HU Faculty Evaluates Liberal Arts Program

By BRACE MATHEW

A committee of professors from each department who are concerned with the academic programs at Harding University has recently begun meeting to discuss a proposal by the Harding Academic Council for a new Liberal Arts Program. The group meets every other week and has met several times since the proposal was brought to campus.

The proposal, which has been approved by the Harding Academic Council, is to create a new Liberal Arts Program that will include a variety of courses and programs. The proposal is to be presented to the Harding Board of Trustees in the fall of this year.

The proposal will be reviewed by the Harding Academic Council and the Harding Board of Trustees. The proposal will also be reviewed by the Harding Alumni Association and the Harding Department of Faculty Development.

Casey Named Music Chair

By SARAH GUZIELBAND

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Casey said, "I am excited to be named Music Chair for the Department of Music at Harding University. I look forward to working with the music faculty and students to continue to build the music department and make it a great place to be."
Pennsylvania Flood Into Egypt

Hamas militants in the Gaza Strip set off bombs in the border town of Rafah Wednesday, destroying a section of the Israeli-built security wall between Gaza and Egypt. Since then, over half of the 2.2 million Palestinians living in Gaza, who have struggled to survive under a week-long total Israeli blockade, have flooded into Egypt to purchase food, clothes, fuel, cigarettes and all manner of badly-needed supplies. The security wall was built in response to repeated rocket attacks by Hamas fighters on Israeli border towns. Many in both the Israeli and U.S. governments worry that the breach will allow Hamas to smuggle more weapons back into Gaza.

Israel's deputy defense minister, Matan Vilnai, hinted that Israel might be ready to give control of the Gaza Strip over to another party. Egypt has responded by turning Palestinian refugees away with barbed wire and water cannons, claiming that it will restrict the wall and return the border situation to normal.

Apple Releases New Macbook Air

Do good things really come in small packages? Apple thinks so, and is out to convince everyone with the world's thinnest notebook — the new Macbook Air.

At three-fourths of an inch thick and weighing three pounds, the Macbook Air is small enough to be slipped into and out of a manila envelope, even as Apple CEO Steve Jobs recently demonstrated to a gathering of computer manufacturers. The sleek machine is perfect for the business traveler or student with already-heavy backpacks.

The Macbook Air was found to be a possible catalyst for themillions of dollars that had built up around it last weekend. Already the star of films like "The Patriot," "Rocky Mountain" and "A Knight's Tale," Ledger was "just taking off," as actor Mel Gibson put it, shortly of his contemporaries expressed their grief and disappointment at the young star's passing.

"Our security, our prosperity and our environment all require reducing our dependence on oil," - President Bush, in his final State of the Union speech on Monday. In addition to altering the nation's energy sources, Bush also touched on economic worries, immigration and the War on Terror.

"BRADY-GIVE THE GIANTS THE BOOT!" - Sign held by a New England Patriots fan during a send-off party as the team leaves to play the New York Giants at the Super Bowl. Patriots quarterback Tom Brady, who reportedly has a minor ankle sprain, appeared at the gathering without his walking boot or a limp.

"Yee-haw! Excellent!" - Commander Peggy Whitson, after completing a risky spacewalk that restored power to the international space station. Working with the station's solar energy system meant working in the dark to avoid electric shock.

"There was a big enough audience looking to have silly, mindless fun at movie theaters." - Paul Dergarabedian of Media By Numbers, on why the spoof film "Meet the Spartans," lampoons as much of pop culture as it can in 84 minutes, was panned by critics but pulled in $18.7 million in its opening weekend.

"If we attack the metro, the emergency services can't get there."

An informant from a Barcelona-based terror cell, relaying the words of a would-be suicide bomber. The Islamic extremists were planning attacks on public transport across Europe before their arrest in Spain.

"Convenient access, lower prices, safety, anonymity."

