Summer program to recognize student leaders

by Phillip Tucker

For those who consider themselves leaders, or feel that they could be leaders if given the opportunity, a new program for leadership development has been designed. Leadership America is to be held every summer, beginning this year, by the International Leadership Center in Dallas, Tex. Fifty outstanding college and university students from all over the nation, who have completed their junior year by June 12, will be selected to participate in the 10-week event.

The main criterion for a Leadership America applicant is that he or she have an "outstanding potential for leadership." Therefore, character will be observed more than grades, extra-curricular activities or past leadership roles.

Dr. Clifton L. Ganus, Jr., Harding president, has appointed his assistant, Dr. Jimmy Carr, as the University's administrator for the program. Carr, after reviewing the materials sent to him, is currently searching for three juniors that he feels should apply.

In a letter to President Ganus, Stan Altshuler, executive director of Leadership America, stated that "the objective of Leadership America is to prepare students to accept major leadership responsibilities earlier in their careers and to handle them more effectively. It has been developed because of a growing belief in the value of leadership development for the next generation of America's leaders."

Carr stresses that this year, more than any other time, Harding students will have a better chance at being selected for the program, as only four-year schools have been chosen to participate. The Leadership America coordinators also encourage women and minority students to apply, as they are "committed to a balanced gender mix and broad ethnic representation."

The actual program consists of a five-week formal session, an internship and a graduation session. The first phase, after smaller groups are formed, takes place in Greensboro, N.C., under the direction of the Center for Creative Leadership, where self-understanding is the focus.

Then, one week will be spent in the Rocky Mountains in the Executive Development Program run by Outward Bound. This leadership-building phase takes place outdoors, where students will show their leadership skills, have fun and grow in self-confidence.

A three-week session will follow in Dallas, where the next phase begins. Participants will meet and talk with guest leaders from business, government and community service. Experts from around the world will share their experiences and explain trends developing in the world. Also, experts in biogenetics, telecommunications and space will be on hand to speak of developments in these technologies.

For the next four and one-half weeks, students will be part of an internship, selected by them, in areas of government, business and community service, "practicing and studying leadership with a leader." Finally, in late August, graduation will take place in Washington, D.C., where internships will be discussed, as well as group projects, and students will evaluate the program as a whole.

There is no cost to the student for the program (except living expenses during the internship). The program pays each of the 50 selected participants a stipend of $3,000 each to offset expenses and loss of summer income. Transportation, housing and meals during the five-week formal session are paid for by the program.

The student selection process begins in February and ends May 1, 1987. Leadership America has divided the country into ten geographic regions, and five participants will be chosen from each region. Harding is in the Southwest Region, which includes colleges in Arkansas, New Mexico, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas. Carr commented that an applicant does not have to be a resident of these states in order to be selected from Harding.

Interested students should see Dr. Carr at his office in the Benson Auditorium, or call him at extension 462. Applications must be completed by March 11, which will be followed by letters of recommendation and an essay.
OPINION

Colleges in transition

They say our college and university campuses are at it again. Students are again picking up their lethargic ideals, now basking in the shade of apathy, for a return to the old wars against nuclear armament, global conflict and the establishment. Some say it's only a matter of time before student activism reminiscent of the late 60's begins a gentle snowballing across our nation.

Those really in tune with the trends in liberal thinking are somewhat more reticent in allowing our generation such a high seat. Students are, however, becoming increasingly less comfortable with the conventions of their society.

Public universities are facing renewed problems. Guest lecturers are finding increased protest from those students holding opposing political beliefs. This, coupled with the rise of campus terrorism in the U.S. and especially in Europe, has caused many celebrities to avoid the college lecturing circuit altogether.

The cries of vehement college audiences have driven many notable speakers from college stages in great anger. Jeane Kirkpatrick, former U.N. ambassador and past speaker in our American Studies series, was heckled and jeered at the University of California at Berkeley, the cradle of the free speech movement in 1964. She stormed off the stage and cancelled her lecture scheduled for the next day.

