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New academic scholarships adopted for next fall

by Carol Landerfelt

The University has recently adopted a plan to award 15 new scholarships to incoming freshmen for the fall of 1984. According to Durward McGaha, director of admissions, the idea was presented to Dr. Clifton Ganus, University president, just before Christmas and is already being put into action.

The name given to the new scholarships is Trustee Scholar Awards. McGaha said that he believes the name was selected because Ganus wanted to honor the trustees, "who have done so much for the University."

Five of the 15 awards will be for full tuition, five for half tuition, and five for one-third tuition.

To qualify for the scholarships students must meet the following requirements:
- have a 3.0 or higher ACT composite score,
- have a 3.5 grade point average, be a full-time resident student, possess leadership ability, have a good moral character, be a member of one of the churches of Christ, and be a new student with less than 14 transferable semester college hours.

In addition, a student must fill out a data sheet and write an essay to be eligible for one of the scholarships.

A scholarship committee has been selected to judge the qualifications of applicants and decide on the final 15 recipients. The individuals who will judge were chosen for their interest in the program and their neutral positions in school affairs to insure complete fairness in the selection process.

Comprising the committee are McGaha; Robby White, assistant to the president; Ted Altman, dean of students; Neale Fryer, vice president of academic affairs; and Virgil Beckett, registrar.

"Presently the University awards close to $1,000,000 in scholarships a year," McGaha said. "The new Trustee Scholar Awards will increase that number significantly," he added.

According to McGaha, money for the new scholarships will have to be raised. There is not a special fund already available for these awards. Once a student is awarded one of these scholarships, he must have a 3.25 GPA the first year, and a 3.50 GPA the final three years and be a full-time resident student in order to maintain it.

In summary McGaha said, "We have adopted this scholarship plan so Harding can be more competitive in seeking out students with high scores."

Festivities to feature New Year's party, 60th anniversary

The Student Association and the Student Affairs Committee will sponsor a New Year's Eve Party in the Student Center tonight from 10-12.

The party will double as an anniversary celebration for the University. It will mark the University's 60th year as a four-year institution and its 50th anniversary in Searcy.

An informal presentation will be made in honor of the anniversary according to Kyle Beatty, S.A. president. He said the idea of combining the two parties came from the Petit Jean staff.

The evening will start with a movie which had not been chosen at press time, according to Beatty. After the movie the party will begin in the Student Center at 10 p.m. All students will be given late permission until 12:30 a.m.

Senior Greg Foster, a disc jockey for KPCA, the campus radio station, will spin the discs for the New Year's bash. Along with Foster, a live band consisting of several members of the Belles and Beaux and their friends will perform.

There will also be a nood contest. The student dressed up like the biggest nood will win a dinner for two at a favorite restaurant of Western Sizzlin'.

A small admission fee may be charged. Beatty said. For that fee, students will receive party hats and noisemakers to be used at midnight. Ginger ale and popcorn will be served.

At midnight the band will play "Auld Lang Syne," and balloons will be dropped to celebrate the "new year."

Why have a New Year's celebration in February? "The main reason for the whole thing is that students aren't here over New Year's," Beatty said. "Besides, it wouldn't be the any big deal to have it when you are supposed to have it."
Secure future dividends with wise investments

The University is constantly changing. In fact, this week’s Bison looks at some of the changes of the past 60 years. Recently the changes have been not only numerous, but monumental.

We’ve said goodbye to the old and are saying hello to the new. We now have women’s softball, volleyball and basketball, a new business building and auditorium, a new women’s curfew, a new pledging system and a new endowment fund. We have a new dean and a new vice president. In three years we will have a new president.

The changes occurring now are crucial, almost frightening. The administration and faculty realize their importance: changes must be made to attract possible students and support the institution financially while ensuring that the ideals of the University will continue. Any new concept must be carefully analyzed before being adopted.

Thus far the changes have been well thought, yet progressive.

