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Blood work

A Red Cross staff member attends to Sophomore Jessica Burger as she prepares to donate a pint of blood during the Red Cross Blood Drive Tuesday. The drives, which are held twice per semester, are sponsored by King's Men and OEGE social clubs and help the Red Cross store up blood for use in emergencies.

Off-campus policy revised

JEREMY D. BEAUCHAMP
Editor

A letter was sent last week to all students who live off campus because of internships, stating that a change in the off-campus living policy will take effect next semester.

Any student involved in an internship, which includes student teachers and nursing majors in clinicals, who doesn’t meet new criteria will be required to move back on campus.

The change came as a shock to students who have leases to fulfill through next semester.

“I was really surprised; it was really bad timing,” senior Mandy Emmersen, an intern for Judge Bill Mills in Searcy, said. “At first I was going to have to move, and leases are hard to get out of.”

The move was made official several weeks ago in an administrative meeting. President David Burks’ administrative council discussed the policy change with deans, department chairs and faculty before announcing the changes.

Burks said the changes were made to more closely match the policy’s original intent, but affect only a “small minority of students.”

“If (off-campus living policy) was never intended to cover someone who was taking a one hour or three hour internship either for credit or not for credit,” Burks said. “We are not going to say that’s a valid reason to be off-campus because we don’t think that the job demands it.”

“As we reviewed it, we reiterated our commitment to Harding’s policy of having students live on campus and we feel that this is really the way we need to go.”

Many students and parents had expressed concern because of leases that must be adhered to — including next semester.

“We are going to work with students this spring on a case-by-case basis.”

President David Burks

Faculty approves Day of Outreach

EMILY HOGGARD
Staff writer

The faculty voted unanimously during a meeting Oct. 17 to approve March 5 as the second annual Day of Outreach.

According to senior Jeffrey Hubbard, chairman of the Student Spiritual Life Committee, 50-60 percent of the student body participated in last year’s Day of Outreach.

“My goal this year is to have 76 percent participation from the student body,” Hubbard said. “I realize people have jobs and other commitments, but I would hope that everyone who can participate will participate.”

Last year the faculty will also be participating in the day’s events.

“We will encourage the faculty to participate,” Dr. Dean Priest, vice president for academic affairs, said. “There was strong support last year and we expect there to be strong support again this year.”

Hubbard said classes will meet on an abbreviated schedule March 5. The Day of Outreach projects will begin in the afternoon.

“All the classes will be meeting for at least 25 minutes and the teachers are encouraged to have meaningful classes,” Priest said.

When he proposed the organization of this year’s Day of Outreach, Hubbard told the faculty the SA would not sanction other days for students to miss classes.

“This year, the committee has the luxury of not having to start from zero to find enough projects for more than 2,000 volunteers.”

“We are in the process of calling the contacts from the projects of last year,” Hubbard said. “We have also printed out flyers with a help line phone number that will be distributed around town. We will have radio announcements and we are even looking for Web space.”

The committee organizing the Day of Outreach consists of 13 students, including Hubbard. They meet every Monday to plan the undertaking.

Hubbard said this year’s committee has been able to learn from what the SA did last year. “The only major change this year is that people will be divided up by chapel seat and not by 945 classes.”

“Hubbard said. “I think it will be much easier since most everyone has a chapel seat and not everyone has a 945 class. Last year those who did not have a 945 class had to find a class and participate with that class in their project.”

Organizers believe last year’s service projects helped many people in the community.

“We want the community to see that the college students are here for a purpose — to serve God and reach others with the gospel,” Hubbard said.

Cross country reaches championships

Junior Jacob Rotich competes in the 10K race at the NCAA Division II South Regional Meet Nov. 9. The men’s cross country team won the event, qualifying them for the National Championship Nov. 23 in Ashland, Ohio.
**‘Whatever’ generation misunderstood**

Jeremy D. Beauchamp

The View From Here

Our generation has been criticized far too often and far too harshly. We don’t show respect, we lack a moral code and we have no patience. We only look for immediate gratification, we are ungrateful, disinterested and debased contrarians. If we make allegations from some of the members of older generations were true, then we would be facing a sad future. But they aren’t true. They at least shouldn’t be the norm for us. If we are rough around the edges, it’s only because we are wary of committing the same mistakes as previous generations are and will, but we hope and pray we are wide open to new ideas (unless the new ideas are old ideas — which may or may not be a good thing). Our fast pace and disrespect is independence. For the most part, we respect our elders. We take their experiences into account, and, if they are valid, we use them.

