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News

at a Glance

- The Frances Mayo Smith Memorial Scholarship of \$300 will be awarded in the spring semester by Searcy University Women Affiliated. The award will be given to a woman who is at least 28 years of age and has completed 12 hours of college work with at least a 2.5 GPA. Applications are available through the financial aid office. The deadline is Feb. 15.

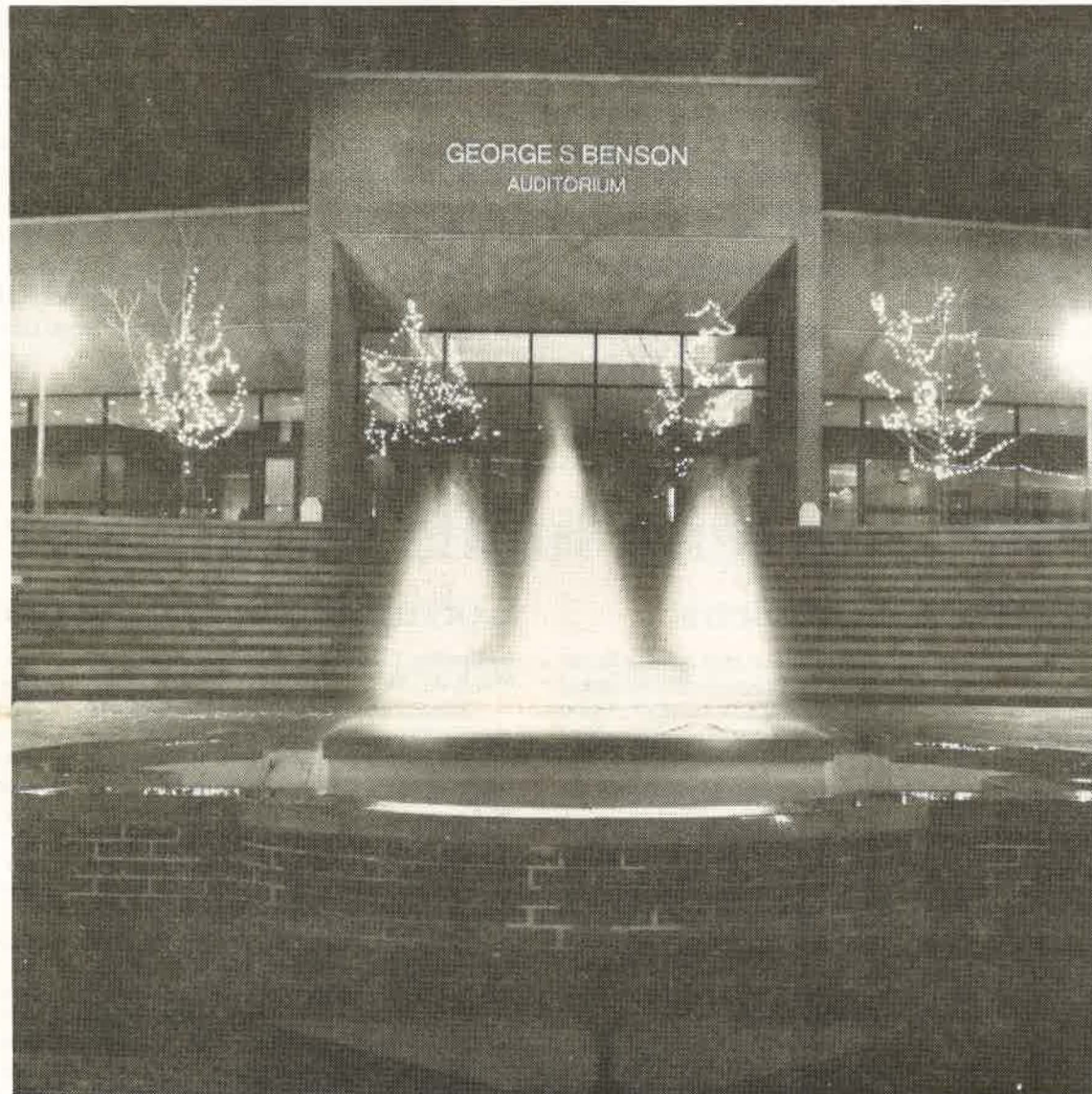
- The Jennings Osborne family of Little Rock has been ordered by the State Supreme Court to cut back their unusually large Christmas display, which last year surpassed three million light bulbs.

- Paul Hill, recently convicted for the killing of an abortion clinic doctor and his bodyguard, was sentenced to the electric chair on Tuesday. The sentence will be automatically appealed to the Florida Supreme Court.

- Federal Election Commission auditors are recommending that President Bush's 1992 re-election campaign repay the U.S. Treasury \$1.3 million for campaign infractions.

- According to a study by the Alcohol Studies Program at Harvard School of Public Health, 44 percent of the 17,592 students surveyed had downed four or five drinks in a row at least one time in the two weeks prior to the survey.

Holiday lights generate spirit of Christmas among students



Lighting up the amphitheater. Christmas lights decorate the area in front of Benson Auditorium, bringing the feeling of Christmas to campus and contributing to Searcy's Holiday of Lights. Photo by Nathan Ironside.

by Emily McMackin
Bison staff writer

As students came back from Thanksgiving break, many had only one thing in their mind – Christmas vacation. However, some students decided to get into the Christmas spirit before the break by stringing lights on their windows or by putting up a miniature tree in their dorm rooms. After all, what would the Christmas season be without the glow of brightly colored lights?

In keeping with this tradition, Harding is again participating in the Holiday of Lights festivities in conjunction with the city of Searcy. According to Laura White, director of the campus lights, the decorations for this year are a little bit different from the past seasons, but they are just as exciting. "Although we still have decorations on the front lawn, this year we placed more focus on the McInteer Center and on the pedestrian mall," White said. The lighted trees in front of the pedestrian mall are the newest addition to the decorations on campus.

The light decorations on campus have been a long-standing tradition at Harding. "By decorating the campus, we have shown Searcy that we want to be involved in the community. It's a good way to share in the Holiday of Lights festivities with the people of Searcy," White said.

Viewing the lights that decorate Searcy's various parks and houses is also a traditional part of the three weeks between Thanksgiving break and the end of finals. Christian Serafeim, a sophomore from Honduras, stopped at Berryhill Park to take a few pictures of the decorations. "We don't have all the lights in my country. We decorate for Christmas, but we just decorate the inside of our houses."