Free speech and its effective use is the guarantor of progress. No great reform was ever made in human history without demonstration, the advocacy of concern by the oppressed to the oppressor. Heckling is by no means an effective use of this freedom. However, the culmination of such outbursts, which are on the rise, indicates that campuses are definitely changing.

And it's no wonder. It is the young who are most able to change the way things are. Revolutions, whether they be revolutions in thinking or revolutions in political power, require great energy. And more importantly, they require an unabated blindness to the realities of a society bent upon conventions, a capacity which becomes more difficult with age.

We pay a lot of respect to Abraham Lincoln, who raised the question, "What is conservatism?..." In context, he was questioning the persistent homage to convention which plagued the social and political systems of his day. His answer: "...Is it not allegiance to the old and tried against the new and untried?"

One hundred and twenty-seven years hasn't dulled the impact of his statement. He was addressing norms (such (See COLLEGES, page 5)

Comparing evangelistic techniques: door-knocking vs. the ‘caring factor’

It was a beautiful Tuesday afternoon. Ray was walking through his neighborhood knocking on all the doors and passing out leaflets that invited the reader to a gospel meeting to be held the following Sunday at his church.

It had been a long afternoon. He had met some very nice people but had also run into a number of unbelievably rude folks. He hoped the last house on the block would be the one to accept his invitation.

He made his way up the cobblestone sidewalk onto the porch and briskly knocked on the door. The door was opened by a very courteous young lady in her mid-20's. She smiled at the invitation and then graciously declined, saying that she and her husband needed to be at their own assembly on Sunday. Ray thanked her and then went home.

The next day at work Ray saw his friend Ted. Ted had been struggling with a lot of problems lately that had really gotten him down. Ray liked Ted a lot and wanted to help him work through his problems. He invited Ted and his wife to the gospel meeting and then for dinner afterwards. Ted was excited and accepted, reporting that it had been ages since he and his wife had been invited anywhere.

Take a look at these two approaches to reaching out. What is the difference between them?

At one Church of Christ in Indianapolis, Ind., all the church stationary has affixed to it a small cross with the words "We Care" printed across it. I like what this communicates. It shows people a side of the church that is un-

seen many times by those outside its doors. It tells them someone there is concerned as to their needs. It is this "caring factor" that makes the difference when it comes to reaching out.

I don't want to knock doorknocking (excuse the pun); I'm sure there are times when it is useful. However, as an evangelical tool in this country, it has not, at least in recent times, been very effective. The reason for its relatively low success rate is because it lacks this "caring factor."

Think of the two situations described in the opening paragraphs. In both cases, Ray is doing good deeds and striving to put the gospel message before the unsaved. The big difference between the situations is the motivation that drives Ray into behaving in the way he does.

In the doorknocking situation, the motivation that drives Ray is the need to get his name out and get something in the paper. In the other case, Ray is motivated out of a genuine concern for the people he makes contact with. I'm just saying that his care for these people is probably not what drove him to make contact with them. In this case his motivation was extrinsic and his goal was to inform.

In the latter situation, however, it was different. Ray was motivated out of a genuine concern for Ted. Ted was delighted at this concern and responded in quite a natural way. In this case, Ray's motivation was intrinsic and his goal was to help.

Our Lord wants us to reach out to people. So when we do let's not put on our plastic smiles and Sunday-go-to-meetin' voice, but be motivated out of a genuine concern for others. Help them to know that God's way is the best — the only way for them to go.
Clarity necessary in South African situation

Dear Editor,

After being in the United States for the last five months, I have been bombarded with numerous questions regarding the political situation in South Africa. My general observation is that Americans share various misconceptions and normally have an oversimplified version of South African politics. This I think is largely due to a biased presentation by the media.

South Africa is a multiracial nation, consisting of the Whites (comprised of British, Dutch, French and German), Coloreds (mixed group descended from Whites, Hottentots and Malays), Indians from India, and the Blacks (native Africans). A couple of observations should be made about these groups:

1) The Blacks are a heterogeneous group of people consisting of different tribes, each having its own language and sub-culture. These tribes do not live in harmony with each other and violent conflicts occur from time to time.

2) Amongst the Whites there are the Left and Right Wingers—the latter being the traditional, conservative type who believe in the continuation of white supremacy.