The most recent well-thought and long-awaited change is the addition of the Trustee Scholar Awards. After years of hearing complaints over the inequity of academic scholarships to athletic scholarships, the University is finally offering incoming students a chance for more than the meager ACT scholarships. Although they are still incomparable to athletic scholarships, they symbolize positive change.

Investing in academics, like investing in a well-made part of an automobile, will keep the University running with fewer tune-ups and fewer breakdowns. Academic awards like these help support the financial cycle of the private university.

The scholarships tempt top students. With a larger number of brighter students enrolled, class competition increases, which forces teachers to raise academic standards. By raising standards a university’s reputation grows, attracting even more top students. It follows that more students elect to attend a more reputable university.

And the cycle continues because these students usually contribute the most financially to the university after they graduate. Time and service are important to the continuation of a school, but so is money.

The University is making a wise investment; with time the dividends will come.

—E.M.M.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rock music creates negative influence

To the Editor,

This letter is in response to a column by Mark Hutson in the January 27 issue of The Bison, entitled “Yes and Rolling Stones still creating super albums.” Mr. Hutson says in his article that such groups have reached what he calls a “magical level of creativity.”

The following facts will describe what type of creativity these groups actually possess, and will hopefully give all Bison readers a clearer picture of the type of music that Mr. Hutson “applaudes out of admiration and gratitude.”

It is said historically that rock music had it’s beginning in 1954 in Cleveland when disc jockey Alan Freed used the term “rock ‘n’ roll” to characterize the music revolution that was just beginning. The expression “rock ‘n’ roll” is a descriptive expression from the ghetto community which refers to fornication.

There is a serious concern among sociologists who are studying the potential effects of the most currently popular styles of music: punk rock, new wave, pop and hard rock. Some disc jockeys are pressing for the right to refuse to play tunes that promote illicit behavior.

Drug overdoses have been reported as the cause for death for leading performers such as Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix, Jim Morrison, Brian Jones, Gram Parsons, Keith Moon, Tommy Bolin and Sid Vicious, who are all from prominent rock groups.

Bob Laren, author of the book Rock, summarizes the negative influence: “Lyrics present themes of drugs, sex, perversion and blasphemy, and groups who portray images of sexual licentiousness and drug advocacy.” It is opposed diametrically to Christian living. For example, Rod Stewart asks in one of his songs, “Do Ya Think I’m Sexy?” The song by Donna Summer called “Bad Girls” cries out for “hot stuff.” Not all are rock songs: as we think back there have been such titles as “Strangers in the Night,” a song about a couple who had an intimate relationship before dawn.

Here is a list of top ten hits of a particular period: “Let’s Make a Baby,” “Afternoon Delight,” “Hot Child in the City,” “Torn Between Two Lovers,” “I’m in You,” etc. In a song called “Night Moves,” there are the lyrics: “We were just young and restless and bored, living by the sword. And we’d steal every chance we could. . . . I used her, she used me, but neither one cared.”

David Noebel, noted author and lecturer in the field of rock music, said in Promotion Booklet No. 4 that the Rolling Stones manager admitted that “pop music is sex and you have to hit them (young people) in the face with it.” In 1971 John Lennon said to the Rolling Stone magazine that the Beatles were engaged to push drugs through their music.

Noebel said, “rock has turned many of our American young people into sex machines. It has degraded love, sex and marriage while upgrading lust and perversion. While attacking God, Jesus, the Bible and Christianity it has expressed ‘Sympathy for the Devil,’ the name of a song by the Rolling Stones. It has also opened the door to the occult and paganism. It promotes and sustains the drug culture.”

Henry David Thoreau once wrote, “If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer.” Who are the drummers that are beating out the tunes to which America is marching?