Vincent Mehedizadeh, speaking on his company’s new medical-marijuana vending machines operating in Los Angeles. The machines, which require a prescription, offer five strains of the herb: Platinum Kush, Fire O. G., Bubble Kush, Purple Kush and Wild Cherry.
Gen-Eds: Under Review

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Scott Frye, a co-founder of the College Board who was also the first president of the Board, is among those who have criticized the current academic standards. "I’ve long felt that the current academic standards are inadequate for preparing students for the real world," he said.

The Board of Regents has recently discussed the issue of academic standards. "We need to ensure that our students are well-prepared for the challenges they will face in their future careers," said Dr. Frye. "The current standards are too low, and we need to raise them in order to ensure that our students are competitive in the global marketplace.

While some members of the Board support the current standards, others believe they are too lenient. "I believe that we have a responsibility to our students to ensure that they receive a high-quality education," said Dr. Frye. "We cannot afford to be complacent when it comes to academic standards."

The Board is expected to make a decision on the issue in the coming weeks. A vote will be held in the next meeting of the Board of Regents, and a final decision will be announced shortly thereafter.

Zion: Gym More Accessible

"It's an exciting time for us, and it anyone has free time and check it out, they would love to be in our shoes and see what we have going on," said Jason MacNair, president of the Zion Rock Gym.

The gym, located on the corner of Main Street and Broadway, has undergone a recent facelift, making it more accessible to the community. "We have added new equipment and improved our facilities," said MacNair. "We are constantly looking for ways to improve our offering and make it more enjoyable for our customers.

The gym offers a variety of options for those interested in muscle building or weightlifting. "We have a wide range of equipment, including weights and resistance bands," said MacNair. "Our gym is open to anyone who wants to come and try it out."

The gym is open from 8 am to 10 pm, seven days a week. For more information, please contact Jason MacNair at 555-1234.

SA: Holidays Help Students

"We have a lot of students who are looking for work during the holidays," said Dr. Frye. "We have a lot of parents who are looking for ways to keep their children busy, and we have a lot of employers who are looking for ways to hire temporary workers.

We have a program called "Holiday Labor," which matches students with employers for temporary positions. "This is an excellent way for students to gain work experience and earn some extra money," said Dr. Frye.

We encourage all students to participate in this program and make the most of the holiday season.

Ticket Accommodation for Henderson State, CSTV Game

"We have a lot of students who are excited about the upcoming game," said Dr. Frye. "We have a lot of fans who are looking forward to seeing their team play, and we have a lot of supporters who are looking for ways to support their team.

We have a lot of seats available for the game, and we encourage all students to come and support their team. We have a lot of opportunities to watch the game and make the most of the experience.

For more information, please contact the Student Activities Office at 555-1234."
Receiving our pre-candidacy status was the culmination of much hard work on the part of the faculty and staff of the college."}

"I hope that this accomplishment will be the catalyst for further improvements to our Internee program," said the dean of the College of Pharmacy. The College of Pharmacy had planned to begin classes in the fall semester of 2002, but due to the delay in accreditation, the college was unable to begin classes until the fall semester of 2003. The college has now been granted accreditation by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE), and will begin classes in the fall semester of 2003.

"This is a huge milestone for the College of Pharmacy," said the dean of the College of Pharmacy. "We are very proud of the work that has been done by the faculty and staff of the college, and we are excited to begin classes in the fall semester of 2003."
SA Has New Plans For Spring Semester

BY CHRISTIE CHOMO

Hayley Remington, a student government association (SGA) senator, said that this semester the SGA is planning an event, a forum, and a new event for the semester.

The forum will be a "listening" forum for students, Remington said. The forum will be held in the Science Center and will feature the SA president and the UI political science professor.

"The purpose of the forum is to let students come to the forum and tell us what they think," Remington said. "I don't know if this is the right forum, but I hope it works.

The SGA has a forum in their budget for the semester, Remington said. The forum is expected to be held in the Science Center and will feature the SA president and the UI political science professor.

"We are really looking forward to hearing what students think," Remington said. "I don't want to tell students exactly what we need to do at the forum, but I hope it works.

The SGA is also planning a new event for the semester. The event will be called "SA in the News," Remington said.

