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World

African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela on Wednesday urged the swift abolition of apartheid and began his historic talks aimed at ending white-minority rule.

The Libyan government secretly of-fered to dismantle a plant that U.S. officials said produces poison gs shortly before a fire was reported there in March, diplomats said.



Nation

The door-to-door portion of the 1990 census spreads out to the nation's smaller cities and towns this week. The census which began the household count in the 110 larger cities is expanding to the remaining 484 census districts across the country.

Heavily armed police poured into the Saint Regis Indian Reservation after two people had been killed in a nine-month-old dispute over gambling.



State

About 60 counselors have been called in from around the state to try to restore calm to Sheridan High School classrooms. Four students have died from self-inflicted gunshot wounds in the last month.

Police have taken into custody four of five suspects in a double slaying at a Pulaski County liquor store that took place April 26.



Campus

Distinguished Teacher Awards were presented yesterday in chapel to Dr. Richard Duke, Dr. Wade Bedwell, Dr. Cathleen Shultz and Mrs. Neva White.

Final exams are scheduled to begin on Monday, May 7. Graduation will take place Saturday, May 12 at 10 a.m.

PERSPECTIVES Long crowned 1989-90 Petit Jean Queen



If at first you don't succeed... SA President Craig Cheatham crowns Julie Long the 1989-90 Petit Jean Queen in chapel Monday. Vanesa Diles and Brenda Greer were also in the court.

by Mark Hodges Bison assistant editor

Julie Long was crowned Petit Jean Queen during dedication ceremonies in chapel Monday morning. Long, a senior from Louisville, Kentucky, was nominated for the honor by Chi Sigma Alpha social club.

Julie is a member of Regina social club and is married to Darin Long. She plans to attend graduate school and later work with exceptional children.

"Being nominated for Petit Jean Queen was fabulous. I represent a club that has the best friends I have ever had," said Long. Members of the court were nominated by men's social clubs and voted on by the student body earlier this semester.

Also serving on the court were Vanesa Diles and Brenda Greer. Diles, a senior education major from Searcy, represented Titans social club. Greer, a general science major from Springfield, Missouri, represented Knights social club.

This years Petit Jean was dedicated to Dr. Neale Pryor. Pryor was awarded the dedication in recognition for his tireless work for the university.

Pryor came to Harding in 1962 and served as a member of the Bible faculty and and currently as Vice-President for Academic affairs. He graduated from Harding in 1956 with a degree in English and gained the master of arts in Bible from Harding in 1958. Pryor also holds the master of theology in Bible from Harding Graduate School of Religion.

Pryor is named among many who'swho lists such as Personalities of the South and Who's-Who in Religion. In addition to his work with the university, Pryor also serves as an elder at the College

Both Long and Pryor were given honorary copies of the Petit Jean by yearbook editor Jennifer Terry.

Graduates to march with 'Pomp and Circumstance'

by Caryllee Parker Bison staff writer

One by one, black-robed students enter the auditorium. Some are smiling, some look serious. The familiar and long-awaited strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" are faintly heard, and the near-silence is punctuated by an occasional cheer from beaming relatives.

Such will be the scene on Saturday, May 12, as the Class of 1990 marches across the Benson stage one last time and into the "real" world, diplomas in hand.

According to the registrar's office, 365 students were registered to graduate as of April 30.

The 10 a.m. commencement ceremony will feature U.S. Sen. Dale Bumpers. The Charleston, Ark., native is a Democrat who has been a member of Congress since 1974. He previously served a term as governor of Arkansas in 1970.

The commencement exercises symbolize the efforts and accomplishments of four or

more years of study for the graduates, and all who are able are encouraged to attend.

Lori Northcutt, a senior nursing major from Kalkasha, Mich., expressed her readiness to graduate: "I'm excited to be completing something I've worked toward for so long. After years of preparation, I'll be putting to use the skills I've learned. I'll be sad to leave Harding; I have so many wonderful memories here. But I'm also looking forward to beginning this new phase of

Editorials

A handful can grow into an armload

I dreamed of what I wanted my last editorial to say, and I wanted nothing more than to end the year with an outspoken piece on some area that I see as a problem in need of discussion.

After four years at Harding, I have a concern. This editorial is not a complaint, but a problem that I hope to be able to offer a solution to. I write this with good intentions because I have a love for Harding and I would hate to see that love die.

Harding needs a facelift. I am saddened by what I perceive to be a change in attitude spreading over the campus. I see this change in both students and administration. Everyone isn't involved, however. Lately, the word to describe the number of those involved has been "handful." If a solution isn't found, a handful may grow to an armload.

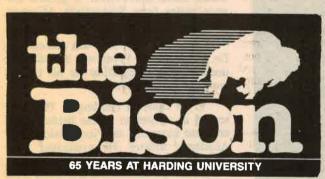
I sense a growing negativity from student to administration and administration to student. I believe it's time we ALL stepped back and took a long, close look at what's happening to our institution. Is this really what God would expect from us?

I'm tired of walking on eggshells. On the other hand, it's no wonder I feel like I'm walking on eggshells when I consider the way some of the students have been acting. There's something wrong when students are afraid to voice their opinion. There's something wrong when the University seal is splattered with bleach in an act of vandalism. There's something wrong when there is inconsistency in administrative policies and punishments. There's something wrong when students have to be called down like two-year-olds in chapel.

