Awards and the Drama Critics' Circle Award. The show features a large cast and such well-known musical numbers as "Tradition," "If I Were a Rich Man," "Sunrise, Sunset" and "Do You Love Me?"

Leading the student cast as Tevye, the dairyman, is Bob Ritchie, a graduate student originally from Canterbury, N.H., now of Searcy. Senior Kim Scott, a music education major from Arlington, Texas, will play Tevye's wife, Golde.

Tevye and Golde's daughters Tzeitel, Hodel, Chava, Shprintze and Bielke will be played by, respectively, Amy Sheppard, a sophomore voice major from Los Alamos, N.M.; Kaci Bolls, a junior music major from Murray, Ky.; Becky Carroll, a freshman from Belleville, Ill.; and Searcy youths Leigh Bradley and Elizabeth Shearin.

Yente, the matchmaker, will be played by Sondra Smith, a freshman English major from Muscatine, Iowa. Senior theatre major Bob Boaz of Searcy will play Motel, the tailor; sophomore theatre major Scott Belin of Houston will play Perchik, the student; sophomore

music education major Chris Wagley of Sikeston, Mo., will play Lazar Wolf, the butcher; and senior theater major Steve Tate of Searcy will play Mordcha, the innkeeper. Cyndra Myer, a freshman nursing major from Wichita, Kan., will play the fiddler.

In "Fiddler," Tevye, a dairyman, and his wife, Golde, and their five daughters are one of the hard-working families of the Jewish community, living as their forefathers did, observing the ways handed down to them and following the dictates of "tradition." Tevye is a pious man who tries to raise his daughters according to the ways of the Good Book. However, the old ways no longer suffice in Anatevka, and Tevye and his friends find that they must become part of the changing world around them.

When a pogrom takes place at the wedding of one of Tevye's daughters, the community realizes that their old way of life is changed forever. They set out to find new lives in new lands, taking with them their few meager possessions and their abiding faith in God.

Other key roles in the musical will be played by Andy Neely of Memphis, Tenn.; Stephen Williams of Amelia, Ohio; Jay Williams of Ft. Smith, Ark.; Ben Howe of Senoia, Ga.; Tammy Spencer of Searcy; Christine Creasy of Jackson, Tenn.; Jonathan Camp of Amarillo, Texas; Ethan Brown of Coralville, Iowa; and Ami Merrit of LaPorte, Texas.



Academy Fellow

Dean Cathie Shultz, shown with a nursing student, was recently elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing.

Academy Inducts Shultz

Dr. Cathleen Shultz, dean of the School of Nursing, has been elected as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing.

She becomes the first Arkansan selected for membership in the organization. She was formally inducted October 10 at a ceremony in St. Louis. There are now 1,800 fellows in the Academy and 1.5 million RNs in the United States.

The Academy is a working body of nursing leaders and scholars in education, research, practice and administration. Fellows are elected to membership based on their contributions to the profession and health care.

Candidates for membership have demonstrated skills in

developing educational programs, in performing research and in organizing health care programs.

Dr. Shultz has directed Harding's nursing program since 1977. She is completing her term as president of the Arkansas Board of Nursing and she is a past president of the Arkansas Nursing Association.

Dean Shultz has served as a consultant to nursing programs in Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Massachusetts and California. In 1990 she was selected as a Distinguished Teacher.

She is married to Dr. Sam Shultz, faculty pediatrician at Arkansas Children's Hospital, and an adjunct professor in Harding's School of Nursing.

Student Center Renovation Completed

The bustle of heavy student traffic through the renovated Hammon Student Center has returned to normal, but in a more spacious, modern facility.

The student center, built in 1973 with the generous help of Mrs. Marie Hammon, has undergone a complete \$2 million renovation since November 1991. Light now floods in from a redesigned, all-glass atrium entryway and skylights that surround the building, and the color scheme is bright and contemporary. Altogether, more than 20,000 additional square feet were added to the structure, including the expansion of the second floor.

