SA presents movies, plans proposals

The Student Association has planned a busy spring schedule, including a "Rocky Marathon" and Superbowl party this weekend. The council is also seeking some policy changes for holidays and curfew procedures.

Tonight the SA will be showing "Rocky I" and "Rocky II," at 7:00 and 9:30, and tomorrow night at 9:30, 10:00. All three Rocky movies will be shown. "Rocky Marathon" T-shirts will be given away and sold at the movies.

Along with College Inn, the SA is sponsoring a Superbowl Sunday party in the Student Center, Sunday 3-6 p.m. The Superbowl game can be watched on the big screen TV, and for the entry price of $2 the College Inn will provide all the coke and refreshments.

Last Friday night the SA held a New Year's Eve party in the Student Center, complete with live entertainment, ginger ale and doughnuts, and a fireworks display at midnight. The Crystal Gayle concert, originally scheduled for Jan. 26, has been moved to Feb. 22. The SA has also scheduled Benny and Lee, an illusionist show, for April 26. The show will include such illusions as sawing people in half and making students float in the air.

Movies planned for the semester include "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom," "Karate Kid," "Somewhere in Time," "Places in the Heart" and "The Pink Panther" movie weekend and a "Star Trek" weekend.

March 1-2 the SA will be sponsoring an "Ole South Weekend," which will feature the movie "Gone With the Wind" and a water balloon fight on the front lawn between Northern and Southern students.

The SA, under the direction of President Mike Stewart, is also trying to effect several changes in Harding policy. A proposal for a new Thanksgiving break schedule was to be presented to Neale Pryor, vice president of academic affairs, this week. The SA is considering possibilities for extending the break either by one day, having only two days of class the week of the holiday, or the entire week, perhaps by starting classes on the Wednesday of the first week of school rather than on Thursday.

Stewart said the SA is also pushing for a curfew change from 11 p.m. to 12 p.m. on Sunday evenings following Thanksgiving break, Christmas holidays, and spring break.

Another change the SA has discussed is that women who are dormed should (See SA, page 8)

Lecturers set for this semester

The spring agenda for the American Studies Lecture Program includes presentations by Arkansas Senator Dale Bumpers; Chancellor of Ole Miss, Dr. R. Gerald Turner and former Chancellor of West Germany, Helmut Schmidt. Senator Bumpers will open the spring lectures Jan. 29, followed by Turner March 26 and Chancellor Schmidt, who will close the series on April 9. "This promises to be one of our outstanding series of lectures," said Dr. David Burks, director of the American Studies Program.

Bumpers, sworn into the United States Senate in January of 1975, is a member of three committees - Energy and Natural Resources, Appropriations and Small Business. Before entering the Senate, he served two terms as Governor of Arkansas.

His activities in civic and business events in the past include owning Charleston, Ark., Hardware and Furniture Company and Angus Breeding Farm, serving as Charleston City Attorney and as President of the Charleston School Board.

Bumpers attended the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, Ark., and Northwestern Law School in Evanston, Ill. He also served in the United States Marine Corps, Pacific Theatre, in World War II.

Turner, the second speaker, is the twenty-second chief executive of the University of Mississippi. Previously he had served as vice president for Executive Affairs at the University of Oklahoma where he also served as Executive Assistant to the President and acting provost.

He maintains a strong background in instruction, research, public service and administration.

Receiving the associate of arts in mathematics from Lubbock Christian College, he also received a bachelor of science in psychology and mathematics from Abilene Christian University. He earned the master of arts in counseling psychology and the doctor of philosophy in psychology, both from the University of Texas at Austin.

Schmidt will present the final lecture of the 1984-85 series. He served as Chancellor of the Federal Republic of West Germany from 1974-1982. He came to the position after serving as Joint Minister in earlier governments.

During his chancellorship, he stressed the goal of his political unification of Europe in partnership with the U.S. and domestically, sought to fight unemployment and to safeguard West Germany's position as the country with the lowest rate of inflation and largest volume of trade in Western Europe.

