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Official ceremonies to be held Monday

American Studies speaker to dedicate center

Series hosts Dallas mayor Monday

The American Studies Lecture Series will host its second speaker Oct. 4 at 7:30 p.m. when Jack Evans, mayor of Dallas, speaks in Benzon Auditorium.

Evans, a businessman and politician, is president and chief operating officer of Cullum Companies, Inc.

Evans opened to Evans Food Marts in 1947, but then merged with Wyatt Food Stores in 1953. When Kroger acquired Wyatt in 1958, Evans was promoted to divisional vice president.

In 1966 he resigned from Kroger to join Cullum Companies as executive vice president of Tom Thumb Stores. In 1969 Evans became president of Tom Thumb Stores and in 1977 was named president and chief operating officer of Cullum Companies.

Evans attended Dallas College, Southern Methodist University, Birmingham Southern College and the management program at Harvard Business School.

His qualities as a leader are suggested not only by his success in the business field, but also by his leadership appointments in many government and civic assignments.

In 1979 Evans was selected to head the city bond campaign. His leadership was accredited with the success of all seven propositions.

He served as chairman of the United Way campaign in 1978 and was president of United Way of Metropolitan Dallas in 1979.

Evans has served as president of DFW Metropoli Food Merchants Council, Salesmanship Club of Dallas, Texas Merchants Association and East Dallas Exchange Club.

Evans has been a board member of Southwestern Christian College.

Development Council reviews plan for administrative succession

At the Sept. 17-18 meeting of the president's Development Council, a plan for the succession for the president's office was discussed.

The plan was developed by the university's board of trustees within the last year to two years, according to Floyd Daniel, vice president for development.

According to the plan, if Dr. Clifton Ganus Jr., president of the university, is to die or become incapacitated, an interim president would be appointed by the board of trustees executive council and then approved by the board. The interim president would most likely not be chosen for the permanent position, Dr. Ganus said, but would probably be someone from within the institution.

"I believe the consensus in the administration is that if we have a man who is qualified then we would take him from within," Daniel said. "If not, then we'll go outside the institution."

After the appointment of the interim president, Dr. Ganus said, a search committee composed of board members, development council members, faculty and alumni would begin to seek a replacement.

A similar procedure would be followed at Dr. Ganus's retirement. He would give the board of trustees at least a year's notice. Ganus, who has been president since 1965, said, "Everybody has to retire sometime."

After he notifies the board, the search committee will be set up to take recommendations for the office.

"The reason for a search committee is to give all interested groups the opportunity to submit names of people they think would be capable of filling the office," Daniel said.

Daniel said Dr. Ganus would have the opportunity to submit the name of a person whom he thought would be a good replacement but that ultimately, by charter, it is the responsibility of the board of trustees to select a president.

"If he (Ganus) was going to designate someone, there would be no need for a search committee," Daniel said.

Dr. Ganus said the board's plan for administrative succession was developed by the executive committee of the board of trustees and that it was similar to the succession plans of many other institutions and businesses.

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Opinion
No one is laughing at juvenile pranks

To everyone who has ever written on a car with white shoe polish or dumped soap into the lily pool or collected enough glasses from the cafeteria to build a pyramid: no one is laughing.

Several times each year, car owners wake up one morning and find their vehicles smeared with white messages — numbers, suggested retail prices or club names. Each year the lily pool and the pools outside the American Heritage Center froth with the suds that quite a few people did not have other, more important jobs to do that day. They were not laughing at you.

Someone has to pay for the pictures for these people; someone has to pay for new cafeteria glasses. That is not as bad as the innocent students you’ve victimized.

The students here are not the only ones affected. For some reason, these juvenile pranks occur more often when the university is on campus, such as Homecoming and Spring Sing weekends. A prospective student’s first image of the campus may not be the redbuds, azaleas and cockskulls, but a lily pool full of dirty suds or a row of cars in front of Heritage with white numbers scrawled across them.

Stop laughing for just a minute; stop joking. Listen No one is laughing with you.

Letters to the Editor
Student supports chapel program

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to express both my approval and appreciation for the chapel presentation on abortion by Dr. Jim City.

From the overall reaction of the student body, it was obvious that quite a few people did not know what is actually involved in the abortion process. I feel that this is not a pleasant subject, if we, as Christians, are going to oppose this, we need to know why we disapprove.

It has been said that the subject was presented in a biased manner. I believe that every issue that we are faced with should be approached from the standpoint of our Christianity, using the Bible as our guide, not the standards of the world.

It is true that what we use our own minds to decide what is right and what is wrong and not take the word of others. If we do not know the facts on issues, we cannot make clear decisions.

Sincerely,
Lori Pittman

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Watt reinterprets Secretary’s role

Walter Florence

Watt, however, has reinterpreted the Secretary’s charge to oversee the management of the government’s 740 million acres of land. Instead of defending America’s last frontier against what George Will calls “the morals of the marketplace,” Watt has transformed the Department into an arm of profit-seeking corporate developers.

The dilemma between conservation and development evades simple solutions. Protecting the environment has economic drawbacks. It requires taxpayers’ money, raises the prices of some goods, and inhibits the creation of jobs. On the other hand, America’s treasures lie not in its skyscrapers and parking lots, but in its pristine forests, lakes and mountains. Once these tracts have been ravished of their resources, they can never again return to their former state.

