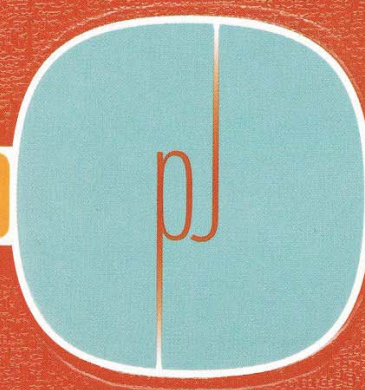
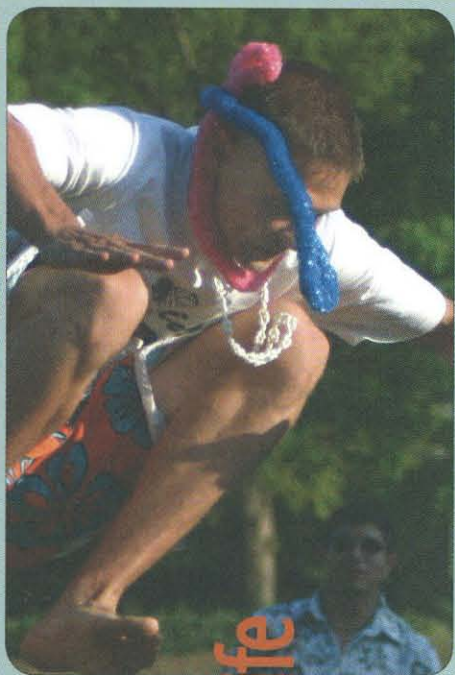
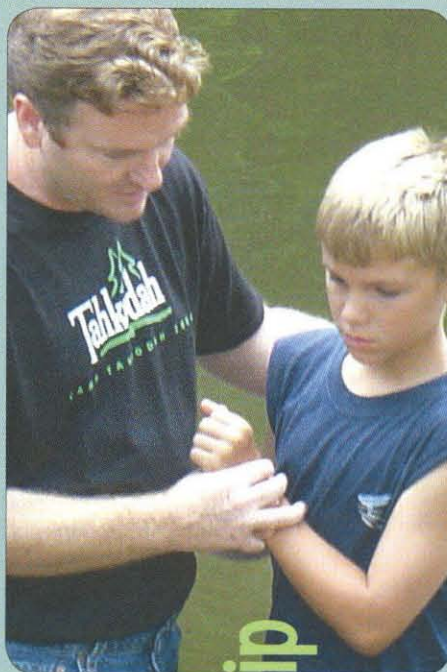