3) The Coloreds are oppressed as well, but because of cultural differences do not always fully identify with the Blacks. So there is a lot of prejudice between these races.

This disunity, however, might have been solved a long time ago if it was not for the notorious Apartheid system. The system was introduced years ago by President Verwoerd and basically comes down to separate development, segregation, racism and discriminatory laws against non-whites. This system has had several setbacks on the Blacks to the point where the large majority of them are uneducated, at a very low scale of economical development and as a whole politically unrepresented. This raises an important point, one which I think is the prime reason for the current rate of political reform. And that is that for all these years the governing of the country was vested in the hands of the Whites — the significant part is that the Whites makes up less than 20 percent of the nation’s population. Therefore, the obvious problem you will have with revolutionary change is that there will be a black government—a people that is not educated or prepared enough to govern at this stage.

I believe the South African government is committed to political reform—a “gradual change” strategy is being employed for the protection of the white minority and at the moment for the ultimate good of the country. This they have proved by the annulment of several discriminatory laws, installment of new policies and the construction of a “three room” government system in which the Colored and Indian races have representation. And I believe they are still moving on to a better South Africa.

There are, however, several radical political groups. These groups are much more revolutionary in nature, to the point where the A.N.C. (African National Congress), of which Nelson Mandela is a member, has gone over to arms struggle. Many times these groups will be communist-supported. Violent news excerpts seen on television are conflicts between police and political activists attending demonstrations. This kind of action and revolt is understandable in light of a people that has been oppressed and mistreated for centuries; however, I cannot agree with the means and methods employed.

Americans are very supportive of political leaders like Bishop Desmond Tutu (Nobel Peace Prize recipient), Dr. Alan Boesak, and Nelson Mandela (who has been in prison for the last 24 years for trying to overthrow the South African government). In my opinion, these men do not have the ultimate good of all the peoples of South Africa in mind and some of them are communistically oriented.

It is through rational negotiation and a people learning to understand and care about each other that we will have a peaceful South Africa.

Anton Johnson
Ministry equips for kingdom

by Bill Everett
Bison assistant editor

A discipleship ministry has been formed among students interested in equipping themselves for effective Christian service. The ministry was conceived by senior Keith Lape and other students and sponsor Jimmy Allen, professor of Bible, who felt a need for spiritual growth and discipleship among members of the Kingdom on campus.

"We're trying to be the yeast of God," Lape said. "Our goal is to plant ourselves all over campus so that every hall on every wing in every dorm is permeated with the Kingdom and that people will know that there are genuine members of the Kingdom where they are."

The group's stated objectives include consistent Bible study and prayer, encouragement among Christians and the development of genuine care and love for people. The ministry is not directly affiliated with any organization and is open for students to attend when possible, Lape said. "It's simply a minister for students to take advantage of as they so desire, not a club," he stated. "No commitment is expected."

Seeking the support and advice of faculty members, Lape sent letters addressing the concerns and goals of the ministry. The group holds one-hour meetings weekly and is to publish a bi-monthly newsletter. Also, monthly seminars are being planned to reinforce material covered at weekly meetings.

"The program constantly changes as new needs develop," Lape said. "I hope it never crystallizes, that it remains dynamic so it can adapt to these new needs which arise."

Further information, including new meeting times, may be obtained from Lape at campus box 1639.

Writing contest deadline nears

by Amy Blankenship
Bison assistant editor

Deadline for entries in the Jo Cleveland Creative Writing Contest is Monday, Feb. 2, according to Dr. Dennis Orgain, chairman of the department of English.

Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second and third places in each of four categories. They are: fiction (short stories and plays), essay, poetry and hymn lyrics, which may be submitted with or without music. If music is not written for the lyrics, the writer should specify the tune to accompany the hymn.

Entries must be typewritten and double-spaced, with the exception of poems. Manuscripts should be placed in a folder or envelope with the author's name and the contest category appearing on the outside only.

Entries must be turned in to the English department office, American Studies 309, by 5 p.m. Monday.