During the month of December, a special activity is planned for each weekend. On Dec. 10, there will be a parade in the downtown area to celebrate Holiday of Lights. The Student Association is sponsoring a float in the parade, with tuba players and 10 to 15 students dressed as Disney characters. "I believe that the Holiday of Lights festivities really help students to get into the Christmas spirit," White said. "Hopefully, students don't get homesick as easily when they see the lights in the park or on the campus. It also provides a nice break from the stress of finals and allows students to enjoy some of the excitement of the Christmas season," she said.

Angel Tree project gives gifts to children of inmates

by Carol Birth
Bison staff writer

More than 400,000 underprivileged children nationwide will receive Christmas gifts this year through thousands of people who participate in the Angel Tree project. Kids in 25 cities and nine counties in this area will be among those who benefit from the project initiated years ago to help parents provide gifts for their children.

Angel Tree is an outgrowth of work begun by Charles Colson, a former Nixon presidential aide who, along with others, was imprisoned after the Watergate scandal. During his incarceration, Colson became a Christian; and, after his release, he organized a Prison Fellowship and encouraged other former inmates to minister to those still in prison.

In the Angel Tree program, prisoners first sign up their families for the project. Then those families are contacted and asked to suggest one clothing item, one toy and one other necessity for each child. Each suggestion, or "wish," is written on an angel and placed on the tree, where those who wish to participate take the angel, buy the designated gift and return it to the appropriate location, gift-wrapped.

According to junior April Kennedy, a coordinator for Harding's division of Angel Tree, the project "helps restore the relationship between the parent and child, and it helps the prisoners trust the Fellowship."

The nationwide organizers of the project have been impressed with Harding's response, Kennedy also said. Of the 360 angels, 150 were gone the

first day. The rest of the angels were taken in the next two days. Donations to the general fund will buy gift certificates for the families, as well as gifts for families that were added to the project at a late date.

"I'm impressed with how much the student body has gotten involved – and it hasn't been a certain type of people – it's been a diverse group," Cameron Hunter, a volunteer for the project, said.

Gifts will be delivered Dec. 10 at 12:30 from Student Center rooms 238 and 239. Some faculty members and others have volunteered to help deliver, but there is still a need for more who are willing to drive their cars.

"We're asking for your prayers," Kennedy said. "This is making a big impact in lives, and it's helping us to share our faith in a comfortable way."



TAKING a Closer Look

A female perspective on the Men's Leadership Conference

As most of you know, last Friday and Saturday, Steve Farrar was on campus to conduct the Men's Leadership Seminar. In preparation for the big event, we had an entire week of chapel devoted to the family. The importance of a strong male figure in the family was emphasized, to the point that at times it almost seemed we women didn't even need to be in chapel. However, that's not to say that we weren't curious as to what would be said at the upcoming seminar. What would 1,000 men have to say when they were completely separated from their girlfriends, wives, sisters and mothers?

A humorous and interesting sideline to the wonderful growth I have heard that many of the men experienced last weekend is the interest that many girls expressed as to exactly what so many men could possibly do together for an entire day without inviting us. For some, the seminar provided a perfect time to do some "window shopping" for a future husband. Others simply wanted to hear what was being said about us, the women. Still others couldn't have cared less what was going on in the Benson last Saturday.

After some of the things I had heard in chapel, I must

confess that I wasn't as excited about the conference as many people around me (both male and female) seemed to be. Much of the promotion had seemed to me to be more macho than manly, and the whole premise of men taking back the spiritual leadership seemed to imply that women had had it at one time or another, and hadn't done a very good job with it. However, despite my somewhat negative impressions of the conference, I knew that nothing which had positively influenced the lives of so many people around the country could be all bad, and decided to keep an open mind about the whole thing.

Now that the two days have come and gone, I still cannot say that I am among the ranks of those girls on campus who immediately marked from their list of "possibles" any guy who did not attend the seminar. However, after talking to several of my friends who did attend, I have



decided that anyone who did not miss out on an opportunity to be equipped for future battles. I looked at the seminar handbook (I hope I wasn't breaking some sort of unwritten code of male bonding), and saw in it information that everyone, male and female alike, could benefit from reading. So, for you guys who attended last weekend, do a female friend a favor and share what you learned.

I think I learned something from the conference, although I didn't come within a half-mile radius of the Benson all weekend. I learned that separation of the sexes has more going for it than I had once thought. Men and women need time apart from each other to reexamine and redefine what each of us is supposed to be doing in the home, the church and the world. We each have different roles, different gifts and different tasks. It is only when we are apart that we can learn to appreciate these differences between the sexes. But let us not forget that it is only when we are together that we can learn to cooperate and make the most of those differences.

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FACING the Issues

Are term limits the answer?

Term limits will only worsen problems

by Jeffrey R. Baker
Bison guest writer

There is a problem with our government. The people feel that the government is moving away from the interests of its constituents, if it is moving at all. We perceive our representatives in Washington D.C. as distant and aloof from our everyday concerns. Government has become isolated from the realities faced by the population at large; incumbents are stagnant in careerism and impotent to effect change. Legislators have become slaves to well-funded special interest groups who are more than willing to use and abuse the power of government for their own agendas. One can be persuaded that government has reached a critical stage of ineffectiveness, isolation, and corrupt practices and that term limits may prove to create a greater problem.

Those pursuant to limitations will give many knee-jerk, reactionary reasons why term limits are a new necessity, the last resort to an ever-widening gap between government and the people. They will tell you that incumbency, longevity in office, is a destructive condition that isolates congressmen in a thick bubble around the capital that allows special interest groups and political action committees (PAC'S) to control elections and the policy decision rendered by their lackeys on Capitol Hill, facilitates gridlock, and hinders dynamic change in the law and government. Proponents of term limitations will tell you that a level playing field does not exist between incumbents and their challengers seeking office, and they are right. They will tell you that the only effective and fair way to make life fair to all seeking office is to limit the tenure of officers in order to remove the incentive of interest groups from financing incumbents' campaign efforts, thus making sure everyone has an equal shot during an election. Here, their noble idea fails.

The problems do exist, but term limits will treat only the symptoms, not the disease. My first argument against term limits is found in the 15th, 19th and 26th amendments to our Constitution. These guarantee the right to vote to all citizens of the United States above 18 years of age. If you do not approve of your rep-

resentation, do not force a limit on their terms; vote them out of office. That is your constitutional right. The constitution says nothing of term limitations because they should not be necessary with universal suffrage. Secondly, imposing term limitations of two terms on members of the House and Senators will increase the power of special interest groups instead of dampening their influence. Members of Congress only able to serve for two terms will be completely ineffective, because this is a difficult job. Statesmen must grow with experience; few ever master the work of governing. None have mastered it in two terms. The first term will be spent becoming oriented, and the second getting ready to leave. The void of leadership and expertise will be filled by unelected, unaccountable staffers, advisors and lobbyists who hold no loyalty to anyone but their own agendas instead of "lame-duck" representatives who will be naive and inexperienced. Experience equals power, and term limits will put Congress even further out of reach.

