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Angel Tree delivers love on Christmas

In the news...

- Daniel J. Blank, who told residents of Onalaska, Texas, that he moved there last summer to get his wife and their children away from crime in Louisiana, was arrested and will be charged with six murders and two attempted murders in three Louisiana parishes, police said, after he admitted committing the murders from October, 1996, to July, 1997, to pay for his gambling habit.

- Mari Carmen Melero, manager of Happy Animals, a match-making service for pets in Girona, Spain, opened a service Nov. 17 that will keep a database of dog, cat and bird photographs and a description of the qualities they are seeking in life partners. Melero said she hopes the business will expand to include snakes and other reptiles.

- A federal judge ruled that New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani must put up with the "limelight of publicity - good and bad," stating that the city was wrong in yanking ads from city buses that said New York magazine was "possibly the only good thing in New York that Rudy hasn't taken credit for." Giuliani argued that he controls the use of his name.

- Timothy Michael Tieman and Jason William Streger, both 13, apologized in juvenile court in Memphis for sending a threatening e-mail message to Hillary Rodham Clinton, saying, "I have a sniper rifle pointed at your head!!!!" Judge Claudia Haltom took charges of threatening and harassing the first lady under advisement for a year and said the boys can use the computer for schoolwork, but their e-mail privileges are revoked.

- Damion Blunt was charged with plotting a robbery last week at a Dallas bank after three armed men, who were escaping with \$313,000, were recognized through their masks by Blunt's mother-teller Belinda Coleman.

The above news items were selected from the Arkansas Democrat Gazette.

Melissa Jackson
Bison staff writer

The Angel Tree project is back this year, offering students the chance to show their spirit of giving once again.

The student body has traditionally met the needs of the Angel Tree. This year, Harding is responsible for the gifts of 292 children from 27 counties in Arkansas, adding up to a total of 900 gifts to be supplied. Through this project, each child receives three gifts: one toy, a needed clothing item and another needed or wanted item. The Prison Fellowship, a non-denominational nationwide Christian prison ministry provides one age-appropriate Christian teaching item, such as a Christian coloring book. "You never know what a difference you'll make in their lives," sophomore campus project organizer Nick Kennedy said.

Each angel on the tree lists only one item per child, keeping the cost low for students who want to help. It seems, however, that at Harding no request is too large. "Clubs will often choose a child who wants something big, like a bi-



Angel Tree organizer Alison Spindler discusses the benefits of the annual project with senior Anabella Ruiz. The project provides toys for less fortunate children in the state of Arkansas during the Christmas season. Photo by Channing Bradford.

cycle. In fact, last year we delivered several bicycles to children all across Arkansas," Kennedy said.

Organized on campus by Kennedy, senior Alison Spindler and senior Andrea Miller, the Angel Tree Project is an outreach of the Prison Fellowship. Parents who are in prison fill out applications for their child to receive gifts. Then,

the child's guardians are contacted to find out what specific items are needed or wanted. "It's a good way to let them know that their mom or dad still cares about them," Spindler said.

The Angel Tree project is a good opportunity to serve innocent children whose lives have been deeply affected by their parents' choices. "We meet

families ripped apart by what we hear about on TV. Sometimes there is a lot of lying and deceit, but the children are innocent," Kennedy said.

The Angel Tree also strives to meet the children's spiritual needs. Kennedy said that they usually talk to them about Jesus when they deliver the presents. "The Angel Tree introduces the children to Christ or at least helps them to learn more about Him," Spindler said.

Even though gathering the presents for the children is a big part of the project, both Kennedy and Spindler said the best part is delivering the presents. "It's great to see their faces light up when we hand them a present. You make a connection between the parent and child to let the child know that he's still loved," Spindler said. "We let them know that the giving is done through love," Kennedy said.

The Angel Tree will be set up in the Student Center until Friday, Dec. 12, and all the gifts are due on that day. Volunteers are still needed to deliver the presents on Dec. 13.

Contributions raised for McLean surgery fund

Whether it be buying gifts for the Angel Tree project, purchasing food for the needy for the Harvest program, raking the leaves for the citizens of Searcy or providing a carnival for the children of North Little Rock, it seems that Harding students and the surrounding family are always ready to pitch in an extra hand. When it comes to taking care of their own, however, the Harding community really goes the extra mile.

Former Harding student Greg McLean was one of Harding's own in need. McLean suffers from Morpans syndrome, a disease that has put pressure on his aortic valve for most of his life. He had an aortic valve replacement at Houston Methodist Hospital during the third week of November.

"The support of the students at Harding has really floored me, especially from members of the freshmen and sophomore classes because I don't know them," McLean said in a telephone interview. "I knew when I came to Harding that it was a place where they care for each other."

Dr. Arthur Shearin, chair of the Music Department and director of the Concert Choir, has played a leading role in the raising of funds at Harding for McLean. "I have been overwhelmed by all of the people who have sent in donations or just walked

into my office with an envelope of money," he said. "One student just brought in an envelope with five \$20 bills in it. He didn't leave his name, but he said it was for Greg's fund."

According to Shearin, nearly \$23,000 has been raised by the Harding family alone. McLean's total expenses are approximated to be \$75,000, less than the expected \$100,000.

"For now, it looks as though Greg will have enough money to cover his remaining medical expenses and those for some short-term care, which includes some expensive medicine," Shearin said. "Efforts of the Harding students and family may have put his fund over the top."

Money for McLean's fund has been gathered on several occasions. Members of the Concert Choir have been influential in this collection, and they have been responsible for the chapel program and dorm collections. "The students in campus housing responded in a great way," Shearin said. "We raised nearly \$11,000 in that collection."

Several other organizations on campus also raised money for McLean. Men's social club Delta Chi Delta contributed \$300 for their former club brother. "We felt compelled to contribute because of our love for him," Delta Chi Delta President Matt Tibbles said. "We as Christ-



Karen Parker, Jesse Tyree, Dr. Arthur Shearin, Doug Waddill and Stacey Randolph talk with Greg McLean during his visit to Harding before his surgery. While a student, McLean was a member of the Concert Choir and Delta Chi Delta men's social club. Photo by Jeff Montgomery.

ians are commanded to help our brother in need. We have received so many blessings from his friendship, so we wanted to give some back."

According to club treasurer Alan Martin, the money donated to McLean was raised through donations. "Most of the donations to the fund were anonymous," he said.

Friendship is an element of Harding that has impressed McLean. "At Harding, they care for you if you are a present or a past student. We are all friends - friends under God," he said.

Shearin is grateful for the contributions that the Harding family has made. "One student couple gave \$500; another couple, in response to the chapel pro-

gram, sent a check for \$2,000; yet another couple is contemplating donating a large gift at the end of the school year. Students in the Concert Choir have also taken the request to their home churches," he said. Shearin also noted that many contributions to McLean's fund have been anonymous gestures.