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Spring Sing rehearsals near

by Dewayne Turner
Bison staff writer

While the embers of winter still smolder in the minds of most, Spring Sing warms the minds of others. Spring Sing '69 is just around the corner and Dr. Jack Ryan, Spring Sing coordinator, says that, "All is proceeding as planned; all but two themes have been received out of the 10 shows that have entered."

The club show directors met Jan. 22 to draw for practice auditoriums, and Feb. 1 marks the beginning of the official rehearsal dates. The hosts and hostesses have selected their numbers and work continues on these and also on the finale. Judge selection is taking place and applicants are being screened. For the 20 judges needed, some will have special talents in specific areas, such as music and choreography. But the majority will be like the average ticket buyer, who wants what he pays for.

Ticket sales will begin in early February and will continue until Spring Sing weekend. Early ticket purchase is advised by Ryan for students who will have friends and family attending, since good seats will go quickly.

Sales for tickets are expected to rival last year's attendance of 12,000 during the four shows.
Sponsored annually by GATA women's social club, the Winter Festival honors three female students, one of whom is selected by the Bison basketball team to serve as queen. This year, as was announced Monday in chapel, the queen nominees are senior Kim Tyler, junior Carla Barnett and sophomore Julia Brimer.

Tyler, president of GATA, reflects her love for sports by majoring in physical education. Besides playing guard for the Lady Bisons, she also enjoys waterskiing, snowskiing, volleyball, horseback riding and basically "any kind of sports."

Barnett's nomination for queen came as a surprise. "I was in my Bible class when (junior) Jeff Johnson said to me, 'I guess you know of your honor! I was surprised; I really thought he was kidding.' A nursing major, Barnett also enjoys playing basketball. Additional hobbies include playing piano, working on the campus ministry team and being queen for Theta Tau, which she says keeps her "the most busy of anything, besides nursing."

Brimer, a dietetics major, likes to spend her time cooking, playing forward for the Lady Bisons and painting. Upon hearing of her nomination, Brimer was "very flattered."

The 1987 Winter Festival Queen will be named at halftime of tomorrow night's Bison game against Ouachita Baptist University. The two runners-up will act as attendants to the queen.

In addition to the queen nominees, four women's class representatives were chosen by the student body. They are senior Maria Haynes, junior Lee Heidbreder, sophomore Tracy Brown and freshman Jenna Shipman."
Bisons look to warm up of home after whipping on road

by Bobby Davidson
Bison editor

Hoping to bounce back from a 69-52 Monday night loss at the hands of College of the Ozarks, the Bison basketball team tomorrow night will host Ouachita Baptist University in the second round of Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference play.

Going into Monday's game, Harding had the momentum of two consecutive AIC wins and a league-leading 90-point per game scoring average on its side. Despite the fact that the Bisons had hit more than 50 percent of their field goal attempts over the course of the season, they could muster only a 29 percent success rate from the field against the Mountaineers.

Training poor shooting with the fact that they were outrebounded 38-35, the Bisons fell to 9-10 overall and 6-5 against AIC competition.

"Ozarks' aggressive defense caused some of our shooting problems. Our lack of outside shooting let them play an effective zone defense against us all night," Coach Jess Bucy said. "I felt that we had pretty well jelled as a team until Monday night. But with a league as competitive as ours, you're going to get beat sometimes. They (Ozarks) have as much talent as anyone in the league.'

Freshman Corey Camper paced the Bisons with a 19-point performance, followed by senior Shannon Hughes' 14-point showing. After that, however, the Harding offensive output dropped off to the five points contributed by freshman Curtis Washington.

The team's two-game winning streak, which was snapped Monday night, began with a routting 83-67 rout of Hendrix College at home Jan. 19. Senior Marvin Mathis, junior Tim Smallwood and sophomore Barry Thames each chipped in 12 points to lead the Bisons' charge.

Then, last Thursday, Harding traveled to the University of Arkansas - Monticello and took an 83-76 victory over the Boll Weevils. Smallwood poured in 23 points for the Bisons, followed by 18 and 16-point performances from Hughes and freshman Rolando Garcia, respectively.