As Paul said to the Romans, “Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.” (Romans 12:1-2)

We are becoming anesthetized to evil and are quickly getting to the place where we do not blush at evil. We need to arise out of our sleep before it is too late. Finally, encourage creative alternatives. Reserve (continued on page 3)
'Cross Creek' hurt by sluggishness, too much sentimentality

Fulfilling a dream and finding yourself in the process seems to be a major theme found in films. A recent successful effort using this theme is the brilliant musical 'West Side Story.' However, not all attempts can be that successful. The new release, 'Cross Creek,' is one of these unsuccessful efforts.

'Cross Creek' is based on the memoirs of Margorie Kinnan Rawlings, author of 'The Yearling.' This endless, too sentimental movie traces her growth from an unsuccessful writer of gothic romances to her fame as the popular writer of human interest stories. Although the idea is a noble one, the movie never fulfills its promise and, instead, is only a pretty but empty look at this woman's life.

The story begins with Marjorie (Mary Steenburgen) living the life of a discontented wife and frustrated writer in New York City. Rawlings buys an orange grove in Florida intending to live there with her husband and write all in the peaceful setting. However, her husband refuses to share Rawlings' dream and she must go alone to Florida.

In Florida, instead of finding the luscious, peaceful setting she had expected, Rawlings finds a rundown orange grove and a major obstacle to the fulfillment of her dream, but her spirit never wavers. Rawlings immediately begins to try to make her grove at Cross Creek into the haven for her writing that she always meant it to be.

Besides Rawlings' efforts to make Cross Creek into a home, the majority of the movie explores her stormy relationships with her new neighbors. Although hesitant at first, Rawlings soon grows to love the eccentric Marsh Turner (Rip Torn) and his young daughter Ellie (Dana Hill), whose only friend is a yearling named Flagg. She finds herself the employer of a strange but wise black girl named Geechee (Alfre Woodard) who soon has Rawlings trying to get her boyfriend out of the state prison. Of course, Rawlings also finds a love interest in hotel owner Norton Baskin (Peter Coyote), a man she does not want to marry but cannot seem to resist.

'Cross Creek' tells how these people enter Rawlings' life and turn her into a more caring human being. They help her find herself and change her from a woman who writes Gothic tales into a writer who discovers that the best things to write about come from personal experiences and believable human beings.

Director Martin Ritt captures the exotic beauty of central Florida making 'Cross Creek' a visual treat. However, the beautiful photography alone cannot sustain this two hour picture. The maudlin storyline and predictable, maudlin dialogue destroy whatever potential the movie has. Long gaps without action or dialogue can be found throughout the movie, having no effect except to make the audience impatient or sleepy.

The acting is good but certainly not outstanding. Oscar winner Steenburgen portrays Rawlings with sensitivity but her performance lacks emotion. She is often stiffed and never shows the wide range of emotions essential to Rawlings' character.

The best acting comes from Rip Torn as Marsh Turner and Alfre Woodard as Geechee. Torn portrays the eccentric, slightly crazy Marsh with zest. Torn adds the emotion and spirit that is badly needed in 'Cross Creek.'

Woodard's Geechee is a comic delight. Her delivery is fast and perfectly timed. Woodard makes the perfect foil for Steenburgen's Rawlings.

'Cros Creek' is a new being shown at The Other Center and at UA Cinema in Little Rock. Although Torn and Woodard's acting and Ritt's directing are exceptions, 'Cross Creek' remains too sentimental, too long and too slow to be recommended. The idea is good but a meeker script is needed to make 'Cross Creek' a truly enjoyable movie. Note: 'Cross Creek' is rated PG due to the use of strong language.

Spectator religion stifles closeness

I can't stop chewing tobacco! I need your help," he said. "Whenever I go to town I want you to go with me. Then I won't buy it."

What is confession? It's not walking down the aisle and handing the preacher a card saying, 'I've sinned.' Why not? I haven't confessed a specific weakness and no one knows how to help me. We're all sinners. I confess weakness so my brother or sister can help. Not as psychological penance.

What do we confess? We don't want to expose our dirty laundry to others. Believers aren't close. We've sinned. I confess weakness so my brother or sister can help. Not as psychological penance.