So far during his term, Watt has opened up virtually all U.S. coastal waters to offshore drilling and mining firms irrespective of potential oil spills. He also has become a major buyer of federal lands in an attempt to raise revenue and lessen governmental interference. The initial sale, which will be followed by others, is huge and, however, numerous properties that the government no longer needs will return to private hands. However, eventually lands which deserve protection as wildlife refuges and national parks may be put on the block. It seems a sad irony that Reagan, who, after a few days, A. 668-2277
Guest Editorial

Begin needs more than a strongly-worded message

Editor's note: The following is a guest editorial written and submitted to the Bison by Kyle Beaty, a junior political science major.

If you remember the week or two before the massacre in Lebanon, President Reagan was riding high in the sky. The Palestinian Liberation Organization had been evacuated, our marines had left, and all the members of Reagan's cabinet were standing around congratulating one another.

However, the president-elect of Lebanon was murdered, and Israel moved into West Beirut to "prevent the danger of violence, bloodshed, and anarchy." Then some right-wing Lebanese Christian militiamen entered near the site, and they were within hearing-distance of the firing.

Subsequently, Reagan's Middle East victories and America's credibility went down the drain.

What lessons can be drawn from this recent tragedy? One thing is certain: you can't trust Menachem Begin.

The man's past history tells us that. What would you think of a guy who once blew up a hotel and killed 200 innocent people to express his political point of view? What about somebody upon whose head the British government once placed a $10,000 price? Certainly you wouldn't nominate such a person to win the Nobel Peace Prize.

I think it's time to restore a little Theodore Roosevelt, John Wayne and Harry Truman to our foreign policy. President Reagan should demand that Begin resign or else Israel will suffer complete abandonment by the United States.

Of course, Begin would call Reagan's bluff, at which time we should totally abandon Israel. This would result in a vote of no confidence for Begin in the Israeli Parliament (Knesset), a new government coalition would form, and the United States could resume support of Israel with a completely new understanding as to how the show is going to be run: we call the shots.

I remember Henry Kissinger's statement not long after the hostages were taken in Iran. He said that when the whole thing was resolved we ought to examine what it is that makes nations think they can behave towards the U.S. the way they do. I know the answer. They behave brazenly towards us because they don't respect us or our leaders, perhaps with justification. We are afraid to exercise power because we do not want to be accused of interfering in the internal affairs of other countries.

I suggest that we still suffer from the Vietnam Syndrome, which is essentially the unwillingness to do anything for fear it might be wrong. Well, if you don't do anything, you not only refrain from doing something wrong, you refrain from doing something right.

In politics there is one rule: you can do whatever you can get away with. (Begin has this statement engraved above his bathroom mirror, no doubt.) Reagan once described Carter's foreign policy as "weak, vacillating, amateurish, indecisive and confused." This was a true statement, deserving full acceptance.

However, after the events of recent weeks, unless Reagan does something more than send Begin a "strongly-worded message," his description of Carter's foreign policy may come back to haunt him.

People are what count in life

Christians in the World

Tony Bono

Time. I must have enough time to get up, eat breakfast, run to class, run to chapel, run to the business office, run to work, run home to eat dinner, run to the library, see my friends before curfew, then run home to talk to my roommate, then crawl to bed in exhaustion. Time...

Time is a struggle for me this semester. I even had a problem finding time to write this article. (I did it after work on their typewriter... I couldn't find time to do it anywhere else.)

There's not enough time to do what I want. But what do I want to do? I want to live a peaceful life, yet I find myself like one huge growing snowball headed downhill, somewhere, fast.

I think if there was a speed limit on life most Americans would have their licenses revoked. Look at how many heart attacks occur every year. And examine how many people suffer from high blood pressure, ulcers, and nervousness because of excess time pressure.

What I am thinking as I write this article is, well, it's getting late and I need to say what I want to say. I have to slow down so I don't speed by the real substance in life. Living fast just means we don't have enough time to glance at the important issues that pass us by and end up somewhere deep in our past.

What I believe is important in this life is people. People that have time for us make life mean something. Just to know that someone cares makes me feel special. And for several good reasons I think I just convinced myself to slow down.

I think how God made this whole universe and then found time (excuse the use of human terms) to send himself to earth to show people that He cared and wanted them to live right.

What a mess I would be if a friend of mine named Steve Johnson would have never found the time to walk downtown and to meet me, a stranger, on a street corner. What would have happened if he would never have taken the time to get to know me and to find out that my life was lacking? If it wasn't for God working through Steve I would not be a Christian now.

When I find time to read the Bible (I wish you could see my grin) I see a man named Jesus who made time for people. That's why he came here.

He found time to stop and heal a blind man that yelled for him when he was passing by (see Luke 18:35-43). When passing through a crowd Jesus found time to meet a man named Zacchaeus who had climbed a tree just to see him. Because Jesus loved him enough to spend time with him, the man changed his life (see Luke 19:1-10).

Besides God, people are what count in this life. They are the only difference we will make in eternity... and that's a long time.

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Completion of directories delayed by organizational, time problems

by Jane Gore

New student directories will not be ready on schedule, special projects committee chairman Charles Dupre announced at Tuesday night's Student Association meeting.

Dupre said that organizational problems and printing time would delay getting the directories ready, but that they should be available soon.

S.A. president Zac Muncy introduced the new freshmen representatives, Ron Cox and Angela McDonough, to the council members. Elections committee chairman Barry Blain reported that the class elections were not well. Muncy urged council members to think of ways to involve the new class officers in student affairs and to promote class unity.