Another year spent like this one has the potential of a grenade with no pin.

I believe the only way to solve a problem of this degree is for the administration to be fair and equitable in setting policies and determining punishments and for the students to stop reacting hastily and rebelliously toward administrative decisions

- The Editor



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Upon this rock I will build...Harding?

My time has come. Four years of work is about to be put on a piece of paper, signed four times and handed to me by one of the many people that will be dressed in clothes that signify knowledge but would never be worn in public. Soon I will be donning my "graduation pajamas" and a hat with a dangling string that induces cross-eyedness in preparation for a rite of passage to put closure on my college years.

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In my time at Harding there has been one issue surface in the background of everything. It is an issue that many are afraid to take a stand on, and I am ashamed to admit that for a while I had the same fear. Now for the first time in my four years, I am exercising the right of free speech; and in a sense making an effort to clarify some confusion on the part of many students.

Harding University is not the church. I say it again; Harding University is not the church. This statement is for all those students who have spoken to me and others about your confusion on this topic. This is something that has not been said much on the campus, at least not in the last four years. This may all come as news to some of you, but there are those students who are confused by all this, and there is not much being done to clarify it.

After four years I realize that there is a lot of good at Harding. If one has been here long enough though, one knows that you don't have to look very far to find bad either. Seven semesters here and one semester in Italy have shown me that Harding is very much what you make of it. I am just concerned about what will be made of it in the future.

This institution so often reflects the characteristics of a drug. It can be of great help if used like it should be used, but the effects can be disastrous if it is misused. Incidentally, this misuse can come from students and administrators alike.

There is an increasing need for students and administrators to get along. Egos on both sides are not conducive to overall spiritual growth. Is it wrong to call a Ph.D "brother"? In all, the basic principle still remains; Harding is what you make of it.

Harding is what you make of it.

Some students may not be anything more than a social security or barcode number to this administration. In most cases, this is not by choice of the administration, but it does foster the belief of Harding not caring for its students. In any case, you are more than a number with our Lord. God can provide far more than Harding. He can provide a better life, more faith and more grace.

If there is anything I wish to leave on the student body's mind as I depart from here with my diploma (suitable for framing), it would be this. Do not let Harding stand in the way of spiritual growth. If you look at Harding to find perfect Christianity you will come away disappointed. Look to Jesus for the perfect example. If Harding does not like that, go somewhere else.

Harding is not perfect, neither is her student body. Harding cannot give a student a "spiritual I.V." that will give a person substantial growth involuntarily. I challenge you not to take Harding's word for it. Spend time in the word to see if Harding is right. Use your brain; do not be passive. Only then will one be able to distinguish between biblical truth and administrative opinion, and only then will you be able to live at peace with yourself. It has been a privilege to serve you as this paper's assistant editor. Thank you.

— Assistant Editor

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

For the last few weeks I have followed the subsequent events concerning the April 19 chapel performance of the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Chorus with varying amounts of amusement and disdain. Several letters condemning the actions of a few people who took it upon themselves to act like idiots during the above-mentioned performance have been published by **The Bison** already. I would like to present a different perspective of this issue.

I realize that the people who felt it necessary to write to this publication were sincere. They exercised their right to free expression, a right that I think we don't exercise often enough. However, I sense that this entire incident has been blown completely out of proportion. A major theological, spiritual, and societal issue has been made out of a few whistles from the balcony. A spirit of intolerance and condemnation seems to be slowly creeping into the tone of several individuals' assessments of this

situation

I plead with everyone involved to please remember two things that may help us keep this in its proper perspective:

- 1. Everyone is different. What you may regard as sacred, another may regard as meaningless. It is not up to you to change them it's up to the love of God.
- 2. Everyone makes mistakes. That's right everyone, and that includes you and me. If we claim to be followers of Christ, we should do as He did, and be eager to forgive, not to condemn.

I would like to commend Dr. Burks and Robby Schaffer for the humble spirit that was evident when they addressed this issue. Thank you, gentlemen, for sharing your views in the manner that you did.

Thank you for your time.

In Christ, Phil Richardson

From the beginning to 'The End'

After two years 'Big D TV' ends in finale Monday

by Anita Chadwell

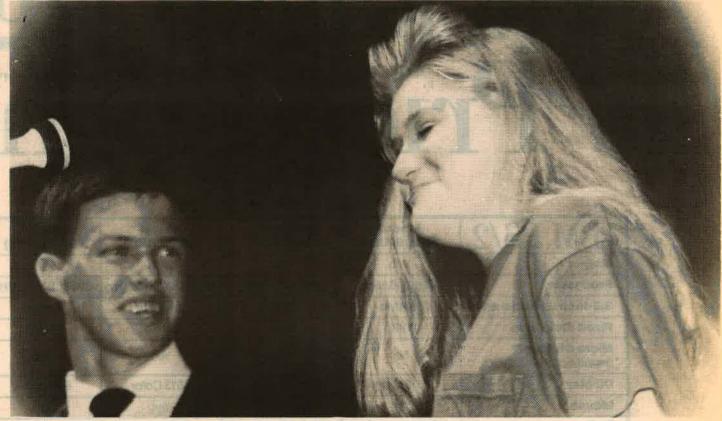
"The End" has come and gone leaving behind two years worth of good, bad and most of all unforgettable memories for television personality Darren Bonham, bet-

ter known as "Big D."