"Christianity," we say. Why? Most of us go at least in part to find new relationships. Do we find them? Usually not. Although smaller than the College congregation, it's not small enough.

Where can we find this intimacy? Not in the Benson Auditorium. Rather in our rooms on our knees. We have great spiritual activities planned at Harding, but we need fellowship. Every mass media event must be matched with personal events. Christians need to share our lives. Every Thursday night we escape the four walls of our dorm rooms to go to the Lily Pool devotional. Why? Most of us go at least in part to find new relationships. Do we find them? Usually not. Although smaller than the College congregation, it's not small enough.
Spring enrollment closes at 2720

Spring semester enrollment officially closed Monday, with 2,720 students registered, according to Virgil Beckett, registrar.

The enrollment figure is "about normal," Beckett said.

Enrollment is down about 150 students from last fall but this is expected between the fall and spring semester due to December graduates, Beckett said.

According to Beckett, there has been a continuous drop in enrollment since the 1980-81 school year.

This is partially due to a decrease in 18-year-olds coming out of high school which is a result of a decline in the birthrate, Beckett said.

Iceberg wins audience in fifth appearance
by Eddie Madden

Beginning with flashing lights, billowing smoke and his own rich rendition of the Walt Disney World song which, he said, told the story of his new songs that the crowd

One of his new songs that the crowd

"Iceberg Machine." He played sounds including heavenly voices, a laughing woman, pigs into his song, which incorporated several short pieces from classical melodies, a girl

And Try using the "Six Days A" opening number, as he

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Friendly Week to celebrate Valentine’s Day

"Be Nice to Faculty and Staff!" Day will be Wednesday, Feb. 15. Students are expected to be nice to members of the faculty and staff by making a special effort to get to know them better.

In honor of the Bison game on Thursday it will be "Be Nice to the Bison" Day. That night at the game the S.A. will sponsor a concert at the social clubs, according to Charles Dupre, S.A. Special Projects Committee Chairman.

The prize for the winning club will be a party hosted by the S.A. Details of the contest will be announced in chapel and signs will be posted around campus.

Also taking place on the night of the game is the crowning of the Winter Festival Queen, an annual event sponsored by GATA social club.

Friday will be "Be Nice To Students" Day. The day will be topped off with the showing of the movie "Six Weeks," starring Mary Tyler Moore and Dudley Moore at 7 and 9:30 p.m.

The success of the week will depend mostly upon the students. "It will be up to the people to be nice," Kyle Beatty, S.A. president said.

The finale of the week will be a coffeehouse on Saturday featuring Tiara Til. It is a husband and wife team consisting of Stephen W. Kenyon and his wife, Janey Wing.

The musical duo plays "down home" country and folk tunes. They play such instruments as the mountain dulcimer, hammered dulcimer, mouthbow, clog doll, washboard and mandolin.

Tiara Til has recorded two albums on the Arctic Rose label featuring their original songs.
Happy Anniversary!

Most students are aware of parts of Harding's history. We've frequently heard stories from alumni faculty members and brief summaries from President Casus. Something has been going on "near the foothills of the Ozarks" and in Morrilton for 60 years. On the following pages, the Bison details the history of Harding College and the University to offer readers a chance to know some of the lesser known and lighter aspects of "our glorious Alma Mater."

This year is not just any year as far as the University is concerned. 1984 marks the 60th year of the school's existence and the 205th anniversary on the Searcy campus.

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This story was compiled by staff writer Linda Ford from various sources.
How should I name thee? Let me count the ways.

by Cacky Supplee
Reno Daily News

"Pattie Cobb," "Armstrong," "Benson," "Olen Hendrix." We use these terms every day to refer to the familiar places we go to on campus. Are we "taking these names in vain," so to speak, or do we know the people behind the structures? Most of us don't. According to Dr. Joe Pryor, professor of physical science, a building is named after "the individual, family, or foundation who has played a significant role in the history and development of the institution or who has made a major contribution to its erection."