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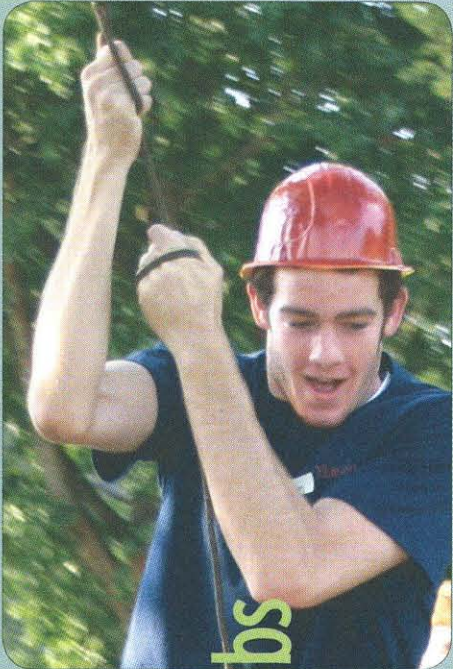
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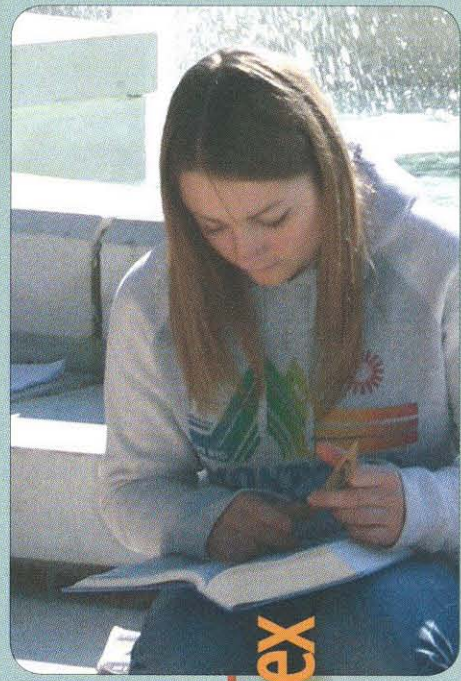
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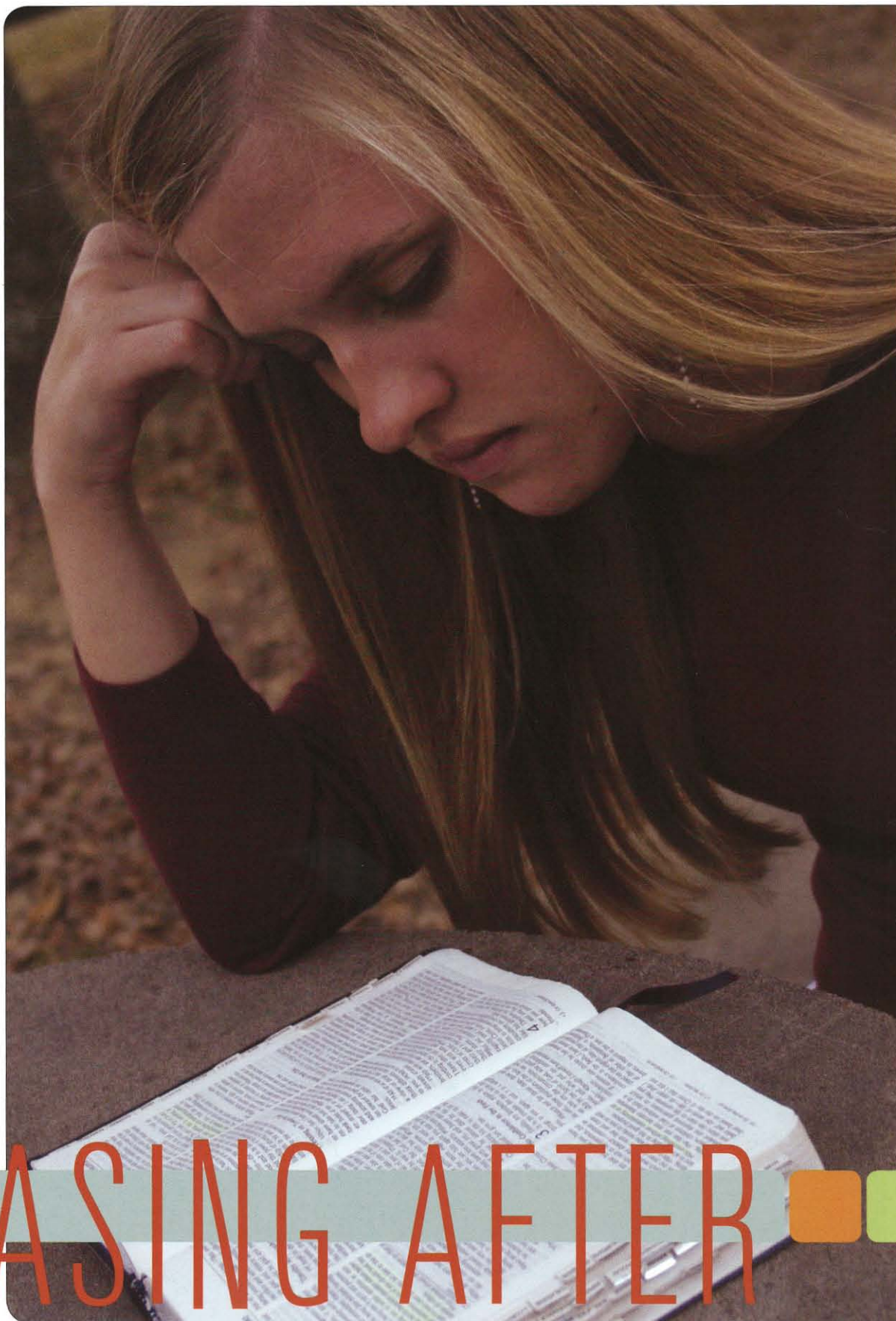
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Participating in the Chi Sigma Alpha mixer Sept. 7, freshman Nathan Wilhelm swings from a rope onto a pile of mattresses. The mixer was called the MXC Mixer after the television show "Most Extreme Elimination Challenge." •Amber Bazargani