Obviously, some solution must be found in order to control a Congress that forgets for whom it works, but term limitations are a short term, quick fix that will eventually prove more debilitating than the status quo. We must enact election reform that will cap campaign spending, limit the contributions that special interests and PAC's are allowed to make, and regulate the "soft-money" system. These suggestions would help to level the electoral playing field. Limiting contributions from lobbying groups will control distractions from the members' primary responsibility, you, the voter. Reformation of campaign laws and regulation of special interest groups and PAC's will serve this nation much more effectively than term limits.

Corruption in D.C. demands term limits

by Bradley T. Hayes
Bison guest writer

Political historians are already portraying 1994 as "The Year of the Elephant." Sweeping political reform has been initiated all across the board. What will they dub 1995, the year all the reform initiated in 1994 comes into fruition? 1995 is the year Republicans will finally have to "put up or shut up." If they cannot carry through on their promises with a 53 percent Congressional majority, they never will. Political campaigns have always been based on promises of change and reform. This year's Republican campaigns, however, attained an air of credibility heretofore unknown, primarily through the now-famous "Contract with America."

The actual effect this campaign tool had on voters is difficult to gauge, but its repercussions are not. What the contract boils down to is a written list of promises, endorsed by the Republican party as a whole, that the newly elected Republican members of Congress will attempt to pass as legislation. It also gives the voters, and the Democrats as well, a score card by which to rate Republican performance. Many of the 10 proposed acts of legislation contained in the contract have bipartisan support and will be fairly easy to pass. The Term Limit Act is not one of them.

The two opposing viewpoints on the issue are clear-cut and well defined. Those against term limits, mostly career politicians and their political remoras, contend that limiting the time one could hold political office would be the same thing as robbing any other major business of experience, which is essential for success. Term limits would be a disservice, depriving the American people of the most effective and well-run government possible.

More ideological voters see it differently. First of all, term limits would not necessarily deprive Washington of its pool of experienced lawmakers. Just because an office holder could serve only a certain amount of time in any one given role does not mean he could not serve the same amount of time in another. By imposing term limits, politicians would be kept more mobile, and therefore less prone to developing destructive power blocs and establishing zones of influence.

Secondly, term limiters profess that politics is not your typical business and Washington not the average workplace. Every year bright, young congressmen head off to Washington, intent on serving the people of America. But a few years later, when they emerge from the political cocoon they wrapped themselves in, they are no longer the same. Instead of serving the public, now they serve themselves. And it is no longer America that is first in their heart; it is the party.

It would take a strong man to resist the seductions of that political Babylon, and strong men are scarce these days. No one can completely avoid the corrupting influence of D.C. for very long, good intentions or not - for we all know which road is paved by those. But suppose some Congressman was actually able to resist the corrupting influence of our nation's capital. He still could not help become somewhat alienated from the folks back home, just as if a mother who went away from home for nearly a year could not help but become estranged from her kids.

As it stands right now, 22 states have passed term-limiting legislation to one extent or another. The problem with leaving the question up to the states is that it causes inequalities in Congress, where seniority plays an important role. A national consensus must be reached on this issue and a national standard established.

The benefits of imposing term limits seem obvious. Why should the president's term of office be limited, and a host of other politicians remain exempt? All across America, people demand the principles this nation was founded on. As the rock group Rage Against the Machine states, "It's time to take the power back." Term limits would be a good start in this direction.

"Four of five voters disapprove of the way Congress operates and many say their leaders have become disconnected from the lives of ordinary Americans."

U.S. News & World Report



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SEEING *a New Perspective*

Bring me some figgy pudding!?!?

by Shannon Smith
Bison columnist

In this bustle of pre-Christmas vacation exams and activities, many of us find ourselves humming cheer-bringing tunes in the spirit of the season. Bars of "Deck the Halls" and "Jingle Bells" can be heard throughout the classrooms and dorms on campus. These Christmas carols are contagious; their warmth has endured through generations.

And yet, if we pause for a moment to examine some of the words that we are so joyously bellowing, we may be a bit puzzled.

Take, for example, "The Christmas Song." This soothing melody has always been one of my favorites. When I begin singing "Chestnuts roasting on an open fire," I can almost feel Perry Como and Bing Crosby right beside me. And yet, I really couldn't tell you what chestnuts are; I'm more familiar with pecans. And I've surely never roasted them over an open fire - we don't even have a fireplace! Going on, the song says, "Yuletide carols being sung by a choir." Now, I feel a bit foolish, but I have never known just exactly what "Yuletide" means. I know it means something Christmasy; I guess the "tide" part is short for tidings, but what about Yule? Have you ever seen any Yules? I haven't.

Another favorite holiday tune is "Deck the Halls." I've known that one since kindergarten - a simple song, right? Well, taking a closer look we find we are "donning gay apparel" (sounds frightening) and "trolling the Yuletide carol." (There's that Yuletide word again.) Trolling, hmmm. . . does that have anything to do with little men with long beards?

"Jingle Bells" is also very popular. We sing it with great gusto, just as if we've ridden in one-horse open sleighs all of our lives. Personally, I'm more acquainted with station wagons and mini-vans. I guess one has to be from Alaska to fully comprehend that song.

And what of the song that begins "City sidewalks, busy sidewalks, dressed in holiday style"? How many of us really hear "silver bells" ringing on every corner? Do electronic, gold ones count?

What is figgy pudding? Who is good King Wenceslas, and what on earth is the Feast of Stephen? Do you know Parson Brown? What exactly does one do when wassailing? And - now be honest - which of you out there would really be happy if your true love gave you a partridge in a pear tree for Christmas?

I guess it is obvious that many of the songs of Christmas are so rich in heritage that their words are a bit outdated. And yet, amazingly, they still touch us. We are more inspired by singing of sleigh rides, chestnuts and figgy pudding than we would be by singing of today's images. Somehow, "Pecans baking in a nice, clean oven" isn't as inspiring as the "Chestnuts" rendition. And, "Oh, what fun it is to ride in a nice & heated Yugo-ho!" just doesn't have much of a ring to it.

Maybe someday modern writers will create new festive songs that will be able to inspire us with up-to-date lyrics. I have heard a few with potential. But until then, I will keep going a-wassailing, listening to silver bells and roasting chestnuts to my heart's content. It's part of the magic of Christmas.



GUEST *commentary*

by Mr. Mark Elrod

Several years ago, I had the pleasure of co-authoring an article for this paper on one of the more interesting outcomes of the 1988 election. Since then, I have amused myself and my students by recounting the strange tale of one of that year's candidates, Warren D. Carpenter.