Individuals such as L. C. Sears, B. F. Rhodes and others dedicated many years serving the University. One such man was J. N. Armstrong, one of the original founding fathers of Harding College who served as the first president from 1924-1929. After retiring as president, Armstrong remained at Harding as chairman of the Bible department until his death in 1944. "He was a tremendous Bible teacher who had the ability in inspire students with the will to do right," Pryor said.

Along with Armstrong, L. C. Sears played an important role in the early years of this institution, his association with the school extending back to its origins in Morrilton. He served as academic dean for 36 years, 1924-1960. Also an "excellent" English teacher, Sears excelled in Shakespeare and Chaucer, Pryor said. Sears presently lives in the stone house next to the American Studies building, appropriately near to the school he faithfully served and the dorm which is named for him.

One of the two oldest structures on campus, Pattie Cobb Hall, is not named for that "little old lady who serves the green beans," but for a historical figure from Harding's past. The mother of Mrs. J. N. Armstrong and the grandmother of L. C. Sears, she was the second wife of James A. Harding, for whom the University is named, Pryor said. B. F. Rhodes, another of the men who initiated Harding, served as the chairman of the history and economics department from 1924 until his death in 1947. The Rhodes Memorial Field House, or "Old Gym," honors his memory.

"Why do they call it Grad dorm when mainly undergraduates live there?"

— Bob Guillou

Another influential figure in Harding's history was Florence M. Catcath, an elementary teacher who served as dean of women from 1924-1930's. Among her contributions to Harding, she wrote the Alma Mater along with L. O. Sanderson.

University's traditions include striving

by Eddie Madden
Your feature editor

We've all heard about Harding's record of striving for excellence, or its "history of quality" as one brochure says. Though students sometimes may become bored with the hype, we have to admit, there are some areas in which the University really excels. One such area, according to Dr. Don England, professor of chemistry, is Harding's record for admission of applicants to medical school. Nationally, he said, about 45 percent of applicants are accepted to schools. At Harding, however, around 65 percent of all applicants are accepted.

A year ago, he claimed, the medical college admission test results for the University were "phenomenal." The average score for University students that year was approximately equal to the average score required for admission to medical school.

Why does the University have such a high ratio? "By and large we're dealing with very high quality students," England said. "And there's no substitute for strong motivation and determination."

"Secondly," he said, "the overall strength of the science program at Har-
vays...

building, the Exnall Bible Center, dedicated in 1959, is named in honor of the late chairman of the Board of Trustees, who had been a major contributor to the campus. The dedication plaque in the center is a major attraction.

The board for Harding's Heritage Center is named for Dr. Joseph H. Strong, a leading figure in the development of the institution. The center is named after Strong, who served as president of Harding from 1919 to 1943.

Cleveland, Ohio, donated to the building of the library, John Mabee American Heritage Center and J. E. Mabee Business Center were built because of the contributions of the Mabee foundation, a foundation particularly generous to Christian institutions, Fowler said.

The name "American Heritage" stemmed from the emphasis of the National Education Program housed in the center. The N.E.P. stresses "what our forefathers were seeking; a strong belief in God and individual ownership of property," Pryor said. The building was originally intended for a "summer study center" for seminars and workshops, with private rooms available to guests and alumni for a nominal fee, he said. But, before the plan was implemented, "a need for dorm and classroom space arose," he said.

As a few buildings, such as the Science building and the Physical Education-Athletic Center, were opened to undergraduates, the center became a focal point for academic and extracurricular activities. The N.E.P. stresses excellence, therefore the center has become a hub for students and faculty alike.

Since 1969, Harding also has been a part of the AIC Cliff Shaw Scholar Athlete Award competition. Beginning with Joe Highower, the first winner, and continuance to Kyle Bickenstaff, last year's winner, the University has produced a winner in the competition five out of the past 12 years, with eight in total. The award is given to a graduating senior with the highest average grade point in all conference athletics and who has completed 24 credits in a major field.
Wendy’s leads the pack of favorite local hangouts

by Jamie Doctor

Bohan tbe we about quality stuff mentions the management really good and hungry at night and Wendy’s bas the best purpose of eating. night usually lly carefree place to kon “ilff you be there and woven’. bas the best.