from the moment we arrive

we look forward to the day

when we will enter the real world

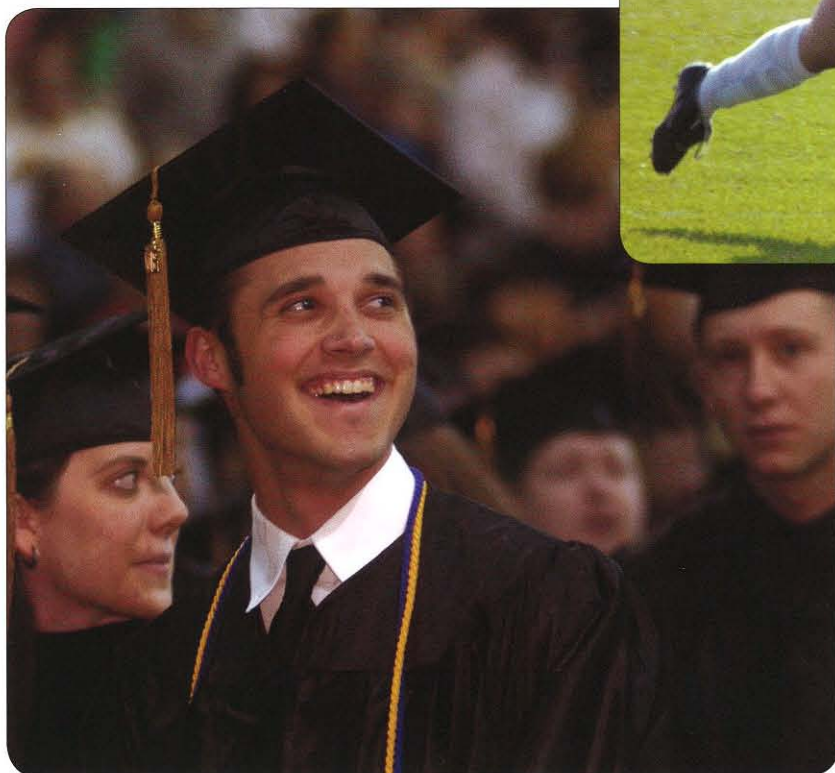


After making a defensive stop, senior Josh Gronvold tries to run the ball up the field to score as senior Shane Smith attempts to stop him during the Black and Gold game Oct. 27. "The Black and Gold game was fun because it drew a lot of alumni to play against us," junior Josh Jairos, a member of the lacrosse team, said. •Chelsea Roberson

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Keeping possession of the ball, freshman Chelsea Smith continues down the field as a Montevallo player attempts a steal Sept. 22. The Montevallo game was the Lady Bisons first Gulf South Conference game which they won 3-0. •Amber Bazargani

Waiting to walk, senior Jeff Fowler looks up at his family and friends May 13 at graduation in the Ganus Athletic Center. More than 655 seniors received their degrees in May. •Jeff Montgomery