In November, 1988, Harding University students resisted the tide of popular support for Democratic Congressman Tommy Robinson, then representing Arkansas' Second Congressional District. That year, the voters of Arkansas re-elected Robinson to his third term over Warren Carpenter, a former Little Rock educator, noted segregationist and conspiracy theorist. Carpenter asserted that Robinson, the CIA, the Republican Party and other individuals were at one time trying to destroy his health by directing radiation at his home from a space satellite. Eventually, Robinson took 84 percent of the vote and Carpenter retired to his glow-in-the-dark mobile home in Pulaski County.

Carpenter's candidacy was not interesting merely because he was able to represent a major party and seek political office. Kooky individuals from all political persuasions run for office, and occasionally even win races. The more interesting aspect of the 1988 race for Arkansas' Second District concerned the vote of Harding's student body which cast its vote at Box 4A in the American Heritage. Typically, about 90 percent of the voters at Box 4A are students, and in that year they gave Carpenter his only victory of the race in White County. Box 4A went to Carpenter 56 percent to 44 percent over Robinson.

It might be concluded that what 4A voters favored was Carpenter's party affiliation, or at least his party label. The irony is that Carpenter was not embraced by the State Republican Party. In fact, the party did everything it could to keep Carpenter's name off of the ballot.

This brings us to 1994. A great year for Republicans, but a bad year for Attorney General candidate Dan Ivy. Ivy is a Fayetteville attorney whose specialty is personal injury lawsuits. Some of my lawyer friends have described him as an "ambulance chaser" but, as a non-lawyer, I do not feel qualified to make that observation myself. Like Warren Carpenter, Ivy is fond of conspiracies. At one point during the election, Ivy publicized a plot involving his Democratic opponent, the Mena Airport, the Contras, Oliver North, cocaine, weapons, G.O.P. State Chairperson Asa Hutchinson, Bill Clinton and everyone associated with the Whitewater Development Corporation. Ivy lost his race to the incumbent, Winston Bryant, by the widest margin of any state-wide race in Arkansas, 80 percent to 20 percent.

The good news for Ivy is that he did carry one ballot box in White County, and you've probably guessed which one. Of the 118 votes cast in the Attorney General's race in Box 4A, Ivy received 71, giving him 60 percent of the vote there. And, as you've also guessed, there's more to Dan Ivy than meets the eye, and it's more than just being a little kooky. Dan Ivy makes Warren Carpenter look like

Gulf War Commanding General Colin Powell.

In September, 1994, Ivy was convicted by a Fayetteville Municipal Court of third-degree battery against his wife, or wife-beating. It was further alleged that Ivy threatened to kill his wife and her parents. Following his conviction, the Republican Party refused to certify Ivy for the November ballot, but this decision was later overturned by the State Supreme Court. In short, if you voted for the Republican candidate in this race, you did not cast your vote for the choice of the Republican party. Nor did you vote for anyone who even remotely espouses "family values." You voted for a man who was convicted in court of using his fists to cause physical harm to his wife. By most assessments, Dan Ivy is better suited to be a target of the Attorney General's office than to be its director.

What have we learned?

Lesson #1: One of the comments students frequently make in my classes about the potential for democracy in underdeveloped nations is that "they aren't educated enough to make a democracy work." Perhaps it would be better to compare the courage of citizens of would-be democracies who choose to vote in elections in the face of torture or murder with college students (and a few graduates) who would prefer to have a convicted wife-beater enforce Arkansas' laws.

Lesson #2: No political party has the monopoly on virtue or family values. My suspicion is that the percentage of people who engage in spousal battery is spread fairly evenly among all political parties. Ironically, voters at Box 4A also rejected a member of Harding's Development Council for a former radio talk-show host who favors drug decriminalization.

Lesson #3: These things are getting pretty predictable.... I told several friends that Ivy would carry the Harding box shortly after he got the nomination and I stuck with that prediction even after he was convicted. And this was accomplished without sophisticated polls or public opinion research. Several factors contributed: there was low interest in the race, Ivy avoided campaigning anywhere near our campus, and despite the best efforts of the Republican Party, Dan Ivy got the nomination and, like Warren Carpenter, benefited from the party label favored by the majority of voters on this campus.

Lesson #4: Despite what you've heard, in most cases, you can trust the media to tell you what you need to know to cast an intelligent vote (you're trusting me right now, right?). Even the Republican-operated Democrat-Gazette didn't try to sugar-coat Dan Ivy's conviction and near non-certification by the G.O.P. It was in the papers, it was on T.V., and it was the talk of coffee shops across the state.

Don't expect all the pertinent details about any candidate to hit you in the face at once, nor to be delivered to you in a pre-election epiphany. Don't even trust the candidates themselves. Dig a little deeper and you may find more than you care to know. Remember that a vote cast in ignorance is a vote cast for ignorance.

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Happy Holidays

from the Bison staff



ACQUIRING *New Tastes* Searcy's newest eatery

by Craig Hanson
Bison Arts/Entertainment Editor

Under the Balcony is apparently attempting to fulfill a variety of roles. This new restaurant comes as an excellent (and much needed) addition to Searcy.

The interior welcomes customers with a cozy, almost homey atmosphere. Deep red walls with green and cream trim offer warmth. Hardwood floors amplify the feeling. Directly in front of the door, a glass counter filled with sumptuous desserts makes for a hospitable introduction. The decorative furnishings convey a hybrid persona of Southern-Victorian updated with modern-sleekness paired with emulations of European romance. Similarly, the music varies from monumental symphonic to restrained classical to mellow 70s.

Presently, the chef sticks to a simple menu. Choices include a variety of salads, sandwiches, soups and potatoes. After three visits, I have yet to be disappointed. Salads are fresh and crisp. The Chicken Fajita Caesar and Chicken Stir-Fry Salads proved outstanding. Likewise, with the soups, the Cream of Asparagus, Black Bean and Rice, and Wisconsin Cheese all boast well-seasoned flavors - neither bland nor over-powering.

The desserts, made fresh daily, should not be missed. There is a good selection of cheesecake, including the traditional New York as well as inventive variations like Peanut Butter Chocolate. Ranging from \$1.95 to \$4.95, food prices are quite reasonable.

The coffee selection is good, and at least some place in Searcy now serves espresso and cafe latte. Yet, coffee-shop connoisseurs should not expect too much. This is Arkansas - not Paris nor Portland. I assume that slightly steep prices for java result from scarcity. Here in the rural South, these specialties remain luxuries, not standard fare.