The remodeled Harding University bookstore now occupies two levels, the ground level for general purchases and the upstairs level for textbook buying. On the first floor, new student post office boxes have been installed, and the traffic areas through the campus mail area have been widened. ARA, which provides all campus food services, also has an expanded serving space that includes stations for Burger King Express Way, Itza Pizza, Colombo Frozen Yogurt and a self-service bakery display.

A new entry foyer for the game room and Bison Lanes

bowling alley has been constructed, an elevator has been installed, and automatic teller machines from two Searcy banks have been installed on the first floor.

The second floor still houses the student services office, Shores Chapel, the Student Association offices, and the *Bison* newspaper and *Petit Jean* yearbook offices, but it also now contains the housing office, foreign student advising office, conference/meeting rooms, classrooms and new restrooms.

The newspaper and yearbook offices are now joined with a central Macintosh computer production lab and darkroom, which they share. Both offices will now be able to produce camera-ready publications on disk.

Down the hall from those offices is a large, all-purpose room that can be sectioned off for student and staff meetings of all kinds, dinners, classes and other activities. Four other rooms will be available as classrooms or conference rooms. Social clubs will be able to use these rooms for club meetings.

The renovation project was funded entirely by contributions of alumni and friends, and by two foundation grants.

A \$900,000 donation was made to Harding for the project by the Hammon estate following the death of Marie Hammon last November.

Other funds for the project include a challenge grant of \$350,000, which has been met, from the Kresge Foundation of Troy, Mich.; a portion of a grant from the Mabee Foundation of Tulsa, Okla.; and funds contributed to the 1990 senior class project, which had been earmarked for the student center renovation.

The Mabee grant also went toward the Administration Building and American Studies Building renovations.

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tional level not only lags behind the national average, but also the rest of Arkansas.

In the region only six percent of the population has completed four years of college and less than half of the population finishes the twelfth grade.

Cities in Schools is working with committees in the region to identify candidates for the scholarships. Many Harding alumni are serving as volunteers on these committees.

Harding is providing the



New Look

Completion of the exterior of the Hammon Student Center gives a new appearance to the facility.

recipients of the Stephens Scholarships with more attention and personal assistance than is available at other institutions. These first generation college students are provided with special services including involvement in the university Program for Academic Success (PASS), which has a high rate of success in enabling students to complete their academic careers. Tutorial assistance is also available as needed. Harold and Jenene Alexander, counselors in the Stu-

dent Support Services division of the university are coordinating the Stephens Scholarship Program. The couple meets weekly either in a group or individually with the scholarship recipients.

The scholarship program relies heavily on home community resources during a student's tenure at Harding. Each recipient has a "point person" (home town sponsor) who will lend moral support and follow the progress of the student throughout the four years of college.

Focus on the Future

Your 1992 Tax Bill — How to Pay Less

QEA



Donald Kee, Director
Financial and
Estate Planning

A few steps may still be taken to reduce your 1992 Federal Income Tax bill. Not all steps may apply to you. Review these steps, and if any apply to you, see your tax adviser.

DEFINITE STEPS YOU CAN TAKE:

- 1) **Apply for child's or dependent's "identifying number"**. The Social Security number of all dependents age one or over must be entered on income tax returns due after 1991. Also, the child's social security number must be entered on the child's tax return, if one is required. Apply for your child's or dependent's social security number on Form SS-5 at your local Social Security office.
- 2) **Get IRS Publication 17 — Your Federal Income Tax**. This is a tremendous help to the individual. If you have never used this booklet, you are missing an excellent guide. Call 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676) and ask for Publication 17.

This article is designed to provide accurate and authoritative information regarding the subject matters covered. Neither the authors, publisher, nor the institution is engaged in rendering legal, or tax advisory services. For advice or assistance in specific cases, the services of an attorney or other professional advisor should be obtained. State law governs wills, trusts, powers of attorney, living wills, contracts, and many other areas.

