Brants leaving for Kansas

by Jimmy Allen

Bill Brant, assistant professor of speech and faculty advisor for KHCA radio station, will be leaving the University following the fall semester in order to become the manager of a new radio station in Wichita, Kan.

Brant, a graduate of Freed-Hardeman and Harding College, will be one of three full-time workers employed by Friends University in this broadcast effort. The FM station is to be a large part of the new mass communications program at Friends.

The move to Kansas, which Brant calls "God's country," will be made during the Christmas vacation. Previously Brant attended graduate school at the University of Kansas at Lawrence, and he mentioned his attachment to the Jayhawks as a primary reason for his departure.

"I enjoy the area geographically," Brant said. "I also feel the job will be advantageous for my career and family." As station manager, Brant will be performing many duties similar to those of his Harding post. The Kansas station, like KHCA, will be staffed to a large degree by students. It plans on airing programming daily for 12 hours to begin with, and Brant hopes to increase that amount as time passes.

Brant and his wife, Patrecia, who splits her time between academia and college teaching, plan to place their three children — Arthur, Joel, and Bethany, 4 — in the Wichita school system in time for the beginning of the spring semester.

Mrs. Brant has not yet found a job in the Wichita area. "I don't have a job yet, but I most definitely plan to look for a teaching position once we get there," she said.

Behind Brant and his nine and a half years, two as a student and seven and one half in teaching, are many fulfilling moments.

"Without a doubt the thing I have enjoyed most is watching students come in, mature, go out into the professional world of broadcasting, and then succeed," said Brant. "I can turn on the TV right now and watch former students present the news. Their training was a product of our program, and I could do the same thing in Florida, Texas, Alabama, and other places."

"I think the mass communications program has developed well," Brant continued. "We now have a good reputation for turning out quality people who have a knowledge of media work."

In Brant's place, speech department chairman Evan Ulrey announced that Lewis Butterfield will teach the spring radio and TV productions class while Rick Beckham will serve as the staff sponsor to KHCA.

These position changes are to be for the spring semester only, with further announcements regarding permanent faculty appointments.

Dennis Organ to head English department

Dr. Dennis Organ has been named chairman of Harding's English department, filling the position to be vacated by Dr. Gary Elliott at the end of this semester.

Dr. Elliott resigned to become academic dean of Columbia Christian College in Portland, Ore.

"We will miss his (Dr. Elliott's) leadership and contribution to the department, but I think he left us in pretty good shape," said Dr. Organ, associate professor of English. Dr. Organ, who joined Harding's faculty in 1967, plans to "try to continue a good work, building a strong curriculum and faculty.

As chairman, Dr. Organ will be responsible for tasks ranging from planning the department's curriculum to keeping faculty members involved in professional organizations and activities.

No immediate plans have been made to add to the department's faculty, said Dr. Organ, but two instructors who had been teaching part-time may be teaching full-time in the spring.

In addition to the new responsibilities as chairman, Dr. Organ plans to maintain his current teaching load of English and journalism classes as well as advising the Bison.

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Bison takes stance on Crossroads

In light of the recent volley of letters to the editor, we of the Bison feel compelled to acknowledge an ongoing debate and take a stance on the Crossroads controversy.

Crossroads, a congregation of the Church of Christ in Gainesville, Fla., has become very well known among our brethren through its staunchly biblical, inflexible schedule; high pressure tactics to get others involved in religious activity; total commitment to another's concept of right or wrong, to a method or plan other than that plainly taught in the Scriptures, to some cultic type leader, or to a rigid, inflexible schedule; retaining converts by scare tactics and manipulation; binding one's family to daily devotions, evangelism, day meetings, harass, extort, etc.; individuals or groups of individuals working outside the framework of the church to either change the church or replace it; private or group devotions designed to worship the church; a "prayer partner" whose purpose is to advise on all activities and whose "advice" becomes authoritative; confessing sins (in the sense of revealing them) to a specific person (e.g., a 'prayer partner'); and making human rules as to who a Christian may associate with, date, how often to date, who to marry, who to sit with in an assembly, etc.

Some conflicting messages about Crossroads are being sent out. Some are accurate and some are not. There is much confusion over what exactly are Crossroads' idiosyncrasies.

An article in The Word of Life (September 1981) which stated its purpose as "to define Crossroadsism and to expose and refute its errors," described Crossroads as "a fast-growing church, taking sides. It wants to prevent you from being deceived. It seeks of help and advice from older Christians, confessing (in the working with and for one associating themselves one with another in dating, marrying, and Christian were extremes such as:

- church to build up the church, private or group devotions designed to glorify God and defy His people, the ruling of the elders, the seeking of help and advice from older Christians, confessing (in the sense of revealing them) to a specific person, (e.g., a 'prayer partner'), and making human rules as to who a Christian may associate with, date, how often to date, who to marry, who to sit with in an assembly, etc.

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Perhaps a select group of people here at Harding supporting Crossroadsism, but it is quite an exaggeration to say that the Crossroads church is "taking sides". With such a description we show of disregard for the truth evident in that statement, what is to keep the reader of that article from suspecting exaggeration in the description of Crossroads?"

We of the Bison have decided upon our stance and it is one of neutrality. We feel such a position is possible and preferable.

Few of us live from any tangible evidence of the Crossroads church know — beyond a shadow of a doubt — what precisely the Crossroads philosophy is. We hear stories. We know some of the people involved. We know someone who knows someone who said such and such. But very few of us have actually been to Gainesville and seen the effects of the Crossroads philosophy.