We are the “whatever” generation, supposedly. If we seem disinterested it’s because we are inundated with all the questions facing us. One of the most beautiful aspects of our lives is the ability to choose our own future. We also have different worlds of information literally at our fingertips. It’s a lot to deal with. Sure, it’s not a world war or a cultural revolution, but we will have our claim to greatness. Some claim we have it too easy and we’re spoiled and lazy. I say it’s too early to judge. We speak our minds and we do fight for what we believe in — even if what we believe in is not fighting. We have creative energy ready to explode if we earn enough trust to display it. Respect breeds respect; and respect breeds independence. We are the “whatever” generation.

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**Viewpoints**

**Christians must stand against evil in world**

Douglas G. Wood

**Guest Room**

So many questions come to mind when one reads about this tragic waste of precious human lives. What is causing this? Are too-lenient gun laws the problem? Is it violence on TV and in the movies that is to blame? To begin with, I do not believe the accessibility of guns in our country is the cause of this recent outbreak of violence, though much of the media insists that this is the case. Instead, I believe that the guilt lies on all of us. Not just Americans in general, but also those of us who call ourselves Christians.

Now... let me tell you why. It all begins with a few people who have the idea of making this world a more comfortable place. They start out by mentioning to their friends and neighbors how everything would be better if people weren’t so judgmental (a healthy and accurate statement). Unfortunately, this slowly gains favor with people who have less-than-honorable intentions. They take it up as a rallying cry, insisting on equal rights for alternative lifestyles and worldviews.

They maintain that mainstream Western thought, though based on biblical morality and personal integrity, is to blame since it has deprived people of what comes naturally to them (essentially self-gratification).

Soon, this spreads among the people who are under the influence of this philosophy’s promoters, assuming that since they are in positions of influence, they cannot be wrong.

Before you can blink an eye, an academically and easily accepted idea of killing one’s neighbor like a disease through the populace.

And we, as Christians, smile calmly and dream the world we have been dropping it for decades now. We are ul­ter­ing to the vocal minority and speak­ing the truth. We have been made into a laughstock by our lack of instru­mental fortitude in our face of open chal­lenge. And we have been pushed back to the brink of failure when it comes to evangelizing our own country through our actions and words.

Instead, we find ourselves being quiet in the face of sexual immorality, silent when confronted by dishonest business dealings, bombastic humor, pornog­raphers and pedophiles, sickeningly tranquil within the sight of a heism and agnosticism, and mute when threatened by violence!

The people who lost their lives due to shootings recently lost them not just because of the crazed reach of an insane gunman, but also because of those who have gone before us who have not stayed sound to their principles.

So, let us take on the challenge that lies before us with the same courage of the saints who died in the coliseums of ancient Rome. We must seal with our blood, as Romans once did, the final fortitude in the face of open challenge, and drop the ball. We have been drop­ping it for decades now by not stand­ing up to the vocal minority and speak­ing the truth.

The biggest problem may be a lack of patience on both sides. Maybe we’ll learn better so that we don’t lose all hope in the next genera­tion. Will we?
Red Brick: Design firm helps art students pave road to successful careers

COURTNEY FANT
Contributor

Red Brick Studios, an on-campus design firm, is offering students a chance to gain valuable experience in the graphic design business and earn a little cash. "It's more than a club and less than a business," Daniel Adams, associate professor of art, said.

The student-run organization, which is made up of graphic design related majors, takes on projects for paying clients. According to Adams, there is great demand in Searcy and on the Harding campus for original design work at a reduced price.

Business owners call Harding's art department looking for students to design brochures, invitations, t-shirts, logos, and many other types of promotional materials.

"The calls for design work are funneled through Red Brick," Adams said. "The customer receives a reduced rate because the work is done by a student and the student gains experience and a little pay." Designers receive a percentage of the set fee that is stated in the organization's constitution for each project, the remaining money goes to the organization's general fund.

In addition to offering design experience, Red Brick Studios also helps students prepare for their professional careers through different programs at meetings.

Professional designers offer advice to students about internships, preparing portfolios and other skills.

"Red Brick helps us build our portfolios so we will be prepared to enter the real world," sophomore Sara Bukabotz said. "The projects are good practice and allow us to learn more about graphic design while making money."

Red Brick Studios has approximately 12 members, and like in social clubs, all members must maintain a 2.0 grade point average.

"Our membership typically consists of graphic design, advertising and interactive media majors," senior Paula James, Red Brick Studios vice president, said. "We also want to encourage undecided students who are interested in graphic design to get involved as well."