Bonham started "The Big D" show two
years ago because of what he said was an "inner desire to do a television show that the student body would get a big kick out of." With that quest he created just that, a show full of entertainment by guests that ranged from students to faculty featuring things such as stupid human tricks, disgusting food consumer Brian Mashburn, skits, and much more unpredictable amusement.

Bonham said he always wanted to host such a show and when he transferred here and had the facilities he began the process to make a show that involved the student body as well as bringing more recognition to the campus station. "I thought surely we could find a way we could incorporate students. People could come on and people would get excited about it just because their friends were on. People could go home and say, 'Hey Mom, I was on TV' Sure it's kind of a cheesy weak show but people could still say they were on TV" When the show began Bonham claims he

set the two year goal he achieved, but admitted he had times when he doubted it would be possible to fulfill that goal. "After I was into it one semester I said that was unrealistic. It was too much stress. Then after I finished last year I said it was done.



So what really happened? Darren Bonham questions Kecia Adams about one of her most embarrassing moments during 'The End,' a Big D farewell.

I even had the farewell show and everything. came back this year with no intent to do it.

The first year Bonham was not only hosting the show but also producing it. "Producing is like work upon work. Even with Melydia Clewell, Ms. Responsibility, helping me we couldn't get everything done and I just said I couldn't handle it. I couldn't pro-

duce and host at the same time."
"I reached some serious lows," Bonham
admitted. "There was one time I laid on my

bed before my Christmas show and literally, some people don't believe me and that's alright, but I laid on my bed and I started shaking from stress. If I ever get that close to a nervous breakdown again, I will just quit whatever I'm doing because I was just scared. After that, that second semester last year I didn't like it at all. I just did it because I was committed to it."

The show was revived this year when Ryan Gibbons asked Bonham's permission to produce a show like his using a different host. When Bonham offered to be the host

if Gibbons was producing, the two started on the second year of "Big D TV" together with much better luck.

"I like to be involved and everything but I don't like to be viewed as Mr. Popularity. If there's anything that makes me mad, and this grinds me so bad, is when people think because I have a TV show or I'm up in chapel that I'm a snob or I'm not a nice guy. I mean this is a Christian campus; there are 3,200 friendly people here if you just give

Reflecting over the past shows Bonham recalls several of his greatest memories. One of those great memories Bonham claims was the Mashburn segments. Mashburn appeared several times on the beginning shows, each time eating disgusting concoctions such as fried worms, sardines dipped in dogfood, pig feet and brains, already chewed food and live goldfish dipped in sweet and sour sauce.

The segments were finally cancelled due to letters from animal rights activists and other Searcy residents who did not think the segments coincided with the purpose of Harding as well as the fact that they were disgusting to watch.

Other special memories Bonham referred to included the time Mark Moore, John Barton, and Greg Taylor all came on wearing one pair of jeans and sang the Levi's 501 blues jingle, and wrestling skits by Don Alan Forst and Billy Shelton where Bonham end-

One of the most important memories is that of the band Bonham claims. The student made band made up of Randy Williams, Todd White, and Josh Touchton started as a

regular feature on the show and later added members Bryan Pistole and Mark Beshirs to become Johnny Cat.

All of these memories were not only recalled but shown on videotape last Monday night at "The End," the final "Big D TV" show of all times. The show, shot in the Benson, was a hodgepodge of memories, skits, and music that truly represented the best of "Big D TV"

Mashburn did his all-time most disgusting segment ever by drinking a milkshake made by combining all the different foods he had eaten on previous shows. The Conquerors performed a humorous skit as well as Hans and Franz returning to beat up their cousins Hank and Frank. Several stupid human tricks were done. Two videos capturing the

past two years were shown and much more.
With the end of "Big D TV" also came the
end of the now well-known band, Johnny Cat. The band played several songs last Monday night including "Black Velvet" which featured freshman singer Ashley Bell. Overall, Bonham contributes the success

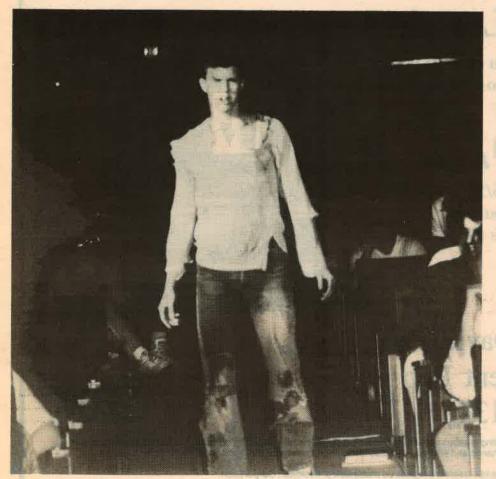
of his show not to his own talent, but instead to the talents of everyone involved. "The show's personality, it isn't me. It's me and it's Randy and it's the band and it's Mashburn and it's my guests. The name should almost be changed because it's not really 'Big D TV,' it's 'Harding University Student TV' now.'

Student TV' now."