"God allows us to discern what is false and to warn others of the dangers of false teachings. God does not allow us to gossip, slander, or spread reports whose accuracy is uncertain. God allows us to have our personal opinions and concerns for the church. God does not allow us to hold judgments of other peoples' destinations.

Our purpose in publishing this editorial is not to side for or against Crossroads. Our primary purpose is to call a cease to idle talk and to the continuing flow of the letters to the editor concerning Crossroads.

We at Harding (as of yet) are not directly confronted with the decision of the Crossroads philosophy. When this decision does face us, it will be a personal decision that should be made by the individual only after careful study into the true entity of the Crossroads philosophy. Until a person makes such a decision, we suggest an attitude of wariness for obvious reasons.

"The truth is I've been living off the reputation of my name (and a bad one at that) for quite some time. I used to be funny when I was a freshman but let's face it — this cat is washed up! I was hilarious in high school. You would have loved me then. You're probably just sitting in the Student Center now too litigating this article and munching on a Bison burger (goodness knows what they put in those things) and saying that the jalapeno peppers are too hot on the nachos and you'd like to order a soft drink in the Student Center but you aren't afraid to bite it because when you order one you get a cup of ice and you don't! And that Rolo Mitchell really used to be funny..."

Letters to the Editor

Gainesville native defends Crossroads

Dear Editor:

I am deeply distressed by some of the articles I've read concerning Crossroads Controversy. I am from Gainesville, Fla., and was brought up going to the Crossroads church. And so, I am not bringing an unbiased view to this question.

Mr. Matthew Ford said that people speak of the Crossroads church condemn those who don't become totally committed, "not to Christ, but to a Crossroads philosophy." I find this to be, once again, only God can condemn someone, and the people outside the Crossroads church will be the first to tell you that. Second, what is taught is total commitment to Christ. Not to anything, or anyone else.

I urge anyone else who has a misconception or heard something that they don't agree with about the Crossroads church to read the Nov. 17 issue of the Firm Foundation (found in the library). There is an article in there by Chuck Lucas, the minister at the Crossroads church. It is an excellent article and will answer many questions or misconception's people might have. If you do have any questions you owe it to yourself to read this article, or better yet go to Gainesville and see for yourself. If more people would go and see for themselves, I'm sure this nonsense would be solved.

Your brother,

Mark Waters

Words, words, words

"My son, preserve sound judgement and discernment, do not let them out of your sight; they will be life for you, an ornament to grace your neck." Proverbs 3:21,22

The Fifth Column

The grand finale by Rool Mitchell

Death is a natural thing, so speak. Death is so permanent, yet life is so impermanent. Not that death bothers me — because it does. What bothers me more is that of extravagant funerals. Smiling millionaire morons bug me. It's just downright morbid to think about someone who deals every day with death and smiles.

And so, if you will, I'll just as soon be buried in a pine box in the back of the yard and save the money I'd enjoy the smell of pine boxes or that chain-link fence scenery. If I'm going to have a funeral, I would require that the following conditions be met:

(1) The strains of "Funeral for a Friend" will be played on a casket moved down a 100-foot conveyor belt above the heads of the studio audience.

(2) As soon as the casket reaches the front, it is thrown upright. (Unknown to the studio audience, I'm in the casket.) As people come by to view the body, the actor steps out of the box with all the audience scaring and two 80-year-old ladies jumping out the window.

Another possible interesting funeral would be one held at 10 p.m. The entire church auditorium is filled with candles aligned beside the pews with eight rabbits carrying my casket to the front podium as if it were the Ark of the Covenant. In the background, Jewish music heightens the coming climax. The casket is placed on a plank and then gradually hoisted to the 30-foot ceiling with ropes. When the casket is nearly reached the ceiling, it rolls off the plank and as it hits the ground, it explodes into a ball of fire. At this point, the Fiend Of All becomes the remainder of the audience that the end of the world is coming. Everyone is gone to sell their property immediately.

I'm sure you're saying, "Heck, this isn't as good as Rool hitchley usually does." The truth is I've been living off the reputation of my name (and a bad one at that) for quite some time. I used to be funny when I was a freshman but let's face it — this cat is washed up! I was hilarious in high school. You would have loved me then. You're probably just sitting in the Student Center now too litigating this article and munching on a Bison burger (goodness knows what they put in those things) and saying that the jalapeno peppers are too hot on the nachos and you'd like to order a soft drink in the Student Center but you aren't afraid to bite it because when you order one you get a cup of ice and you don't! And that Rool Mitchell really used to be funny..."
Fall suspensions total five

Five students were suspended from Harding during the fall semester for violation of school policies, said Patty Barrett, dean of women.

Of the five suspended, one was suspended for a second time. Seniors, and the others for drugs or sexual immorality, which result in automatic suspension. Suspended students can appeal to President Clifton Ganus.

The number of suspensions this semester is down from last year. “Students seem to be realizing that rules are enforced and that they will be sent home, because

Speech students capture two trophies

Vernon Thompson, a junior from Orange Park, Fla., and Melody Brown, a senior from Memphis, Tenn., captured third and fourth place trophies in a TV news broadcasting event at a speech tournament held Nov. 29-30 at Bradlee University in Paducah, Ky.

Harding was represented by four students: Vernon Thompson, Melody Brown; Jo Matthews, a senior from Sumerco, W.Va.; and Paul Perkins, a senior from Rochester, N.Y.