In an effort to serve the campus, Red Brick Studios does design work for social clubs, academic departments and campus organizations.

According to senior Tyler Murphy, the organization's president, they are looking for other opportunities to serve in the future.

"We would like to begin doing service work that we come up with ourselves rather than waiting for the opportunity to come to us," Murphy said.

Board approves fundraising for science center renovations

JEFFREY HUNTER
Copy editor

The Board of Trustees gave their seal of approval at the annual homecoming board meeting to begin fundraising for a proposed addition to the Pryor Science Center.

They also discussed the possibility of remodeling the White Dining Hall.

With the board's permission, administrators will now begin raising money for the $4 million expansion project that will add space on the west side of the science building for the math, computer science and computer engineering departments.

"All of the sciences will gain space," President David Burks said. According to Dr. David Cole, chairman of the Department of Physical Science, extra space is needed in the Pryor Science Center soon.

"We are close to capacity," Cole said. "We don't have much room for growth."

Cole said record numbers of students have caused crowding in the building, and it is expected to increase in the years to come. "We don't know how long it will take," Burks said. "The sooner we can raise the money, the better."

A completion date for the addition has yet to be determined. "We have no time frame for the project," Burks said. "We will not begin until we are far enough along in raising funds."

The board also discussed possible changes to the White Dining Hall. The proposal, which would require major renovations, has not yet been finalized.

"We are in negotiations right now," Burks said. "If those are successful, then we will proceed."

Although the specifics of the project have not been worked out, the project could begin as early as this summer, Burks said.

Gospel Advocate looking for submissions

The Gospel Advocate is accepting article submissions from Harding students focusing on the theme "My Greatest Spiritual Challenges" which may appear in a special March or April issue of the publication entitled "Spiritual Challenges for Youth."

The publication's editors will select two or three of the submissions for publication. All entries are due by Dec. 10 and should be between three and four double spaced pages and sent to Owen Olbricht, missionary in residence, at Campus Box 12260.

SA organizes Rake-n-Run for Saturday

The Student Association will again sponsor a Rake-n-Run Saturday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Participants should meet at 8:45 a.m. in the Benson and are encouraged to bring rakes and leaf blowers.

Organizers say the purpose of the event is to take as many Searcy yards as possible in an effort to show Jesus to the community. 

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One with nature

MATT PRICE
Staff writer

Hiking, mountain biking, rappelling, and other outdoor activities have given students the opportunity to participate in activities such as mountain biking and rappelling. Freshman Aaron Craige has been mountain biking for six years. "I was a mountain bike rider and I used to have free fall trails all the way to a lot of downhills," Craige said. "I love the atmosphere. I enjoy the excitement of riding trails and trying not to get killed." Craige said it's easier to enjoy the mountain and the food than the experience. Holman said there are old logging trails in Hitzbaur, and that River is a good location for mountain bike riders. Heinrich is happy to receive an internship in Utah this summer to take advantage of the mountainous region to gain more experience as a rider. "It's a rush to fly through the woods, the fulfillment of that intensity is incredible," Holman said. Craige gives advice to students who may have an interest in trying mountain biking. "First, start with a good bike and get a helmet," Craige said. "Then, ride with experienced riders and start out easy." Student Association President Zac Lambrecht said he gets his outdoor thrill through rappelling. "It's a rush, just those few seconds of freefalling are incredible," Lambrecht said. "There are some awesome scenic areas in the nature." Craige recommends Hitzbaur, Camp Tabakdoh and Sugar Loaf Mountain for ideal locations for rappelling. Lambrecht suggests beginners rappel with someone who is experienced. He said that rather than going out and buying equipment right off, beginners should focus more on learning basic techniques. For the Hunting outdoorman that enjoys hunting, there are many areas open to the public near Searcy. Arkansas rifle season, for deer, began Nov. 9. The rifle season for duck hunting begins Nov. 23. Humanities are excited about the hunting seasons. Thomas said he's excited about mountain biking when he was 12 years old. "My dad got me involved, and I've loved it ever since," Thomas said. "I enjoy just getting away, and the sport that is involved." Thomas said that for students who do not own private land, Cherokee Wildlife Management area and Hurricane Lake, outside Bald Knob, are good public land locations to hunt. Thomas encourages beginners to watch the Outdoors Channel and talk to experienced hunters before going out on their own. "The harvest is just one of many great aspects of hunting," Thomas said. "These are other great aspects than just killing an animal. It's great to spend time in God's creation and absorb all nature has to offer." From forest hiking trails to wild rivers, the Natural State has many opportunities for students seeking outdoor adventure close to campus, (from Savvy in penultimate)

1 Pinnacle Mountain State Park (70 miles)
Hike along trails that lead to the top of famed Arkansas mountain and views of Arkansas River Valley.