Now when it's all over Bonham claims it hasn't quite hit him yet. "Right now I'm relaxed, but I know it will hit me just like graduation does and I'll really miss it."

"It's weird how you can do a show and think 'how cheesy'; but when it's all said and done, you look back and you think 'man, that was an important part of my life,' "Bonham says. "Though it just seems like a superficial 'hey let's get a laugh' it has been a conficial 'hey let's get a laugh', it has been a constant part of my life."

Bonham claims there is no chance of resurrecting the show again next year and that this truly is the end for Big D. "It's time. I want to leave on a positive note. This final show, I don't care what I could do next year, I couldn't beat this show. Next year I'm gonna spend quality time with quality people which I haven't gotten to do this year because I've been too busy."



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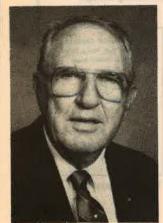


On the horn. A Harding student works in telemarketing to raise funds for Harding in a program created by the Development Office.

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Students help contribute to Harding

by Julie Svymbersky
Bison staff writer

Students at Harding have raised over \$85,000 is less than two and a half months through a telemarketing program created to help balance the annual fund budget. Doug Campbell, Director of Annual Funds, began the student telemarketing program in February. It is the first major effort of its kind at Harding. Through this effort, students call past supporters four nights a week to thank them for their gifts and offer them an opportunity to continue supporting Harding.

Although Dr.Burks has wanted an ongoing program like this for some time, no one was sure how much success could be expected. Campbell summarized the administration's thoughts by stating, "We didn't know what to expect from the program or the students, but there has been a fantastic effort put forth by the students. They have all worked very

hard and I believe they really enjoy working on the program."

The initial quota of \$1,600 per night was surpassed with an average of \$3,300 by approximately five callers each night. The first goal of \$50,000 was met after only one and a half months of calling. The second goal of \$50,000 was at \$35,000 as of Sunday, April 29.

The callers are averaging 30 percent positive response in comparison to 3 percent positive response with direct mail.

Each night, incentives are provided for nightly quotas from Wendy's, Pizza Inn, ARA, and Taco Bell. The top two callers are Wade Gillespie and Kristie Williamson. Together they have raised \$26,000.

Student manager Nathan Yoder is still looking for students to work during the summer and workers are also needed for next year. If anyone is interested, they should contact Doug Campbell at ext. 4749. Students approved for work study are preferable.

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Student Impact benefits outweigh summer sun for some

by Kathleen Eyman Bison staff writer

While most students will be basking in the sun or exploring foreign countries on their summer break, some dedicated students will be hard at work in Student Impact, making the transition to college a little easier for freshmen.

easier for freshmen.
Lynn Regauld and Pat McGaha are the codirectors of the fifth annual Student Impact,
which is set for Aug. 25-28. McGaha said that
approximately 750 freshmen and transfers
are expected to attend Student Impact.
Around 250-300 student workers will serve as
energy group leaders, registration helpers,
and general "unpackers."

Overall, the Student Impact Steering Committee, composed of 27 students, is in charge of eight groups which direct different areas of Impact.

"I feel it starts the year off right..."

Pat McGaha

The groups consist of fresh start, campus leaders, energy groups, publicity, spiritual life, parents' program, summer experience, and sourcebook. Though workers have already been placed in different groups, there are still opportunities for other students to participate in Student Impact. Anyone wishing to sign up for Impact should contact Karla Fegin in the student affairs office.

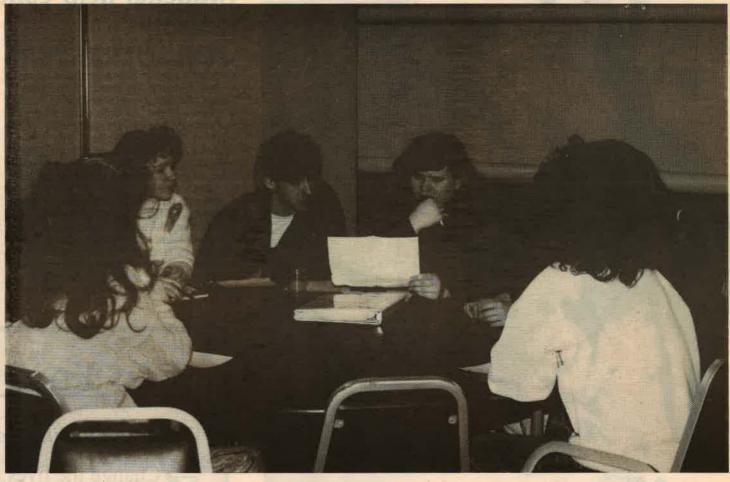
The dorms will open Wednesday, Aug. 22 so that workers can move into their rooms. Thursday morning, there will be an organizational meeting for all workers at 10:00.

Regauld said, "This year, we will have a few activities, like movies, for the workers before the new students arrive."

The main activity on Friday will be getting the new students settled into their rooms. A movie will be shown that night. On Saturday, the first general assembly will meet and students will divide into their energy groups.

energy groups.

"Gil Eagles, the hypnotist, will perform on Saturday night, and later we will have the dating panel, the girls' slumber party and the guys' hoopnight in the gym," said



Brainstorming. Members of the Student Impact Steering Committee gather with interested students at the Impact Retreat to discuss ideas for the upcoming year.