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

3) Get tax forms and publications.

You can order federal forms and publications from the IRS Forms Distribution Center for your state. One example would be "Publication 508 - Educational Expenses, which discusses how work-related expenses qualify for deduction and which expenses are deductible. Check with your local library for forms or call 1-800-TAX-FORM for order forms.

4) **Pay off consumer debt**. Interest on consumer debt is NOT deductible any longer.

5) **Contribute to an Individual Retirement Arrangement (IRA)**. Make a contribution to an IRA, whether or not you have a pension plan. Regardless of whether you have a pension plan, you can contribute up to specified limits (See Publication 590 - Individual Retirement Arrangements (IRAs) for details. Interest on IRAs accumulate tax free and the taxes are deferred.

PROBABLE STEPS YOU CAN TAKE:

- 1) **Accelerate deductions**. Prepay 1993 real estate and personal property taxes in 1992, if allowed. Pay all outstanding medical bills before end of the year. Have elective medical procedures in 1992 instead of next year, if you are close to having spent 7½% of your adjusted gross income on medical expenses.
- 2) **Make maximum retirement plan**

contributions. Make maximum contributions to your IRA, 401 (k), Keogh or SEP (Simplified Employee Pension). These contributions reduce taxable income and, therefore, reduce your tax liability.

3) **Take out home equity loan to pay off consumer debt**. Interest paid on a home equity loan (up to an aggregate of \$100,000) is deductible.

4) Defer income.

Postpone a year-end bonus to 1993, if your employer is willing. Purchase short-term certificates of deposit or Treasury securities that mature in 1993. The taxable income on this will be deferred into 1993.

5) **Defer capital gains**. Sell stocks or other assets with long-term capital gain next year so the gain will not be reportable in 1992.

6) Give securities instead of cash.

If you typically give cash to the charitable organizations you support and you have securities that you have had a long time and these securities have increased in value, give the securities to the charitable organization instead of cash. You are allowed a current income deduction for the full value of the securities and no capital gain is due on the increase in value.

7) Make a gift to a charitable organization.

Make a gift of cash and receive a current income tax deduction. Make a gift of appreciated property, such as stock, tangible property for related use or real estate, and receive an income tax deduction for full market value and avoid tax on the capital gain.

8) Make a gift of life insurance to a charitable organization.

If you have a policy you no longer need or if you desire to purchase a new policy, you can transfer ownership of the old policy to a charitable organization and receive an income tax deduction.

9) Secure a charitable gift annuity.

If you have cash, appreciated stock or

real estate (real estate you don't need to occupy), secure a Charitable Gift Annuity from a charitable organization. You would exchange the property for an annuity. This provides a current income tax deduction and specified income for life for you or for one you specify.

YEAR END PLANNING

The end of the year is a good time to take steps to reduce your tax bill and to think about your family's financial situation. A checklist to use in reviewing your family's financial and estate plan might be:

- 1) Review and update your will.
- 2) Review and update your financial records.
- 3) Notify certain family members and friends where important documents are kept.
- 4) Check beneficiary designations on life insurance, retirement plans and IRAs.
- 5) Execute a Durable Power of Attorney
- 6) Execute a Living Will.

FINANCIAL & ESTATE PLANNING

To assist you in your financial and estate planning, we welcome the opportunity to discuss your plans with you and to send you more information at no charge and without obligation. You may contact the Harding University Office of Financial and Estate Planning, Donald E. Kee or Joann A. Underwood by calling 1-501-279-4210 or 1-800-477-4312 or by writing at 900 E. Center, Box 2238, Searcy, AR 72149-0001. All requests, inquiries and information are confidential.



Bisons Shutout Lane; Shutout by Northeastern

The first two weeks of the Bison football season could not have been more different outside of the fact that they were both shutouts.