Blair Bryan, S.A. vice president, asked for assistance with next week's guest speaker Mel Weldon. He also reported that Weldon will be speaking in Shores Chapel for his Saturday morning presentation. Weldon came to campus yesterday and will be here through tomorrow.

Muncy reported that he has been receiving positive feedback about his freshman orientation program. Though Muncy has not talked with the administration, he has been in touch with sources concerning possible locations for the golf course.

A lawn jamboree featuring the Suburban Yard Band has been set for Oct. 7 at 5:30 p.m. on the front lawn. The S.A. also approved a Nov. 9 concert by the band Double Barrel. That concert will be held in the south plaza.

Sophomore men's representative Grant Smith suggested that since so many bands are interested in performing on campus, some sort of "super-jam" should be planned. No action was taken concerning the jam.

Kim Burton approached the S.A. with a request that the S.A. sponsor a fund-raising campaign to aid in medical expenses for Chris Becker, a former student who remains in a coma following an automobile accident. The request was referred to married students representing Brian Beeson, who is a member of Delta Omega, Becker's social club. The S.A. recommended that Beeson ask Delta Omega to sponsor the fund-raising project.

The S.A. made $200 from Saturday's freshman transfer talent show. The S.A. voted to give the money to the spiritual life committee which will donate it to buy Bibles to be sent to Eastern Europe.

The council approved a fund-raising project for the Lady Bisons. The money will go toward the team's travel expenses. The Lady Bisons are sponsoring a Hammon Hitting Contest from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday at the old intramural field. The contest is open to clubs and individuals. It will cost 50 cents for five balls and $1 for 15 balls. The contest is open to adults and children.

A suggestion concerning campus housing and converting upstairs American Heritage into a hotel was turned over to the physical plant committee.

The council approved a motion for an S.A.-sponsored Haunted House.

Senior women's representative Juli Baker asked for support of Pink Flamingo Night, a take-off on night club and student life, which is scheduled for Halloween weekend. People interested in helping with the project should contact Baker or Eddie Madden, advertising committee chairman.

Cameron Spivey, president; Eddie Madden, vice president; Sherry Reed, secretary, and Mike Stewart, treasurer.

Freshman class officers are Richard Hawkins, president; Mandy Mullena, vice president; Terri Love, secretary, and Staci Baird, treasurer.

Also elected were freshmen women's representative Angela McDonough and freshman men's representative Ronald Cox.

Exam scheduled for Monday to test English proficiency

The Junior English Proficiency (JEP) exams were given Oct. 4 at 3:30 in Bible 100.

Those taking the test should bring pens, a dictionary and or a thesaurus, and their Harding identification cards to the test. The test is free of charge.

Students taking the test will be asked to write a 300-word expository essay on one of six topics during a 90-minute time period.

The JEP is open to any junior or senior who has not met the English requirement for graduation. The JEP is not the requirement, but English 249 is required. Juniors and seniors may take the test to prove they do not need English 249.

To be exempt from taking the JEP exam or English 249, one of the following requirements must be met. A student must score 630 or higher on the English Composition and Essay College Level Examinations Program (CLEP) exam as a freshman, or must earn an A or B in English 103 at Harding University or a C or higher in English 281. Transfer students who made an A in English at another college are exempt from taking the test.

It is strongly recommended that students take the test early in the junior year to allow for ample opportunities to pass the test.

Seniors are encouraged to enroll in English 249 their last semester if they have not passed the exam or met one of the exemptions. If the requirement is not met, the student will not graduate.

Class officers elected for year

Eighteen class officers were elected last week for the 1982-83 school year.

Senior class officers are Paul Starks, president; Greg Rector, vice president; Jennifer Schmid, secretary, and Kent Hart, treasurer.

Junior class officers are Britt Burcham, president; Jere Matthews, vice president; Michelle Ellis, secretary, and Jody Yee, treasurer.

Sophomore class officers are Cameron Spivey, president; Eddie Madden, vice president; Sherry Reed, secretary, and Mike Stewart, treasurer.

Freshman class officers are Richard Hawkins, president; Mandy Mullena, vice president; Terri Love, secretary, and Staci Baird, treasurer.

Also elected were freshmen women's representative Angela McDonough and freshman men's representative Ronald Cox.

Development offices move into American Heritage center. A reception area for three secretaries and five separate offices. The offices are occupied by Al Fowler and Gary Chambers, both certified public accountants; William Tucker, attorney, and Daniel. The four men are special representatives for the Development Office. There is one office for an additional employee who may be hired in the future.

The estimated cost for the project was $35,000.

"The offices are a better arrangement professionally and a better place to have outside clients who want to talk about contributing to Harding or to talk about estate planning," Daniel said.

Photographers

Today is the last day to apply for the position of Bison photographer for the spring 1983 semester. Resumes and letters of application should be mailed to Box 1192 by 5 p.m. today. Applicants should be prepared to submit samples of their work.

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A student's candidacy for a fellowship must be accompanied by a recommendation or a nomination from a faculty member addressed to the program's regional chairman. The stipend for those who enter graduate school in the fall of 1983 will be $7,000 plus payment of tuition and standard fees charged by their graduate schools.

The fellowships can be renewed for a second year on the recommendations of the graduate school concerned. Graduates may continue under certain circumstances until their Ph.D. is completed.

The awards are intended to be highly competitive, but any outstanding senior or recent graduate who is interested in the scholarship and can be attested as outstanding by a faculty sponsor is encouraged to compete.