Regauld. "We also have a devotional at B rock on Monday."

Although the same format will be used for the Student Impact activities, some changes have been made since last year.

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"The energy groups are larger this year, so there are fewer of them," said McGaha.

"We also changed the energy group guide book"

Since there are fewer energy groups, there will be more upperclassmen to provide greater diversity in the energy sessions. Randy Williams, a senior on the steering committee, said, "This way the new students

will have a greater variety of opinions, attitudes and advice upon which they will base their first impressions of Harding."

Besides Student Impact, there will be two Summer Experience sessions when freshmen can pre-register and take their CLEP exams. The sessions, directed by Lee Mackey and Becky Boaz, take place in the middle of June and July. Any students who will be here during that time are encouraged to help with the program.

The rewards of participating in Student Impact and Summer Experience far exceed the sacrifice of summer sun at home.



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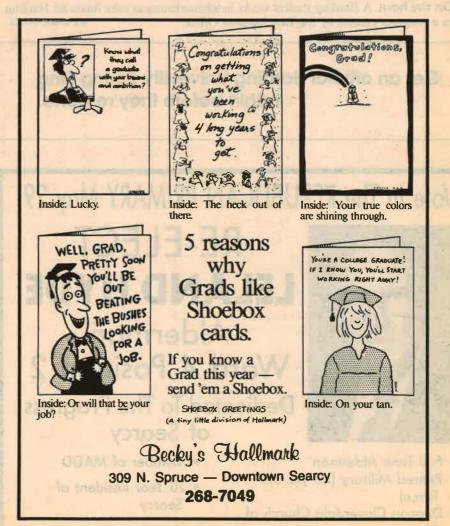
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Vaughn elected SA President; executive council named Tuesday

by Sheila McFall

As most of the student body is packing up their personals and taking their last final exam, plans are being made for the next school year.

Last week was a big transition period for the students here at Harding. Student Association offices were elected for the year 1990 and the SA president was inducted into her office.

Monday, April 23, Susan Vaughn, a junior from Nashville, TN, was welcomed by Dr. Mike Justus and the student body into her new position of SA president in chapel. Dr. Justus, a former SA president, reflected on the past experiences of SA presidents and offered advice to the new president to be. He passed the baton to Susan with words of encouragement and a charge to serve to the best of her ability.

Susan ran an uncontested race for president but it did not keep her from planning a campaign, "Student Body for President." Susan said that she wanted to get the student body more involved next year with different functions that will be taking place on campus. She said, "I anticipate a growing number in students and would like to see them all get involved in school spirit."

Tuesday, the rest of the executive council was elected by the students in the student center. Results were counted and winners were announced in chapel on Wednesday. Vice-president will be Steven Yates, secretary will be filled by Monica Chapman, and treasurer will be Dave Earnhart.

Plans have already been made for the upcoming year, a toy drive during Christmas time, a home video contest, an open forum for the student body, and many more things are planned according to Vaughn.

SACDEX

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Monday afternoon In the Student Center



Some favor finals; most do not

by Kristin Webb

Hey! What can I say? Finals week is upon us! My mission, given to me by my beloved assignment editor, Mark Hodges, was to develop a feature story concerning finals. Since this is the last article I'll ever write during my college career, I though the easiest thing to do would be to let the students speak for themselves. This article is simply a collection of varying sentiments about Finals Week 1990.

about Finals Week 1990.

My search for quotable quotes began with junior Ivan Hollins. "The only thing good

about finals week is it's the end of the school year," said Hollins. But he was quick to point out that by the time summer is over, he'll be ready to start his senior year.

Finals week, to me, is no big deal," said sophomore Diane Roof. Roof said her approach to finals week stems from the fact that she works hard all semester so that her grades don't hinge on the last test. "In fact," said Roof, "it's kind of a relief because all the stuff that's due comes to a close."

From a senior's point of view, Bobby Bluford simply stated, "It seems like my GPA is locked.

Of course, not every senior shares Bluford's view. "I'm prepared for it," said Georgia Cox. "I'm excited because this should be the last finals week I'll go through," Cox added.

In order to round out the various approaches to finals, Dr. Butterfield of the communications department, gave his opinion surrounding the week. "I really don't like finals week," said Butterfield, "but I don't know how we can get around it."

Maybe next year, a Bison staff writer can write a feature on possible ways to avoid



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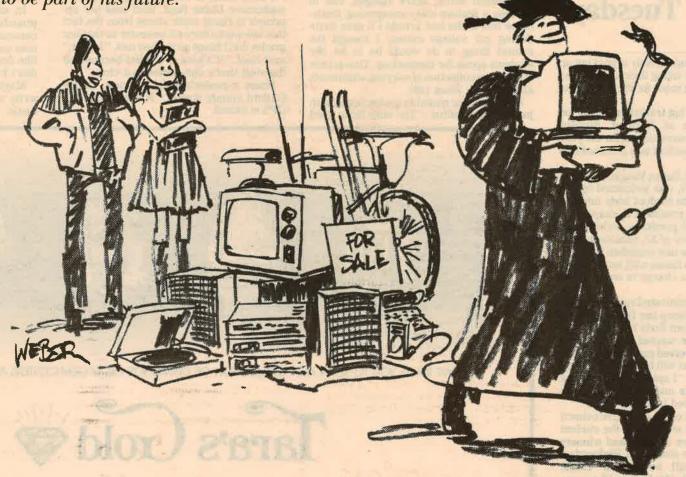
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Knapp, ambassador of good will to starving orphans in Romania

by Randy Williams Bison copy editor

"Fascinating. Emotional. Primitive.