For his play in the pair of Harding victories, Smallwood was named NAIA District 7 Player of the Week. During the two-game span, Smallwood was 13 of 17 from the field and five of seven from three-point range.

Tomorrow's game will pit the Bisons against AIC-rival Ouachita, a team which beat them 83-74 at Arkadelphia Dec. 8.

"Ouachita is a very, very strong team; they're loaded and experienced," Bucy stated. "They've certainly got a lot of very talented ballplayers.'

One of the players that Bucy's team will concentrate on stopping is senior Freeman Green, a 6-6 post who led the Tigers with 17 points in the teams' first meeting of the season. Last season, Green was an all-conference and all-district performer.

At the same time, the Bisons will have to keep an eye out for Chris Bryant, an All-District 17 and All-AIC Honorable Mention player a year ago. Also a 6-6 post, Bryant scored 13 points in the earlier confrontation.

In the back court, the Tigers boast 6-2 senior Johnifer Cooper, who hit 13 points in that same game.

Tip-off for tomorrow night's AIC showdown is scheduled for 7:30.

Darryl Halbert, a standout senior for the Bison track team, churns out his leg of a men's relay race in last Saturday's season-opening indoor track race in last Saturday's season-opening indoor track meet. Halbert's time of 2:24 in the 1,000-yard run was good enough to earn him first place in the event.

(photograph by Michael Rodgers)

THE HUB

Harding University Bookstore

The University Bookstore has changed their film processing services to the Color Lab of Searcy. It offers better quality and larger prints than before. There is a Film Drop Box provided in the bookstore for this service, and you may pick up your finished pictures in the bookstore office. Let the bookstore serve all your processing needs.

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Lady Bisons play iceberg to ‘Titanic’ of AIC

by Toby Taylor
Bison staff writer

The Lady Bisons basketball team Jan. 22 took an 86-65 victory over the University of Arkansas — Monticello, a team which was ranked 13th in the nation and undefeated in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference.

The team again was involved in an exciting game, sealing the win with nine seconds left, when junior Terri Loven hit a free throw to give the Lady Bisons a three-point lead.

The team was, however, down early in the game. With five minutes left in the first half, Harding took the lead and kept it for the rest of the game. Junior Rhonda Bradford started the second half right, hitting her first four field goal attempts to help her team capture the lead.

“This was the best game we’ve had. The bench players shot 70 percent from the field in the second half,” Coach Phil Watkins said. Players came off the bench to combine for seven of 10 from the field. Overall, the team hit 52 percent from the field. “The average for AIC teams is about 30 or 40 percent; we’re taking good shots,” Watkins commented.

In their previous home appearance against Henderson State University Jan. 15, the Lady Bisons were beaten at the free throw line. But the tables turned against UAM as Harding hit 76 percent from the line and made seven in a row in the closing minutes of the game. Senior Kim Tyler came through late in the second half, making all four of her attempts at the free throw line to keep her team in the lead.

Loven led all Harding scorers with 25 points. Rhonda Bradford had 16 points and junior Shawn Bradford had 10 points. "Andrea Bledsoe made some big plays for us; she pulled down two critical rebounds for us at the end of the game,” Watkins said. Bledsoe, a senior, finished the game with five rebounds and 13 points.

With 47 points by the Lady Bisons in the second half, the final 86-65 was the most points scored against UAM this year.

Saturday night, the Lady Bisons made it two wins in a row with an 84-67 victory over Arkansas Baptist College, led by Rhonda Bradford’s 15 points.

Monday night, Loven, with 15 points, was the only Lady Bison in double figures in the team’s 68-53 loss to College of the Ozarks. The loss brought Harding’s record to 5-10 overall and 2-7 in conference play.

Tomorrow night, the Lady Bisons take on Ouachita Baptist University in a 5-9 AIC contest.

Personal success found by
Water Buffalo swimmers

by Mona Williams
Bison staff writer

The Water Buffalo swim team had an impressive showing last Friday at the Ouachita Baptist University swim meet while taking another step toward reaching their individual goals.