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For more information on the forums and the new event, call Remington at 515-513-1334.
A Christmas Story

New Holiday Traditions Leave Lasting Impression

Mariesaville, Ohio, is a small town located in the heart of the state. It's a town where Christmas is celebrated with great enthusiasm. The town square is decorated with lights and garlands, and the children play in the snow, building snowmen and sledding down the hills.

For many years, the only way to experience the magic of Christmas was to go to the movie theater and watch classic films like "A Christmas Carol" or "Elf." But this year, the citizens of Mariesaville decided to create a new tradition that would leave a lasting impression on the community.

"After having a real Christmas with a Christian family, I love it. It's a wonderful feeling," said one resident.

The tradition began with a visit to a local supermarket, where a group of volunteers purchased presents for families in need. They then delivered the gifts to the homes of the recipients, who were overjoyed to receive something so thoughtful.

"It was a joy to see the smiles on the faces of those families," said the organizer of the event. "It's a small gesture, but it's one that can make a big difference in someone's life."

The tradition continues every year, and the community looks forward to it with great anticipation. "It's a beautiful way to celebrate the true spirit of Christmas," said another resident.

As the sun sets on the snowy hills of Mariesaville, the residents gather around the town square, listening to the sound of the Christmas carols being sung. The tradition of giving has created a sense of community in the town, and everyone feels a part of something special.

"It's more than just giving," said one volunteer. "It's about bringing people together and showing that we care for one another."

The tradition of giving has left a lasting impression on the community, and the residents of Mariesaville look forward to continuing it for years to come. "We're proud to be part of a community that values giving and values each other," said one resident.

As the snowflakes continue to fall, the residents of Mariesaville gather around the town square, reflecting on the meaning of Christmas. They know that it's not just about the presents, but about the love and kindness that the tradition has instilled in the community.

"It's a tradition that will last for generations," said one volunteer. "And I'm proud to be part of it."
OPINION

THE QUOTE

"People vote for their wallets — what's in it, and what's not in it — more than Iraq or anything in foreign policy."

— KENNETH M. DUMKEFEIN, former chief of staff to President Ronald Reagan, discussing the effects ofstagflation on President Richard Nixon

Climb Aboard The 'Staight Talk Express'

Maverick McCain Provides Strength To Republican Ticket

Not everyone has the time or the desire to read the whole book, but for those who do, here is a quick summary of the key points:

1. The book is about politics and the role of the president in shaping public policy.
2. The author discusses the importance of public opinion and the need for leaders to listen to their constituents.
3. McCain is portrayed as a practical and pragmatic leader who is able to appeal to a wide range of voters.
4. The book argues that McCain's centrist approach is necessary to address the pressing issues of our time, such as healthcare, education, and homeland security.
5. The author also points out the potential dangers of extremism and the need for leaders to be able to work across the aisle.

The book is a must-read for anyone interested in politics and the role of the president in shaping public policy.
Doran Goes Exploring

By DANIELLE KAMPE
features editor

It was January of this year. Professor Ronald Doran was given the opportunity to get up close and personal with the rare location on earth that inspired Darwin’s theory of evolution. This was quite a opportunity for any place to take up, but Galapagos Islands and Doran was no disappointed.

A professor of biology, Doran went to the Galapagos Islands to take the time to learn about his field of study. "My trip to the Galapagos Islands was truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience," Doran said. "These islands are home to one of the largest diversity of flora and fauna known to man." 

When Doran arrived on the island, the first thing he did was to immerse himself in the culture and way of life of the local people. He spent several weeks learning about the traditional ways of living and the importance of conservation and sustainability in the Galapagos. 

"The more I live and learn about the intricacies of God’s creation," Doran said, "the more I am convinced that nature speaks to us about the important role our faith plays in our daily lives."

Throughout his trip, Doran was able to appreciate much of the wildlife and beauty found in the Galapagos.

"Our daily hikes after breakfast consisted of hiking a landing site one of the islands and seeing a new or unusual bird or to see all the plants, wild life and geological features," Doran said.