Under the Balcony now struggles to find its persona. Upon opening, it offered breakfast but recently scaled down to only lunch and dinner. Naturally, the management continues to work out the kinks of the initial opening. (At times the staff seems awkward, and the service - although very genial - is not always smooth.) The food is excellent though choice is limited. The menu reads like a deli-board, while the atmosphere seems more like a full-scale restaurant (there



are plans to expand the menu).

The establishment has done a great job overall of filling a variety of roles: sandwich shop, Victorian cafe, coffee house and fairly nice restaurant. It is difficult to imagine one establishment successfully wearing so many hats, and at times the stack does waiver. Yet fortunately, balance seems to be the house specialty.

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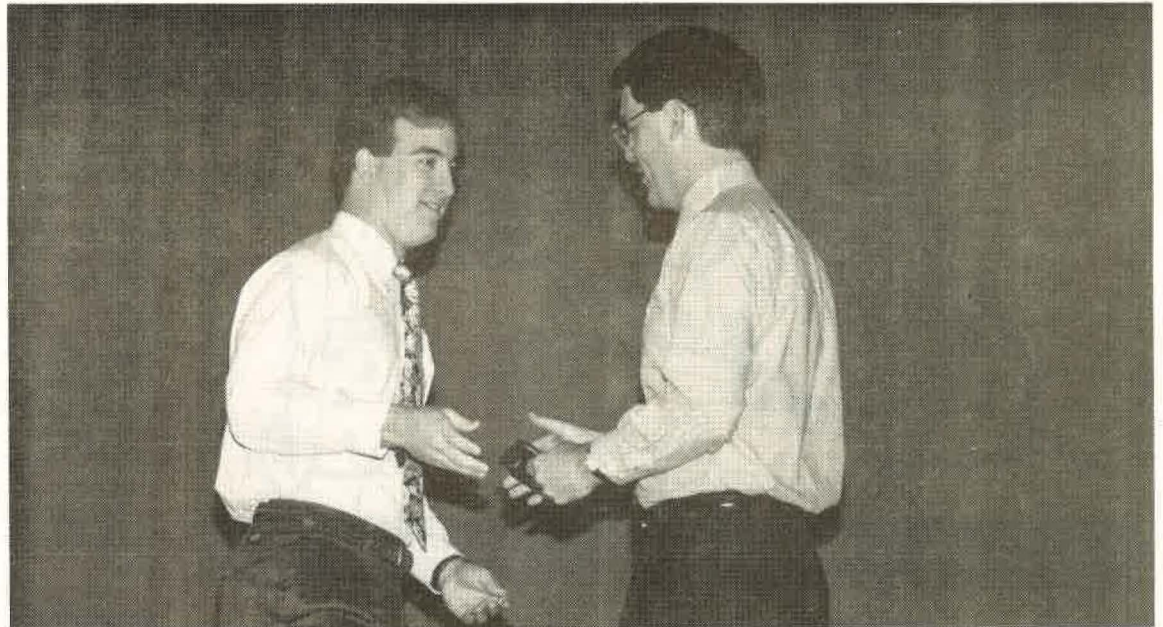
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Showing gratitude. Matt Brent presents Dr. Ken Neller with a mentor award. Photo by Nathan Ironside.

Students express appreciation for mentors

by Judie O'Farrell
Bison staff writer

Students expressed appreciation to four faculty members and a campus minister by deeming them "mentors" Wednesday in chapel. Barbara Barnes, Paul Haynie, Karen McLarty, Ken Neller and Barby Smith were presented plaques in recognition of their dedication to "humbly going about doing God's will," according to Rich Little, who helped coordinate this week's chapel programs.

Michelle Browne presented women's intramural director Barbara Barnes a mentor plaque based on Barnes' "genuine concern for people." "The first time I saw that smile, I knew she cared," Browne said. "That's how I want to be."

Joseph Walker said the same about his mentor, Dr. Paul Haynie. He said that Haynie's Civil War class taught him to appreciate those who spent their lives to buy freedom. "Every time he talked about Civil War battles, he teared up," Walker said. "That kind of com-

passion says a lot about his character."

Stephanie Neff said that four words describe her mentor and teacher, Karen McLarty: "rejoice and be glad." According to Neff, McLarty can "always be recognized by a smile and a wave that makes you feel special."

Matt Brent said his mentor, Ken Neller, "teaches the true meaning of heart religion." Brent said worship

means more to him because of his friendship with Neller. "I've learned it's OK to be expressive."

Barby Smith is a mentor for Denise Pierce, who said Smith "treats everyone she comes in contact with like family." Though Smith's family and her campus ministry take up much of her time, Pierce said she "always has time to listen."

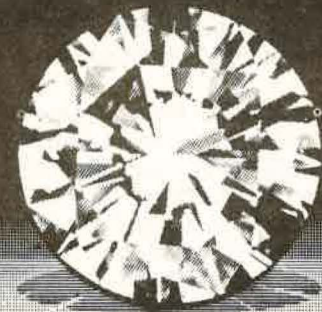
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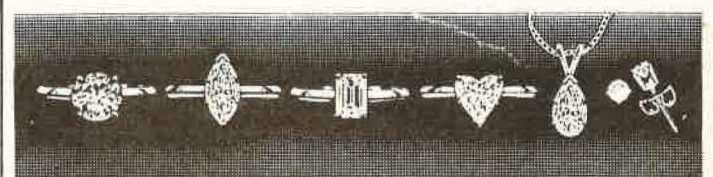
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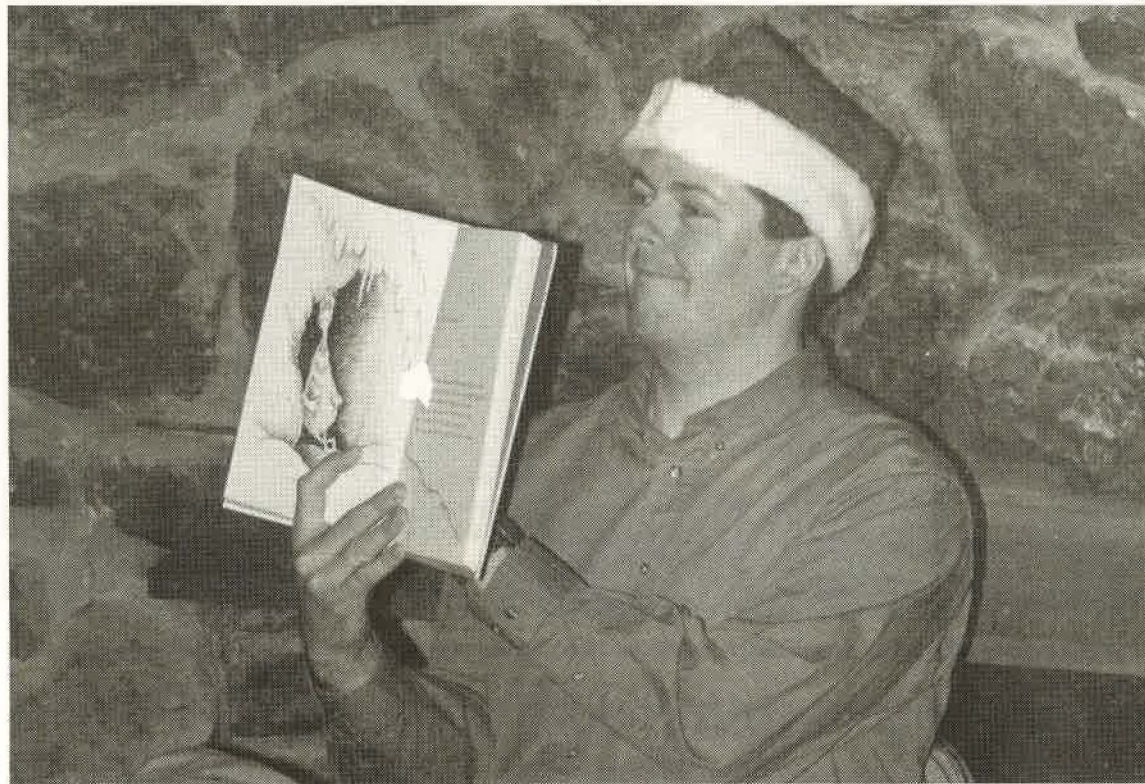
Club induction process criticized by students