2 Petit Jean State Park (70 miles)
Hike along forested, canyons, streams, mountainous and a 96 foot waterfall.

3 Heinz Springs (56 miles)
31 500-acre Brown River provides water recreation; nearby Sugar Loaf Mountain, home to rappelling and hiking.

4 Otis National Forest (50 miles)
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Contributor

DeANN of the semester, strong Christian play, according in the Little Theater, and will be to senior Miranda LaBrecque, the wants to use more of a student but its impact reaches far beyond

"Book of Hours" is a chamber adaptation of the novel written by T. Davis Bunn. The novel tells the story of a man who struggles to find the will to live after he loses his wife to leukemia. The wife and her aunt leave him a series of puzzles that the man follows, which eventually lead to his spiritual renewal.

LaBrecque said she was impressed with the novel because it had many elements that she wanted to work with, like an amazing story line, a historical setting and an uplifting spiritual message. She chose to turn the novel into the first full-length play that she has directed at Harding, despite some claims that the novel seemed to be better suited for movies than theater.

She was able to call and discuss the project with the novel’s writer to get his input. Bunn was helpful and excited about the play, according to LaBrecque. She said he had wanted to see its performance, but was unable to leave his home in England.

According to LaBrecque, the book was adapted as chamber theater, with a narrator explaining details in order to preserve the novel quality of the story. The sets for the play are intentionally surrealistic.

"The audience members have more creative license with this type of play," LaBrecque said. "They have more freedom to use the imagination like they would if they were reading the book.

The play has 19 cast members who play 30 different roles. Many cast members are freshmen, which is exactly the type cast LaBrecque wanted to work with.

"I really love working with younger actors," LaBrecque said. "They have a lot of energy and are so eager to learn. I enjoy helping them work through their nerves and helping them learn to enjoy their roles in telling the story."

LaBrecque said she has enjoyed seeing the entire cast get more comfortable around each other and grow closer together, which is something the cast members noted as well.

"I can’t imagine working with a greater group of people," junior Robin Gray said. "Everybody is so encouraging and loving. We’ve all gotten very close to each other."

First Year Experience office helps students make transition

COURTNEY FANT
Staff writer

I n an attempt to help new students make the adjustment to college life and to assist them in their personal developments, the First Year Experience Office was added to the panel of student service programs this fall.

The office itself is located in room 205 of the student center, but its impact reaches far beyond the office doors.

First Year Experience is an organization dedicated to helping new students transition to Harding," Butch Gardner, director of First Year Experience, said. "Harding’s student services wants to use more of a student development model [in designing their programs] and First Year Experience falls in line with their goal to design programs to assist in the development of the whole person both inside and outside the classroom."

Gardner said the program also coordinates with other student services on campus.

"We try and get students to utilize the programs on campus that already exist," Gardner said. "Programs such as the Sears Learning Center can be great assets to students who will take advantage of them."

The office also organizes programs such as Student Impact and Summer Experience to orientate new students to the campus.

As the semester continues, First Year Experience will implement follow-up programs throughout the year using student mentors who work with a committee of advisors composed of faculty, staff and administrators.

The program currently has six mentors: junior Jeff Johnson, and sophomores Karen Baur, Alan Hooten, Jeff Johnson, Brad McCormick, Amanda Moore and Lindsey Peebles.

According to Hooten, the male mentors began the second week of school going door to door in the freshmen dorms meeting and praying with the residents.

"We visited with the guys at least five nights a week for about a month," Hooten said. "We eventually met with the guys in every single room and revisited those who had specific problems. It did a world of good and resulted in the baptism of one of the guys we followed up with."

The women also visited door to door and distributed flyers in Kendall, Cathcart, Sears and Stephens Halls. Peebles believes the key is getting them involved at Harding.

"Just being their friend and spending time with them helps them build relationships and gives them a better idea of what Harding is all about," Peebles said.

First Year Experience also organized the freshmen ice cream social night that was held before the Student Association elections. Freshman candidates were able to use this social event as a forum for election speeches.

"When we make a connection with a new student it is so exciting and resulted in the baptism of one of the guys we followed up with."

The mentors believe the program is working, and they have high expectations of its future potential.