Applications for the 1983 graduates should be completed by Nov. 5. Further information may be obtained by contacting Dr. Evan Ulrey, chairman of the speech department, who serves as campus coordinator for the program.

Reid elected to state office for accounting society

The Harding chapter of Phi Beta Lambda, a society for accounting majors, attended the Fall Leadership Conference in Fairfield Bay on Sept. 24 and 25.

At the close of the conference, four state officers were elected, with Harding's Ellen Reid being chosen as the state public relations director.

Other students attending the conference were Todd Shelden, vice president; Karen Koons, secretary; Tanya Newell, treasurer; Kelli Rowland, parliamentarian; Charles Dupre, historian; Michele Ellis, reporter; Dean Burton, Cindy Jarrett and Lorri Young.

Keynote speakers were Greg Marshall, author of Street Smarts; Senator Dale Bumpers, Arkansas' representative on the National Congressional Advisory Committee, and Phyllis Johnson, professor of accounting from the College of the Ozarks.

During the conference, state and local chapters made plans for the upcoming year. The theme chosen was "The Best Is Yet to Be." Chapters were encouraged to emphasize involvement with the community in areas of entrepreneurship, productivity and technology.

To increase membership involvement, an American Enterprise Day has been set for Nov. 15. Other activities discussed were raising money for a national headquarters in Washington, D.C. and participating in the March of Dimes Walk-A-Thon.

In addition to the Harding chapter, Phi Beta Lambda chapters from Arkansas State University, University of Arkansas, and University of Arkansas at Little Rock, along with various vocational schools and community colleges, attended the conference.

Don't Forget

Mel Weldon is speaking on self-management tonight at 6:59 in American Heritage Auditorium and tomorrow morning at 8:15 in Shores Chapel.

Singing, guitars popular at talent show last week

by Polly Chandler

A large and enthusiastic crowd turned out in Benson Auditorium for the Freshman-Transfer Talent Show last Saturday night to hear a lot of singing and guitar playing as well as other acts.

Singing was the most displayed talent in the show. With the exception of two bands, all were solo performers.

Most of the students chose familiar tunes, while several performed songs that they had composed. Guitar accompaniment seemed to be contagious and made the single piano solo a pleasant change.

The Time of Day trio served as Master of Ceremonies, performing between acts and raising the crowd with their hand-clapping and foot-stomping style. The highlight of their show came when they sang a currently popular country song called "Cow Patti."
Hicks, band will play for convention in Las Vegas

by Lisa Taylor

A longtime friend of many Harding-associated people, Chuck Hicks, also a graphic artist in the public relations office, and his brother Clint and sister Jeanne are planning to take off to Las Vegas Oct. 5 through 7 to perform at Caesar's Palace for the American Transportation Corporation Convention.

Their talent is music, coming from a family of music buffs. Chuck, a former Harding student, was a member of the "Time of Day" trio from 1971 to 1975 and has been keeping up his musical talent quite well.

Chuck, his brother Clint, who is a minister in Remmel, Arkansas, and his sister Jeanne, a secretary for the American College Testing Program in Searcy, have been performing together as a band for two years, after a few years' separation. The three have been playing in Little Rock on weekends at the Cantrell Road Steak and Ale restaurant and Coy's Restaurant on Rodney Parham.

While playing at Coy's one night earlier this year, two men associated with the American Transportation Corporation heard them play. "They came up to us after the set and asked us if we'd like to be the entertainment for their convention in October," Hicks said. "They will be playing for three nights for about four hours each night and we'll probably take requests the whole time," Hicks said.

Versatility shines through with this group as they play requests for their weekend shows, too. "In order to cut down on time, because we get so many requests, we like to sing medleys. We have a Willie Nelson medley, Roger Miller, B. J. Thomas, and we also sing some of Alabama's songs, some Kansas, Marty Robbins, and a Beatles medley," Hicks said.

Going to Vegas does not mean going big time for Hicks. "We're not aiming to do bigger and better by going to Vegas. Our goal there, as is our goal here, is to be a Christian influence. If they don't know anything else about me, I want them to know that," Hicks said.

After the trip to Vegas, the trio will be playing with their parents Oct. 12 in Benson Auditorium. "It's a benefit concert to raise money for the World Missions Workshop at Pepperdine," Hicks said.

Much of the money that they make is reinvested for a good cause. "We try to divide a lot of what we make among the Christian colleges and schools," Hicks said. "We're not in it for the money, we're in it for the people."

Being an entertainer has opened many doors to Chuck and his brother and sister. "Month after month, I've gotten to know hundreds of people," Hicks said. "We've all, as Christians, got to deal with people, and I believe God gave me a talent to help me with this."

"When we first started playing it was really depressing. People were from broken homes, on barbiturates, living with someone, or they didn't have any friends, but the predominant problem is lack of self-esteem," Hicks said.

There was always someone in the audience to make it worthwhile for Chuck, though, like the 60-year-old couple who responded to him after he introduced himself with "you're religious, aren't you?"

He has also received several letters from friends met night after night. "We've had conversions come out of this and restorations, the main thing is that we can't judge or condemn," Hicks said.

"We can work real well with the employees, too. We care about them just as much," he said.

The main approach is getting to know the people first as friends and then trying to help them. "I see all these pieces of people who come in; I want to find that little spark of life and help put the pieces back together," Hicks said.