There were seven events that students could enter: TV news broadcasting, extemporaneous interpretation, duet interpretation, interpretation of prose, interpretation of drama, and impromptu speaking.

Matthews and Perkins participated in three events each. Matthews participated in prose reading, extemporaneous interpretation, and Perkins participated in prose reading, poetry reading and extemporaneous interpretation. "This was a major tournament and the competition was hard," Matthews said. "There were 20 colleges from all over the Midwest that competed and they were all excellent schools. The number one school in the nation was even there!"

"Judging was done by college professors, teachers, and speech team coaches," Matthews said. "Each school sent a certain number of judges."

"The TV news broadcasting boys, they seem to deal differently," Matthews said. "With Vernon and Melody, they only got a one-time shot. In this event, each competing student was put on video and they had a prepared script that was approximately five minutes long."

"We were real proud of Vernon and Melody, they both ended right at five minutes. It was really good!" The Forensics Team will not have another competition until next semester when they will travel to UCA in Conway in January to compete in debate and individual events competition.

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Beware of losing patience during week of final tests

Well once again it's that fun-filled time that we all know as finals. A time when the campus moves to the tune of insanity and late night study hours. In the midst of all the last minute crumbling and confusion, one of the first items of our attitudes to crumble is our patience. It is amazing how when the situation gets tight, we will suddenly compromise our values and personality.

Unfortunately, when we lose our ability to control our patience, there are certain groups that tend to receive the brunt of our verbal and mental abuse. These people are often attacked without any forewarning and, at times, after considerable malice has grown in the heart of the attacker.

One of the groups I am talking about is teachers. How many times have you heard an angry student jump a teacher about the bad grade that he or she was going to get, or get mad because the teacher would not give the student another chance? Sure, sometimes a student will get a bad deal from a teacher, but even that does not give a student a license to lose his or her patience. The best way is still to go talk it out with them first (kind of sounds biblical, doesn't it?).

Another group is that of other students and our parents. I can remember a few years ago walking past a room in a dorm during finals and hearing a student rave at his parents on the phone, only to later feel very guilty because he had no reason to get mad at them, other than the fact that he was under pressure.

Paul had his thorn in the flesh and wanted God to remove it, but God never took it away. He kept it there. Paul had patience in that situation. If we can harness that patience, it will allow God to work on His time schedule, then there will be less tension on our part. Allowing God to direct our patience will help us to better relate to God and fellow students.
Sigma Tau Delta chapter inducts 10 new members

Ten students were inducted into Harding's chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the American English honor society, Sunday, Nov. 8.

The new members are Richard Alexander, Terry Allen, Paul Davis, Lori Duncan, Bobbi Frerichs, Allen Fruge, Ann McQueen, Becky Stewart, Paul Thomas and Betsy Walkup.

To qualify for membership in Sigma Tau Delta a student must have an overall grade point average of 3.6, two upper-level English courses, a 3.0 average in all English classes or a 3.5 average in English literature and have completed 24 semester hours. The society announced that at the time the formation of a group to discuss literature, they have meetings are open to the public and consist of discussion on literary works.
Some films are of such a nature that they practically defy description on paper. "The French Lieutenant's Woman" is just such a film. I liked it a lot. But I really can't put my finger on any one reason why. "The French Lieutenant's Woman" possesses several fine qualities. And as far as I'm concerned, it's this year's finest film.

For openers, "The French Lieutenant's Woman" is a remarkably beautiful film. It has breathtaking scenery and very thoughtful photography. For this reason, it is a rather easy film to watch. The images flow logically to one another and create a powerful montage. The entire film has a certain grandness to the image, which adds to the atmosphere of the entire production.

"The French Lieutenant's Woman" keeps its atmosphere consistent. From the scenes of the mysterious Sarah by the sea until the final line of dialogue, the film retains a beautifully haunting atmosphere. A lone hooded figure walks on the seawall as the stormy sea crashes below. The beams from a street lamp cut ominously through the mist of a seedy red-light district in London. A blinding thunderstorm obscures a lone figure awaiting a rendezvous. Scenes such as these are all arranged by the actress portraying Sarah, she makes you believe it. She is the mysterious Sarah, and she makes you believe it. She is also totally believable as Anna, the actress portraying Sarah. Jeremy Irons is Charles, the tortured nineteenth century gentleman who becomes obsessed with Sarah, and he is also totally believable. "The French Lieutenant's Woman" is filmed as a movie within a movie. It's a film about a movie company making a movie of John Fowles' "The French Lieutenant's Woman." Sound confusing? It really isn't. It's actually quite clever.

The performances in "The French Lieutenant's Woman" are of an Oscar calibre. But beyond that, they are the purest examples of the art of acting. Meryl Streep is simply fantastic. She is the mysterious Sarah, and she makes you believe it. She is also totally believable as Anna, the actress portraying Sarah. Jeremy Irons is Charles, the tortured nineteenth century gentleman who becomes obsessed with Sarah, and he is also totally believable. There are many and set a powerful example. The performances in "The French Lieutenant's Woman" are of an Oscar calibre. But beyond that, they are the purest examples of the art of acting. Meryl Streep is simply fantastic. She is the mysterious Sarah, and she makes you believe it. She is also totally believable as Anna, the actress portraying Sarah. Jeremy Irons is Charles, the tortured nineteenth century gentleman who becomes obsessed with Sarah, and he is also totally believable. There are many and set a powerful example. The performances in "The French Lieutenant's Woman" are of an Oscar calibre. But beyond that, they are the purest examples of the art of acting. Meryl Streep is simply fantastic. She is the mysterious Sarah, and she makes you believe it. She is also totally believable as Anna, the actress portraying Sarah. Jeremy Irons is Charles, the tortured nineteenth century gentleman who becomes obsessed with Sarah, and he is also totally believable. There are many and set a powerful example.