McLean said it will be after the new year before he is back to his usual self. "I'm just taking it one day at a time," he said.

For students and others who still wish to contribute to McLean's fund, donations may be sent to the Adams Blvd. Church of Christ in Bartlesville, Okla., or given to Shearin in the Music Department office.

Kathryn's **COMMENTS**

This week, in Kyoto, Japan, leaders of many nations are gathering to discuss the growing problem of global warming. Among them are the leaders or representatives from the European Union, China and the United States.

One of the agreements, backed by the Clinton administration, calls for a 20 percent reduction in energy use by the year 2010. However, the United States' plan only calls for a reduction of emissions by developed countries, such as the United States, Great Britain and Japan.

The European Union has their own version of an agreement. In its plan, all industrial nations – including its own

members – would vow to lower all emissions of carbon-dioxide and other greenhouse gases down to 1990 levels. At the G77 conference in Bonn, Germany, in October, 77 developing nations signed with the European Union plan.

This may sound too confusing. If it does, think of it this way: if we agree to lower our greenhouse gas emissions by 20 percent by the year 2010 with only developed countries agreeing, many United States industries are going to pack up and move to developing countries, such as China, India and Japan. At that rate, these countries will be responsible for 70 percent of all greenhouse gas emissions by the year 2030.

What good will our agreement be then?

What will this treaty mean to you? This summer, I spent a great deal of time working with the Global Climate Coalition (GCC), an organization of business trade associations and private companies established to coordinate business participation in the scientific and policy debate on climate change. During my time with the GCC, I did much research and study concerning the effects of the proposed global climate treaty.

If the United States' agreement is signed, we are bound to suffer from new energy taxes or energy rationing. That means more money out of your paycheck and pocket. In addition,

with the absence of our large factories, a critical loss of jobs will take place. Costs to heat and air-condition your homes will rise significantly in response to the new energy taxes. Gasoline for your cars will go up in price for the same reason.

I am not against trying to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and creating a healthier environment. I am against the unfair advantage that countries that are not subject to the agreement will have. I feel that if we all won't work together in this endeavor, it's a lost cause before it's even begun.



facing the

ISSUES...**Be honest: tell your children the truth about the myth**

Amanda Rush
Bison guest writer

Most of us are familiar with the scenario; in fact most of us probably lived it: we spent the weeks before Christmas writing letters to Santa Claus, wanting that new bike, new doll or new baseball glove; we even went to see Santa at the mall. Christmas Eve came and we tried as hard as we could to stay up late enough to catch Santa in the act, putting goodies in our stockings or under the tree. Then, of course, Christmas morning came. We ran into the room to see if Santa had honored our wishes that year.

Is there anything wrong with this picture? Is there anything wrong with a little kid believing in a "jolly old man" who wears a red suit, drives a sleigh pulled by reindeer and delivers presents to all the children in the world? More importantly, is it wrong for parents to tell their kids about this myth? I say that parents should not tell their kids about Santa Claus because it encourages deception, it confuses them and it gives Christmas the wrong focus.

I believe that most people want to live in an honest society. How can we expect this to happen when one of the first things that parents tell their children is a lie? Some people might contend that the story of Santa Claus is just a fairy tale, and everyone tells their children fairy tales; but unlike fairy tales, Santa is told as the truth – someone who really exists. Parents are teaching by example that it is okay to lie, because how is a kid to know what is a lie and what's just a "good story"?

Deception is also confusing, especially to kids. They can't see the big picture as well as adults, and they have a harder time discerning between reality and fantasy. Are parents really helping their kids by encouraging them to believe in a false reality? Parents are supposed to be the ones kids can go to when they need totally honest answers. They believe this from the time they jump off the side of the pool and Daddy says, "Go ahead, I'll catch you." If Santa Claus isn't real, is anything else?

Believing in Santa Clause can also distort the true meaning of Christmas. Christmas is about giving and, for some, it's about Jesus, the greatest gift ever given. It's about family and friends, not "what will I get this year." This might all sound cynical, but there is a time for cynicism, and taking this view doesn't have to make Christmas cynical. There is so much more to Christmas – family, giving, sharing, Christ – that I don't see the need to maintain a fantasy that only gives kids a false hope and a distorted sense of reality.

One might also argue that Santa is just a tradition, but things such as secret gift exchanges, special dinners, adopting a Christmas family and the reading of the Christmas story can become traditions that will last much longer and be much more meaningful than believing in Santa Claus.

**Should parents tell their children there is a Santa Claus?****Believing in Santa is part of a creative imagination**

Justin Lacey
Bison staff writer

Think back to Christmas morning when you were a small child. When it was time to gather around the tree and open presents, from whom did you receive the biggest gift? In most cases, I would guess that the answer is Santa.

Santa Claus is one of the most recognizable symbols of Christmas. His likeness can be found on everything from wrapping paper to soft drinks. He makes cameos in almost all of the big holiday movies, and he is the focus of a number of popular Christmas carols. For children especially, Christmas just would not be the same without Santa.

What do parents have to gain by denying their children the joy and mystery surrounding Santa's arrival each year?

It appears as if there is really nothing to be gained by doing this. To deny Santa's existence to a child believer is to take away a great deal of joy and tradition surrounding what is designed to be a merry season. There seems to be no point in denying happiness to a young child intent on believing that a jolly old man will visit his or her house on Christmas Eve. It seems as if doing so would rob the child of a very important piece of childhood and erase the opportunity for the formation of many happy memories. Think back on how many holiday memories would be deleted if your parents had told you Santa didn't exist?

Childhood in general is a time of fantasy and mystery. When you look back at your childhood, you will likely find many characters other than Santa that are representative of a certain time of year or occasion. Many of you probably received visits from the Tooth Fairy or from the Easter Bunny. Each of these visits were something to look forward to with anticipation and excitement. Every time one of these characters arrived, you were given the opportunity to enter a world of fantasy and imagination.

With the large amount of coverage Santa Claus gets at Christmas, telling a child that it is all a false story can also prove needlessly confusing. If a child is told that Santa does not exist, how is he or she to feel when his likeness appears everywhere one looks? To a child, it would be like revealing that a favorite television character does not exist. Telling children that someone whose image permeates the holidays is a fake would be a difficult concept for them to grasp, just as they would not understand that someone they see on the television screen does not really exist.

I believe that the benefits of letting a child believe in Santa Claus far outweigh the consequences of revealing the truth. This is not to say, however, that the point in time does not finally arrive. If a child does not outgrow the idea that Santa Claus is real, like many eventually will, there comes a time when the truth must be told. Until that point, however, there appears to be no point in taking away the joy and excitement that comes with belief in him.