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Looking dumb but feeling cool in cheap sunglasses

The sunglasses were on sale at Uncle Dudley's for $2, so my roommate and I each bought a pair. They are old sunglasses with very dark lenses, probably left over from the '50s. We look like the Blues Sisters in them. We wear these chic specs when we go driving. We probably look stupid, but we feel cool. Our personalities change a little when we put them on. Clothes can do that. Certain items we wear can make us feel a certain way. When we pull clothes out of the closet every morning, we aren't simply deciding what to wear; we are almost deciding what mood we will be in that day.

A cool, autumn nip of air bit the weather last week for the first time, so I dressed for it: I rummaged around and found my navy blue hooded Harding University sweatshirt. It makes me feel good. The fluffy nap inside rubs soft against my skin, and my hands gravitate toward the single pocket on the front. I feel secure. I love foul-weather gear. I'm waiting for a dreary, chilling rainy day so I can get out my two-tone plastic raincoat and my reinforced-toe fur-lined duck shoes. They make me feel like I'm bundled up safely against the storm.

Hats can have an immense influence on moods. My mother tells me I used to be afraid of hats on other people and that I wouldn't let my grandmother pick me up or kiss me when she came home from work until she had taken her hat off. But someone must have given me a hat one time, and I've loved them ever since.

The rust-colored wool beret makes me feel Parisian; when wearing it I am sometimes tempted to take a friend to a public place like Wal-mart and to pretend that I don't understand English.

The wide-brimmed straw hat with a diamond pattern woven into it makes me think of the beach town in Delaware where I bought it; I can almost feel the sea breeze threatening to blow it off.

The red baseball cap with the Arkansas patch on the front makes me feel like the farmer's daughter that I am. It should be worn with overalls and my oldest tennis shoes.

The Victorian blouse and ruffled skirt I bought this summer, made of yards and yards of this white cotton, makes me feel like a girl out of a British novel whose innocence is doomed. I feel an urge to traipse barefoot through fields of wild flowers on my way to a tryst in the forest. As the saying goes, clothes make the man — or the woman.

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Plummer turns fascination into career

by Karen O'Donaghy

How does one explain why they like what they like? This question is even harder to answer when your profession is that of a herpetologist. "Most herpetologists are born," said Dr. Michael Plummer, associate professor of biology, who is a professional herpetologist.

There are approximately 4,000 professional herpetologists in the world. Considering many other occupations have much larger numbers, that number is high when one considers that these 4,000 people work with poisonous vertebrates and other scary-looking creatures that most people could not be paid to handle.

Dr. Plummer said the only difference between his fascination with snakes and lizards and such is that he pursues a career in it, while most people leave their childhood curiosity behind and go on to other professions rather than becoming scientists.

For the past five years Dr. Plummer has been involved in various studies, and one of the largest involves the green snake. At night he and others would go to a lake at Bald Knob and clip belly scales on the snakes in a certain pattern.

Of the 350 snakes that have been tagged, there have been 2,000 recaptures. The snakes are then examined for growth and checked periodically. This study will continue until all the research is obtained.

Several other professors in the mathematics and chemistry departments have been assisting Dr. Plummer. Several students in the past have helped Dr. Plummer to gather growth data and have since gone on to graduate or medical school.

Another study they are doing has to do with lizards. There are signs in the science building that Plummer has to do with lizards. There are various studies, and one of the curiosity behind and go on to another. "One thing leads to another," When one question is solved, it raises others.

Dr. Plummer stresses that those who may have thought of being professional scientists need to get experience in research. He is interested in working with those who are willing to donate serious time and effort. There is also an upper level research course offered by the department.

Whether one is pursuing a medical career or wants to become a scientist, research is necessary. Dr. Plummer said, "That's the most important thing in graduate school. Classwork doesn't make or break you, but research does."

He said, "When it comes down to doing research, just knowing and liking the animals isn't going to get it. You've got to be measuring something and testing some sort of hypothesis about what the animals do, and when it comes down to it you got data and numbers and you have to plug them into a computer and get the data and write up the paper."

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Ragtime Review features music, dance, comedy

The Riverboat Ragtime Review will bring turn-of-the-century music and comedy to the campus during their performance Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Benson Auditorium.

The show is set on the River Queen and features a bill of eight music, dance and comedy acts headed by Mark Twain (played by Donald Cowen).

Cowen, a native of Fort Smith, has performed as Mark Twain at major summer stock theaters, colleges, universities, dinner theaters and Broadway theater league series across the country.

Among topics Twain will speak about are "Smoking and Other Bad Habits," "Advice to Youth," "Baker's Blue Jay Yarn," "On Sinning and Sundays," and "The Glorious Whitewasher."

This all-new show has a company of 15 performers, including Paul Gray and the Gaslight Gang with Claude "Piddler" Williams; Jeanne Trevor, the "songbird of the Mississippi River;" and the Hurricane Singers and Dancers.

Dr. Plummer has two children and he said the children and his wife are not afraid of the snakes and lizards because they know and have learned about animals. He said snakes don't make very good pets because they are not as active as a puppy or kitten, although they are "fascinating to watch."

The only reptiles kept alive in the campus research laboratory are the ones currently being researched. Some others are kept as specimens for other projects, but the reptiles are never killed for the sake of killing.

Research can go on forever. Dr. Plummer said, "One thing leads to another." When one question is solved, it raises others.

Dr. Plummer stresses that those who may have thought of being professional scientists need to get experience in research. He is interested in working with those who are willing to donate serious time and effort. There is also an upper level research course offered by the department.