In the Bisons' first game at Lane College in Jackson, Tenn. the Bisons were heavily favored to win. Four quarters later the Bisons lived up to those expectations as they easily disposed of the Lane Dragons, 39-0.

The Bisons' game was marked by hard-nosed defense and ball control offense. Harding's defense allowed only six first downs and 82 total offensive yards. The Bisons' offense picked up 382 total offensive yards.

A "better and improved" performance was definitely needed the following week according to Coach Larry Richmond as Northeastern State (Okla.) came into Searcy for Harding's home opener. The Redmen were ranked fourth nationally.

However, the Bisons' performance was anything but better as they were defeated 25-0, in what was their worst home defeat since 1986.

The game was never even close as the Northeastern Redmen opened the flood

gates with their first touchdown at the 10:53 mark in the opening quarter on a 67-yard pass interception return. The Redmen would go on to score two more touchdowns in the first half.

The Harding defense was unable to stop the Redmen rushing attack, allowing 312 yards on 61 carries. On the other side of the ball, Harding could never get their running game going as they managed only 38 yards on 26 carries.

To make matters worse, Harding had four turnovers and two field goals blocked against them.

"Northeastern has a fine football team," Richmond said. "For us, everything that could go wrong went wrong. It would have taken a great game for us to have beat them, and we got just the opposite."

The only bright spot in the game came from sophomore quarterback, Paul Mann, who came off the bench in the second quarter to complete 12 of 25 passes for 172 yards.

Harding plays its annual Homecoming game October 31 against the University of Arkansas at Monticello. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m.



PHOTO BY JEFF MONTGOMERY

Famous Amos in Action

Amos Washington breaks through for additional yardage against the Lane Dragons in the first game of the season won by the Bisons 39-0.