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this week in **HISTORY**

1621 – Galileo invented the telescope.

1880 – Blue jeans were designed by Levi Strauss and Company.

1818 – Illinois was admitted as the 21st state of the United States.

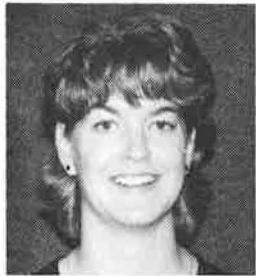
1933 – Bertil Clason of Detroit, Mich., married Sigrid Carlson of Stockholm, Sweden, in a telephone ceremony, creating the first transatlantic telephone wedding.

1955 – Rosa Parks was arrested in Montgomery, Ala., after refusing to give up her seat on a bus. Her act sparked a bus boycott and began the modern-day American Civil Rights Movement.

getting **PERSONAL**

Changing a mood

Robin Jubela
Bison columnist



Some days I wake up with less than a godly attitude. I'm grouchy and irritable and anxious and upset. I don't always know what triggers these moods, but I know they don't accomplish anything. These moods get in the way of friendships, stifle motivation and can destroy a connection with God.

But what can be done to snap out of these funks that can lead to serious isolation and depression?

After enjoying a week at home for Thanksgiving with family and friends, I've come to the conclusion that recognizing and appreciating all the things I have to be thankful for is one way to kill a negative attitude. So, as this semester draws to a close, stop in your busy schedule to make at least a mental list of specific things for which you are thankful. And in case you happen to be stuck in one of those nasty moods right now, I've started one. Add your personal blessings to my list or make a completely new one and pull the list out whenever you need a reminder of how much you have to be thankful for.

Saturdays... a hug from a friend... comfortable clothes... exercise... reading a good book... antique furniture... a sunny day... the Bible... roses... orange juice... pianos... going for a drive... my brother... a long talk... vacations... God's forgiveness... feeling loved... healthy bodies... organized closets... guitars... flannel sheets... time to write a letter... children... trees... cherry vanilla Dr. Peppers... clean air... Mom and Dad... a package in the mail... mountains... swimming pools... a heart-felt prayer... laughter... playing with puppies... music... God's plan for salvation... aerobics... pictures... the church... time alone... my sister... finishing a paper... a phone call from a friend... my roommates... cookie dough shivers... feeling competent... security in God's love... bookshelves... movies... hiking... praying before meals... computers... babies... quarters.

Just making this list has helped me realize I have no excuse for these occasional things I call bad moods. God has given me (and you!) so many wonderful and amazing things! From books to movies to friends to prayer, blessings small and large constantly surround us. When feeling down, remember to consider all the "ups" God has filled your life with, and change your negative attitude to one of gratitude.

letter to the **EDITOR**

The following letter was given to the Bison by the University Mission Committee. It is addressed to Student Association President Ryan Allan.

Dear Ryan:

As members of the faculty University Mission Committee, we want to congratulate the student body of Harding University for the numerous community services it provides.

We appreciate the great work of Harding students on the recent Inner City Carnival in Little Rock. Even the state news media recognized our students' contributions to the children and publicized it on the evening news. Most of all, however, you brought glory to God through your good work.

We also appreciate what our students do on behalf of the Searcy Housing Authority's Drug-Free and Academic Tutoring programs. There is no way to estimate the far-reaching results of their efforts.

May God continue to give you the will and energy to work for the good of others.

Sincerely,
University Mission Committee
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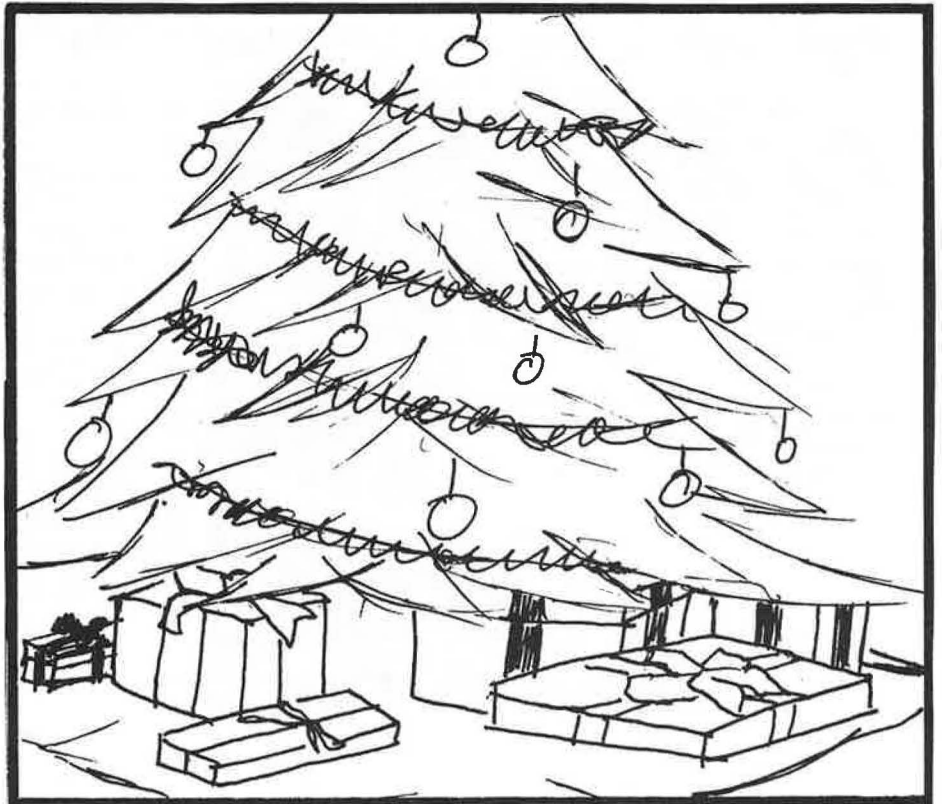
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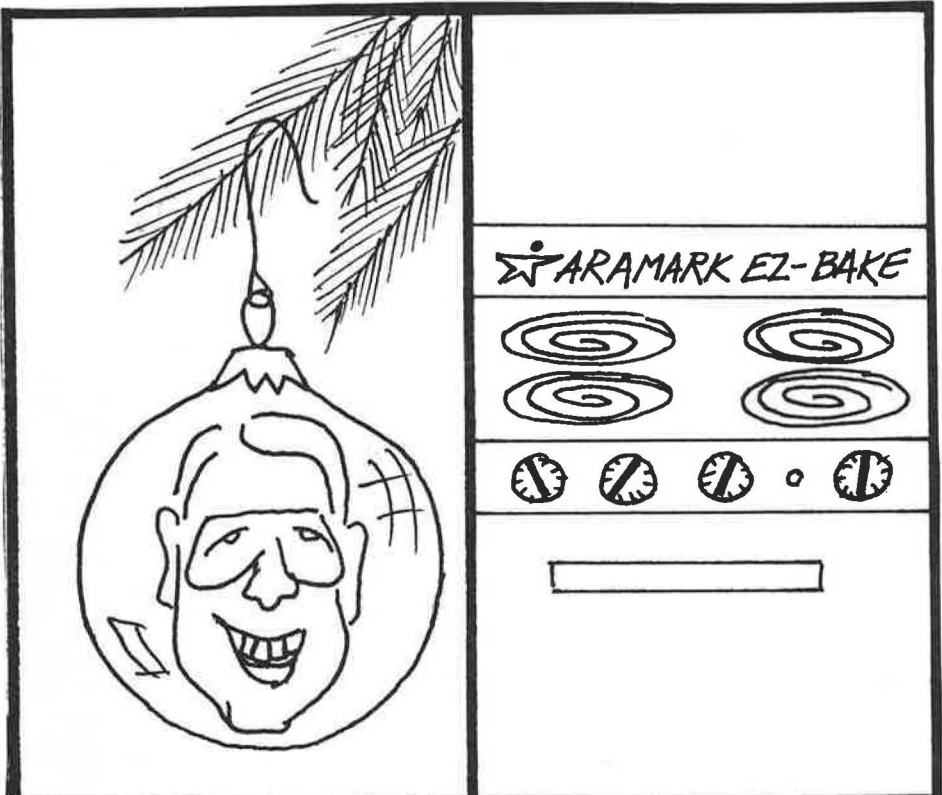