But far above all these reasons, I suppose that I liked "The French Lieutenant's Woman" primarily because it's a movie that makes you feel. It's not the type of film that makes you say, "as you're leaving the theatre, "Well, that was nice." Because although "The French Lieutenant's Woman" is a nice, beautiful film, it has a deeper meaning as well.

As a general rule, the Bison reviews G- and PG-rated movies. However, our policy states that R-rated movies may be reviewed if they are deemed to be serious and important works whose values overshadow the objectionable material that caused the rating. "The French Lieutenant's Woman" belongs in this category of R-rated films. The film contains absolutely no nudity. The R rating is due to one obscenity and the language. "The French Lieutenant's Woman" is on its way to becoming a modern-day classic. And as with all classics, everyone won't like it. But I did. It makes you experience. And that's what the movies are all about.
Poll shows some expected, some surprising statistics

by Laura L. Brown

The Bison mailed out 500 copies of a two-page survey covering various aspects of dating. Of the 119 responses that were returned, 71 were answered by females and 48 were returned by males.

Some of the statistics are predictable; others are surprising. In answering a question on the average number of dates per month a student has, 18 percent of the women said they have zero dates per month. The next most common answer was one per month, indicated by 13 percent of the responses.

Two dates and three dates per month each received nine percent of the responses, while 11 percent of the women said they date four times a month. Seven percent of the women have eight dates per month. The majority, 43 percent of the women, stated that they date four times a month.

The answers given most by men were two dates a month and five dates a month, each receiving 15 percent of the responses. Ten percent of the men said they date four times a month, and another 10 percent have six dates a month. Eight percent of the men indicated that they date once a month, while another eight percent date three times a month. Only two percent do not date.

Seven percent of both the men and the women stated that they were going steady with someone and reported an average of 36 dates a month.

Since men usually initiate the dating, and women generally must wait to be asked, it is not surprising that males, 46 percent, can be more satisfied with their dating average; 49 percent said they date four times a month, while only 48 percent of the females feel they date often enough. Twenty-nine percent of the men and 46 percent of the women were not happy with the frequency of their dating.

Both male and female students prefer to date different people than to date one person steadily.

Although many of the students have not had a date this month, 25 percent of the men stated that they were not interested in dating, while 22 percent of the females said the same.

Since the men have financial responsibilities in most cases, they feel they are making an investment when they take a girl out, while the women are often more discriminating in their choice of dates. Men feel pressure to date more for fun or companionship. Christian colleges are the logical place to go to date other Christians, and men seem more concerned about dating solely Christians, although a majority of both males and females said they would date non-Christians.

Sixty percent of the men and 72 percent of the women said they would date non-Christians. Several said that dating non-Christians gave them an opportunity to lead others to Christ, and a few said they had become Christians after dating other Christians.

Although most women would go out with a non-Christian, most would not date someone did not want to go out with. Of the 38 percent who said that they would, most said they would accept dates from a non-Christian if the person was kind or at least one who they could get to know.

Although many say they don't mind when females ask them out, few of the women polled would feel comfortable asking someone out for a date unless the person was an acquaintance. Twenty-six percent said they would ask a guy for a date; 74 percent would not. Of the men, 39 percent would be bothered by a female asking them out; 9 percent said they would feel uncomfortable, and three percent said it would depend on the circumstances.

Public display of affection (commonly known as PDA) also perturbed the students, received varied responses between males and females polled.

While 75 percent of both men and women were more likely to allow PDA, 25 percent of the men said they were very offended; others were somewhat offended. Some students - 25 percent of the men and 15 percent of the women - said they are not offended at all by PDA. The remaining 13 percent of the women said whether they were offended or not depended on the circumstances.

The poll also indicated that women were more likely to answer the survey. While 52 percent of Harding's enrollment of 3,076 students are women, 60 percent of the responses the Bison received were from women.

Coping

by Cynthia Hoonen

They had dated for several months when the relationship seemed to crumble apart. After they first broke up, she was angry with everybody. She would lash out at her roommate for no reason and stay in the dorm all weekend. Then her anger turned to him and the girl he had begun dating. But finally the anger turned inward and she blamed herself for the break-up. What had she done wrong, she wondered. What was wrong with her? Why couldn't she seem to get any dates now?

Self-esteem can be affected by many types of dating experiences, such as when a person is involved in the break-up of a relationship or when a person fails to date for a long period of time. When people go through a break-up, according to Dr. Allan Isom, professor of biology, they get down on themselves and turn anger inward to determine why the relationship failed. They may reason with themselves that if they had, in some way, been different the relationship might have worked out.

"Dating really affects self-esteem at Harding because as Christians, we have an unspoken belief that we should marry," said Dr. Isom. "We think we should be the type of person that someone wants to marry." Because of this sometimes unconscious belief, many students may feel pressure from friends, teachers and the atmosphere of Harding itself to begin dating.

"Society has put such emphasis on dating that if you don't date, you're a nobody," said senior Pam Clark.

