LaForce, Lincoln Win Runoff Elections

LINDSEY LOWE student reporter

- Change is in the air for Searcy. After Nov. 7 resulted in the election of two new representatives throughout the district — but not in the way that was hoped for in the past two runoffs. The offices of county judge and mayor got new occupants for an additional three weeks while candidates continued campaigning for the runoff election.

The mayor’s race was between Democratic incumbent Belinda Laforce and Republican Dale Brewer. After the Nov. 28 runoff, both candidates kept Laforce in office — in a very close vote, a 401-precinct lead of the total votes. Results showed LaForce captured Wards 2 and 3, Wand 3, 281 votes larger than Brewer’s lead in Ward 1 and 5.

LaForce stepped up to the mayor’s office after the previous mayor, David Evans, was elected to the state senate to represent Searcy. She had worked for the city for nearly 20 years prior to her election. She has been responsible for many large projects in Searcy, including the current expansion of Race Street and the reconstructive process involved in the downtown square. LaForce said the vote was a huge relief and that she felt a huge load lifted off her shoulders; however, she said she was unsure as to the reason for such a strong margin of victory, citing the current controversy on the council as a potential reason for the close election.

The county sheriff’s race also continued into the runoff vote, though the final results were not quite as close. Michael Lindsey, the Republican candidate, was victorious over Dennis Gillam, an independent candidate. Out of the 11,029 votes cast throughout the county, Lincoln was won by 105 more votes than his opponent. Lindsey previously served as the director of Camp Wildwood, a summer camp and retreat center located north of town. While Lindsey is now slated to inaugurate a Republican judge and sheriff on Jan. 1, Ridly Shoob won the general election.

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Christmas Decorations Sparkle at Harding

SA, CAB Plan For Spring Semester

HAYLEY TIPP student reporter

Spring events on Harding’s campus continue to fill the air. Many movies, bands, and events have been in the works and planned by the Student Association and Campus Activities Board.

"We’re looking forward to the coming semester," SA President Travis Edinger said. "The CAB has a full week of events planned to start off the new term for student government. Campus Activities Board had a full meeting planned for the new term. Searcy Mayor Belinda Laforce and White County Commissioner Gary Thomas arrived several hours early for an additional three weeks before the election.

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WENDY SPORER student reporter

- Lindsey Lowe

Unlike many years past, Harding students will now have a new opportunity to start spring break on Jan. 14, for Christmas break, which allows students to have even more opportunities to travel home during the break. Some students, like junior Vanessa Gordon, may use the break to go home or other, instead of going to spend the holidays with their own families. "If I did get to go home, I would be home," Lindsey Lowe said. "My family is going to come over every weekend!"

Just as some students may choose to use the break as an opportunity to go home, others may choose to spend more time with their families. "Instead of going to spend the holidays with my own family, Gordon said. "In 2006, I’m most excited to explore the world with books and other materials, like junior Emily Dunlap said. Dunlap said the book was a huge relief and that she felt a huge load lifted off her shoulders; however, she said she was unsure as to why the election was so close. The city council meeting was the main reason for the close election.

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In & Out: News to Know

Taco Bell Purges Onions in E. Coli Scare

An investigation into the illness of dozens of Taco Bell patrons Wednesday focused on vegetables sold by the fast-food chain. The company pulled green onions or scallions from 3,000 restaurants nationwide.

State and federal health authorities were testing stafﬁng, onions, tomatoes, cilantro and lettuce from a distribution center in southern New Jersey.

Health ofﬁcials have not been able to identify the source of the E. coli bacteria that has sickened more than three dozen people in the state area. Nine people remained hospitalized on Wednesday.

"In an abundance of caution, we've decided to pull all green onions from our restaurants until we know conclusively whether they are the cause of the E. coli outbreak," Taco Bell president Greg Creed said.

The chain reopened restaurants in Long Island that were linked to the outbreak, but some Taco Bells in New Jersey, which had 30 infections, remained closed on Wednesday. Most E. coli infections are associated with undercooked meat, but the bacteria can be found in sprouts and leafy vegetables.

France Launches World News Channel

France struck off 24-hour international news program Wednesday by interviewing the French president, prime minister and foreign minister.

All-news channel France 24 (produced by English-speaking anchor "long-senior" was a vision of President Jacques Chirac aiming to broadcast France's perspective and values around the world.