"We have lots of obvious work to do at the beginning of the semester, but now we are figuring out the best ways to continue to serve the first year students after they have adjusted to Harding and become a part of campus life," McCormick said.

First Year Experience works with the American College Testing Program to gain research on new students that will enable them to predict which students will be more likely to leave school.

When this new information is obtained, the mentors and committee members will have a better chance of identifying and helping these students.

Any student in need of First Year’s assistance is encouraged to contact Gardner or a student mentor.

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JAIME FAHS
Contributor

When junior Toni Edwards lined up with four other contestants last week to audition in front of the executive producers of "American Idol," the game show where contestants sing with the hopes of earning a record contract, she had no idea what was in store for her.

"I wasn't really nervous until I stepped up to sing," she said. "I for her.

"I realized I had some talent when in the sixth grade and my choir director asked me to join the sixth grade choir," Edwards said. "But she was wrong.

"Now all that is left to do is wait to hear if she is picked to move on to compete in a live performance in Little Rock Nov. 26 at a yet to be determined location.

"I want to pursue my dream of music but I also have to be practical about school and finish while I am young," Edwards said. "This is my dream though and I hope I get to live it."

"I wasn't really nervous until I stepped up to sing," she said. "I hadn't prepared anything so I sang the best "Happy Birthday" that I possibly could."

"When she finished her second selection, the judge told Edwards that it was the best version of "Happy Birthday" he had ever heard. With a compliment like that, Edwards thought she had snagged one of the few spots to take her to the next round."

"But she was wrong. "We stood there in that line and waited for what seemed like hours while Ron deliberated over the groups' talent," Edwards said."

"That is when my heart sank," Edwards said. "I just thought that since I was the only one he had asked to sing again in my group that meant I was in."
Men’s basketball sports new faces, but same goal

RYAN COOK
Sports editor

With four true freshmen and two junior college transfers helping the Bison basketball roster to 17, the team is larger than some clubs and even one social club.

Coach Jeff Morgan said the Bison, who despite a somewhat lean roster finished 16-11 last season and qualified for their first Gulf South Conference Tournament, will be ready.

“We’ve got eight or nine guys that there’s not much difference in any of them,” he said. “We could go nine or 10 deep and not have any drop off, because everybody is in that close.”

Harding opens its season at 7:30 p.m. Monday with an exhibition game against the Arkansas Tech, a traveling team made up mostly of former Division I players.

“They’re talented,” Morgan said. “It’s one of those games where you never know what to expect.”

Morgan said he hopes the Rhodes Rovers will take advantage of the chance for some early action.

“I know it’s early, but I think there’s a lot of people who are anxious to see some basketball, too,” he said. “I hope we have a good showing.”

The Bison will open the regular season with two games next weekend at the Montevideo Classic, facing America-Huntsville on Nov. 22, then challenging the hosts on Nov. 23.

“Both of those teams are very good teams,” Morgan said. “We’ll have to play extremely well. Getting regional games can really help you in the regional rankings. So, this year, we’re really working hard to get more regional games.”

The Bisons will have three home games during Dead Week, starting Dec. 6, against Arkansas Tech, and Dec. 15, against Tech.

After a month of full practices and two non-public scrimmages in Mobile, Morgan said his team is coming together.

“Every day, coming to practice is fun because we don’t have anybody who dog's it effort-wise,” he said. “Everybody just gives you everything they’ve got.”

He said the Bisons, recently known for their offensive firepower, have been increasing their focus on defense.

“We’ve got to keep harping defense and making stops,” Morgan said. “With our depth, we ought to be able to get out and pressure people more than we were able to last year.”

Despite the loss of 6-foot-6-inch forward Daron Wilson, Morgan said the Bisons will contend in the key with the help of senior Regimantas Butvydas, junior transfer Yahaiba Ibrahim and junior Chad Ware.

“These guys are doing a great job of stealing and being physical,” he said. “We’re going to be a little big...

Francis: Lady Bisons better, but inexperienced

RYAN COOK
Sports editor

After finishing one game out of the cellar of the Gulf South Conference’s West Division last season, sixth-year Lady Bison basketball coach Brad Francis says the team is moving in the right direction.

“We feel like we’re better, but we’re also inexperienced,” he said. “Hopefully these new players catch on with a real key.”

With the loss of starters Mindy Napier and Kendra Bell, the Lady Bisons will have more new players than old and court.

Senior starters Julie Hammitt (formerly Julie Wright), Heather Lawrence and Susan Berry return, as do sophomore Jamie Simpkins and redshirt freshman Kendra Beard.