Doran also admits to being blown away by the beauty of the landscape and the sheer variety of wildlife found in the Galapagos. He mentioned seeing a variety of birds, including frigate birds, pelicans, and booby birds, as well as several types of reptiles, including sea turtles and iguanas.

The most memorable moment of Doran’s trip, he said, was seeing the giant tortoises. "It was a dream come true," he said. "I had always wanted to see these creatures in their natural habitat, and to finally see one up close was truly amazing."

Doran said he hopes to return to the Galapagos in the future and continue his work on the islands, both as a researcher and as a teacher. He encourages others to visit the Galapagos and to learn about the importance of conservation and sustainability in this unique location.

"The Galapagos Islands is a place where one can truly experience the beauty of God’s creation," Doran said. "I hope that others will take the opportunity to see this amazing place for themselves and learn about the importance of protecting and preserving such a special location."
Tucker Fuels Fire On, Fights Fire Off Court

Kinsey Tucker Statistics

- 1,142 points in two seasons from three around 2006-2008
- 10.4 percent career free throw shooter
- Has averaged 8.6 points, 3.4 assists and 3.3 rebounds per game for her two seasons

Tucker said.

"I don't think I'm the greatest basketball player ever, but I think I can play. I think I can be a good basketball player. I think I can be a good leader for the team. I think I can be a good role model for the team."

Tucker and her Lady Bison teammates have been singing praises for each other all year long. Despite the team's struggles, Tucker and the Lady Bison have had a few wins to keep their spirits up and bring them closer to the 6-0 mark.

"I think we're all working hard together. I think we're all working hard to improve our skills," Tucker said.

Tucker's leadership has been evident on the court and in the classroom. She has maintained a 3.3 GPA and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Super Bowl Tickets Stick It To The Bank Account

Tallahassee native guard Kinsey Tucker watches a play against Arkansas Razorbacks in the 2007 NCAA men's basketball tournament.

Lenny B. Serves up a financial lesson to all Super Bowl fans and aspiring entrepreneurs in the Little Rock area with his latest book, "Stick It To The Bank Account: The Art of Financial Independence in the Super Bowl Era."
SPORTS

Exciting NCAA Basketball Season Lies Ahead

By BRAD HIGGINS

sports editor

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Barnes Takes Show To Crowd

BY MARISSA SHROXER
student reporter

I n the auditorium of the Admin. on Jan. 30, the auditorium was packed with students and faculty as they went to see Dave Barnes perform. Barnes was an entertaining performer and his show instantly went down well with the audience.

Barnes performed numerous songs such as "Butterflies," "Greyhound," "On You." His encore performance was a rendition of "A Night Like This" and "Till the End." The audience performance was a success of "Dave Barnes," which will appear in his 6th show.

Not only was Dave an incredibly talented performer, but he also knew his way around the campus. Numerous times, he stopped the show to give a shout out to his fans or ask for a volunteer to help him pass out his autographs.

Audience members jumped up and down to the beat of the music andandoned their seats to dance to the music. Barnes kept audiences wanting more during his concert.

To Count A Mockingbird

By Samantha Holzbrach
assistant news editor

P ersonally, I have not been a part of the counterculture scene. To me, it is a mesh of hippy, drug loving, and free-loving people. I would never have dreamed of participating in such an event. However, as the years have gone by, I have grown more open-minded towards different events and have become more receptive to new ideas.

This year, I was able to participate in the Backyard Bird Count (CBC), which is an event that brings together birders from all over the world. The CBC is a project that takes place each year, and it is a way to count birds in the backyard and see how many species are present.

This year, I was able to participate in the CBC, and I was able to witness the beauty of bird watching. It was a great experience, and I was able to see a wide variety of birds. I was also able to see some birds that I had never seen before.

The CBC is a great way to get involved with nature and to see the beauty of birds. I would definitely recommend it to anyone who is interested in nature and bird watching. It is a wonderful way to spend a day, and it is a wonderful way to learn about the world around us.