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Paul Davis’s performance reflects attitude of crowd

Concert Review

David Wright

Davis’s ability as an entertainer was somewhat lacking. Whereas a few weeks ago Gene Cotton carried a one-man show largely on the strength of his rapport, built verbally between numbers, Davis’s inter-song comments mainly related to the fact that he was foregoing his custom of smoking on stage, to which the Harding crowd typically overresponded.

The show also suffered from numerous periods of prolonged silence between songs, destroying the act’s continuity. Davis’s band, light instrumentally, though indifferent in demeanor, provided a good reproduction of the studio sound in live performance. The band was strongly keyboard-based. With Davis on electric piano and Steve Childers and Robert Duncan manning an array of synthesizers and other electronic keyboards, this section provided sounds ranging from harmonica to pedal steel guitar to tack piano.

Bassist Art Titus gave a competent and unobtrusive performance. Perhaps his most memorable characteristic is his striking resemblance to the bass player on the Muppet Show.

Drummers Benny Rappa and Frankie Robbins, playing the perfect unison, brought the first dual-drum set-up ever on a Harding stage. Finally, bass guitarist Steve Hardwick, who was used for spot-leads, gave a thoroughly noncommittal performance; yet he showed shades of virtuosity at times.

Vocally, Davis was supported ably by Titus, Rappa and Duncan, who proved to be just as capable as a singer, if not better, than Davis himself. To say that the concert was disappointing would not be a fair description of the feelings of the entire crowd, since most of the people talked to seemed impressed. To say that the performance was nonchalant would be more accurate. Of course, that’s not all Davis’s fault.

There are many factors involved, but the success of Davis’s concert of recent music depends on how much the crowd gives to the entertainer, which prompts him either to give an all-out performance, or to simply go through the motions. The crowd of 600 last Tuesday night just wasn’t big enough to make the audience something special for the band, and they responded predictably.

In short, the crowd size was uninspiring, the performance uninspired.

McVie, a few weeks down the road, when more Harding students know who Paul Davis is, and when Paul Davis has figured in the fact that only a handful turned out for his Harding debut, he can return and we can give him the welcome a legitimate top-40 star deserves.

‘Mirage’ integrates varied talents

by Handy Anthony

Mirage-Fleetwood Mac (Warner Bros.)

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**Bisons pull out win over Southeast Oklahoma**

A long trip to Durant, Okla. paid off for the Bisons as they came home with their second victory of the season. Playing the Savages of Southeast Oklahoma State University, the Black and Gold squeaked out a 7-3 win.

Both teams struggled throughout the game for points, and neither could tally anything in the first two quarters. The Bisons threatened to score late in the first quarter, but a 48-yard field goal attempt by Harding placekicker Steve Hunter fell short.

Hal Showalter, the Savages' fine kicker and punter, missed a 38-yarder early in the second quarter, and Hunter kicked a 48-yarder wide right with eight seconds remaining in the half, to leave the score at 0-0 during intermission.

The big play of the game came midway through the third quarter, Southeast quarterback Doug Boydston dropped back and lofted a middle screen pass intended for tailback Bobby Ross.

Bison free safety Kevin Webb (32) details Southeast Oklahoma's Tony Gresham (44) during Saturday's game that ended in a 7-3 win for the Bisons.

Bisons to face Evangel Crusaders

by Ken Bissell

A new foe will enter the Harding football schedule when the Bisons take on the Evangel College Crusaders tomorrow in Springfield, Mo. Kickoff is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

The Crusaders are 1-2 so far this season, with losses to Missouri Southern (64-24) and Missouri Western (35-7). Their lone win came against Southwest Missouri State, by the score of 24-3.

Coach Denzy Duron has been an Evangel lifer since the Crusaders began their football program in 1977. The 1983 season could be the best for Duron.

Defensively, the Crusaders are led on the ground by tailback Ted Borgschatz. The 5 foot, 180-pound sophomore has rushed for 236 yards on 49 carries and three touchdowns, including 120 yards last week against Missouri Western.

A blow to the Crusaders' running game came last week when fullback Tony Dollinger went down with an ankle injury. He could be gone for the rest of the season.

Leadership is the strength of quarterback Jamie Wines. The 6-foot, 250-pound senior has connected on 32 of 62 passes for 425 yards. And if he can't do the job, sophomore Arlin Stacy is the man Duron calls on. Stacy has completed 19 of 36 passes for 191 yards and two touchdowns.

Defensively, left cornerback John Picolo is the mainstay in the Crusader's force. A 6-foot, 190-pound senior, Picolo was an honorable mention All-American in 1981 and is a consensus candidate this season.

Bob Bollinger (6 feet, 1 inch, 240 pounds) man a tackle spot, as does Richard George (6-3, 280). Both are very physical. Linebacker Gerald Dollar led the defense in tackles last year and is doing the same this season with 34.

On the Bison squad, injuries could take a big toll as triple threat Kyle Blickenstaff is probably out with a kidney injury he suffered last week. The injury will be costly, as Blickenstaff leads the team in passing, total offense and punting, and is the third leading rusher.

His backup, Todd Hubbert, is definitely out with an injury, so the man-under could very possibly be Brett Barnes. The southpaw has played well in practice and could be a worthy replacement.

Also out with injuries are receivers Don Shumate and Mark Hudson. Neither played against Southeastern Oklahoma. The Bisons did get two strong linemen back when senior Tom Martin and sophomore Philip Nannie saw limited action last week with good results.

Bisson linebacker Greg Poston stepped in to steal the aerial and promptly returned it 61 yards to the three yard line.