- Dec. 11 was the premiere of *Magnum P.I.*, the Hawaii-based detective series starring Tom Selleck.
- Dec. 13 is the birthday of the clip-on tie. It was designed in 1928.
- Dec. 16 is the celebration of the music of Ludwig von Beethoven. He was born in Bonn, Germany, in 1770.
- Dec. 17 is Mother Goose Day. Thomas Fleet of Boston, Mass., published his mother-in-law's tales in 1719.
- Dec. 19 celebrates the publication of *A Christmas Carol*. Charles Dickens' yuletide tale was published in 1843.

Information for this week in history and conversation starters is from *Celebrate Today!*, Prima Publishing, 1996.

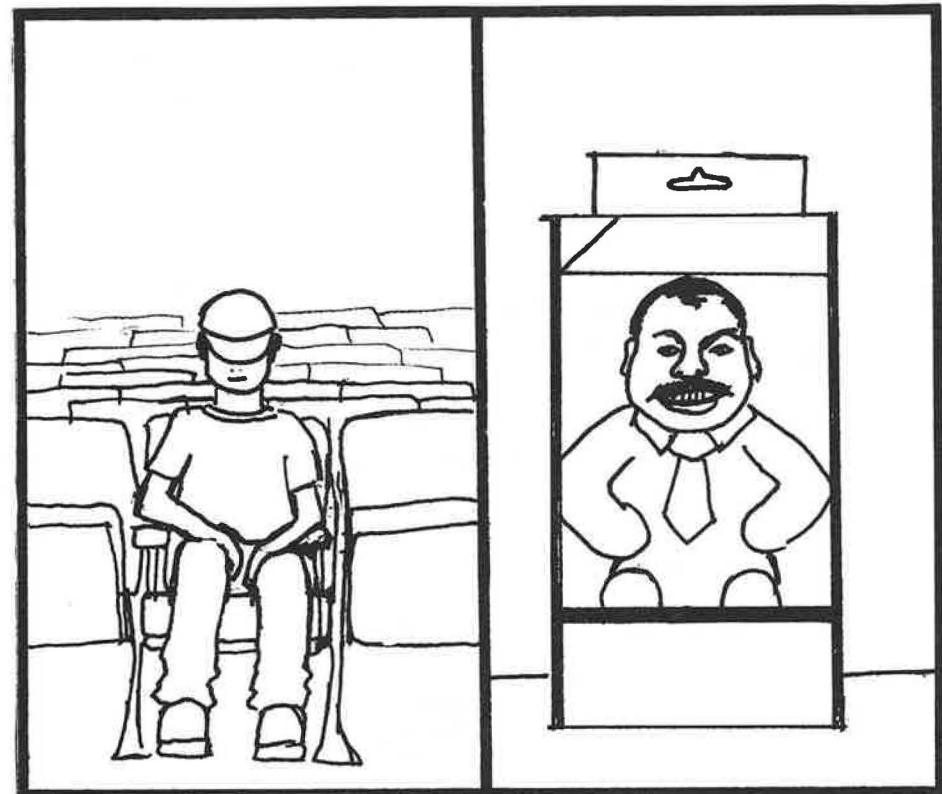


WHAT YOU WON'T FIND UNDER THE TREE THIS CHRISTMAS...



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Carroll



Crowds cheer on the Bisons during the game against Abilene. The remodeled Rhodes Memorial Field House provided an exciting arena for both the Lady Bisons and Bisons. Photo by Channing Bradford.

Remodeled Rhodes Field House creates electric atmosphere for Bison basketball teams

April Mouser
Bison staff writer

Basketball season began with a bang as the men and women Bisons played their first home games in the newly remodeled Rhodes Memorial Field House on Nov. 15.

Freshman Seth Bullington said of the improved facility, "It's awesome. It reminds me of a professional stadium because the atmosphere is so intense."

Plans for the new field house began a year ago with the goal of an improved facility for intercollegiate as well as women's club and intramural basketball and volleyball. Individual gifts financed the new facility, which seats 3000, is air-conditioned and has graphic message boards and scoreboards. In fact, the only thing old about the stadium is the floor.

Bison basketball Coach Jeff Morgan was involved in the architectural design and said that the new field house has had a great effect on the home-team advantage. "The atmosphere of the games is a true

college basketball atmosphere. Everybody is involved in the action," he said. He credits this to the seating, which is closer to the floor where fans know they can be heard, as well as a good public address system.

Sophomore cheerleader Carla Redd said she also noticed the greater energy of the crowd. "They are much more responsive to us," she said. "So many people tell me later that we cheered well, but we didn't do anything differently. The crowd is just much more excited."

Even people that do not call themselves basketball enthusiasts got caught up in the excitement. "I'm not really into sports, but you're right there with all the action. You can't help but get into it," junior Tessa Sexton said.

Dr. David Burks said, "The field house is an improvement because players and fans can really be involved in the game, but it is also an improvement for the Ganus Athletic Center because more intramural and club teams can play simultaneously."

Spring break campaign groups to travel to eight destinations

Sean Williams
Bison staff writer

Every year, Harding students have the opportunity to travel to different parts of the country for spring break campaigns. These students give up their break from classes and the traditional spring break fun to help the underprivileged and spread the gospel.