He has contributed to European and American periodicals, including "Foreign Affairs." Schmidt also received a U.S. Medal for Distinguished Service.
Despite fruitless resolutions, beginning anew a good idea

I don't know about you, but I didn't make a single new year's resolution. Not a single one. I've always thought they were sorta stupid. Every year people make some silly resolutions that are impossible to obtain, or they make ones they don't plan to keep anyway. So what's the point? It's a futile attempt at self-discipline that usually shows only the lack thereof.

But when Dr. Neale Pryor, vice president of academic affairs, spoke in chapel on the first day of school, encouraging students to improve themselves this new year, he had a real point. Although new year's resolutions are often empty, though well-intentioned, the concept of starting anew is a good idea.

Not only is this a new year, it's a new semester. And this new semester's grades fresh out of your mailbox. This is your chance to improve yourself, to grow.

The beginning of a semester is always replete with opportunities for improvement. Having problems reading or writing? The Student National Education Association just sponsored a reading comprehension workshop last night. And the English department's writing lab has opened up for the semester. For those seeking jobs, the Society for the Advancement of Management has planned a resume and interview workshop for next week. Just to name a few.

But don't stop there. After all, we can improve in more than just academics. Join Nautilus. Or start an exercise program. Grow socially through the Big Brothers program, which currently needs more volunteers. For spiritual growth, the College Church meeting begins Sunday.

So begin again. As someone once said, in a quip that is applicable to growth in any area, Saints are really just sinners who keep trying.

Huh, looks like I just might have made myself some new resolutions.

— E.M.

Christians should play role of servant

If you played "make believe" as a child, what role did you choose for yourself? If you were playing "Castle," you probably were the beautiful princess or a brave knight. I doubt that many wanted to be the servant who shoveled horse stalls.

Children role-play the positions in life that they would like to have, and they usually choose to be the exciting people. The servant just doesn't present a very glamorous picture.

Here at Harding, we are choosing roles in a much more real way. We are learning a profession, of course, but we are also learning other roles.

Some of us are learning the role of the beautiful princess: We are polite—but not more than we have to be—as we go from one social event to another. We always attend worship services because it is a social event, and sometimes a club devotion. (We may meet that handsome prince.)

Or perhaps we are becoming the knight, willing to slay any dragon as long as someone watches us and praises us for doing it. We are happy to discuss a point with our Bible teacher because we want him to know how "religious" we are. But we wouldn't want to be carried away to the realms of "weirdness" by talking to someone down the hall about Jesus.

Actually, these roles are not ones that we have to spend much time learning. Most of us are able to slide into these patterns of behavior without much effort at all.

However, some roles exist which demand much time and patience if we are to assume them. For example, how many of us are willing to shovel the horse stalls? I can think of many things I would rather do than such jobs as that, and you probably can, too. Yet if we are to be like Jesus, we must be willing to serve.

Being a servant has many advantages. One is that he can usually be happy because he can find opportunities to serve. The princess may not be able to find a roommate who will let him clean the room every time the RA does roomcheck. (If your RA doesn't check your room, don't despair. Your roommate probably has at least one term paper due this semester, or one gun that needs cleaning, or one pair of underwear that needs washing.)

 Doesn't this sound exciting? I can just see you now, trying to hurry through this column so you can drive to Wal-Mart. (You want to purchase new deodorant for your roommate, a service to him and yourself.)

No? The idea of being a servant doesn't thrill you? To be honest, I must say that I can't always get excited about washing someone's feet. Either, in fact, being a servant does not go along with my human nature, and I have a big struggle overcoming that side of me. I do want to overcome it though!

It helps me to know that even Paul had to struggle with serving. "For what I want to do I do not do ..." he said. (Rom. 7:25) Paul kept trying because he wanted to please the Master.

Jesus, our master, was a servant. He is Lord over us, yet He is also our ultimate example of a servant. Let's remember that Jesus washed His disciples' feet and realize that we are never too important to serve.

