Report recommends overhaul of club inductions

Pledge Week may become a forgotten tradition

by Tim Stanley
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1993's Pledge Week may have been the last time for social club inductions to follow the traditional format. A committee appointed in December by President David Burks recently presented a report containing recommendations for the possible improvement of the club induction process. The committee was formed with the intention of studying the current format of Pledge Week and reviewing, in an objective and unbiased fashion, the overall process. According to Burks, Pledge Week had been a continuing and growing concern, particularly due to the occurrence of violations of the Arkansas Hazing Law.

The committee consisted of six students elected by the Interclub Council (I.C.C.): Rebecca Helms, Peter Epton, Jenny Tyree, Don Neal, Kara Hart and Scott Balentine; four club sponsors: Brenda Allen of Ko To Kii, Beth Cox of Regina, Harold Alexander of Titans and Fred Jewell of Lambda Sigma; and two faculty members: Ken Neller and Barbara Barnes.

Tom Howard served as the group's chairman and the Student Services dean served as non-voting member. "We tried to make our decisions in the best interest of the students and the university, and doing this required a lot of time. As a result, our review was very in-depth. We left no stone unturned," Howard said.

As they deliberated, the committee's efforts were aided by what Howard described as a "wealth of information gathered from all the constituents affected by Pledge Week." These sources, he said, included advice and counsel from knowledgeable consultants, and surveys of students, club sponsors and the I.C.C.

The group came to the conclusion that the present system could be improved and that a major overhaul was necessary. Howard stressed, however, that the plan did not call for the current system to be completely abandoned. "We didn't condemn the old system. We tried to take all the good things from it and build on them," he said. "Our emphasis was on the positive. We feel that, in our plan, we've laid down a challenge to the students to help us make club induction a positive, meaningful and uplifting experience for all involved."

The Goals

To this end, the committee devised a set of goals and objectives for inducing new members into social clubs. According to Howard, these goals formed the heart of the plan. The first goal and top priority is spiritual growth, with the examples of Jesus as to how we should live. "The second goal involves legal obligation, specifically that the induction process should uphold both the spirit and the letter of the Arkansas Hazing Law."

The remaining five goals are as follows: emotional fulfillment, or that new members should be inducted into clubs by methods and activities that fulfill their physical and emotional needs; educational enhancement, or to induct new members by methods which provide opportunities for them to demonstrate their commitment to their clubs with the examples of Jesus as to how we should live. "The second goal involves legal obligation, specifically that the induction process should uphold both the spirit and the letter of the Arkansas Hazing Law."

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Editorial

SA elections

Last year there were only approximately 1,080 votes cast in the Student Association election. This means that Rich Little, who gathered 53 percent of the votes, received no more than 580 votes out of a campus of over 3,000. This was one of the largest turnouts in the last several years and, judging by the turnout at other schools, it is unusually high. In the student elections at the University of Arkansas, a school of 22,000 students, the winner of the presidential election received only approximately 500 votes—a mere 2 percent of the student body.

It is easy to overlook the importance of the SA. They are instrumental in providing entertainment opportunities, service opportunities and are recognized by the faculty and administration as the voice of the students. If we don’t vote, we show our apathy about these matters. It is true that the Harding Student Association is not the most powerful and important body in the world, but it can and does benefit the students in important ways.

Since most of the work done by the SA is done on a volunteer basis, it is important who the leaders are. They must be able to motivate people to do the things they want done. They must be willing to work hard because often they will be stuck with the jobs no one else wants but must be done. They must have a vision about what they want to accomplish so that they can inspire others to follow.

There are three candidates for president, all of whom are qualified. They each have an idea about what they want the SA to be. Each one will approach the year differently than the others. There are several other races that are contested, as well. I encourage you to find out about each one and come out on Wednesday and vote for the ones you think will represent you best next year.

The end of Pledge Week

The proposed club induction changes will do away with a tradition that has been around for a long time. It has changed and evolved over the years to become one of the most memorable, if not pleasant and uplifting, experiences of students’ time at Harding. A club’s identity and reputation was shaped by the pledge week activities.

The new system sounds positive. To remove the negative aspects of the old system is good as long as the clubs are allowed to maintain their own unique personalities and the diversity is not lost in the computer program.

Opinions

The Servant’s Treasure

by Carolyn Holmes
Non-colorist

At a devo the other night, Cliff Mims told a story about the wealthy owner of a gas station chain who decided to put down roots in a small Mississippi town. He’d lost his wife years earlier, so his greatest joy in life was his young son, Jason.