“The meet was enjoyed by both schools and the competition was friendly,” Richard Denney, Harding’s assistant coach, stated. Harding had impressive times from several individuals. Rusty McAlistor topped his best Harding time with a 2:28.6 in the 200-meter freestyle. McAlistor also had first place finishes in the 100-meter freestyle with a time of 59.89, and in the 200-meter breaststroke with a time of 2:40.58. Scott Peyton was impressive with his time of 2:44.96 in the 200-meter breaststroke, an event in which he does not usually compete. Peyton also placed third in the 200-meter freestyle.

A newcomer to the Harding team this semester is Jim Pearce, who was competing in his first meet. "I was impressed with Jim’s overall performance in his first inter-collegiate meet,” Denney said. Pearce placed third in the 100-meter freestyle with a time of 1:13.54 and placed fourth in the 50-meter freestyle.

Paul Killingsworth continued his consistent swimming with a time of 5:49.9 in the 500-meter freestyle and placed third in the 200-meter freestyle. Gary Ng had a personal best in the 50-meter freestyle with a time of 26.7 and placed second in the 100-meter freestyle with a time of 1:47.11.

Harding’s next meet is at home against Austin College, tomorrow at 1 p.m. Denney said, "We are excited about swimming at home, but need the support of Harding fans." Saturday’s meet is expected to be close, with the sprint events being the toughest for Harding. "The team is excited, because we feel that we’re back in shape after the Christmas break; the 25 hours a week of practicing is paying off,” Denney stated.
Indoor track season underway

by Toby Taylor
Bison staff writer

Six Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference men's track teams, four women's teams and several unattached competitors participated in Harding's All-Comers Indoor Track Meet last Saturday in the Harding Athletic Center.

There were no team scores kept in the meet, in which the athletes had a chance to get back into the groove of competition after the winter break. "This meet was mainly to break the ice and get us back into the track season. It also brings the team together and gets the team spirit going," junior Leigh Bassett, a women's team member, said.

Harding runners made a strong showing, with the women placing in every event while the men placed in 12 of the 16 events. Harding had two sprinters, junior Attah Frimpong, and senior Gil Stiegall place in the 60-yard dash.

"We were really pleased with our sprinters. They made a good showing," Coach Ted Lloyd said. Four Harding men placed in the high jump, with junior Bill Baker winning the event on a jump of 6-4. Sophomore Te Howard took second with a jump of 6-4, while senior Jay Harriman and sophomore Jon Hart placed fourth and fifth, respectively, with 6-4 jumps.

In cases where two or more jumpers reach an identical height, the one with the least "scratches," or misses, is placed ahead of the others at that height.

Winning the shot put event was Harding's October Bernard, a sophomore, with a throw of 48-2¼. Also taking first in their events were senior Daryl Haltbert, with a time of 2:34 in the 1,000-yard run, and freshman Eric VanMatter at 1:37 in the 600-yard race. For the women, Savannah Morley won the high jump and the long jump.

"This is a meet we really enjoy; we don't keep score and we let our athletes compete in the events they want to enter," Coach Cliff Sharp commented after the meet.

Many Harding runners competed in events for the first time; some were freshmen in their first collegiate meet, while some others were just trying different events.

Senior Jodie Murray ran in the 600-yard run, placing third. "I'm a long distance runner but this was a good speed workout for me," Jodie said. She will run in the 880 or the mile at conference and is looking forward to that meet.

Kevin Waller, a freshman, placed third in the 300-yard race. The coaches were pleased with Waller's first appearance in college track. "Running here in college is like running against state competition in high school all the time. It's a step up from high school track, but it hasn't been too hard to adjust," Waller said. Waller is still working to get in shape and hopes to make a good effort in the conference meet. "I've mainly been conditioning so I can go all out for 300 yards."

There was a small crowd of supporters on hand Saturday to cheer on the competitors. We were pleased with the fan support," Bassett commented. "The crowd wasn't anything like those at the basketball games, but it was very encouraging to run with people cheering for us.

Today the teams are in Louisville, Ky. to compete in the Mason-Dixon indoor meet. A second home meet will be held Feb. 14, following the team's journey to the Northeast Louisiana Invitational next Saturday.

Bisons and Lady Bisons vs. Ouachita Baptist University tomorrow night