by Cecely Savage
Bison staff writer

Harding's seven-week social club induction process came to a much anticipated close Dec. 2. The process has undergone many mandatory changes this year, due to anti-hazing laws and changes within the university itself. The goal was for the new system to integrate students into the club system in a positive way. Inductees carried pledgebooks for a seven-week period, committed to completing them by induction time, and wore name tags at certain times. Most people who were involved with this process, however, did not feel it was a positive thing.

Some expressed feelings that, in the future, the process needs to be much shorter than it was this year. "The commitment phase was just too long. It dragged on and on," Matt Mathis, a newly inducted member of Kappa Sigma Kappa, said. "If I could make one change, it would be to make the process shorter."

"Everyone has gotten tired of it," Sarah McJunkins, president of Zeta Rho, said. "The new system doesn't allow us to get to know each other. With the old system, we would go out of our way to talk to, and get to know, each other. With the new system, there's not that pressure to get to know the members."



Christmas storytelling. Mike Jones reads a Dr. Seuss story at Regina's Christmas party. Last weekend's functions were the first chance for many members to enjoy the privileges of Class I membership. Photo by Nathan Ironside.

The president of Regina, Kirsten Jones, stressed that, "This was the first year for this system, and it wasn't good. No one knew what was going on, and

there were some post facto rulings made at Induction Review Committee meetings that complicated things. The old system was bad, but the new system is too. We haven't found the center of the pendulum yet." New rules associated with the new system (such as staying on campus for inductions) caused Regina to modify their inductions.

Members of various clubs supported

the idea of going back to the old system, or at least finding a happy medium between the two. They wished to see a system with less tension and division between members.

Not all feedback on the new induction process was negative, however. "I got to know the members pretty well during the process. It worked well in that way," Jay Harnden, a new member of TNT, said.

Events

at a Glance

- The traveling exhibition, "Homage to Quevedo: 14 Lithographs by Cuevas" will be on display in the Stevens Art Gallery through Dec. 16.
- "Clear and Present Danger" will be showing tonight in Benson Auditorium at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$2.
- "Prancer" will be shown tomorrow at 1 p.m. in Benson Auditorium as a fund raiser for the Associated Women for Harding. Admission is \$1.
- "Prancer" will also be shown tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m. in the Benson. The 9:30 movie will be "A Muppet Christmas Carol." Admission to each of these movies is \$1.

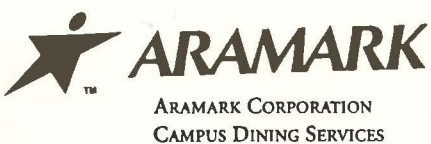
- MADD will be holding a candlelight vigil to remember victims of drunk driving Sunday, Dec. 11 at 2 p.m. in the Carmichael Community Center. Anyone who has lost someone to drunk driving and is interested in having their loved one remembered by name should contact Denise Miller at 4006 or call 1-800-228-7762.

- This Sunday, the Arkansas Arts Center will be having a Holiday Open House from 1 to 4 p.m. In addition to the exhibitions currently on display, several choral groups will be performing, there will be "hands-on" art projects for children and punch and cookies will be served.

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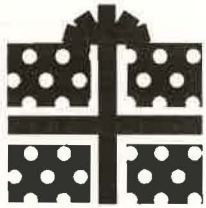
What do you want for Christmas?

by Tracy Evans
Bison editor

About this time every year, Harding students take on a dazed look. The all-night study sessions are beginning to have visible effects. The stress from all the projects and papers due during the week before finals is enough to drive some to near insanity. Luckily, this torture is over in a few weeks, and the minds of students are free to do some Christmas wishing.

What do college students, particularly those at Harding, want for Christmas? Unlike most children from the age of four to 10 who are all asking for Mighty Morphin Power Rangers, there isn't one particular item that is in demand by everyone. Listed below, however, is a sampling of those items Santa will be hearing about.

- A big, warm mummy sleeping bag
- A 4-wheel drive blue Blazer
- World peace
- A job
- A diploma
- A wife
- A date with Kevin Cosner
- A Power Mac
- A life-sized poster of Joe Montana
- A CD player
- Clothes
- Money
- Timex Indiglo Watch
- A new president



Pointing the way. Steve Farrar speaks during the Men's Leadership Conference. Photo by Nathan Ironside.

Farrar urges men to take leadership roles

by Kathryn George
Bison staff writer

Dr. Steve Farrar, author of *Standing Tall* and *Point Man*, conducted a Men's Leadership Seminar on the Harding campus last weekend. More than 1000 men, 500 of whom were Harding students, attended the sessions emphasizing the importance of male leadership within the home, church and nation.

The seminar, which was formerly known as the Point Man Seminar, is based on the idea that the man should be the spiritual leader of his family. During the Vietnam War, the point man was the one sent into the field first to scout out the situation and make sure it was safe for the rest of the platoon to follow. Farrar says men need to take that position in their families and become responsible for the well-being of

their wives and children.