Jason, who was well liked by his peers, sometimes missed school to go with his father on business trips. But once, after he’d been gone for two weeks, his teacher made a phone call to the Billups mansion. He returned to the class with the news that Jason had leukemia. Despite his father’s desperate search to find a cure, including trips to see specialists all over the world, Jason Billups died a few years later.

After that, Mr. Billups lost the will to go on. His business started slipping, as did his health. Eventually, he passed away.

Upon hearing of Mr. Billups’ death, relatives from all over the country flocked to the Mississippi mansion in hopes of claiming a portion of the vast estate. Since he had left no will behind, the family hotly debated how the fortune should be divided.

“There’s a servant living here,” someone pointed out. “He’d been with Mr. Billups for many years. It would look good if we gave him first pick of the one thing he wants most. Then we’d divide the rest.”

So it was agreed, and the family called the old servant down to choose his treasure. He walked with them through the 12-car garage, staring uncertainly at the limo, the Mercedes, the Jag, and shaking his head. He followed them through the dining room, with its fine china and antique silver, but he still chose nothing. And so it went from one room to the next.

Rejected stereo systems, big screen TVs, heirloom jewelry, and everything else set in front of him. When they finally reached Mr. Billups’ bedroom, the old man got a little sparkle in his eye. Rushing to the fireplace, he gazed at the painting hanging above—a painting of Jason.

“This painting represents what Mr. Billups loved the most,” the servant whispered. “This is what I want.”

The family sighed in relief. But as they took the painting down, someone noticed an envelope taped to the back of it. Thinking it must be money, he snatched it off and opened it. But all that was inside was a piece of paper, and as he read it aloud, the family members could only hang their heads in shame and disappointment.

It said, “He who chooses my son gains everything I have.” And that day, the old servant became a millionaire.

They say it’s a jungle out there. I say it’s also a mansion—a place full of shiny, flashy things that are ours for the taking. But the opportunities are so overwhelming, sometimes, it’s a little too easy to forget whom the house belongs to and why we’re in it in the first place.

Once we leave school, whether for the summer or forever, we’ll likely come face-to-face with the masses, scrambling and pushing their way up life’s ladders. I pray we meet them going the opposite direction, realizing that true success comes through climbing downward, to be lifted up in His time. Our master is faithful. And the servant’s treasure will never be denied him when he is offered the world, and chooses the son.
Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

A couple of weeks ago I watched an excellent movie called "Forrest Gump." As I waited in line to buy the tickets, someone on their way out declared the film, The Remains of the Day, to be a poor work. I objected to this statement having enjoyed other works of the man playing the leading role, Anthony Hopkins. I was not disappointed, for both Emma Thompson and Hopkins played superb roles. This cerebral story of unfulfilled love truly touched my soul. The story delved into longings, the sense of sadness, the need to realize the importance of the day-to-day, and the importance of a word spoken or a feeling expressed.

Sometimes that chance which is not taken can then never be realized. Does this happen in our Christian lives? Are we given chances to speak, then remain silent because of perceived notions or because of our own pride of place?

Dear Editor,

Last Thursday evening, former Vice President Dan Quayle spoke as part of Harding University's American Studies Distinguished Lecture Series. The overwhelmingly pro-Dan Quayle crowd seemed to think he would be word. Numerous times he was interrupted by applause. His message affirming traditional family values was well-received by the audience, including this listener.

In the interest of truth and fairness, one of his key statements deserves further scrutiny. The former vice president stated that there is a "marriage penalty" at higher tax brackets, but even then, it is far smaller than the speech indicated. Two single individuals making $35,000 a year of taxable income would pay almost $1000 more if married and having a combined income of $35,000. Whether Mr. Quayle was guilty of misinformation or disinformation is not mine to say. Since I listened to the speech on tape, I must assume that he had the benefit of the doubt. We still must remember, he is a politician. Virtually every politician I have known has been guilty of both misinformation and disinformation. It is my hope that, if he does run for the presidency in 1996, he will be more careful in his claims and arguments.

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by Laura McFarland
then staff writer

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Evaluating this year's SA, Hiant praised Little's ability to translate words into service as SA president this year. "I think he has exhibited servantship and respect for students." He said, "While I want to continue to promote fun activities and increased spirituality, I think I will approach things differently this year. I don't want to be a candidate; I want the SA to focus on serving the needs of the whole student body.