Eight groups will travel this March to Chicago, St. Louis, Dallas, New York, Jamaica, New Hampshire, Houston and Little Rock. This year is the first year groups are going to Houston and St. Louis. According to senior Linda Benthall, a student going to St. Louis, the team is going to work downtown running a soup kitchen and refurbishing homes by painting and repairing them. They will also have Vacation Bible School and a mini carnival similar to the one in Little Rock. The carnival will have games and prizes for the inner city children.

Benthall also noted that there would be plenty of time for one-on-one Bible study with the people of St. Louis. "The church will assign us people that we will be able to meet with and study with throughout

the week at the church building," she said.

Another group headed out to campaign this spring break is the Chicago team. According to senior John Grimsley, this team will also be working in the inner city preparing a food pantry, running a cafe for the homeless, visiting the residents of the home for the mentally challenged and taking the inner city children to the zoo. "Even though the week will be tough, it will still be fun spreading joy to those less fortunate than I have been," Grimsley said.

Harding will also be sponsoring a team going to New York City. This group, led by Marisa Kee, Amy Cox and Jay Sugadi, will spend half of the week at the Timothy Hill Children's Ranch, and the other half helping the Manhattan Church of Christ. Some of their duties will include visiting an orphanage, preparing a spaghetti dinner for the needy and doing work for the members of the church such as painting, cleaning and repairing homes.

Senior Laura Rubio, a member of the New York team, said, "Having the opportunity to go to a place

where the people are in need and work with my fellow classmates to help them is a true blessing. I want to help them grow, and, in turn, grow myself."

That's just what spring break campaigns tend to do to students - help them grow. Senior Amy Neely, a member of the Chicago team, said, "I think I will grow more this week than I ever have before. I will be forced out of my comfort zone, and I believe when you are put in tough situations the best thing you can do is grow from them."

Benthall said, "We will be doing a lot of hard work in an environment we are not used to being in. None of the students going on this trip have ever experienced the things that these people experience daily. I believe it will make us all thankful for what God has done for us and define our own faith just a little more. Harding is giving us a chance to do the same kind of work that Jesus did, and I'm thankful for that."

The St. Louis, Chicago and New York City teams, along with the teams going to other cities, will be doing their best to glorify Christ in the work that they do.



Ten students received General Mills scholarships in a presentation on Dec. 2. The recipients are workers who have shown exemplary performance in the workplace. They are (front row, l-r) Jennelle Lipcamon, Misty Anderson, Arwen Whittington, Michelle Yarbrough, Tammy Jo Johnson. (second row, l-r) Lott Tucker, Jason Clark, Jacquelyn Moore, Carolyn Harper, Nicole Baker, Kendall Doan, and John Gaughan. Photo by Channing Bradford.

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AMA focuses on career development

Shellie Salza
Bison staff writer

The American Marketing Association (AMA) has undergone big changes this semester, yet feel as though they are continually growing. AMA lost many of its older members last semester to graduation. This semester, they are starting anew with a younger and newer group. Senior Brad Irwin, vice president of advertising, said, "We started with many new members this semester, but fresh blood brings fresh ideas. We feel like we have many unique things to offer at Harding this year."

Harding's AMA is a chapter of the international association. There are more than 45,000 members worldwide. Harding's chapter has about 25 members this semester. AMA promotes marketing through seminars and publications. It also gives students opportunities to make connections and network.

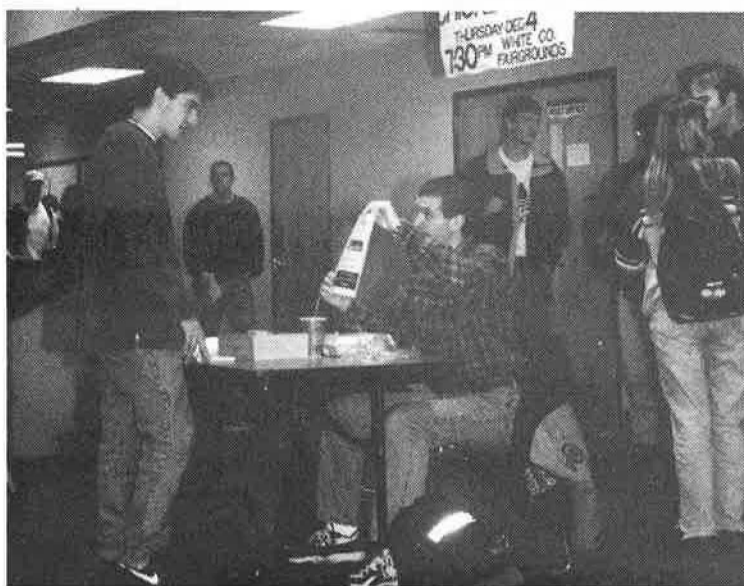
"AMA is not just about marketing. It encompasses many fields of study that are right here on Harding's campus. We have people who are majoring in art,

communication, business, psychology... anyone with any career interest can be involved with AMA and benefit from it," Irwin said.

One of their main objectives is to provide members with valuable outside-of-the-classroom experience. "We believe it is important to enjoy and have fun in everything we do," senior Vice President Maria Hurtarte said. "Being involved in AMA means sharing with other students the experience of growing and learning together for the future."

The organization focuses on developing important skills such as team work, leadership, networking and communication to prepare its members for their future careers. "AMA gives us the chance to meet and talk with many professionals in our fields and put the things we've learned into use," Irwin said.

This semester, AMA took a trip to Bentonville, Ark., to the Wal-Mart headquarters. During their visit they were able to talk with the professionals there. They spent the day asking questions and seeing work on a day-to-



Brad Irwin, vice president of advertising for the Harding chapter of the American Marketing Association, talks with Dean Haymes about the Dave Beyers and Chickenbutter concert. AMA is open to student in several fields of study. Photo by Channing Bradford.

day basis. "These trips help many of us to decide where we want to go in our careers," Irwin said.

Also this semester, AMA has hosted several guest speakers at their meetings to give them insight on careers, whether they are trying to decide on a career path or already pursuing one.

Next semester AMA will be taking a trip to Dallas, Texas. They will be atten-

ding a national convention sponsored by the Kellogg's Corporation. The company will come up with a marketing case they want solved and send it to AMA chapters all over the United States.

By competition time, each chapter will have devised a marketing plan for the problem Kellogg's presented them. Kellogg's will then review each case as it is presented and choose winners. The winners will receive a cash prize and an interview with Kellogg's. "It is a great chance for us to get our feet wet with an actual company," Irwin said.

In order to raise funds for this trip, AMA held a concert Thursday, Dec. 4. The concert featured Harding's own Dave Beyers and special guest Chickenbutter. "We had three goals we wanted to accomplish with this concert. One was, obviously, to raise money. The second was to get AMA's name out on campus and the third, we want people to have fun. This is a stressful time of the semester, and we wanted students to be able to take one night out and just enjoy themselves," Irwin said.