The channel launched via satellite in Asian, African and Arab world. France 24 aired the explanation of the conservative group. The channel also aired in English, for those who are bilingual and watch the channel.

France 24 is expected to expand coverage to North America and Asia. For now, the only U.S. location for the channel Washington, it will be available on Center cable.

Senate Approves Gates’ Appointment

The Senate voted 95-2 Wednesday to approval of President Bush’s choice of Robert Gates to replace Donald Rumsfeld as secretary of defense.

The vote, a stop in the nomination process through the Senate Armed Services Committee.

"I wish the guy at the right time," said Senator Lindsey Graham (R-Mt).

Sen. Carl Levin, Mich., the ranking Democratic on the Armed Services Committee, said he was "very favorably impressed," by Gates’ candor and frank advice.

"I’d been cognitive decision and give candid and frank idea to the president about a way forward in Iraq," Sen. Jim Talent, Indiana, said.

"Ms. Gates has repeatedly criticized our efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan without providing any feasible solutions to the problems our troops currently face" Bunning said in a statement in the Senate record.

"I’m not going to try to say what the best way forward in Iraq is," said Talent.

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**SA: Cakewalk And Other Plans Underway**

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The SA is also planning to roll out a new student-run carnival, the largest Cakewalk during the spring and fall semesters.

"This event will take the place of the "head shaving" the SA originally planned to break the World Record for the most shaved heads in one place.\[...\]"

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Other students like sophomore Laura Douglas had mixed recollections about the shaving.

"It's weird that they put the lights on so bright. That's why I shave," Douglas said. "And I don't like the weather, it's everywhere and it's hot. But I like the lights (they're) gorgeous. You can't hear them and they don't fall in love with them, but..."

**DECORATIONS: What Students Think**

"I like that people put up the lights here.\[...\]"

**ZACH NEAL**

"It's not thrown together and it's not eventually end up on an airplane.\[...\]"

** AliciK Elrod, professor of science**

"If anyone has an idea for a..."

**Elrod said**

"The key privacy issue is that you are able to control what you expose yourself to the world, and in our current society are unable to secure the image once the anomaly has been resolved, and the capability of printing, storing or transmitting the image is not available to the Transportation Security Officer operating the equipment.\[...\]"

**Laura Douglas**

"I can imagine a situation where a TSA employee is approached by someone who wants to buy some of the images. That could be done fairly easily with a camera phone.\[...\]"

**Dr. Mark Elrod, professor of political science**

"We...\[...\]"

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"I don't expect to give that up when they board a flight.\[...\]"

**Mark Elrod**

"The government needs to put people in charge who are especially trained, such as nuclear physicist, to be captured.\[...\]"

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"Individuals feel powerless against governmental agencies, and our job is to make sure that...\[...\]"

**Dr. Mark Elrod**

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Thea Poyer’s Spf’s Death Raises Questions

BRETT KILLER

Former Russian spy Alexander Litvinenko died Nov. 23 of polonium poisoning, according to CNN. On his deathbed, Litvinenko reportedly accused Russian president Vladimir Putin of being behind the poisoning, reported CNN.

Litvinenko has alleged the involvement of Russian politicians, including Putin, in the deaths of other former spies. The committee has determined that the poisoning was a result of polonium poisoning, which is a radioactive substance.

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Holiday Travel Tips

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- Have oil checked; change before long trips
- Check tire pressure
- Check antifreeze
- Drive under speed limits in harsh weather conditions
- Pull over when tired
- Supplies to have: space-tires, shovel (for snow), jumper cables, tow kit, ice scraper, flashlight and batteries, reflector triangles, first aid kit

Plane
- Arrive an hour and a half to two hours early
- Be prepared to remove coats, jackets, shoes, any jewelry or belts at security check-in
- Take laptops out of cases
- You can take one carry-on and one personal item (purse, briefcase or laptop)
- Be aware of the contraband list
- Each passenger is allowed to bring 1 quart-sized, clear, plastic, zip-top bag to be placed in the screening bin.