Nate Mellor summarized his plans with the catch-words "diversity" and "growth." He said he wants to provide more variety of activities and growth opportunities for the student body. "Too often there is only one thing to do on campus. When a special speaker or performer comes on campus everything else closes down. I want the SA to offer choices about what goes on." He would like to work towards keeping more things open for people. He plans to offer ongoing services and other opportunities for individuals to develop a personal faith.

"I am proposing a controversial idea which would designate Wednesdays as an optional chapel day. According to Hiant, it would provide those who wanted to go with a more spiritual experience and those who would be studying during chapel anyway would be free to do so.

Another point brought up is the meaning of commitment. This film showed a commitment to the buffer to his position. It showed the commitment of the ex-housekeeper to her husband. Where does our commitment lie? Do we sometime take on commitments that keep us from doing what we should? This is not to condemn or accuse, but merely to ask: Where do we stand in our relationships with God? with ourselves?

In a similar fashion, Shadowlands brought forth the same question. The setting is different and the love realized, but we are still left with the desire to wonder. That is the sign of a good movie. It seems to me that there is a Book somewhere that does the same thing.

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Elections for Student Association officers coming Wednesday

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in the Christmas committee and the spiritual life committee, but he would like to see that carry over to the other committees.

Commenting on this year Baine said, "I think Rich Little has done a great job this year, but we need to do a better job in the cafeteria work, especially since the students supported it." Overall he summed up his goals saying, "I want to try to keep students satisfied. If people come, that is why they are here on earth. I want to keep the year focused on God."

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Mellor praised Little's performance in achieving the goals he set for the year and in providing leadership for the student body. He said he wants to maintain the SA's visibility on campus by providing committee members more opportunities for exposure.

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In the event that no candidate obtains the majority necessary to win, a runoff between the two candidates receiving the most votes will be held on Friday, April 29.

Candidates whose names will appear on the ballot without opposition are S. A. vice president, Michael Brooks; S. A. secretary, Stephanie Nett; senior men's representative, Matthew Hobecker; and senior women's representative, Deidre Pierce. Since no one filed for junior women's representative, that position will be filled in the fall when freshmen S. A. representatives and class officers are elected.

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Capacity crowd applauds Quayle speech

by Mavenee Mays
Bison staff writer

Last Thursday evening marked the end of the American Studies Lecture Series for 1993-94 with former Vice President Dan Quayle. President David Burks introduced Quayle and, after the applause died down, he walked out from behind the podium and said, "With enthusiasm like that, how did I lose the election."

Referring to his new book, "Standing Firm," Quayle shared a chapter title, "Murphy and Me." He explained that this chapter was the "Poverty of Values" speech he gave in response to Murphy Brown's comments directed toward his supposedly backward views on parenthood. "I look back on that speech and, although I knew I would receive a lot of criticism for it, I knew it was the right thing to do, and I'm glad I did it," Quayle said, as approving applause rose from the audience.

Quayle then spoke about the family and the failure of parents to take responsibility for their children. He related that he talked with gang members and asked them why they were involved in a gang and the reply he heard constantly was, "It's just like a family - we take care of each other." Quayle said that gangs give the members attention, acceptance and direction, and that, throughout the country, gangs are replacing a mother and father as the surrogate family.

He spoke of welfare and how the income tax system perpetuates an endless cycle of unwed mothers, unplanned pregnancies and unemployment by offering more money to single mothers than an address by former Vice President Dan additional taxes on couples who get married. Quayle also commented in regard to schools, "Our education system breeds mediocrity. Excellence is not rewarded or recognized. We should give every parent the choice on where to send his child to school."

Quayle then discussed health care. "The crisis around the health care system is, but the health insurance system. We have the best health care anywhere in the world and I don't want to change that," Quayle referred to President Clinton's claims that government-sponsored health care will be simpler and higher in quality. "Simpler?" asked Quayle. "Bureaucrats who will run the thing will be telling you when you can and can't come in to see the doctor. Higher quality? Eighty-five percent of Canadians live within a hundred miles of the United States/Canadian border and you wanna know where they come when they get sick? They come here! If the government runs our health care system, where are we gonna go?"

Quayle said that countries that have been locked into socialism for years are starting to privatize their businesses. "Everyone in the world is doing it [privatizing business] except for us. We're going in the opposite direction. Private medicine is better than government medicine and we need to maintain it."

In the closing minutes of his speech, Quayle discussed foreign policy, saying that anything could happen "if America does not get tough on war-like countries who have nuclear weapons." He said that North Korea now has nuclear missiles and, "if we want to have some sort of say in what happens, we should go to the United Nations and say that we will seize any ship that leaves North Korea with nuclear equipment on board."