Volleyball Action

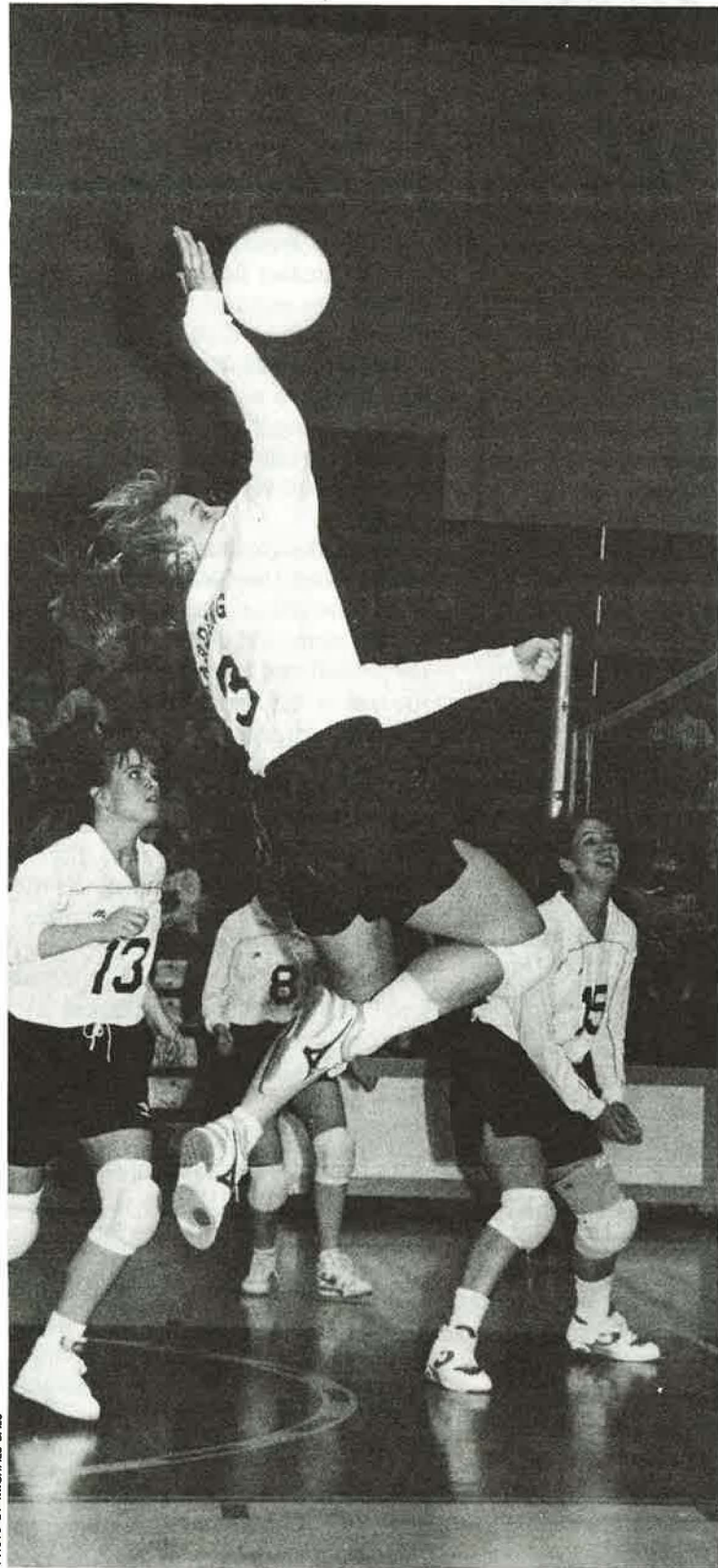


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During pre-conference action, Bison volleyball team member Robin Heasley returns the ball as teammates Angela Johnson, Kathleen Bassham and Becky Pruitt follow up.

Seniors Dominate Men's Basketball Team

Optimistic expectations keynote the men's Bison pre-season basketball camp.

Head coach Nicky Boyd points to three factors in Harding's favor as another basketball season approaches. First, there are seven seniors on the 1992-93 team. Second, this year's team is probably the most athletic squad Harding has ever had. And third, the AIC appears to be a wide open race with no clear favorites.

"We made progress last year," Coach Boyd said. "In spite of the 12-17 record, we finished the season on a positive note because we won games against the league leaders and, with an exception or two, we played everyone tough the last half of the season."

The senior dominated team is led by All-AIC performer Morris Williams. At 6-4, Williams was one of the top

scorers in the conference with just over 17 points a game.

Postman Thomas Nesbitt (6-5), the team's second leading scorer (15.7) and leading rebounder (6.3) closed the season with a rush hitting 30 or more points in three of his last four games.

Guard Ronnie Brothers (6-0) is the most devastating three point shooter in the league. Brothers will likely see action at the number two or shooting guard if a replacement comes through at point guard.

Candidates for the job include Terrance Thomas (6-4) a transfer from East Mississippi JUCO. Thomas comes with the tag of "great athlete who can play any position on the floor."

Sophomore Ryan Tandy (6-1) and senior Jason Atkins (6-2) saw action last year at both guard positions. Redshirt freshman Thomas Norphlet, a standout floor leader at Mem-

phis Oakhaven, will also get a shot at the starting point guard spot.

The cupboard is loaded with talent typified by players like senior Keith Nelson, a 6-3 jumper, who often came off the bench to hit a long three or lead the fast break. Freshman Jason Cooper (6-7), a star at Searcy High School, is one of the state's best according to Boyd.

Seniors James O'Clair (6-9) and Alan Bishop (6-6) and sophomore Sigmund Donelson (6-6) had their good games in 1991-92 and have the ability to play.

Redshirt freshman Tiago Lewis (6-1) spent last year learning the ropes and adjusting to college basketball. Lewis is an outstanding shooter who has the ability to win games from beyond the three point line.

Lady Bison Basketball Looks Promising

With their first twenty win season (21-9) behind them, the future looks good for members of the Lady Bison basketball team. Senior starter Karyl Hartfield graduated, but junior transfer Denise Eaves should contend for the starting slot. The 6-9 Eaves played her first year and a half for Arkansas State University.