Students who don't date in a society that expects dating, may feel that their self-esteem is affected in several ways. Because dating has a strong element of competition, students may get caught up in learning to do the "right" things in order to get dates, such as dressing nicely or being outgoing. Problems with self-esteem may arise as a result of this. Students who don't date, in a society where the emphasis on dating is so strong, may feel that they see a role model in the married students.

"We are sort of bombarded by this notion that they have power and we don't," said Alex Metcalf, junior.

He said that one of the biggest reasons for this is that many of the married students are women.

Sex is a very important part of the dating experience, and many students feel it is necessary to date someone before they can be in a relationship. Some students believe that the experience helps them to be ready for the next step in their relationship.

When dating, it is important to remember that everyone has their own expectations and desires. It is important to be honest with yourself and your partner about what you want and need from the relationship.

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The habits and attitudes related to dating at Harding are as varied as the individual personalities which make up the Harding student body. Each person develops his viewpoints via his personal experiences, his upbringing, his own perspective, and as a reflection of his singular personality. But perhaps the most basic distinction in attitudes toward dating is in the varying viewpoints of male and female. This sex sees dating from two very different perspectives.

Men have a choice in their own dating predicament. Women, as a whole do not have a choice. Men play an active role while women play the passive role. Some differences are most evident in the reasoning of people who do not date often or who do not date at all.

Why Guys Don't Date
When a man doesn't date, it is generally because he has chosen not to. He may come to this decision for various reasons. In a survey conducted by the Bison, guys who do not date often or who do not date at all gave as their top two reasons — a lack of self-esteem may develop when students still fail to get dates after all these efforts. "Girls probably have a harder time than guys," explained Dr. Isom. A boy can look at a certain girl and make himself believe that she would go out with him, without his ever asking her. The girl, however, who might like to go out with him is faced with imaginary rejection because he fails to ask her out.

Students who depend on their dating experiences to bring about good self-esteem may want to re-examine why they need dates to feel good about themselves.

We are always looking for somebody to make us happy," said Dr. Isom. "Some people don't think they can be happy until they are dating or married.

Girls do have a say in the matter. Statements such as the one made by this senior prove it. "The right men don't ask," she wrote. That particular girl also indicated that she averages zero dates per month.

Most women feel that the guys are inhibited about asking girls out. Some of the guys feel like you may think something big was going on if they asked you out more than once," wrote a 20-year-old junior.

The guys don't realize that not many of the girls are just out for a good time band," wrote a sophomore.

A 23-year-old senior girl wrote, "Money is no problem — why do guys always think they have to spend money on girls?"

A few women, for several different reasons, found that they were too busy to meet guys or date. "I have to study nursing a lot and I'm going to clinicals two days a week," wrote one junior. Sophomores may not have the free time to meet people or show your interest.

Some girls can afford to be discriminating about who they go out with. One wrote, "I don't date every guy who comes along. I'm choosy and sometimes that gets me into trouble.

A guy who estimated her frequency of dates at zero per month wrote that she had no desire to date. "I have a lot of my own goals to achieve and dating, serious relationships and marriage would all interfere with my goals," she wrote. "I enjoy my life single. I don't need to date or to be going steady or anything of the like in order to be happy."

The Problem of Privacy
Many couples who are involved in serious relationships at Harding seem to feel a lot of friction when it comes to finding a quiet, nice place to be alone. In the Bison's survey, students indicated three to one that privacy is a problem at Harding.

"The only way to get to know a person is to spend quality time with them. That necessitates some private, quiet time," wrote a 20-year-old male student.

What most students seem to want is a quiet place to talk, to listen to music, or to fix a meal for two without getting into a "compromising situation."

I feel guilty sneaking off to some dark place (or car, or bush or behind a building) to say goodbye," wrote a junior. "But I think PDA is offensive and I don't want to be a part of that."

Several students cited a lack of private places to go on campus. A 20-year-old sophomore girl wrote, "Harding encourages relationships, but reprimands couples if they are in a private place. There are few places to go on campus to be alone and talk without it looking suspicious."

A 21-year-old girl wrote, "The dorm fshbowl doesn't allow for any privacy at all. No talking or fellowship, crying, etc. can take place without the majority of the campus observing."

"All the chairs are sitting right beside a sidewalk and surrounded by lights," wrote a sophomore girl.

"It's the fishbowl effect," wrote another girl. "Everyone sees everything everyone does."

The most frequent "solution" to this lack of privacy seems to be an automotive retreat. As a 20-year-old female student put it, "The only privacy a couple can find around here, whether it's just talking or whatever, is in a parked car. And that's not an ideal setting for any kind of communication.

Parking lots such descriptive labels as "degrading, high schoolish," and "leads to problems." A freshman boy wrote, "Then the girl thinks you're a sex maniac for going parking even if you don't do anything."

Some students offered solutions to the privacy problem such as, "more frequent open houses," and "good champagne dances." One girl wrote, "Earlnings are the best time (if privacy)."

Privacy's No Problem
A few students indicated that privacy was not a problem (see DATING, page 12)
Bowl winners go to Austin

Intramural College Bowl competition is over, and the championship and the alternates will be competing in the regional meet at the University of Texas-Austin on Feb. 5.

When this edition of the Bison went to press, the championship team had not been chosen.

Defeated by King's Men, Emory, in the evening, they came back to Emory via computer terminals and the computer decides who sells the books and the computer play will last three times and the Michigan team had not been chosen.