we pursue dreams,

but we know we can never stray

from chasing after God's heart

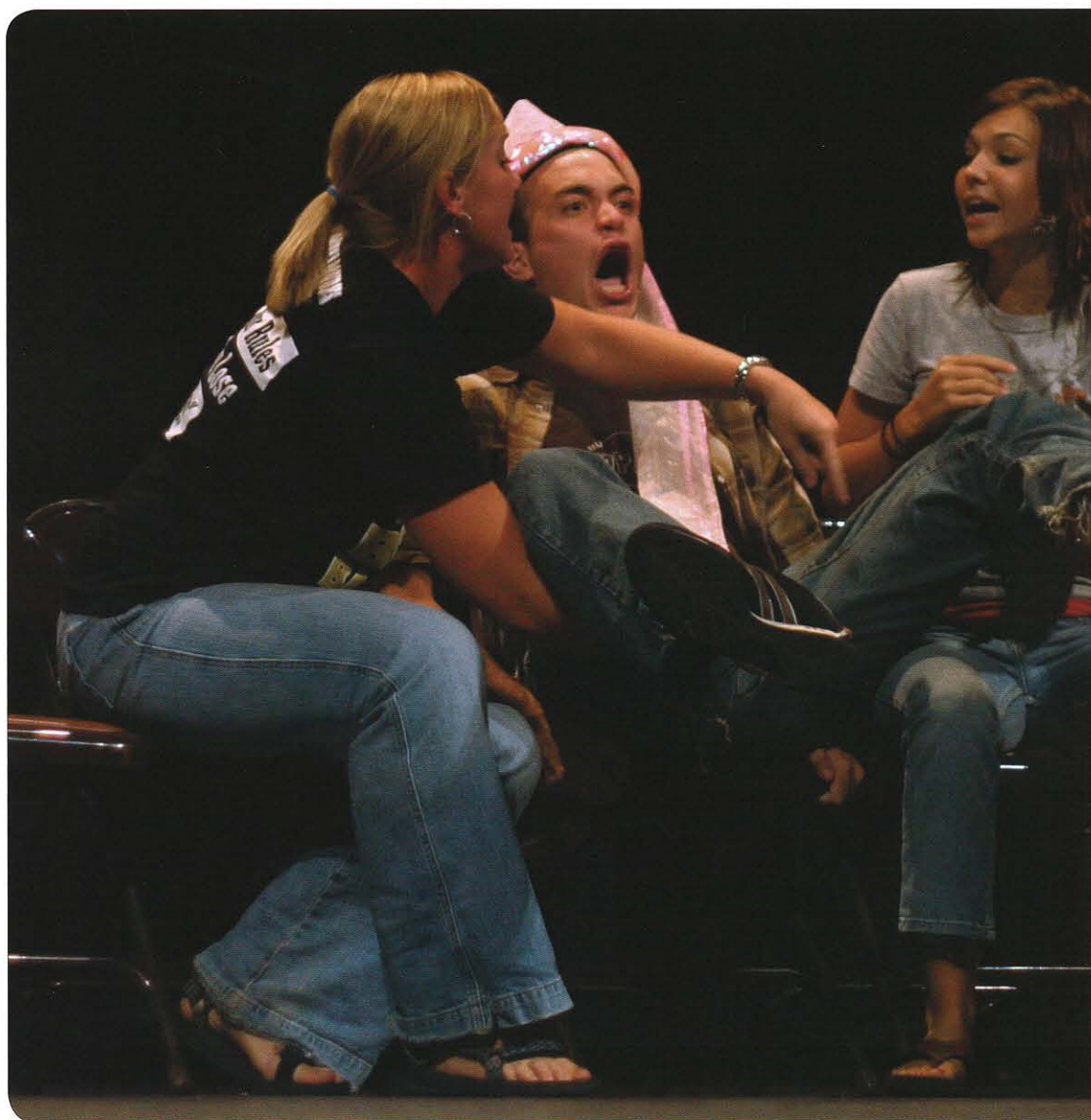
During a brass seminar taught by Daniel Perantoni, professor of music from Indiana University, senior James Wilhite, a music education major, receives a tuba lesson. "This master class was a once-in-a-lifetime awesome experience that not every serious tuba player gets to have," Wilhite said. •Chelsea Roberson



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we can never achieve this balance,
but our time in college helps us
get one step closer to our ultimate goal

Senior Betsy Glover and freshman Heather Turner help junior Ryan Davenport, who went by "Princess," give birth as freshman Philip Mainprize looks on during the hypnotist show Aug. 19. "Anything the hypnotist told me to do, even if it was really dumb, sounded like a great idea to me," Glover said of being hypnotized. •Chelsea Roberson



Epic Hero frontman Justin Milbradt and bassist and keyboardist Brad Bivens perform "Making Me Love You" from their new album in the Benson Auditorium on Oct. 5. "The whole show was really relaxed; it was like sitting watching them practice," said senior Corey McEntyre, who played several songs with the band and organized the concert. •Chelsea Roberson



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Scott Adair

honored by the senior class

From taking students overseas and helping them see another world view to applying biblical principles to everyday objects, Scott Adair, assistant professor of Bible, tried to help his students discover truth for themselves, which was one of the many reasons Adair was voted by the senior class as the 2007 Petit Jean dedication recipient.

Adair received his bachelor's degree in Bible and religion from Harding in 1990, his master of divinity from Harding University Graduate School of Religion and planned to finish his doctorate of ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary by August of 2007.

Before coming to teach at Harding in 2001, Adair spent eight years as a youth minister at Highway Church of Christ in Judsonia, Ark., and four years at South MacArthur Church of Christ in Irving, Texas.

One of the reasons he went into teaching was to train youth ministers, which he felt was an extension of his ministry.

"For me it's a multiplication of ministry," Adair said. "I've been doing youth ministry for 12 years and could have done youth ministry for many more years because I really enjoyed it, but I felt like my best contribution at that point in my life

would be to train youth ministers and ministers in general."

One of Adair's favorite parts of teaching was seeing his students develop while they progressed through school.

"I love seeing students discover truth, discover the character of God and own it themselves," Adair said. "I like facilitating discovery better than importing data. My favorite thing is to see that. I love to see students who have been through that process and it's transformational. I like the changing of lives."

Senior Kenly Penn, who had Adair as a teacher and was in Adair's youth group at South MacArthur, said Adair was unique as a professor because of the care he put into his teaching.