The AMA officers for 1997-1998 are: President Elys Delgadillo, Hurtarte, Irwin, Vice President of Membership Velvet Hernandez, Vice President of Communication Flor Munoz, Vice President of Programs Frederick Thrasher, Vice President of Fund Raising Steve Garner and Vice President of Finance Ana Aguilar.

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Campus events...

- Today is the deadline to sign up for the Harding University College Bowl. Sign-up forms are located outside of American Studies room 201.

- The movie *Scrooge* will be shown in the Benson tonight at 8 p.m., and *A Christmas Story* will be shown Saturday evening at 7 and 9:30 p.m.

- The Pied Pipers will have their annual Christmas show Saturday, Dec. 6, at 11 a.m. in the Little Theater. Admission is free.

- *Laugh Back II: Random Acts of Humor* will be Monday, Dec. 8, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Little Theater. Admission for this relaxing, snacking and viewing time is \$2.

- Friday, Dec. 12, *Miracle on 34th Street* will be shown at 7 p.m., and *Jingle All the Way* will be shown at 9:30 p.m. *The Preacher's Wife* will be shown Saturday, Dec. 13 at 8 p.m.

- The Bisons challenge Lyon College at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13.

- The graduation ceremony will be Saturday, Dec. 20 in the Benson Auditorium at 10 a.m. The speaker is Bruce McLarty.

If you have an event you would like printed in Campus News, please submit it to the Bison office (box 11192) by Thursday of the previous week. Please include a name and phone number for verification.

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Phi Alpha Theta inducts new members

Eleven new members have been inducted into Phi Alpha Theta, the international history honor society. Membership in Phi Alpha Theta is open to students who have at G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher on at least 12 hours in history, in addition to a requirement of 3.0 in all other college work.

The society was founded at the University of Arkansas in 1921 and now has more than 720 chapters in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico and the Philippines. Its chapters create the largest of the accredited honor societies holding membership in the Association of College Honor Societies. The following students have been inducted in the fall semester:

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| Ryan Ashby | Heather Miller |
| Eddie Carson | Steven Mogyey |
| Chris Cole | Terry Rose |
| Josh Dorrough | Jaw Sawyer |
| Russel Hiatt | Eric Whittington |
| Alan Meadows | |

Drama department presents Galileo as a theater in the round

Hallie Gentry
Bison staff writer

Tonight (Friday) and Saturday night, the Harding Theater Department is performing Bertold Brecht's play, *Galileo*, in the Little Theater at 7 p.m. The play tells the story of renowned scientist Galileo and his struggle to discover and tell the truth about the movement of the sun, earth and other heavenly bodies.

The play is set in the 1600s when Galileo was able to prove, with the help of the telescope, the theory that the earth moved around the sun. He tries to tell the authority of his day, the Catholic Church, what he has learned, but they accuse him of blasphemy and command him to stop his research. Each time he stops, but he can never really give up his pursuit for the truth. Even when he is very old and being held prisoner by the church, he secretly continues his work.

Paul Heubner, a member of the theater department, is director of the play. "This is not a play that is just about Galileo, the man; it is a statement about social politics, truth versus the church and truth versus reason. This play can be transported into any time when a new idea is being resisted," he said.

Allen Cox, a senior from Atlanta, Ga., plays the part of Galileo in the play. "I found the character of Galileo intriguing because of his historical value and be-

cause he is a very passionate character," Cox said.

This play is a little different from others because, instead of the usual six to eight weeks of rehearsal, the cast of *Galileo* only had three. In addition, many of the cast members were freshmen with no college experience.

Instead of looking at these factors as obstacles, the cast took them on as a challenge. Huebner said he has been really amazed at the cast's dedication and willingness to learn.

One of the highlights of this play is that it is presented as a theater in the round, which means that the audience is sitting on all four sides of the stage and the actors are in the middle. "This is hard. The actor has to really portray every emotion, especially in his voice, so that everyone knows what is going on," Cox said.

The stage floor has two spheres with an old map of the world drawn on them. The first sphere is Galileo's and anything done in his house takes place there. The second sphere is the rest of the world, and all the scenes that take place outside of Galileo's house are there.

The play is, as Cox described, "a very oral style of theater," but senior Melody Colyer, an audience member, said she loved the way the play was done in the round and described it as "an *A & E Biography* come to life."



All I want for Christmas...



• Stephen Marx •
"Money"



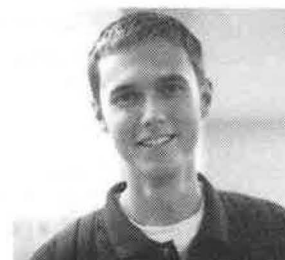
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• Ryan Allan •
"A new guitar"



• Jeff Veal •
"For people to not ask if I'm getting married."



• Allison Worthy •
"A teddy bear"



• Darbie Renfroe •
"World peace - but I'll settle for a laptop"



• Kim McLellon •
"A nice shoo-shoo watch"



• Allison Bailey •
"A '98 red Eddie Bauer Ford Explorer"



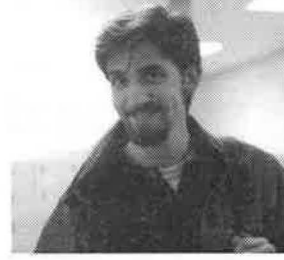
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"To go home"



• Erin Haugen •
"Any set of wheels will do"



• Jana Hendrix •
"To go home to France to see my family"



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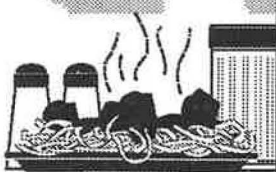
Jobs in January

The great tastes of Italy are coming to Searcy in a new restaurant. "The Big Ragoo" is opening in mid-January.

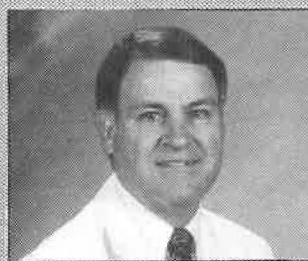
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SPORTS

Shantih and TNT win Big Club Championship volleyball games

Bryan Burleson
Bison staff writer

Shantih needed to win two matches against Zeta Rho to win the women's club A championship in volleyball.

In the first game, Brenda Thornburg and Cody Warmack from Shantih teamed up to beat Zeta Rho two out of three games. Excellent serves and devastating kills by both Kim White and Rachel Duffy from Shantih ended the late-night competition in the first match.

With the time nearing 10:30 p.m., the teams decided to play the final game of the first match.