The second championship contender, Sig Tau No. 1, had a record of 10-10-1 and went by AGO 280-115 earlier in the evening, they came back to the library's front desk when a book is checked out. It has embarrassed librarians who forgot to check out books. It has embarrassed librarians who forgot to check out books. It has embarrassed librarians who forgot to check out books. It has embarrassed librarians who forgot to check out books.

The scenario assigns an sors. The students were then able to talk and work together because the activities are very team oriented.

The team annually competes in business simulation games, most notably the Intercollegiate Business Games and Conference run by MBA students from Emory University. Twenty-eight undergraduate universities from the United States, Canada, and Western Europe participate in the games.

The Emory games begin with the mailing of a business scenario. The scenario assigns an industry to simulate. The team then begins to do research on the industry, its history, advertising, research and development, quality control, production, and finance.

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Tattle-Tape lies in wait for book thieves

by John Weaver

As you are leaving, you approach a suspicious metal machine. Over your shoulder is heard the giggling voice of someone wondering what happens to those who get caught. You pass by the device and BUZZZZZZ! The gate closes, eyes look up at you and you are asked, "Come over here, please."

Where are you? In an airport trying to board with a gun or a bomb? At a Customs Inspection station smuggling in drugs or diamonds? No, of course not. You are in the Emory Memorial Library and you have forgotten to check out your books.

The machine is an electronic sensitive device named Spartan Tattle-Tape that works by detecting magnetized tape. Each library book has a strip of tape placed in it that is demagnetized at the library's front desk when the book is checked out. Since its installation on Sept. 1, 1978, Tattle-Tape has reminded students to check out their books. Miss Winnie Bell, director of the library, reported that 4,340 books have been taken since 1974, 2,873 of that number since 1967. She believes 95 per cent of the people who have taken books did not believe they were stealing, and 60 per cent of them would return the books when they were finished writing their papers. Apparently, she said, they did not want the notices and fines for overdue books.

A possible reason why the people did not return them, Miss Bell noted, was carelessness. "Books have been returned to us that were found in the dorms, car wash, garbage cans and other places in the city."

Though she does not know exactly how many books have been misplaced since the machine was installed, she will know after the inventory is finished in January. She predicts there will be fewer missing than ever before.

Besides the detection function of the machine, Tattle-Tape keeps a running count of the number of people who use the library. Tattle-Tape's findings show that the Thursday average is the highest count, with Saturday being the slowest day of the week. The average number of three library visits in a given week is about 7,900.

Tattle-Tape is impartial. It has caught faculty members as well as students who have forgotten to check out books. It has embarrassed librarians who forgot to demagnetize the books, too.

Once Tattle-Tape had library workers confined for 10 minutes when it would not let anyone out the door until someone noticed a book lying on top of the nearby card catalog. The book's magnetic tape was being picked up by the machine's scanners.

The most infamous person to get caught was Miss Bell herself, picking out a book to read at home, she was going to check it out. After being side-tracked by someone and thinking she was ready to go home, she tried to leave. The machine rang and all eyes looked up to see the latest culprit. The librarian checked out her book and promptly left for home thoroughly embarrassed.

Even with Tattle-Tape's help if someone wants to steal a book, there are ways. Though Miss Bell refused to comment on the ways, it would not seem to take a genius to do it.

Tattle-Tape's purpose is to remind the students that they are allowed only to borrow library books, and that the check-out procedure is to give other students a chance to borrow the same book.

Business team combines work, honor to play high-pressure simulation games

by Eddie Madden

Believing the 1981-82 Business Team involves a combination of business practice, hard work and honor. As senior Chris Genry, a team member, said, "It's definitely work and it's definitely an honor. It's an honor to be chosen for it because only four people get on it . . . but it does include a lot of work." The 1981-82 Business Team is composed of Genry, senior Dean Masson, and juniors Chad Bursen, all accounting majors; and senior Eric Miller, a management major.

To get on the team, the students had to apply to Dr. Jim Henderson, assistant professor of accounting, and Mr. David Tucker, assistant professor of economics, the two team sponsors. The students were then interviewed and evaluated on the basis of several factors, including grade point average and class participation. According to Dr. Henderson, "They've got to be able to talk and work together because the activities are very team oriented."

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Melinda Preble enters the library through the electronic Tattle-Tape system, which counts how many people visit the library each day as well as detecting books that have not been checked out.

Come by and see the Christmas bridal gowns, and bridal gowns and formals.
New computer major added

by Tony Besso

The Academic Affairs Committee and faculty have approved a computer science major for Harding's fall 1982 curriculum. According to Dr. Dean Priest, chairman of the math department, the new major will be under the direction of the computer science major and working directly with the math department and will be more oriented toward programming, problem solving and working directly with the computer than the present computer programs.

"We feel we have what the computer science major is looking for. For the first time, we have a bona fide computer science major," Dr. Priest said.

The new major consists of 33 hours of computer science courses, 13 hours of math and 12 hours of business courses. Dr. Priest said that there are four categories of learning computer science; Harding's major involves three of the four: scientific application, operations research and information systems. He said the new major will not include the fourth category of actual building the machinery of the computer. "Harding is not an engineering school," Dr. Priest said. "That's too expensive."

Computer education began at Harding when the business department cooperated with the math department in having a computer programs major. That program consists of 27 hours of math, 27 hours of business, and 30 hours of computing. "That's too tough," Dr. Priest said. "It's almost like having a triple major."