"He is very passionate about what he does," Penn said. "You can tell the way he teaches he really gets into it, and he uses emotion."

One of the ways in which Adair showed his passion was through the applications of his teachings. In the fall of 2005, Adair invited his Adolescent Education class to his home since his family owned a horse farm. He showed his class the connection that humans and intelligent animals could make and explained how communication changed when horses and humans interacted. He used the illustra-

tion to talk about some of the teaching principles which they were learning about in class.

Adair also sponsored students on survey trips to Greece, India, Mexico and Thailand, which he said was important for adolescents to go on.

"I think for the development of a young person, having those global experiences is life transformational," Adair said. "It shows them a whole other world view and helps them to critique and value their own world view. It helps them to appreciate the God of the world and other people's perspective. It gives them the heart for another country, another people."

Penn said one of the things he enjoyed about Adair was the ease at which he could talk to Adair.

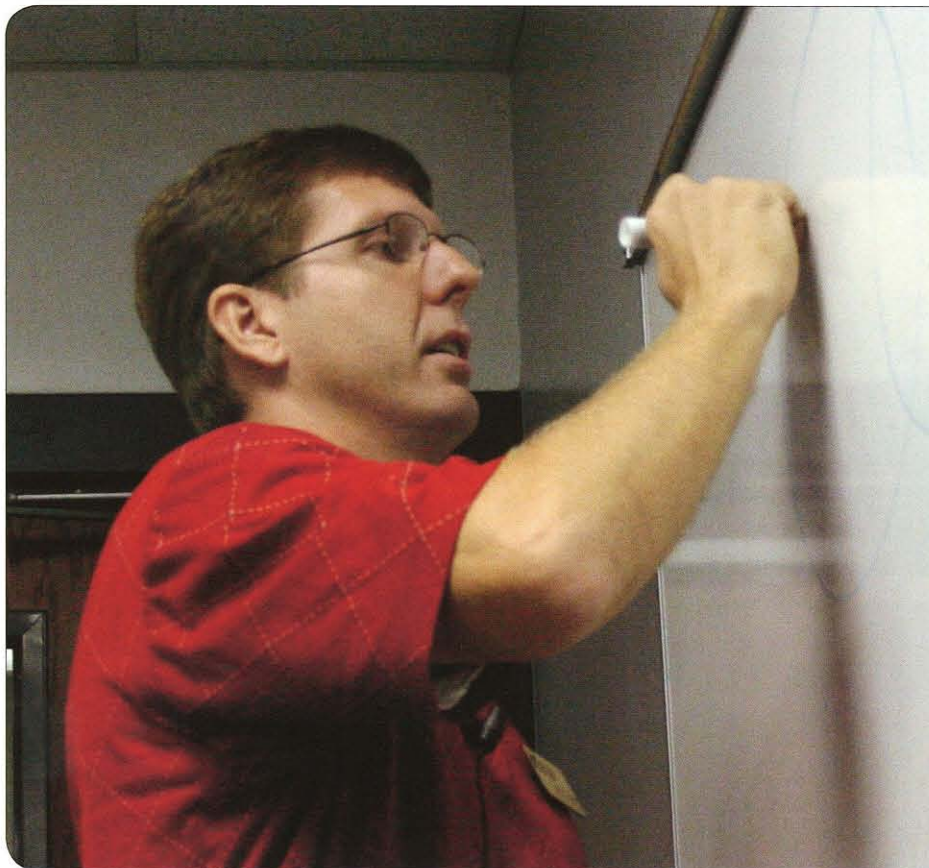
"He's very relatable," Penn said. "He's easy to talk to and a good listener. I really think he understands people. I know he's impacted my life a lot as being a friend, a mentor, as a teacher."

Adair said, above all, he wanted to try and instill in his students to seek the truth.

"I think I want to teach them to don't be afraid to ask questions," Adair said. "Know to pursue the why of everything and that God is truth and that he is not threatened by our scrutiny and that we grow in our questions."

•Cynthia Noah, editor in chief

Scott Adair, assistant professor of Bible, speaks at Lectureships on Sept. 27 on "Walking the Adolescent Tightrope." Adair worked in youth ministry for 12 years before teaching at Harding. •Amber Bazargani





While having his Adolescent Education class over at his house in the fall of 2005, Scott Adair helps former student Andrew Hutchinson get a catfish off his fishing pole. Adair invited his class to his house to ride horses and have a bonfire and used the time to teach his class that they could use anything to teach teenagers about life, even horseback riding. •Courtesy of Christy Morton