Four very different words but all used by Jamie Knapp to describe his experiences over the past two weeks.

"I didn't have any idea what to expect," said a reminiscing Knapp. "I was neither astonished nor disappointed. It was just so hard to understand. It's like I couldn't see the forest for the trees, and it's just now beginning to really sink in."

Knapp, a 23-year-old grad student from Vienna, W.Va., got the experience of a lifetime when he travelled to Vienna, Austria on April 20 to help deliver food purchased by Harding students to various orphanages in Romania. He returned Tuesday, May 31 with stories and a new vision of world unity.

The Harding Romanian Relief Fund purchased three truckloads of food, mostly dry goods, fruit and canned meat, to be distributed among several orphanages in Romania.

The money was directed to Mike and Molly Dawidow in Vienna, Austria, who had made three previous convoys of this type in the past year

the past year.

"The Romanian children recognize the trucks now and run out to the streets,"
Knapp said.

He said the children were very excited to get the food because they are used to doing without. At one orphanage in particular, he noted that before the revolution, they were given two-and-a-half pounds of meat to feed over 50 children for three months. "For now," he said, "the needs are being met. In fact, one orphanage actually had enough food when we arrived, but there were other people in the village starving, so we gave the food to them instead."

Knapp expressed concern, however, that the Romanian's plight might become passe because the immediate need has been satisfied. If the funds stop, though, so will the convoys of food, he said.

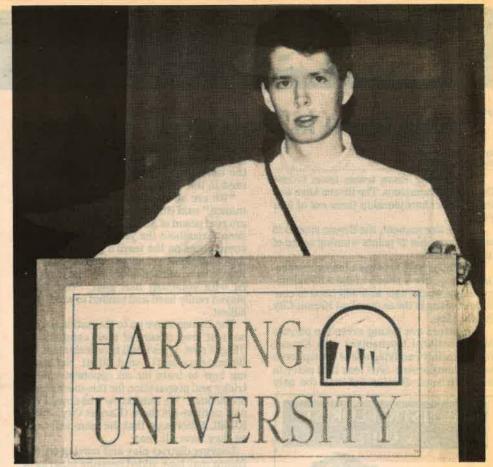
Another need requiring special attention is a demand for English-speaking pen pals. "They all want to learn English and one of the greatest needs in East Europe is a supply of American pen pals." Knapp said that the people wanting pen pals range in age from high school students to University professors. He said that many of them are using the Bible to learn English and have questions regarding Christianity.

The whole experience seemed to have

The whole experience seemed to have touched him very deeply. From listening to an elderly German man speak tearfully of his changing village, to a photographer named Niov who upon seeing Jamie's West Virginia jacket said, "Take me home country road," Knapp has come into worldwide consciousness because of his trip and remembers vividly the hungry faces of the young.

young.

If anyone wants to be a part of the pen pal program, send your name, age, interests and home and school addresses to Jamie Knapp, Campus Box 900.



'Knapp' attack. Grad. student, Jamie Knapp, speaks in chapel about his experiences in Romania while aiding several orphanages in need of food and clothing. Over \$12,000 was raised to help the children. (Photo by Ken Bissell)

Phi Beta Lambda awarded at Intercollegiate competition

Harding University's Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda, a national collegiate business organization, won awards in nine events in the 27th annual Phi Beta Lambda Intercollegiate Competition in Little Rock on April 26-27. The first place and second place winners will go on to the national Phi Beta Lambda competition on July 6-10 in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Don Diffine, sponsor of the Harding chapter, reported that "about 70 percent of Harding's state winners have been Top Ten finalists at national competitions since Harding started competing in 1983. The national office staff has told us that Harding has usually had more individual event winners in business at the national competition than any other college in the country. We have also had a national Phi Beta Lambda president from Harding."

First place winners this year included Paul Carson of Searcy, Ark., Business Com-

munications; Melissa Moss of Indianapolis, Ind., Information Management; Quendy Gibbins of England, Ark., Management; and Mark Waters of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Marketing.

Second place winners included Brett Raymond Alpharetta, Ga., Accounting II; Jason Pace of Searcy, Ark., Computer Concepts; and Joel Harper of Tulsa, Okla., Economics.

Third place included Mark Burt, Accounting I; Tyler Cutshall, Computer Applications; and Steve Ritter, Management.

According to chapter president, Karen Norwood, senior accounting major, "Our PBL members are strenghtening their confidence in themselves and their work, while growing professionally toward successful careers as Christian business people. The competition is a wonderful springboard from which to pass the word about Harding University, the School of Business, its students and graduates."

Econ team takes top honors at Memphis

The Harding University economics team won first place and \$1,500 in the Mid-South Regional Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) competition at the Omni Hotel in

Memphis on April 26 and 27.

The team's entry, "Free Enterprise — The Great American Bargain," included 65 projects and programs which have been presented to civic, professional and educational groups in the mid-South. The project was judged by chief executive officers of American business and industry.