Three-year starter Nancee Wilson returns for her final campaign. An All-AIC player as a sophomore, the 6-2 Wilson will team with 6-0 junior, Kymm Hudson, to give the Lady Bisons a strong inside game. Hudson, an All-AIC player last year, led the team with a 16.7 scoring average

while Wilson grabbed over nine rebounds and added 12 points per game.

An outstanding recruiting class in 1991 produced three members of the conference All-Freshmen Team: Jama Holman, Cindy Camp, and Sissy Reaper. Holman (10 ppg) and Camp (11 ppg) were starters as freshmen and Reaper scored seven a game in her role coming off the bench.

Marla Miller (5-8), the second senior, is a three year letter winner who has many times played a key role for the Lady Bisons. She often draws the role of stopping the other teams leading scorer.

Sophomores Christy Wood, a

5-5 point guard, and Angie Hudson, a 5-9 forward, have good skills and saw playing time as freshmen.

The 1992 recruiting class is a good one. Sarah Cullins is a 5-4 point guard and three-point shooter from Morrilton, Ark. Highly recruited teammates Tracy Biard, a 5-9 forward, and Mindy Murphy, a 5-10 forward from Batesville, Ark. led their team to the state AAA championship.

Ironically all three freshmen carry the title of MVP in the Arkansas AAA state tournament. Cullins and Murphy shared the honor in the 1992 tourney while Biard was the recipient in the 1991 voting.

An Intern's Summer in Washington, D.C.

Editor's Note: Internships are becoming more and more a part of the Harding experience for students. Academic classes prepare students for their careers, but many times it is an internship that brings into focus what the world of work is really like.

The following journal entries were written by Melanie Johnson, a senior public relations major from Dothan, Ala. She interned with the U.S. Attorney's Office in Washington, D.C. Her entries provide an insight into the learning experience that comes with an internship.

June 1, Monday

The first day of work. My advisor showed me around the office and presented me with a large accordion folder full of files, brochures and reports explaining the purpose and responsibilities of the Victim Witness Assistance Unit. My first assignment was to get acquainted with the unit — its history and its personnel.

The unit is made up of counselors, U.S. Marshals, and others who make arrangements for trial witnesses — including witness protection and free counseling. My job will be to assist the counselors, victim advocates, in managing their case files.

The day consisted of a whirlwind tour of the office and its equipment. I spent the day learning names, computer commands and how to work the copy machine — the last being the most daunting assignment of all.

By the end of the summer, I will have decided whether or not a law career is really for me.

June 8, Monday

Although I wouldn't have believed it after the first few days, the computer work has become routine.

My day has developed a pattern. During the morning I work on case management — accessing background information on clients and cases, updating trial information and mailing out letters about appointments and trial dates to victims. Later in the afternoon I walk the short block to the courthouse and sit in on hearings and trials.

June 16, Tuesday

A murder trial started today. Two of the four defendants are being tried together, so there are three lawyers — one for each defendant and the prosecutor. The case received a lot of media attention last summer when it occurred. It involves a young mother who was caught in the crossfire of a drive-by shooting.