Junior Wendy’s After the ballgame, the three visits per week seem to most recurring place to go after a ballgame or off and on between 7 p.m. and ’

RobinsOn thinks the food and we’re going. “It’s one of the first places you think of when you first get here in the summer, but I don’t go very much in the winter.”

Robyn Robertson.

Drinking a Coke is a good excuse for checking out the local hot spot for (from left) sophomores Alisia Felts, Cindy Howard, Carrie Childs and junior Robyn Robertson.

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Students selected to participate in regional College Bowl competition

Five students were selected for the intercollegiate College Bowl team which will travel to College Station, Texas to participate in regional competition at Texas A & M University on the weekend of Feb. 24 and 25. The students are Greg York, a student at Harding Graduate School of Religion in Memphis, senior Neil Thompson, senior David Smith, senior Kyle Northam and senior Britt Burcham. The group currently meets each Tuesday for an hour to polish their skills.

College Bowl sponsors Dr. Larry Long, associate professor of English, Dr. Fred Jewell, professor of History, and Dr. Dennis Organ, chairman of the English department, selected and will accompany the team.

This year marks the fourth consecutive year that the University will be represented in regional competition. Last year’s team finished third overall, competing against such schools as Texas A & M, Tulane University and Louisiana State University.

It is hard to predict what place the team will finish, according to Long. “You never know who you’re going to draw to play or what questions will be asked,” he said.

The regional competition will include teams from Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas.

Academic honor society asks 55 to become new members

Fifty-five students have been selected for membership to Alpha Chi, the national academic honor society. A student must have earned a minimum of 24 semester hours at the University, and have either a 3.75 GPA on 40 or more hours or a 3.50 GPA on 104 or more hours to be eligible for membership in the Arkansas Eta Chapter of Alpha Chi.

The purpose of Alpha Chi is to promote and recognize scholarship and to qualities of character that make scholarship effective for good, according to Dr. Joseph Pryor, chapter director.


Senior art shows

Week-long senior art shows begin this Sunday in the Stevens Art Gallery. Keith Ann O’Neal’s show will be Feb. 5-10 followed by Jim Dotson’s show Feb. 12-17. Others will follow throughout the semester. Visit and support these shows.

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Lady Bisons play improved basketball despite recent losses

The Lady Bisons have had difficulty in putting two good halves together for another win despite playing very well at times. The girls have dropped their last four games to Arkansas Tech, 88-41; ASU Beebe, 101-80; Southern Baptist, 120-47 and Arkansas Baptist, 66-42 in the last two weeks.

"We play at least one good half, but have trouble putting a good game together," said Coach Phil Watkins.

Against Arkansas Tech, the leader in the AAC, the Lady Bisons held them for 12 points for several minutes in the first half with a good defensive effort.

Monday, against Arkansas Baptist, the Lady Bisons shot 2 for 20 from the field, missing shots that they would normally hit, according to Watkins. "Foul hurt us, too," added Watkins. "We had 18 fouls in the first half. We cut down on our turnovers, but made up for it by fouling more.

Since Christmas, the Lady Bisons' free-throw shooting percentage has dropped sharply. Shooting above the AAC average in free-throws before Christmas, the sudden decline has put them below the AAC average and hurt them especially against Arkansas Baptist.

One of the top players for the Lady Bisons, Lynette Gardner, is suffering from a bruised kneecap sustained when she fell on a metal strip near the court in a recent game. "She's hurt us not being at full speed," said Watkins.

"Our defense was bad before Christmas so we worked on it and then our offense fell off; so we worked on our offense and our free-throw shooting dropped off," said Watkins.

The Lady Bisons will have a tougher schedule next year when they enter the AAC and compete for the conference title. The girls voted to join the AAC in a special meeting. According to Watkins, the girls voted 10-1 to get into the conference and were very excited about it.