Farrar also addressed the topic of the erosion of character and morals in the United States. Using examples from our forefathers' writings, Farrar argued that separation of church and state as we have it now is not what was originally planned.

Men of all ages from various states traveled to Harding to attend the seminar. Scholarships for financial assistance to Harding students were provided by the College Church of Christ and the Downtown Church of Christ.

Reactions to the conference were

positive. "The conference really lit a fire in every man there. It was really motivational, but now it is up to us and our personal relationship to God to keep the fire burning," Jason Sheehy, a junior management major, said. This was the first conference of its kind held on the Harding campus.

Farrar, president of the Point Man Leadership Ministries in Dallas, Texas, speaks several times each year at similar conferences which are designed to help men become more qualified to lead the church and nation in the face of present-day challenges.

Students named to Who's Who

by Alice Bishop
Bison staff writer

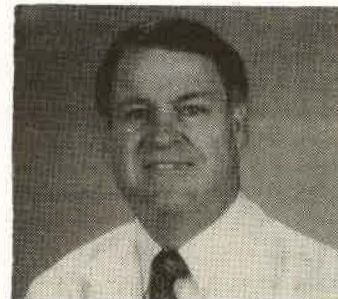
Sixty-three Harding students have been named to the prestigious Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges for 1994. The annual directory of outstanding students of higher education, in publication since 1934, represents 1800 colleges and universities from the 50 states, Washington, D.C. and other countries.

Students selected to the list are first nominated by their respective college or university and are then chosen by the editors of Who's Who on the basis of their academic achievement, community service, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for future success.

Harding's selectees are:

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| Amy Hawkins Amy | Paul Mann |
| Julie Anderson | Jill Martin |
| Kimberly Ashby | Jim Massie |
| Scott Baine | Danny Matthews |
| Jennifer Barnes | Melanie Matthews |
| Adam Brooks | Penny Mayberry |
| Jimmy Brooks | Nathan Mellor |
| Michael Brooks | Joanne Mitchell |
| Keith Brunley | Michael Moore |
| Jonathan Camp | Christy Morgan |
| Rick Chitty | Chris Phillips |
| Anna Clements | Elizabeth Pickens |
| Ruzica Dakovic | Michele Regauld |
| Danielle Diffine | Aminda Richey |
| Forrest Doddington | Victoria Sachar |
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| Bonnie Gant | Cathlyn Tsirgiotis |
| Derek Hampton | Christine Tucker |
| Craig Hanson | Jenny Tyree |
| Brian Harlan | Lori Underwood |
| Beth Henderson | Michele VanRheenen |
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Bisons earn tough win over Williams Baptist

by Matthew Morningstar
Bison sports editor

The Bisons took their pressure defense to the floor Monday and came up with a win against Williams Baptist University in a hard-fought game 89-75.

"The game was actually closer than the 14-point margin," Coach Jeff Morgan said. "We expected them to play well and they made some runs at us, but our guys hung in there and made it a tough win for us."

The Bisons got off to a slow start on offense and Williams Baptist was up early when the wake up call came for the Bisons. They began to execute some of their defensive pressure and their offense followed and brought them back into the game.

The first half was a closely fought battle with neither team playing to their potential. The Bisons shot only 43 percent from the floor and the Eagles shot 45 percent. The Bisons, however, had more attempts from the free-throw line which made the difference in the half-time score, 39-32.

The Bisons' depth was also a factor in the lead at halftime as one of the Bison starters got into foul trouble and was replaced with no loss to the offense. "Transfer Brad Daughtry got two

quick fouls and set out the rest of the first half and transfer J. J. Brown came in and gave us a spark," Morgan said.

The second half start was as sluggish as the first half start, but the Bisons tightened up the defensive screws and led for the rest of the half. With the Bisons up by 16, Williams Baptist hit two three-point goals, making the lead nine. The Bisons responded quickly and assured a win.

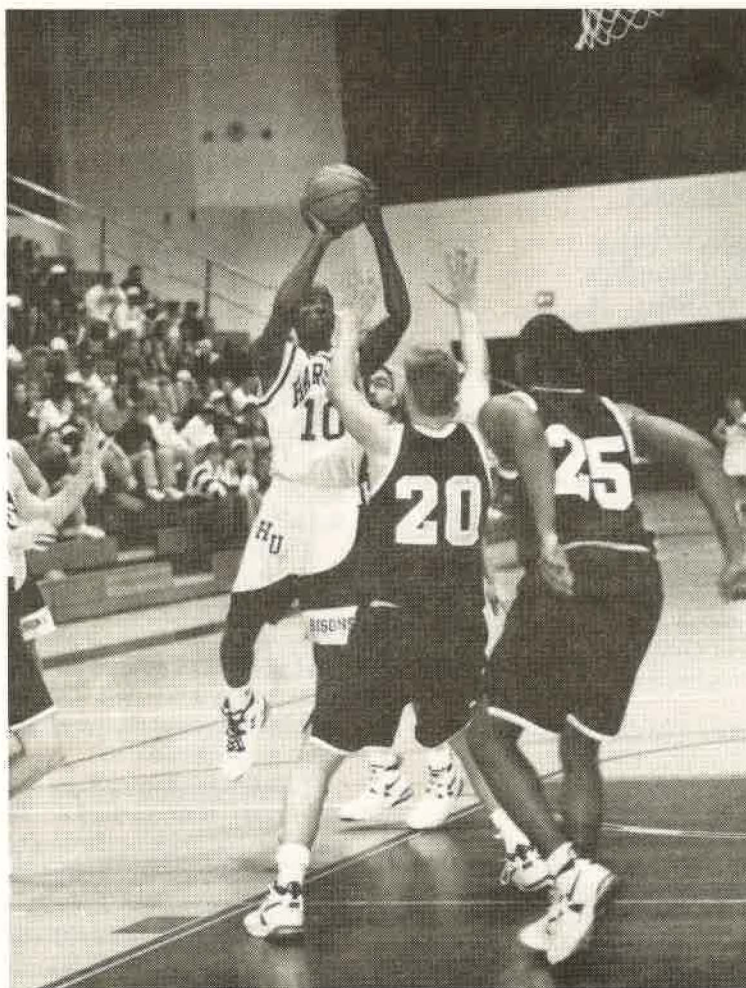
"We played O.K., but we have more intensity that we will apply next time we play," Brown said after the game.

Shooting picked up for the Bisons who shot 57 percent from the floor compared to the Eagles' 53 percent. Junior Jason Cooper and transfer Kennedy Polidor led in scoring, with 20 points each.

The Bisons were also tough on the boards and out-rebounded Williams Baptist 41-32. Cooper and Polidor also led in rebounds, each with nine.