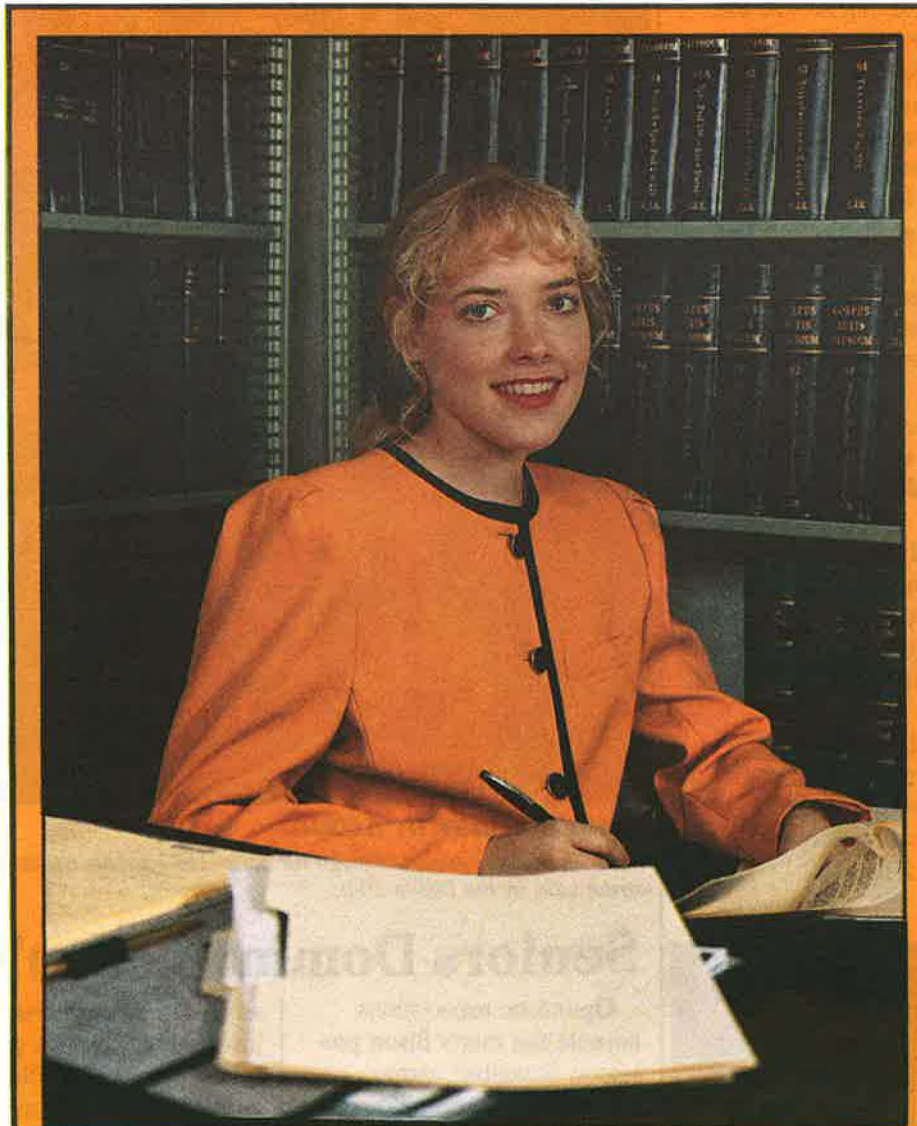
My advisor worked with the victim's family, and he is very interested in the outcome of the case. My assignment for this week is my favorite one yet. Until the trial is over, I am to attend each day and keep my advisor updated on the case's progression. The jury was chosen and opening statements were given today. Tomorrow the prosecution calls its first witness.

This afternoon, I met with a police sergeant and arranged to go on a ride-along on June 18. The Ride-along Program allows interns to accompany police officers from the District during their shift. We ride with them as they patrol their precinct and see what their job is like.

June 19, Friday

The ride-along was quite an experience. I arrived at the police station on time, but had to wait an hour for G.G., the sergeant with whom I was to ride, to return from court. He'd been testifying all day and was now coming in to work the night shift.

When he arrived he introduced me to his fellow officers. A drug run was on the agenda for the night. After donning bullet-proof vests, the plain clothes detectives split up and left the station — keeping in touch with each other using walkie talkies.



Student Intern

Melanie Johnson from Dothan, Alabama, was able to decide on a law career after interning in Washington, D.C. this summer.

PHOTO BY JEFF MONTGOMERY

I felt as if I was in an episode of *Hunter* or *Hill Street Blues*. The car I rode in, G.G. said, had been purchased for \$50 at a junk yard. He had replaced the engine with one from another car, and new tires had also been added. So much for the glitzy sports cars of *Miami Vice*.