Dr. Priest explained that two years ago the business department designed their own computer major and called it business systems analysis. "It (business systems analysis) involves more business and less computer," he said. He said the business systems curriculum is designed more for management and handling of data. "The business systems major is a go-between for the computer science people and the business world," Dr. Priest said. "A computer science major actually makes the computer do its jobs."

Dr. Priest believes the new major is more versatile. He said that the business systems program includes two computer languages while the computer science program includes many: Cobol, Fortran, Basic, Pascal, Assembler Language and many others.

Dr. Priest indicated that the computer science major will be a replacement for computer applications. He said the computer science major will be much easier to obtain in both academics and number of hours. The job market for computer science is wide open, according to Dr. Priest, in that there are approximately 12 job openings for every graduate trained in computer science. He also said he believes the job market will even double in the next five years. "We're going to have a more marketable degree with computer science," he said.

"I can't help but believe that there are large numbers of students in their present computer majors at Harding (i.e., business systems analysis and computer applications) who are really seeking computer science but are in their major as a second choice," Dr. Priest said. "These unsatisfied students now have a viable option in computer science."

Baldwin and Blickenstaff finish as AIC leaders

Defensive back Bruce Baldwin and quarterback-punter Kyle Blickenstaff finished the 1981 football season as leaders in interceptions and punting, according to Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference commissioner Harry Hall.

Baldwin picked off nine passes this season to lead the AIC and rank in the top 10 in the NAIA. The 6-2, 195 pounder returned his interceptions 57 points for 2,366 yards. The 6-3, 196 lb. junior also was third in total offensive yards with 6,908 and 1,506 yards respectively.

"He was outstanding," Tony McCoy finished second in rushing with 1,001 yards as the third runner in Harding history to exceed 1,000 yards in a single season. McCoy also ranked fifth in kickoff returns with 537 yards in 29 kicks for a 18.2 average.

Harding dominated the pass receiving category with freshman Mark Adkinson catching 41 for 727 yards and five touchdowns for number two position, sophomore Don Shumate of Sherwood catching 34 for 529 yards and two touchdowns, and junior Mike Peacock catching 22 for 285 yards and one touchdown.

Senior Lafe Caton of Inola, Okla. had 119 yards on 17 punt returns to rank third in the AIC with an average of 7.9 yards per return. Sophomore place kicker Steve Hunter placed sixth in scoring with 54 total points.

As a team, the Bisons ranked seventh offensively with an average of 241 yards per game. Defensively, Harding was fifth, allowing 366 yards per game.

Psi Chi to induct 16 members

Sunday evening

Harding's chapter of the national psychology honor society, Psi Chi, will formally induct 16 new members Sunday evening at the home of sponsor Dr. Walter Porter.

Members to be inducted include: Randy Anthony, Ray Beaudry, Mike Bedwell, Keith Book, Michael Brown, Marla Clark, Jonathan Cloud, Renee Planagan, Cheryl Teeter, Ken Henry, Joy Hogge, David Jenkins, Karla Kell, Edmund Metcalfe, Jane Powell and Chris Riley.

Membership is open only to students with an overall grade point average of 3.0 and an intended major or minor in the field of psychology.

Officers for the 1981-82 academic year are Kae Rea, president; Randy Anthony, vice president; Renee Planagan, secretary; and Ken Henry, treasurer.

Rea said members attended the fall meeting of the Arkansas Psychological Association in Hot Springs "to keep up on what's happening in the field of psychology." Tentative plans are scheduled for the spring semester, including attendance at the spring meeting of the Arkansas Psychological Association.

According to the Psi Chi handbook, the purpose of Psi Chi is to advance the science of psychology, and to encourage, stimulate and maintain scholarship among the individual members in all fields, particularly in psychology.

Dr. Porter estimated that there are approximately 500 chapters nationwide with a combined membership near 130,000.

Harding's chapter was formed in 1978.

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Bison gridders set new records

Sixteen individual and team records were rewritten during the 1981 football season. Outstanding individual performances accounted for most of the new standards as quarterback Kyle Blickenstaff accounted for four, field goal specialist Steve Hunter added four, and defensive back Bruce Baldwin set records defensively.

Hunter eclipsed all the field goal records on the books. The Stigler, Okla. sophomore set new marks for career (15), for single season (15), for game (5), and for longest (52) yards. He also set a season (15), for game (5), and for longest (52) yards. He also set an single game record for points standing individual (45), for single season (9), and for defensive back Bruce Baldwin set records defensively with 262. He set single game record for points standing individual with 26.

Two Bisons named to academic team

Two Harding footballers have been named to the College Sports Information Directors Association College Division Academic All-District 6 team, according to district coordinator Nancy Burch of Rice University. Bison players selected were line tackle Randy Buttram and defensive back Lafe Caton.

Buckenstaff, established a new school and Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference single season record for passing attempts with 382. He set single game records of most passes completed (22), yards gained passing (275), and yards total offense (380). He also set a new records for points standing individual (45), for single season (9), and for longest (52) yards. He also set an single game record for points standing individual (45), for single season (9), and for longest (52) yards. He also set an single game record for field goals in 57 punts for 120 completions out of 262 attempts. He added 132 yards rushing to rank third in the league's total offense category.

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Four Bisons named to All-AIC team

Four Harding athletes have been named to the 1981 All-Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference football team, according to commissioner Harry Hall.

The 31-member All-AIC team is selected by ballot of the conference coaches. Named to the honor unit were punter Kyle Blickenstaff, offensive tackle Dain Clark, defensive back Lafe Caton, and kicking specialist Steve Hunter.