On the following play, Harding tailback Tony McCoy crashed over from three yards out to give the Bisons the lead. Hunter kicked the extra point, and the Bisons led 7-0.

Southeast put points on the board in the fourth quarter. Behind the running of fullback Tony Gresham and Ross, plus the passing of Boydston, the Savages moved down to the three yard line, but couldn't punch the ball over the goaline. Showalter was called on and responded with a 20-yard field goal while 8:46 remained in the contest.

Both teams battled until the final gun, concluding the contest with the Bisons on top, 7-3.

Statistical leaders for the Black and Gold were James Joyce, Kyle Blickenstaff and Durwood Dry. Joyce powered his way through the middle for 71 yards on 16 carries, while Blickenstaff gained 34 yards on seven rushes. Dry caught seven passes from his tight end position for 60 yards, including a 46-yarder. Slotback Mike Peacock grabbed three passes for 34 yards.

In the punting department, Blickenstaff boomed five for a 40.5 yard average, one of which was a 64-yard quick kick on a third down and long situation.

Tomorrow, the Black and Gold travel to Springfield, Mo. to go against the Evangel College Crusaders. Kickoff is at 1:30 p.m.

**Lady Bisons win first meet**

The Lady Bisons were victorious at their season-opening cross country meet Sept. 23 at Batesville.

The Lady Bisons finished with 27 points, just enough to edge the Lady Scots of Arkansas College, who finished with 29 points.

The two-mile hill course was a real battleground for the two teams, who finished in the same order last year as the only two teams in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference to compete in women's cross country in the first year of competition.

Leading the Lady Bisons was senior Maria Upton of Green- wood, Ind. as overall winner with a time of 15:28, followed by Lisa Jenkins of Crossett, Ark. with a time of 15:53.

Patty Fisher of Colorado Springs, Colo. was ninth with 15:53, followed by Leslie Huffman of Rogers, Ark. with a time of 17:25. Tracy Smith of Monticello, Ark. was 12th with a time of 19:42.

“We are inexperienced and have a lot of work to do, but we have time and will be a lot better by the time November rolls around,” coach Ted Lloyd said.

The teams were evenly matched with perhaps the exception of Upton, who has the benefit of experience, and probably made the difference for the Lady Bisons. The teams will meet again Oct. 8 in a 5,000 meter matchup at Batesville.

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Sitton sets sights on 1984 Olympics with Panama

by Betty Walkup
Everyone has dreams, but not everyone works to make them come true. Senior Tomy Sitton is actively working toward his dream: to be a runner for Panama in the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles.

Sitton is half-Panamanian. He was born in Virginia but moved to Panama when he was a year old and lived there for six years. His parents were divorced, and Tomy left Panama with his mother and brother. They moved to Atlanta where Tomy has since lived with his mother and stepfather.

Tomy's father still lives in Panama. His grandfather's cane and cattle. He is also wealthy and raises coffee, sugar cane and cattle. He is also influential in Panama's government.

Because of his grandfather's influence and his father's full citizenship in Panama, Tomy doesn't expect any trouble in getting dual citizenship there. Both Tomy's parents and step-parents have been very supportive of Tomy's choice to pursue his running dream.

Sitton's father was a runner in Panama. His younger days, and because of his influence, Tomy and his brother both chose running as their sport. Tomy's career in the sport began in the eighth grade at Greater Atlanta Christian School. He won many races there, including 16 regional championships.

Siteon chose Harding because coach Ted Lloyd's "good Christian morals" lured him here over Oklahoma Christian's offer of a full scholarship, he said.

Sitton's specialty is the 800-meter run. His best time was 1:52, which he recorded last spring in the AIC championship in Arkadelphia.

At present, Sitton's time is fast enough to qualify him for the Panama team, but he will still have to run his best there to make it. He has been in touch with the coach there, who also thinks that Tomy can succeed.

After graduation in May, Tomy hopes to qualify with Panama and run in the Pan-Am games in Venezuela.

This meet is for Central American teams. The United States is a participant, and Sitton said, " anytime the U.S. goes to anything, it's considered a big meet."

Sitton is a positive believer in sports psychology. He feels that he is running better than he ever has. "I worked on my confidence a lot last year, and that's what made a big turnaround. I learned how to relax and be more confident. You lose a lot of energy when you get nervous," he said.

The weather in Panama will be a big adjustment for Sitton. He said, "The weather there zaps you. One to two hours in the sun there is equal to eight hours here."

Temperature averages 100 degrees in the summer in Panama, and he can't really prepare himself here for the difference.

Sitton runs with the Bison cross country team. They average 12 weekly workouts. Most members run up to 80 miles a week.

Sitton said, "Running and discipline are really close together." Instead of blowing off a couple of hours a day, he must budget his time so that he can run in the afternoon, have time for supper and still have quality study time left.

This semester Sitton is carrying a 17-hour course load; he is graduate assistant for the Lady Bisons track team; he is a member of Phi Alpha Theta, the history honor society and the American Studies Program, and still he maintains a 3.1 grade point average.

Sitton realizes that he must make sacrifices. "Like Coach says, 'any good runner has got to give up something,' so it's my social life right now, I guess," he said. "But I think it'll be worth it in the long run; I think it'll happen; if it isn't, it wasn't meant to be."

Sitton has run for the University team for the past four years, and this fall is the last season he is eligible to run. He will graduate in May with a bachelor's degree in social science.