In the bag you may have 3 ounce bottles or smaller (www.tsa.gov)

Top Christmas Time Tunes

1. "White Christmas" - Bing Crosby
2. "The Chipmunk Song (Christmas Don't Be Late)" - Alvin & the Chipmunks
3. "O Holy Night" - Josh Groban
4. "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" - Gene Autry
5. "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" - Brenda Lee
6. "You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch" - Thurl Ravenscroft
7. "O Come All Ye Faithful" - Nat King Cole
8. "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" - Frank Sinatra
9. "Let It Snow" - Michael Bublé
10. "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" - Johnny Mathis

Avoiding The Christmas Bulge:

1. Be aware of the number of Christmas cookies you consume.
2. If you tend to binge on Christmas dinner, don't binge on leftovers. Get back to your normal eating habits.
3. Don't watch Christmas movies on the couch all day long. Stay physically active. Christmas shopping requires a lot of walking!
4. Remember that cocoa and apple cider contain a lot of calories; keep them to a minimum.
5. If you eat a huge meal (Christmas dinner, holiday parties, etc.) make sure your other meals are light and healthy.
6. Don't eat all of your stocking candy in one day.
It is widely understood that past experiences shape one's present behavior and future decisions. A person's actions are often driven by the values they hold, and these values are shaped by their upbringing, experiences, and societal influences. In many cases, these values are passed down through generations, creating a shared cultural identity.

One of the most significant values that many people hold is the importance of community. Community can be defined as a group of people who share common interests or experiences and work together to achieve common goals. It is an essential part of human existence, and it is through community that we find support, belonging, and purpose.

In recent years, the concept of community has been challenged by technological advancements, globalization, and other factors. These changes have led to a sense of disconnection and loneliness among many people. However, there are efforts to reconnect people and rebuild community. These efforts may involve local initiatives, such as community gardens or neighborhood clean-up projects, or larger-scale initiatives, such as community organizing or social movements.

In conclusion, the concept of community is fundamental to human existence and well-being. It is essential to rebuild and strengthen community in order to create a more just, equitable, and sustainable society. By working together, we can overcome the challenges of our time and create a better future for all.


**Understanding Biblical Truth**

**Truth.** From Genesis, our forefathers referred to "a fair and square deal," to the postmodern debate on relative truth, the word ‘truth’ seems to have become a byword of the new age. Truth becomes a construct that varies from person to person. In the context of what is true and what is not, it will never stand as an absolute value. We have believed they know what is right and what is wrong, but this is not the case in truth but will never stand as an absolute value. Thus, we believe have believed what is right and what is wrong, but this is not the case in truth.

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**Gospel Space**

This is the time of the year when all the students, professors have stopped assigning them. There are those who think you will never stand as an absolute value. They believe that is where the life. That means he is not true.

**Gospel Space**

"I don't like the way they talk about Jesus. I think you should tell them what is true and what is not. I believe he is the source of all truth, then it is the source of all truth.

* The whole debate is transformed. It is the source of all truth.

* I have a rather strong feeling that I am not alone in this either. I have found other things to occupy my time, none of which have been very pleasant.

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HARDING AT ITS HARDEST

Redshirt freshman Jordan Wise lays up the ball during the Bison game against Champion Baptist.

Junior defensive back Issel Gayles intercepts a pass during the Bisons homecoming game against the Henderson State Reddies.

Senior forward Breck Williams takes a free kick from outside the penalty box during a game against the University of the Ozarks.

Photographer Craig Rainbolt recaps the fall 2006 sports season with his favorite shots from the field and court.

Senior defensive player Emily Currie clears the ball out of the back field in a match against the West Georgia Wolves.

Freshman outside hitter Manuela Nesheva serves the ball during a match against the Ouachita Baptist Tigers.
SPORTS & LEISURE

December 8, 2006

Freshmen Give Lady Bisons A Lift

AMANDA FRUIT
assistant editor

Hading history trumped a major milestone in the recruiting kickoff.

With no blockers in sight, former Harding backcourt Terror - Tank, Daniels tracked down and tackled Oklahoma's Kellen Morgan in the 21-yard line of the field on the second play of the game.

The stats were down in the components as a special teams tackle, but Daniels play meant immeasurably more to the Harding community.

Daniels became the first player in Harding history to participate in an NFL game.

In the nation to challenge each

Bisons Win Five At Home

DANIEL WADE
sports editor

The Bison basketball teams boast a five-game winning streak in the team that takes on the remainder of its non-conference foes this year.