New players — five true freshmen and Tiffany Phillips, a junior forward who transferred from Arkansas Tech — have made prepping for this season more critical.

“There’s a lot of potential, but, at the same time, they’re new and a lot of learning is going to have to take place at the front end,” Francis said. Morgan said he hopes the Friday’s match between Tech. We feel that we worst matches have been said.

Point guard, 31:56, 10-65, 7-14-2:46, HU- 30-13

Fourth Quarter

5:00 HU- Calvin Bynoe 3:39...5-18, 1-9-17:47, 2-3

FOOTBALL (8-2, 4-1 GSC)

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2:35 1st — North Florida 7, goal line stand
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2:05 1st — North Florida 17, pass from Calhoun to Bolden, 6-0-0, 1-2-7, 1-2-7
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3:39 4th — North Florida 30, pass from Calhoun to Bolden, 6-0-0, 1-1-7, 1-1-7

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Cross country men take South title
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The men’s cross country teams placed four runners in the top 10 Saturday to win the NCAA II South Region Championship at Sharon Johnston Park in Huntsville, Ala.

The win advances the No. 7 Bisons to the NCAA II National Championship Meet Nov. 23 in Ashland, Ohio. Harding scored 47 points, defeating Kennesaw State by only one point.

Sophomore Jacob Rotich placed second overall with a time of 29:58.8 in the 10K men's race to lead the Bisons, setting the Harding regional meet record in the process. Rotich’s time was more than a minute faster than his performance last year, when he won the regional title as a freshman.

Sophomore Regd Fisher placed fifth with a personal-best time of 31:35. Junior Scott Wietecha placed ninth (32:05), and junior Ryan Mierietz place 10th (32:13). All four runners earned All-Region honors.

Cross country coach Steve Guymon was pleased with Fisher since Wietecha’s runner-up billing he said it was not the team’s best.

“I think traveling [back to Huntsville] the very next week after conference was difficult for us,” said. “But we did what we had to. It wasn’t our best performance, but we did what we had to win.”

The Harding women’s team placed third with a score of 74 individuals. The Lady Bisons narrowly missed a chance to win the individual title.

Junior Janet Kogo won the individual title and senior Hanna Haavikko placed third. Both advanced to nationals as individuals.

“The girls ran awesome,” Guymon said. “They had a great race. They were focused, but we just ran into a situation where we raced North Florida, ranked fourth, and Kennesaw State, ranked sixth. We were ranked eighth, and the girls ran the best they could. ... We were in a race with two very talented teams, and we just happened to be the third one.”

Kogo became the first Lady Bison to win an NCAA regional, finishing first Saturday in 18:55.4, surpassing Haavikko’s school regional record of 21:46 last year.

Junior Sara Reardon placed 16th (22:37), freshmen Abby Redenbeck and Jessica Cornett were 48th and 49th (both 24:32) and sophomore Terri Harding finished 66th (24:59).

With the men’s team and two individuals from the women’s team headed to the national meet, expectations are high.

“Both Janet and Hanna should do well at nationals,” Guymon said. “They are two of the top runners in the nation, with Janet having a chance to win the individual title.”

On the men’s side, a chance to bring home a trophy is in sight.

“I want to have the team have four All-Americans and try to bring home a trophy, which is a top-four finish,” Fisher said.

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2. Central Arkansas (3-7)
3. Ouachita Baptist (5-4)
4. Arkansas Tech (3-6)
5. North Alabama (3-7)
6. West Alabama (2-6)
7. Arkansas-Monticello (2-2)
8. West Georgia (1-7)

This week’s games

Ouachita Baptist at Harding
Arkansas-Monticello at Delta State
North Alabama at West Alabama
Arkansas Tech at Central Arkansas
Southern Ark. at Henderson State
No. 2 Valdosta State at W. Georgia

Last week’s results

Harding 23, Southern Arkansas 13
No. 3 Valdosta St. 51, Ark. Tech 24
Central Arkansas 47, W. Alabama 23
North Alabama 95, West Georgia 30
Ouachita Baptist 39, Delta State 20
Henderson St. 36, Ark. Monticello 7

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Anyway, back to the business at hand — the OBU Tigers.

The Tigers (5-4) have won four of their last five games, with their lone loss in that stretch coming in overtime against Southern Arkans­as. Their other losses have been 51-10 against Valdosta, 30-14 against Central Arkansas and 20-17 at Southeastern Oklahoma.

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