They know what to expect in the AAC, having already played three of the top four teams in the conference this year: Arkansas Tech, Arkansas College and University of Central Arkansas.

The Athletic Department will be able to provide 12 tuition scholarships next year for the girls, which should bring in several new athletes. Watkins has 35 or 40 prospects for next season and has already offered a couple of scholarships, but doesn't expect any responses until the final signing date later this spring.

The scholarships aren't for room and board, but the tuition scholarships "will definitely be a help," said Watkins.

University tracksters host AIC indoor meet

The University hosted the All-Comer's Indoor Track Meet last Saturday and offered a balanced attack against some of the other AAC schools.

Freshman Ed Vanderkaaj won the pole vault with a vault of 14'6", and freshman Jeff Robinson won the triple jump and came in sixth in the long jump to lead the way for the Bisons.

Senior Gil Foster finished second in the 440-yard dash with the time of 4:40.6, and Aitah Frimpong finished second in the 60-yard dash in 6.61 seconds.

Junior Ken Berry, sophomore Larry Wayne and freshman Eddie Neil finished second, third and fourth, respectively, in the mile run with times of 4:33.4, 4:36.6 and 4:38.9. They finished only behind Tom Aspel, one of the best unattached middle-distance runners in the state. Sophomore Al Bates finished third in the 880-yard run in 2:03, and junior Larry Blake was third in the 2-mile run with the time of 9:28. Sophomore Larry Christ finished third in the pole vault and the 2-mile relay team finished second.

Other schools participating in the meet were Henderson State University, Southern Arkansas University, University of Arkansas at Monticello, Arkansas Tech University, Arkansas College, School of the Ozarks and Ouachita Baptist University.

Business-minded

The Bison is accepting applications for the position of business manager for the 1984-85 school year. Students interested in the position, which carries a scholarship, should send a letter of application and a resume to Dr. Dennis Organ at Box 811. The deadline to turn in applications is Monday, Feb. 6.

Sports

Spectrum

Brent Alexander

I went over to the New Gym last week to watch the Lady Bisons play basketball against Arkansas State University Beebe and was very pleasantly surprised to see how much they have improved from the last time I saw them several weeks ago.

As was explained in chapel Monday, the Lady Bisons are not expected to blast other girls' teams in the AAC off the floor, this being their first year to organize a team. I remember when the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the Seattle Seahawks entered the National Football League several years ago. They had trouble winning a football game between them the first year and didn't do much better the next year, and those are professional football players.

There were about as many students at the game as there are at an average club basketball game, but I was especially glad to see the large number of fans on the east side of the gym (commonly known as the faculty and townspeople side).

I know that there are a lot of other activities that are going on when the girls are playing basketball, but we usually don't have any trouble finding time to attend club games or the men's basketball games or anything that we really want to go to.

The girls are especially going to need our support when they enter the AAC race next year, playing some of the best teams in the state.

These girls have really come a long way already, but still have a long way to go. There's no limit on this team, but still have a long way to go. The rest of this year and next year.

Tampa Bay's first two years in the NFL were marked with two wins and 36 losses, but in just a few years they have been able to make it into the National Football League playoffs and do quite well.

With a little time and our support, the Lady Bisons will go that far and become a force to be reckoned with in girls' basketball in Arkansas.

Don't forget Tampa Bay, Seattle when viewing women roundballers
Bisons end four-game losing streak by defeating UCA Bears in overtime

Defeating the University of Central Arkansas Bears by an overtime score of 86-84 at home Monday night, the Bison basketball team overcame a four game losing streak and upped their conference ranking to third as the Bisons were coming off a 6-41 beating at the hands of Southern Arkansas University. "We took a few days off after the SAU game," Bucy said, "and it really seemed to help us. We came back with a whole new outlook against UCA."