Hading won all five home games this past week and a half and a team that maintains a perfect record enter the season. The Bisons are currently 6-1 heading into the weekend.

Senior guard Reggie Bish said, victorious against the universities of Alabama-Huntsville and North Alabama give a good indication that the Bisons are ready for conference play in the spring.

"Both of these teams are tough and to play well against them, we are definitively ready for conference play," Bish said.

UAM and UNA were definitely the big tests for the Bison and confidence was built during both home victories, junior center Jacob Thad said.

Hading will face both teams again on the road this weekend, with North Alabama Thursday and Alabama-Huntsville Sunday.

"It's a good opportunity to live up to the expectations people have placed on this team," sophomore guard Kellin Morgan said.

This weekend on the road we have a chance to prove that we belong in that pre-season No. 1 spot."

New faces on the Bison roster this year have produced big numbers for the team.

"We had some mis-hits early on to start, but these guys are stepping up and we're playing good ball," Thad said.

"We are confident with our starting line-up and we're proud of our own," Thad said.

UNA football head coach Randy Tribble said. "You know, saying a guy rewarded after his dreams coming true because he worked so hard to get there."

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ANOTHER REELY

Women's head basketball coach Tim Kirby said depth and the improving upon last season's 12-15 overall, 4-12 Gulf South Conference record.

"Our depth has gotten better," Kirby said. "That was something that we really needed to change off of last year's team, getting deeper in the positions."

"They're all playing a lot and they're doing well," Kirby said. "I've been really pleased with them coming in and doing an imme-

band hard working hard.

They all bring a little differ-

ence to the team with what they can do.

"May is starting at point guard for the Lady Bisons and is leading the team in rebounds. Udla leads the team in scoring, averaging 16 points per game. Kirby said Owens has the poten-

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Men Sixth, Women Fifth At Nationals

TYLER REESE staff writer

The Harding University volleyball team made it to the NCAA Super Regionals on Saturday, Nov. 26, at 7:30 p.m. in Huntsville, Ala. The team finished 21-6 overall and was ranked 23rd overall.

After winning their seventh straight Southeastern Conference title, the team was one of the top-ranked teams in the nation. They finished 4-1 in the conference and were ranked third overall.

Senior middle blocker Katie Westmoreland was nominated to All-District, All-State and All-Region for the team this year. She was also named to the All-Southeastern Conference team for the second year in a row.

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The team finished the season with a 25-4 record. They were ranked third overall in the nation and fourth in the Southeastern Conference.

"We're very proud of what we've accomplished," Coach Wall said. "We've had a great season and we're looking forward to the future."
Penguins

**Penguin Film: Cute, Complex**

**JORDAN DIJKENSKI**

Penguins are the craziest this winter as the diversity and cuddly species take center stage in "Happy Feet," the newest animated feature to hit movie marquees. Penguins living in the cold heart of Antarctica, much like Ausra Zalakevicius, often follow the journey of Mumble from his birth through some very important training and turns in his life. While most penguins are able to express their love through song, Mumble has been with a very unusual characteristic: he cannot sing. What follows is a very touching story about how Mumble finds his way in a world which labels him as an outcast. Mumble finds his way in a world which labels him as an outcast. What follows is a very touching story about how Mumble finds his way in a world which labels him as an outcast.

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As it turns out, the main penguin character in the Disney-Pixar movie "Happy Feet" is actually a half penguin, half human. The character is named Mumble and is voiced by the actor Jim Carrey. Mumble is an outcast in his community because he cannot sing like the other penguins. The story follows Mumble as he sets out on a journey to find his true voice and make his name in the world of penguins.

The movie initially encountered resistance from some animal rights groups, who were concerned about the use of exotic animals in films. However, the filmmakers and Disney worked hard to ensure that the penguins were treated with care and respect throughout the production.

Despite the initial concerns, "Happy Feet" became a cultural phenomenon, grossing over $380 million worldwide and earning two Academy Awards for Best Animated Feature. The movie's success helped to raise awareness about the importance of respecting and protecting the natural world, and it remains a beloved family classic to this day.
Christmas Carolers

ALEX JOHNSTON

Giving Season Taken to The Extreme

"Too often I think we are discouraged by the shortcomings of the world that we forget the good left in it."