The Bisons are shooting just under 48 percent for the season and are out-scoring opponents by 15 points a game. Their record is 9-2 for the year and they are still unbeaten at home, 5-0.

The Bisons' next home game is Jan. 9 against the University of Central Arkansas at 7:30 p.m.



Pulling up for the jumper. J. J. Brown takes a shot in the game against Freed-Hardeman University. The Bisons soundly defeated Freed-Hardeman 92-64 last Thursday. Photo by Nathan Ironside.

Fall sports All-Conference teams chosen

Selections for all-conference honors have been made for fall sports. The 31 Harding athletes chosen are listed below.

Cross Country—Christy Talburt, Jennifer Royer, Laura Rubio, Abe Kirwa, Seth Crum, Tommy Noel, Jonathan Griffin, Dave Parks.

Football – First Team: Thad Hill, Aaron Walters, Jeff Patterson, Ethan Sheffield, Orlandor Joseph, Paul Simmons, Lorne Latiker. Second Team: Clay Beason, Danny Allison, Lloyd Coakley, Paul Mann, Casey Smith, Anthony Clear. Honorable Mention: Chad Howard, Robert Johnson, Chad Griffin, Chris Scudder, Lee Edwards, Will Allen, Greg Mashburn.

Volleyball – Lori Hendricks, Regina Huddleston, Amy Deuel.

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2. Penn State
3. Miami (Fla.)
4. Colorado
5. Florida

College Basketball AP Poll

Men's Top Five:

1. North Carolina
2. UCLA
3. Arkansas
4. Kansas
5. Massachusetts

Women's Top Five:

1. Tennessee
2. Connecticut
3. Louisiana Tech
4. North Carolina
5. Stanford

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- Chicago 6
- Buffalo 6
- Miami 5
- Denver 5
- Dallas 5*
- Cleveland 5

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Club Volleyball Champs

Women

- Large A & B: Shantih
- Large C & D: Tri Kappa
- Middle A, B & C:
Chi Omega Pi
- Small A: OEGE
- Potluck Champions:
A & B: Shantih

Men

- Large A & F: TNT
- Large B & D:
Kappa Tau Omega
- Large C: Sub-T 16
- Large E:
Kappa Sigma Kappa
- Middle A, B & E:
Chi Sigma Alpha
- Middle C, D & F:
Pi Kappa Epsilon
- Small A: King's Men
- Small B: Sigma Tau Sigma
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-Tie Breaker-Who will be #1 on Jan. 3?
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Last Challenge's results:
 Coach Ted Lloyd 21 of 26
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Lady Bisons win conference opener

by D.J. Harris
 Bison staff writer

The Lady Bisons got the conference season off to a good start Monday with an impressive win over Williams Baptist. The Bisons improved their record to 7-4 overall and 1-0 in AIC action.

That record becomes even more impressive when you look at the schedule the Bisons had to start the year, a fact not lost on Coach Greg Hamden.

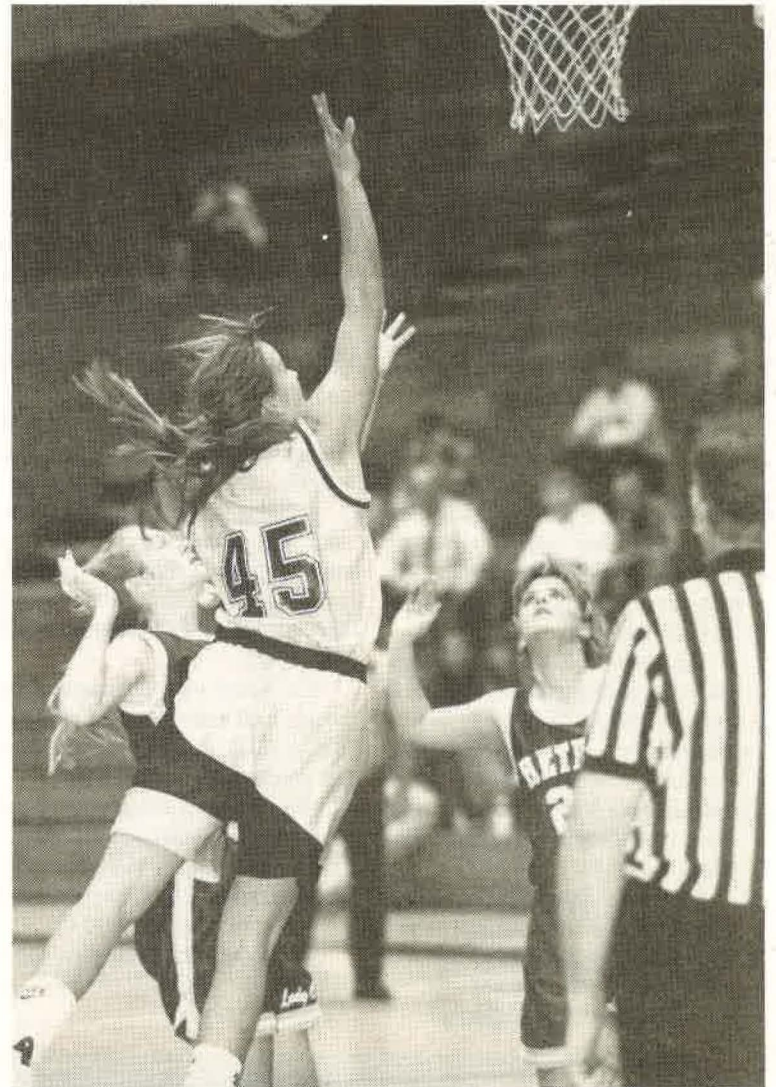
"Our tough early season schedule is paying off," Hamden said. "We played nine ranked teams in our first 10 games, and all but one have winning records."

The conference opener was the Lady Bisons' third game on the road in five days, but if there was any fatigue it was not apparent. The Bisons applied outstanding defensive pressure the whole game, forcing WBU into 15 turnovers and converting many of them into easy scores on the offensive end.

Hamden said the early stages of the game pretty much set the tone. "We came out and played really tough at first. The game was over the first eight minutes because we were ready to play."

"Our half-court pressure hurt them, and we pushed the ball up the court. We were able to attack any defense they threw at us," Hamden added. "Basically, we just played well and got the conference season started off right."

Bridget Benson led the Lady Bisons with 25 points. Angie Fouts added 18 points and 10 rebounds, and Cindy Camp chipped in 14 points and 9 boards. Benson is averaging 18 points per game on the young season, and Fouts is close behind with 16.



Going to the basket. Angie Fouts forces her way through the Bethel University defense. The Lady Bisons defeated Bethel 89-62 when the two teams met last week. Photo by Nathan Ironside.

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