Returnling players, newcomers bring added depth to Bison netters

by Brent Alexander
The 1982 tennis team is full of talent this year as several players are returning from last spring and a superb group of newcomers more than adequately fills the spots left by last year's graduates.

"We have more talent than we've ever had," said tennis coach David Elliot. "In fact, this could have some drawbacks because some of those who have played with us before won't be playing as much as they would like to."

Returning from last spring's team are Arthur Ashe Award runner-up David Redding; All-District selection Nigel Liverpool; Rex Fowler, who is coming back after suffering a broken nose last year; Nat Malone; Kent Mays and Keith Mayes.

"We will have good leadership from our three seniors (Redding, Fowler and Casey) but I'm expecting one of our most important leaders to be Nigel, a sophomore," Elliot said.

New members to the squad include Peter Nantun, Kingstown, St. Vincent; West Indies; Donnie Wallis, Searcy; Dale Thompson, Memphis; Jon Wood, North Little Rock, and John Goodspeed, Pine Bluff.

The Bisons have won the district contest the last two years. They came in second last year in the conference after being nudged out in the last month by Southern Arkansas University. According to Coach Elliot, SAU will again definitely be the toughest competition for the Bisons. Arkansas Tech has acquired some new talent and could become a contender also.

The Bisons will travel to Hendrix Oct. 1 and 2 to play in their first tournament. Redding, Liverpool, Fowler, Thompson, Wallis and Wood will be playing singles for the Bisons, and Peter Nantun will play doubles. The Bisons won this tournament last year and are expected to fare well again.

The Bisons will be playing in two other tournaments soon. Because of their outstanding depth, one squad will be playing in Texarkana, while the other will travel to Pine Bluff the same weekend. These tournaments will be Oct. 16-17. The Texarkana tournament will draw teams from the University of Arkansas, Texas A & M, Texas Tech, Louisiana State University and Rice University along with Harding and several other schools participating.

The Bisons will travel to Christian Brothers College in Memphis Oct. 5 for their first fall dual match.
Callers optimistic about reaching goal

Pledges total almost $1.5 million in phonothon

by June Middleton

In his letter to the alumni, President Clifton Ganus Jr. called it "the largest single fund-raising challenge in the school's history." The $3 million alumni "Never before have we tried anything so massive." — David Crouch challenge, conducted through a phonothon, began Sept. 12 soliciting alumni for funds needed to balance the University's operating budget.

The 1982-83 budget requires $1 million in addition to the tuition and fees that students pay. The phonothon's goal is for alumni to give $2 million over the next five years. This requires 2,500 alumni to pledge $240 a year or $20 monthly.

In addition to the money raised from the phonothon, a member of the board of trustees and a member of the President's Development Council, have both chosen to remain anonymous, have pledged one dollar to every two dollars raised.

David Crouch, director of placement and alumni relations and organizer of the phonothon, said, "A phonothon is not unique to Harding. What is unique is that never before have we tried anything so massive. It takes 2,500 marathons just to complete the calls. That doesn't count the hours of alumni research."

Each night 30 callers are needed to staff the phones, and each night the callers try to complete 30 phone calls each to alumni. To attain the goal of $2 million, more than 9,000 alumni homes must be contacted. Each caller should average $4,400 in gifts and pledges.

The phonothon is being held each Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday night from 6 to 10 p.m.

"We're off to a much faster start than we anticipated," Crouch said. After the first three nights, 675 alumni had been reached.

"We've found since 1971, it's a good way to get people in the habit of giving. People who pledge every year we don't call far, James has raised over $20,000.

"I don't know if there are any secrets to being successful in this work, except for common sense," he said.

Several members of the faculty have been especially fortunate in obtaining large pledges from a single call. Dr. Arthur Shearin, associate professor of music, raised $5,600 dollars from one call, and Scott Bellamy, director of admissions, called two alumni and received $5,000 in pledges from each.

Faculty and staff are not the only ones who can participate. Bill Harris, a resident of Searcy and one of the hardest working volunteers, offered his services and so far has completed the most calls.

Students as well are encouraged to volunteer as callers, and several students have worked at the phonothon. David Ransom, a graduate student with a bachelor's degree in psychology, said, "Right now I don't have the money to give, so I thought I'd give my time."

Another recruit, Kim Naff, said, "I really support Christian colleges, and I would do anything to help this college to keep the spiritual growth going."

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— Kim Naff

Faculty and staff members phone alumni as they try to raise $2 million for the University's development campaign. Calls will continue through Oct. 14.

Five Bisons honored

Five football players received "Bison of the Week" recognition for their performances in Harding's 7-3 victory over Southeastern Oklahoma last Saturday.

They are offensive back James Joyce, offensive lineman Durward Dry, defensive tackle Ron Kohlbrand and defensive backs Kevin Webb and Bruce Baldwin. Baldwin also received the specialty team honor.

Joyce, a junior from Huntsville, Ala., rushed 79 yards in 16 carries to lead the Bison runners and received a grade of 86 percent on the game film.

Dry, a junior from Merrill Island, Fla., caught two passes for 89 yards, including one for 48 yards, to grade a high of 84 percent. Kohlbrand, also from Merrill Island, was credited with three tackles and six assists to lead the defensive crew and record an 85 percent in the game film. A senior from Searcy, Webb had four solo tackles and two assists in the secondary to go along with five solo stops by Baldwin. Both players graded out at 89 percent.

Baldwin took specialty team honors with a 100 percent score. He returned five punts for 63 yards against the Savages.

Barefoot Shoes are disappearing from the library. Watch for the story in next week's Bison.