Despite attempts from Zeta Rho's Susie Smith and Cindy Cheatham, their efforts to mount a comeback, the ladies from Shantih prevailed and won the first game 15-13.

But Zeta Rho wouldn't give up, Jasmine Flagg and Michael Ann Ramer thundered a combined eight points to lead Zeta Rho into a second-game victory.

With the match tied at 1-1, the final game was set. Eleven o'clock and all was

on the line for both clubs.

Zeta Rho won the volley, but Shantih quickly found a sideout. Kayla Lightfoot served and ripped open a 10-point lead before a serve out-of-bounds finally ended the blood bath of points.

Jaime Bean and Autumn Spell hooked up for Zeta Rho's first points, but Shantih quickly got back on offense and tacked on another three points.

With the score now 13-3, Rachel Duffy put an exclamation on a spike, winning the game and the match for Shantih.

"This is my last semester here and I was glad we could win," an excited Lightfoot said. "Softball was good, football was great, but this was icing on the cake. It is the best feeling."

"It was fun because both teams were equally matched," Shantih's White said. "I'm so excited, but I'm ready to get home and go to bed."

Despite losing, Zeta Rho's Ramer was positive.

"Of course we're disappointed, but it was fun," Ramer said. "We had the enthusiasm and ability; we just didn't get things done. I think our communication

breakdown on the court really hurt us."

Shantih definitely proved that the orange crush reigns in club sports.

In the men's championship A game, Pi Kappa Epsilon faced an undefeated TNT squad.

Pi Kappa was led by their 6'7" outside hitter Steve Meadors.

TNT had beaten Pi Kappa in a previous match in which Meadors was not able to finish playing due to conflicts with Bison basketball practice.

During the first game, Pi Kappa came out swinging while TNT slowly eased into their rhythm. Meadors was Pi Kappa's primary offensive weapon and the TNT blocks were unable to stop his shots.

Poor teamwork and a lack of communication among TNT players aided Pi Kappa in taking the first game.

Despite knowing that they had two matches to work with, TNT, led by outside hitters Josh Rader and Derek Garrett, began to shine.

The TNT duo of setter John Justice and outside hitter Mark Wilson ignited the TNT offense as they

began to dominate the match.

Pi Kappa senior Ty Christopher was hoping to lead the team to a victory in his last season but was unsuccessful.

"We came out wanting to give TNT a challenge and we kind of caught them with their guard down at first," Christopher said. "But they began to pull it together in the second game and they managed to come out on top. It was good volleyball all around."

The two teams traded blows in the second game as Meadors was almost unstoppable, but TNT had four tremendous athletes that were hitting for them, creating a well-rounded offense.

TNT eventually won the second game and carried the emotion and adrenaline into the third - winning a very close and exciting game.

"After the second game, I realized we could play better and that Pi Kappa was a one-man team; we began to play smarter and better," TNT member Mark Wilson said.

This win put TNT in first place in the All-Sports race by a margin of four points.

Sports Notes

Big Cat returns to Cowboys

Leon Lett returned Monday from a year-long suspension for drug use, with many serious expectations and some kidding from his Dallas Cowboys teammates.

He apparently has returned in good condition and will start soon.

Diamondbacks acquire Williams

The Cleveland Indians traded third baseman Matt Williams to the expansion Arizona Diamondbacks on Monday for third baseman Travis Fryman and left-handed relief pitcher Tom Martin.

Williams agreed to a five-year \$45 million contract extension with Arizona as part of the trade.

Williams joins shortstop Jay Bell to give Arizona a veteran left side of the infield.

Sprewell's contract could be terminated

Banned from practice and team facilities Tuesday, Latrell Sprewell was in jeopardy of having his four-year \$32 million NBA contract terminated after an attack on Coach P.J. Carlesimo.

Sprewell was suspended without pay for 10 games after two confrontations with Carlesimo at practice Monday. Sprewell put his hands around the coach's throat and reportedly threatened to "kill" him and later, he landed a glancing punch to Carlesimo's neck.

AP Basketball Top 20

1. Duke
2. Kansas
3. North Carolina
4. Arizona
5. South Carolina
6. Purdue
7. Kentucky
8. New Mexico
9. Xavier
10. Iowa
11. Utah
12. Stanford
13. Connecticut
14. Mississippi
15. UCLA
16. Fresno State
17. Clemson
18. Arkansas
19. Florida State
20. Temple

AP Football Top 20

1. Michigan
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3. Tennessee
4. Florida State
5. UCLA
6. Florida
7. North Carolina
8. Washington State
9. Ohio State
10. Kansas State
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Dugger's jersey retired as ACU sweeps Bisons

Ryan Puckett
Bison Staff Writer

The Bisons and Lady Bisons played host to rival Abilene Christian University on Thursday, Nov. 20, at the newly renovated Rhodes Memorial Field House. The Lady Bisons started the night off by taking on a very talented and very tough Abilene team. Going into the game, the Lady Bisons boasted the Lone Star Conference's player of the week - senior guard Mandy Cox. But Cox, the 5'3" sharpshooter, could never get her game on track as she was whistled for her third personal foul only eight and a half minutes into the game. The Lady Bisons would have to play most of the game without Cox, who only played 18 minutes the whole game, but scored 15 points, grabbing three rebounds and swiping two steals.

Junior forward Molly McPherson shouldered the scoring lead for the Bisons as she scored 23 points on six of 12 field goals, grabbed three rebounds, dished out four assists and had two steals. Junior point guard Emily Prysock also had a good game as she faced an intense full-court pressure the whole game. Prysock kept her cool under the pressure by scoring seven points, grabbing four rebounds and dishing out two assists. Abilene won the game 98-72.

In between the men's and women's games, a ceremony honored Angie Fouts Dugger and retired her number 45 jersey. "Angie has unquestionably been the greatest go-to player in the history of our program," Harding's Athletic Director and former Lady Bisons head basketball coach Greg Harnden said.

Dugger holds the school record for most points in a



Athletic Director Greg Harnden lifts the retired jersey as Angie Dugger stands back and a packed Rhodes Memorial Field House applauds her for her outstanding achievements during her four years as a student. Photo by Channing Bradford.

game with 40, second best ever for rebounds in a game with 21, and school record for most field goals made in a game with 17. She holds the school record for most points in a season with 662 in the 1994-95 season, and second best with 654 points in 1995-96. Her 22.6 points per game average is a school record; she also owns the school record for rebounds in a season with 355. All in all, Dugger owns 17 school records out of 42 possible records in Harding women's basketball.