The new outlook seemed to work to its advantage as Rich Foster broke loose with 28 points and four rebounds. Allen Gibbons, Dwight Weaver and Kenny Collins also scored in double figures for the Bisons with 18, 15 and 12 points respectively.

As a team, the Bisons hit 67 percent from the field and 82 percent from the free-throw line, compared to UCA's 55 percent field goal shooting and an impressive 93 percent from the line.

"Both teams really wanted to win, and both played a fine ball game. UCA really hit the pressure shots when they had to, to keep us from pulling away at the end," Bucy said.

The loss of junior forward David Allumbaugh because of his finger surgery has hurt the Bisons, according to Bucy, but the team won't lean on the injured hopefuls. "David not being in there really hurts our depth, and the defense suffers because we don't have as many guys to substitute down low. Dwight Weaver has been doing a great job down there for us as he can move around a lot and gets things moving inside for us," Bucy said.

"The win against UCA was really an invaluable game for us," Bucy explained, "because we were stale and tired and people were beginning to doubt us. When we came back and played good ball against them, it really refreshed us. Now we're just going to try and win games one at a time."
Diver qualifies for nationals; swimmers improve with season

by Shaw Goodpasture

Terry Jones’ qualification for the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) national meet highlighted a month in which the Water Buffaloes made gradual improvements while facing a challenging round of conference opponents.

Jones, a senior from Rogers, Ark., became the first diver to qualify for the national meet since Mark Trotter pulled the trick in 1979.

Jones, who was a swimmer during the earlier part of his affiliation with the Water Buffaloes, finished third in the 10-meter dive competition. During the off-season, Jones worked with University of Arkansas coaches in order to improve his performance.

Although the many hours of practice spent during and around the season seems to have paid off, Jones will face some stiff competition in upcoming meets. Jones’ national qualifying score was only runner-up to that of OBU’s Don Moore, while his score of 201.50 in the three meter dive at the AIC meet placed third, about 45 points behind the winning score.

At the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference (AIC) Invitational meet at Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia on Jan. 21, the Water Buffaloes placed fourth in the six team meet with 61 points, 34 points behind the winning OBU team.

Diver Alan Stine was the only Water Buffalo to win an event, finishing first in the 50-yard breaststroke with a time of 30.23 seconds — only .38 ahead of his nearest competitor. Other high finishers were senior Richard Denney, with a second place finish in the 50-yard freestyle and Stine, in the 100-yard breaststroke.

Freshman Matthew Scoredzi’s time of 1:04.23 in the 100-yard individual medley, although good enough to outdistance the closest OBU swimmer, could only place second against the time of Tech’s Colin Davis.

Also placing high for the Water Buffaloes in the Jan. 24 meet were freshman Scott Peay, with a second place finish in the 50-yard freestyle, Stine and the 200-yard freestyle relay team.

Last Friday in the University pool, the Water Buffaloes defeated Austin College 58-18, but lost to Henderson State University 89-45.

Despite his team having difficulties in

Team places second in speech competition

The University forensics team took second place in sweeps in their first meet of the semester last weekend at the University of Central Arkansas in Conway.

The competition involved 21 schools from Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina and Arkansas, according to Pat Garner, assistant professor of speech and sponsor of the group. Several students placed in the finals, contributing to the second place award.

First place winners were senior Kim Hudson in interpretation, sophomore Ellen Porter in speakers debate and junior Jodee Hobbs and Porter in NDT debate. Sophomore June Middleton and Hudson were third in duo interpretation. Freshmen Parker Allen and Dawn Pryor were fifth in CEDA debate.

Other members of the forensics team are: freshmen Mark Williams, Rona Lion and Colleen Hazelwood; sophomores Kevin Ray and Shari Nelson; juniors Alan Kelm, Debbie Young, Jenetta Walker and Marrolda Wade; and senior Linda Coents.

The team will compete Feb. 11 and 12 at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

Diver Terry Jones placing high against conference opposition, Boustead remains pleased with the recent showings, saying that "each individual is working to his potential."