I left a little before midnight, but two men had already been arrested, one for possession of marijuana and the other for distribution of cocaine. I sat at the table with the handcuffed suspects as they were read their rights and questioned by the officers. By the time I left, they were taking the men to the precinct's holding cell where they would remain until being moved to "Central Lockup" — a holding cell for all suspects picked up and held in the District.

June 26, Friday

The trial is almost over. All that is left are closing statements. Neither of the defendants testified, though I didn't expect they would. I feel like the prosecution has a strong case, but everyone at the office reminds me that you can never tell what a jury will do.

The stacks of files have multiplied like rabbits in my absence. After the trial ends I imagine I will be spending a lot of time catching up on my

"favorite thing" — case management.

June 30, Tuesday

The jury finally came back with its verdicts. Both defendants were found guilty of first degree murder. Everyone at work was celebrating. My day was spent with stacks of file folders and letters — the meat and potatoes of an intern's life.

July 6, Monday

I sat in on a witness counseling session today. The client was a woman whose son was shot while playing basketball with friends. No one is sure why a group of young men advanced and began shooting at the neighborhood friends as they played ball. Her son was 19.

She talked about her feelings of anger, loss and helplessness. Last year her 20-year-old nephew was killed in a similar incident. Every night, she hears gunshots. She's afraid to stay in Washington but can't afford to leave her job.

Over the summer, life in D.C. has certainly lost some of its glamour.

July 14, Tuesday

My day was spent glued to the computer screen. I think I must have updated a million files today and mailed at least that many letters. With all the file work out of the way, I should be

able to spend a lot of time at the courthouse tomorrow watching trials. One of the attorneys told me that a murder case involving a police officer starts tomorrow, so I'll try to see some of it.

July 21, Tuesday

I attended the District's police training seminar on domestic violence today with one of the advocates from the office. All of the officers in Washington must go through the domestic violence training because a new law was passed in October requiring mandatory arrests in domestic violence cases if evidence of crime exists.

The officers came from every area from the traffic violations section to homicide. They were a talkative group, and it was interesting to hear their reflections and anecdotes from years on the force in D.C.

July 30, Thursday

One of the advocates invited me to stay late today and sit in on a meeting with AYUDA, an organization that provides assistance to Latino females. The meeting was designed to help the advocates realize the special needs that the Latino victims may have and how best to counsel them.

Differences in culture and language often cause problems for the large Spanish-speaking population in Washington. Many are afraid they will get in trouble with immigration if they go to the police for any reason. And often, unless the officer speaks Spanish, they do not understand what is happening or what they need to do to press charges.

As I was leaving word came about the murder case involving the police officer. After days of deliberation, it ended in a hung jury.

August 5, Wednesday

Today another first occurred. One of the services provided by our unit is escorting victims to the trial. An attorney called this morning and wanted an advocate to sit with three female victims during the trial — which started yesterday. I was the only person from our unit who could stay with them.

One of the girls had just graduated from Howard University and the other three were still in school. We sat in the witness room and talked, trying to ease the tension and take their minds off the trial in the next room and their impending testimony.

Waiting with the girls made me realize how often I forget about the other side of trials — the side the observers in the courtroom don't see. In the course of a case, sometimes the individuals are forgotten and the facts are the only thing that seem to concern us. One of the main things I think I will take away from my summer is not the drama of trials or ride-alongs but memories of the people outside of the courtroom.

August 12, Wednesday

It's hard to believe my internship is drawing to a close. My last week has been spent working on files for the most part, trying to leave them in good shape for the next intern. There has also been the goodbye-and-good luck lunches and promises to keep in touch.

I wonder what the next three months at the office will be like, but it will be some other intern who will find out instead of me. Though I will miss work, I look forward to heading back to Searcy and my senior year. I return to school with a summer full of memories and my mind made up to attend law school.

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