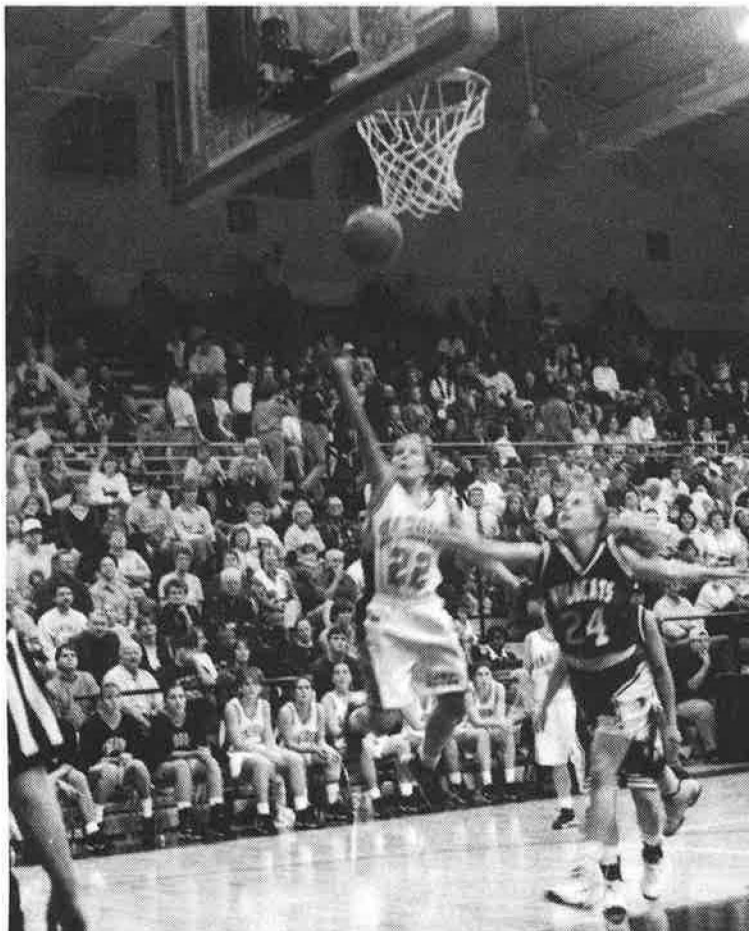
During her four-year career, she started all 125 games she played, and the Lady Bisons won 92 games and lost only 33. In her final two years, the Lady Bisons compiled a record of 50 wins and nine losses. Also in her senior

season, she led the Lady Bisons to a school record 26-4 record. Dugger was All-AIC one year (94-95), All-District one year (94-95), All-Region two years (95-96, 96-97), All-America second team once (94-95) and All-America first team twice (95-96, 96-97).

At about 8:30 p.m., the Bisons took the floor as the 2,300 "Rhodes Rowdies" were going crazy and making a lot of noise. In the first few minutes of action, the fans saw senior forward Louis Bonner wiping the backboards clean by grabbing five rebounds in the first two minutes. Bonner led the Bisons in rebounds with nine. With 7:40 left in the first half, the Bisons went on a 12-3 run, building a 16-point lead, their biggest lead of the game. In this run, sophomore guard Felix Jones scored nine of the Bisons' 12 points. Jones finished the game with 13 points and two rebounds. At halftime, the Bisons held a 13-point lead with the score 53-40.

Abilene made up that 13-point deficit as the Bisons missed seven of their first 10 shots in the first five minutes of the second half. The Bisons would eventually lose the game in overtime 101-100, a heartbreaking loss. The Bisons did not lose this game because of lack of effort - they dove on the floor for loose balls and hustled all night long. The dooming stats in this game for the Bisons were turnovers and free throw percentage. They turned the ball over 22 times and only shot 48 percent from the free throw line.

Senior guard Carlton Bryant led the Bisons in scoring with 21 points, while senior forward Calvin Bowens chipped in 12 points. Senior forward J.R. Duke also had a big game with eleven points and seven rebounds.



Senior Mandy Cox avoids a block and gracefully makes a layup. The Lady Bisons' only loss of the season so far was dealt to them by ACU. They have won five straight games since then. Photo by Channing Bradford.

Bison Sports Challenge

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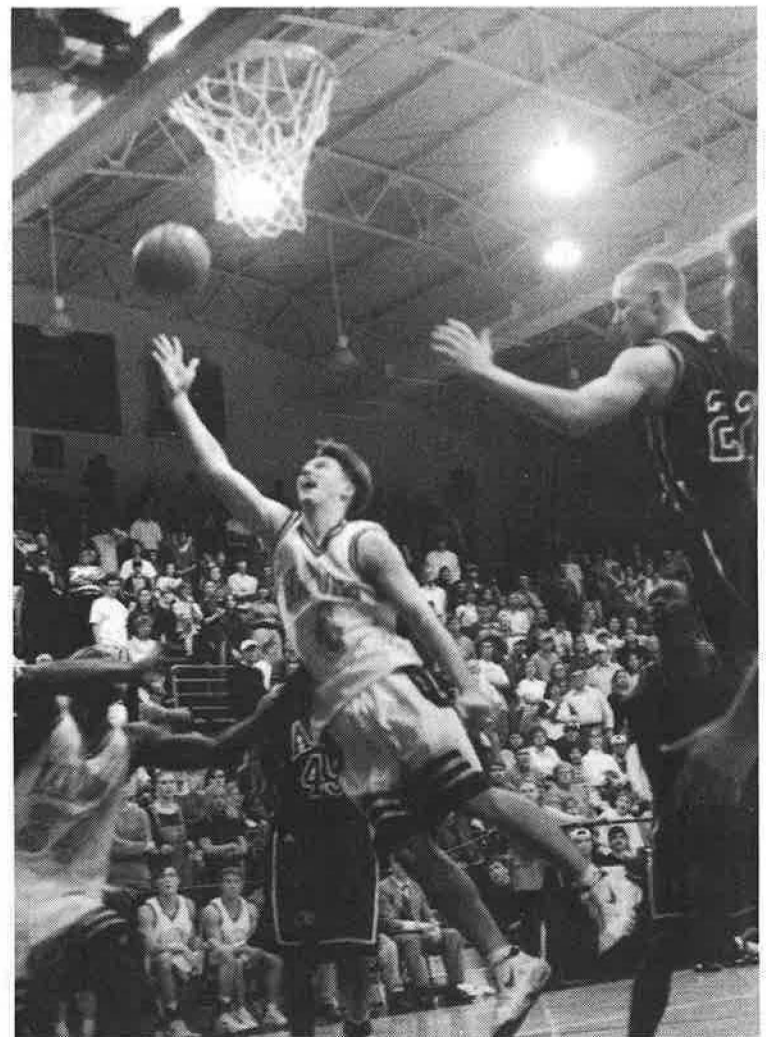
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Senior Matt Daniel fights his way through the ACU defense to put another two points on the score board for the Bisons. The Bisons' defense is ranked first in the Lone Star Conference. Photo by Channing Bradford.