Quayle said that, under the Bush administration, we informed foreign governments about what policy should be and now, under Clinton, foreign governments are informing us. "The heart and soul has been cut out of the defense budget," Quayle remarked. "It gets 3.8 percent of the GNP, and the last time it was that low was 1938. If America is no longer relevant on the world stage, who will be? China? Russia? Japan?" Quayle said that this country needs a president who will provide leadership both here and around the world.

POINTING OUT THE FACTS. Former Vice President Dan Quayle tells it as he sees it during his address to an overflow crowd in the Benson Auditorium. (photo by Jason Burt)

The Benson, packed to capacity, filled with applause as Quayle finished his speech and paused to await questions from the audience. In the question and answer period, he addressed concerns about the embargo on Haiti, congressional reform and legalizing abortion.

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Mabee Foundation awards $2 million grant to university

The J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation of Tulsa announced a $2 million challenge grant to Harding University on Monday. According to Dr. David Burks, the money will be used for the completion of the McInteer Bible and World Missions Center and other projects in the initial phase of the $52 million Dream Continues campaign.

In order to meet the conditions of the challenge grant, the school must secure $4 million in gifts and pledges by April 1, 1995. According to Burks, approximately $1 million has already been raised toward this goal.

"This grant is the largest single gift the foundation has ever made to Harding," Burks said. He added that the grant ensures the successful completion of the initial phase of the campaign, of which more than $5 million of the necessary $10 million has already been raised. "We are elated about this," he said. "The grants are usually in the $300,000 - $500,000 range."

Madd Dash race to be run tomorrow at 8:00

The tenth annual MADD DASH, sponsored by the White County chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, is set for tomorrow at 8 a.m. The MADD DASH has three races taking place simultaneously: a 5K, 10K and a half-mile Fun Run. The 10K race, laid out by Harry Miller, who was killed by a drunk driver in 1980, is recognized as one of the best in the South. It is a demanding test for the most seasoned runners. For those with less extensive conditioning, either the 5K or the half-mile Fun Run are available.

Economics team wins mid-South competition

The economics team received first place in the Mid-South Regional Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) Competition April 13-14 in Memphis. Students In Free Enterprise is a Springfield, Missouri-based organization, whose membership includes more than 4,000 college students and 300 faculty members. The group's educational programs and projects reach more than 80,000 school-aged children and includes mass media contacts with about 52 million citizens.

The team's entry titled, "Five to be Anything We Want If We Have the Enterprise to Do It," was presented in a detailed multi-media fashion working on throughout the year. "We have a script that we act out and we show slides of us working with the children," Benthall said. The judges also have a question and answer session with the team in order to gain a better knowledge of their work and accomplishments. "The hard part is to get all of the work together to show that you've helped the children understand business," Benthall said.

The team's entry titled, "Five to be Anything We Want If We Have the Enterprise to Do It," was presented in a detailed multi-media fashion that elaborated on more than 63 projects and programs. These programs have been presented to civic, professional and educational groups in the mid-South during 1993-94.

Harding's team consists of Aaron Hasten, co-captain from Salem, Mo.; Benthall, from Little Rock; Anessa Westbrook and Jonathan Poor from Searcy; Jerod Williams from Wynne, Ark.; Todd Mudrey from Piazo, Texas. The sponsor of the team is Dr. Don Diffone, professor of economics and director of the Belden Center for Private Enterprise Education.
Jimmy Allen, Jerome Barnes, Ruth Browning and Edwina Pace were honored with 35- and 40-year service pins for their faithful service and dedication to Harding last Friday. Each was recognized, along with many others who have served 10, 15, 20, 25 or 30 years, at the annual faculty/staff dinner. Allen, Barnes and Browning have been at Harding for 35 years. Pace recently marked her 40th year at Harding.

In personal interviews, the 35-year and 40-year honorees explained why they have been involved with Harding for so long, what Harding means to them, what has changed over the years and what their best experiences at Harding have been.

Allen came to Harding as a student in 1948, when, as he says, "the rules were more strict than they are now." Allen also owes his salvation, his wife, his family and his career to his time at Harding, where he was converted to Christ.

Among his most memorable experiences are the past meetings held at the College Church. He worked in teaching, administration and with alumni. Allen also fondly remembered the time he spent playing Harding athletics, particularly baseball, softball, basketball and flag football.