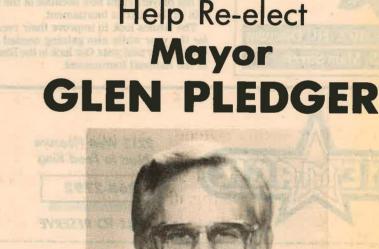
Team members included Karen Norwood

Team members included Karen Norwood of Searcy, co-captain; Drue DeMatteis of Richmond, Va., co-captain; Jim Hull of Columbus, Ohio; Susan Isom of Searcy; Lee Mackey of Searcy; and Jason Pace of Sar-

cy. Dr. Don Diffine, Professor of Economics, is the sponsor of the team.

The Harding team will be going to the national SIFE intercollegiate competition in Kansas City May 20-22 in an attempt for a first-place trophy for the seventh time. Harding teams have also been national runners-up five times in the competition which began in 1978.

SIFE is a Springfield, Mo., organization which involves more than 4,000 college students and 300 faculty members whose educational programs and projects reach more than 300,000 college students and 80,000 school-age children. Mass media contacts reach more than 52 million community citizens.



May 29 is the Republican Primary.

If not in town, please vote absentee!

Keep the Pleager Edge Alive in Searcy

Sports

Tennis team is District 17 champs

by Mark Thomas

The Harding Bison tennis team is 1990 District 17 Champions. The Bisons have won the district championship three out of four years.

For the tournament, the Bisons scored 25 out of a possible 27 points winning seven of nine matches.

The Bisons have kept the winning momentum going after a sweep in the AIC tournament two weeks ago, and will hope to continue winning in the nationals at Kansas City in late May.

The Bisons are taking seven top players to the national tournament with Ernesto Tovar possibly receiving one of the top seeds for the tournament. SAU took first place in the third seed division but was the only



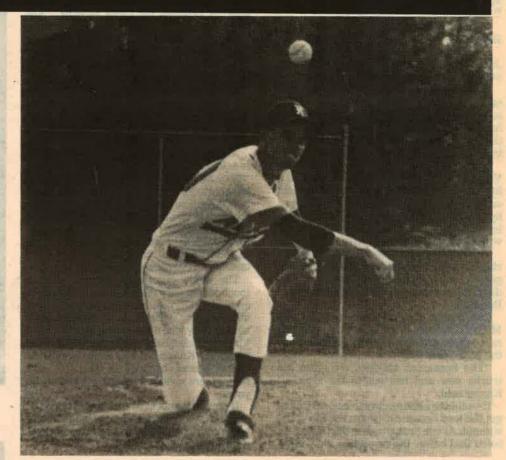
school to place besides Harding. The Bisons lost only two matches for the tournament, the third seed in the singles and the first seed in the doubles.

"We are all real happy with our performance," said Bison coach David Elliott. "I am real proud of all the work the guys have done throughout the year," he said. Elliott commented on the team's goal of winning the championship and going back to the nationals in an earlier interview and is pleased with obtaining that goal. "Our team played really hard and wanted to win," said Elliott.

The Bisons move on to the national tournament level unsure of their competition. "Right now, I can't call it (speaking of the Bisons' opponent)," said Elliott. Not knowing how to train for an opponent can be tricky and preparation for this tournament is essential. "We won't know who anyone will play until we get there (Kansas City)," said Elliott. Elliott said that the team will train as they have all year.

Leaving district play and moving on, the Bisons may have added pressure to perform for the higher level of competition. The team would like to bring back a national championship. "We handled the pressure well in the (District) tournament," said Elliott. Elliott stated that most of the pressure is off of the players right now because of the big win in the district tournament.

The Bisons look to improve their record for the year while also gaining needed experience for next year. Our luck to the Bisons in the national tournament.



A Bison pitcher hurls a strike during last Tuesday's final home game.

photo by Wayne Westerholi

Kappa Sigs win Bucs football tournament

by Mark Thomas

Kappa Sigs defeated Sub T 6-0 last Saturday to win the championship in the first annual flag football tournament hosted by the Bucs social club.

There were only four teams participating but the competition level was tough. Despite the rain and mud, the men's games were played with Kappa Sigs, Pikes, Sub T, and Titans participating.

Sub T faced the Titans in the first game

Sub T faced the Titans in the first game and battled to a 0-0 tie at intermission. Sub T came out in the second half and scored on their second possession, making the score 6-0 (two point conversion failed). Titans threatened to score late in the game with an interception, but failed to score.

In the second game, Kappa Sigs shut the

Pikes out 20-0. The mistake prone Pikes turned the ball over seven times for the game. The Sigs were given a tough fight but put it away late in the game on a sweep play to score with less than three minutes left to

The championship game matched the Kappa Sigs and Sub T in a hard fought duel that left the Sigs as champions. Both teams played tough defense while struggling on offense that ended in a 0-0 tie at the half.

The Kappa Sigs adjusted to Sub T's defense and scored with less than seven minutes left in the game. Sub T got as close as 10 yards away from the end zone but could not score.