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The River' highlighted by good characterization

Rex Reed, a writer for the New York Post, described "The River" as, "a Great film, full of passion and decay . . . . something of a blessing." A blessing? I'm more inclined to agree with another description Mr. Reed used in the same review when he stated that the film was "a shattering emotional experience."

The film is directed by Mark Rydell, who also directed "On Golden Pond." "The River," like "On Golden Pond," portrays with excellent accuracy the two lead characters.

Sissy Spacek and Mel Gibson play Tennessee farm folks who are fighting two battles: one against nature, namely a river which flows beside their land and poses a continual threat of flooding; and another against a greedy businessman whose plan for a hydroelectric dam will mean dispossession of the valley farmers.

The movie opens with a rainstorm, and shows the couple, their children, and a few of the neighboring farmers in a desperate attempt to keep the river in its banks by piling up dirt as quickly as possible. The storm is too violent, however, and the crops are lost.

Tom Garvey (Gibson) is full of fighting spirit. Even after a touching scene in which he gets turned. In my opinion this scene symbolized the meaning of the whole movie, because the farmer was in the same situation as the deer - he was locked in on all sides, by the river, the bank, the weather, and the businessman who wanted to take over his land. Yet his character and integrity are admirable. He fights for what he believes in.

This was an especially poignant movie for me because I was raised on a farm similar to the one pictured in "The River." So why was it such a shattering emotional experience as I stated earlier? Even though both characters (Spacek and Gibson) were admirable, I couldn't help but see the futility of their cause.

They were indeed in a situation like the deer in the steel plant. They were trapped by their situation, and they didn't know a lifestyle any different than the one they were fighting so desperately for. I watched them pour their whole minds, souls, bodies and spirits into saving their land, and really, for what? At the end of the show, the businessman who wanted to build the dam which would destroy their land said, "I can wait . . . if it's not a flood, sooner or later it will be a drought or too much corn or something else . . . ."

So maybe Mr. Reed was right in saying the film was a blessing. It was certainly a valuable insight into the lives of some very hard working American people, but I would highly recommend bringing along some extra Kleenex!

"The River" is rated PG-13, probably because of the mature theme and the violence it involves. There is also a little raw language. It is now showing at the Other Center 7 and Markham 1 and 2 in Little Rock.

Trash 'n' thrash: Hoodoo Gurus play music for the fun of it

Hoodoo Gurus - Stone Age Romeo's (A&M Records)

The Hoodoo Gurus, a product from down under, join Australian greats like INXS, Midnight Oil, and Men At Work on the American market with their debut album, "Stone Age Romeo's." This new "trash 'n' thrash" combo from Sydney has brought the fun back to rock 'n' roll. The album title was taken from a Three Stooges short group saw and the album is dedicated in part to Arnold Ziffel, the pig on the television show, "Green Acres."

I bought the Gurus in an Aussie club in New Orleans on their last six-week American tour, and the fans went wild for them. The group's performance was tight and filled with the Gurus' bashy, crispy "swamp rock."

Swamp rock, a new music craze from down under, has a good 80's dance beat without a drum machine and with a screechy 60's guitar sound. The Gurus create their own version, taking things from different groups, from the Beatles to XTC, and combining them with their sound.

The group's style is being compared to the Fleshtones, Let's Active, or even an Australian Romantics. The big single on most college campuses is "I Want You Back," a song that has the blind recklessness of the Violent Femmes with a good-edged guitar. The vocals by Dave Faulkner cut through the tight spots with the lyrics' catchy hooks.

Another song that has hit potential is "Dig It Up." The lyrics are good but the song is made by the primitive drum beat and the muddy guitar sound. "Stone Age Romeo's" is filled with songs to get your feet in action and your fingers snapping, but it ends with "My Girl," a typical girl-crushes-boy's-dreams love song, pulled off by Faulkner's slivery voice and a catchy Clyde Brantley bass line. The lyrics are direct and would make anyone think of past romances.

The Hoodoo Gurus make no deep political or philosophical statements in "Stone Age Romeo's." Their music is for the sole purpose of entertainment, and on this album, they are very successful.