A bona fide triple-threat performer, Blickenstaff led the AIC in punting this season with a 38.5-yard average in 35 punts for 2195 yards. As the Bisons' quarterback, the Boise, Idaho junior passed for 1,506 yards on 120 completions out of 262 attempts. He added 132 yards rushing to rank third in the league's total offense category with 1,668 yards.

Clark, a four-year starter from Payno, Ga. and weighs in at 230 lbs. A solid, dependable performer, Clark was an honorable mention selection last year. During his career he has been recognized 11 times as Player of the Week for his outstanding play.

As co-captain of the Bison squad, Caton performed double duty as defensive back and punt return specialist to earn his second All-AIC award. Known as a hard-hitting defender, Caton ranked third in tackles on the 1981 squad with 64 individual tackles and 49 assists. He had two pass interceptions, a blocked kick, and a runner for a loss.

As a junior, Caton was pressed into duty at the tailback position and rushed for 370 yards on 120 carries. In his career, he has returned 47 kickoffs for 1,603 yards for a 35.4 yard average. Also, he has 281 return yards on 36 punts and four interceptions for 69 return yards. Caton is a native of Inola, Okla.

Hunter is a sophomore who jumped to national prominence with his effective field goal kicking. From Stigler, Okla., Hunter set an AIC single season record with 35 field goals, and a school and AIC record for the longest field goal — 52 yards against the University of Central Arkansas.

Hunters kicked five field goals against Southeastern Oklahoma and scored 54 points for the season by kicking.
The First Annual Bissell Bowl Predictions

Sports Spectrum

by Ken Bissell

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from Alabama, and NOBODY wants to get that girl mad! Still, the Bear won't find anyone at the end of this rainbow: Texas 27, 
Bama 21.

Fiesta Bowl — To start, I con
sider it a mortal sin for another bowl to break the tradition of
New Year's by trying to interrupt the old four-game format. But
what is done is done. Southern Cal (9-3), with Heisman Trophy
winner Marcus Allen, plays former top-ranked Penn State (10-2).
Simple enough: USC 22, Penn State 11.

Rose Bowl — I barely know where Iowa (8-3) is on the map, and the only thing I know about their football team is that it is in the Big Ten. Washington State (9-2) isn't much better off, except that I know where it's located. Wash. St. 11, Iowa 7.

Orange Bowl — The Nebraska Cornhuskers (who would want a
name like Cornhusker?) take on the number one-ranked Clemson
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Dating attitudes

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one of two reasons: either the student felt that there is plenty of privacy to be had or he felt that privacy was a thing to be avoided.

"If a couple wants privacy, there are a lot of places they can go to find it," wrote some. But some had the attitude of the 23-year old junior guy who wrote, "In a 'dating greenhouse' like Harding, too much privacy can lead to trouble before you know what hits you — premarital sex." As one guy put it, however, "Apparently there are hundreds of couples with nowhere to be alone — so they carry on in public."

"PDA" This brings us to the subject of public display of affection, affectionately abbreviated PDA. The feelings here range from "Go for it!" to demands that it be brought to a halt, with a few taking positions of neutrality. The majority felt that PDA was offensive, calling it "immature" and "too personal and meaningful to be flaunted," and "inconsiderate and selfish."

Several students placed limits on what amount of PDA was offensive to them. A senior girl wrote, "The holding of hands and the like is OK, but the French kissing and sensuous caressing that goes on in public is repulsive!"

At the opposite pole were statements like "I love it!" and "It's great! Go for it!" Both remarks written by female students.

"Modesty is the key," wrote a male senior. "It's OK as long as it isn't done.

Dislikes Among their dislikes of dating at Harding, guys complaints were: not enough to do; no privacy; too much emphasis on marriage; and the feeling that girls are too seriously set on speedy, intimate relationships.

"It's OK when it's safe!" wrote one guy. "We need to do this, having a 'dream' person."

"I don't want to go to a movie or a dance," wrote a male senior. "We need dances! (no boning or sex, just dancing.)"

Harding girls listed among their dislikes some of the same complaints: no variety in things to do; too much teaching and pressure toward marriage; and the lack of privacy. However, the girls also complained about Harding men, saying they are scared to ask girls out; they feel a pressure toward marriage and serious relationship that is self-inflicted; they think of dating too seriously; and guys have "combination lock wallets.'"

The things guys like about dating at Harding are that it is inexpensive; they like the girls; it is easy to do, and girls are readily available.

Girls like the amount of activities going on at Harding and the club functions which allow them to ask guys out.

Both guys and girls overwhelmingly indicated their gratifications for the abundant supply of Christians from which to choose a mate and the unique Christian atmosphere at Harding.

"Harding students who date Christians are very aware of the third person on a date — God," wrote one guy. "What better way is there to have fun than when Jesus is there to share your joy and laugh?"

Guys regard Harding girls as a valuable commodity, describing them as "super sweet," "friendly," "high quality," and "quality fixes."

A sophomore girl wrote, "I LOVE and am thankful for the many Christian attitudes about dating. I am grateful for the respect I receive when dating here."

As one girl states it, "I like Harding dating because there is a good variety of Christian personalities. Everyone has their special 'dream' person. If we all look hard enough, yet with an open mind, we'll find him or her."

Perhaps one guy put it best when he listed his likes about Harding dating as: "The challenge. The thrill of victory. The agony of defeat."