"That is one of Harding's strengths — we are still getting a fine student body." — Jerome Barnes

"The campus was much smaller when I started to work here in 1954. My area of responsibility has been to facilitate change. But the quality of students has stayed the same. But a person's soul can be affected when they get engaged in a Harding swing and seeing students win numerous awards. She said she liked "just being on campus, meeting people and enjoying campus life."
**Sports**

**Tennis teams lose to tough opponents**

The women's tennis team traveled to UALR Tuesday to find some competition after going undefeated in the AIC and clinching the championship with ease. The Lady Bisons kept the sets close in most of the matches while falling 8-1. Melody Miller pulled off the only win 6-1, 6-4. Coach David Elliott said, "We knew that UALR is a good team, but we needed to play before the District 17 tournament this weekend." The Lady Bisons travel to Arkadelphia for the tournament today and tomorrow.

The men's team lost a close match to conference rival OBU on Tuesday. The Bisons finished second behind OBU with a record of 8-2. They will compete in the District 17 tournament next weekend.

**Baseball team sweeps AC**

The Bisons swept Arkansas College in a doubleheader on Tuesday. In the first game, the Bisons got out to a 5-2 lead behind the strong pitching of Nick Fouts before blowing it in the top of the 7th and having to score a run in the bottom of the inning to win the game.

In the second game, the Bisons breezed to an 8-2 victory. The Bisons scored 6 runs in the third inning and the Scots were never able to catch up.

Last week, Eric Dodson tossed a six hitter as the Bisons baseballers came from behind to defeat nationally ranked Southern Arkansas 7-6 in the nightcap of a doubleheader.

The Muleriders jumped out to a 5-0 lead before the Bisons took control. Harding scored one run in the bottom of the third inning and then came back with five more in the bottom of the sixth to tie the game.

In the top of the seventh, Dodson got the tough part of SAU's lineup out in top-notch fashion, setting the stage for a come-from-behind victory by the Bisons in the bottom of the inning.

"It is always good to get a win, but for these guys to come back the way they did tells you something about them," Coach Jess Bucy said. "They sort of kicked the ball around early and let them have a lead and then came back like we wanted to win."

In the first game, the Bisons made a few mental mistakes on the bases which may have cost them the victory as they were defeated 3-1. Nick Fouts gave up eight hits, but they were all scattered.

"It is a shame Nick didn't get a win because he did a good job," Bucy said. "The Bisons' next home game will be against the University of the Ozarks Saturday at 12:00.

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James Flint
Sprinter

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Most Admired Person - Fred Finks
Favorite Athlete - Carl Lewis
Favorite Team(s) - Miami Hurricanes, Orlando Magic

Most Memorable Moment - James attended Dakota Wesleyan
Junior College in South Dakota where

snow is just as prevalent as mosqui­
toos are in Arkansas. There, he was
a decathlete. At one track meet, there
was about an inch of snow on the
ground. Well, James, being from
Florida, was not used to anything
such as this. He didn't think he
would do well at all because of the
weather. When it was all over and
done with, however, James had won
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Golf team ties Tech for first

The third and fourth rounds of golf play in
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ney proved to be meaningful ones for the
Horning team as they shot a combined 294 to
win the third round Monday and then fol­
lowed with another stellar performance
Wednesday, winning round four and pulling
into a tie for the conference lead with Arkan­
sas Tech. Both teams have 21 points in con­
ference play with only two rounds remaining

to be played this weekend. Third-place SAU
is only a hair's breadth behind the co-leaders
with 20.5 points.

Brad Williams led the way for the Bisons
in third-round play, showing a 72 and going
even par for the round. "Brad moved into the
AIC medalist role four strokes ahead of
Preston Turbeville of Southern Arkansas," Coach Scott Ragsdale said.

Bruce Johnston, Brad Wood and James
Clark each shot a 74, while Kevin Kelly shot
a 78. "Brad Wood was four over after two
holes and then went two under for the last 16
holes," Ragsdale said.

"I would have to say that I am proud of our
team. They rose to the occasion and put us
back into the race. They gave us a chance to
win after it looked so bad with our fifth-place
finish last week," Ragsdale said.

The fifth round of play is slated for this
morning at Hot Springs Village, with the
final round also being played there tomor­
row. Ragsdale said he believes the Bisons
have an excellent shot at winning the tourney
and clinching a conference crown. "It's gonna
be tight," Ragsdale said, "with all of us
bunching up there together. But I think we
have an excellent chance to win it."

If the Bisons can hang on to win the
conference title, they will advance to the
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