Rating ****

Campusology

TODAY
SA Movies — Rocky I and II, 7 and 9:30 p.m., Benson Auditorium.

Outreach Free Movie — The Five Hardest Questions Asked by College Students in the Mission Field, 6 p.m., American Heritage Auditorium.

TOMORROW
Outreach speaker — Hilton Merritt, missionary from Africa, "Gifts and Ministries," 9 a.m.-12 noon, Cloverdale Church of Christ.

SA Movies — Rocky I, II, and III, 5:30, 7:45 and 10 p.m., Benson Auditorium.

SUNDAY
Winter Meeting at College Church begins, Eddie Cleer, speaker, 8:15 and 10:45 a.m., and 4 and 6 p.m.

SA College Inn Superbowl Party, 3-9 p.m., Student Center.

MONDAY
Bisons vs. OBU, 7 p.m., New Gym.

College Church meeting continues until Thursday at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Steve Hogue Art Show begins, Stevens Art Gallery.

Christians think before hissing at others

As we begin a new semester, I'd like to suggest a change that could be made in our behavior, both in chapel and at school functions. I believe in the people that make up Harding University, and I know it's a special group of people I worship with every day in chapel. But often in chapel I'm ashamed to be a Harding student. When my friends and classmates engage in hissing, I often feel like crawling under my seat.

In my opinion, this type of behavior is very unbecoming of Christians. It's disrespectful and directly contrary to the teachings of Christ as to how we should treat each other.

Hissing at statements or other words such as "Democrats" is bad enough, but hissing at a student in a slide presentation is going too far. Each one of us should consider how we would feel if a whole situation of our peers hissed at us in unison. It wouldn't be a pleasant feeling.

As my brothers and sisters in Christ, I love everyone at Harding, and I know you're good people. But your behavior in this matter greatly angers me. Christ teaches we should love the sinner, but hate the sin.

As Christian people we are teachers. Our daily behavior should be a lesson in Christianity to the world. If each one of us accepted the responsibility of being a teacher, we'd rid ourselves of this problem of hissing. Consider for a moment the example hissing sets for visitors and prospective Harding students. It couldn't leave a very good impression of the University.

As students at a Christian college, we should be developing lifetime principles and habits. In my opinion, hissing has no place in the business world or the home. No child or future student of mine will engage in such an activity without punishment. And I will expect no more of my child than I expect of myself or my friends.

At some public schools, hissing is grounds for suspension. Are we no better than our non-Christian friends? I suggest that if we are truly a holy people, our behavior should rise above that of the world's.

Let's make this and every following semester different. We as a school can change this bad habit of hissing, if we all pull together. We're a Christian school. Let's prove it in everything we do.
Harding senior elected party chairman, states goals

by Shawn Goodpasture

Making the state College Republican chapter the best in the nation and improving communication with fellow Arkansas party members are the goals of senior Kevin Henson, who was recently elected chairman of the Arkansas College Republicans. Henson was elected state chairman by acclamation at the CR's state convention held at the Airport Holiday Inn in Little Rock Dec. 8.

Henson said communication between state and local chapters of the College Republicans is one area of club procedure which must receive attention. "The Republican party in Arkansas is definitely growing rapidly and the College Republicans intend to be a part of that," he said. He explained that for that to happen, "People in each chapter need to know what's going on in the state."

A monthly newsletter, which will cost about $3,000 per year to produce, has been designed to reach that goal. The newsletter will be sent out to all Arkansas CR members, as well as leaders in the state's senior party.

The four larger CR chapters in the state, including Harding, plan to have membership drives this spring. "We hope to have the largest delegation to the national convention this year," said Henson, adding that he hopes the CR's to increase the number of chapters in Arkansas from 19 to 25 and membership from 1,500 to 2,500. The Arkansas state chapter currently ranks third in the nation in size.

Henson and fellow CR members Kieffer, Leann Reese and senior Mike Johnson will travel to Washington, D.C. to witness Monday's inauguration of President Ronald Reagan.