All proceeds went to the Arkansas Children's Hospital. The Bucs would like to thank all of those who participated in the





Golf team finishes third in AIC

by Mark Thomas Bison sports editor

The Harding golf team shot a 297 for a second place finish last weekend in the AIC tournament to capture third place overall in the conference.

This combined score for the team is one of the lowest that Harding has ever recorded. The Bisons' finished in second place in the tournament trailing only to Henderson State University, who won the AIC. For overall play Harding placed third behind Henderson State, first, and Arkansas Tech, second.

Harding's top player for the tournament, Matt Patton, shot a 71 for the round while Todd Reinhart finished fourth with a round of 74. Other Bison scores were Scott Barber, 75, who finished seventh, Tom Koller, 77, who finished tenth, and Bernie Waite, 83, NA.

The team played well all year despite having a coach on staff. The team received its coaching from the pros at the Country Club and each other. "We played well all year," said Bison player Tom Koller. "What helped us is that we were all friends and learned from each other," he said. The Bisons placed third in every tournament this year except once in which they placed fourth.

"We practiced together all of the time and it helped us to become a close team," said Koller. Koller also said that each member had a key part in the team's success and consistent play. "We improved every week and we were satisfied with our play though we really expected more," he said.

The Bisons are a young team losing onlyt wo seniors, Patton and Barber. "We are a very young team so we will be experienced for next year," said Koller. He also stated that other teams in the conference are losing a lot of seniors.

The Bison's immediate goal is to win the District 17 tournament this weekend in Hot Springs. "We will try to win the tournament so we can go to the nationals," said Koller.

Sports need proper perspective

by Mark Thomas

Sports have been my life for as long as I remember. It runs in the family in more ways than one because my Dad is a successful basketball coach.

The one thing that I love about sports is

how it makes me a better person. When my team wins I am naturally happy, but when I lose I look for the things I did wrong and look to correct them so I won't make the same mistake again. I have learned that size isn't everything and that talking needs to be backed up by show. Sports offers lessons that can help me in life such as bounce back when you are down, or be consistent and learn from your opponents.

I am thankful that I am able to participate in sports and have a deep sympathy for those who can't.

There are some things that I would like to change in sports because obviously sports aren't perfect and neither are the people who participate.

If I could change things I would first like to change a pro team's attitude to make them play as a team instead of individuals with greed for glory. I would like to see fans at a pro baseball game in which the team represents them instead of a bank or savings and loan. I wouldn't be surprised if a new franchise team will be called the Buffalo CD's or the Memphis Bonds or how about the Montana Tax Breakers. That may be true representation today!

I would like to see a playoff system on the major college level in which all teams are eligible to play for the national championship, especially in football. It is simple and would end controversy. I think it is a bad system when the N.C.A.A. lets so called "experts" pick the national champions each yar. Who does the N.C.A.A. consider an expert? No one argues with basketball's national champion because the playoff rule is

I would like to see more college and proplayers take a vocal stand on drugs and alcohol abuse. I would like for the N.C.A.A. to not allow beer companies to advertise in collegiate sporting events, especially when their PSA's talk of "Just Say No." Do I sense

some hyprocisy?

I would like for college sports to broaden
T.V. coverage for a wide variety of sporting
events such as baseball, track, tennis, etc.

I would like for the AIC teams to wake up and realize that UCA can be beat and that their reign of terror is over! I would like for Pete Rose to stand up and say that it isn't true or Thurman Munson to wear a Yankee uniform just one more time. I would like for crooks like Jerry Jones to realize that money doesn't put wins in the column and that losing more money in a year than you make isn't a strategy for success. I would finally like for the Raiders to move back to Oakland so they can win the Super Bowl

Of course these are from my mind only, but take time and think of how sports has affected your life. I now close as the Sports Editor challenging you not to give up and and to make the best of things even when it seems hopeless.

Track results

UCA MEET

Men:

Men:
Nathan Mills - 3 mile run, 4th, 15:52
Greg Richey - 3 mile run, 6th, 16:26
Jason Kock - 440 yd. run, NA, 51.1
Jeff Galyan - 800 m., NA 2:02
Tim Seay - 1,600 m., 2nd, 4:30
4x100 m - Harding, 3rd, 42.6
Brent Goodwin - High jump, 2nd, 6'6''
Matt Blen - Discus, 2nd, 139'1''
Mark Thomas - Discus, 1st, 130'11'' Mark Thomas - Discus, 1st, 139'11" Barry Bowens - 100 m., 5th, 10.1 Julie Crosswhite - 800 m., 2nd, 2:40 Chandra Latimer - 400 IH, 5th, 70.2 Johnette Lerer - High jump, 3rd, 5'0''

SOUTHWEST MO. STATE MEET

Robbe Counts - Shot put, 4th, 31'11"

Jimmy Sloan - Pole vault, 1st, 15'9" Shawn Humphrey - 110 HH, NA

Kelsie Hutchison - 800 m 6th, 2:22





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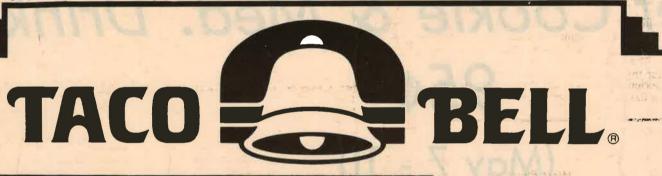
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