Tuesday's goals of the Arkansas CR's are currently organizing several service projects. A group of CR members plan to visit several high schools to "promote the cause of higher education in Arkansas" by means of a slide show, said Henson. They are also considering the possibility of conducting a joint fund-raising drive with the state Young Democrats to provide relief to Ethiopian famine victims, he said, and are planning to assist in the March of Dimes telethon.

"We want to let people know we care about things like that," he explained.

Cloer to speak at winter meeting

Eddie Cloer, assistant professor of Bible, will speak at the College Church of Christ Sunday through Thursday during the Winter Meeting on the theme "All to Jesus I Surrender."

Cloer was born in Springdale and conducted his first gospel meeting at age 16. He began work as a local minister in 1966 and has served several congregations in Clarksville, Hot Springs and Blytheville. Cloer attended Harding College in Searcy, Oklahoma Christian College in Oklahoma City, Okla., and Harding Graduate School of Religion in Memphis, Tenn. He holds a BA in Bible, a Master of Theology, and is presently working on his doctorate in ministry.

The College Church is also holding a 48-hour prayer session today and tomorrow in order for men to pray for the success of the meeting. Dr. Neale Pryor, vice president of academic affairs, is in charge of the session and is encouraging men to sign up for half hour time slots to come and pray.

Shores Chapel will also be available today and tomorrow from 8 a.m. until curfew for students to sign up.

The meeting will start during regular Sunday morning and evening services at College Church and will continue at 5:30 and 7:30 each evening Monday through Thursday. Students are encouraged to attend.

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Writing contest deadline Jan. 25

The deadline for the annual Jo Cleveland Creative Writing Contest is 5 p.m., Jan. 25. The contest is open to any student currently enrolled in Harding University or Harding Academy. There are four different categories in which the entries will be judged. They are: fiction (short stories, plays and longer works); essay (any non-fiction works expressing the author’s viewpoints in reviews, comments, feature stories, or inspirational pieces); poetry; and hymn lyrics, which may submitted with or without music. The writer should indicate the tune meant to accompany the lyrics if music is not written.

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Bisons tied for last after two disappointing losses

by Wendell Hudson
Bison sports editor

After starting out winning their first four games in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference last semester, the Bison men's basketball team found themselves 0-2 and tied for last after the first week of conference play.

"We were highly disappointed in losing our first two conference games," Harding coach Jess Bucy said. "We should not have lost our home opener to UAM."

The Bisons dropped their home opener Jan. 7 to Arkansas-Monticello 66-60. "UAM is a very improved ball team," Bucy said. "The two big keys in the game were the fact that we got into early foul trouble with our front line people and free throw shooting."

The UAM Mean Green connected on 14 of 21 free throws while the Bisons were 8 of 12 from the charity stripe.

The Bisons went into the locker room at halftime with a 33-30 lead and, during the second half, had an eight point lead before watching it slip away in the last three minutes of the game.

Senior Dwight Weaver and junior Kenny Collins paced the Bisons attack, with 14 points each, while UAM was led by Carl Jackson with 20 points and Derwin Jackson added 18.

Bucy had one major disappointment about the game. "It was a very unfortunate that we had to play a conference game with our student body still gone," he said. "We had very few students, no band, and no cheerleaders. You just can't imagine sometimes what a difference they can make when they really get fired up."

At Arkadelphia, on Jan. 10 the Henderson State Reddies simply proved too much down the stretch as the Reddies defeated the Bisons 84-69.

"Henderson probably has the best talent of anyone in the AIC right now. Their guard play and aggressive defense really killed us," Bucy said.

The Bisons had a 35-20 lead midway through the first half before falling behind 40-37 at halftime. Harding continued to battle early in the second half before Henderson blew the game wide open midway through the half.

Free throws down the stretch proved to be a problem for the Bisons as they connected on only 13 of 25 from the line.

Four Bisons scored in double figures led by senior David Allumbaugh with 14 points. Collins and senior Rich Foster each had 12 and Weaver added 10.

Bucy knows exactly what the problem is with his ballclub right now. "It boils down to the fact that we simply are not playing any defense," he said. "Before entering the AIC race, we were ranked 11th nationally in field goal percentage and have even improved on that, but we cannot stop the other team from scoring. We must shore up our defense."

Bucy cited two examples to prove his point. "Just in our conference games you can really see the problem," he said. "Against UAM we shot 56 percent from the floor, 26 of 46 and lost, and then we go to Henderson, shoot 69 percent from the floor."

In those games, UAM shot an equal 56 percent from the floor and Henderson shot a blistering 67 percent.

Bucy emphasized how important he thought defense was. "Without question, our offensive play will determine how competitive we will be for the AIC crown," he said.

Remaining optimistic, Bucy still feels that the Bisons have a shot at the AIC championship. "This race will be a dogfight to the finish. There is very little difference from top to bottom and you must be ready to play every time out," he said.

"There is no favorite in the conference this year and no one will go undefeated," he added, "but in order to get back in the race, we must turn the corner soon."

The Bisons will travel to Clarksville tomorrow night to face defending AIC champion College of the Ozarks Mountainaineers before returning to face Ouachita Baptist in the New Gym Monday. Game time is 7 p.m.
Team improves despite losses

by Bobby Davidson
Bison staff writer

In its first year of Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference eligibility, it appears unlikely that the University women’s basketball team will reach the district playoffs to be held in late February.

The Lady Bisons have, however, shown significant improvement over last season’s 1-10 record, going into last Tuesday’s contest with a 3-10 overall tally and an 0-5 conference mark.

Along with the improved record the Lady Bisons have established in only their second year, several of the aims that Coach Phil Watkins set forth at the beginning of the season have been achieved.

One of those goals, that the ladies learn to “play together as a team,” has definitely been reached, according to Watkins.

“T’ll be playing a lot better from game to game,” he said. “And a big part of that comes from playing as a team. They still tend to play solidly in spurts, but there have been times that they look awfully good.”

“One of the best games they’ve had so far was a 64-63 win over the University of Arkansas at Little Rock,” he added. “That was one of the times that the ladies played together and everything fell into place.”

Another goal that Watkins voiced was that the team improve over the course of the season. With four letter winners returning from last year and outstanding talent from the junior college level and high school recruits, the Lady Bisons have undoubtedly found marked improvement since they first came together as a squad.

Kim Wilkins, a junior forward who transferred from North Arkansas Community College to lead the Lady Bisons in scoring and rebounding, has averaged 15.7 points per game and 6.6 rebounds per game.

Wilkins is quick to give credit where it is due, claiming that her exceptional performance is made possible by the efforts of the entire team.

“We try hard to work the ball inside and that’s where I am most of the time,” Wilkins said. “So I guess you’d say our good passing game is responsible for a lot of my points.

“Also, a lot of my shots come off rebounds, so that’s another factor,” she added.

Lynette Gardner, a senior forward who is one of the four that returned from last year, attributes the team unity, the closeness, and the overall improvement to the “trial by fire” that a tough season has brought the team.

“We’ve been through a lot together this season, and that tends to bring you closer as a team. We also have a lot more talent this year, so we have good potential for further improvement,” she said.

Tonight at 7:00 the team continues its bid for a first-ever conference victory as Ouachita Baptist University visits Hardin.

With less than half of the schedule remaining to be played, Watkins speaks optimistically of his team’s future. “If think we’ll be a better ball team this half of the season,” he said, “and if the ladies continue to play together we’ll win some more games.”
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be allowed to have visitors. Stewart said the reason presented for this ruling change is that women students complain of a feeling of solitary confinement when dormed and not allowed to have visitors, as under present policy.

Stewart added that the SA faces challenges in getting policy changes. "Ever since the curfew change from 10:30 to 11 p.m. for women last semester, it seems to me it's been really difficult to get anything else to pass," he said.

"It seems that this is caused due to the fact that improvements come slowly at Harding," he explained, "which makes the SA executive council a lot more difficult job. But we are diligently trying to get improvements passed."

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